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Results are in: No school plan has solid voter support

Plan A is a lukewarm front runner.

Plan C is in a cool second place. Plan B has no hope.

That, in a brief summary, is the result of a community survey of voters in the Boyne City School District who were polled in early December on three proposals for addressing the facilities needs of the district.

The centerpiece of Plan A is a new high school with an auditorium. It also includes converting the current elementary school into a lower elementary school for grades K-3, converting the middle school to an upper elementary for grades 4-5 and moving the middle school to the high school.

When asked the question if they would support the plan, which would require a bond issue for about \$20 million, (2.2 mills for 18 years -- \$88 per year for a house that would sell for \$80,000), 44 percent of voters said yes, 42 percent no, and 14 percent were undecided.

The survey was done by Kathy Feaster of School Public Relations Consultant Services. She presented her report to the school board last Thursday.

A new middle school is the centerpiece of Plan B. As in Plan A, the current elementary school would be converted to a lower elementary, the current middle school would house grades 4-5, and the high school would be remodeled and added on to. Plan B also included a new auditorium.

Asked if they supported Plan B, which would cost \$19,424,000 (2.2 mills for 17 years), 33 percent said yes, 46 percent said no, and 19 percent

were undecided.

Plan C was the third proposal voters were asked about. It also included an auditorium, but instead of building a new school, Plan C would add on to and remodel the high school and middle school. At the elementary school, the plan would add a new classroom wing for grades four and five and a new gym would be built. With the addition of the classroom wing, the building's capacity would increase to about 700.

The cost of Plan C would be \$16,500,000 (2.2 mills for 14 years.)

Asked if they supported Plan C, 42 percent said yes, 38 percent said they would vote no.

Included in the results for each proposal were what Feaster described as the "mushiness index," which measures "solid support." For Plan A, solid support was 37 percent; solid opposition was 33 percent. There is an error factor of plus or minus 5 percent.

For Plan B solid support was 28 percent while solid opposition was 37 percent. Plan C had 34 percent solid support and 32 percent solid opposition.

The results of the survey, Feaster said, were as divided at the Educational Facilities Committee, which has been meeting for nearly a year trying to develop a proposal to address the district's housing needs, and it will continue to remain divided until the committee comes together and reaches consensus.

"I wish we could have shown you the way better than we have," Feaster

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"You've got hope. You've got work to do, but you have hope."

--Kathy Feaster



Timbuurrr!

The one to six inches of snow that has fallen each day for the last week made for ideal skiing conditions on the tree-lined trails at Young State Park. Even frigid temperatures hovering at lows below zero and highs in the teens haven't hindered winter sports enthusiasts from enjoying the ever-growing accumulation of snow.

CITY OFFICIALS HAVE HEARD NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS FROM RESIDENTS

Snowmobilers welcome, but need to stick to the rules

When the snow comes in droves, so do the snowmobilers. And that couldn't be better for winter tourism, a staple of the East Jordan and Boyne City business community.

But a lack of adherence to local ordinances by some sledders has left a number of residents up in arms and city officials frustrated.

Snowmobilers riding on East Jordan's downtown sidewalks are chewing up the new cement, and safety is an issue too, pointed out Mayor Russ Peck.

"We want to encourage them to come," East Jordan city commissioner Ruth Gee said at a commission meeting last week, but the rules, she added, need to be clearly spelled out.

Trying to figure out an effective way of educating the riders and pun-

ishing offenders without alienating the rest is always a touchy subject, especially since many merchants rely on the tourists' business from year to year.

Indeed, snowmobiling can be a significant source of income for local merchants. Charlevoix County Snowmobile Council president Lee Symonds cited a recent report undertaken by Michigan State University in conjunction with state tourism and recreation boards, which found that the snowmobilers who spent at least one night away from home during the 1996/97 16-week season, spent \$168 million in Michigan.

"The northwest lower peninsula is the recipient of the majority of that money," Symonds said. "We could get a large portion of that."

But he reminds snowmobilers that deviations from the designated trails could result in their closing. A privately owned portion of the trail near the East Jordan Sno-Mobile Club on Mt. Bliss Road was already shut down just prior to the first snowfall, he pointed out.

Symonds doesn't necessarily think it's the tourists breaking the ordinances either, but the people who live in the community. "Those people who put out the signs don't do it because they enjoy putting out signs, they do it at the land owners request. At the very least, we should honor their generosity by going where they say we should go."

In East Jordan, streets and alleys are posted with city snowmobile route signs and sidewalks are strictly off

limits.

In both East Jordan and Boyne City, riders must obey all regular traffic regulations, drive to the right of the roadway, and stop at all intersections whether or not a stop sign is posted.

State law regulates the speed in residential areas at no faster than it takes to maintain forward momentum, not the posted speed limit.

Signs, maps and ordinances are great, East Jordan City Commissioner Brian Sweet said, but he's still wondering how they could be effectively enforced. "The only way to police snowmobilers is a snowmobile cop," he said.

Currently, snowmobile registration numbers — also known as MC numbers — are not posted on the

hoods. Should that become a requirement, it would make identifying offenders a bit easier.

The Boyne City Police Department has received more than a dozen complaints from residents about snowmobilers driving on the sidewalks, which packs the snow down making shoveling difficult. They've had at least a half dozen more complaints about sleds cutting across lawns and private property.

"From here on out we're going to be fairly aggressive on enforcement," Boyne City Police Chief Randy Howard said, and they've already begun issuing warnings and citations.

In addition to the above-mentioned regulations, it's also unlawful

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at a GLANCE

Have a blast in the snow this weekend in East Jordan

It's going to be a ball. Or is that a blast? Either way, the place to for fun this weekend is in East Jordan when the community celebrates Sno-Blast '99, Jan. 15-17.

With the festivities just around the corner, there are only a few days left to vote for the Belle of the Blizzard and the Winter Knight.

The key to electing a favorite candidate is to stuff their ballot cans, found at various businesses in the community, with cold hard cash — the more the better. The money collected goes to support Sno-Blast and serves as one of its few sources of funding.

The contestants collecting the most money will be crowned Belle and King and you can catch that ceremony following the parade which takes off at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday on Main Street.

In between the snowmobile races at the East Jordan Snowmobilers Club on Mt. Bliss Road, and softball, snow-bowling, sno-shoeing and ice fishing, be sure to stop by the Jordan River Sportsman's Club Winter Encampment at Murphy Field, peruse the snow-sculptures scattered around town, go on a family treasure hunt — it's free — enter a snowmobile raffle, and enjoy a hot chili supper at the Snowmobilers Club or Sno-Blast's first ever pig roast at Ansted's by the Lake. Merchants will also be holding indoor sidewalk sales all weekend long.

Whatever your pleasure, there's something for everyone. See pages 6 and 7 for a complete schedule of events or call the East Jordan chamber at 536-7351 for more information.

Boyne goal-setting session is Wednesday

Community members are invited to join the City of Boyne City at its annual goal setting session this Wednesday, Jan. 13, at 6 p.m. at One Water Street Restaurant.

Those attending will provide the city with valuable input as it prepares detailed plans for the 1999/2000 fiscal year and for its six-year capital improvement plan.



The Rev. William McKeon

Saying goodbye to a dear Father

He was father to the parishioners of St. Joseph's and St. John's.

He was also Father of the Year for a community he loved.

And to all he was simply Father Bill.

Family, friends and parishioners are mourning the loss of the Rev. William McKeon who died Saturday at Charlevoix Area Hospital. He was 75.

His funeral Mass is Wednesday at 11 a.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord with Bishop Patrick Cooney the main celebrant. Interment is Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Calvary Cemetery in East Jordan.

"We are very grateful Father Bill was here to share his special gifts of ministry with us and with the people of the diocese," said Bishop Patrick R. Cooney, bishop of the Gaylord Diocese.

"He will be missed."

Following is a story about Father Bill we published early last year. 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 to law school.

There he experienced what he termed a conversion experience — he underwent a complete change of values. He began, he said jokingly, "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 adds.

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

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

He touched so many

The sign of a great person is one who picks himself up after adversity, learns from it and then reaches out to help others.

Father Bill McKeon was a great man.

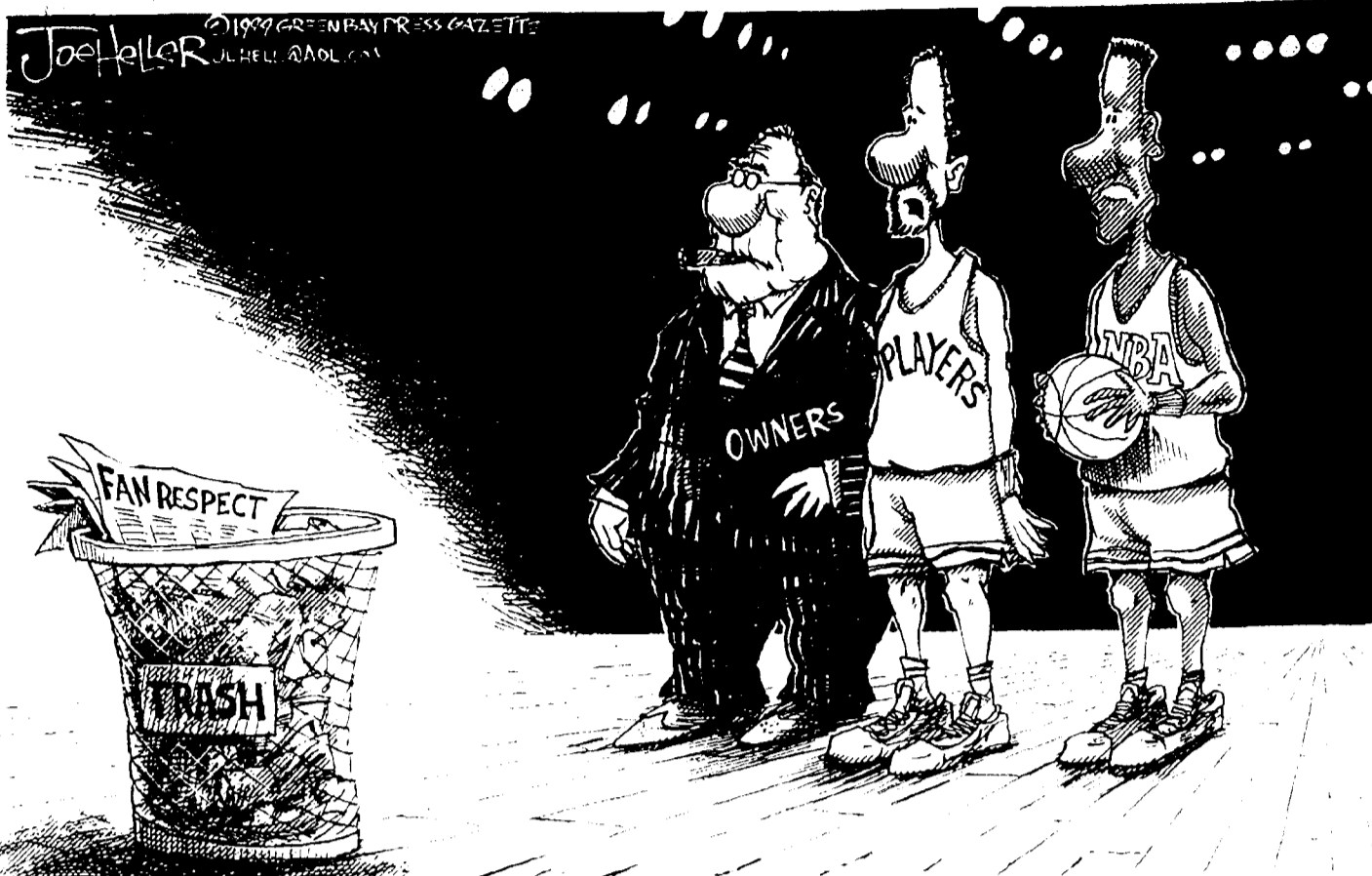
He had the courage to admit he had a problem, sought help and then made a huge difference in the lives of others.

Perhaps that was part of his appeal. Even those who normally keep their distance from religious leaders found themselves drawn to him.

Young people also loved and appreciated Father Bill.

He was a remarkable man. He possessed a spirit and love we all search for.

East Jordan lost a friend, a counselor, an inspiration. Our condolences to his family, friends and parishioners. But feel blessed that you had the opportunity to know him.



"STRANGE, I REMEMBER THE BASKET BEING A LOT HIGHER."

LETTERS

Generous people always come through

TO THE EDITOR:

A very special thank you to each and every one of you who helped make Christmas special via Boyne Area Community Christmas. There is no possible way we can do individual thank yous - each one of you are special and appreciated.

Three hundred and fifty families in the Boyne area had a nicer Christmas because of you. We also sent remembrances to 109 special people who were shut-in, grieving or ill. Over 600 kids received toys, hats, mittens, socks, and books.

The people of Boyne City and the surrounding area always come through to help others, and you were all very generous. Thanks again from all of us.

Boyne Area Community Christmas,
Ardith Hawley and Ruth Witeniski

Care & Share had plenty of toys

TO THE EDITOR:

Our community really blessed us this year with toys, donations, wrapping paper and volunteers. It's a wonderful feeling to have enough gifts. Thanks to each of you that gave a gift or volunteered your time.

Thank you very much to Dura Christmas Fund, Jordan Journal, all the Girl Scouts and their leaders, Horizon Video, Little Caesar's, East Jordan Schools, East Jordan Chamber, National Honor Society, Lioness Club, Jordan Valley Pharmacy, Charlevoix Country Club, Ed's Used Cars, Linda Silver at FIA, Kmart, St. Joseph, St. John, Presbyterian Church, Plaid Petunias, Salvation Army, volunteers at Care & Share, and to each individual (too many to name) that dropped off gifts or a donation. You are all very much appreciated.

Connie Roberts
East Jordan Care & Share Toy Program

We welcome your letters to the editor.

The best read letters are short and pertain to a topic of local interest. Our deadline for letters is 10 a.m. Monday. All letters must be signed and include a daytime phone number.

GUEST COLUMN

What's the attraction of huge New Year's celebrations?

By MATTHEW SHAW

Undoubtedly, two of the biggest holiday celebrations of the year — Christmas and New Year's — fall within a week of each other.

One of my favorite radio stations reminded listeners throughout the last weeks of December not to "forget the true meaning of Christmas." The true meaning, according to this radio station, and every other Christian institution, is the birth of Jesus. However, lots of other folks believe that the true meaning is debatable. And thus, it is highly debated.

Of the Christmas celebration and the New Year party, is only one debatable? Or is there a true (oft neglected) meaning in each? I have to ask myself (because no one else asks it), "What is the true meaning of the New Year celebration?"

My celebration of the coming year took place at the home of one of my best friends. As the time for the "dropping of the ball" drew nearer, more and more people crowded around his television to watch live coverage from New York City. Ultimately, the final seconds came, "Ten, nine, eight..." Suddenly, the room exploded with shouts and cheers of "Happy New Year," confetti and alcohol-free champagne.

The television host bragged that more than one billion viewers around the world would watch the New York celebration. That is certainly an impressive statistic, and it shows how united the world is becoming. Undoubtedly, those people were

celebrating one common theme, the coming of 1999. But why do people celebrate with such vigor?

The New Year's celebration is, from my experience, a non-religious holiday. Therefore, no one has cultural restrictions or personal reservations that bar them from participating. It is, of course, reason to celebrate with lots of enthusiasm. However, as result of the influences of society, it is more than that. It gives people an opportunity to celebrate whatever they want. In a sense, the New Year's party is church for everyone. Religious or not, this is a chance to come together on a common theme and make homage to the new year.

It is an occasion for everyone to celebrate with as much vigor as Christians celebrate Christmas. It is not as commercialized as Christmas, which heightens the appeal. This celebration, and others like it, may soon surpass Christmas and other religious holidays in popularity. Its activities do not require people to conform to it in full, nor does it discriminate against any culture or religion.

It is whatever the individual wants it to be. For someone who shuns religious or moral responsibility, yet desires the communal feeling of oneness with their fellow man, this is their fix.

(Matthew Shaw is a senior at East Jordan High School. He is a regular contributor to the Citizen-Journal.)

LETTERS

'Michael Haynes has been an inspiration to kids'

TO THE EDITOR:

The East Jordan Band Parents Organization would like to thank all of the wonderful contributors to our Holiday Raffle. It was a huge success.

The students are well on their way to earning money for the Chicago trip, which will be taken by the high school students in the spring. They will be going to a judged competition, then on to various points of interest in Chicago. I would also like to note that the junior high school students did an outstanding job, their "accounts"

are growing toward future trips.

The Band Parents join me in a heartfelt THANK YOU to Michael Haynes. He has been an inspiration to the kids. His support of the Band Parents was exceptional and we wish him the best in his new endeavors.

We would also like to welcome our new band director, Douglas Gaertner. We met him at the Jan. 6 meeting and found him enthusiastic about the East Jordan music program.

Charlotte Mills, president
East Jordan Band Parents Organization

A MOM'S LIFE

Empty, if for only a short time, is very appreciated

By CINDI PLACE

Why is it that certain "containers" in our household seem to be bottomless? Like the laundry basket and the kitchen sink. No matter how often I empty these receptacles, the next time I see them they're full again.

There is nothing like the feeling of having washed, dried, folded and put away a huge assortment of laundry. You've stared at the accumulation for days and finally find enough time to take care of the pile. I even instructed the kids to take certain items of clothing off (like something dark to complete a dark load) just so I could say that every piece of clothing in the house was clean, even if only for a second.

And pity the person who dares to be the first to put something into the empty hamper!

Dishes in the sink are just as bad. I sometimes feel like all we do is eat and clean up afterward. Okay, so we've sworn off paper products in honor of the environment. But it seems like every time I open the cupboard, all the glassware is gone. And it's usually in the dishwasher. Which, although fully loaded, hasn't been run yet.

I've tried reminding the kids to rinse off their dishware after each use and load it into the dishwasher, but somewhere between the kitchen table and the sink, those words seem to whiz by their ears. Unheard or misunderstood, I'm never sure which.

When I get into a severe cleaning mood, I'll pick a room to start in and spend an entire day cleaning that area only. Of course this means that when I come up for air, the rest of the house looks like a cyclone has hit. Making me consider the wisdom of moving the entire family out while I make my way through each part of the house, cleaning, scrubbing and organizing. That way, at least for a few minutes, I could stand in my kitchen and honestly say...the house is clean!

Of course, then there would be no one home to appreciate it!

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Long-time Boyne administrator accepts position with Char-Em

After 26 1/2 years with Boyne City Elementary School, Assistant Administrator Sherry Sheldon is leaving to become a literacy consultant at Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District in Charlevoix.

"When you've got the energy, love and passion for it you don't want to leave it," Sheldon said, making retirement out of the question for her now.

"It was a tough decision," said

Sheldon, who believes, although at times hard, it's good for people to make changes. "It's going to be difficult to walk out that door for good."

Her last day at the elementary school will be Jan. 29. She is currently working three days in Boyne City and two days for Char-Em, transitioning for her new position which she'll start full time Feb. 1.

Her duties for Char-Em will include a heavy emphasis in kindergar-

ten through third grade reading, which ties in with a statewide plan that every child will read by the third grade.

"I'm pretty passionate about kids learning to read, and with the job I have now I'm spread in different directions," Sheldon said. "This is an opportunity to affect more students in all of the district of Char-Em. I'll still be servicing the students in Boyne City, which is a nice feeling." She also plans to come back to volunteer for

the school's reading celebrations.

Sheldon was hired at the elementary school for a Title I position, which expanded to her current role. She returned to the first grade classroom as a teacher for a few years in the 1980s, and earned a Master's Degree in Administration in the early 1990s.

"I just feel good about what this staff has done in the last 10 years and where they're going with it," Sheldon said. "It makes it a lot easier to leave."



Sherry Sheldon

New well coming for East Jordan

The City of East Jordan will get a new water well this year, in what will be the largest water project ever undertaken by the city.

"What we're doing is increasing the pressure to homes," city manager David White said. "And all those pressures will be addressed and improved throughout the community."

At the regular city commission meeting last week, White explained that the project will include the construction of a new well and storage tank, a rebuild of both the city's booster stations, new water lines installed throughout the community, and a new connection under the river. Upgrades to various lines will increase pressure and service to those not currently served or with inadequate service.

The city was recently approved for a \$2 million low-interest (2.2 percent) loan for the update and is currently reviewing water rate adjustments. Construction should begin in the summer.

In other business, the commission passed a resolution for a special assessment to extend a sewer down Echo Street from Bridge to Erie Street. The sewer project will include new storm and sanitary sewers, a new watermain, burying the utilities and road surface reconstruction.

The commission also passed a resolution to create a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. This two-year-old legislation allows communities which become an Authority to apply for funding from the state, and in some instances from the federal government, to clean up contaminated sites within a designated zone, which in this case includes the City of East Jordan. The city is awaiting the state's approval.

Leader of the EJ band leaving for Interlochen

East Jordan schools band and choir director Michael Haynes will lay down his baton in the next few days, for a full-time position at the Interlochen Arts Academy.

"We're sorry to see Michael go. He's just a super young man and definitely showed us what excellence looks like in music education," superintendent Chip Hansen said. "It's just an honor for him and an indication that we had the right guy here."

Haynes, who came to the district at the beginning of the 1997/98 school year, will serve as a residents' coordinator at Interlochen, a boarding high school for the arts and accelerated academic programs. Approximately 400 students from around the nation and world attend the school.

He has spent the past nine summers working at Interlochen, first as a camp counselor and eventually as a director for junior campers.

A shift in the school's administration opened up the full-time position in which he will be responsible for the hiring, training and continuing education of resident hall counselors and directors. Other duties will include student discipline and ongoing evaluation of residential programs and quality of life issues on campus.

Although the new position will not be music-oriented, it is in alignment with his long-term goals of



In only a short time, Michael Haynes had a big impact on the school's music program.

working in an administrative capacity at an arts institution, and the environment will still allow him to enjoy a wide range of the arts, including music.

"Working with kids and helping kids be successful has been my passion," Haynes said. Music, he said,

has just served as the curriculum. He will complete a Master's Degree in educational administration this year.

During his tenure at East Jordan, Haynes has seen the revival of the color guard and choir, and "the positive energy flow between cheerleading and athletic teams and

the music program. They support each other," Haynes said.

He attributes the school's musical accomplishments to the students themselves and a motivated band parents organization.

"The program is going to be as strong as the kids allow it to be,"

Haynes said. "Right now we have a number of kids who are dynamic leaders who are ready to have a top notch program."

"A stable force in the program has and always will be the East Jordan Band Parents organization," he added. "They are willing to do what needs to be done to be sure their kids have a good musical education."

"The positive energy here is amazing," said Haynes, who said he is grateful he came to East Jordan from St. Charles where he taught for four years. Here, he said, he was able to find outlets for his writing and opportunities to play in community bands and be near other artists. "The support for the arts is such that it allowed me to grow."

"We're certainly going to miss him," Hansen said. "He's done a wonderful job in his tenure at East Jordan."

Doug Gaertner, a graduate of Central Michigan University in music education, with an instrumental music major and choral minor, and a graduate of Interlochen, will replace Haynes. Most recently, Gaertner was a student teacher at Fremont Public Schools and has conducted a community choir.

"Mr. Gaertner will step into a program, into a community, that is very conducive to being successful," Haynes said.

Glen's customers should see little change after sale

Glen's Market's has sold its 23-store supermarket chain to grocery wholesaler Spartan Stores, in a move that president and Chief Operating Officer Glen B. Catt said is in the best interest of its stockholders, family and associates.

"Between our associates and our customers, there will be limited, if any difference in the way we do business," Catt said.

The transaction should close within the next three to four months. The name will remain the same and any product line changes would be discussed at future Spartan management meetings.

The Glen's chain was founded in 1951 by C. Glen Catt, who operated a single supermarket in Gaylord. Since then the company has opened stores in many northern Michigan and Upper Peninsula communities.

In 1963, the East Jordan supermarket was the fourth store opened by its founder. The Boyne City store opened in 1984. The two markets combined employ approximately 200.

Catt said he and the stores' owners, his father Glen A. Catt and uncle Denny Freeman, began discussions about a year and a half ago about how to grow the company. Freeman retired a few years ago and Glen A. Catt is

looking to do the same in the next few years. When Spartan offered to buy the company, they felt it was a good opportunity.

"Spartan is a perfect partner as we look to transition our stores for the future," said Glen A. Catt who serves as Glen's Markets chairman and chief executive officer. "They are growth oriented and well run. They know the Michigan market and they know many of our associates. I believe Spartan's purchase of Glen's

will be a plus for our associates and our customers."

Glen A. Catt plans to leave the business upon completion of the transaction. Glen B. Catt will stay on in a managerial capacity.

Once the acquisition is completed, Spartan will operate 44 supermarkets throughout Michigan. Preceding Glen's, Spartan purchased eight Ashcraft's Markets and is concluding the acquisition of 13 Family Fare Supermarkets.

Spartan Stores, Inc., is the 10th largest grocery wholesaler in North America, and provides marketing, operational and customer support services to about 450 independently

owned grocery stores in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio. Two Spartan subsidiaries distribute product and provide service to 9,600 grocery and convenience stores.

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OBITUARIES

The Rev. William McKeon

The Rev. William McKeon (Father Bill), 75, of East Jordan, died on Saturday, Jan. 9, 1999 at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

His Funeral Mass is Wednesday, Jan. 13, at 11 a.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord with Bishop Patrick Cooney the main celebrant. Interment will be Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Calvary Cemetery in East Jordan.

Father Bill was born on Jan. 22, 1923 in Rhinelander, Wis., the son of Mark G. and Mary Ellen (Hogan) McKeon. He grew up in Waukesha, Wis., and graduated in 1941 from high school in Ladysmith, Wis.

As a commissioned officer in the United States Navy, he studied Japanese in Boulder, Colo., and then served as a Japanese interpreter during World War II. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1947. He attended law school at Georgetown University in Washington D.C. prior to entering the seminary to study for the Catholic priesthood. He was ordained on June 1, 1957 at St. Mary Cathedral in Lansing, Mich.

He served on the staff at Papal Volunteers in Curunavaca, Mexico and Puerto Rico for five years, and served on the Council on Alcoholism at Lutheran Hospital in Chicago, Ill. He was the spiritual director at Har-

bor Hall in Petoskey, the pastor at Cristo Rey in Lansing, the current pastor at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan and St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church in Jordan Township, Antrim County.

Father Bill's last words spoken were "He loved God and loved all people." That is a reflection of his life and ministry.

Father Bill is survived by his brother, the Rev. Robert McKeon of Byron and his brother Donavan, of Flint; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Leo in 1998.

Visitation was held on Jan. 10, 11, and 12 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan. A Rosary Prayer Service was held Monday evening at the church, and a parish Funeral Mass was held Tuesday.

Memorials may be given to Food for the Poor, Inc., 550 SW 12th Avenue, Deerfield Beach, Fla., 33442; Americans Helping Americans, Christian Relief Services, P.O. Box 67, Mount Vernon, Va., 22121-9845; or Running Strong for American Indian Youth, a project of Christian Relief Services, P.O. Box 670, Raton, N.M., 87740-9970.

The family was served by the Paullin-Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan.

York Wilfred Oster

York Wilfred Oster, 89, of Boyne City, died on Saturday, Jan. 9, 1999 at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

A Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 10:30 a.m. at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City.

York was born Sept. 5, 1909 the son of Thomas and Grace Oster. He farmed and was a real estate agent for over 30 years in the area. He was past Supervisor for Hudson Township. He married Irene Haug in 1936

and she preceded him in death on Feb. 2, 1993

Survivors include one son, David (Mary Lou) Oster of Boyne Falls, one daughter, Sally Gumper of Parchment; one sister, Shirley (Dick) Kishpaugh of Parchment; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife he was preceded in death by a son, Michael, in 1995 and two brothers, Wes and Bill.

John Carlyle Donahue

John Carlyle Donahue, 81, died at his home in Chicago on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1999 after a lengthy illness.

His Funeral Mass was held on Saturday, Jan. 9, at St. Francis Borgia Church in Chicago. His brother, Deacon James Donahue officiated at the prayer service and graveside service.

John was born on Dec. 30, 1917 in Chicago, the son of John and Mayme (Bottleson) Donahue.

In 1932 he began spending his summers in Boyne City and after his retirement he spent all but the winter months at his home in Boyne City. John and his wife Roseann celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in 1989 with a mass at St. Matthews

Church, Boyne City, where they were members.

John was a member of the Holy Name Society at his church in Chicago and a member of American Legion Post #228 in Boyne City. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served in World War II.

He is survived by his wife Roseann; his brothers-in-law, Edward Cernak and Bernard Cernak, summer residents of Boyne City; and his brother, Jimmy Donahue of Downers Grove, Ill. John was a beloved uncle of eight nieces and nephews and a great-uncle to fourteen children. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Marie (Cernak).

Louise H. (Beyer) Foltz

Louise H. (Beyer) Foltz, 81, of Petoskey, died Dec. 29, 1998 at Northern Michigan Hospital with her family at her side. Mass of the Resurrection took place on Jan. 2 at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, with burial following at the St. Francis Catholic Cemetery.

Louise was born on April 1, 1917, in East Jordan, the daughter of Richard and Anna Beyer. Her parents preceded her in death. On July 16, 1945 she married Clarence Foltz, Sr. in St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Petoskey. The couple made their home in Petoskey.

Louise was a member of St. Francis Xavier Church choir, the Resurrection Choir, the St. Anthony Fraternity, and the Altar Society. She donated her time and energy to the patients in Bortz Health Care Facility, as well as coordinating contributions from local churches for this facility.

Additionally, she generously contributed her time to numerous

other volunteer activities. She was also the family historian and spent many hours tracing the family's Scots and German lineage. For several years, she attended the annual Scottish dinner in East Lansing.

She is survived by her loving husband, Clarence; one son, Clarence Michael Foltz Jr. and his wife, Cecilia, of London, Ontario, Canada; three daughters, Regina Buckner and her husband Michael, of Kalamazoo, Maribeth Foltz-Allegria and her husband Peter, of East Lansing, and Susanne Ballard and her husband Rich, of Lansing; 11 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild; one sister, Lydia Hawkins, and two brothers, John Beyer and Herman Beyer.

She was preceded in death by one son, Patrick; one sister, Emma Hayden, and three brothers, Leo Beyer, Rolland Beyer, and Carl Beyer.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Francis Endowment Fund.

Joanne Carpenter

Joanne Carpenter, 95, of Boyne City died on Jan. 11, 1999 at her home.

Arrangements are pending at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City. A complete obituary will follow.

Marion D. Liskie

Marion D. Liskie, 56, of Boyne City, died on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1999, at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Her funeral service was Saturday, Jan. 9, at First Baptist Church in Boyne City. The Rev. Russell Sharp officiated.

Marion was born on May 20, 1942 the daughter of James C. and June E. Willis Carmichael. She graduated from Boyne City High School in 1962. She had worked at Courters and Boyne Mountain.

On July 3, 1979 she married Alfred Liskie. Marion attended the First Baptist Church and liked to draw and read. She was an animal lover.

Survivors include her husband,

Alfred, of Boyne City; two sons, Ronald Vallad of Boyne City, and Kevin Vallad of Kinross; one daughter, Tammy Sowers of Mancelona; her mother, June Thompson of Boyne City; five grandchildren; two brothers, Maurice Thompson of Plainwell and Thomas Thompson of Wiesbaden, Germany; three sisters, Yvonne Thompson of Boyne City, Elisabeth Fortune of Charlevoix and Norma Coveyou of Petoskey; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, James Carmichael in 1991, and a stepfather, Ronald L. Thompson in 1990.

Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City is in charge of arrangements.

James Myrton Fitzpatrick

James Myrton Fitzpatrick, 60, of Boyne City, died on Friday, Jan. 8, 1999 at Bortz Health Care of Petoskey.

He was born Oct. 12, 1938 in Boyne City, the son of Henry M. and Alice J. Nowland Fitzpatrick. He was a lifelong member of the Eagles.

Survivors include three children, Tina (Larry) Van Thomme of Allenton, Cynthia (William) Dunstan of Petoskey, and Caryn (Dan) Washburn of Petoskey; six grandchild-

ren; three brothers, Ernest (Darlene) Fitzpatrick of Clarion, John (Linda) Mathers, Jr. of Boyne City, and Edward (Barb) Mathers of Boyne City; and two sisters, Patricia Gray of Grand Rapids and Christina (Ken) Morrison of Dearborn Heights. He was preceded in death by a sister, Dixie Mathers.

A memorial dinner was held at the Boyne City Eagles. Stackus Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BOYNE CITY POLICE REPORT

The Boyne City Police Department issued 24 citations last week. Among them were:

Jan. 4: Officers responded to a report of minors drinking and upon arrival at the scene, arrested four minors for possession of alcohol.

Jan. 6: The department received a report of a larceny of eye glasses and 15 CDs from Boyne City High School, and officers investigated an

embezzlement complaint from Boyne City Food Mart.

Jan. 8: There was a minor personal injury accident on Vogel Street and citations were issued for failure to yield and no seatbelts. A minor property damage accident was reported at the corner of Water and Park streets and a vehicle parked in the high school parking lot received property damage.

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Thanks to the generosity of many local people, and a rapidly growing local community foundation, charitable grants totaling \$1 million have done these things and more in Charlevoix County.

When trustees of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation tallied up their most recent round of grants at the end of 1998, they realized the foundation had passed a significant milestone in its six year history. 1998 grants topped \$450,000 -- and that figure pushed the foundation's total grantmaking to \$1.1 million since its inception.

"We're so pleased and proud to have been able to do so much in so short a time," said Bill Lorne, East Jordan resident and president of the community foundation. "Few community foundations in the country have met such an ambitious goal this quickly. It's a real credit to the vision,

commitment, and essential goodness of the people who live in Charlevoix County."

The community foundation was started in 1992 by a group of civic leaders who wanted to establish a permanent source of charitable revenue to serve Charlevoix County's needs now, and well into the future. Like more than 550 such organizations across the country, the local community foundation accepts and manages donations, and makes grants to support a variety of worthwhile programs focusing on the arts, education, the environment, human services, civic improvement, and economic development.

A volunteer board of trustees, made up of representatives from throughout the county, oversees the organization; and a youth advisory group, with representatives from each of the county's high schools, en-

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*-- Bill Lorne
Foundation president*

courages the involvement of young people in civic action, and helps guide grant-making decisions related to children and families.

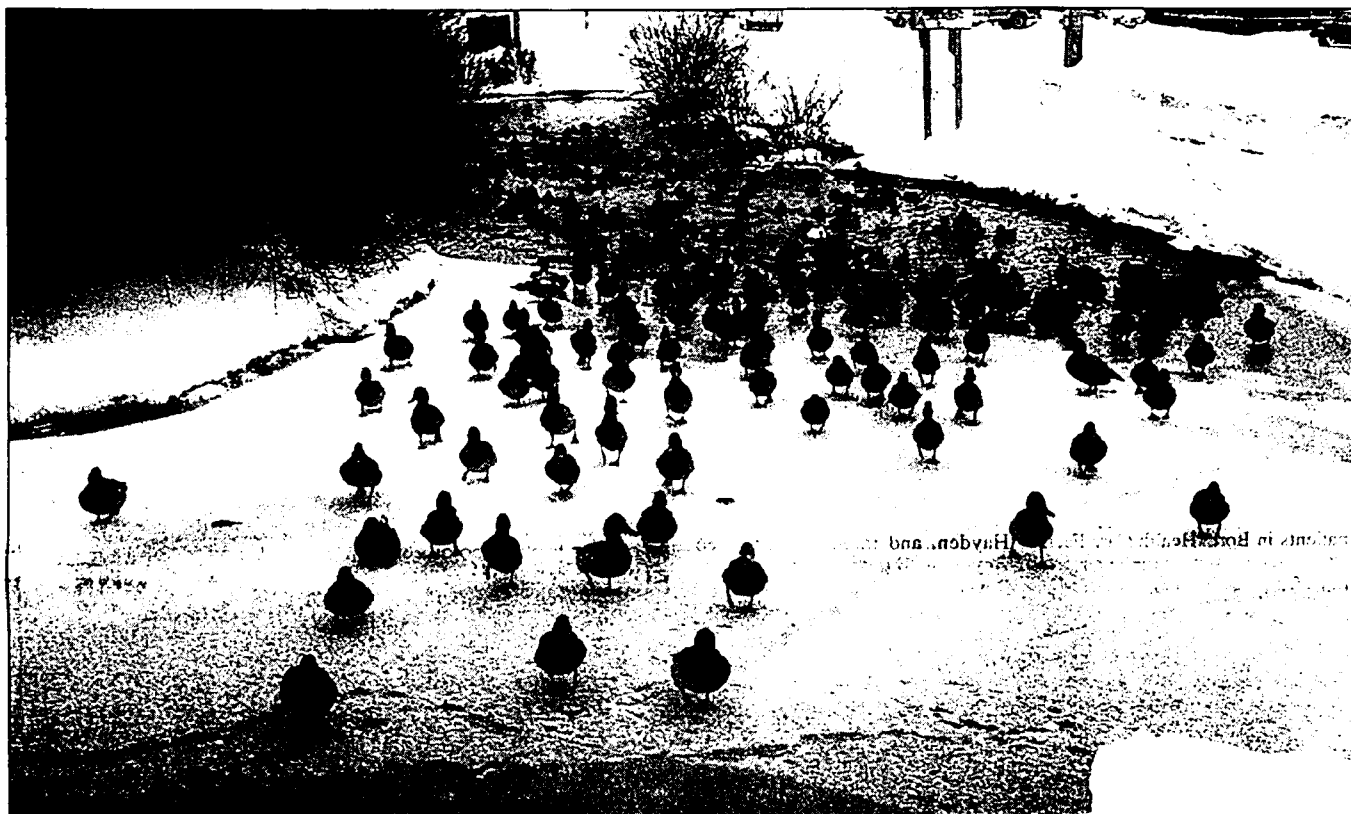
At year end, the community foundation held 74 different funds whose combined assets totaled just over \$6 million. Some funds are designated

for a specific purpose -- such as historical preservation, support of a local charity, or scholarship -- while others are open-ended and can be used to support emerging needs. All funds, regardless of their purpose, are permanent and only a portion of their earned income is used for grantmaking. In this way, the community foundation serves as a lasting source of philanthropic dollars, even as the area's population and its needs may change.

Early and sustaining financial support from the Frey and Malpass Foundations helped launch the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and underwrite operating expenses, while a challenge grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation contributed to the local foundation's substantial youth fund. In 1998, more than 450 individuals, businesses and organizations also made donations to the foundation.

In the past few years, community foundations have become the fastest growing form of philanthropy in the country. The growth is due, in part, to a renewed interest in addressing needs locally, an increase in personal wealth, and to the flexibility community foundations offer to donors, who may choose how they want their charitable gifts used. To spur support of community foundations, the State of Michigan offers favorable tax treatment. Donations to the local community foundation are fully tax-deductible and qualify for a special Michigan Income Tax credit as well.

For more information about the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, or to learn about the foundation's grantmaking activities, call 536-2440 or write the foundation, PO Box 718, East Jordan, 49727.



Duck parade

And you thought you had it bad? All it took for these critters to start a parade was a passerby who looked like maybe he was carrying a snack. After realizing they were out of luck they returned to their frozen pond in front of Photo One and Horizon Video in Boyne City. The pond, when not hidden by huge snowbanks, is quite an attraction.

SCHOOL TO WORK GIVES STUDENTS ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

Learning outside the classroom walls

There's no better place to learn a job than on-the-job, and so Boyne City schools are sending students back out into the work force again this year.

The district's School-to-Work program offers internships, mentorships, job visits, business tours and field trips, and teacher job-shadows to help integrate school-work with real-world work experiences.

Community career specialist Ellen Jensen is heading up the program this year, picking up where former specialist Winnie Parker left off before she moved out of the district last fall.

"They get to see how their education will work for them in the real world and they can apply it," Jensen said. "They can try on jobs."

The state-funded initiative was introduced to Michigan schools four years ago with one of its goals being that all high school students have at least one structured, work-based learning experience before they graduate.

One of Jensen's goals too, is that each student has at least one job shadowing experience. "I haven't had anyone say no," Jensen said of the businesses she's had contact with.

Jensen, a Charlevoix native, moved back to the area after spending six years in Seattle. As a general manager and regional training manager for Taco Bell Corporation and as a retail manager for Lens Crafters, she's had plenty of contact with younger workers and the public.

"I like to work with kids and being in a learning environment,"

Jensen said. Now, she's trying to bring the school and the business community closer together.

Police Chief Randy Howard, for example, has had several students come through the police department. "He tries to give them all different aspects of the job," Jensen said. The students are responsible for getting to the job for the day and writing follow up thank you notes.

Teachers themselves did job-shadowing at LexaMar last summer, bringing a little bit different perspective back to the classroom.

The potential list of partners has at least 150 contact names on it, Jensen said.

Businesses expect job applicants to be ready for work. "It is the school's job to prepare the kids," Jensen said.

Internships take students out of school for one to two periods a day and into the work force in areas which interest them. Students are required to complete a resume, which Jensen will assist them with, and organizations are asked to interview the candidate just as they would a regular, potential employee.

The student can be turned down and one was. It wasn't the right match, Jensen said. A subsequent placement at a greenhouse found the student in an environment more suited to her interests.

Jensen said she will check in



Ellen Jensen

with internship employers every two weeks or so. The employer and students complete evaluations half way through the semester and students keep a daily journal of their job duties, things they observe, and reactions to what they've seen.

To avoid the pitfall of students taking an internship just to get out of class, Jensen intends to implement more rigorous standards for the program.

"I don't want a student going out into the business community that's going to give the program a bad name," Jensen said.

By the same token, she doesn't want students just doing busy work, but to really gain valuable work experience.

Jensen cited an example of a

student whose job included only filing. "She wanted to quit."

She encouraged the student to talk to her employer and discuss the issue. This approach resulted in a different assignment of duties and a better internship experience.

Working through those types of situations are just as much a part of the work-a-day world as the hands-on experience. "Quitting isn't the first step," Jensen said. "It's the last step."

There are nine junior or senior interns this year, up from five or so last year.

Another avenue of School-to-Work are field trips which offer quick glimpses at job sites, enlightening students on what really takes place behind the scenes.

One Boyne City teacher said they have students who just aren't getting why algebra is important. Jensen is working on a field trip to a business that uses a CAD-CAM engineering computer program so they can see its real-life application.

Although the School-to-Work program is primarily focused on junior and senior level students, Jensen is working to integrate it throughout the district.

She talks of job shadowing for middle schoolers, a vehicle day field trip for elementary schoolers offering them up close looks at police cars, cranes, and coast guard helicopters, and perhaps a high school class for resume and cover letter writing.

"I think it's going to put them so much further ahead if they can do this now," Jensen said.

THE MOST

Several of this area's nonprofit organizations are ringing in the new year with good financial news. The Charlevoix County Community Foundation has announced it will help fund their programs and projects with grants totaling \$113,685.

That figure brings the community foundation's grantmaking total to just over \$1 million since it was established six years ago. (Please see related story.)

Programs chosen for community foundation assistance and the amount of their grants are:

- From the foundation's Unrestricted Fund:
- Crooked Tree Arts Council \$1,500 to help fund a cultural plan for the community.
 - Citizens Dispute Resolution \$1,000 to support the organization's conflict resolution programs.
 - Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity \$2,400 to purchase power tools used by volunteers in the construction of new homes for deserving families in this area.
 - Charlevoix Senior Center \$1,000 toward a music therapy and educational program.
 - American Red Cross \$1,000 for technology and communications equipment.
 - Catholic Human Services \$2,000 to support a senior-to-senior companion program.

From the East Jordan Enrichment Fund:

- East Jordan Historical Society \$2,000 to replace the roof at the Elm Pointe museum.
- East Jordan Little League \$2,000 to upgrade the fields and purchase new equipment.
- East Jordan Learning Alliance \$1,500 to support the "Reading is FUNDamental" program.
- East Jordan Public Schools \$2,000 to develop an innovative outreach program targeting families with newborns.
- East Jordan Schools and Sports Boosters \$5,000 to improve the sound system at the high school.
- East Jordan Care & Share Pantry \$1,500 to purchase food, clothing, and toys for holiday distribution to needy families.
- East Jordan Elementary School \$2,000 to launch a "Makes a World of Difference" program, promoting parental involvement and school spirit.

From the Youth Fund:

- Bay Area Substance Education Services (B.A.S.E.S.) \$5,000 toward renovation of the Charlevoix Teen Center.
- Boyne Area Gymnastics \$3,350 to purchase gym equipment and provide scholarships.
- Intermediate School District/Alternative Education Program \$1,000 to purchase digital camera and scanning equipment for use in vocational education.
- Jordan River Arts Council \$3,000 to support performing arts programs in the schools.
- Women's Resource Center \$9,000 for continuation of the MERIT project aimed at developing confidence, decision-making skills, and life goals in young girls.
- Charlevoix Friends of the Pool \$615 to purchase "Splash & Slam" recreational equipment.
- Little Traverse Conservancy \$1,000 to purchase snowshoes for youth field trips to nearby nature preserves.
- Junior Achievement \$1,500 to help underwrite JA programs in area schools.
- Charlevoix County Land Conservancy \$720 to initiate a watershed awareness and education program for area students.

From the Fireworks Victims Fund:

- \$62,100 to provide medical support and other assistance to families affected by Charlevoix's 1997 fireworks accident.

The community foundation will review grant requests again this April and May. Programs eligible for funding must serve residents of Charlevoix County and address needs in one of several areas including health, education, environmental protection, economic development, civic improvement, the arts, or human services.

Grant applications are available at the foundation office and staff are happy to discuss projects and proposals with grant seekers. For more information about the community foundation or the grant application process, please call the foundation office at 536-2440.

Tickets going fast for Boyne Meets Broadway

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for Boyne Meets Broadway. The dinner theater benefit production by the Boyne City High School drama department will be held at One Water Street on Feb. 10, 11, 15 and 16.

The Feb. 16 show has already been sold out, but tickets are still available for the remaining shows, and can be purchased at One Water Street. The cost is \$25, with \$5.50 from each ticket going directly to the drama department.

Camp Daggett hosting a free snowshoe demo day

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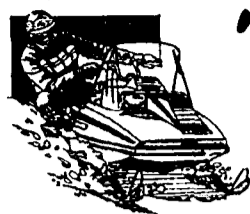
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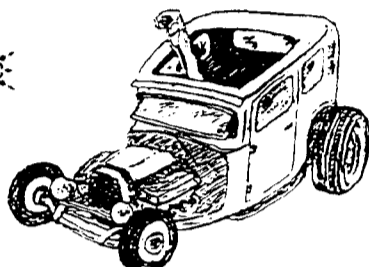


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Sculpture hotline: 616-544-3805.
4th Annual Sno-Blast Fishing Contest
Sponsored by Tom's Bait & Tackle (formerly Arnold's). Over
\$1,000 in prizes to be given away. Starting time 7 a.m., Jan. 9.
Last boat must be in by Jan. 17, 5 p.m. Sign up at Tom's with bait
purchases, hook and line only, no frozen fish. Contest board
rules are available and available. Prizes awarded for
largest (length only) walleye, pike, perch, blue gill and trout. For
further info contact Tom at Tom's at 536-3521. Be sure to stop
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Chili Supper - 4-7 pm
Sponsored by East Jordan Rotary. East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club
house, Mt. Bliss Road off M-32. Chili, salad, dessert, beverage.
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Snowmobile Safari - 7 pm
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SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1999

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Sponsored by the Jordan River Sportsman's Club, held at Murphy
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the frontier in the early 1700s! Members of the Jordan River
Sportsman's Club will be camped during the day and evening in
authentic 1700s clothing, gear, etc. Contact Michelle Olds at 536-
0342.
Radar Runs Registration - 9 a.m.
At the East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Clubhouse and Grounds.
Drag Racing Registration - 9 am
At East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Clubhouse and Grounds. For more
information contact Bill Bell, assistant race director at 536-2305
(8 am-8 pm only). See drivers for Drag Racing. Trophies awarded.
Cottontails - 9 am-5 pm
East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Clubhouse.
Sno-Blast '99 Parade Registration - 10-10:30 am
At City Hall. Pre-registration encouraged. Parade starts at
Lamy (near off M-32) at 10:30 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.
See your committee. Build a float, wear a costume! Categories:
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Sno-Blast '99 Parade - 10:30 am
Join Old Man Winter and all the hot rollers as they parade down
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Farnes, Carol Galloway and Joan Leonard. Winter Knight - (Dart-
mouth) Ken Griffin, Ark Vanden, (Dartmouth) Ken Griffin and
Kurti DeWitt.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1999

Merchants Indoor Sidewalk Sale
All weekend. All local weekend businesses will hold special
charitable sales (open to the cold and get some hot deals).
Roller Skating - Noon-4 pm
Winter Valley Express. Sponsored by the East Jordan Troopers.
Admission: \$4 admission includes skates. Roller skates, skis, snow
binders, available. Skating continues each weekend until
spring. For more info contact Bill Bell at 536-2305.
Sno-Blast Sno-Bowling - Noon
Murphy Field. Sponsored by Tom's Bait & Tackle. Bowling for
children 12 and over. Prizes awarded. Contact Tom's Bait & Tackle at 536-3521.
Sno-Blast Softball in the Snow - 1 pm
Murphy Field. Team entry fee: \$10. Sponsored by Main Street
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the key and good times! Sponsored by Arnold's, 115 Main Street.
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 1999

Sno-Lover's Breakfast - 8 am-12:30 pm
East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Clubhouse, Mt. Bliss Road off M-32.
Sponsored by East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club. "The Works" consists
of pancakes, toast, sausage, potatoes, eggs and toast. Price: \$4
adults, \$2 under 12 years old.
Snowmobile Raffle - 1 pm
East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Clubhouse. Sponsored by East Jordan
Rotary. License #B51707.
Family Treasure Hunt - 1-3 pm
Leaving from East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Clubhouse. No entry fee.
Gifts included by East Jordan Rotary.
Contact: Gordon Gerry Geography at
616-582-7970.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1999

Snowmobile Drags - Noon
Sponsored by East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Clubhouse. Drivers must be 18
years of age. Sponsored by East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Clubhouse.
Sno-Shoo Follies - Noon
Murphy Field. Age groups: 10-15 years, 15 & up. Prizes awarded.
Nominal entry fee. (Some shops available). For more information contact
Bill Bell at 536-2674 or Ken Griffin at 536-3521.

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Boyne City

NAME: Wendy Chrysler
PARENTS: Gary M. Chrysler, Sr., and Susan L. Chrysler



Wendy Chrysler

GRADE: Freshman
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball, hockey, volleyball, track, student council member, class president.
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I love to play lots of sports. I love to keep busy and being involved with extra curricular activities. I also like to be with my family and friends. I enjoy reading and writing in peace and quiet. I love to learn about the Catholic religion, and to make people laugh."
FUTURE PLANS OR GOALS: "I plan to be a high school graduate from BCHS. Enroll into a college. To go to a four year university, at LSSU, CMU, FSU or UDM. Take classes, like chemistry, English and get a degree to be either a reporter, P.E. teacher, or a prosecutor (lawyer) to pay off my college loans by the deadline."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "I had the opportunity to coach Wendy during basketball this past season," said Mrs. Deming. "Her work ethic, attitude and athletic ability was exceptional. I expect Wendy to be a leader in the future of Boyne City girls basketball program. Excellent job, Wendy!"
"Wendy is an absolute pleasure to have in class," said Ms. Brilinski. "She is a hard worker, always willing to do her best and in a good mood. Wendy has done very well in English and phys. ed. this year. And, from what I hear, as the track coach, I can't wait to get her on the track and the season to begin."
"It is a pleasure having Wendy in geometry class," said Mr. Parsons. "She always has a smile on her face and a kind thing to say. Way to go Wendy!"
"Wendy is not only a good student, but a great person," said Ms. Marsh. "She has a positive attitude and the ability to motivate others."

NAME: Mindy McCutcheon
PARENTS: Alan McCutcheon and Patti Hausler



Mindy McCutcheon

GRADE: Freshman
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball, ski team, track, student council
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I like to play sports and hang out with my friends. I also snowboard."
FUTURE PLANS OR GOALS: "Right now I'm just trying to keep good grades through high school but I plan to attend college after high school."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "It's nice to have freshmen who come in and fit right in to high school," said Mr. Klooster. "Mindy is one of those. She is involved in sports and very visible around the school. Great job, Mindy."
"Not only does Mindy complete her work on time, but she does it well and on a consistent basis," said Ms. Marsh. "When she finishes her work she does a great job of helping her classmates to understand and do their work. Her positive attitude is contagious!"
"Mindy is a person who strives for excellence whether it be in the classroom or on the ski hill," said Mrs. Ruhs. "She is a model of a person who has set high goals and knows how to focus her time and energy to achieve them. As the only freshman girl skier, she has already proven herself to be a valuable member of the girls ski team. Congratulations, Mindy."

NAME: Michelle Foster
PARENTS: Kris and Bob Foster



Michelle Foster

GRADE: Freshman
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Volleyball
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I like playing volleyball, skiing, swimming, and gymnastics. I also like to hang out with my friends."
FUTURE PLANS AND GOALS: "In the future I would like to go to college and get a bachelor's degree in teaching."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Michelle is a great young lady to have in class," said Mr. Klooster. "On time and prepared are two of many qualities Michelle possesses. I enjoy having her in class. She gets along well with all her classmates. I look forward to seeing her around school for the next three years."
"Michelle is a good student in geometry," said Mr. Parsons. "She always has her work done and is helpful to her fellow students. It is a pleasure having her in class. Congratulations Michelle!"
"Michelle is a great student," said Ms. Marsh. "She is attentive, pays attention to detail, and asks questions when needed. Michelle is also helpful to her classmates. She doesn't hesitate to help others when they have questions."

East Jordan

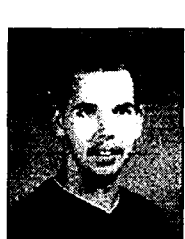
NAME: Caroline Goebel
PARENTS: Stephen and Gretchen Goebel



Caroline Goebel

GRADE: Freshman
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Ski team, SADD, band
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Skiing, writing, playing the trumpet, baking and reading
FUTURE PLANS: Go to college
FAVORITE CLASSES: Communication Arts and geometry
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Caroline is a joy to have in class," said Matt Inman. "She's a hard worker."
"Caroline is kind and hard working by herself or in groups," said Kathy Stangis.
"Caroline is an exceptional student," said Grimaldo Roldes. "She does the little things to make things work."
"Caroline gives 100% every day!" said Michael Haynes.
"Caroline is a very dedicated student," said Bob Panoff.
"Caroline is a high achiever," said Gretchen Goebel. "She enjoys learning. She has high standards."
"Caroline is a great student," said Patti Anthony. "I enjoy having her in my class."

NAME: Ken Boike
PARENTS: Edward and Glenda Boike



Ken Boike

GRADE: Senior
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Chess club, SADD
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Working on motors and engines, building models.
FUTURE PLANS: Graduate from National Auto-Diesel College and work as a diesel technician
FAVORITE CLASSES: Autos and English
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Ken is a friendly young man with a great attitude," said Merr Sue Cardwell.
"Ken sets goals and challenges himself," said Gretchen Goebel. "He is his own person."
"Ken is an extremely nice student who works very hard," said Matt Inman.
"Ken is self-directed, hard working, independent and persistent," said Kathy Drenth.
"Ken is a hard worker who is very responsible," said David MacQuarrie. "He is an excellent role model."

Boyne Falls

NAME: Samantha Barnes
PARENTS: Russell and Joyell Barnes



Samantha Barnes

GRADE: Sophomore
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball, cheer-leading, elementary boy's basketball coach, Christmas play, cafeteria aide
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Basketball, skiing, snowboarding
FUTURE PLANS OR GOALS: Hope to go to Lake Superior and study to be a special ed. teacher
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Sam is a very bright young lady," said Mr. Bavers. "She is never outwitted by difficult homework assignments and strives for her personal best every day. She is a sterling example of student achievement and worthy of being distinguished as 'Student of the Week.'"

NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

CONGRATULATIONS go out to my brother and former Boyne City resident, Nels Northup of Gladwin and Louisa Ann Taylor, of Lowell (originally of Walloon Lake) who were married this past Friday, Jan. 8, at the First United Methodist Church in Gladwin. The 4 p.m. ceremony was officiated by the Rev. Dean Wyllys, with Carl Charon as best man and Louisa's good friend, Lynn Johnson of Petoskey, standing up with her. Among those attending were teachers and coaches of Gladwin High School as well as Louisa's daughter and husband and daughter, Kim and Rich Martin and Madeline of Lowell, his daughter and husband, Lori and Bill Bailey of Beaverton, and Murray and Jan Northup of Midland. An early evening gathering was held at O'Dell's Restaurant following the ceremony and then another one for close friends and family gathered at their home in Gladwin.

STEVE STERZIK and wife Lyn and daughter Ashley of Grand Rapids were here over the weekend visiting his parents Val and Will Sterzik of Petoskey and sister, Sherry Bedford and family of Boyne City. All enjoyed sharing a belated Christmas together as well as celebrating the Capricorn birthdays of Sherry and Steve.

ARRIVING HOME this week from an extended visit with relatives and friends in Franklin and Dearborn, Delcie Phillips was "amazed" to discover so much snow around her home. She had a fine time visiting her son Lee and wife Sandy in Franklin and also her grandsons, Jerry and wife Shannon and new great-grandchild, Jacquelyn, and John Phillips and wife Kristin, in Dearborn.

LOETA SUE BRUDY of Litzzenburger Place had eye surgery this past week. She is home now, doing fine, and back to doing her

daily walks around town.

VIRGINIA HEGERBERG returned to Boyne City on Friday after spending the holidays with her daughter, Pam and Dick Schmidt in Daphne, Ala. The trip home took a little longer, as she was held up due to weather related flight delays for about three days in Detroit.

HILARY BRADFORD, the daughter of Jeff and Julie Bradford of Boyne City, and Dennis Klepadlo, son of Dennis and Linda Klepadlo Sr. of Gaylord, were married on Saturday, Jan. 9. The beautiful ceremony, officiated by the Rev. Jeff Ellis of the Walloon Lake Community Church, was held at the Charlevoix Country Club, as was the reception. Due to the extreme adverse weather conditions, the wedding couple and their families "felt honored" by the 170 guests attending from Ontario, Canada, Illinois, Ohio, Florida, Massachusetts, and many points throughout Michigan, as well as the surrounding area. After a honeymoon trip to Toronto, Ontario, Hilary, an executive recruiter for Creative Financial Staffing, and Dennis, a CPA at Crowe Chizek, will be at home in Grand Rapids.

BOB AND ALICE MARSHALL arrived at their Marshall Road home this past Tuesday, after having spent an extended holiday visit with their daughter, Terry Smith and family, in Florida and their son, Dan Walcott, in Texas. "It took us a long time getting home, over the bad roads, slick with frozen salt brine," said Alice.

RUTH CHRISTY returned to Litzzenburger Place on Saturday, following Thursday's successful surgery. Her son, Dan and her daughter, Colleen Detlaff alternated staying with her throughout the weekend. Colleen and the visiting nurse will continue caring for Ruth throughout her 12-week

recuperating period.

TED AND CAROL TRAVISS of Boyne Falls "got snowed out or snowed in" whichever way you look at it, but they finally arrived home safely, after miles and miles of black ice roads, coming home from a wonderful New Year's visit with her sister, Sandy Puttman and family in Milton, Kentucky.

U. S. ARMY Warrant Officer Tom Thompson came from Wiesbaden, Germany to join his family, in attending the Saturday farewell service of his sister, Marion Liskie, of Boyne City, which was held at the First Baptist Church, Marion died at Charlevoix Area Hospital on Jan. 5, after a severe stroke. Among the many area friends and relatives also attending were her daughter, Tammy Sowers of Mancelona, her sister, Betty Fortune of Charlevoix's Boulder Park Terrace, and another brother and his wife, Maurice and Shirley Thompson of Plainwell.

CINDI AND FRANK MALIN'S hillside home in Boyne City is the hot spot this winter for family members. Frank's children Tara and Tyler came up north for Christmas vacation and had a great time skiing, snowmobiling, sledding and decorating a special outside Christmas tree nestled in the woods. Frank and Cindi enjoyed it as much as the kids. Now the two are looking forward to a visit from Cindi's daughter Whitney Barnowske-Hicks and a group of her friends who will head up from the Detroit area soon to ski, relax and enjoy all the snow.

WELL, FOLKS, I'm off to Florida to visit my daughter Camille and family. My mother will be filling in the Neighbors Column for me for the next couple of weeks. Please call Edna May at 582-6319. Thanks!



(Photo courtesy Charlevoix Area Hospital)

The first baby of the New Year born at Charlevoix Area Hospital is Brooke Marie McWaters, held by her mother Phyllis and adored by her brother Darren.

'99's first arrival

The first baby born in 1999 at Charlevoix Area Hospital was seven pound, 12 ounce Brooke Marie McWaters. Brooke was born at 1:30 a.m. Jan. 2.
Brooke is the daughter of Phyllis McWaters, 22, of East Jordan. Darren Clark, 28, is the father. Brooke has an older brother, Darren who is 2 1/2.
Brooke was due Jan. 6, but "she decided to come a little early, which I didn't mind," Phyllis said.

A capitol experience

Program offers close look at government

How will government curb juvenile crime? What options does Michigan government offer victims of domestic violence? What challenges does school funding and operations offer government? How is Michigan handling environmental concerns?

These are just a few of the questions teens can explore through personal, hands-on involvement with legislators and government professionals at the 1999 4-H Capitol Experience March 21-24 in Lansing.

"Michigan Government in Action" is the theme for the 1999 Capitol Experience, a 4-H program in citizenship, leadership and public policy. Teen and adult participants from all over Michigan participate in state and local government decision-making at the State Capitol complex.

During the 3 1/2 days of the event, participants meet with legislators, state agency personnel, lobbyists, community organization representatives, legislative aides and newspaper reporters to discuss and actively participate in the process by which state government handles key issues that affect Michigan residents.

Teen participants will be expected to undertake a project before the event and apply what they learn to a citizenship activity in their county after they return.

"This is one of the most intense government education programs in Michigan," said John Wurm.

Charlevoix County 4-H Youth Agent. "What these young people learn in such a short amount of time is absolutely life changing."

4-H Capitol Experience is open to 4-H members who are at least high school freshmen. Those who are not current members of 4-H, but would like to attend will need to request a letter of recommendation from their high school principal or counselor. The cost for participants is \$140, which covers three nights lodging at the Ramada Inn of East Lansing, all meals during the event, snacks and event materials.

"My views of state government were expanded as I was able to see the Senate floor in action," said Kristin Hammerberg, a 1998 4-H Capitol Experience participant. "I learned a tremendous amount, had a great time and would recommend attending 4-H Capitol Experience to anyone."
Teens and adults in Charlevoix County who are interested in joining the 1999 4-H Capitol Experience delegation can pick up an application package at the Charlevoix County Michigan State University Extension office at 319B North Lake St. in Boyne City or call 582-6232.

Completed applications and a \$70 registration fee must be returned to the County MSU Extension Office by Jan. 29. Registration fees are fully refundable until March 12.

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SPORTS

Red Devils start slow but finish fast in win over Boyne

The East Jordan varsity volleyball team beat conference rival Boyne City in three games, 15-13, 15-10 and 15-13, for the match Monday night.

"The girls seem to routinely give up 3 to 4 points on the start of each game and then have to battle back," said East Jordan coach Duane Kujat.

"They played well, although our communication broke down more than it should."

The Red Devils served at 93 percent with Abbey Carter serving 19 of 20. Baker did a good job running the floor to set up the spikers, setting close to 92 percent on the night.

Catey Moses, Suzi Malpass and Rachel Boss led in passing, with the team passing at 82 percent. "We want

to improve on that a little," Kujat said.

Malpass led with six kills, Moses had three and Boss had one. Renee Roberts contributed four blocks. Malpass and Boss added three each.

For Boyne City, Ashley Schrader served up 14 points and two aces and Jenny Ortlieb had 4 points. April Roberts led with nine kills, Carrie Belford and Katie Dhaseler had seven each, and Ann Gaudard and Leah Senter each had five. Belford had nine blocks, Gaudard had six, and Schrader and Senter had five each.

The loss leaves Boyne City 0-2 in the conference and 1-2 overall.

In J.V. play, Boyne City beat East Jordan in two of three games.

Strong serving not enough for EJ

The East Jordan varsity volleyball team lost to Gaylord St. Mary's last week, winning the first game 15-13, but then coming up short 15-6 and 15-12 for the match.

"I was very pleased with the way the team played. We've been trying to work out some bugs and their play showed we're moving in the right direction," coach Duane Kujat said.

St. Mary's strong defense dug up a lot of hits, while the Red Devils served at 93 percent "which usually would mean a better outcome than what we had, but the girls played tough anyway," Kujat said.

Catey Moses and Jamie Baker led in serving with 16 of 16 and 12 of 12 respectively.

"Baker did a great job of getting to the ball and setting up our hitters," Kujat said. "She is still young and improves every time on the floor."

"Boss, Malpass and Moses did a fine job passing with little room for improvement," Kujat said. "Boss, Carter and Malpass led in blocking and attacks as we continue to improve our net play."

The J.V. volleyballers won their match in three games.



Boyne City's Jackie Cyr (1) sets the volleyball for a teammate as Ashley Schrader (5) waits at the ready. The Ramblers lost the match to East Jordan in three games.

Looking good

Gerling sisters lead Ramblers to second place

The Boyne City girls ski team took second place behind Harbor Springs at Monday's meet at Boyne Mountain, beating third-place finisher Petoskey for the first time. Charlevoix finished last.

Andrea and Meghann Gerling led the Ramblers, with Andrea placing first in slalom and second in giant slalom. Meghann took fifth in both races.

"Andrea Gerling seems to be first or second in every race," coach Bob Simpson said. "And Meghann's skiing was real good too."

Freshman Mindy McCutcheon came in with a surprisingly strong performance placing eighth in the giant slalom and 11th in the slalom just behind Maggie Doherty who took 10th in the slalom.

"All the girls did really well," Simpson said.

The boys team took fourth place with Petoskey finishing first.

"We were going against some pretty good competition in those other three schools," Simpson said adding that the Ramblers' slalom performance is what hurt the team.

Nick Richl and Andy Douglas placed in the top ten with Richl earning a fifth place in giant slalom and an eighth in slalom. Andy Douglas took fifth in slalom.

On Thursday at Boyne Mountain the Ramblers will face East Jordan which will be coming out for its first meet of the season, and Charlevoix.

"That will be a good meet," Simpson said. "When we go against Charlevoix we always seem to be dead even."

Round One goes to Charlevoix

It's never easy to come back from a 20-point deficit and it's even more difficult when you're playing a top caliber team.

That's what happened to the Boyne City Ramblers last Friday in Charlevoix where they lost 68-50. With the defeat, the Ramblers are now 3-3 on the season, while Charlevoix improved its record to 5-0 and sits on top of the conference along with undefeated Elk Rapids.

The Ramblers fell behind early

but managed to cut the margin to nine in the second quarter.

"We didn't start off well and we were down big early," said head coach Kevin Fitzpatrick. "We had a lot of scoring opportunities but we missed a lot of open shots."

Despite scoring only five points in the opening quarter, the Ramblers had more shots than they did in the second quarter when they scored 20 points.

Turnovers also hampered the

Ramblers. They committed 25.

Despite the loss, Fitzpatrick was pleased with some aspects of the Ramblers' play. "We did some things well," he said. "better than we have all year. Liked our post play. A number of kids worked hard to get layups. The ball just didn't go in. They did everything but finish the play."

"I think this is a game we can learn from and get better."

Noah Stanek led the Ramblers with 16 points and Jeremy Grice had

12. Josh Hall was the top rebounder with eight.

The Charlevoix game was the first of three tough contests for the Ramblers in seven days. Tuesday they played East Jordan and Friday they host Elk Rapids.

THE JUNIOR VARSITY got on the winning track, defeating Charlevoix 66-53. A.J. Spaay led the way for the Ramblers with 26 points and 13 rebounds.

Murray has the hot hand in EJ's first win

Behind a career-high 25-point performance by Chris Murray, the East Jordan Red Devils earned their first victory of the season last Tuesday, defeating Central Lake 66-56.

Murray hit four 3-pointers, two of them coming in the first quarter when the Red Devils built a 22-10 lead. But it was his shooting in the fourth quarter when Central Lake had fought back to tie the game that made the real difference for the Red Devils.

"Chris played really well," said head coach Del Ingalls. "Early in the game he was feeling his shot and late in the game when Central Lake came back he made a big three pointer that got us over

the hump."

Also hitting in double figures for the Red Devils were Matt Shaw and Mike Wladischkin with 12 each and Nate Swan with 10.

"It was one of those games when things came real easily early on but then our team execution went by the wayside," Ingalls said.

"Then all of sudden the pressure was on us." Fortunately, the Red Devils responded even with foul trouble.

After hosting Boyne City Tuesday night, the Red Devils play at Harbor Springs Friday and travel to McBain on Tuesday.

Loggers looking forward to rematch with Harbor

Sometimes the shots go in and sometimes they don't.

Last Friday night was one of those times when they didn't drop for the Boyne Falls Loggers.

The result was a 60-53 loss to Harbor Light in a game featuring two unbeaten teams. With the loss Boyne Falls is now 4-1 for the season and 2-1 in conference play. The Loggers are in third place behind Wolverine and Harbor, who are tied for the lead.

"We couldn't hit from the out-

side," said Logger coach Frank Hamilla. "Ben (Britton) was on fire on the inside, but we couldn't hit from the outside."

"They almost dared us to hit from the outside." Britton played an outstanding game, scoring 23 points to lead the Loggers. Chad Matelski had 11.

Boyne Falls is already looking for the rematch with Harbor which comes on Feb. 12, the same night the Loggers celebrate their homecoming.

Earlier in the week, in their first action since the holiday break, the Loggers defeated Gaylord St. Mary 65-53. The Loggers had good scoring balance with four players hitting in double figures. Matelski led the team with 14, followed by Nathan Howell with 13, Paul Howard with 12 and Ben Britton with 10.

"We played well in spurts," Hamilla said. "Nathan had a real nice game for us, scoring nine points in the fourth quarter."

Boyne skier has strong showing in Colorado event

Colorado received snow for the first time in quite some time and just in time for the first stop of the Mid-America FIS ski race series, pitting top alpine ski racers from around the midwest in Super-G and Giant Slalom competition (Jan. 7-10).

Morgan Klein of Boyne City and Troy Smith of Charlevoix, both members of the Hurricane Racing Team based at Boyne USA, scored big in the second day of racing action. Klein finished fifth overall and first for the Central Division of USSA, while

Smith was 12th overall, sixth for Central and second in his age group receiving a medal.

The season-long series will resume in Marquette at Marquette Mountain on Jan. 16 and 17 for two days of slalom competition.

SPORTS schedule

Boyne City

- Jan. 14 - Varsity/JV Volleyball, at TC St. Francis - 6 p.m.; Skiing, Elk Rapids, East Jordan, Charlevoix, at Boyne Mountain - 4:30 p.m.
- Jan. 15 - Freshman Basketball, Elk Rapids, home - 4:15 p.m.; JV/Varsity Basketball, Elk Rapids, home - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 18 - Varsity/JV Volleyball, Johannesburg, home - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 21 - Varsity/JV Volleyball, at Harbor Springs, 6 p.m.; Skiing, Kalkaska, East Jordan, Harbor Springs at Nubs Nob - 5 p.m.
- Jan. 22 - Freshman Basketball, Harbor Springs, home - 4:15 p.m.; JV/Varsity Basketball, Harbor Springs, home - 6 p.m.; Skiing, Cadillac Invitational at Cadillac - 9 a.m.

East Jordan

- Jan. 14 - Varsity/JV Volleyball, Harbor Springs, home - 6 p.m.; Skiing, Elk Rapids, Boyne City, Charlevoix, at Boyne Mountain - 4:30 p.m.
- Jan. 15 - Freshman Basketball, at Harbor Springs - 4:15 p.m.; Varsity/JV Basketball, at Harbor Springs - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 16 - Varsity Volleyball, at Inland Lakes - 10 a.m.
- Jan. 18 - Varsity/JV Volleyball, at Ellsworth - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 19 - Varsity/JV Basketball, at McBain - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 21 - Varsity/JV Volleyball, at Elk Rapids - 6 p.m.; Skiing, Kalkaska, Boyne City, Harbor Springs at Nubs Nob - 5 p.m.
- Jan. 22 - Freshman Basketball, TC St. Francis, home - 4:15 p.m.; Varsity/JV Basketball, TC St. Francis, home - 6 p.m.

Boyne middle school teams have no trouble with Jo-berg

Boyne City Middle School's eighth grade A team opened its season Monday night with an impressive 65-11 win over Johannesburg.

Three players hit in double figures, led by Beau Detcher with 14, Ben Hausler with 12 and Matt Streelman with 10.

Defensively, coach Ryan Smith said "Jeff Prested was the defensive player of the game."

THE SEVENTH GRADE A team also totally shutdown Johannesburg, winning 54-1. Jo-Berg scored its lone point early in the

first quarter.

"We used strong half court man-to-man defense and caused numerous turnovers," said coach Dale Thomason. "We rebounded well which will be a key against more difficult opponents."

Nick Folette, with 16 points, led a balanced scoring attack. Rob Noeske and Jordan Voice each had 10 while Sam McVannell had 8.

Boyne plays Petoskey Thursday at home with games beginning at 5 p.m. On Monday the two teams travel to Harbor Springs.

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Jan 15th - Jan 21st

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Sun at 2, 4 & 7, Mon-Thu at 7

Mighty Joe Young [TV]
Fri at 7, Sat & Sun at 2 & 4,
Mon-Thu at 7

Enemy of The State [R]
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Mon-Thu at 9

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Stepmom - PG-13 (124 min)
Starring Julia Roberts, Susan Sarandon & Ed Harris
at 7:00 & 9:20 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:15

You've Got Mail - PG (116 min)
Starring Tom Hanks & Meg Ryan
at 7:00 & 9:15 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:15

A Civil Action - PG-13 (110 min)
Starring John Travolta
at 7:15 & 9:15 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:15

Patch Adams - PG-13 (115 min)
Starring Robin Williams
at 7:00 & 9:15 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:15

The Thin Red Line - R (170 min)
Starring Sean Penn, Ben Chaplin & George Clooney
at 7:30 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 2:30

Bellaire Theatre
553-8725

A Bug's Life - G (85 min)
Voices: Bonnie Hunt & David Hyde
at 7:00 nightly

Gaylord Cinema West
(517) 731-9766

Patch Adams - PG-13 (115 min)
Starring Robin Williams
at 7:00 & 9:15 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:15

Stepmom - PG-13 (124 min)
Starring Julia Roberts, Susan Sarandon & Ed Harris
at 7:00 & 9:20 nightly
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A Civil Action - PG-13 (110 min)
Starring John Travolta
at 7:15 & 9:20 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 2:15 & 4:20

Virus - R (96 min)
Starring Jamie Lee Curtis & Donald Sutherland
at 7:15 & 9:15 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 2:15 & 4:15

In Dreams - R (100 min)
Annette Bening, Robert Downey, Jr. & Aidan Quinn
at 7:15 & 9:15 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 2:15 & 4:15

At First Sight - PG-13 (129 min)
Starring Val Kilmer, Mira Sorvino & Nathan Lane
at 7:00 & 9:20 nightly
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Starring Tom Hanks & Meg Ryan
Fri at 7:00 & 9:15
Sat at 2:00, 4:15, 7:00 & 9:15
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Mon - Thurs at 7:00 nightly

Mighty Joe Young - PG (117 min)
Starring Bill Paxton & Charlize Theron
Fri at 7:00 & 9:15
Sat at 2:00, 4:15, 7:00 & 9:15
Sun at 2:00, 4:15 & 7:00
Mon - Thurs at 7:00 nightly

Jan 15th thru Jan 21st

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CALENDAR

BOYNE CITY GOAL SETTING
Wednesday, Jan. 13
 Community members are invited to join the City of Boyne City at its annual goal setting session at 6 p.m. in the Marina Room at One Water Street.

FRIENDS OF BOYNE RIVER
Wednesday, Jan. 13
 Friends of the Boyne River will meet at 7 p.m. at the Wolverine-Diworth Inn. A brief business meeting will be followed by a special presentation by Wil Cwikiel, a water resource program director at the Tip Of The Mitt Watershed Council, entitled, Rivers and the Spirit: Water and Its Spiritual Connection To Humans From Peru To India To Northern Michigan.

LIONESSE CLUB
Thursday, Jan. 14
 The East Jordan Lioness Club will hold its board meeting at the East Jordan City Hall at 7 p.m. Those interested in joining or learning more about the club are invited to attend.

EAST JORDAN SNO-BLAST
Jan. 15-17
 A weekend of family fun from Friday through Sunday in East Jordan. For more information call 536-7351.

FOGCUTTER DANCES
Saturday, Jan. 16
 A square dance will be held at 7 p.m. in the Ellsworth Town Hall. Beginners are welcome. This is a Bliss Fest sponsored event.

WINTER FESTIVAL MEETING
Monday, Jan. 18
 The Boyne City Chamber of Commerce will meet every Monday at 4 p.m. to plan for the Boyne City Area Winter Festival to be held Feb. 26-28. Meetings are held in the conference room at Carter's Food Center. Information: 582-6222.

CROOKED TREE LIBRARY
Monday, Jan. 18
 The Friends of the Crooked Tree District Library will meet at 1:30 p.m. at the library in Walloon Lake. The public is invited. Information: 535-2111 or 549-2277.

COALITION TO REDUCE UNDERAGE DRINKING
Wednesday, Jan. 20
 The Northwest Michigan Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking will meet from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency at 220 West Garfield in Charlevoix. Anyone interested in joining in the

effort to help reduce underage drinking is invited to attend. Call Mary Ann Cox at 616-547-7603.

TOBACCO REDUCTION COALITION MEETING
Wednesday, Jan. 20
 The Charlevoix-Emmet-Antrim Tobacco Reduction Coalition will meet from 9:30-11 a.m. at Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency at 220 West Garfield in Charlevoix. Anyone interested in joining in the effort to reduce the use of tobacco products and the exposure to secondhand smoke is invited to attend. Call Mary Ann Cox at 616-547-7603.

BC CHAMBER AFTER HOURS AND ANNUAL MEETING
Thursday, Jan. 21
 The event will be held from 5-7 p.m. at One Water Street Restaurant. The Boyne City All School Boosters are sponsoring the event.

EJ CHAMBER ANNUAL MEETING
Saturday, Jan. 23
 The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its Annual Meeting at the Jordan Valley Express. Reservations with payment are due to the chamber by Jan. 15. Cost: \$20. Information: 536-7351.

Medical center doing its part to help children learn to read

Read to Succeed, a program designed to help children stay healthy and form healthy habits through reading, was recently adopted at Boyne Area Medical Center in Boyne City. The practice has two physicians, Dr. Pamela Knysz and Dr. Catherine Wonski, and sees an average of 30 patients each day. Kids who are seeing the doctor for a check-up or a "well baby visit" are given a "prescription" by the physician to take a book home from the pediatric library in the office. Parents are encouraged to help choose a book and also to sit down with the child and read to them once they are home. Books are distributed to children 2 months old through age 5 and are free of charge. Children will be given the opportunity to take a different book each time they visit.

"Boyne Area Medical Center is our sixth Read to Succeed location opened in just over a year," said Jean Hayner, Education Specialist for the Community Health Education Center in Petoskey. "The growth in this program and the willingness of these physician practices to work with us to better the health of the kids in our community has been great. Read to Succeed has been met with enthusiasm and true dedication on the part of office staffs and physicians who believe that reading is one of the keys to better health."

For more than a year, the Northern Michigan Hospital/Burns Clinic Foundation-funded program has provided more than 6,500 books to participating area physician offices including Burns Clinic Pediatrics, Petoskey Family Medicine, Petoskey Pediatrics, Burns Clinic Rogers City and East Jordan Family Health Center.

For information about Read to Succeed, call Hayner at 487-4988.

Boyne City School Boosters 300 Club Drawing

and the \$100 winner is . . .
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January 9
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 - All proceeds benefit the Booster project -
 Tickets still available for next drawing - Call 582-9555

ACE NICE COMMENT OF THE WEEK

"I entered an Ace nationwide drawing while shopping at Boyne City Ace Hardware. I couldn't believe it when I won a Dewalt drill. Ace is Great!"
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 "Walls & More"
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PUBLIC NOTICES

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald T. Fineout and Sandra G. Fineout husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Old Kent Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 29, 1996, and recorded on April 3, 1996 in Liber 298, on Page 0207, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Old Kent Mortgage Company, as assignee by an assignment dated March 29, 1996 which was recorded on April 3, 1996, in Liber 298, on Page 213, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty thousand two hundred thirty-nine and 47/100 dollars (\$42,239.47), including interest at 8.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan, at 11 a.m. on February 19, 1999.

Said premises are situated in Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 24, Original Plat of the Village of Talcott, according to the recorded Plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 6, 1999

Old Kent Mortgage Company

For information, please call:
 (248) 642-4202
 Trott and Trott, P.C.
 Attorneys for
 Old Kent Mortgage Company
 30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
 Bingham Farms, MI 48025
 File #97097318

Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, Feb. 3, 1999

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
 Independent Probate
 File No. 98-010026-IE

Estate of **CLIFFORD J. CLOUTIER**, deceased. 373-30-8698.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
 Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:
 The decedent, whose last known address was 9790 Gulfshore Drive #104, Naples, Florida 34108 died November 6, 1995. An instrument dated March 9, 1995 has been admitted as the will of the deceased. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, John L. Stinziano, c/o Amer & Banner, P.C., 110 Water Street, P.O. Box 100, Boyne City, Michigan 49712 or to both the independent personal representative and the Charlevoix County Probate Court, Charlevoix County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

Amer & Banner, P.C.
 By: Robert A. Banner (P44709)
 110 Water Street, P.O. Box 100
 Boyne City, Michigan 49712
 (616) 582-6741

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
 Independent Probate
 File No. 98-010027-IE

Estate of **BETTY JANET HUBBARD**, deceased. 364-28-3576.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
 Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:
 The decedent, whose last known address was 04727 Lakeshore Drive, Boyne City, Michigan 49712 died November 13, 1998. An instrument dated July 22, 1993 has been admitted as the will of the deceased. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent co-personal representatives, John W. Hubbard and Stephen J. Hubbard, c/o Amer & Banner, P.C., 110 Water Street, P.O. Box 100, Boyne City, Michigan 49712 or to both the independent co-personal representatives and the Charlevoix County Probate Court, County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
 Independent Probate
 File no. 98-010028-IE

Estate of **EDWARD FRANCIS REBMAN**, deceased. 384-16-5472.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
 Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:
 The decedent, whose last known address was 423 East Lincoln Street, Boyne City, Michigan 49712, died December 18, 1998. An instrument dated November 12, 1996 has been admitted as the will of the deceased. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Edward Bruce Rebman, 1482 Wilshire Road, Haslett, Michigan 48840, or to both the independent personal representative and the Charlevoix County Probate Court, Charlevoix County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

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CITY OF EAST JORDAN REQUEST FOR UTILITY FRANCHISE

Nordic Electric, L.L.C., 2010 Hogback Road, Suite 4, Ann Arbor, Michigan has made a request to renew an electric franchise in the City of East Jordan for a period of 15 years. A public hearing to receive public comments on this request will be held Tuesday, January 19, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall, 201 Main Street, East Jordan, MI.

EVANGELINE TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS OF THE TOWNSHIP JANUARY BOARD MEETING

The Evangeline Township Board held a regular meeting 4 January 1999 at 7:30 p.m. at the Evangeline Town Hall. Present: Supervisor Shields, Clerk Lory, Treasurer Adams, Trustees Cortright and Kidd. Treasurer's report was approved, noting a total of \$95,769.70 in the general fund as of 31 December 1998. Payables for January 4 were approved in the amount of \$6,194.61. The board authorized restoration of the town hall floors, reappointed Don Griffin and Ann Thurston to the Board of Review, reappointed Michelle Cortright to the Zoning Board of Appeals, and approved a paving agreement for Pine Hurst Shores/ Pine Boulevard.
 Josette A. Lory
 Evangeline Township Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in Regular Session, Tuesday, January 5, 1999 at 7:40 p.m., Mayor Peck presiding with all members of the City Commission present. Minutes were approved and acknowledgement was given to paid bills in the amount of \$289,222.97. Further Commission Action: set a Public Hearing for January 19, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of addressing Nordic Electric's Franchise renewal request; acknowledged receipt of Nordic's proposed franchise ordinance; authorized that the City's Street Lighting Contract with Consumers Power Company be amended to provide for the new service in the municipal parking lot; adopted a resolution establishing a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and Zone; vacated a portion of the north/south alley located west of Main Street in the 500 block; adopted a resolution of intent to install new sanitary sewer on Echo Street, south of Bridge Street by Special Assessment and ratified the Police Union contract.
 A copy of the minutes of the above meeting is posted in City Hall for review and copying during normal office hours.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 30, 1998 Synopsis
 The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on the above date in Charlevoix. Business conducted during the Dec. 30, 1998 meeting: resolutions adopted are as follows: Application for 2% gaming funds; FOC Title IV-D Cooperative Reimbursement Contract; Grandvue Operating Transfer; Treasurer Petty Cash increase; Bus Rehabilitation Agreement; County Clerk Copier purchase; Computer Upgrade for Year 2000; Amend Transportation Authority Budget and 1998 Budget Deficits. The bid for the Jail Renovation and Expansion project was awarded. Also two committee appointments were made. Various other reports from the Commissioners were given.
 Copies of the complete minutes of the Board are on file in the office of the County Clerk and are available for public inspection during regular business hours.

January 6, 1999 Synopsis

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met for their organizational meeting on January 6, 1999 in Charlevoix. Copies of the complete minutes of the Board are on file in the office of the County Clerk and are available for public inspection during regular business hours.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY TRANSIT SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES

Charlevoix County Transit will accept bids until 12:00 noon, Friday, Jan. 22, 1999 for the sale of (1) bus and (1) mini van.

- These vehicles are:
- 1986 Cut away Champion, GMC engine 350 cu. in., automatic, 1 ton chassis, approximately 205,000 miles.
 - 1987 Plymouth Mini Van, automatic, 4 cyl. engine, approx. 90,000 miles.

The vehicles can be inspected at the Transit garage, 1050 Brockway, Boyne City, Michigan, phone no. 582-6964, weekdays between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. All accepted bids must be paid in full upon removal or not later than 4 p.m., Monday Jan. 29, 1999. Bids must be submitted in a # 10 envelope accompanied by 25% deposit of the bid amount.

Transit reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive bid irregularities. All items are sold on an "As Is Basis."

No guarantees implied or otherwise is given regarding sizes, manufacturer, type, or functioning or being in compliance with current laws and regulations.

CITY OF EAST JORDAN NOTICE OF SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION BY SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

A Public Hearing and Special City Commission Meeting to receive comments on the City's intent to extend sanitary sewer service on the southern portion of Echo Street by Special Assessment will be held Tuesday, February 2, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall, 201 Main Street, East Jordan, MI. The East Jordan City Commission will meet as a Board of Review at this special meeting to review, and approve/disapprove the Special Assessment Roll for the 1999 Echo Street Sewer District; to hear complaints to the assessment roll; to receive complaints to the project; and to determine if the project will go forward.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 1999

Regular Board meetings - Second Wed., monthly, 9:30 a.m.
 Fourth Wed., monthly, 7 p.m.
 Committee of the Whole - as necessary, no set schedule
 Personnel/Internal Government - First Wed., monthly, 9 a.m.
 Public Safety/Judicial/Building & Grounds - First Thurs., monthly, 9 a.m.
 NOTE: The regular Board meetings for January, 1999 are: Organization meeting, 1/6/99, and the second meeting will be 1/27/99 at 7 p.m.

CITY OF EAST JORDAN 1999 MEETING SCHEDULE

All meetings are held in City Hall unless otherwise noted

City Commission Meetings: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of Month at 7:30 p.m.

Planning Commission: 2nd Thursday of Month at 5 p.m.

Board of Appeals: 4th Monday of Month at 5:15 p.m.

Housing Commission: 2nd Tuesday of Month at 4 p.m. at Lakeview Manner

Elm Pointe Commission: Meets on as needed basis at Elm Pointe

Board of Review: March 8 & 9

DDA Board: 1st & 3rd Monday of Month at 5 p.m.

The City of East Jordan will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials, being considered at a public meeting or hearing upon 10 days notice to the City of East Jordan. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City of East Jordan by writing or calling: Kathy O'Rear, City Clerk, P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727; (616) 536-3381

BOARDS AND COMMISSION MEETINGS CITY OF BOYNE CITY

First Monday of the month: 12 noon - Economic Development Corporation and Local Development Finance Authority*

Second Monday of the month: 4 p.m. - Boyne District Library Board

Every Tuesday (except the second Tuesday of the month): 12:00 noon - City Commission Meeting*

Second Tuesday of the month: 7 p.m. - City Commission Meeting**

Second Thursday of the month: 9 a.m. - Downtown Development Authority*

Second Thursday of the month: 7 p.m. - Parks and Recreation Commission**

Second Thursday of the month: 7:30 p.m. - Housing Commission, Community Room at Litzenger Place, 829 South Park Street

Third Monday of the month: 5:00 p.m. - Planning Commission**

Third Monday of the month (on a quarterly basis): 7:00 p.m. - Historical Advisory Board*

Fourth Thursday of the month: 7:00 p.m. - Airport Advisory Board at Airport Terminal Building

* City Manager's Office, City Hall
 ** Commission Chambers, City Hall

Additional information on Boyne City meetings is available at Boyne City Hall, 319 North Lake Street, 582-0336.

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STORAGE

STORAGE AVAILABLE. Adams Road Self Storage. On the corner of M-32 and Adams, 7 miles east of East Jordan. (616) 536-0104 or 1-800-414-4950. 12/9-5/26

HELP WANTED

HOUSEKEEPING applications now being accepted for The Inn at Bay Harbor, Boyne Highlands and Boyne Mountain Resorts. Apply today at the front desk. 1/13

HELP WANTED

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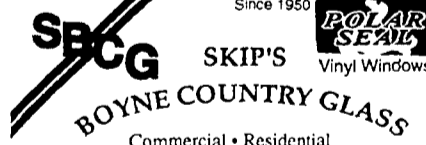
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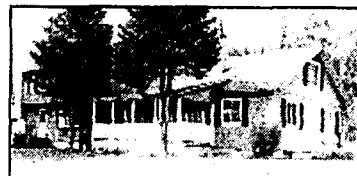
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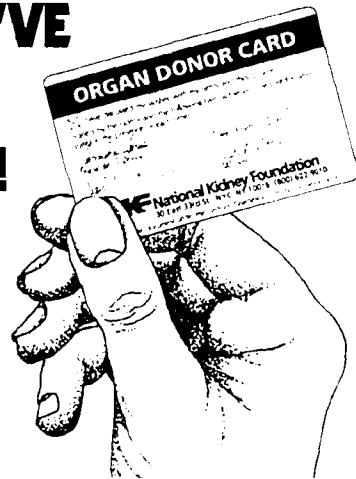
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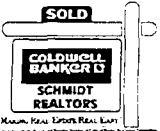
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After more than 18 years in business, Pat Mitchell is closing Sportfisherman.

Sportfisherman closing soon

Years ago, Pat Mitchell said he wanted to sell his Boyne City business — Sportfisherman — by the time he was 50 years old. He was true to himself. Last April he turned 50. Next Tuesday is the day he will close on the sale of his building. Between now and the end of the month he is liquidating merchandise. The new owner has different plans for the building, Mitchell said, but he does not know what they are. Mitchell will continue to sell guns, ammo and fishing and hunting licenses through Triple T Archery in Boyne City. A Boyne City native, Mitchell started the business 18 years ago. Back then it was just a vacant car wash, but not for long. He soon built the building for the store and then completed an addition about seven years ago, nearly doubling its size. As you would expect, fishing and hunting will be top on the list of things to do for Mitchell after he closes the store. He has a 10-day fishing trip to Costa Rica planned in February and in March he will take a fishing trip to Florida. In August he will go caribou hunting in Alaska and in the fall he will head west for elk and deer hunting. He will also continue to run his snow plow, operate his fishing charter business in the summer, and carpentry and woodworking projects. He plans to be busy.

Credit union changes name

The first days of January are bringing more than just a new year to the Charlevoix Federal Credit Union. A new name and new logo are making their debut as well. Bay Winds Federal Credit Union is the new name of the organization which has locations on Lake Street in Boyne City and M-66 in East Jordan. Its main branch is in Charlevoix and there are also sites in Petoskey and Bellaire. "Our new name better reflects the membership of the credit union," chief executive officer David Leusink said. Leusink himself is a recent addition to the credit union, having started as CEO in October. He formerly headed the Kent County Employees Credit Union in Grand Rapids as president/CEO. "Rather than primarily serving members of an employee group, Bay Winds Federal Credit Union has a community charter that allows us to serve a diverse population," Leusink said.

BC chamber combines after hours with annual meeting

The Boyne City Chamber of Commerce will hold its Annual Meeting/Business After Hours on Jan. 21 at One Water Street Restaurant from 5-7 p.m. The Boyne City School Boosters are sponsoring the event. Admission is \$5. Awards will be presented during the meeting and outgoing directors will be honored. They include Pete Friedrich who served as director from 1996-98, vice-president in 1997 and president in 1998; Chris Poniatowski served as director and treasurer from 1996-98; and Gary Osterbeck who served as Director in 1997 and 1998. Filling the open terms are: Nannette Miller of the Boyne District Library, Heather Nalbock of Tap Your Potential, and Jerry Douglas of J.D. Graphics. Members, friends and business associates are welcome to attend the annual meeting. For more information, contact the Boyne City Chamber of Commerce at 582-6222.

Reservations due Friday for EJ chamber's annual meeting

The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, Jan. 23, at the Jordan Valley Express. Members must pay for their reservations and make their entree choice at the chamber office by Jan. 15. No phone reservations will be accepted. The cost is \$20 per person and is non-refundable. A cash bar and silent auction will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by a prime rib or chicken dinner buffet at 6 p.m. A live auction by Steve's Auction Service and presentation of the chamber president's Ambassador and Citizen of the Year Awards will round out the evening. Businesses are encouraged to contribute items to the fund-raising auctions and must contact the chamber by Jan. 14 to have donations listed in the program. Proceeds go to the chamber. For more information, call the chamber at 536-7351.

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Boyne planning carnival

Do you have any good ideas for the Boyne City Area Winter Festival? If so, give the chamber a call and let the staff know, or plan to attend an upcoming meeting. "We're looking to breathe new life into the event," chamber director Debbie Thompson said, and a committee has formed to get it off the ground. Individuals and groups are invited to help coordinate the event planned for Feb. 26-28. Preliminary ideas for activities include snow and ice sculpture contests, cross-country ski and snowshoe races, cardboard sled races, an ice-fishing contest, snowmobile runs, a golf scramble, sleigh rides, soup and chili cook-offs and more. The committee meets at Carter's Food Center on Mondays at 4 p.m. in the conference room located in the back to the right. Community members are encouraged to attend. The Boyne City chamber can be reached at 582-6222.

Martin Luther King Jr. is catalyst for Boyne Falls kindness challenge

Kindergarten through 12th grade students at Boyne Falls School will use Martin Luther King Jr. Day next Monday as the starting point for performing daily acts of kindness. The challenge called "Do Something," is being promoted by King's son and is meant to help kids become more aware of respect, honesty, courage and other virtues exemplified by the slain civil rights leader. Students will track how many acts of kindness they perform in a day until the beginning of February. Tallies will be kept on a chart in the school and posted to the Internet site called dosomething.org. Prizes, donated by community members and businesses, will be awarded to those doing the most good deeds.

Father Bill

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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 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 abuses. 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. He stresses, too, the involvement of the church in Care and Share, a program which he strongly encour-

Boyne City to review Big Boy plan

A request for a development plan review for the new Big Boy restaurant will be discussed by the Boyne City Planning Commission when it meets Monday, Jan. 18, at 5 p.m. Ludlow Enterprises purchased the Country Star restaurant building late last year and is in the process of renovating it into a Big Boy. The restaurant is expected to open in late

February or early March. In addition to the development plan review, the planning commission will consider a request for an illuminated sign at the restaurant. Commissioners will also discuss an amendment to the zoning ordinance regarding use of the right of way in the central business district and the parking improvement fund.

Crooked Tree meeting at Walloon

The Friends of the Crooked Tree District Library will hold its next meeting on Monday, Jan. 18, at the library in Walloon Lake at 1:30 p.m. The group is always looking for friends with artistic ability, computer skills, ideas for future activities and free time, so come by with your ideas and talents. For further information call the library at Walloon Lake at 535-2111 or Boyne Falls at 549-2277.



Off the cuff

Darin Bluhm, left, and Eric Jaqua deliver impromptu one-liners during a rehearsal for "Off the Cuff," an evening of improv in which the audience assists in the creation of the show by suggesting the subject matter for the skits. The theatre troupe consisting of 22 East Jordan Middle School students performed three shows over the weekend. The duo in this practice skit were spontaneously dubbed "Crystal Chandelier" prior to their stand-up act.

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 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 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 Protestant 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."

Snowmobiles

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in Boyne City to drive on Water Street from Boyne Avenue to Lake Street, and on Lake Street from Water to Main Street. Nor are snowmobiles allowed in cemeteries, in Old City Park, the City Marina, or in Rotary Park, except to park in the parking area. There is a designated 20-foot wide strip in Veteran's Memorial Park and Sunset Park where sleds are allowed. Also, snowmobiles are not allowed to enter or leave the ice on Lake Charlevoix except at the north boat launching ramp and Tannery Park.

Howard's suggestion for those planning to ride in town is to call the police department or stop by city hall to pick up a map and copy of the ordinance. In East Jordan, maps are available at the police department and chamber of commerce office.

"I think they should take the time to find out what the rules are in the given cities and towns before they start operating in them," Howard said.

He also encourages citizens with complaints to call the department. "If they're not called in, we don't know about them," he said.

In light of potential snowmobiling revenue and ordinance issues, Symonds said he thinks East Jordan is ready to ask itself two questions. The first is if it is ready to encourage snowmobiling, and if so, where the trails should run from town so they have minimal affect on the residents.

"It's a great way to see northern Michigan in the winter time," Symonds said of the 68 miles of paths the council grooms and maintains in and around East Jordan.

"If riders use the designated trails," Symonds said, "it's no problem."

More hands make less work

The Charlevoix County Snowmobile Council needs volunteers to help maintain the 68 miles of trail system it oversees for snowmobilers.

Currently about six people work over a several weekend period to prepare the trails for the winter. "If we had more people doing it, it could probably be done in one weekend," the council's president Lee Symonds said.

The all-volunteer council grooms the trails during the winter and creates re-routes as needed. It installs and takes down trail signs before and after the season, cuts brush, grades, and maintains and replaces bridges.

The trail system is designated a wild and scenic area, and the path from East Jordan to Charlevoix is privately owned, which means the trail signs must be taken down in the spring and put back up in the fall throughout the paths.

"It's time consuming," Symonds said, and he encourages those interested in helping out to give him a call. He can be reached at 536-2674 or call the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at 536-7351.

Advertisement for One Water Street Restaurant featuring January Specials and an Annual Meeting on Thursday, January 21, 1999, from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. The meeting is sponsored by the Boyne City Schools Boosters. Admission is \$5.00 per person. The restaurant is open to Chamber Members, Friends and Business Associates.

Advertisement for Boyne City Lanes introducing a Happy Hour from 3-6 p.m. with pitchers for \$4.00, beers for \$1.50, and mixed drinks for \$1.50. Karaoke is available on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Bowling hours are also listed: Open Bowling Hours Monday thru Thursday 9AM-5PM and 9:30PM-Close, Friday 9AM - Close, Saturday 2PM-7 and 10-Close, Sunday 12-Close. Skiers & Snowmobilers Welcome. Contact number 582-7291.