



Heavy load

Nature's midday show in East Jordan last week was quite spectacular. A bald eagle moved his kill out on the ice near the bridge, but when he went to take it to more quiet surroundings, he decided maybe mealtime was over and left it behind.

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HIGH ABSENTEEISM CLOSES SCHOOL FOR TWO DAYS

Flu bug takes a toll on Boyne students

Although not officially labeled a flu epidemic, Boyne City Schools closed Tuesday and Wednesday due to the virus' effect on student attendance.

"We feel like the flu is hitting a peak and want to give everyone time to recover," said school nurse Jean Odgers late Monday afternoon. School officials met with health department officials and decided to close the schools because of the high number of absences.

The elementary school was the hardest hit with 165 absences, while 65 out of 494 middle school students stayed home on Monday. The numbers were slightly lower for the high school.

It doesn't mean they all have the flu, Odgers said, but typically the middle and high schools have between 10 and 20 absences a day.

East Jordan students are in much better shape, with only an eight percent absentee rate. According to Superintendent Chip Hansen, that's about average for this time of year.

Students and teachers in Boyne City will have to make up one of the missed days at the end of the year. The state allows for two snow days and the district already used one earlier this month.

Students with the airborne virus were averaging three

days of missed school, but Dr. Brian Youngs, director of the Northwest Community Health Department, recommends they stay home for five days to more fully recover.

"The virus is spread person to person by direct contact," said Dr. Pamela Knysz, Boyne Area Medical Center. "They are contagious about one day before the onset of symptoms and then for the next few days." The medical center has seen an increase in flu cases in the past few weeks, especially among elementary-age students.

Symptoms for this strain — probably Influenza A — include a sudden onset of fever, chills, headaches,

fatigue and muscle aches, followed by nasal congestion and coughing, as well as nausea and vomiting.

Odgers said that like the common cold, only the symptoms can be treated — there is no cure. She recommends plenty of rest, fluids to keep hydrated, pain relievers as needed and fever reducers. But, she said, the most important thing is hand-washing to limit the spread of infection.

Although adults can get flu shots, children cannot receive the vaccination. Odgers said there are still probably plenty of adults with the strain which likely started after the holiday season.



Photo by Karen Walker

Joan Lemerand, left, presented Connie Roberts with the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce President's Award during Saturday evening's annual banquet. Connie was also honored as the Citizen of the Year.

Chamber honors Connie and Alice

It was a festive evening for the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce and it was one Connie Roberts will not soon forget.

She was selected the chamber's Citizen of the Year and was given the President's Award by out-going chamber president Joan Lemerand.

The chamber's annual meeting was held at the Jordan Valley Express Saturday, and it was a time of relaxation for many who had just finished organizing, promoting and coordinating the Sno-Blast.

The Express was beautifully decorated, and the tables were filled with people enjoying the fantastic hors d'oeuvres, and the chance to visit with their friends.

State Rep. Bev Bodem was on hand to help honor the Citizen of the Year, as well as a relatively new honor — Ambassador of the Year.

Connie, an East Jordan native, epitomizes the spirit of volunteerism, helping out regularly at school, helping to write the new city charter, and working at all the national and local elections.

She has also been involved with the Miss East Jordan pageants, and always helps out with the Jordan Valley Freedom Festival — especially the Youth Parade.

Connie also is active in the Sno-Blast, where, besides participating behind the scenes, she can also be seen gamely attempting to capture the prize for the snow sculpture con-



Alice Matteson

test. Connie teaches catechism at St. Joseph, has coached softball for years and leads a Girl Scout Troop. She has taken her troop on trips to New York City and the Mall of America — travels that many scouts would not have been able to participate in without the determination and commitment of an invaluable leader.

But Connie hasn't forgotten the Scouting tradition of helping others, and in this spirit, she has gotten her troop involved with the annual Care and Share program, making sure that the children of needy families are receiving gifts at Christmas time.

Connie is also a certified life-guard and has her CPR certificate,

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A FRIEND of the JORDAN

JOHN RICHTER HAS A PASSION FOR HIS WORK AND THE PLACE HE CALLS HOME

By JANE BROCK

The office of East Jordan Dr. John Richter, veterinarian, is a warren of little rooms and doors, culminating in the "hospital," a brightly lit, clean room filled with variously sized kennels.

One of them was the temporary home to a cat named Ruby. She was lying on a soft pad near a clean litter pan. She looked weary, and lay passively. Dr. Richter explained that she had been caught in the fan of a car engine, and that she had been badly hurt. He was not certain yet that she would survive. He had reconstructed her lower half from memory, he said, the pattern was obliterated.

"When you face the Grim Reaper every day," he said, "you don't take it lightly. The hard part is playing God. I struggled trying to decide if Ruby was fixable. When it's all said and done, will I have done her a favor?"

He spoke softly and with profound sincerity, undiminished by years doing this work. He is a slight man, with strong arms, and a face serious and worn.

John started his practice in Freeland with his brother, also a vet. Their work concentrated on horses, as much out of need as desire, John said. It was a remarkable learning experience, he said.

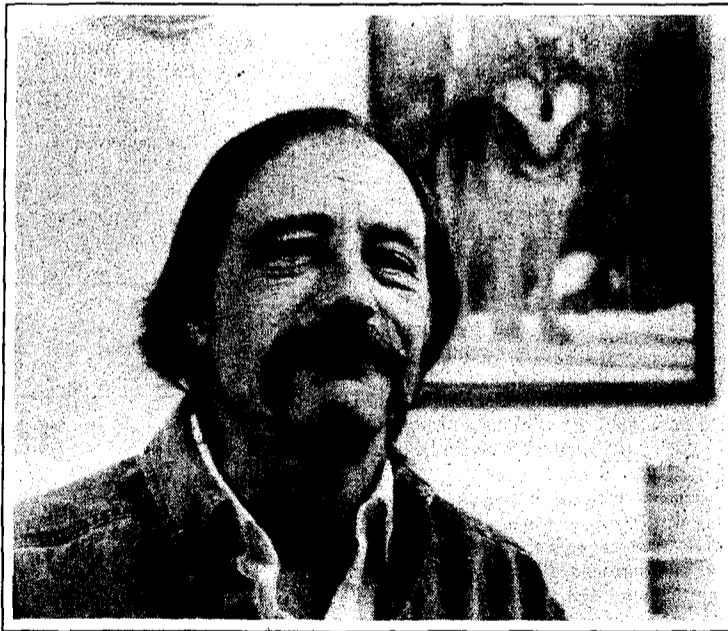
"Horses will train you quickly — horses do things in a big way." He continued in business with his brother until 1984 when he and his wife, Kerry, moved to East Jordan. John had always wanted to live up north, but picked East Jordan "just like the big boys," he said. "I studied the demographics."

He found East Jordan to be "medically underserved," but he found something else as well. "I need to live in a place with heart and spirit," John explained, and there was plenty of that. More than that, there was the Jordan River Valley, pristine and lovely, and a little town nestled at its end that was, in John and Kerry's minds, "a diamond in the rough."

"It's a unique place. Stand on the bridge in East Jordan, and look one way and you see the biggest employer in Charlevoix County. Look the other way and you see a pair of bald eagles eating fish out of the ice. Where else can you see that?"

So they began looking for a place in which to establish their practice. John grins when he remembers coming across the building that houses his clinic now. He still has the sign that read: "For Sale. No Money Down For the Right Buyer." As a recent grad with no money, John felt that he fit the bill. For the next several weeks, he and his dad camped out at the building, remodeling, cleaning and fixing the place up.

John's childhood did influence his direction in life. He is close



Dr. John Richter opened his practice in East Jordan in 1984.

to his parents, who are now his neighbors, and with whom he shares a fanaticism for gardening — and a garden. He has had a lifelong interest in wildlife, living things, science and how things work. He thinks these qualities serve him well today in his business, as the doctor part encompasses the science, the hands-on, finding-out-how-things-work (and how to put them back together) interests. The curiosity is satiated by the continuous change, the variety and problem solving he faces every day. "If there is one constant," he said, "it is that nothing ever stays the same."

He is a hunter and fisherman, too, but, he said, "I can be an effective hunter and come back with a photo trophy." He uses hunting and fishing as an excuse to be "out there — poking around more than actively hunting or fishing. I take my fishing pole to make my excuse more credible, but I don't have to use it." One "fishing" excursion found him snorkeling in the Jordan River, where instead of seeing the sky reflected in the sliding waters, he saw the other side of the surface. It was another kind of fishing, he insisted.

There was nothing simple about starting things from scratch, and John and Kerry had to acknowledge that their practice was a business, and that they had to make it economically viable. They invested themselves heavily those first years. "Medicine is a seven

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OPINION

IT'S ONLY LIFE

Debate brings out all sides

By ROGER HUCKLE

The evolution/creation debate that has been transpiring in the local press has been very interesting.

The published opinions from both sides have raised some very good points, from impassioned pleas for understanding to well researched technical proofs, and some downright ridicule and impolite innuendo from those whose words belie some deep insecurity about their and others' beliefs.

Far be it from me, with my humble education, to try to persuade anybody's opinion. I was taught that evolution was pretty much a fact throughout my entire scholastic career. I believe I would have failed biology if I hadn't been able to memorize Darwin's theories or chose to record creationist answers on my exam papers. We didn't call it "political correctness" or "outcome based education" back then; we called it a biology test and we rendered unto Caesar what was Caesar's.

It seems obvious to me that this issue, and others like it, will never be resolved to everyone's satisfaction, but it sure is enjoyable to read the debate and ponder what the actual facts are. We all have an innate curiosity when it comes to the questions of who we are and where we came from.

I find it ironic that belief in either viewpoint requires one common motivating factor: faith. On one side is the faith in a theory that motivates study in an attempt to prove it, and on the other side is faith in a Supreme Being that motivates study in an attempt to understand it.

It seems to me the crux of the issue is one of legitimacy. If creationism were to be taught alongside evolution in the classroom, it would lend a certain legitimacy to the idea. I think this has a tendency to scare the pants off some segments of our educational hierarchy. First creationism, then what - Jesus defying the law of gravity by walking on water? - never!

State sponsored educational institutions have historically used primarily a 5W-based curriculum. As long as you remembered who, what, where, when and why, according to your instructor, you probably passed your courses.

Applying this criteria to creationism we have: who - God, what - created man, where - garden of Eden, when - the sixth day, why - fellowship. Seems pretty straightforward to me. Applying this criteria to evolution we get: who - Darwin, what - theorized natural selection, where - aboard the ship "Beagle" after leaving the clergy in England, when - 1830's (although not officially published until the 1850's), why - God only knows - it's only life.

LETTERS

Thanks to 'my great family, great friends'

TO THE EDITOR:

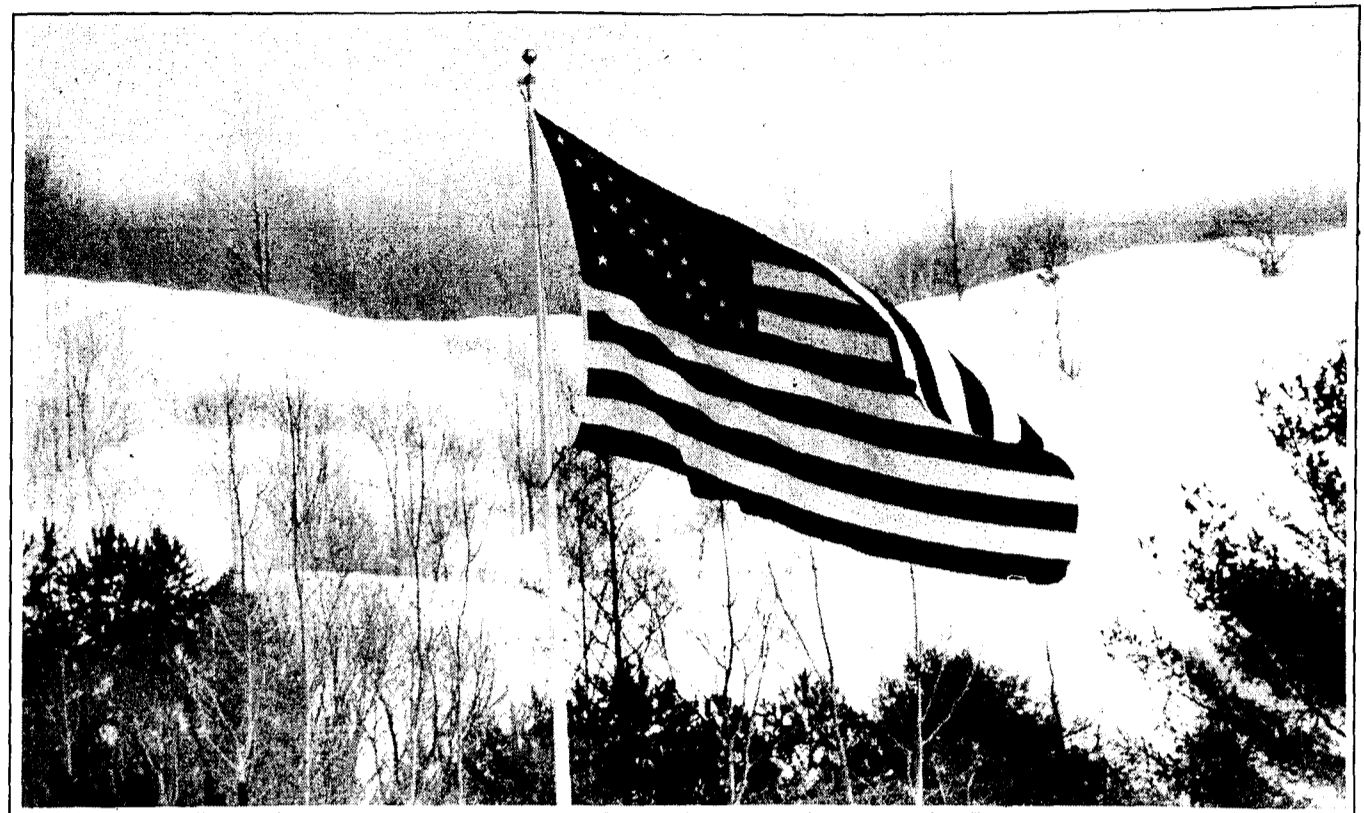
What a surprise to receive the President's award and the Citizen of the Year award. I would like to thank Joan Lemerand for giving the Girl Scouts in troop #362 a chance to be a part of "their community." Thanks to each girl in troop #362 for working so hard on each project you do and for being such a fantastic bunch of girls.

As I listened to the Citizen of the Year award, my first thought was oh no - not me, my second thought was I don't do all these projects alone.

I am always surrounded by my great family and great friends that work and volunteer with me. So I'd like to say thanks to each of you that has worked on a project with me and thanks to the East Jordan Chamber for the award and a fantastic night!

Connie Roberts

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Waving in the breeze

The slopes of Boyne Mountain are what bring skiers and snowboarders, and once they arrive at the resort they are greeted by a large, beautiful American flag waving in the breeze against a beautiful backdrop of snow-covered hills.

A MOM'S LIFE

This one is best left alone

By CINDI PLACE

Having grown up in a very competitive family, I understand the need to "be the best" at something. Of course, as a child, I was usually focused on my own needs and what I had to do to excel. But as a parent, I find myself viewing competition, and all the baggage that comes with it much, much differently.

First of all, in my role as parent rarely do I feel that my child hasn't done well. It doesn't matter if the picture is the ugliest thing I've ever seen, or if the child sat on the bench the entire game. He's still the best as far as I'm concerned. And both my husband and myself spend an awful lot of energy encouraging our children to believe in themselves and what they are capable of accomplishing.

The trouble comes when more than one child in our family is participating in the same activity. Of course, you want to be supportive for both children. But what if one of the kids is actually better than the other, at least in this particular instance or on this particular day? Whoa baby, are we talking diplomacy here, or what?

What we have feared for a while has finally happened. The younger brother beat the older brother in a ski race. Now, keep in mind that the younger sibling had been practicing on a daily basis while the elder son had other after-school

obligations. And the older boy has grown so much that a new pair of skis and boots have become necessary, thereby offering the excuse that he wasn't comfortable with his new equipment. But, nevertheless, the older got beaten by the younger. And it wasn't pretty.

For years, the younger brother has had to tolerate teasing about his stature (short) and his speed (slow). His older brother rarely passed on an opportunity to point out that bigger was usually better. Many times the younger sibling would argue that, in some instances, size had very little to do with athletic ability. So now we are in an "I told you so" kind of situation.

So, do we as parents step in and defuse this potentially volatile predicament? Is it our role to take this situation and use it as a learning experience, leading our children through the intricacies of good sportsmanship? Not on your life. This is going to be one time when we step aside and let them work it out.

Because the bottom line is, no matter how often we remind our children to be nice to each other, or how many times we preach to them about being fair and treating others with compassion and kindness, nothing, absolutely nothing can beat having to face the music all by yourself.

And, hopefully, they will learn that they have something to teach each other as well.

Test of moral courage gets a failing grade

By JANE BROCK

My kids have come home troubled by the derogatory use of the name "Jew." I am pleased at their discomfort, but I don't think I can take a lot of credit for it. The first time they told me about it, just before Christmas, I took them to task and told them that if they ever heard it again, they were to correct the speaker firmly. I know it's hard, especially among your peers, but it's important. Tell them—they might not like it, but they won't forget. Later that day, an older woman, a friend of mine, said something about last minute shoppers trying to "Jew down" the prices. And I said—not a word.

Oh, I was shocked. Not to hear it—you do hear that sort of thing—but that I was put to the test that quickly, and that I failed it so completely. Now Katie brings it to my attention again, and this time, I think I will learn from her, instead of instructing her to have more moral courage than I have.

When my mom was young, her parents lived in an apartment in Detroit above a haberdashery owned by a Jewish family. One day my grandparents had a flood in their apartment, causing some damage in the store below. The haberdashery owners cleaned up their store, cut their losses, and offered my grandparents items which could not be sold, but were not too damaged by the water. My mother remembers that she got a bathrobe, child-sized.

Last year I took a history class taught by a Jewish man. This man was 11 when his father was shot to death in a robbery attempt—no actual robbery took place, because the father had no money. The robber shot him out of anger. In the spring of 1997, my history teacher went to the prison where his father's murderer will live out his days. He went to meet the man, to forgive him, hopefully to give himself and the killer some measure of peace.

I haven't known too many Jews. I grew up in northern Michigan, and there are no synagogues. I do not doubt that Jewish families live here—their system of faith is unique in that every service can be performed in the home, so a synagogue is not absolutely essential to the practice of Judaism. But I would be saddened to think that a Jewish child would feel persecuted here, and more saddened to think that I may not have stepped in to protect her.

Chris Adkison

LETTERS

Rules are there for kids' safety

TO THE EDITOR:

While at a hockey game at Avalanche Preserve recently, myself and another parent were approached by a woman and asked when her children could skate on the hockey rink.

I explained that as soon as the game was over they were welcome to use the rink as long as they had on helmets and hockey skates. She said they did not have either. I explained that the city rink was open to the public. You can wear whatever skates you prefer and helmets are not required.

She then informed me that that ice was not what she considered "skateable." She then left saying "You people are just terrible!"

That comment was completely unnecessary and for her and other uninformed people I'd like to explain:

The hockey program has a group of volunteers that put countless hours into making and grooming the hockey rink in order to host games in our town. It is not unheard of to have a volunteer or two at the rink at 1 a.m. spraying the rink. To let figure skates on the rink with their jagged toes would tear the ice up.

As far as helmets, hockey pucks are allowed on the hockey rink. Whether you take one on or not, someone else may be playing with one. To be hit in the head with a flying puck and not have a helmet on could result in serious injury.

The public is welcome to use the hockey rink as long as these rules are followed and a game or practice is not scheduled. That schedule is posted in the warming hut.

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AS BOYNE CITY SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT, KATHY ANDERSON FACES SOME MAJOR CHALLENGES. AND SHE REALIZES MOVING THE DISTRICT FORWARD WILL BE ...

No easy task

By HUGH CONKLIN

Imagine being in a room with 30 other people, all with strong opinions about the topic that drew them together.

Your job is to manage the discussion, cool the emotion and try to lead the group to some productive outcome and create an environment that makes them want to return two or three times a month for the next six to 12 months, or longer.

It wouldn't be easy. Nor would it be easy to try to repair the bridges that have been damaged for whatever reasons over the past several years between the community and Boyne City School District.

But that's the job facing the school board, in particular its president, Kathy Anderson.

As the board picks up the pieces from the last two failed bond proposals and attempts to restore unity to the school district, many are looking to the board president for leadership.

In addition to her duties as board president, she is also co-chairing the board's Educational Facilities Committee. The structure of the committee is still unsettled but Kathy is certain of one aspect: she and other board members want to hear from as many voters in the school district as possible about what they think needs to be done to address the district's housing shortcomings, and more importantly, what they will support.

"Besides the large price tag, people didn't understand what the money would be used for," Kathy said. "They thought it was pie in the sky. I don't think people are unwilling to provide something, it's just that this wasn't the one they could go for."

Kathy's path to the board began simply enough. "I wanted to know about the schools my kids were going to," she said. "I heard a lot about things that were wrong, and I wanted to see what I

could do to move things forward."

She's learned, though, that it isn't easy. "People really expect a lot from board members, so does the staff and administration. But we are not in the schools on a daily basis. Our role is setting a direction with policies and a budget. Education is now so complicated. It's amazing how complicated. Part of it is regulation. Part of it is addressing students' needs. There has been a lot more diversity in the classroom with the inclusion of special needs students in the classroom."

"I know there are problems, everyone on the board realizes that, but the thing is change doesn't come that fast."

Kathy brings an interesting background to the board. First and foremost, she is a parent. She and her husband Steve have two children, Amy, who's 8, and Neil, who's 4.

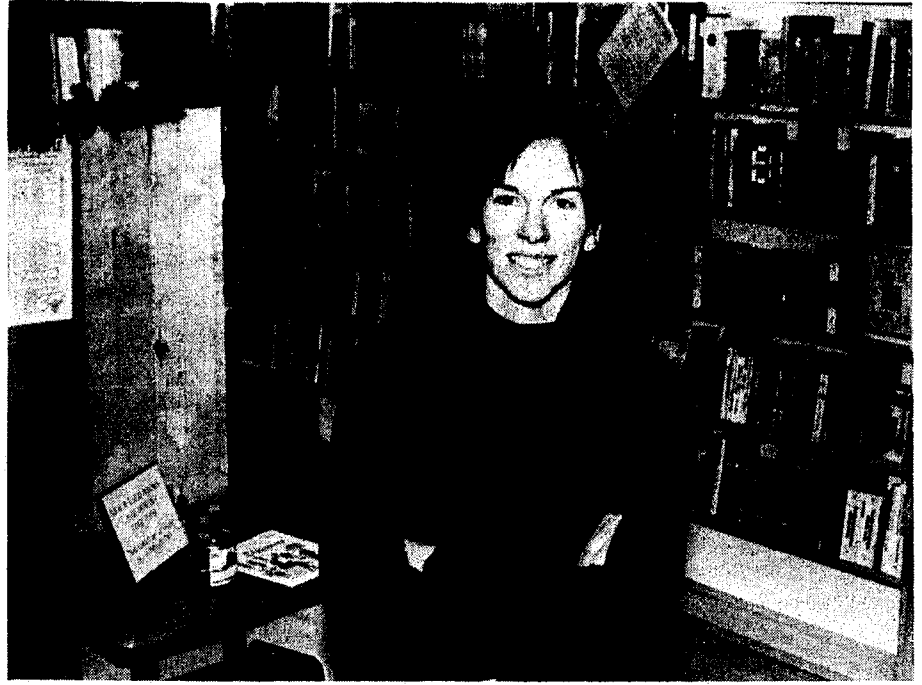
She's also a small business owner. She and Steve own Boyne Country Books.

And she's an engineer. So is Steve. She has a chemical engineering degree and Steve has a master's degree in mechanical engineering. They both graduated from Michigan Tech.

After graduation she worked for the State of Massachusetts as an environmental engineer while Steve worked as a mechanical engineer for General Electric. Then, wanting to be closer to family they moved to Willis, a small town in southeastern Michigan about the size of Boyne Falls, where she worked for Walbridge Aldinger, a Detroit construction management company. She worked as the environmental coordinator on a cleanup project for an urban Detroit neighborhood.

So how do these two engineers living downstate end up owning a bookstore in Boyne City?

They both found life as an engineer to be challenging, yet it was hectic and demanding. Little importance was put on family, Kathy said,



When she's not involved with school business, Kathy Anderson can be found at Boyne Country Books. She and her husband Steve opened the store in the summer of 1994.

and they could see there was very little corporate loyalty in the business world.

"We had thought of having our own business and thought about a bookstore," Kathy said. "I had worked in a bookstore and I liked the atmosphere. We investigated it and thought we could make it work. We looked at a lot of bookstores — new, used — and liked the combination."

Both Kathy and Steve were familiar with Boyne City. They had vacationed at Young State Park and Steve had skied at Boyne Mountain. So in June 1994 they made the plunge and opened Boyne Country Books.

The business has gone well. "People have been very supportive of us," Kathy said. "We have a good local customer base."

Despite a common perception that when business owners serve on the school board or city commission it negatively affects their business, Kathy hasn't found that to be true.

"I haven't felt our business being affected," she said. "I don't know of anyone not coming in. I

think it could be a problem if you made someone really mad.

"I just try to be a good listener. I always try to point people in the right direction. I'm not the end all. I try to help people work within the process."

Kathy was elected to the school board in 1996. She became board president last July. "Judy (Follette) didn't want it any longer and I thought I'd like to try it. I felt like I could be objective."

"I didn't have a lot of baggage and history with the board. I thought I could keep things on an even keel. There are layers of things that had gone on before me that I have no idea about."

A continuing struggle for the board is finding ways to improve communication between the schools and community.

You would have expected board members, prior to the bond proposal votes, to have heard more comments from district voters than they care

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LETTERS

All agree: Something needs to be done to help Boyne schools

TO THE EDITOR:

Talking with my fellow Boyne residents in the wake of last November's school millage defeat, I have heard many different opinions as to why the millage was not successful.

Among these many diverse opinions, however, was a SINGULAR common thought: SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE. Even the most vocal opponents of the last proposal have agreed on this point. Happily, the school board has stepped up to the plate and taken a pro-active position to move things forward.

The board has recognized the fact that community support is critical to the success of any proposal that may make its way to the ballot, and to this end it is actively seeking your input in the planning stages.

A public meeting is scheduled for this Thursday, Jan. 29, at the high school home economics room, and everyone concerned with this issue is encouraged to attend. If you were opposed to the past bond issues, your input would be especially valuable.

For those who cannot attend the meeting, your voice can still be heard by calling 582-0285 after 5 p.m. and leaving a taped message with your views and opinions. All messages received on this line will be transcribed and presented to the school board for its consideration in formulating a new proposal.

If preferred, you can mail your thoughts to School Ideas & Opinions, c/o Todd Wright, 216 Ray St., Boyne City, 49712, or e-mail to tawright@freeway.net

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Concord has plans to add 11th grade and more rooms

Adding a junior class may not be the only addition at Concord Academy Boyne next fall.

There also might be some new classrooms.

The school has decided to bring an architect on board who can help with long-range planning. "We want to sit down with an architect and brainstorm," said school administrator Larry Kubovchick.

The academy is accepting proposals from architects until Feb. 13. The immediate goal of the school is to build a small addition for two classrooms. "As we keep adding a grade, we have to do something," Kubovchick said.

Concord Academy opened a K-8 school in the fall of 1995. Until the school's building was completed on Dietze Road, the school met at the Walloon Community Church.

In 1996 the school added a ninth grade and last fall it added a 10th grade. Next fall it hopes to have an

11th grade. "We have to submit a letter of intent to Central Michigan (University) to get its approval," Kubovchick said. "We have submitted the letter."

CMU is the chartering institution for Concord.

With the increase in grades, comes the need for more classrooms. The academy's long-range goal is to add six classrooms, an auditorium/performing arts center, and more storage area. Initially the addition would be used for K-6 classes, but in the long run it will be used for the high school. Enrollment in the lower grades averages 20 per class, while the upper classes are small. As younger students "move through the ranks," more classrooms will be needed at the high grades, Kubovchick said.

But this year, "a small addition is all we can afford," Kubovchick said.

Unlike public schools, charter schools can not pass bond proposals to finance building projects. Rather, charter schools are much like homeowners. Currently Concord has an existing mortgage and it plans to

refinance the loan and roll back whatever equity it has into the addition. The school might also "look to individuals to invest or loan" money for the project.

Currently, Concord has an en-

rollment of 180 students. It is governed by a five member board whose members include president Barry Cole of Walloon, vice president Rebecca Woitescheck of Boyne City, treasurer Richard Carlson of Boyne

City, secretary Rebecca Smith of Boyne City, and Wayne King of Boyne City.

The board meets the third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. The meetings are open to the public.

OBITUARIES

Bertha L. Groesser

Bertha L. Groesser, 96, of East Jordan, died Jan. 22, 1998, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

Her funeral was Saturday, Jan. 24, at the East Jordan Missionary Church. The Rev. Peter Elliot officiated, with burial in Maple Grove Cemetery in Bingham Township, Leelanau County.

Bertha was born July 30, 1901, at Snowflake in Antrim County, the daughter of Lewis and Zina (Broderick) Lambert. She grew up in Central Lake and attended school at Munson Hospital, graduating as a registered nurse. She worked there many years and following retirement worked at Grandvue Medical Care Facility for another 10 years.

On Dec. 5, 1925, she married Perry Groesser in Central Lake. They lived on the Groesser homestead in Leelanau County for many years; all their children were born there. They moved to East Jordan in 1957. Mr. Groesser died in 1983.

She was a member of the Retired

Nurses Association, Temperance League, Grandvue Auxiliary, the East Jordan Missionary Church, and joined the Evangelical Lutheran ladies for quilting and Bible study. She enjoyed family reunions, helping others, fishing, gardening, canning, knitting, tatting, sewing, baking, visiting, and personal devotions.

Surviving are her children, Lester "Lee" (Wanda) Groesser, Bethel (Clifford) Bye, and Loren (Betty) Groesser; 15 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; 7 great-great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Alyce Cunningham of Traverse City and Daisy Wilson of Bellaire. Preceding her in death were a son, Gale Groesser, and her siblings Rebecca Spencer, Lillian Genter, Vern Lambert, Verd Lambert and Jack Lambert.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Northwest Michigan Chapter, 3210-C Racquet Club Drive, Traverse City, MI 49684.

Katherine Sara Shelswell Sieggreen

Katherine Sara Shelswell Sieggreen, 49, of Boyne City, died Jan. 21, 1998 at Northern Michigan Hospital.

Her funeral was Saturday, Jan. 24, at the Stackus Funeral Home. The Rev. Francis Partridge officiated, with burial in Maple Lawn Cemetery.

Kathy was born on July 14, 1948 in Atlanta, the daughter of Hiram and Lucille Sammons Freiburger. On Aug. 7, 1965 she married Ronald A. Sieggreen. Kathy was well known for the volunteer work that she did

around town with many groups.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald, of Boyne City; three children, Kimberly, Brandy, and Ronald, Jr., all at home; sisters, Ruth Winchester of Tampa, Fla., Rose Freiburger of Ellsworth, and Margaret Freiburger of Denver, Colo., and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; and a nephew, Jose Freiburger.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Chester "Chet" Joseph Alef

Chester "Chet" Joseph Alef, 78, of Horton Bay, died on Tuesday, Jan. 20, 1998 at his home.

Funeral Mass was Friday, Jan. 23, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. The Rev. Francis Partridge officiated, with burial in St. Augustine Cemetery, Boyne Falls.

Chet was born on July 3, 1919 in Detroit, the son of Peter and Ella Alef. He owned and operated a family grocery store in Clinton Township until 1969. He then went to work for the Lanse-Cruise Schools as a custodian until his retirement.

On Nov. 28, 1946 he married Lucille "Lu" Wolschon. Chet was a

veteran of WW II in the US Army. In August of 1995 they moved to Boyne City. He was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church and was a fourth degree Knight of Columbus.

Survivors include his wife, Lu Alef, of Boyne City; three daughters, Pamela (Stephen) Budd of East Point, Lori (James) Van Ostenbridge of Hayward, Calif., and Noel (Patrick) Fisher of Boyne City; one brother, Thomas (Bernice) Alef of St. Clair Shores; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The family wishes memorials to St. Matthew's Building Fund.

Winston Marshall Foss

Winston Marshall Foss, 75, of Boyne City, died Monday, Jan. 19, 1998, at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, at the Grandvue Medical Care Facility chapel in East Jordan.

Winston was born Feb. 8, 1922, in Deckerville, the son of Frederic and Mary Foss.

He was a veteran of World War II in the Army Air Force.

After the war, Winston worked for GM Truck & Coach. In 1950, he purchased and operated a party store in Keego Harbor until 1955, when he moved to Boyne City and went to work for Courter's. In 1969, Winston operated Win's Meat & Party Store. He retired in 1975.

He was a member of the Boyne Valley Lions and enjoyed fishing and

Sunday drives.

On Dec. 3, 1994, Mr. Foss married Mary L. Juday and she survives.

Also surviving are four stepsons, Gerald (Louise) Larsen of Au Gres, John (Linda) Juday of Petoskey, David (Dorine) Larsen of Boyne City, and C. Eugene (Janice) Juday of Petoskey; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; a brother, Frederic, of Winona, Minn.; and a sister, Frances, of Hawaii.

Winston was preceded in death by his first wife, Careda, in 1989 in Las Vegas; and by one stepdaughter, Myrna.

The family wishes memorial contributions be made to Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

Arrangements were handled by the Stackus Funeral Home.

Boyne CITY HALL news

By SUE HOBBS

A DROP BOX FOR water/sewer and tax payments has been installed to the right of the front door at City Hall. Hopefully, this will be convenient for those residents who are not able to make it to City Hall during our office hours.

TOTAL SNOWFALL for the year is 41.5 inches. Last year at this time (Jan. 21, 1997) we had recorded 82.5 inches of snow.

AS YOU MAY have read in The Citizen, the Census Bureau recently released population estimates which enumerated a decline in the population of Boyne City since the 1990 census. This supposed loss in population would result in reduced revenue sharing from the state as well as other incorrect documentation. Upon calling the Census Bureau, we learned we could challenge the findings and were sent the packet of worksheets to do so. The City of Charlevoix is challenging their population estimates also.

Completion of the worksheet documented that the current "population estimate" for Boyne City, based on the Census Bureau method of calculation, is 4,120. The population estimate released by the Census Bureau was 3,455, a difference of 665.

(Sue Hobbs is city clerk for Boyne City.)

VFW Auxiliary changes meeting time

Smelt City VFW Auxiliary 3675 is changing its meeting time until further notice to the first Wednesday

of the month at 3 p.m. Those attending are asked to wear uniforms, if available.

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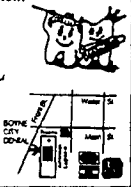
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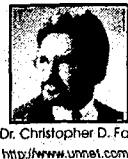
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Asbestos causes problem during EJ Elementary School renovation

School returned to normal for East Jordan elementary students a day after they received an unexpected day off last week.

The elementary school was closed Wednesday after some asbestos-containing ceiling materials were disturbed while construction workers were working in the unoccupied second floor area of the building on Tuesday.

Remodeling and renovation work has been ongoing at the school for the past several weeks.

The decision to close school was not made until late Tuesday evening, but the message was received by most families as only 12 students showed up for school Wednesday, according to superintendent Chip Hansen.

When the asbestos problem was discovered, the East Jordan School District contacted Environmental Testing and Consulting of Traverse City and an inspector was sent to the site, according to Hansen.

The inspector concluded that the disturbed material needed to be cleaned up. The affected areas were sealed off with tape and plastic.

Burco, Inc., of Traverse City, a licensed asbestos-removal company, cleaned the site on Wednesday.

To be sure the asbestos had been contained in the area where it was disturbed, the ETC also conducted air monitoring tests in and around the affected areas.

The samples collected were sent to an Environmental Protection Agency-certified lab in

Ann Arbor. The test results, received late Wednesday afternoon, showed no asbestos.

"Since the district wanted 100 percent assurance that the disturbed asbestos was contained in the construction areas," Hansen said, "the decision to cancel classes was made."

And in hindsight, it was the right decision, Hansen said. "There's no question in my mind we did the right thing. There was no asbestos, the tests were totally negative, but it's still better to be safe than sorry."

The asbestos was disturbed when a plumber working on the second floor drilled a hole through the floor into the ceiling below, Hansen said.

Because of the incident, the district has decided to develop an abatement plan and get rid of the asbestos altogether. In its original plan, the district thought it could leave it undisturbed and work around it.

There are four areas with asbestos, three are in abandoned classrooms and the other is in a hallway. The classroom areas will be done first, and the hallway will be completed during spring break, Hansen said.

The cost to remove the asbestos will not be determined until the district receives proposals from companies qualified to do the work.

Closing school last Wednesday will not affect the school calendar unless there is another snow day this winter. If there is, the elementary school will go one more day at the end of the year.

NEW DAY CARE RECEIVES \$5,000 GRANT

A boost for Robyn's Roost

Robyn's Roost Developmental and Educational Child Care has received a \$5,000 grant.

"All I ever knew about grant writing was to ask for the full amount," said Robyn Morgan. And she got it.

The money is allowing her to expand the child educational area at her child care by 1,250 square feet, add certified staff, build an infant development area surrounded by shatterproof mirrors, and to purchase nesting blocks and developmentally appropriate learning toys so infants can better explore the world around them.

Robyn's Roost is located on M-75 between Boyne City and Walloon.

The money was awarded to licensed or registered providers serving children from low-income families subsidized by the Family Independence Agency. The grant is a result of legislative action targeted to increase the quality and quantity of child care in Michigan.

And that, Morgan said, is precisely her focus. Seven months ago, she began providing child care services to six children, new-born through three years old, in her home.

After her son Austen was born, Morgan said she discovered a lack of educational child care for children under four years old. Unhappy with the care he was receiving, she forfeited her career in sales to become a child care provider.

"I want to change the standards of early childhood education in Michigan," said Morgan. "I don't think they are high enough."



With the grant Robyn Morgan will expand her day care, which is located between Boyne City and Walloon.

"I got into it because I care about kids," she said. She provides each parent a handbook outlining her goals and philosophy. Her objective is to prepare children early on for preschool by stimulating their senses, educating them, and through zone proximity teaching — in which children learn by interacting with varied age group children.

Although her bachelor's degree is in marketing, Morgan is certified in Early Childhood Education and is closing in on an associate's degree. Her two staff members are trained in

pre-school teaching and have worked in the field for many years. She would eventually like to offer co-ops to college students, so that they can get real-life experience working with children before they graduate.

Next, she said, she will apply for a technology grant. Even if she does not receive it, Morgan will still install live video cameras at either end of the care area, which parents can access at any time via the Internet.

The expansion will be completed this May with six additional openings for children.

NATIONAL GROUNDHOG JOB SHADOWING DAY

Students head off to a day at work

Debbie Harm of East Jordan High School is excited about a variety of programs being offered to encourage students to get involved with careers.

Char-Em Intermediate School District is participating in National Groundhog Job Shadowing Day on Feb. 2. This is a day when adults take students to work with them, giving the students a hands-on opportunity to learn more about work they have an interest in pursuing.

This is a short term commitment on the part of the employer, as it only involves one day, and gives the students a chance to observe operations. For example, already there are students signed up to spend the day at court, at a radio station, and one at a motel, where he or she will be learning more about the hospitality industry.

Another form of job shadowing is the "Take Your Son or Daughter to Work Day," in which the same goal of hands-on experience is gained by

the student going to work with his or her parent. This is a longer established program, and one that has been successful, not only in enlightening students about career possibilities for themselves, but also giving them a chance to see their parent in a different setting.

Harm also encourages a long term commitment in this same line. Career Mentoring is "the assignment of an adult occupational representative to a student for the purpose of providing career information, feedback on portfolio and/or work specific guidelines while on a work experience." In this case the adult would actually take a student on in an apprenticeship-type situation, teaching them about the career itself, and helping the student learn how to present him or herself in order to become a more desirable candidate for employment.

Harm said that students come away from these experiences with a variety of reactions.

"Some come back and are all

hepped up, saying, 'I know that's what I want to do!' For others, it eliminates possibilities."

If your company has an interest in mentoring or job shadowing, call Harm at the school, at 536-0053, ext. 5371.

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NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

BETTY ARNER SHAVER recently returned to her Boyne City home after spending the past seven weeks in California. The first five weeks were in Fresno at the home of her son, helping to care for her twin grandchildren, Amanda Marie and Austin Lee, born Nov. 22. The remainder was spent in Yreka helping a lifetime friend of 57 years, Gloria LaMothe, unpack and get settled, after a recent relocation. For the entire stay, the weather was either cool, with no sun, or it rained.

TOMMY STANICH of Boyne City's Parkview Apartments entered the Charlevoix Area Hospital, in room 213, as a medical patient, last week. Friends might like to drop him a card or pay him a visit, as he was scheduled to undergo surgery this past Monday.

JOHNNY MCGEORGE of Holland spent the weekend visiting the Boyne City home of dad John, wife Carol, and other relatives.

THERE WAS A GOOD TURNOUT of members of the Xi Gamma sorority for their first meeting of the new year on Wednesday, which was held at the Boyne City home of

Shirley Mathers.

BRIAN MOORE and wife Thea of Wixom spent the weekend visiting the East Jordan home of his parents, Clyde and Dee Moore.

CAROL TRAVISS of Boyne Falls, her daughters and the grandchildren all went to Gaylord on Sunday afternoon to see "The Titanic".

MILDRED SPELTZ, who has been in Grandvue since her stroke this past October, would enjoy a visit or cards from friends.

FOR A 50TH WEDDING anniversary trip Bethel and Clifford Bye of East Jordan loaded up their van and travel trailer and left on December 9 for Arizona. While checking on Bethel's mother, Bertha Groesser, a resident of Grandvue for many years, they toured around the southern states of Louisiana and Texas. They stored their vehicles, this past week and came home. Bethel's mother died and her funeral was held in Hastings, this past Saturday. The Byes may soon be flying out again to make that trip to Arizona for sure, this time!

GENE AND BARBARA HANCOCK of

Boyne City traveled to Kalamazoo over the weekend to enjoy celebrating their daughter's birthday, with dinner out. They continued on to Indiana, for the birthday dinner celebration with their son, a student at Purdue.

SISTERS, FLO KOMINSKI and Mary Towne, both of Boyne City, left on Jan. 7 and returned on the 16th, from Kelhi, Maui in Hawaii, a "once in a lifetime trip for me!" said Flo. They were joined by Flo's daughter, Lisa and husband Mike Carlson, their two children, Shelby and Franke, and Mike's mother, Mrs. Jean Carlson, and also a couple of Mike's fishing buddies, all of Larson Bay, Alaska. This trip for Mom was a Christmas gift from Lisa and Mike. Enjoying the many sights and island activities, with 80 degree temperatures, the reality of returning to Michigan hit her right away. Laughing, she said, "I had to wade through a foot of snow to get to my car, parked at the Pellston Airport!"

RUSSEL CROWE is not a resident at Grandvue Medical Care Facility. He is at home with his sister, Marvel Gould.

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



ENGAGEMENT

Shenk - Dewey

Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Shenk of Boyne City, (former Alaskan residents) and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dewey of Kalamazoo, announce the engagement of their children, Lisa Marie Shenk to Bryan Donald Dewey.

The bride-elect attends Hope College in Holland, and is an active member of Kappa Beta Phi Sorority. She will graduate in May of 1999 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education. Her fiancé, a graduate of Hope College and an alumni of Alpha Theta Chi Fraternity, is employed by Bishop Distributing in Grand Rapids. The couple plans to make Kalamazoo their home.

Lisa and Bryan are planning a Dec. 19 wedding in Kalamazoo.

VFW Auxiliary serving Swiss steak dinner

Smelt City VFW Auxiliary 3675 will hold its monthly Swiss steak dinner on Jan. 31 at the post home on 1108 Division St. (M-75 South), Boyne City from 5-7 p.m.

Cost of the dinner is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 5-12, and free for children under five.

A salad and dessert bar is available for \$4.

COLLEGE NEWS

ANTHONY G. VONDRA of Boyne City was recently named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Saginaw Valley State University.

First Presbyterian begins new Sunday School class

"That the world may know," a new Sunday School class at First Presbyterian Church of Boyne City, will start Feb. 1.

The class will combine Bible study and video segments filmed in Israel. Participants will see some of the classic Bible stories come alive as they view the sites where those stories took place. From the visual images, people will learn to apply biblical truth to their own walks of faith.

The class will be led by Peg Faulman. She and her husband, the

Rev. Robert Faulman, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, visited Israel in 1992, where they spent two weeks traveling and studying.

The class will be held in the church's Fellowship Hall and will run for five consecutive weeks during the 9:45 a.m. Sunday School time. Each class will be 45 minutes in length.

The guide for the class was produced by Focus on the Family.

All area residents are invited to attend.

Arts council offers quilting and ceramic workshops

The Jordan River Arts Council is offering two different craft workshops in February.

A quilting workshop will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 4, 11, and 18 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the East Jordan Senior Citizens Center. A sweetheart quilt will be made with Charlotte Diller of East Jordan as instructor.

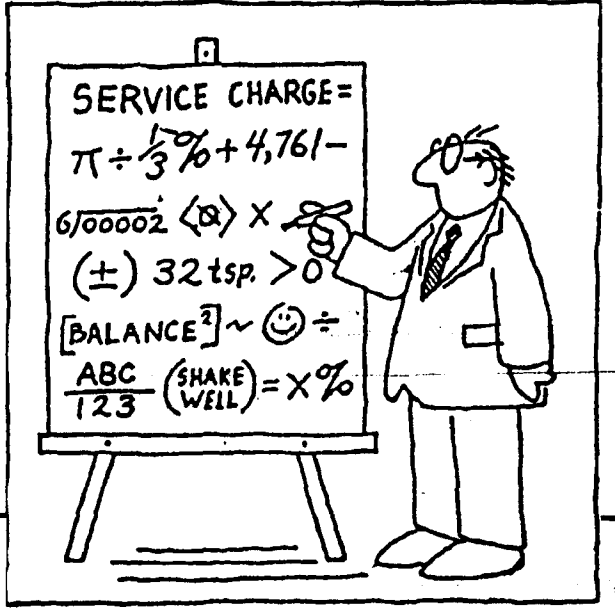
The cost of the class is \$30 for members and \$35 for non members. Supply cost is not included in the fee. For more information call Pat Poineau at 549-2777 or 536-2725.

Ceramic workshops will be held at the Otis Studio, 1694 M-66, East Jordan for both children and adults. David and June Otis will be the instructors. The workshops will be held on Feb. 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, and 19.

The children's workshop will be from 4-6 p.m. with the adult workshop scheduled for 7 to 10 p.m. All supplies will be furnished. Cost for the children's workshop is \$90 for members and \$95 for non members. Cost for the adult workshop is \$140 for members and \$145 for non members.

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Toby Breakey

GRADE: Freshman
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Football
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Weight lifting, mechanics, fishing, hunting and snowmobiling.
FAVORITE CLASSES: Woods with Mr. Gee, biology with Mr. Jones and Humanities with Mrs. Stangis.
FUTURE PLANS: Armed Forces
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Toby is a very hard worker," said Mike Gee. "He has a great sense of humor and is intelligent and creative. I really enjoy having him in class."
"Toby is a very good student," said Brad Jones. "He always tries to master class activities quickly."
"Toby is creative and hard working," said Kathy Stangis. "He has a great sense of humor."

Boyne City



Chris Winkler



Nikki Peck



Jennifer Weisler

NAME: Chris Winkler
PARENTS: Chuck and Janine Winkler
GRADE: Senior
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: National Honor Society, Journalism, Ham Radio Club, tennis
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I enjoy spending time outdoors, reading, writing, and being involved with my church."
FUTURE PLANS: "I plan to attend Northwestern Michigan College next year, and then transfer to finish my bachelor's degree in English."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Chris has shown tremendous leadership qualities in his work in our Journalism class," said Mr. Fowler. "His ability to meet deadlines and produce a fine school newspaper is extraordinary. Chris is a fine addition to my class."
"Chris is doing an excellent job in A.P. Calculus," said Mr. Fry. "He not only works very hard at doing the best job possible, he is also having fun doing it!"
"Chris Winkler deserves to be student of the week for all the outstanding work that he has done for the athletic program this year," said Mr. Beyer. "Chris is a vital component of the Athletic Department team, he helps prepare programs, run copies, sorts mail and helps send athletic contracts to area schools and officials. Chris is very active with the sports program, he works as the announcer for the girls basketball team. Chris also works with WTCM providing radio color for the boy's football and basketball games. Chris loves working for the athletic department and being around sports. I believe that Chris is the kind of kid who can become the next Mitch Albom."

NAME: Nikki Peck
PARENTS: Tammy Schroeder, Ron Peck
GRADE: Freshman
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I like basketball and I am currently playing AAU for Gaylord. I also like skiing."
FUTURE PLANS: "I plan to go to college but I am unsure what to major in."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Nikki is a student of mine in Michigan History and has also been a basketball player on my basketball team," said Ms. Van Damme. "Nikki's attitude and work ethic definitely distinguish her. She continually strives for excellence while leading others at the same time. Look to hear about her in the future both academically and athletically!"
"As a ninth grade English student, Nikki is very diligent and conscientious," said Ms. Brilinski. "Her work is excellent as are her work habits."

NAME: Jennifer Weisler
PARENTS: Debra and Martin Weisler
GRADE: Senior
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Cheerleading (varsity), Cheer team, National Honors Society
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I love to read books when I have time. I also like cheering on the Rambler teams. One of my favorite things to do is to relax."
FUTURE PLANS: "I hope to graduate at the top of my class. After graduation I hope to attend Michigan Tech to work for a degree in Biological Sciences."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Consistent, thorough, hard working - these are all qualities that Jennifer possesses," said Mr. Fry. "On top of being an excellent student, she's a joy to have in class."
"Jennifer is a self-directed, goal-oriented student who is a pleasure to have in class," said Mrs. Ruhs. "She consistently strives for excellence and has a positive influence on other students. Congratulations!"
"Jennifer has been a Spanish student for 3 years. She has always been a superior student academically and socially but, more importantly, Jennifer is a fine young lady," said Mr. Edwards.

Boyne Falls

NAME: Alex Amman
PARENTS: Carolyn and Don Amman
GRADE: Kindergarten
INTERESTS: Jumping in the snow
FAVORITE COLOR: Green
WHAT I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP: Fire fighter
FAVORITE FOOD: Mashed potatoes
WHAT I LIKE BEST ABOUT SCHOOL: Writing stories
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Alex is a joy to have in Kindergarten," said Melanie McNitt. "He is kind and thoughtful. Alex always does his best."
Here is what Alex's classmates have to say about him: Austen: "Alex plays with me." Kaleb: "He is my friend." Sarah: "He helps me." Katie: "We play on the monkey bars." Joshua: "We play Power Rangers." Dawn: "He plays with me at the blocks." Tanner: "He is my friend and I'm going to call him." Jaimee: "Alex always stays on green on our classroom stoplight." Trent: "I like Alex because he will be in the paper." Bruce: "I play wherever Alex plays." Rosemarie: "Alex helps clean the room."



Alex Amman

Horton Bay Methodist pastor will also serve Greensky Hill church

As part of a parish realignment, Horton Bay and Greensky Hill United Methodist churches will begin sharing a pastor.
The Rev. Kathy Slaughter will serve both congregations. She has been the pastor of Horton Bay United Methodist Church for three and a half years.
The Rev. Dale Ostema, who has served both the Greensky Hill and Charlevoix United Methodist parishes for five years, will become the full-time pastor at Charlevoix.
The 37-member Greensky Hill church, located on Old 31 North, just north of Boyne City-Charlevoix Road, was established in 1833 by Peter Greensky, a Chippewa Indian.
Built as part of a mission in 1840, the church continues to serve a racially mixed congregation, some of whom are descendants of the original worshippers.
The Horton Bay church is celebrating 101 years of ministry to the community, originally as the Horton Bay Evangelical Church. It merged with the North Bay Evangelical United Brethren Church in 1968, and has a membership of 74.
Beginning Sunday, Greensky Hill will offer a worship service at 9 a.m. and fellowship time at 10 a.m. Horton Bay will have Sunday school at 9:15 a.m. and worship at 10:30. All are welcome to attend any of the services.

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Tickets on sale for spring play

Tickets for the Boyne City High School Drama Department's performance of Gershwin's "Crazy for You" are on sale at the high school office and Boyne Country Books.
The play will be performed March 17, 19, 20 and 21. General admission tickets are \$4. For Tuesday's performance student and senior citizen tickets are \$2. Reserve seats for \$4 are also available.
For more information, call the high school at 582-6587.

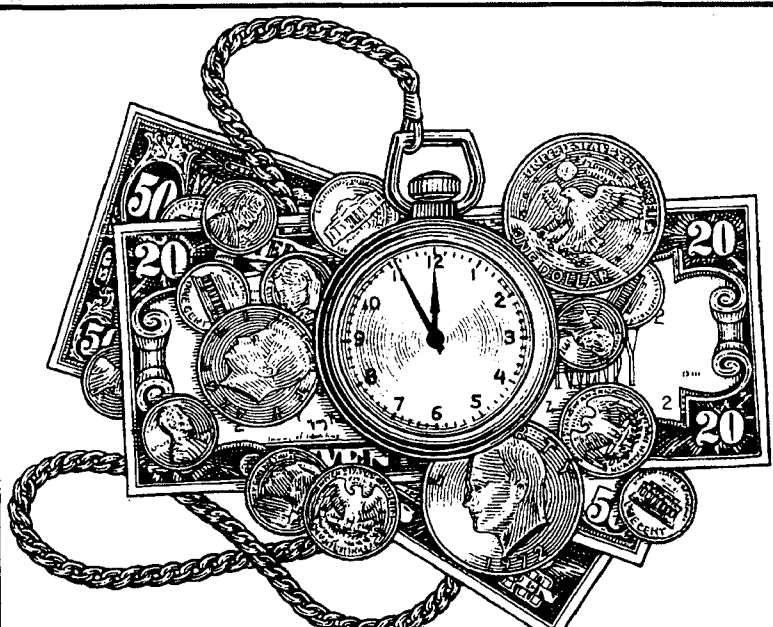
Church hosts both dinner and mystery on Valentine's

Evangelical Lutheran Church of East Jordan will hold a Valentine's Day Dinner and a Mystery on Feb. 14 at 6:30 p.m.
The cost is \$10 per person or \$8 for children under 12. Tickets will be limited to 100 and are available at the Jordan Valley Pharmacy in East Jordan and also at the development office at Charlevoix Area Hospital in Charlevoix.
AAL Branch No. 7478 will be matching funds for this fund-raising event for the church.
Evangelical Lutheran Church is located at the corner of Rogers Road and M-66.

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SPORTS

TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS COMES TO TOWN

Conference leaders square off Friday

By CHRIS WINKLER

One thing is now certain for the Boyne City Ramblers. They will enter Friday's game at home with Traverse City St. Francis unbeaten in conference play.

That was guaranteed when Tuesday's game against Kalkaska was postponed after school was closed for two days because of a flu epidemic. No makeup date has yet been set.

The Ramblers know what being under the weather means, as several players were ill. And if the Boyne City boys' basketball team can play "fairly well" in its coach's eyes, and still win 83-58 in Harbor Springs as it did last Friday, then good things are in store for the Ramblers.

The squad had last Tuesday off, and several players were fighting illness during the week which

made them a little rusty Friday.

"This was a tough week for us, but we consider ourselves lucky," said coach Kevin Fitzpatrick, whose Ramblers improved to 8-1 overall, and 4-0 in the conference.

"We might not have even been able to field a healthy team on Tuesday, and we ended up taking four days off. I think that's why we came out a bit sluggish, but we've got people healthy now, and were able to get through this game and play fairly well. It was not a great game, but we learned some things from it."

Boyne, who in three of its last four games has held the opponent to less than 10 points in the first quarter led 16-8 at the end of eight minutes. Come half-time, Harbor had kept pace with the Ramblers to hold the score at 38-26. In the third quarter, Boyne buried the Rams, pushing the lead to 64-43 going into the final

period.

The Ramblers received 24 points from Jason Rozycki, and Matt Johnecheck played one of his better games, scoring 17 points, grabbing eight rebounds, and blocking three shots. Jesse Belford had 11 points and nine boards, while Jeremy Peck put in nine. Bo Reinhardt scored seven and dished out three assists.

For the Rams, both David and Daniel Clarke scored 15 points to pace the team.

Boyne City committed 17 turnovers, and was 16 of 25 from the free-throw line.

Next up for the Ramblers is Traverse City St. Francis on Friday. St. Francis is one game behind the Ramblers in the conference race. The Glads' only loss was to Elk Rapids.

The junior varsity continued its winning ways as

well, but not before getting a scare from the Rams.

After leading big early, the Ramblers fell behind 31-29 at intermission. The team was still playing catch-up late in the fourth, but it took back the lead in the last minute, to win 64-63. Noah Stanek got the double-double, putting up 28 points, and also snatching 11 boards. Josh Bush added 14 points.

"We knew we would see full-court pressure, we knew we would see a zone," said JV coach Tom Sweet. "Harbor played with a lot of intensity and gave us problems. We couldn't get our guys to settle down and run the half-court offense the way they're supposed to."

As for this week's game with St. Francis, Sweet is optimistic that his 7-2 team will fare well. "We're playing tough, and we'll be ready for them."

Ramblers and Red Devils have seen a lot of each other on the ski slopes

By CHRIS WINKLER

The East Jordan and Boyne City ski teams keep skiing hard through the conference season, after two meets at Boyne Mountain, one Thursday and one Monday.

Thursday's competitor for the Ramblers and Red Devils was Elk Rapids. On the boys' side, Boyne took first, followed by Elk Rapids and then East Jordan. For the girls, Boyne was second to the Elks, and then East Jordan.

Individually, Ramblers Andy Douglas and Matt Davis placed second and third, respectively, in both the slalom and giant slalom events. In the G.S., East Jordan's Nathan Diller took the fifth spot, and was followed by Boyne's Nick Riehl. For the slalom, Riehl and Corey Hall were right behind their teammates, with fourth and fifth places. Devil Evan Chappuis was seventh. Hall was eighth, Chappuis ninth, and Rambler Joe Jones tenth in the G.S.

Andrea Gerling turned in another quality performance, topping the charts in each event. Second to Gerling in the G.S. was teammate Brittany Kennedy, and East Jordan's Emily Niewendorp placed third. Red Devils Ember Ransom and Becky Holm also finished in the top 10, taking eighth and ninth, respectively. Following Gerling in the slalom was her sister, Meghann. Fellow Rambler Brittany Kennedy took fourth, Niewendorp was fifth, Boyne's Abbey Roberts sixth, and Red Devil Michelle Meads seventh.

Said East Jordan coach Rob Bergquist, "Our skiers gain more experience with each race. We need to start putting two good runs down in each event." Following the meet, Bergquist noted Niewendorp, Chappuis, and Diller as standouts.

Monday's meet between the Ramblers, Red Devils, Elks, and the Charlevoix Rayders, found the Rambler girls avenging their previous loss to the Elks in a big way.

Boyne finished with 24 points, to the Elks' 87, compared to Thursday, when the Ramblers had 60 and Elk Rapids 53. East Jordan took third, and Charlevoix did not have enough skiers to field a team.

Again, it was the Gerlings who were in charge. Andrea was first in



Matt Davis led the Ramblers down the hill during Monday's meet.

each event, while Meghann was second in G.S. and third in slalom. Also in the G.S. for Boyne, Natalie Stafford was third, Maggie Doherty fifth, and Kennedy seventh. East Jordan's top finisher was Niewendorp, taking home 10th place. Over on the slalom side, Doherty and Kennedy finished fourth and fifth behind Meghann Gerling. Niewendorp grabbed seventh place, while Stafford and Roberts took ninth and tenth, respectively.

For the guys, Boyne City, who had topped Elk Rapids before, fell by nine points to the Elks. Charlevoix was third and East Jordan fourth.

Davis had both of Boyne's high scores, with a third in slalom and a fourth in G.S., while Diller paced the Red Devils, placing fifth in G.S.

and ninth in slalom. Behind Davis in the G.S. were Douglas (fifth), Riehl (sixth), J.D. Doherty (eighth), and Adam Hubble (tenth). Douglas was sixth in the slalom, and Riehl finished ninth in the event.

Boyne coach Bob Simpson was happy with his team's racing on Monday. "Everybody skied fine today," Simpson said. "The girls did really good, are skiing very well, and I'm happy with them. The boys need to work on the giant slalom."

The Ramblers will host Traverse City St. Francis and Charlevoix at Boyne Mountain on Thursday, while the Red Devils travel to Harbor Springs. Boyne will then host another meet on Saturday, with Bellaire, Inland Lakes, and Grayling.

Boyne wins first conference match

Teamwork and communication are two of the most important ingredients to achieve success in volleyball.

Last Thursday night the Lady Ramblers had them both. The result was Boyne City's first conference win of the season as it defeated Harbor Springs 15-10, 15-10, 15-3.

On Monday they didn't and they fell to Kalkaska 13-15, 9-15, 6-15.

Several of the Lady Ramblers' losses this year have been by slim margins, but they didn't let the Harbor match slip away.

"I hope this will go a long way to boost our confidence after so many close games," said coach Doreen Britton.

"We played more as a team. Our communication was better. Our serving was right on and we were attacking the net more."

Staci Seelye had 11 points, six aces and four kills. April Roberts had four points with two aces, two kills and one block.

Britton also cited the play of Sarah Bobowski who had five kills with two blocks, Ann Gaudard who had four kills and Melissa Jasinski who had two kills.

Against Kalkaska Ashley Schrader had five kills and three blocks and Britton had praise for the "great setting" by Seelye and Stacy Amesbury.

"The girls are attacking the net well and finding holes in the defense," Britton said following Monday's loss. "The one thing we need to improve on is communication. We had good volleys that broke down on both sides of the net by a lack of communication."

Boyne City's junior varsity won both its matches.

Against Harbor Springs top server was Charlotte Stackus, top spiker was Brenda Wabanimke, top setter was Jackie Cyr, top offensive player was Leah Senter and top defensive player was Leeann Schrader.

EAST JORDAN'S OFFENSE SPUTTERS IN LOSS

Frustrating and disappointing

One word sums up East Jordan's loss to Traverse City St. Francis last Friday: frustrating.

"Overall we played a pretty darn good game," said coach Del Ingalls, "but it was pretty frustrating with the final outcome."

The final score was a 66-55 win for St. Francis, but like a few games this season it was one the Red Devils were in position to win, but let slip away.

In the third quarter the Red Devils were up by six points and their defense was playing well. They stopped St. Francis on four straight possessions, but unfortunately the Red Devils went cold offensively, even though they had good chances.

Had they connected the Red Devils could have built a 10 or 12 point lead and maybe enjoyed some clear sailing. Instead, they encountered rough waters.

For the third quarter the Red Devils scored only six points and were outscored 9-0 in the final 75 seconds as St. Francis built a 39-36 lead. The surge continued as St. Francis went up by as many as 16 in the final quarter.

The game was won at the free throw line where St. Francis connected on 18 of 25 while the Red Devils were 8 of 19.

"It was a real disappointing loss," Ingalls said.

"We all felt we had the answer and had the game going our way, then it turned on us."

"I like a lot of the things I'm seeing from the team. We have to somehow gain confidence and momentum to get over the top of these good teams."

For the Red Devils, Scott Haley led the team with 20 points, while Parke Bluhm scored 13, all in the first half, and Denzil Wilson had nine. Matt Shaw had 10 rebounds and five blocks, and Haley had five rebounds.

The loss dropped East Jordan to 2-3 in the conference and 4-5 overall. They faced Charlevoix Tuesday, another team whose record is deceiving, and Friday they play Elk Rapids, a team that beat them earlier this year.

The scoring woes for East Jordan actually began in the second half of last Tuesday's 66-52 win over McBain.

After building a 50-26 lead at the half, East Jordan was outscored 26-16 in the final two periods. Haley and Bluhm again were the top scorers with 24 and 21 points respectively.

East Jordan junior varsity suffered two defeats, losing to McBain 63-58 and St. Francis 60-52.

Loggers are in control of their own destiny

With two convincing wins the past week, a 71-31 victory Friday against Brimley and 52-36 win last Tuesday against Wolverine, the Boyne Falls Loggers are right where they want to be — in the thick of a conference race.

And this week will be critical to the Loggers chances of winning the title. The Loggers played Mackinaw City Tuesday and face Vanderbilt

Friday and Harbor Light next Tuesday. All three, along with the Loggers, have a shot at winning the conference.

"We control our own destiny," said coach Frank Hamilla. "We'll see where we stand after this week."

With their two victories last week, the Loggers are 6-2 overall and 4-1 in the conference. Their one conference loss was to Harbor Light.

Since that game played prior to the holiday break, Hamilla said his team is making progress. "We are moving in the right direction, but we still have things to work on."

Balanced scoring is one goal Hamilla has had this season, and his team responded Friday against Brimley. Four Loggers, led by Chad Matelski with 18 points, scored in double figures. Matt Britton had 12,

Ben Britton 11, and Ryan Fiel had 10.

But defense was the high point of the Loggers' victory. They held Brimley, a team that lost by only nine to Sault Ste. Marie on Saturday, to just six points in the first half, while they scored 34.

The defense also shined against Wolverine. "We played our best defensive game of the year," Hamilla

said. "We struggled for the first three quarters, then our defense came through. Our half-court trap caused them a lot of problems."

The Loggers led by only one early in the fourth quarter, but then the pressure defense took over. Matelski was top scorer with 12 while Fiel and Ben Britton each had 11.

SPORTS schedule

Boyne City

Jan. 29 - Freshman Basketball, Johannesburg, home - 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 29 - Volleyball at Elk Rapids - 6 p.m.

Jan. 29 - Ski Team, TCSF, Charlevoix at Boyne Mountain - 2:30 p.m.

Jan. 30 - Boys Basketball, TC St. Francis, home - 6 p.m.

Jan. 30 - Freshman Basketball, TC St. Francis, home - 4:15 p.m.

Jan. 31 - Ski Team, Bellaire, Inland Lakes, Grayling at Boyne Mountain - 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 2 - Volleyball, Ellsworth, home - 6 p.m.

Feb. 2 - Ski Team, Manistee Invitation at Crystal Mountain - 9 a.m.

Feb. 3 - Boys Basketball at East Jordan, 6 p.m.

Feb. 5 - Volleyball at Mancelona - 6 p.m.

Feb. 5 - Ski Team, Conference meet at Harbor Springs

East Jordan

Jan. 29 - Ski Team, Elk Rapids, Kalkaska, Harbor Springs at Harbor Springs - 5 p.m.

Jan. 29 - Volleyball, TC St. Francis, home - 6 p.m.

Jan. 30 - Boys Basketball at Elk Rapids - 6 p.m.

Feb. 3 - Boys Basketball, Boyne City, home - 6 p.m.

Feb. 5 - Ski Team, Conference meet at Harbor Springs - 3 p.m.

Feb. 5 - Volleyball, Kalkaska, home - 6 p.m.

Boyne Falls

Jan. 30 - Boys Basketball, Vanderbilt, home - 6 p.m.

EJ loses marathon match to Charlevoix

It went to the wire and when it was over, Charlevoix hung on to defeat East Jordan in five sets Monday. It was the second straight conference loss for the Lady Red Devils, who fell to Elk Rapids last Thursday, 15-12, 5-15, 10-15, 8-15. Against Charlevoix, the scores were 7-15, 15-6, 9-19, 15-8, 7-15. "It was a long night on the

court," said coach Duane Kujat. "The team played well and had a great night passing, with few errors. "We served at 91 percent which was within our goal, but we just couldn't take the last game to win the match. "We look forward to our next meeting." Raissa Schroeder was top setter,

had 36 assists and served 22 for 22. Against Elk Rapids, "the team played well," Kujat said. "We just came up on the short end of the scoreboard." Overall, the Lady Red Devils served at 90 percent. Schroeder served 22 of 22 and Jenny Murray was also perfect, serving 14 of 14.

"Raissa was all over the floor making the sets needed for the team," Kujat said. He also cited the strong play of Jenny Goebel, Suzie Malpass and Catey Moses. The junior varsity also lost to Elk Rapids 11-15, 0-15, 11-15, and to Charlevoix.



A popular place

One of the more popular spots to spend a weekend afternoon is at Avalanche Park's sledding hill, voted last year one of the best in the state.

BOYNE AREA HOCKEY WRAP-UP

THE BOYNE AREA 4-H Hockey Squirts, sponsored by Premier Construction, played four games over the weekend in Petoskey against two of Char-Em's three squirt teams.

In game one, Char-Em defeated Boyne 8-3. Ryan Hennessy, Derik Moore and Eli Barys scored for Boyne. Nicholas Dunwoody and Barys had assists. Nate Herrera was in goal.

In game two, Boyne won 12-0. Goalie Russell Williams earned his first shutout. Eli Barys, Gabe Korhase, Gregg Holland, Ron Orlarey, Derik Moore, Nick Dunwoody, and Ryan Hennessy all scored. Dunwoody, Orlarey, Hennessy and Evan Keller had assists.

On Sunday Boyne hosted the third Char-Em squirt team, the Bruins, for back-to-back games. In the first game, Boyne won 9-5. Scoring for Boyne were Hennessy, Orlarey, Barys, Dunwoody and Moore. Williams was in goal.

Boyne also won game two, 8-7. Herrera was the winning goalie. Scoring for Boyne were Barys, Hennessy, Orlarey and Holland. Barys, Dunwoody, Orlarey, Korhase and Holland had assists.

The team will play this weekend in a tournament hosted by Mackinaw

City.

THE JUNIOR RAMBLERS Mite hockey team split a pair of games with the Char-Em Sharks on Saturday, 2-3 and 4-1, at the Avalanche rink. Dylan Clark, Tyler Price and John Miller had goals for Boyne. Samantha Dunwoody, Amy Anderson, John Miller and Tyler Price had assists in the two games.

On Sunday, the Junior Ramblers took two games from the Mackinaw City Mite team at the Boyne City rink, 5-1 and 4-3. Ashley Adkison, Alex Bajko, Tyler Price and John Miller scored for Boyne. Amy Anderson, Samantha Dunwoody and Brad Boyer each had assists. Price scored a hat trick in the second game.

THE SKY ELECTRIC Minimites played two strong games on Saturday against Char-Em at Avalanche. Boyne won the first game 6-0. Travis Reinhardt scored five goals and Trevor Price tallied one. Kyle Wright and Paris Taylor had assists. Zachery Shuler recorded another shutout in goal.

Boyne also won the second game 5-0. Kyle Wright recorded the shutout in his first game in goal. Reinhardt had four goals, and Price had one along with an assist. Nicho-

las Thomas had an assist as well. The minimites travel next Sunday to Mt. Pleasant to play two very tough indoor teams.

THE BOYNE CITY MITE-E Pucks, sponsored by B.C. Pizza, played four games last weekend on home ice against Char-Em. On Saturday Boyne faced the Char-Em Redwings for 2 games. Boyne won the first game 9-4 with Matt Thomas scoring six goals and Robby Startzel, Philip Conklin and Keegan David each scoring one. Startzel had two assists with Thomas and David getting one each. The second game was a 7-2 win for Boyne with Thomas scoring five goals. Jon Haver and David also scored. Startzel had an assist.

On Sunday, Boyne hosted the Char-Em Canadians for two games. Boyne won the first game 4-1. Thomas had four goals and Startzel had three assists. David also had an assist. Boyne's final game was a 7-0 shutout credited to goalie Shane Grunow and Boyne's strong defense led by Zac Borgeld. Startzel and Thomas each had two goals and David, Andrew Katz, and Justin Stolt each scored one. Startzel and David had two assists and Katz had one.

Boyne City sports complex concept has support of city commissioners

Gymnasts, hockey players and other aspiring athletes could see, sometime in the future, a new athletic complex in Boyne City.

At Tuesday's Boyne City Commission meeting, commissioners approved a concept to use city land for future youth athletic facilities and will look to the Parks and Recreation Commission to outline a viable, long-range plan for a sports complex.

The city currently lacks facilities for the rapidly growing athletic groups to practice and compete.

"We're open to sharing with hockey, but our needs are different," said Kari Streelman, director and head coach of Boyne Area Gymnastics, who presented a proposal to the commission Tuesday. Her 300 students only have access to Boyne City School facilities through this June.

The Parks and Recreation Commission will move forward on a long-range plan to accommodate current and potential recreational needs in the city. It has already approved in concept a plan for an indoor or domed hockey facility, and has met several times with the gymnastics group as well.

THANK YOU

On behalf of Boyne Area 4-H Hockey, I would like to thank all the families that attended our recent season Kick-off. This was our first year for holding a kick-off and it was great to see so many people despite the weather conditions. We also need to say "thanks" to BC Pizza for their generous donation of over 40 pizzas, Subway of Boyne City for their donation of the drinks, Garden of Eden Florist for the balloons, and the Gaylord Grizzlies who unfortunately due to the weather were unable to attend but donated an autographed Grizzly jersey to be raffled off during the night. I would also like to express thanks to the team moms from each team and also to the people who stayed after to help clean. We have a wonderful program that continues to grow with each new season and there are only more great times ahead for all of us.

Pam Price
Boyne Area 4-H Hockey

PUBLIC NOTICES

CITY OF EAST JORDAN AMENDMENT TO 1997/98 BUDGET

Please take notice that the City of East Jordan's fiscal year 1997/98 budget has been amended to include new fees for Zoning Site Plan Reviews. The amendment allows the City Zoning Administrator to obtain professional review of development project plans that may have a large impact on the City's infrastructure, character or future development patterns. The amendment requires that the cost of the reviews be provided by the developer. The ordinance will take effect February 4, 1998.

A copy of the complete ordinance amendment is posted at City Hall for review and copying during normal business hours.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING WILSON TOWNSHIP

The Wilson Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1998 at 7 p.m. at the Wilson Township Hall, located at Fall Park, 02530 Boyne City/East Jordan Road, Boyne City, Michigan to hear the request of Chris Bersano for a Site Plan Review for Property #15-015-004-019-30 located at 00787 Anderson Road, Boyne City, Michigan.

For any questions regarding the above, contact Timothy O'Leary, Wilson Township Planner at 616-582-0337.

Carol Clavier
Wilson Township Clerk

BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING - JANUARY 8, 1998

All Board Members present. Approval of minutes. Treasurer's report accepted. Approval to pay Township bills. Report on zoning permits issued. Motion to appeal issuance of zoning permit to Conaway Trust. Direction given to Zoning Administrator to pursue 3 suspected violations of Zoning Ordinance. Adoption of Zoning Administrator Position Description. Appointment of Richard L. Deuell to Zoning Board of Appeals. Public comment. Discussion regarding the statutory effective date of the new Zoning Ordinance and referendum petition failure to comply with statutory time table. Next regularly scheduled meeting on Feb. 12, 1998 at 7:00 p.m.

s/David L. Simmons
Bay Township Clerk

BOYNE CITY COMMISSION SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES

January 13, 1998, 7:00 p.m. meeting - City Commission accepted a bid from Twin Valley Plumbing for radiant heaters in the DPW garage; adopted a resolution for a moratorium on the issuance of permits or licenses for the construction and/or operation of wireless communication towers and facilities; held a public hearing and adopted a resolution for the Charlevoix Area Hospital Project; appointed Commissioner Eleanor Stackus to the Charlevoix County Solid Waste Committee; and made several City Board (re)appointments including John Talboys to the Board of Review, Nord Schroeder to the Housing Commission, Tom Johnson as ex officio to the Economic Development Corporation, Emily Wright as ex officio/student representative to the Parks and Recreation Commission, and Amy Place and Jennifer DeNise as ex officio/student representatives to the Downtown Development Authority.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in Regular Session, Tuesday, January 20, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall, Mayor Peck presiding and all members of the City Commission present except for Commissioner Chappuies. Minutes were approved and acknowledgment was given to paid bills in the amount of \$190,957.

Further Commission Action: Adopted a Wireless Telecommunications Towers and Antenna Ordinance; amended the 1997/98 budget to provide for a revised fee schedule for Zoning Site Plan Reviews; established an initial sales price for lots at the Air Industrial Park; and approved of the Anishinabe Inter-Tribal Council's request for use of Boswell Field for the 1998 Day of the Eagle Pow Wow.

A copy of the minutes of the above meeting is posted in City Hall for review during normal office hours.

CITY OF BOYNE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to rules and regulations as outlined in the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance A-28, Public Hearings will be held at the regular meeting of the Boyne City Planning Commission on Monday, Feb. 16, 1998 at 5 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI, and on Tuesday, Feb. 17, 1998 at 12 noon in the City Manager's office, 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI, to review and consider the following:

1. A request for a lot reconfiguration for property (15-051-265-015-00, lots 15, 16, 17 and 18 of Lewis's Addition to Boyne) located near the corner of Union and Edwin Streets (west of Hannah and Vogel Streets).
2. A request for a land division for property (15-051-403-010-25) located at 1113 Marshall Road (near Marshall Road and Marshall Field Drive).
3. A conditional use review for reconstruction or restoration of a non-conforming structure located at 926 N. Lake Street.

Public Hearings will be held at the Planning Commission only, on Monday, Feb. 16, 1998 at 5 p.m. to review and consider the following:

4. A site plan review for an expansion of the Tannery restaurant, located at 220 S. Lake Street.
5. A review of a proposed General Ordinance designating Historic Districts and properties.

More details and a copy of the proposed wording in question is available for review at the Boyne City Planning Department. Copies of the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment are available at City Hall during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. through 5 p.m. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the Public Hearings and participate in discussion. Any input for or against this amendment will be received by the City Planner's office until 5 p.m. on the day of the Public Hearing or at the Public Hearing. For further information contact the City Planner's office at 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712 or call (616)-582-0337.

Timothy O'Leary
Planning Director

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- 1 # 145 Jay Tobias-Mancelona, MI
- 2 # 127 Roger & Carole Hustle-EJ, MI
- 3 # 1123 Richard Borchert-Houghton Lake, MI
- 4 # 945 Becky L. Johnson-Charlevoix, MI
- 5 # 1175 Mr/Mrs Osborne-Mancelona, MI
- 6 # 605 John Howard-Boyne City, MI
- 7 # 1057 Georgia Boyer-EJ, MI
- 8 # 821 Mike Swtkowski-Charlevoix, MI
- 9 # 797 Lawrence Bennett-EJ, MI
- 10 # 1028 C. Kelley Theobald-Centinel Lake, MI
- 11 # 938 Karen Kowalske-East Lansing, MI
- 12 # 786 Wm. R. Caskey-Mancelona, MI
- 13 # 2 Patrick F. Brennan-EJ, MI
- 14 # 219 Gloria M. Washor-EJ, MI
- 15 # 684 Ted Sepinski-Muskegon, MI
- 16 # 1159 Bob Donner-Charlevoix, MI
- 17 # 1019 Jeff Muha-Dallas, TX
- 18 # 742 Wm. Bugg-Detroit, MI
- 19 # 747 Rigel C. Oliveri-Centerville, MI
- 20 # 1190 Howard & Peg Czuzler-BC, MI
- 21 # 188 Pat Spence-EJ, MI
- 22 # 583 Rog & Bab Perry & B. Willey-Elmira, MI
- 23 # 1024 Chuck Peterson-Elsworth, MI
- 24 # 982 Barney Way-Charlevoix, MI
- 25 # 679 Antiml Only Snowmobile Club-Bellaire, MI
- 26 # 511 Sally Harrison-Republic, MI
- 27 # 1141 John Dameron-Davison, MI
- 28 # 833 Jan Nowak-Alger, MI
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PUBLIC NOTICES

BID NOTICE

Concord Academy in Boyne City is accepting proposals for a building addition. Sealed bids must be received by Friday, February 13, 1998, 10 a.m., at which time they will be opened. No bids will be received or considered after this time.

For complete details call the school administrator, Larry Kubovchick, at 616-582-0194.

REQUEST OF QUALIFICATIONS GRAPHIC ARTIST

The City of East Jordan will accept Proposals of Qualifications for graphic artist services for the creation of marketing material for the new East Jordan Air Industrial Park and a large Downtown commercial building owned by the Downtown Development Authority. Proposals will be accepted through Friday, Feb. 13, and must include samples of marketing material for other clients and fee schedule.

Any questions regarding the Proposals for Qualification should be directed to: David M. White, City Administrator, 201 Main Street, P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727 616-536-3381.

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The Foundation's principal manager is Samuel L. Kalush, as defined. This notice is published pursuant to the requirements set forth in Section 6104(d) and 6056 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and in compliance with the provisions thereof.

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CITY OF BOYNE CITY COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX

Notice of Adoption Amendment No. 65 to Ordinance A-28

The following Amendment #65 to the City of Boyne City Zoning Ordinance, County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, (Ordinance #A-28) was presented for a second reading and adopted by City Commission at a regular scheduled meeting of the Commission on Jan. 20, 1998. A complete copy of this amending ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the City of Boyne City Hall, 319 North Lake Street, Boyne City, MI. This Ordinance shall become effective Feb. 4, 1998.

An Ordinance to Amend Section 10.60 of the City of Boyne City Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of designating violations of that Ordinance as Municipal Civil Infractions rather than Criminal Misdemeanors.

THE CITY OF BOYNE CITY ORDAINS: Section 1. AMENDMENT OF SECTION 10.60 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Section 10.60 ("Enforcement") of the City of Boyne City Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended as follows:

VIOLATIONS: MUNICIPAL CIVIL INFRACTIONS

Any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance is responsible for a municipal civil infraction, subject to payment of a civil fine.

Designates the City's Zoning Administrator, Planning Director, and the City's Authorized City Officials (as defined by the Municipal Civil Infraction Ordinance, as amended) are hereby designated as the Authorized City Officials to issue municipal civil infraction citations for violations of this Ordinance.

Sue Hobbs, City Clerk

First reading: 16 December 1997
Second reading: 20 January 1998
Effective date: 4 February 1998

CITY OF BOYNE CITY COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX

2nd READING AND CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT NO. 66 TO ORDINANCE A-28

At a regular meeting of the City Commissioners of the City of Boyne City, County of Charlevoix, MI held at City Hall in said City the 20th day of January 1998 at 12 o'clock noon, the following amending ordinance to City of Boyne City Ordinance #A-28, the Boyne City Zoning Map was presented and approved as a First Reading, the following is a synopsis of that amending ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BOYNE CITY ZONING ORDINANCE TO DESIGNATE WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION TOWERS, ALTERNATIVE TOWER STRUCTURES AND ANTENNAS AND ACCESSORY STRUCTURES, AS CONDITIONAL USES; AND TO ADD AND AMEND CERTAIN DEFINITIONS.

THE CITY OF BOYNE CITY HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Purpose.

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish general guidelines for the location of wireless telecommunication towers, alternative tower structures and antennas. The City recognizes that it is in the public interest to permit the location of wireless telecommunication towers, alternative tower structures and antennas within the City. The City also recognizes the need to protect the scenic beauty of Boyne City from unnecessary and unreasonable visual interference, and that wireless telecommunication towers, alternative tower structures and antennas may have negative aesthetic impacts upon adjoining and neighboring uses.

Section 2. Amendment of Section 1.40 - Definitions.

Section 3 through 11. Amendment of certain Sections which would allow telecommunication towers in certain zoned districts and further require:

Public utility transformer stations, sub-stations and gas regulator stations without service or storage yards shall comply with the requirements of this Ordinance and lists requirements for all zoning districts.

Section 12. Amendment of Section 5.20

Telecommunication towers, alternative tower structure and antennas shall be permitted in any zone as a conditional use. This section provides the list of additional requirements which must be met.

Notice is hereby given that the Second Reading and Consideration of Adoption of Amendment #66 to Ordinance A-28 will be held at the City Commission Meeting on Tuesday, 24 February, 1998 at 12:00 noon in the City Manager's Office, 319 North Lake Street. A copy of the entire text of this amending ordinance is available at the City Clerk's office at the above address during normal business hours. This amendment shall be published in full within ten days following final enactment and shall take effect fifteen (15) days following final enactment. The Public is invited to attend this meeting and give input into the adoption of Amendment 66 to Ordinance A-28.

First Reading: 20 January 1998
Second Reading: 24 February 1998
Effective Date: 11 March 1998

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**CITY OF EAST JORDAN
ZONING CODE AMENDMENT**

The East Jordan Zoning code has been amended to provide for the permitted locations, conditions for permitted uses, accessory uses and special uses regarding Wireless Telecommunication Towers and Antennas. The provisions of the Zoning Code amendment take effect February 4, 1998.

A copy of the Wireless Telecommunication Towers and Antennas ordinance is posted at City Hall for review and copying during normal business hours.

**REQUEST FOR BIDS
CITY OF EAST JORDAN**

The City of East Jordan is accepting bids for the replacement of the wood cedar shingle roof on the historic residence at the City Elm Pointe Park. The Elm Pointe residence has been declared a Historic Structure by the State of Michigan thus requiring that the roof be replaced with original material. Questions regarding specifications should be directed to William Breakley, DPW Superintendent, 201 Main Street, P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727 (616) 536-3381.

Bids must be in sealed envelopes marked "Elm Pointe Roof Replacement" and must be received no later than 2:00 p.m., Feb. 24, 1998, at 201 Main Street, P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive irregularities and to award bid in the best interest of the City.

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Public Notice is hereby given that public hearings will be held by the Evangeline Township Planning Commission at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 19, 1998, in the Evangeline Township Hall located on Wildwood Harbor Road, Boyne City. This hearing will consider additions to the Evangeline Township Zoning Ordinance regarding cellular towers and escrow of zoning fees to cover additional costs for review. Copies of the proposed revisions can be picked up at the Township Planner/Zoning Administrator's office, 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City Hall, Boyne City, MI 49712 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.



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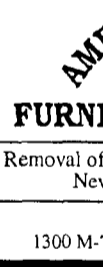
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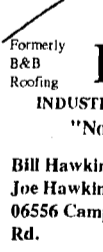
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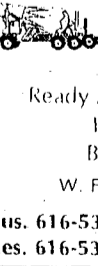
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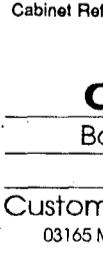
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Chamber

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and undoubtedly the courage and presence of mind to accompany them, should the need arise. She has seemingly boundless energy, teaching and leading many by her example. Those who have volunteered with Connie say that she is always willing to help.

THE AMBASSADOR OF THE Year was also a special lady, who gives generously of her time and talent, always available in a last minute emergency. Alice Matteson moved to East Jordan a few years ago, and answered an ad in the paper for a Chamber Ambassador -- a volunteer position, entailing errand running for the chamber and assisting in chamber related projects.

She was interested in the position, and took it, adjusting to a new community and a new home from the inside out. She served on the Jordan Valley Freedom Festival board, and as chamber secretary, making herself invaluable to the rest of the chamber staff, and helping to bring about organization.

Alice is no stranger, say colleagues, to last minute calls due to funerals, illnesses and the like, but comes in smiling, always eager to be involved. She has become a critical part of the chamber team, and is a worthy recipient of the second annual Ambassador of the Year award.

Kathy

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to remember. For Kathy, that wasn't the case.

Last summer when a controversy arose over the district's decision to end its relationship with the gymnastics club, voting to no longer allow it to use the elementary school gym after this school year, 15 people called her, she said.

"For the bond issue, four people called over six months."

She's hoping that will change in the future as the board and community work to solve the district's needs. The committee meets again Thursday at 7 p.m. in the high school home economics room.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PURSUING SUSPECT

BF School evacuated after bomb threat

A message on Boyne Falls School's answering machine Monday morning was only two words, but they provided enough tense moments to last a long time.

"Bomb. Bomb." Nothing more, nothing less. Then they hung up," said superintendent Pat Smith.

The message was received at the school Sunday evening at 9:55 p.m., but was not listened to until around 9 a.m. Monday. Smith called the sheriff's department and then discussed the situation with teachers. They did not

immediately evacuate the school, but when Boyne Falls Fire Chief Mike Richards arrived, he and school officials decided to evacuate the building.

Just as lunch was starting for some students, they were ushered over to the fire hall, about a block and a half away, and waited close to 90 minutes while law enforcement officials and a bomb-sniffing dog checked out the building.

When nothing was found, students returned at around 1 p.m., Smith said.

"It's a hard call to keep students in or to take them out. We decided we were better off to move them," Smith said.

The voice on the answering machine, Smith said, sounded like a late teen or a high school student.

Charlevoix County Sheriff George Lasater said they do have a suspect and "are pursuing that." He also said it was premature to assume this incident was related to two similar bomb threats made recently at northern Michigan schools.

Vet

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day a week job, and animals, especially, keep lousy hours." Today, their efforts have paid off, and the Jordan Valley Animal Clinic boasts two doctors and a staff of six.

This allows the Richters, now married 15 years, to spend more time on their 60 acre "cabin farm" in the valley. They live near a creek that is a tributary to the Jordan River. "We try to surround ourselves with natural creatures, trees and environment," John said, pointing out that besides two children, Nathan and Lisa, they have seven cats, two dogs and three horses — most rescue cases of one type or another.

The time also frees them up to share another of their passions — as advocates for the preservation of the rich watershed that makes East Jordan what it is. This, too is a deeply held point of conviction for both the Richters.

"Not many husbands and wives work side by side at home and in the office," John mused. "For some that might be a weakness — for us, it is our strength." His job, he explained, is a way of life. "It follows you home, you can't separate it. I don't even try." He loves his work, but he is utterly and passionately dedicated to the work of preserving the environment.

"For a doctor the environment

is not a big jump. A patient is a complex balance of interacting systems. No one system can function independently of the others. The same with the environment. A river — an artery...."

Defining his passion, he said it was a "realization of natural interacting systems, and an appreciation for and preservation of those systems." He believes that everything we perceive or define as real is based on the natural world, and that if we don't retain what is natural, we will lose our whole sense of place and purpose.

He said that his role in the preservation of nature is multifaceted. First of all, he grinned, suddenly younger looking, he preaches the concept all the time. He pointed to the posters on his walls that look like they belong in a biology classroom. He teaches basic ideas — like what a watershed is (an area drained by a river system), without contempt.

John is also a founding member of Friends of the Jordan River Watershed, helping to define goals, write newsletters and spread the gospel of preservation and conservation. It is, he said, the most remarkable group he's had the pleasure of being associated with. The members are dedicated, sincere and motivated — not from any personal gain, but from a real concern for the natural world.

He believes that East Jordan will grow tremendously over the

next few years, and he advocates "managed growth." By this he means taking steps to ensure that growth is planned in a way that is amenable to the protection of the environment and agriculture, to the preservation of the pristine quality of the river.

He notes that in cities which have experienced the kind of growth that he predicts for East Jordan, there is the danger of "sprawl;" outgrowth of businesses that eat up farmland, and rob citizens of views of, and access to, the natural resources that drew them to the communities in the first place. Another result of sprawl, according to John's observations, is an infrastructure that communities are hard pressed to maintain — resulting inevitably in higher taxes, and the protected distances result in greater use of gas.

John spoke with great enthusiasm of the Friends of the Jordan's activities, including its educational efforts, eagerly adopted by East Jordan High Schools Math and Science Technology (MST) Center. He believes that grassroots advocacy is a necessary part of a democratic government, and that in an era of public apathy, the Friends of the Jordan (FOJ) is just that.

He cited the success of the FOJ against the gas and oil lobbying efforts in this area — a relentless pursuit, but one which has had a measure of success, in raising the Jordan Valley to state awareness,

even gaining national recognition. While the issue of gas exploration and drilling is paramount, John said there will always be threats to the environment.

In this instance, he said, the FOJ would be satisfied with ironclad protection of state lands, and with solid protection of landowners rights—even those who do not hold mineral rights. But "other threats, unknown as yet, will surface," and John plans to be ready to address those threats with the same effective determination that he has brought to the threat of oil drilling in the Jordan Valley.

Bringing his thoughts back to his profession, John said that he chose veterinary medicine partly because he could go wherever he wanted to — not where the company sent him. "This is a pretty remarkable little town," he said. "This is where I wanted to be."

He then pointed out, slowly — choosing his words carefully, that medicine was a "total body experience," encompassing him intellectually, physically, emotionally and spiritually. This truth about his career obviously extends to his passion, which, like veterinary medicine, follows him home — he can't separate the passion and the profession — and doesn't try to.

P.S. Ruby survived: she went home Saturday, six days after she arrived.

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