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## at a GLANCE

### Boyne Mountain hosts state ski meet on Monday

Boyne Mountain will host the Class B, C, and D state ski finals next Monday.

Nine teams from the state's three ski regions will compete for state championship titles. Medals will also be distributed to the top 10 finishers in each event.

Boyne City High School will send state-qualifiers Andrea Gerling and Matt Davis to the competition. No East Jordan skiers qualified.

Men's giant slalom and women's slalom will begin at 9 a.m. on Super Bowl.

Class A finals will be held at Nubs Nob on the same day.

### Boyne's bike path along Division will be extended

Boyne City recently received notice of a grant award from the Michigan Department of Transportation to complete the Division Street bike path.

The city is matching the \$48,000 grant to bring total funding to more than \$88,000.

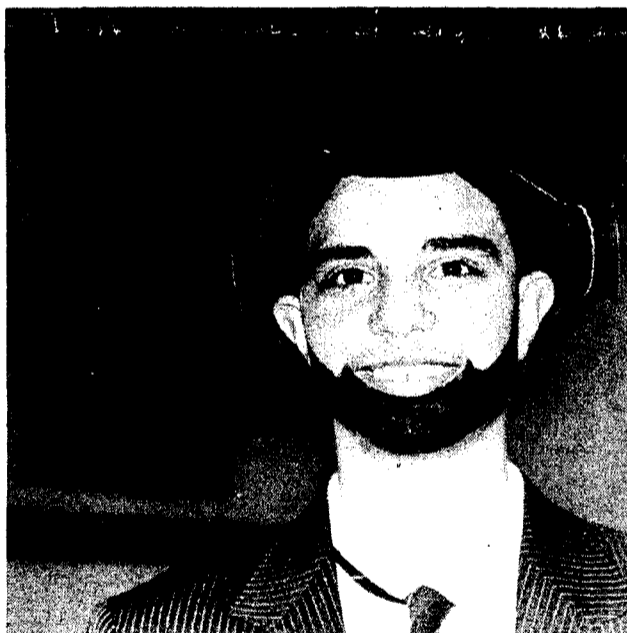
The bike path, which currently runs along Division to Wilson Street, will be completed to Front Street, a distance of just under one mile. The path will be identical in design but depending on the engineer's report, may cross over to the north side of the street.

According to city clerk Sue Hobbs, the city anticipates completing the project this summer. The path is for pedestrians, bikers, and in-line skaters, but is off-limits to motorized vehicles.



## TWO OF OUR GREATEST

Impersonators of former U.S. presidents gathered at Boyne City Middle School last week in celebration of their holiday on Monday. Above, seventh-grader Patrick Cassidy imitates former Oval Office occupant Franklin D. Roosevelt, while fellow classmate, Justin Fitzpatrick (right), plays the part of Abraham Lincoln. Students and teachers alike donned the costumes of the leaders and their wives, as part of their social studies coursework on the U.S. presidency.



## Putting it all together

Goal is to have Boyne Falls' new school proposal on June 8 ballot

Boyne Falls voters, mark June 8 on your calendars.

When the preliminary work is completed, and if state approval is secured, that is the date you will be heading to the ballot box to vote on the construction of a new K-12 school.

At last week's Board of Education meeting, board members approved putting the build new proposal to the voters and school officials are working swiftly to meet deadlines to get the millage on the ballot this summer.

The state's approval is needed before the referendum can be put to the voters, and requires a 120 day processing period for a preliminary bond review, prior to an election.

The bond attorney, bond financier, architects, superintendent, and board and community members need to finish pulling together details on the building design and programs, the site, and bond sales for the state's review. The district has already secured a five-year demographic study of the district, also required by the state.

The school board will help prepare and must approve this information for Superintendent Pat Smith to

present to the state for its review on March 26.

The school forest on M-75 is the most likely spot for building a new facility. After analysis by the school forester and an architectural engineer, GBKB architectural firm indicated in a letter that the farm site off M-32 would be too costly to build on. The district's attorneys are also investigating the legalities of building on the property.

According to Smith, it's likely that the board will approve a site at its March meeting.

After months of careful investigation by the school board and an architectural sub-committee, board members ruled out remodeling and updating the existing facility. The idea of building a new school came up recently and was a made even more appealing because at a cost of approximately \$4.7 million, it was only \$1 million more than estimates for remodeling and updating.

The new school would remain a K-12 and be built to accommodate 300 students with room to expand up to 600. It would allow for an enhanced academic program and by virtue of design separate the three grade levels.

## East Jordan man killed in car/pedestrian accident

John N. Denemy was killed Saturday evening in a car/pedestrian traffic accident on South M-66 near Lord Road in South Arm Township.

Denemy, 49, of East Jordan, was struck by a north-bound 1986 Oldsmobile driven by an 18-year-old East Jordan woman, according to the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department. Denemy was pronounced dead at the scene.

Witnesses stated that Denemy was sitting in the north bound lane wearing dark clothing when he was struck. Evidence at the scene indicates Denemy had been consuming alcoholic beverages, the sheriff's department reported. Blood results were not available.

The sheriff's department was assisted at the scene by the East Jordan EMS, East Jordan Fire Department, East Jordan City Police and the Michigan State Police.

Denemy's obituary is printed on page 5.

## COMMUNITY PORTRAIT

# A LIFE OF MINISTRY

By JANE BROCK

The Rev. Bill McKeon lives at his desk in the rectory, working under a green shaded lamp. The desk is neat and uncluttered, bearing only a few books, the lamp, a cross which he toys with as he talks, and a red candle in a heart-shaped cut glass holder. He has an ageless face, smooth and unhurried looking, and as calm as his deep, melodious voice. His white hair and clerical collar give him an air of venerability.

He identifies himself as Father McKeon, but his parishioners refer to him as Father Bill. He is familiar and comfortable. After Mass, he greets people warmly, congratulating one woman on her winter escape to Arizona, another on the beauty of an infant.

People pass by slowly, not wanting to miss his handshake, or encouraging word, or the ready, gentle smile.

Bill McKeon was not always Father anything. He and his brother, Bob, were both in the Navy during World War II, and upon their return, Bob went into the seminary — as his family had expected he would, Father McKeon said. Bill did not. He finished school at the University of

Wisconsin, and then went into law school.

There he experienced what he termed a conversion experience — he underwent a complete change of values. He began, he said, "running with the wrong crowd." Father McKeon believes that people bring people to God, and the company he was keeping certainly had the effect of making him want to know more.

The year was 1949, and several books were published that moved the future priest. Among them was a book by a Jewish psychologist who stated that he was a non-practicing Orthodox Jew, but that some of the best spiritual reading he had done was in the New Testament, including the writings of Paul, and Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. Bill McKeon purchased his first New Testament, and began to read. Besides, "I made a mistake," he smiles, "I asked my brother Bob to pray for me, and he overdid it."

So Bill entered the seminary that would eventually preface his name with "Father." He believes that God always gives us our deepest desires, but he admits that up until he saw a Charlie Chaplin film, he hadn't known what his deepest desire was. In the film, a priest says to the condemned

Chaplin, "May God have mercy on your soul," to which Chaplin responds, somewhat sarcastically, "He might as well. It's His."

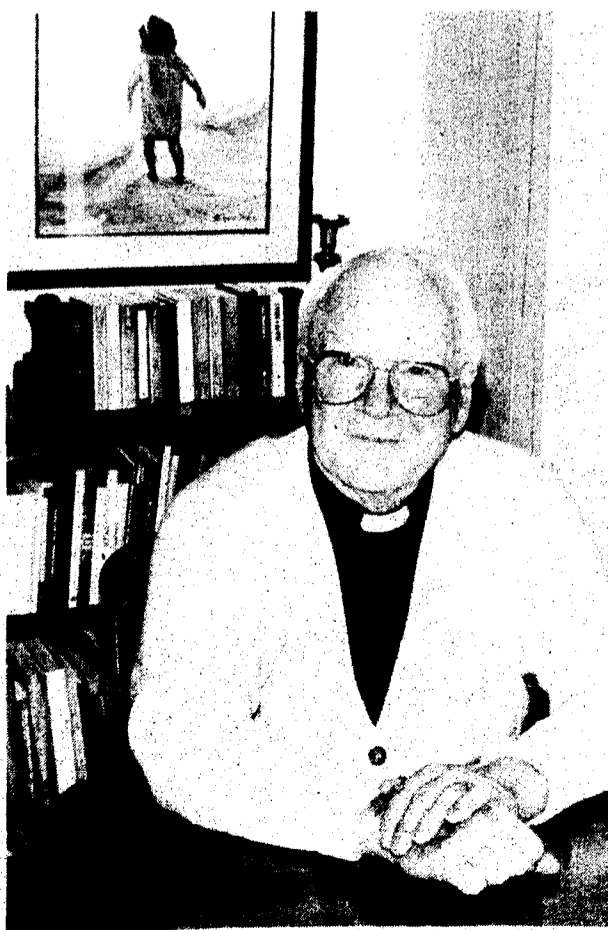
In that moment, Father McKeon saw that he was not his own, and his fate was sealed — happily, he says.

Father Bill capitalized on his wartime training to continue intercultural communication in the priesthood. He learned to speak Spanish fluently, and in those early years, he served migrant workers from the Lansing Diocese, from Flint to Lake Michigan. He followed the crops in an old station wagon, celebrating Mass in the fields, at times. Eventually he became the pastor of Lansing's Cristo Rey, from which he retired in 1989. In the summer, even now, Father Bill celebrates Mass in Spanish for migrant workers in Leelanau.

But what brought him north after retirement had its roots in an earlier day.

Father McKeon was an effective priest, and his parishioners never suspected that anything was wrong. But he says that he had become a "high maintenance alcoholic," performing his duties with regular assistance from a bottle. He slowly came to a private realization that he had a problem. His

Please see FATHER BILL on page 12



The Rev. William McKeon (Father Bill)

# OPINION

## GUEST COLUMN

### A nine step rumor recipe

By JIM WHITE

1. Start with a small town about the size of Boyne City. Big towns do not work because nobody knows anybody.
2. Mix in Boyne Falls.
3. Choose a prominent person that everybody knows. It helps if you can identify the person by description, for example the guy who owns the \_\_\_\_\_, or the city manager or the high school principal.  
(Step #3 is very important. Nobody wants to hear about someone that nobody knows or has ever heard of.)
4. Find a dirt bag to make up some facts. Make them juicy (very important). Don't make it so bad that it "should" appear in the paper or your rumor will eventually be proven to be a lie. For this reason murder and bank robbery are poor false rumor choices.
5. Tell a few people.
6. Mix in a couple thousand "did you hear the latests."
7. Sit back. The rumor mill will do the work.
8. Wait about three days.
9. By then your rumor should have slandered the person regardless of the lies you fill your rumor with. Years later some people will still believe it.

If everyone else finally figures out your rumor was a lie, so what, they can never trace it back to you (or can they?).

When inventing these false rumors it helps to have a few thousand accomplices who will confidently pass along "what they heard" (they trust their sources). Only a few people will bother to check the truthfulness of your rumor and they will not slow down its momentum.

It helps if you have no concern for the rumor victim's family because all of your rumor passers will not.

Sometimes a rumor can turn around and bite you. So if you are accused by the rumor victim or their private investigator of passing along false rumors. DENY! DENY! DENY! Always say "I just heard it and I only told one person" (the one who told the rumor victim they heard it from you). You can always change your story later if more people point the finger back at you (or you could call them a liar. Say you heard it from them.)



### Sun soaked

Photo by Vic Ruggles

Just off the shore of Boyne City's Veterans Park, a sun-drenched ice fisherman pursues a fading winter-time activity. With spring-like temperatures in recent days, ice conditions on area lakes are marginal.

### Receiving a message that really counts

By JANE BROCK

I got a Valentine's card from my dad's first cousin the other day.

Cousin Bill is a character, the kind of family you adore, but don't want people to know too much about — he doesn't reflect well. For a while he subscribed to a newspaper for me... I didn't know anything about it — had never heard of it until I got it — but it seemed suspiciously like it might number Timothy McVeigh and David Duke among its readership. I remember that it advertised phone tapping devices for your own home and "Y" baseball caps, that were some obscure antidote to the "X" caps worn in memory of Malcolm X.

It was a pretty hateful publication, and I used to be afraid that the people at the post office would think I was some kind of wacko, and that the FBI probably keeps files on people who subscribe to those kind of newspapers. The funny thing is, Cousin Bill is one of the gentlest, most loving men I know.

He is thoughtful, he is kind, he unfailingly remembers Valentine's Day. He is getting old now, an old bachelor. I tend to think we need to bounce our ideas off other people, to keep ourselves in line. If it sounds crazy out loud, probably it's crazy. But if all your hashing through of things is done in the privacy of your own head, you can get off course.

I love Cousin Bill. His cluttered Pennsylvania house is reported to have all of our letters — scarce as they have been — stacked beside his chair, some of them years old, and in all, a scanty stash. He is lonely, and dear, and I appreciate his clippings and cards he occasionally sends.

I don't know what the post office people think. Still, the last Valentine came addressed to: The Jane Brock House, Somewhere in East Jordan. I am grateful that they were tolerant enough of Cousin Bill's funny quirks that they delivered his message of love. For me, it is the one that counts.

## LETTERS

### A generous and caring community with a great fire department

TO THE EDITOR:

Margaret, Audrey and I would like to thank The Boyne City Fire Department for the work it did saving our home last Wednesday.

Your quick response and professional judgment kept our fire limited to the garage. Since my wife and I are relatively new to Boyne City, the personal touch is what we most appreciated. The willingness of the department to help direct us in the best way to get this cleaned up was also appreciated.

The citizens of Boyne City need to know that the fire fighting service they get for their tax dollar is top notch.

My family and I would also like to thank the community of Boyne City for the love, and the generous outpouring of support in the wake of our fire. The phone has rung off the hook with offers of help, a place to stay, and a warm voice of support. We are glad that we can live in a community we people really care about people.

Thank you Boyne City, this is a wonderful place!

Steven Beyer

WE WELCOME  
YOUR LETTERS

## A MOM'S LIFE

### Not all matters are really equal

By CINDI PLACE

Ever since we've had sons, we've been aware of the differences — and I don't mean physical — between boys and girls.

Our first introduction was when they were able to grasp their first toy. The daughter shook the rattle gently, then spent a great deal of time looking at its pretty colors. Eventually, she decided that its real purpose was as a chew toy. Our sons, however, took the same rattle, spent considerable time banging it on the floor, the sides of their crib and eventually, their own heads. Ignoring the fact that its colors were those of a beautiful rainbow, our sons skipped right to the chewing part.

Now, we've learned several rather important things about boys and girls since then. The most important of which is that, even though their approach may be vastly different, they usually end up with the same conclusions. Usually. Okay, sometimes.

All of our children can live in an incredibly messy bedroom for an unreasonably long amount of time. But it's usually the daughter who first recognizes that if Grandma is coming, that means the beds need to be unearthed and the floor has to have at least a clear pathway through it. Our eldest son, however, can't understand why anyone would want to sleep in his room anyway (he may have a good point there), so why does he need to change his level of comfort just because someone might be able to open his door and glance into his heavenly retreat? Eventually, both rooms will get

cleaned, but the level of angst is decidedly different.

When our daughter has to do the dinner dishes, we can generally count on everything being cleaned, stacked in the dishwasher and the pots and pans put away. The boys, however, will declare the project done as long as everything in the sink has been cleaned. Ignoring the stuff on the stove and counters, they will leave the kitchen with a false feeling of pride for a job they feel has been well done.

Our sons, however, do have a rather strong feeling of ownership for the job of mowing the lawn. No one, not their sister nor their mother, can possibly do as good a job as they can mowing the grass. We silly women leave lines in the lawn. We don't use the right pattern, and we never clean up the lawn mower when we're finished. Of course not; why clean something up that you're just going to get dirty again next week?

So goes it. But despite all their differences, I can't imagine not enjoying the banter and friendly arguing that ensues whenever the matter of equality is brought up. Our daughter is adamant that she isn't treated fairly, simply because she is a girl. Her brothers are already allowed to do things that we never would have allowed her to do at their age. At least that's her argument. But on one point she will be forever powerful. Because she is the oldest, no matter what new privilege is being considered, she will inevitably be allowed to do it first.

Which kind of throws her demand for equality out the window, don't you think?

### The number one school problem is the need for more rooms

TO THE EDITOR:

I recently had a phone call from a member of one of the new groups set up to help define and solve the school problem. I was urged to contact a member of the school board and explain exactly what it was that I wanted. Apparently they know what I don't want but are not quite sure about my wants. Let's let everybody know.

The overriding problem our school faces today is to formulate and present to the voters an attainable solution. Now just what does this mean? It simply means how many rooms must be added on to the middle school to get rid of the portables. They sit there as a shame and disgrace not only to the school but the community as well. This should be a separate part of any bond issue and be subject to an up or down vote by the voters.

The problem at the high school and elementary school should be handled in a like manner. After all, the number one priority -- or at least it should be -- is rooms. The four walls, floor and ceiling type rooms. After we have a sufficient number of rooms it then can be determined what should be put in them.

In short, separate the main problems and let them stand on their own merits. Send out a questionnaire to each and every registered voter in the district and find out just how much they are willing to obligate themselves for. That will give you some idea of just how far you can go.

Finally, I am accused of being far too critical with my remarks. My letters are on public issues, they are factual and they are timely. Elected officials are to be held responsible for their actions. I do not libel them but if they are embarrassed when I say they built a new cafeteria and gym and left six portable classrooms sitting in the mud it's pretty hard to refute me.

Everett Sayles

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# Sharing a painful story

## Teens get a real-life message about drunk driving

Michelle Bos Spence has a story to tell. It's one that does not have a happy ending, but she tells it so other families may avoid the same tragedy that struck her family.

Michelle's sister, Rebecca, was killed in an accident involving a drunk driver in 1992.

Shortly after the accident, Michelle wrote a letter to Charlevoix County Sheriff George Lasater asking him if there was anything she could do that might keep the same fate from happening to other families.

The sheriff asked Michelle to assist him and Charlevoix Prosecuting Attorney Mary Beth Kur with a program they present to high school students on the dangers and consequences of drunk driving.

It's not easy for Michelle to do. "I recognize the emotional and sensitive nature of Michelle getting up before an audience and explaining what it means to lose a loved one to drunk driving," Lasater said. "She touches many teenagers with her personal experiences."

Since the program began, more than 2,000 students have heard Michelle's presentation. "I tell them my story about what happened with our family," she said. She tries to impress on them what it's like to see your sister in the hospital in terrible condition and then to have to make a decision about discon-

necting the life support system.

Michelle describes Rebecca, who at the time of her accident was 19, as a great person. She had been a foreign exchange student while in high school, was attending college, was an outstanding skier and an exceptional student.

Rebecca was also involved with Students Against Drunk Driving while she attended East Jordan High School.

The accident occurred on Old State Road between Boyne City and Walloon. Rebecca was out with friends, in her car, but at the time of the accident one of her friends, who was drunk, was driving.

Michelle has been involved with the program, which is normally presented around prom time, for years. And recently, Sheriff Lasater honored her for her contribution. "I would like to recognize Michelle for her devotion to teenagers in Charlevoix County for her presentations regarding the problems of teenage drinking and driving," Lasater said.

"Michelle is a real asset to Charlevoix County and the sheriff's office in our collective efforts to deal with this serious problem."

Michelle lives in East Jordan with her husband Todd. She works for Jordan Valley Animal Clinic where she is vet assistant and receptionist. She has two children, Brittany and Cody.



Two kittens look quite content in the arms of Michelle Bos Spence, who works at Jordan Valley Animal Clinic.

### POLICE REPORT

The Boyne City Police Department received 80 complaints during the past week. Among them were:

- Feb. 9 - Officers investigated a stalking complaint. A purse was reported stolen. It was located later in the week.

- Feb. 11 - There was property damage reported to a vehicle parked in a Boyne City parking lot.

- Feb. 12 - A property-damage accident was reported on Vogel Street. There were no injuries. A car-deer accident was reported by Rotary Park. A shoplifter was arrested and charged with retail fraud for shoplifting from SMK Foods.

- Feb. 13 - Stolen property from Traverse City was recovered in Boyne City. A car-deer accident was reported on State Street near Cozy Nook.

- Feb. 15 - A juvenile runaway, reported early Sunday, was returned home later in the morning. A bicycle was left at the White Rose. If your bicycle is missing, call the police department at 582-6611 with a description.

### Builder offers reward for missing tools

A 16-foot aluminium plank and ladder brackets were reported stolen from a construction site at Villa de Charlevoix near the boat ramp sometime between Friday and Saturday evening.

Builder Thomas Baird is offering a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those involved.

If you have information, call Baird at 582-6047 or the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department.

## Computer lab upgrade coming for Boyne middle school

Boyne City Middle School is getting a new computer lab which could be completely installed by the end of the school year.

The \$85,000 upgrade was authorized by the school board at its Feb-

ruary meeting, and will provide for hardware, software, networking and set-up costs, and furniture.

"It's something that's been long overdue," said board member Bill Hawkins.

The updated equipment will replace old IBM 8086 computers — basic machines lacking even hard drives.

The Technology Committee — a school board sub-committee —

worked with Mike Carland, the school's computer teacher, and Micro Age, a computer consultant, to assess the school's needs and to develop recommendations.

According to Carland, the net-

worked equipment will probably include a Compaq server and Gateway computers. The school will know better by the end of the week exactly which type of equipment will be installed.

### BACPAC meets Wednesday

BACPAC will meet Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. in room 5 at Boyne City High School.

The purpose of the meeting is to continue planning the graduation party for Boyne City's Class of '98.

**BOYNE Cinema**  
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Feb. 20th - Feb. 26th

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at 7:00 & 9:20 nightly  
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Starring Dan Aykroyd & James Goodman  
at 7:00 & 9:15 nightly  
also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:15

**Palmetto** - R (114 min)  
Starring Woody Harrelson, Elisabeth Shue & Michael Rappaport  
at 7:00 & 9:00 nightly  
also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:00

**The Wedding Singer** - PG-13 (95 min)  
Starring Adam Sandler & Drew Barrymore  
at 7:00 & 9:00 nightly  
also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:00

**Titanic** - PG-13 (197 min)  
Starring Leonardo DiCaprio & Kate Winslet  
at 7:00 nightly  
also Sat & Sun at 2:00

**Sphere** - PG-13 (132 min)  
Starring Dustin Hoffman, Sharon Stone & Samuel L. Jackson  
at 7:00 & 9:20 nightly  
also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:20

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**As Good As It Gets** - PG-13 (132 min)  
Starring Jack Nicholson & Helen Hunt  
Fri at 7:00 & 9:20  
Sat at 2:00, 4:20, 7:00 & 9:20  
Sun at 2:00, 4:20 & 7:00  
Mon-Thurs at 7:00 nightly

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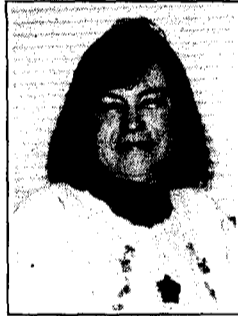
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# Been Looking For Margie and Nancy?

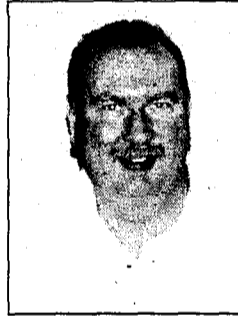
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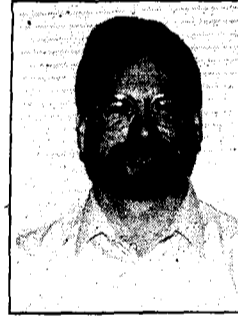
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# Visiting Mickey

## Stephanie Groh's wish comes true and she and her family are at Disney World

It's a dream come true for Stephanie Groh. Last Saturday at 11:30 a.m. the limousine pulled up and in got Stephanie, her mother Kelly, her father Perry, her sister Molly and her brother Kyle.

By 1:15 p.m. they were at Pellston Airport boarding a flight. At 6 p.m. they were in Orlando, Fla.

On Sunday they were at Disney World.

The trip is full of firsts for 12-year-old Stephanie. She's never ridden in a limousine. Never flown. Never been to Disney World. Only twice has she left Michigan, once for a visit to Ohio and another time to visit Kentucky.

If it all sounds like a child's dream trip, it is and it's all possible through the Make-A-Wish Foundation, which tries to make children's wishes come true.

Stephanie has cystic fibrosis. She was diagnosed when she was 3. It's a fatal disease and has no cure. It affects the lungs and pancreas. The life expectancy of a person with the disease is anywhere from their early teen years into their 30's.

The disease plugs a person's airways, making it difficult to breathe. Stephanie has three breathing treatments a day. Cystic fibrosis also affects the pancreas, making it difficult for a person to digest food. Stephanie takes medication for this as well.

She's smaller than most other children her age and her mother said she has only gained three pounds in the last three years. She now weighs 71 pounds.

Like most kids, Stephanie's favorite food is pizza, with lasagna ranking second.

Looking at Stephanie, you'd never know she was sick. Many of her classmates don't even know about her illness. Even her closest friend just learned a few months ago.

"She does everything you and I would," Kelly said. Except for treatments and the regular care she needs.

"The care takes up so much of her time. She can't stay over with friends. Her life is very consumed with treatment."

Kelly and Perry are her primary caregivers. One corner of their dining room is filled with the medicine Stephanie needs. When she's at school, nurse Jean Odgers "looks after every need," Kelly said.

Until this winter, Stephanie had not missed much school. But this month hasn't been easy on her. In January she needed to have an IV because oral treatments her were not working. When that was removed a few weeks ago she came down with the flu, something she's had a hard time shaking.

A few days before her trip she was running a high temperature and there was some concern her



Stephanie Groh, a seventh grader at Boyne City Middle School, suffers from cystic fibrosis. Her trip was made possible by the Make-A-Wish program.

health might delay her visit to Disney World.

The Grohs learned about the Make-A-Wish program through Stephanie's doctor and social worker at the University of Michigan Children's Hospital.

The program grants wishes to children

between the ages of 2 1/2 to 17 years old who suffer from life threatening diseases. All expenses for the Grohs trip — limo, air fare, lodging — are paid by Make-A-Wish, which is funded through private and corporate donations.

# Musicians tuning up for upcoming Fiddlers' Jamboree

## Event is March 7

If you can twist, smash, duck or dive, you'll want to be in East Jordan on March 7. No, there won't be a modern-rock mosh pit or even a disco-ball, just good old-fashioned square dancing and music at the Fiddlers' Jamboree.

Fiddlers of all ages will showcase their talents in the afternoon followed by an open-mike period for unscheduled musicians. The evening hours will highlight old-fashioned square-dance callers who will set the pace for experienced and novice dancers.

"Our intent is to preserve old time music and education," said Bill Stevens, an old-time caller himself and co-chair of the jamboree. Proceeds from donations at the door will be used for scholarships, tuition and music lessons. Money raised from



Lauren Bradley made music with her bow for the 1,200 spectators who turned out for last year's Fiddlers' Jamboree at the Jordan Valley Express. Behind her is Andrew Tillotson.

last year's event helped a student attend Interlochen.

Stevens said he wants to keep

these musical traditions alive as fewer young people take up this calling. His father, an older brother, and

one of his sons are callers.

"We're fortunate in our area to still have quite a few square-dance callers," Stevens said, identifying Harry Pearsall of East Jordan as one of the local talents. He hopes this event will inspire a few younger-generation callers.

A square-dance caller leads the show when it's time to dance and determines the type of music the band plays — a hoe-down or a melody — based on his "call."

Stevens explained that descriptive calls before the dancing begins — such as Duck for the Oyster, Dive

for the Clam, the Grapevine Twist, or Smash the Window — indicate to the participants which steps they'll be doing within timed music.

The call also cues the band to play a certain type of music. If it's a hoe-down, a fiddler will lead the number while the rest of the band — guitarist, pianist, banjo player, bassist and mandolin player — follows, providing rhythm for the dancers.

Familiar shouts of "do-si-do" are actually commands within the call which cue the four couples in each set to do a certain move.

Rhythm and timing is the secret to old-time calling, which differs in

tempo from the modern-western style square dance, Stevens said. The old-time music is not related to country-western music at all, but was actually brought over from Scotland, Ireland and Germany, he added.

Anyone can participate in the dancing and Stevens assures that willing learners can "pick up the basics by watching a couple of square dances."

Doors open at 1 p.m. on March 7 at the Jordan Valley Express on M-66 next to Glen's. The fiddling will take place from 1-5 p.m., and dancing begins at 7 p.m. Donations will be accepted at the door.

## BUSINESS

### Walloon General Store has new owners

The Walloon Village General Store recently changed ownership.

Linda Penfold, an 18-year employee of the store and deli, and her husband Calvin, bought the business this month. They plan to make a few interior changes to the establishment. A new meat case and deli case are planned along with an expanded deli, and the coffee counter and bathroom will also undergo renovations.

The Penfolds will also bring another business on-site pending zoning approval. Walloon Resort Wear, currently located across the street, will cover more than 800 square feet of the facility.

The general store is open Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday from 8 a.m.-9 p.m., and Sunday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

### Seminar covers Roth and Education IRAs

An IRA seminar will be held at the Wolverine Dilworth Inn in Boyne City on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 6 p.m.

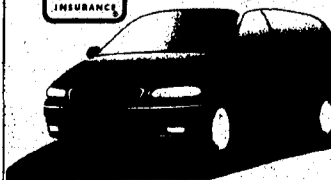
Topics covered will include details on the new Roth and Education IRAs; how the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 affects traditional IRAs; and tax advantages of converting traditional IRAs into Roth IRAs.

A complimentary dinner will be served. Reservations are necessary and can be made by calling 1-888-526-8856 by Feb. 24.

The dinner and seminar are sponsored by David Balok of Edward Jones Investments in Harbor Springs. Speakers include Balok, Ralph Gillett, CPA and Brian Kelly of Putnam Investments.

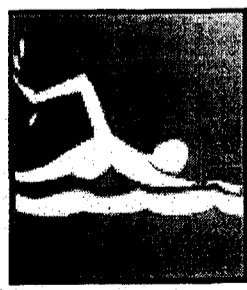
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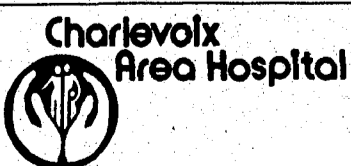
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**Boyer CITY HALL news**

By SUE HOBBS

**AT A MEETING** of the affected property owners for the proposed boardwalk, there was some concern about the proposed project. At this point, the city is in the process of obtaining easements to construct the boardwalk along the south side of the river from Lake to Park streets. There is some hesitation on the part of a property owner to grant a necessary easement. City staff will be looking at additional options which could facilitate construction of the boardwalk.

**PAT MITCHELL**, representing the Walleye Association, is requesting a "For Fishing Only" handicap accessible floating dock to be installed on the south side of the Boyne River. The Walleye Association will contribute up to \$5,000 for the cost of this project. Dennis Jason will check on the cost to the city and report back to the Parks and Rec Commission.

**THE PARKS COMMISSION** approved sidewalk construction in Old City Park that would run from the gazebo to River Street. Cost of construction is covered by monies already collected from private individuals for purchase of sidewalk squares.

**A PRELIMINARY PLAN** for Rotary Park was reviewed by Parks and Rec and given tentative approval for a plan that includes three additional ballfields for the Little League Association as well as development of soccer fields, an additional tennis court, and a centralized restroom/concession area.

**A SITE LOCATION** at Avalanche Preserve for the Boyne Ice group and the Boyne Area Gymnastics and Dance Center was also approved. This is located off Division Street, running parallel to Park View Apartments.

**A ZONING PERMIT** was issued this week to Paul and Barb Simeri for construction of a single family dwelling on lot 5 of Harborage Shores, Front Street.

**REP. BEV BODEM** will be at City Hall on Feb. 20, from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. to meet one-on-one with constituents.

**THE PLANNING COMMISSION** met on Monday night, Feb. 16, with quite a few items on the agenda. Included are two land divisions and reconfigurations, a review of the Historical District Ordinance, a petition to reconstruct the building at 926 N. Lake Street, review of the proposed project at St. Matthew's, a site plan review for an expansion at the Tannery and a review of the proposed boardwalk.

(Sue Hobbs is city clerk for Boyne City.)

**OBITUARIES**

**Mary Gower**

Mary Gower, 85, of Traverse City, and formerly of East Jordan, died on Wednesday, Feb. 11, 1998 at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Feb. 16, at the Paullin-Penzien Funeral home in East Jordan. The Rev. William McKeon of St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan officiated, with interment in Sunset Hill Cemetery.

Mary was born on Aug. 21, 1912 in Newcomer, Penn., the daughter of Michael and Katherine (Janekovich) Benda. She grew up in the Pittsburgh area in Pennsylvania. Her family moved to the Detroit area when she was a teenager. She worked 27 years for the Chrysler Corporation in Detroit. In 1958 she retired and moved to East Jordan.

Mary enjoyed knitting, crocheting,

making afghans, gardening, flowers, canning, and making jelly.

Mary is survived by one daughter, Katherine (Myron) Bubnak of Traverse City; two granddaughters, Cynthia Caperton of Traverse City and Christine (Todd) Milarch of Traverse City; three great-grandchildren, Jessica Caperton, Andrew Caperton, and Christine Milarch; one brother, Danny (Ruth) Benda of New Baltimore; two sisters, Helen (Hughey) Vaughan of Richmond and Sophie Benda of Richmond; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, and one brother, Andrew Benda.

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

**Gerald Derenzy**

Gerald G. Derenzy, 82, of Echo Township, Antrim County, died on Thursday, Feb. 12, 1998 at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Feb. 16, at the Paullin-Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan. The Rev. Eugene L. Baughan of the East Jordan United Methodist Church officiated, with interment in Morehouse Cemetery, Echo Township.

He was born on March 13, 1915 in Kearney Township, Antrim County, the son of William, Sr. and Muriel (Spence) Derenzy. On March 1, 1941 in East Jordan, he married Margaret Lord.

During World War II, Gerald served in the United States Coast Guard. He worked as a sailor on the Great Lakes from 1931 to 1951. He held a pilot's license to pilot ships on the Great Lakes. He also worked as a farmer and carpenter.

He was a member of the American Legion Post #227 in East Jordan

and a life member of the Oddfellows. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Derenzy of East Jordan; five children, Tom (Carol) Derenzy of East Jordan, Brad (Maureen) Derenzy of Gaylord, Nancy (Gail) Eby of East Jordan, Glenn (Donna) Derenzy of East Jordan, and Chris Derenzy of East Jordan; ten grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; four sisters, Ann (Theo) Jeffery of East Jordan, Dora (Ethan) Edson of Indian River, Glenda (Marlin) Sweet of East Jordan, and Greta (Jack) Whiteford of East Jordan; one brother, Clifford (Margaret) Derenzy of East Jordan; and numerous nieces and nephews. Gerald was preceded in death by his parents; and three brothers, Archie Derenzy on April 12, 1984, Orville Derenzy on May 22, 1989, and William Derenzy, Jr. on Jan. 5, 1991.

Memorials may be given to East Jordan Ambulance Fund.

**Jennie E. Manglos**

Jennie E. Manglos, 84, formerly of Boyne City, died Feb. 13, 1998 in Kansas City, Mo., where she resided for many years.

Interment will be in Gaylord's cemetery.

Born April 21, 1913 in Johannesburg, the daughter of Mads Carl and Martha A. (Sandback) Madsen, both from Denmark.

She lived in Gaylord until she married Hubert M. Manglos, on Feb.

15, 1935. Her husband and her son Robert "Bob" preceded her in death.

She is survived by her son John (Jack) and his wife Pat, of Lee's Summit, Mo.; daughter-in-law, Essie of Grandview, Mo.; her brother, Howard (Whitey) Madsen and his wife Thelma of Grayling; four grandchildren, David in California, Steve, Mac and Kim in Missouri; and seven great-grandchildren.

**Ellen Dipzinski**

Ellen Dipzinski, 90, of Rochester and formerly of East Jordan died Feb. 7, 1998 at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

She was a past member of the East Jordan Garden Club and played tournament bridge.

She was preceded in death by her son, Glenn Plante.

Survivors include her daughter-in-law, Jean Plante; four grandchildren, Brian (Monica) Plante, Michael White, Paul (Lynn) White and Mary Ellen (Mark) White; and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at St. Andrew Catholic Church in Rochester at 12 p.m. on Feb. 23.

**John Nelson Denemy**

John Nelson Denemy, 49, of East Jordan died Feb. 14, 1998.

His funeral will be held at noon Wednesday, Feb. 18, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan. The Rev. William McKeon will officiate.

John was born July 25, 1948, in Charlevoix, the son of Nelson Lawrence and Rose Ann (Cornstalk) Denemy.

He moved to South Haven as a young man and graduated from South Haven High School in 1968.

John was a piano tuner by trade. He moved to East Jordan from South Haven in 1985.

He was a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

Survivors include his daughter, Darlene R. Denemy, and granddaughter, Mariah Hughes, both of South Haven; his mother, Rose Ann Denemy; brother, Nelson Denemy; and sister, Darlene Ann Guthrie, all of East Jordan. John was preceded in death by his brother, Lawrence, and by his father, Nelson Denemy.

Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

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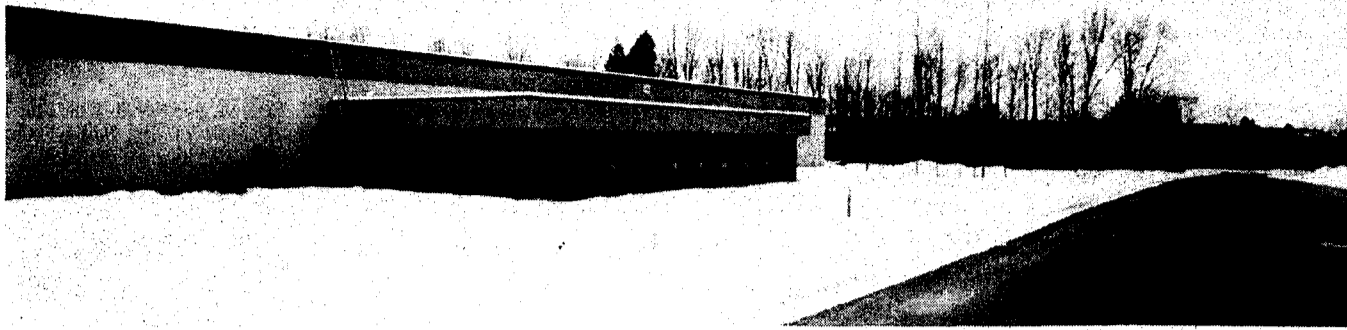
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# EJ industrial park taking shape

The water and sewer lines are in, the road is paved, and the first tenant is getting ready to settle into East Jordan's new Air Industrial Park.

The Iron Works is nearing completion on its building that will house its hydrant and valve assembly department, which is being moved from its current Spring Street location.

The Air Industrial Park is located on a 51-acre parcel on M-32 next to the airport. Another 40 acres is available for future expansion.

Eleven lots, ranging in size from one to two

acres, are now available, according to City Administrator David White. The lots are priced at \$19,500. There has been interest in some of the lots, and the city is currently soliciting proposals to help market the industrial park.

Infrastructure for the park was paid for through a \$601,000 grant the city received last summer from the Michigan Community Development Block Grant Program. The money was used for road improvements and to extend utilities, and water and

sewer lines to the industrial park. The city's expenses for the project were approximately \$75,000.

The Iron Works relocating its hydrant and valve department to the industrial park was a key factor in the city receiving the grant. Without a commitment from a major industry, the city had little hope of receiving the grant.

The Iron Works building sits on an eight acre site in the park.

## Paintings find their way back to their roots

A little bit of history has found its way back to East Jordan via the Grandville Historical Commission.

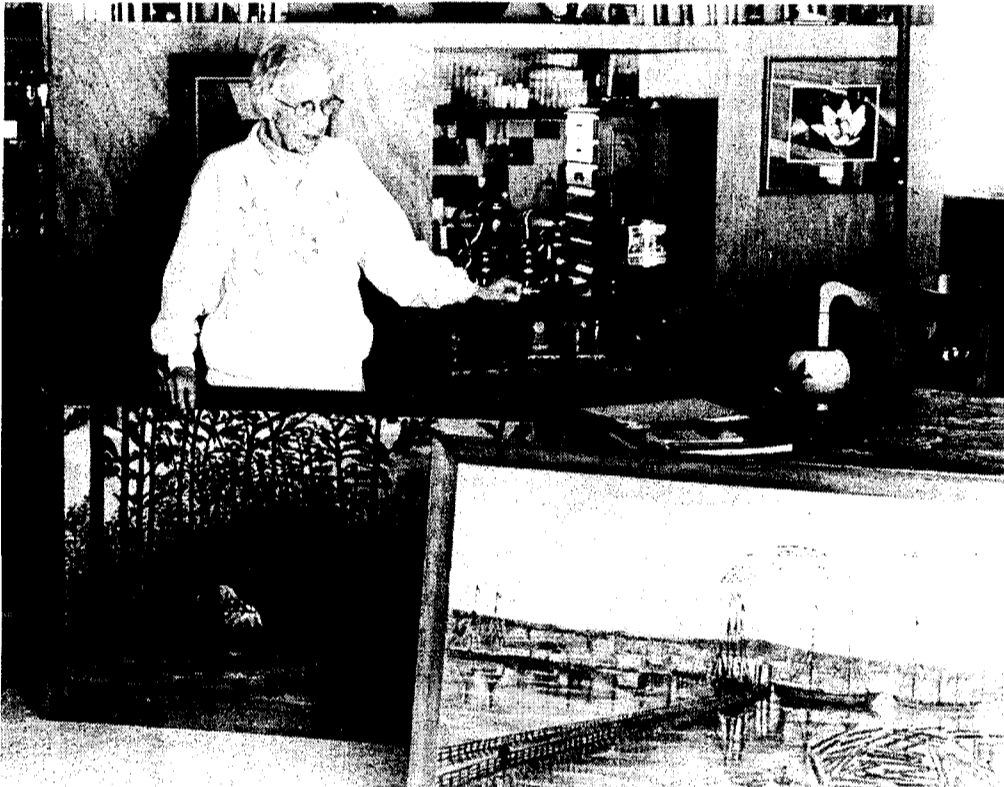
Grandville donated four colorful renderings of a bygone East Jordan to the Portside Art and Historical Museum at Elm Pointe. Former resident and native Ruth Malpass Palmer hand-painted the pieces in the early 1960s from old photographs dating to the late 1800s and early 1900s.

The oil paintings depict the Old Red Mill, the city's first and second bridges (East Jordan is now on its third one), and part of the Porter Lumber Company logging crew, probably at Dead Man's Hill.

"We are very proud to share that part of history with East Jordan," said Bill Dudas, a Grandville Historical Commission board member and nephew to Palmer. When Dudas discovered the paintings he personally drove them to East Jordan from Grandville.

Palmer, the daughter of the East Jordan Iron Works founder, was born and educated through high school in East Jordan. She moved to Kent County after graduating from MSU nursing school. She died in the early 1980s. Her sister, Alice Malpass Nesman, still resides in East Jordan.

The paintings are now gracing the walls of various East Jordan businesses this winter, but will eventually hang in the museum's gallery. They will be loaned to City Hall in the summer for display.



Cygred Riley, a charter member of the Portside Art and Historical Museum at Elm Pointe, displays some of the paintings donated to the organization by the Grandville Historical Commission. The artist, Ruth Malpass Palmer, was a native of East Jordan.

Palmer was one of the original artists at the museum's annual juried art shows 36 years ago. The museum

also holds some of her other works.

To find out more about East Jordan's history, visit the museum at

Elm Pointe this summer. It is open Wednesday-Sunday afternoons from June through September.

## Grant targets risky behavior of middle school students

The Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency has been awarded a grant from the Michigan Department of Community Health to organize a coalition to promote abstinence from sexual activity and other risky behaviors among middle school students.

"No matter what philosophy or value system individuals hold, this is a project that can appeal to anyone who cares about kids," said Jan Mancinelli, executive director of the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan and chair of the Abstinence Partnership of Northwest Michigan. "It addresses the real risks that kids face."

The Abstinence Partnership is committed to several key principles:

- It supports abstinence-based programs, meaning that the focus is on the concept of staying healthy by avoiding risky behaviors such as sexual activity, and use of alcohol,

tobacco and other drugs.

- Programs target middle school students and must be developed in a culturally competent, age and gender appropriate manner.

- Parents are an essential part of helping their children learn that abstinence is a healthy behavior and need the support of communities in which they live to reinforce this message.

- Programs must be skills-based, meaning that in addition to information, methods and skills for dealing with pressure from others must be taught and practiced.

- Each community is different. Community members, parents, schools, and children must determine their own needs and strategies in developing and implementing abstinence-based education and programs to help children lead more healthy and productive lives.

Local educators, health care pro-

viders, the religious community, parents, and community leaders from

Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego Counties have been invited to participate in the Abstinence Partnership. Over the next few months, the group will conduct a needs assessment, compile a resource inventory, perform a gap analysis and develop a plan to promote the development of healthy behaviors in nine to

14-year-old children.

The first meeting of the Abstinence Coalition of Northwest Michigan is planned for Monday, March 2, at 10 a.m. at the Charlevoix office of the Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency (formerly known as District Health Department #3). For more information, call Jane Sundmacher, community health planner, at 547-6523.

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**NEIGHBORS**

By NANCY NORTHUP

**JIM HURLBUT** of Litzenger Place is now recuperating well at home after recent surgery at Northern Michigan Hospital.

**NORMA BEAN** of Boyne City left with her mother, Agatha LaCross, in January to spend a few months in Port Richey, Fla. This past week's trip to Greensborough, Ga., might be of interest to former friends, remembering "Tarzan" Al LaCross, Norma's brother. She met her daughter, Paula, who flew in from N.C., and his daughter, Debra Ruttan, flying in from Ypsilanti, Mich., to surprise him at his home on his 60th birthday!

**GORDON AND MARY LOU YAHR** of Delaware, Ohio spent a long weekend here with his mother Ruth.

**SHIRLEY BARKLEY** of Boyne City spent three days last week as a patient at the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

**KENNETH ORDIWAY** and Becky Quackenbush, both of Boyne City, were married on Feb. 14. The ceremony, attended by many family and friends, was officiated by Pastor Jeff Ellis at the Walloon Lake Community Church. A reception was held at Evangeline Township Hall. The newlyweds, planning a honeymoon trip at a later date, are at home in the north end of Boyne City. Kenneth is the son of Marvin and Kathy Potter of Boyne City and Larry and Barb Ordiway of Kalkaska.

**CHARLENE GIEM** and Pat Kelly honored Sara Giem with a baby shower on

Saturday. Thirty-two friends and relatives gathered at the Lakeview Village Clubhouse for a fun time, refreshments, and gifts for baby-to-be. Sara and Rob Richardson are expecting their bundle of joy on May 1.

**A WARM AND LOVING** "Welcome to our world!" goes out to Sydney Michelle Campbell, daughter of Lori and David Campbell of East Jordan. Sydney Michelle, born on her dad's 31st birthday of Feb. 8, at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces and measured 18 1/2 inches long. She has a sister, Shelby, age 6. Grandparents are Frank and Alice Campbell and Fritz and Pug Healey, all of East Jordan. Great-grandmothers are Margaret Burley of Daytona Beach, Fla. and Mary DeNike of East Jordan.

**MARNIE DRAPER** and daughter Mackenzie of Potterville, and Mackenzie's friend Cassie of Grand Ledge were here over the weekend to celebrate Mackenzie's 10th birthday at the Deer Lake home of Grandma Jean Korhase.

**MYRTLE CARSON** has returned from visiting her daughter Cindy, in Austin, Texas. While there, they motored to Mexico and Brownsville and also toured Padre Island.

**A GROUP FROM THE WALLOON** Lake Community Church left this week for an educational and pleasure journey to the Holy Land in Israel. Taking the trip are Pat Robinson, Betty Christensen, Eric Pittman, Jan Smith, Rachel and Kevin Klevom, Jeff and Denise Ellis, Lois Edson, Dawn Tillotson,

Chuck Jacobs, Robert and Sonya Elder, and Don and Arlinda Robertson.

**ON THURSDAY**, Thelma Bentley of Boyne City hosted a luncheon and birthday celebration for Jessie Willson. All enjoyed playing cards for the afternoon. On Sunday, Jessie enjoyed birthday fun again with dinner at John and Carol McGeorge's, which included the presence of grandson, Johnny McGeorge, here from Holland. "A week of fun, lots of cards—just so good, hearing from old time friends and all," said Jessie.

**ROSE SCHWEM** has moved from Boyne Falls to room number 336 at Petoskey's Independent Village. It was a surprise to her family, when she told them, but all were happy for her!

**THE BOYNE CITY SWIM GROUP** held its February luncheon at the home of Lee Stowe this past week. The afternoon continued with card games.

**MACKENZIE KORTHASE**, age 5, spent this past weekend visiting dad, Roger Korthase and grandma Jean. Also there until Tuesday, were Nancy and Bruce Lawson of Rochester.

**MR. AND MRS. BILL MEYERS** of Boyne City are proud to announce that two of their granddaughters were on the Dean's List for the fall semester. Their granddaughters are Colleen Chapoton at Albion College and Shelly Fisher at University of Michigan at Dearborn.

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

**East Jordan band students compete at district festival**

Fifteen East Jordan Band members participated in the District Solo and Ensemble Festival in Kalkaska last weekend.

Earning superior ratings for solos were Renee Perreault and Briean Thorman. Excellent ratings were earned by

Paul Slough, Chris Mills, Larry Brooks, Tony Cutler, Bryan Banfield, Bethany Purvis, Mark Penzien, Katie Goebel, and Ken Slough.

This Saturday the high school band will perform at a festival in Elk Rapids. They will play at 2:20 p.m. at Elk Rapids High School.

**BCHS HONOR ROLL**

Boyne City High School first semester honor roll includes the following students:

**SENIORS**

Tony Amato, Sarah Bobowski, Molly Bricker, David Cadarette, Kyle Caldecott, Bill Case, Tracy Chew, Kayla Crowell, Matthew Davis, Jennifer Denise, Kara Dietze, Matt Ellenwood, Tracie Fanter, Derek Friske, Melissa Fruge, Travis Garrett, Pam Gotro, David Grace, Corey Hall, Trent Harter, Buddy Hayden, Joseph Halsey, Michael Houser, Melissa Jasinski, Matthew Johncheck, Tracy Johnson, Monique Kirby, Tommy Knight, Brianna Korhase, Kristina Kotesky, Adam Kuhns, Katherine Kujawski, Jennifer Lehto, Stacy Morrow, Michael Osment, Ryan Ott, Amy Place, Elizabeth Poirot, Alison Polack, Darak Price, Bo Reinhardt, Tanya Renkiewicz, Abbey Roberts, Jason Rozycki, Jason Scott, Alanna Simonsen, Crystal Simonsen, Philip Simpson, Country Stewart, Scott Sulak, Heidi Vanhoosier, Jennifer Weisler, Kevin Weisler, Erik Willfong, Chris Winkler, Emily Wright.

**JUNIORS**

Nicholas Amato, Dillon Antaya, Daniel Arner, Brandy Barren, April Befort, Carrie Belford, Erin Belleau, Joshua Bernthal, Katie Bernthal, Jordan Brandt, Arthur Brong, Justin Clearly, Emily Conklin, Katherine David, Katie Dhaseler, Monica Follette, Nicole Foster, Charles Fowler, Heather Grobaski, Joshua Hall, Jessica Hamlin, Ken Hardy, Alicia Harwell, Dianna Hellstrom, Becky Higgins, Jamie Howard, Michele Howard, Nathan Howell, Candice Matuszak, Jennifer Ortlieb, Jeremy Peck, Pearlina Reinhardt, Nicholas Riehl, Julianne Salisz, Ashley Shrader, Corey Schroeder, Joshua Thayer, Katie Wilde, and Tiffany Zavesky.

**SOPHOMORES**

Emily Bricker, Rebekah Bultendorp, Justin Callahan, Dennis Crissman, Jackeylynn Cyr, Liane Deming, Stephanie Deming, Kimberly Denise, Riley Denison, Maggie Doherty, John Fry, Andrea Gerling, Jessica Hardy, Letitia Harrington, Aara Hess, Ramona Huyghe, Tyson Johncheck, Brittany Kennedy, Nicole Kurtz, Alicia Maula, Dawn McGeorge, Brandon McQueen, Kevin Metzger, Megan Neidhame, Carleen Pearsall, Alisha Peck, Mathew Rasch, Lucas Reinhardt, Leann Schrader, Leah Senter, Tucker Simpson, Tyler Smith, Natalie Stafford, Kara Stark-Behling, Daniel Steed, Shelia Sweet, Bethany Tomkins, Jenny Utley, Tamara Weaver, Shawn Weisler, Nathan Wolf, and Aaron Wright.

**FRESHMEN**

Lisa Arner, Amanda Bargas, Aaron Barsy, Charlotte Brandt, Ronald Brockette, Crystal Cotton, Bretta Cramer, Jason Denison, John Doherty, Crystal Evans, Aubrey Fry, Joshua Gregware, Dylan Hall, Andrew Hellstrom, Danielle Hoaglund, Jonah Hoaglund, Rebecca Houser, Bronna Jessup, Nickolis Karlskin, Brandy Kennedy, Kurt Kotesky, Rebecca Kotesky, Robert Lavanway, Rebecca Lewis, Alan McCutcheon, Steven Miller, Matthew Moore, Andrew Moriarity, Ellie Neidhame, Kate Neidhame, Nicole Peck, Kara Perry, Aaron Place, Kyle Price, Nikolas Rowald, Steven Ritter, Emily Roland, Jason Rostar, Nissa Ryder, Timothy Shulick, Kellan Smith, Alicia Swaim, Benjamin VanDam, Kristofor Vrontran, Ashley Whitley, Edward Woelfert, and Muriel Zimmerman.

(There may be more names added to the honor roll after all students grades are complete.)

**Rain forest sprouts at Concord Academy**

What do jaguars, quetzals, poison dart frogs, emerald boas, howler monkeys, toucans and bird eating tarantulas have in common?

They are all part of Concord Academy's own rain forest. The transformation of the school's hallway is in progress. It will sprout into a full fledged South American rain

forest complete with waterfall, vegetation, animals and a hut on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 9-11:30 a.m. Visitors can also view the third through fifth grade science fair and the seventh-10th graders' scientist portrayals.

Sixth, eighth, ninth and 10th graders are painting detailed backdrops. The seventh grade is building a hut and putting on guided tours, complete with a "Quiz your rain forest knowledge" contest. Fifth grade students have concentrated on trees.

spiders, snakes, frogs and insects. Second graders made beautiful, colorful butterflies. First graders worked on tropical birds and flowers. The kindergarten (with the help of local artist Joel Stoppel) made a paper maché howler monkey and jaguar which will be auctioned off in the school's fund-raiser.

All classes are participating.

Third and fourth graders made

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**COLLEGE NEWS**

**KURT LOCKMAN, RAHMAN MOES, STEPHEN SEELYE, and MICHELLE SHALER** of Boyne City have been named to the Dean's List at Grand Valley State University. To be named to the list, students must maintain a 3.5 grade point average.

**DAWN MARIE MEADS** of East Jordan, has been named to the Dean's List at Lake Superior State University. She is a sophomore majoring in accounting.

Several area students have been named to the Honor's List at Michigan State University for the fall semester. They are:

Boyne City: **PAUL X. GAUDARD, MELANIE B. HUBBLE, REBECCA A. NIELSEN, BRIAN M. SEELYE, MARK S. SPENCE, BRANDON P. STADT, and ELIZABETH D. WINTER.**

East Jordan: **JESSE M. JOHNSON and CALLISTA B. RANSON.**

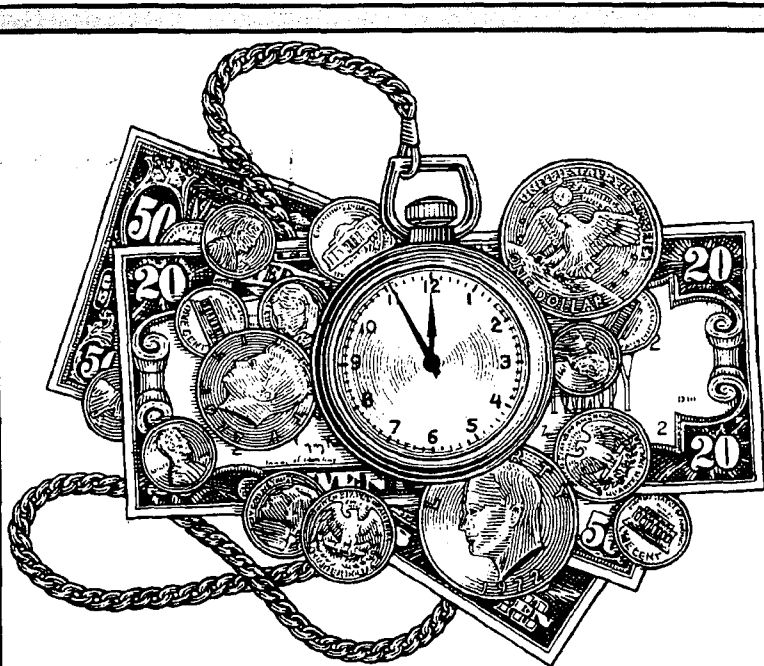
**TIMOTHY T. LEACH** has been named to the Dean's List at Albion College for the fall 1997 semester.

Leach is a freshman at Albion College. He is the son of Timothy and Cheryl Leach of East Jordan and a graduate of East Jordan High School.

**DAVID TEDDY** has been named to the Dean's List at Central Michigan for the fall semester. He is currently doing his student teaching at Montabella High School. He is the son of Steve and Peggy Baker of Boyne City.

**DAVID B. MEADS and SOLOMON TOWNSEND** of East Jordan, and **MICHELLE RACINE** of Boyne City have been named to the Dean's List at Western Michigan University.

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# SPORTS

## Lady Ramblers play from the heart in East Jordan win

Carrying momentum from their third place finish at the Grayling Invitational volleyball tournament last weekend, Boyne City defeated East Jordan Monday evening in three straight games, 15-8, 15-10, 15-13.

"We played with a lot of confidence," said coach Doreen Britton. "We were strong at the net, intense in our hitting and determined in our defense. We communicated well and did not give up when we got in a slump."

"The players dug in deep and played with their hearts."

For Boyne City, April Roberts had seven kills, Heidi VanHoosier six, Molly Bricker three, and Sarah Bobowski had three kills and two blocks. Katie Bernthal and Melissa Jasinski also played well. Bernthal had four blocks, five aces and five points. Jasinski had three aces

and three points.

"Boyne City played a good match, hitting and passing pretty well," said East Jordan coach Duane Kujat. "We never picked up enough momentum to win the match."

The Red Devils served 80 percent, "which really hurt us," Kujat said. Catey Moses led in serving, hitting 15 of 15, and Jenny Murray was 11 of 11. Top passers were Jenny Gochel and Suzi Malpass. Raissa Schroeder was top setter.

Boyne City also won the junior varsity match.

**THE LADY RAMBLERS'** win Monday followed their impressive performance at Grayling Saturday. With their backs against the wall, Boyne City rallied to finish third last Saturday at the invitational tournament.

After going 5-1, the Lady Ramblers came out of pool

play in second because of a point differential with Grayling, who also went 5-1. In the first round of brackets, Boyne City lost to Kingsley, the eventual tournament champion, 1-15, 8-15.

With the loss, the Lady Ramblers were matched against Grayling to decide third place. Grayling took the first game 11-15, then had Boyne on the ropes in the second game 11-14. But the Lady Ramblers came back and won the game 16-14. They also took the third game 15-7.

Bobowski and Ashley Schrader were named to the all tournament team. Bobowski had seven aces and nine points, and nine kills and eight blocks. Schrader had seven kills and five blocks.

Staci Seelye and Stacy Amesbury were top setters for Boyne, according to Britton. Seelye had seven aces and 14 points, while Amesbury had five aces and 16 points.

Bricker also had a strong match with five aces and 19 points.

Bernthal had 14 kills and three blocks, while Roberts and Katie Dhaseleer had 11 kills each.

Against Charlevoix last Thursday, Boyne lost in three straight, 11-15, 11-15, 8-15.

"Even though we lost, the girls played tough," Britton said. "Charlevoix is a consistent and patient team and is content to wait for the opponent to make a mistake and then they capitalize on the mistake."

"Unfortunately, we had too many missed serves at key points."

For the match, Jasinski had six kills, Bobowski six kills and four blocks, and Bricker had two aces and nine points.

## Loggers put on the miles and add up the victories

From Leelanau to Brimley, the Boyne Falls Loggers saw much of northern Michigan and the eastern half of the Upper Peninsula last week, playing three games in five days.

They made it a clean sweep, defeating Leelanau, on Tuesday, 77-57, Wolverine at home Friday, 88-61, and Brimley on Saturday, 71-61.

With the three wins, the Loggers are 7-2 in conference, and 12-3 overall. They were home Tuesday against Ellsworth then travel to Alba on Friday. The Loggers' last home game of the season is Feb. 24 against Alanson.

Against Brimley, the Loggers showed no signs of being travel worn as they jumped out to an early 10-point lead. Brimley didn't fold, however, and fought back to take the lead in the third quarter.

"We were not patient on offense," coach Frank Hamilla said. "Once the players started relaxing and taking their time, we were okay."

Chad Matelski led the Loggers with 24 points and Nathan Howell had 11.

Matelski also led the Loggers, who had five players in double figures, against Wolverine with 19 points. Ryan Fiel had 15, Paul Hocquard 14, Brad Matelski 11, and Ben Britton 11.

Matelski's finest game, however, came against Leelanau when he poured in 35 points. Ben Britton also had an outstanding game, scoring 13 points and grabbing 18 rebounds.

## Little League sets dates for sign-ups

Boyne City Little League has set three dates for players to register for the upcoming season.

They are: Saturday, Feb. 28, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; Wednesday, March 4, 6-8 p.m.; and Saturday, March 7, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the city hall auditorium.

For more information, call Pam Price at 582-7269.



## Top form

Andrea Gerling has the aerodynamic form of olympic athletes competing on the other side of the globe, as she cuts inside a gate during the Regional ski meet held at Boyne Mountain last Thursday. She and teammate Matt Davis qualified for Monday's State meet, also at Boyne Mountain.

## Boyne gets back on track with two wins

By CHRIS WINKLER

For anyone who thought last week's basketball wins over Lake City on Tuesday and Charlevoix on Friday were meaningless, think again.

The 94-69 triumph in Lake City showed that Boyne City can rebound from a tough loss, in this case, to Kalkaska the night before. And in the 77-56 victory in Charlevoix, the Ramblers picked up a conference win, as well as momentum heading into the stretch run of the season.

Both games also meant the coming out party for two juniors, Jeremy Peck Tuesday, and Josh Hall Friday.

If the Ramblers (now 13-2 overall, 7-1 in the Lake Michigan Conference) had any angry feelings about Monday's loss, then they took it out

on the Trojans Tuesday. A Jason Rozycki dunk 90 seconds into the game sparked the team to a 25-13 first quarter lead. The margin increased to 16 points at half-time, 51-35, and Boyne just kept on scoring. After three quarters, it was 73-52, and the lead at one point was 30 points.

Balanced scoring was a key for the Ramblers, as five players hit double figures. Rozycki led the way, with 19, while Jesse Belford scored 18. Peck had his career high, by far, of 17 points. Bill Case and Matt Johncheck each had 14 points.

A close first half in Charlevoix got the Ramblers thinking, and they turned around and came out in the second half to put the game away. After one quarter, Boyne led 19-15, and at intermission, 35-30.

The Ramblers went on a 9-0 run

to start the third, and then continued to play hard and keep the Rayders from making a comeback.

"I think the guys did a nice job controlling the boards against a bigger, more physical team," said coach Kevin Fitzpatrick. "Obviously, that's a main focus for us."

Rozycki again paced the team. He scored 23, while Johncheck had 14. Hall had his career high, 13 points, and Belford scored 10. Johncheck grabbed 12 rebounds and dished out three assists. Rozycki had seven boards, four steals and four assists, while Belford also had four assists.

The team was 14 of 19 from the free-throw line, committed 19 turnovers, and out-rebounded Charlevoix 40-30.

For the Rayders, Jim Kanine was

the lone player in double figures, scoring 11. Tom Cunningham scored nine.

"This was a very big week, and we knew that going into it," Fitzpatrick said. "We weren't happy with the way it started, but the kids responded well. It was a tough week for them, both mentally and physically. We did a real nice job team-wise on Tuesday, moving the ball, playing defense, rotating a lot of kids and the team responded well mentally. We took Thursday off to get their legs back underneath them, and were able to come out in the second half (in Charlevoix) and do some things that we were attempting to coming in."

Boyne had Tuesday off, but will face another league foe when Elk Rapids comes to town Friday night.

"This is our last little break, so to speak," Fitzpatrick said. "We can refocus, and kind of sharpen the saw as far as trying to get better and paying attention to some of the details and things we need to work on a little

bit right now. A very, very big game for us Friday, with big ramifications."

Boyne's junior varsity added two wins last week to its current 11-4 mark. The team got by the Trojans, 62-52. Josh Bush got hot and scored 26. Noah Stanek had 11, Nathan Wolf 10, and Luke Reinhardt had nine assists. Against Charlevoix, Stanek had 24 and Bush 12 in the 65-57 win.

Coach Tom Sweet gives a lot of credit to Reinhardt. "Honestly, one of the most important people on this team is Luke Reinhardt. He's the one guy who takes control of the floor, makes good decisions, and runs the offense. He plays good, solid defense on where we put him."

Sweet is happy with the way his team performed on Friday night. "The best thing about tonight's game was at the end, the guys were listening to what we were telling them to do, as far as the type of game to play at the end in order to wrap it up. We did a real good job of finishing the game tonight."

## BOYNE AREA HOCKEY WRAP-UP

**BOYNE'S MINIMITES**, sponsored by Sky Electric, hosted two games on Saturday against St. Ignace. The first game was a 1-1 tie. Scoring the only goal for Boyne was Travis Reinhardt. Noted for excellent play was Kyle Wright in goal, Paris Taylor, and Andrew Guinther.

The second game saw the Boyne team jump out to an early lead with two of Travis Reinhardt's three goals for the game as the minimites earned a 3-1 victory. Noted for excellent play was Trevor Price, Taylor Reinhardt, and Taylor Korhase. Kyle Wright had another strong game in goal.

The minimites finish their regular season with a game in Cheboygan against the team from CharEm on Sunday.

(There was a mistake made last week in reporting the scoring against Mackinaw. Trevor Price scored the lone Boyne goal in the first game, and Travis Reinhardt tallied a hat-trick and an assist in the second game with Trevor Price scoring a goal.)

**THE BOYNE CITY** Mite-E

Pucks, sponsored by B.C. Pizza, hosted two games Saturday against the Char-Em Sharks. Boyne lost game one 5-2. Scoring for Boyne were Keegan David and Matt Thomas. Receiving credit for assists were Zac Borgeld and Thomas. Boyne lost game two 2-0. In goal for Boyne was Nick Ferree. The Mite-E Pucks travel to Cadillac Sunday for two games.

**THE BOYNE JUNIOR** Ramblers Mite team, sponsored by Dan's Concrete, defeated the Gaylord Elks Mite team in two home games Saturday, 4-0 and 6-0.

In the first game, Dylan Clark and Taylor Voice each scored for Boyne while John Miller had two goals. Ashley Adkison and John Miller had assists. Charlie Courtwright recorded the shutout in goal.

In the second game, Tyler Price scored a hat trick for Boyne and Taylor Voice had two goals. Charlie Courtwright had a goal and an assist. Ashley Adkison assisted on one goal. Dylan Clark had the shutout in goal. Alex Bajko, Brad Boyer and

Jacob Fair each had outstanding games on defense. The Junior Ramblers travel to the new Wexford County ice arena for two games against Cadillac on Saturday.

**BOYNE'S SQUIRTS**, sponsored by Premier Construction, dropped a pair of games last weekend on their home ice. St. Ignace came in hot after placing second in their district's State Finals, and overpowered the less experienced Boyne team. "Our kids skated well," said their coaches, who noted the strong defensive effort turned in by Matthew Haver and Tyler Kalbfleisch. Ryan Hennessy and Eric Makarewicz scored for Boyne. The team is looking forward to skating in Cadillac's new arena this weekend.

**BOYNE'S PEE WEES**, sponsored by Boyne USA, defeated Char-Em Saturday 4-1. Scoring for Boyne were Tyler Barsy, Seth Borgeld, Keith Dafoe and Chris Grice. Assists were credited to Garrett Bergman, Chris Grice, Seth Borgeld, and Ian Smith. On Sunday, with ice condi-

tions deteriorating by the minute, the Pee Wees lost to Ludington 4-2. Scoring for Boyne were Tyler Barsy and Chris Grice. Earning assists were Seth Borgeld, Chris Grice, Tyler Barsy and Ian Smith.

The Pee Wees play in Cadillac Saturday.

**THE ACE HARDWARE** Bantams were only able to play one of four scheduled games this past weekend due to unseasonably warm weather. The Bantams played Cheboygan McDonalds on Sunday morning at Boyne City. As in past games with this indoor team, it was an exciting and close game with Cheboygan winning 3-2.

Boyne City took an early lead in the first period with a goal by Gordie Selp, assisted by Chris Loper. Cheboygan then tallied three goals. Boyne's spirit and drive never faltered, and they put another puck in the net in the third period on a power play. Neil Howie made the goal with an assist by Ben VanDam. Boyne kept the heat on, but was unable to get another goal.

## Red Devils taking one game at a time

It was just what they needed and it came none too soon for the East Jordan basketball team.

Now the question is: can they build upon their 66-49 victory over Mancelona last Tuesday?

With a break in the schedule last Friday, the Red Devils have had plenty of time to think about the challenges that lie ahead as the regular season heads into the stretch run.

On Tuesday, the Red Devils traveled to McBain, a team they beat a few weeks ago 66-52. Then Friday they head to Harbor Springs. Earlier in the season the Red Devils trounced Harbor 81-55.

If things go as planned, by week's end the Red Devils could

have a three-game winning streak going and even though it might not be against the toughest competition, it could well provide East Jordan with the dose of confidence it so badly needs.

"We're taking one game at a time," said coach Del Ingalls. "We're trying to enjoy ourselves and trying to put ourselves back together and believing in ourselves. There's nothing like winning to help you do that."

Against Mancelona, Matt Shaw had one of his best games of the year, leading the team with 19 points and 22 rebounds. Also in double figures were Mike Mazella with 14, Parke Bluhm 12, and Scott Haley, 11.

## SPORTS schedule

### Boyne City

Feb. 19 - Volleyball at TC St. Francis - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 19 - Freshman Basketball, Elk Rapids, home - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 20 - JV and Varsity Basketball, Elk Rapids, home - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 21 - Cheerleading - Houghton Lake Competition.  
Feb. 23 - Volleyball at Grayling (Varsity only) - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 23 - Freshman Basketball - at Petoskey - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 24 - JV and Varsity Basketball - Petoskey, home - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 25 - Cheerleading Conference Championship, home  
Feb. 26 - Volleyball at Harbor Springs - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 26 - Freshman Basketball - Harbor Springs, home - 6 p.m.

### Boyne Falls

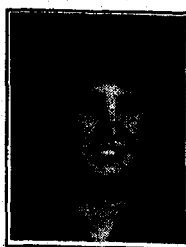
Feb. 20 - Boys Basketball at Alba - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 24 - Boys Basketball, Alanson, home - 6 p.m.

### East Jordan

Feb. 19 - Volleyball, Harbor Springs, home - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 20 - JV and Varsity Basketball at Harbor Springs - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 23 - Volleyball at Grayling (Varsity only) - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 24 - JV and Varsity Basketball, Cheboygan, home - 6 p.m.  
Feb. 26 - Volleyball at Elk Rapids - 6 p.m.



**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**



Nicole Kurtz



Bethany Tomkins



Megan Neidhamer

**Boyne City**

**NAME:** Nicole R. Kurtz  
**PARENTS:** Bill and Delette Kurtz  
**GRADE:** Sophomore  
**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** Basketball and Track  
**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:** "I enjoy skiing, being with friends and family. On weekends, I play on the Gaylord AAU Basketball team."  
**FUTURE PLANS:** "After high school, I plan to go to Grand Valley State or Lake Superior State University to pursue a teaching career."  
**NOMINATING COMMENTS:** "Nicole is a conscientious student who is performing admirably," said Ms. Forfinski. "She has a strong work ethic and I enjoy having her in Biology. I believe Nicole is a fine young woman - very deserving of this accomplishment. Congratulations, Nicole!"  
 "Nicole is a very hard worker in P.E.," said Mr. Klooster. "She works hard and is enjoyable to be around. You can always count on Nicole to give her best."  
 "Nicole is one of the top writers in our sophomore class," said Mr. Wollenberg. "She received honors with her Voice of Democracy speech last fall and has maintained a 4.0 in my English class! Keep working hard, Nicole!"

**NAME:** Bethany Tomkins  
**PARENTS:** Maurie and Patti Tomkins  
**GRADE:** Sophomore  
**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** Basketball, softball and band  
**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:** "I enjoy playing sports, skiing, and spending time with my friends."  
**FUTURE PLANS:** "After graduation I plan on attending college but I am still undecided as far as what I would like to major in."  
**NOMINATING COMMENTS:** "Beth is a very hard-working and diligent young lady who strives for perfection," said Mr. Fowler. "She is truly an asset to my Sophomore English class. Congratulations, Beth."  
 "I have Bethany in Biology. She is a very dedicated student and doing well in class," said Ms. Forfinski. "Bethany is dependable, cooperative, hardworking and her assignments are always of the highest quality. Her positive attitude, sensitivity, and initiative make her an ideal 'Student of the Week.' Bethany is a pleasure to have in class. Congratulations, Bethany."

**NAME:** Megan Neidhamer  
**PARENTS:** Tom and Debbie Neidhamer  
**GRADE:** Sophomore  
**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** Sophomore Class Vice President, SADD, Basketball, bookkeeper for boys basketball

**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:** "I like hanging out with my friends and skiing."  
**FUTURE PLANS:** "After graduating from high school, I plan on going to college. I have not decided what I want to do yet."  
**NOMINATING COMMENTS:** "I enjoy having Megan in Biology," said Ms. Forfinski. "She is doing a fine job as her assignments are always done well. Megan is very cooperative, helpful and I find her attitude refreshing. She contributes readily in class discussions and works cooperatively with peers. Megan has been a pleasure to have in class - Congratulations, Megan!"  
 "Megan has been a great student through the years," said Mr. Klooster. "Whether in English or P.E., she has been a delight to be around. Congratulations."  
 "Megan has been a super student and helpful organizer of special activities for art classes," said Mr. Ewald. "Megan is always someone that I can count on to be there when needed."

**Boyne Falls**

**NAME:** Dan Washburn  
**PARENTS:** Carol and Devere Washburn  
**GRADE:** Sophomore  
**ACTIVITIES:** Football, Boy Scouts, Boy Scout Camp; staff, past summer  
**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:** Computers, camping, hiking, reading  
**FUTURE PLANS:** College - computers  
**NOMINATING COMMENTS:** "What has impressed me about Dan is his leadership quality," said Jane Rozycki. "He does not follow others but chooses to set his own path to get him where he wants to be. Dan is a good student, extremely honest and is well liked by his peers. He has a good sense of humor and I have enjoyed having him in class. One of the things Dan enjoys talking about is his involvement in the Rambler Football Program."



Dan Washburn

**East Jordan**

**NAME:** Jessica Vallance  
**PARENTS:** Kathy and Tim Reid  
**GRADE:** Sixth  
**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** Student Council, Middle School Theatre Troupe  
**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:** Enjoy reading, math, and computers. Also likes making crafts.  
**FUTURE PLANS:** "I plan to go to college and become either a teacher or a lawyer."  
**NOMINATING COMMENTS:** "Jessica is an extremely organized and mature student," said Barb Noiro. "She personifies 'quality' in her work and behavior. Always eager to volunteer and help others, she is a definite role model for others."  
 "Jessica is a super student! She takes pride in everything she does," said Mr. McNitt. "She is a joy to have in class with her positive attitude."  
 "Jessica is an above average student," said Ms. Bergquist. "She strives for perfection in everything she does. She is always up for a challenge."



Jessica Vallance

**Seminars focus on land use and sustainability**

One-day public training seminars are being offered on issues of land use planning and sustainability for rural communities in Northern Michigan.

Chestonia Township and the Partners for Environmentally Educated Communities (PEEC) will present the free workshop series open to the public beginning Thursday, Feb. 26; and running through May 21. All workshops are being held at the Alba Public School Media Center, 5935 Elm Street, Alba. Registration is requested but not required. For information, or to register by phone, contact MSU Extension at (616) 533-8818.

Carol Misseldine of The Natural Step will be the first presenter on Feb. 26 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The objective of the workshop is to introduce a new framework which supports two key societal shifts: widespread understanding of the root source of our environmental problems; and use of innovative and profitable strategies that foster economic and environmental sustainability in commerce and human society at large. Misseldine will present the four system conditions and the science on which they are founded. Case studies will be presented and participants will practice applying these principles in their organizations.

Rick Meisterheim, director of Wagbo Peace Center in East Jordan and Greg Niewendorp, sustainable agriculturist, will present the second workshop, Sustainable Economics for Rural Communities, on March 26 from 4:30-6 p.m., and continuing from 7:30-9 p.m. The workshop is designed to reintroduce the concept of an earned income economy. Participants will be exposed to a way of thinking that will address why a debt fueled economy is unsustainable and give light to ways a community can begin its efforts toward prosperity through balance. Much attention will be given to agriculture and the need to support local farmers as the basis for a balanced economy. Wagbo Peace Center is a non-profit experiential education center teaching peaceable, sustainable living with emphasis on nonviolence and sustainable agriculture.

Traverse City is an innovative land use management program that recognizes growth as inevitable and desired, striving to link community, economy and natural resources in Northwest Michigan.

The mission of New Designs for Growth is to formulate new patterns of land use that enhance Northwest Michigan's natural features, regional economy and cultural heritage by joining with communities to establish innovative tools for change. Keith Charters leads this workshop on April 23 from 7-9 p.m.

Fourth in this free series is Highway 131 Expansion, on May 21 from 6-9:30 p.m. US-131 is a critical north-south transportation route which acts as a gateway to Antrim County. The workshop will be facilitated by Jim Lively of the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments and is designed for local citizens, government officials, business people and community leaders who are interested in maximizing the safety and economic sustainability of the US-131 corridor. Workshop participants will review the history of US-131 and learn how a possible Michigan Department of Transportation plan for expansion might affect their communities. The Antrim County Planning Department will review sample design elements intended to enhance the safety and efficiency of US-131.

Funding for these workshops is provided by the Michigan Economic and Environmental Roundtable and the Michigan Environmental Council. PEEC is a partnership of citizens, educators, organizations, businesses and government striving to educate our young people and communities in developing economic and environmental sustainability thus improving the overall quality of life.

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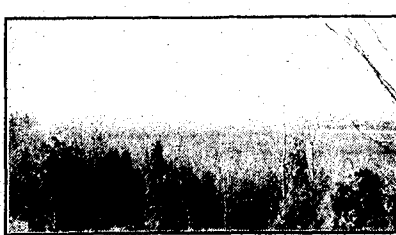
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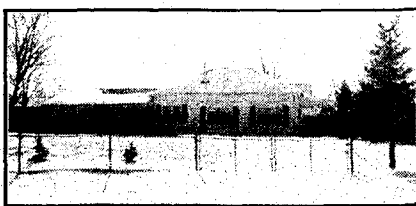


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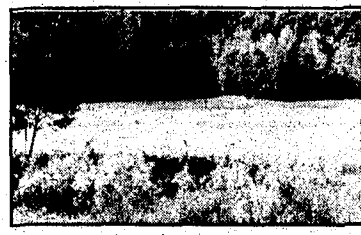
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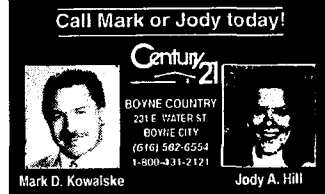
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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### CITY OF EAST JORDAN REQUEST FOR VARIANCE

The East Jordan Board of Appeals has received a variance request from Terel Development, Inc. to build a multi-family dwelling unit eight feet longer than allowed by the City's Water Front zoning provisions. The zoning code sets the maximum length of structures in the WF zoning district at 100 feet. Terel Development is requesting to build a six unit living structure 108 feet long.

A Public Hearing to receive comments on this request will be held on Monday, Feb. 23 at 5:15 p.m. in City Hall, 201 Main Street, East Jordan, Mich. A copy of the application may be examined at City Hall during normal business hours. If you are unable to attend the Public Hearing, written comments may be submitted to: Appeals Board, c/o City Clerk, P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727.

The Board of Appeals will conduct its regular monthly meeting after this public hearing.

### CITY OF EAST JORDAN BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING DATES

The East Jordan Board of Review will be in session March 9 and March 10, 1998. Property owners may examine their 1998 property assessments at City Hall during the following times:

March 9th: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-4 p.m.  
 March 10th: 12-3 p.m. and 4-7 p.m.

The City of East Jordan tentative ratio and multiplier subject to change by the Assessing Officer, Board of Review, County Equalization and State Equalization:

	Ratio	Multiplier
Real Commercial Property	46.25	1.08108
Real Industrial Property	48.99	1.02062
Real Residential Property	45.94	1.08838
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

### CITY OF BOYNE CITY BIDS WANTED

Sealed bids are now being accepted by the City of Boyne City for the following CONTRACTUAL WORK:

**MAINTENANCE OF MUNICIPAL CEMETERIES** - Bidding to include equipment as well as labor.

**JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR CITY HALL COMPLEX** - Work to be performed at the City Hall complex requires approximately 20 hours per week, outside normal City Hall office hours. Bidding should include supplies as well as labor.

**MAINTENANCE OF RESTROOMS IN CITY PARKS** - Bids to include cleaning supplies as well as labor.

**COLLECTION OF REFUSE FROM WASTE RECEPTACLES** - Areas of responsibility will include City Parks and Central Business District.

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Specifications for work to be performed and proposal sheet may be obtained at the office of the City Clerk or by calling (616) 582-6597. All bids must be received no later than 2 p.m. on 19 March 1998 at which time bids shall be publicly opened and read. Bids shall be contained in a sealed envelope identified as either "Cemetery Maintenance Proposal", "Janitorial, City Hall Complex", "Janitorial, Parks", "Refuse Collection", "Harbor Master", or "Launch Ramp Attendant". Bids may be submitted for more than one of the services, however proposals for each specific position must be submitted separately and contained in different envelopes. Bids may be mailed or delivered to City Hall, 319 North Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712.

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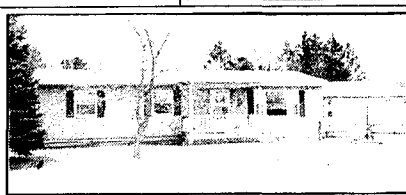
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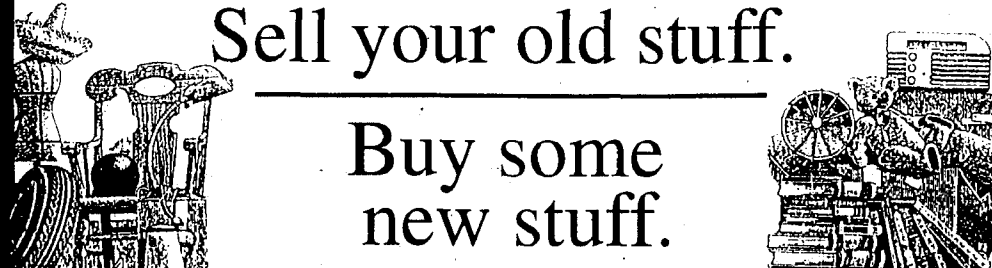
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## Turkey march

It was easy going for these critters as they wander past one of the beautiful homes on Walloon Lake. Normally this time of year they would be laboring through deep snow, but on this spring-like afternoon conditions were great for a home tour.



## Settlement in Durant case will be costly to EJ schools

The East Jordan Board of Education reviewed the financial terms and conditions of the settlement offer from the state regarding the Durant Case at its meeting Monday evening and agreed to accept the state's offer of \$124,290.

The settlement, according to Superintendent Chip Hansen, is tilted in the state's favor. He said East Jordan Schools, as a result of the freeze in next year's Foundation Grant, will lose nearly \$3 million in available revenues over the next 15 years.

- In other action, the board:
  - Heard a presentation from members of the Jordan Valley District Library relative to strengthening the orientation process for prospective members of the library board, half of whom are appointed by the board of education.
  - Approved a resolution setting the annual election for June 8. The sole purpose of the election will be to elect a member to the board of education. Board vice president Larry Chanda's term expires this year.
  - Appointed Renne Johnston to a day-care position in the East Jordan "Kid's Club."
  - Appointed Larry O'Rear junior varsity softball coach.
  - Accepted the retirement letter of Mary Allen, who has served the district for 10 years as culinary assistant in the food service department.

## Benefit will help Barnadyn family

A spaghetti and chili dinner and auction is planned to benefit members of the Barnadyn family who recently lost their home to a fire.

The fund raiser will be held 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, at the Knights of Columbus hall in Boyne City. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children, and \$15 per family.

All proceeds will go to family of Ray, Chester and Josie Barnadyn. For further information, call 549-2914.

## Father Bill

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solution was to cut back. Father Bill discovered that he could not cut back.

After several days of trying, and when he knew that he was unable to curtail his drinking, Father McKeon called Guest House, a facility for the recovery of alcoholic priests, and confided in the director that he had a priest friend who he suspected had a drinking problem. The director listened for a while, and then asked him, "What about your drinking?" and Father Bill began to cry.

His drinking and the recovery that began at that point became the bedrock for much of his ministry. After one month of an intensive three month program at Guest House, priests were required to begin taking on parish duties. Father Bill was afraid that he would never be able to be an effective priest again, and went into the confessional with some trepidation. But he feels that God was already preparing him for his future ministry when a woman entered the confessional with a list of sins and misfortunes that culminated in a tearful confession of alcoholism. Father Bill's own struggles found their vocation.

Father McKeon's ministry took another turn. He finished his three months at Guest House and trained to pastor those in recovery for alcohol or substance abuse. While he continued leading a congregation, he also became the chaplain for a recovery center. This became what he considers the most significant part of his ministry.

He provided pastoral care for people in recovery, and conducted (and continues to conduct) retreats for those who suffer with what he is convinced is the disease of alcoholism or other substance abuse. He was on the faculty of the Midwest Institute on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse, where he taught a workshop called "Spirituality of Recovery." It was at the Institute, in Kalamazoo, that he first heard about Harbor Hall.

Harbor Hall is a 30-bed treatment program for indigent men, located in Petoskey. Father Bill was invited to work off and on with the program starting in 1983. When he retired in 1989, he came up north, planning a life of relative ease, working one or two days a week at Harbor Hall. The Diocese of Gaylord convinced him of the need at St. Joseph's in East Jordan, and also St. John's on M-32, and his retirement ended.

Father Bill says of his own abilities as a priest that he is but a "garden variety pastor," and then goes on to enumerate the accomplishments of his flock. St. Joseph's boasts a very vital youth fellowship, Father McKeon said. The youth took a trip to the National Catholic Conference last year. He stresses, too, the involvement of the church in Care and Share, a program which he strongly encourages. He mentions that the church has three choirs, and a new organ, though he admits he likes to hear the congregation sing a cappella, occasionally.

There is an on-going Bible study and faith sharing program that meets on a weekly basis, and Father Bill is

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--Father McKeon

the chaplain of the Knights of Columbus in Boyne City, as well as the Northern Michigan Christ Child's Society. This is an ecumenical group that raises money for children's programs, such as Camp Daggett.

He is also chaplain for Teams of Mary, a couple's support group program in Petoskey and Charlevoix. This group consists of several teams, each with no more than six couples, and is comprised of couples who wish to deepen their spiritual life as marriage partners and parents. One of these teams has been meeting for 18 years.

Father McKeon is active in East Jordan's ecumenical ministerial association. He says that this association is the strongest one of its type that he has been involved with, and that many area churches are working well together. He says that he feels "very close to my fellow Protestant ministers."

All that, along with his continued involvement in and contribution to recovery programs (he led a retreat just recently), may add up to garden variety, but in the eyes of those who know him, Father Bill is anything but. His forthrightness about his own alcoholism, his conviction that God is love, and assurance of forgiveness, have given him an emotional accessibility that his parishioners and friends speak of with admiration and gratitude.

"For any minister or priest the most important characteristic is compassion and kindness," Father Bill says. "Years down the road, if people said, 'That old Father McKeon, he was kind,' that would be the greatest thing that could be said."

It won't take years — they're saying it now.



## Smokey garage

A car idling in the garage of Steven Beyer's home in the Pines of Boyne caught fire last Wednesday morning and the blaze spread to the garage. Boyne City firemen were able to quickly extinguish the fire and limit damage to the home. Boyne Falls firemen assisted at the scene.

## Community Free Clinic names executive director

Lorraine Warner has been named executive director of the recently opened Community Free Clinic in Petoskey.

Before taking this post, she worked at Charlevoix's Boulder Park Terrace Rehabilitation Center.

Warner, an LPN, has worked in health care for 17 years in various capacities including office nursing, rehabilitation nursing and office personnel manager for an area group medical practice.

Warner knows her job is one that will require her to wear many hats but she says she is looking forward to the challenge.

"Starting a clinic like this is a big job but it's an exciting job too. I will get to interact with physicians, nurses and people in the community all coming together to provide health care for people in our area who can't get it through any other source," Warner said.

The clinic operates solely through volunteer help and donated supplies. Securing both will also be part of Warner's duties.

"Because the clinic will be run completely on volunteer help, one of my first duties will be to seek people who are willing to give to the community in this way," she said.

"My message is that there's a job for everyone who wants to volunteer. I believe in a project like this, there is no such thing as an insignificant job. Every volunteer position, whether it be a physician or someone to register patients, needs to be filled and has a part to play."

Warner believes volunteers will be the nucleus of the clinic. She says that no one who wishes to volunteer will be turned away although people who wish to volunteer in a direct medical care capacity must have a current license in Michigan.

Warner knows firsthand the plight of people in need of medical care who can't afford it and don't have insurance.

"I've walked in their shoes. There were times in my life where I wish I would have had a service like this to rely on. Having a sick child and not being able to get medical help is a frightening experience. Some of these people have no insurance, oth-



Lorraine Warner

ers are disabled and some are victims of layoffs and circumstances out of their control. It's these people we're trying to reach. They are the ones who fall through the cracks," she said.

More than a place to get immediate medical attention, Warner also sees the clinic as an education source for people.

"It's a wonderful thing to be able to provide health care for people when they are sick. It's even better to be able to offer them help in the form of prevention education. One of my goals for the clinic is to educate and empower people to make sound health care decisions and lifestyle choices."

The Community Free Clinic registers patients on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and operates on a first-come first-served basis. The clinic is located in the Red Cross Building at 2350 Mitchell Park Dr. in Petoskey.

For more information about the clinic or to learn about volunteer opportunities, call HealthAccess at (800) 248-6777.

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