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Great Lakes Energy leaders resign

The two men who shared top duties at

Great Lakes Energy have resigned.
Chief Executive Officer Edgar L. Doss and Chief Operating Officer Robert L. Hance indicated that new leadership likely would provide greater value to customers and employees, according to a statement by Michael Wood, the electrical cooperative's board chairman.

The announcement was made at the monthly board meeting in late December.

The board will embark immediately on a national search for a new CEO. In the

meantime. Steven L. Boeckman, chief financial officer, has been appointed interim CEO.

Top O' Michigan Electric, Western Michigan Electric Cooperative and Great Lakes Energy merged in January 1999 to create the new Great Lakes Energy.

The two men assumed leadership of the new entity Jan. 1, 1999.



Edgar Doss

not work out simply because they had different philosophies of how the company should run," said Dave Guzniczak, Great Lakes Energy communications director.

"The joint leadership agreement was not successful in moving the company forward and both men agreed new leadership was needed,"

Doss, of Waters, joined the former Top O' Michigan Electric Company in October 1996. He worked for 31 years for Consumers Energy in various natural gas and electric positions.

Hance, of Newaygo, joined the former O&A Electric Cooperative in 1974 and was named general manager in 1990.

"They positioned this company exceptionally well through a series of mergers and diversification strategies, but they felt this move would create an

next level," said Wood

That "next level" includes continuing to integrate the business cultures of the three electric cooperatives that now make up Great Lakes Energy in order to better prepare the cooperative for customer choice and to continue to look for more

value in the services offered to customers During their tenure, the duo saw the expansion of Great Lakes Energy subsid-

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Boyne man dies in snowmobile accident

A Boyne City resident died following a snowmobile accident on Christmas Eve.

Floyd Wayne Miner, 47, was driving a snowmobile on Court Street in Boyne City around 2:15 p.m., when he apparently lost control, left the roadway and struck a tree, according to Boyne City Police.

Miner's 6-year-old granddaughter was riding with him at the time of the accident and sustained minor injuries. Police said her injuries were minimized because she was wearing a protective helmet. Police said Miner was also wearing a helmet.

According to the police department, both were transported to Northern Michigan Hospital by Boyne City Ambulance and Miner died at the hospital several hours after the acci-

at a **GLANCE**

Holiday break ends Monday for students

Boyne City, East Jordan and Boyne Falls students will head back to a full day of classes on Monday, Jan. 3, following a week and a half off for Christmas break.

Athletes will be back on the courts and heading to the slones next week as well. Boyne City's varsity ski team will attend its first meet on Monday, Jan. 4 at Boyne Highlands for the Petoskey Invitational. The basketball team will face Kalkaska on

Tuesday, Jan. 4 at home. East Jordan's basketball team will travel to Central Lake on Jan. 4 and the volleyball team will face Charlevoix on Thursday, Jan

In Boyne Falls, the basketball team will host Harbor Light on Jan. 7

Conservancy holds meeting

The Charlevoix County Land Conservancy will host an introductory informational meeting on the "Principles of Conservation Design" on Monday, Jan. 3 at City Hall in Charlevoix.

Rod Cortright of the Charlevoix County MSU Extension, will discuss new innovative designs for planned development.

INSIDE

■ Highlights of 1999 as seen through the camera's lens.

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As bright as a light bulb

Antiques and electronics merge at kid-owned shop

By GINA SOLTIS KENDELL

"It all started when I was real young," begins Wil Ogden of his passion for antique electronics

As he recalls, he was scared of the yard light, and yet fascinated by the way it automatically came on at night.

"It seemed like it had a mind of its own," Ogden said, thus sparking his interest in electricity. From then on, he collected light bulbs

- beginning specifically with projector bulbs Where did he come by his interest in

antiques? "I don't know," he replies, puzzled

himself about the hobby. He does recall - before his fascina-

tion with antiques came to light --- seeing a tube in his grandfather's storage building. He wondered what it was "It looked funny," he said, "I figured it was one of his Model A parts. I never

asked him about it." Once he developed an interest in antiques, it became the first item in his collection of vacuum Now, at the ripe-old-age of 10 (he'll be 11 on Dec. 30), the East Jordan

resident has combined his two interests into a fledgling business called "Wil's Antique Electronics.

"I found out that tubes, projector bulbs and old radios were antique electronics.'

So after collecting the items for half his life he's now set up a storefront in a vacant space in the Walker Building. owned by his mother Karen Walker, on Water Street in East Jordan.

A handmade sign, by Ogden, hangs from two eye hooks in the ceiling outside

"Some malls have signs like that, I

thought, why can't 1?" Ogden said.

Open for business just over two weeks now. Wil said he hasn't had a single customer.

He guesses it's because his stock was hidden from the view of passers by by a photography display of his mothers in the front window. He rearranged his collection to be visible through the glass door.

This isn't his first attempt at running a retail business. He opened "Gift Gallery" for a few months. He had 10 customers and went two to three weeks without a single soul walking through the door.

"It was kind of a waste of energy," he said.

In fact, he's not so sure there's much of a market for his current line of offerings which includes the sale of projector bulbs, radio tubes, and old radios, the repair of old radios, testing of tubes and soldering with a 30-watt pencil

"But I figured it's worth a try any way," he said.

On the Internet, he said tubes sell for about \$3 each. He sells them for between \$1.50 and \$2.

Whenever I sell a tube. I want to make sure it's good," he said, knowing the value of customer service already. "Every tube that I sell gets tested."

If his two tester kits don't register a tube on the dials - one is circa 1950-1960 and one circa 1940s - his policy is a full refund if a customer takes it home and it doesn't work. The newer tester came from a retired

radio repairman and is more accurate than his older one which came from a man whom Ogden met through another acquaintance. He also netted 600 tubes from the fellow's basement. He will soon have two to three old

radios for sale. There are 15-20 in his collection. They date from the 1930s to the 1980s.

Ogden said he's pretty good at repairing the old tube-style radios. "I can only try at the new style," he

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Wil Ogden tests old radio tubes, among other things, at his East Jordan retail shop, Wil's Antique Electronics.

Celebrating winter Sno-Blast style

Bowling, golfing, hiking, sculpting. Winter activities?

They are during East Jordan's annual Sno-Blast Festival the weekend of Jan 14-15.

'You don't need to own a snowmobile to participate," East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce director Mary Faculak said, although there will still be plenty of opportunities for snowmobilers to put their sleds to the test.

A few changes to this year's festival include the Kids Fishing Contest, for those 12 and under. Sponsored by Tom's Bait and Tackle and Country Kids Day Care, the competition will begin at 7 a.m. Jan. 8 and end Sunday, Jan. 9 at 6 p.m. It will run for one weekend only.

In addition to prizes for the longest perch, pike, walleye, bluegill and crappie, any child who enters the contest will receive a prize. Registration is at 7 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 8, at Tom's Bait and Tackle at 810 Water Street in East Jordan. Bait must be purchased at the shop.

For those who were sorry to see the snow put an end to the golf season, a Closest to the Pin Contest



Snowmobilers will gather en masse at the East Jordan Snowmobilers Clubhouse grounds during the Sno-Blast Festival, but there will be plenty to do during the weekend off the sleds as well.

This new Sno-Blast event, spon-

should get them back in the swing sored by the Mallard Golf Course, will take place on Saturday, Jan. 15 at 1 p.m. at the East Jordan Sno-

Mobiler's Clubhouse grounds. The cost is \$2 for three shots. First through third place prizes will be

Sno-Sculpture Contest artisans have plenty of media to get creative thanks to Mother Nature piling on the snow. The annual event, sponsored by Darlene Bolser of Darlene's Restaurant, will award first through third place cash prizes to individuals, commercial and civic groups who transform snow into works of art.

"Anybody can participate that has

a little imagination," Bolser said. Faculak suggests families or even neighborhoods get together to create animals, people, buildings or "anything they can think of 'out of snow.

The entry deadline for the Sno-Sculpture Contest is Monday, Jan. 10. Judging will take place on Jan. 12. Call the East Jordan Chamber for applications at 536-7351.

A Moonlight Sno-Shoe Hike through the Jordan Valley on Saturday, Jan. 15 will help shake off any winter doldrums that may have settled in. Jordan Valley Outfitters and Yuba Snowshoes are sponsoring the trek which will depart from the

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UPINION

IN INK

The ins and outs of the New Year

By GINA SOLTIS KENDELL

Ah, the New Year. Resolutions, Y2K readiness, and most importantly, the "what's in and what's out"

Parts of my own list are much less prediction and more wishful thinking, but you never know the power of the press.

Though I no longer consider myself an expert on fashion (that sense faded along with my Levi's since exiting college - gulp nearly a decade ago), the tight-fitting, midriff baring shirts will go the way Jennifer Aniston's hairstyle did two years ago

On the "in" list: having hips For those cold, northern Michigan days, in come the ear-flap hats, fluffy mittens, and warm but hideous boots for 30-something women. Out go stylish hairdos and being cold all the time. Remember, this will be considered cool. (Is "cool" a cool word?)

Out, of course eventually, will go Bill Clinton. In. but wishing they were out, will be the sucker who will get the blame for a sure-tocome recession during their presidency. I heard retailers took in seven percent more during the holidays this year than last year. Enjoy it while you can, because like gravity's pull on the midriff, what goes up must come down.

Just like in every election year, campaign finance reform is in again, but should just be considered a lost cause. Does the public really care anyway? Meet the Press and its guests seem to think so. Picture dueling gunmen just back away, put down the money - and then "bam," millions of dollars later, um, we'll tackle this issue during my presidency, declares the winner.

Speaking of Meet the Press and other "political" talk shows, don't they know that the rest of the country doesn't care about Hillary Clinton's future in New York? She is "out" whether she's voted in or not.

Back on the local scene, out are plutonium shipments across the Great Lakes. If it's so safe, carry it in your own suitcase and ride the train yourself. In: protesters,

"In" in Boyne City is a sense of community with the city's new zoning plan to be complete this spring. Out: suburbia. sprawl, traffic, congestion. That stuff is not cool. Where else but in a small town would I have been able to knock off most of my Christmas list including having gifts wrapped by the shop owners - do my banking, and pick up a prescription all in less than 20 minutes? And most of the folks helping me out knew my name. (This may not be desirable for those with something to hide. Suggestion: move to the big city.)

In: East Jordan. Out: ignoring East Jordan. The place is beautiful, a well-kept secret. It's on Lake Charlevoix and home to the Jordan Valley — one of the most beautiful spots in Michigan. Real estate is still reasonable there too, but it's not going to last. Hope it doesn't get overrun like so many other tourist towns once word gets out. ("Out" in previous paragraph applies here too.)

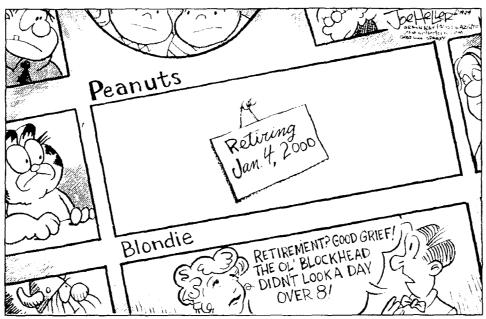
Out: Pokemon. It won't be long. In: some other toy, cleverly marketed to parents and children along the lines of Elmo. Beanie Babies. Cabbage Patch Kids (who?), pet rocks, Barbie, 8-tracks, old kick-the-can cans, rag dolls, sticks, bugs, imagination latter three cleverly marketed by parents at their wits end.

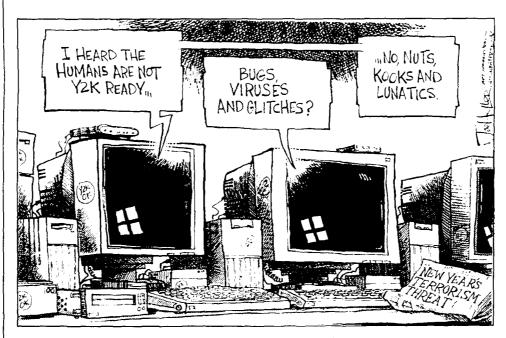
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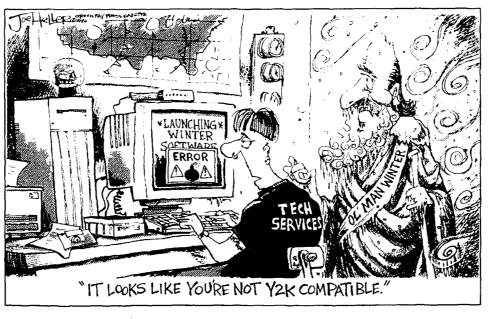
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BETWEEN the LINES

Have faith in the possibilities

By ANGELA SHULTIS

With the holidays now passing so quickly by, we are all thrust once again into the regular mode of everyday life, perhaps all too easily setting aside that hopeful mood we'd kept throughout the last month or so.

I'm not going to go on about keeping the Christmas spirit alive throughout the year, though it's not a bad idea. But that's easy to say and hard to do, and we've all certainly heard it before.

Instead, I'd like to share a story with you, sort of a "part two" of a story I started telling this past fall. Some of you may recall a column I wrote about our cat. Mary, who broke her leg and presented us with the dilemma of deciding how much money we would spend on her care. Now seems the appropriate time to share the second half of that story - and no groaning please, I promise this is the last cat story I'll write. But it has made my family think twice, and perhaps will provide some inspiration for you as well.

Mary had her broken leg set and came home with an unwieldy splint. Unable to get around or use the litter box properly, she spent most of her time in a funk, sleeping under various tables around the house. By her sixth day home, she had eaten nothing, taking only small amounts of water. Upon a return visit to the vet, he took one look at her yellowing skin and eyes, and told us that her liver was beginning to shut down, and that the rest of her body would shortly do the same. She was starving herself.

The only potential remedy would be a feeding tube, both costly and far from guaranteed to save her. That, compounded with the distinct possibility that her leg would not heal and so create all sorts of other lifethreatening complications, forced us to make an even tougher decision than how much money we could spend on her care. Was it worth prolonging her suffering, and yes, spending more than we had, when the outcome would most likely be grim anyway?

So we made the sad and painful decision to put her to sleep. As I may have mentioned before, this cat appeared during a particularly hard time for my family. She made herself right at home with us, and always seemed to us to be a sign of better things. So it was particularly tough to imagine that, after only a year or so, she was already going to be

At around midnight, we couldn't help but make one last attempt to feed her before retiring. We set the same food in front of her as we had before, not expecting in the least that she would be interested, but needing to

You can probably guess the rest of the

She did indeed begin to eat, and made a fairly quick recovery after that, eating normally within a few days. Our vet has called her a miracle cat; given her medical condition, there was no reason that she should have spontaneously recovered. Her leg is now completely healed, and while it doesn't look or work quite right, she is healthy and

Now, I believe things happen for a reason. and I don't think this happened solely to save the life of one small, however loved, cat. As much as this may sound like a really corny movie of the week. I believe my family needed to get this message, in our up-anddown lives - that no matter how bad things seem, no matter how certain you are, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that your fate is sealed, things can still get better. Because there are reasons, and powers, beyond our control and beyond our understanding. And no matter what we simple humans might think we know, there is always room for hope

Sometimes things happen that we can't explain. Fortunately, that's not our job. Our job is to be open to, and have faith in, the

We should all look for the lessons to be found in the small miracles in our lives. And take comfort in the blessings that they truly

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said. "I might get it, I might not. There's a better chance at the old radios that I'd be figuring out the problem.

How did he come by his knowledge of old radio repair?

Again he replied, "I don't know how I figured that out," noting that a common problem is simply replacing old tubes with the same number tube.

So far, he's repaired only his own radios, and also built a shortwave radio "right from scratch" in three to four hours spending \$12 on

"I know how this stuff works," he said. "If a customer comes in here not wanting to buy the stuff, but wanting to learn about the stuff, I could teach him about it," he said.

Rummaging through one box, he explains it contains his first collection of projector bulbs for slide, motion and overhead projectors — a box originally bound for the Challenge Mountain resale shop. His very first bulbs came from

his dad's projectors. Ogden himself owns an 8 millimeter motion picture projector which takes a common 500 watt, 120 volt incandescent CZX bulb. The projector dates back to the 1930s.

"They're the most complicated, but I figured it out," he said. speaking of the different watts and volts required for different bulbs

and projectors. Turning a bulb upside down, he points out how 120 volts of electricity run through the two sets of front pins to light the 1,000 watt

And on an older bulb, he explains that touching the glass with your fingers attracts heat and unequal heat makes the glass more

fragile, and can cause it to explode He can rattle off the different types of bulbs - incandescent which have a filament inside and no air - and halogen which are

household bulbs. The halogen, though it works like an incandéscent, works longer than the incandescent and has

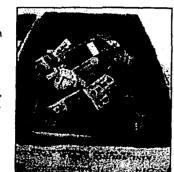
There are mercury vapor, metal halide, high pressure sodium and low pressure sodium bulbs which are commonly used in street lights. Finally there are fluorescent and

halogen gas inside.

compact fluorescent for offices. kitchens and so forth.

Ogden's collection includes some of each except a low pressure sodium - a rare bulb but much like a high pressure sodium bulb which he owns anyway. Some are burned out, some are not.

If someone is replacing a street light, he asks them for the burned out one. He has a 10" diameter, 15 amp. bulb from Murphy Field in East Jordan.



A collection of tubes awaits buyers in Wil Ogden's shop.

There is a bulb from the Central Michigan University television station. Ogden's mother's former art teacher works there. Connections pay off.

Some he has purchased himself and "some have been around longer than I have," he said.

He pleads, don't ask him how many are in his collection. He doesn't really know.

That's where simple logistics take over. "Now that I have all this stuff, I realize I'm not going to use

He and his grandfather have built a shed for part of his collection "like an old shed from the 30s," he said.

He's currently working on the wiring and is constructing shelves

in the building. And since his mom had some vacant space in her building, going into business for himself was a natural to off-load the rest of the

Some of his collection, such as old Army radio tubes and four and five pin tubes from the 1920s-1940s - real antiques - are not for sale

Around the Walker Building, Ogden is the one that changes

burned out bulbs, fixes loose hinges, broken locks or the myriad of other mechanical problems that can arise in a building.

"I call myself the maintenance man," he said, noting that he enjoys that work even more than the antique electronics.

"It can be challenging," he said, noting that it's something like community service.

"I love community service," he said, and is an ambassador for the East Jordan Area Chamber of

He's also the one that has decorated every window in the Walker Building with part of his 75 to 100 strings of Christmas lights. He strung his parents' home, his grandmother's outdoor trees and her Christmas tree with "171 lights including the tree-top star."

Essential to the owner of so many strung-together bulbs is a "light tester," a product that can be purchased at a hardware store for a minimal amount of money which tests fuses and bulbs of Christmas

"A simple name for a simple tool," Ogden said, noting that it uses a red LED - light emitting diode - which, when run along a string of lights, will go out when no power is present. Most digital alarm clocks use the same kind of technology, he further explained.

"It works kind of like a remote control," he said.

He never puts it away in the Christmas box because it's good for locating wires inside walls.

"The length of the process," he said of finding a burned out bulb, "depends on the problem in the set and the length of the set."

His retail shop itself is strung with a set of poppy flower lights, all aglow

He acknowledges that antique electronics is a hobby — not necessarily an indication of what he wants to be when he grows up.

"I haven't decided yet," he says of his life a decade from now. "I switch from hobby to hobby,"

he said. A few years ago it was fluorescent bulbs, now it's antique

electronics.

"It's fun and it's educational, at least for me it is anyway," he said.
"You can always learn what you want



Towering trees aglow in lights make a magnificent sight at the Bradley home on the corner of Lincoln and Alice streets in Boyne City.

Christmas light displays recognized

Boyne City residents won accolades for decorating their homes with lights for the holiday season from judges on the Boyne City Area Tour of Lights.

Elmer and Alta Gilmore took first place for their home on Old State Road. Marty and Connie

Moody received second place for their Boyne City-East Jordan Road home. Jill Rowley's Lake Street home won third place.

Their displays were just of a few of many enjoyed on the annual tour which ran through last

Sheriff's Office makes local promotions and assignments

A series of promotions and new assignments will bring a new face to the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office Sub-Station in East Jordan.

Deputy Sheriff David Hague, a 19-year veteran with the Sheriff's Office has been assigned as the Officer in Charge of the sub-station. Deputy George R. Lasater is also assigned to the site and is a six-year veteran with the department.

The sub-station opened at Grandvue Medical Care Facility six months ago. Deputies assigned to the site work strictly in the East Jordan area and surrounding townships unless called upon to assist on cases in

other jurisdictions

space," when the department looked for a place to house the station earlier this year.

Deputy Sheriff Rex Behling was reassigned from the East Jordan site to the Boyne Falls Sheriff's Sub-Station, in a move taking him closer to his home. A 14-year veteran with the Sheriff's Office and the department K-9 officer, he will serve as the Sub-Station Officer in Charge. With a second deputy assigned, there will be a total of 40 years experience for the citizens served by the site.

Deputy Sheriff Robert Scholey. who has seven years with the office. has been assigned as the department Sheriff George T. Lasater said DARE officer, serving East Jordan.

"Grandvue graciously offered us the Boyne Falls and Concord Academy. Sgt. Donald Sproul, an 18-year veteran with the Sheriff's Office, has been promoted to Detective/Sergeant and will be assisting Detective/Sergeant Mike Wheat.

Correction Officer Kirk Raymond, a seven-year veteran with the Sheriff's Office has been promoted to Jail Sergeant and will assist with supervising and training correction officers and assisting in organizing the new jail addition

Deputy Sheriff Todd Reeves, an eight-year veteran in law enforcement, has been assigned as a full-time deputy sheriff patrol officer working various assignments for the Sheriff's

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parking lot of the Evangelical Lutheran Church located at 7855 Rogers Rd. Snowshoes, headlamps, energy bars and hot chocolate will be provided. Pre-registration is required for this free outing. Call 536-0006.

Sno-Bowling, sponsored by Gemini Lanes, will get rolling at noon on Saturday, Jan. 15 at Murphy Field. Kids under 12 play free. Prizes will be awarded. For more information, call Jan Hammond at 536-7599 or Ann Werner at 536-0682.

make its way down Main Street with

Grand Marshal Lee Symonds at its helm on Saturday at 10:30 am. The Honorary Grand Marshal is State Representative Andy Neumann.

Parade registration is from 10-10:30 a.m. at City Hall. Pre-registration is encouraged. Decorate your snowmobile, build

a float, wear a costume. Prizes will To fill hungry bellies, Ansted's By

val. Plenty of snowmobile parking is available on the lake side by the train.

"I'm really proud of the committee. they've added a lot of new events," Faculak said.

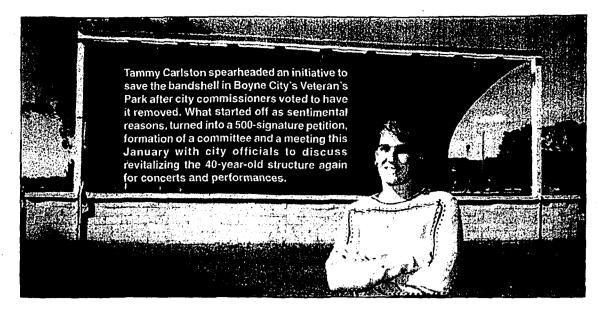
For the snowmobiling set, the East Jordan Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse on Mt. Bliss Road off M-32, will be headquarters for plenty of weekend events from a safari on Fri-







Her concern over the loss of Lake Charlevoix frontage in Boyne City to development prompted Shirley Howie to collect more than 350 signatures to present to the city to encourage it to purchase the former Big C property on Lake Street. Howie's actions reflect the concerns of many area residents, who are "bitter," she said, about the disappearing lakeshore.



THROUGH THE CAMERA'S EYE



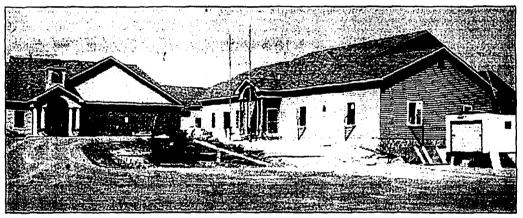
Boyne City police officer Lee Cloyd is back on the beat full-time after doctors predicted she would probably not survive a brain aneurysm she suffered last April. "Not many people are given a second chance. I don't want to blow it," Cloyd said.



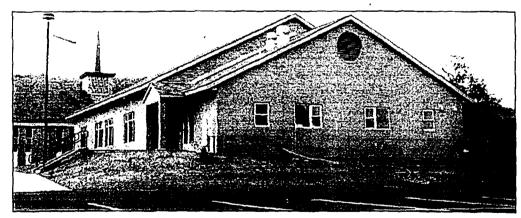
Boyne City Schools hired new superintendent Dana Compton, who started his job in July.



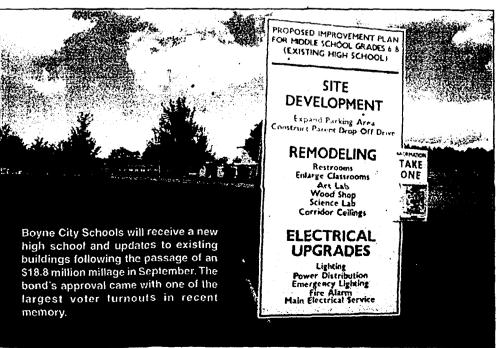
Mark Fiel, with help from his stepfather Al Fish, turned a spadeful of earth last spring during a groundbreaking ceremony at the site of his future school on M-75 in Boyne Falls. At four years old now, he will be a member of the third class to enter the new K-12 Boyne Falls School, slated to open in the fall of 2000. The district passed a \$6,575,000 millage to build the facility on school forest property on M-75. Today, block walls have been erected in the first stages of construction.

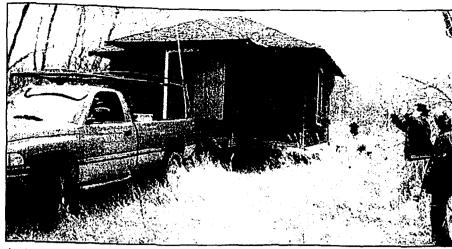


Construction of a 15,800 square foot addition began last spring at Concord Academy Boyne. The \$1.1 million, two-story structure will allow six more classrooms and be able to accommodate a full high school.

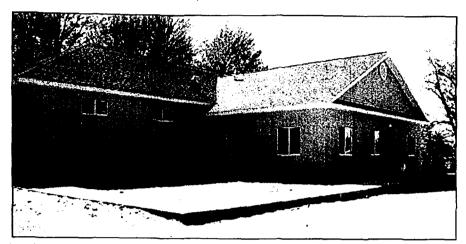


A new fellowship hall at St. Matthew's Catholic Church was complete in early summer. The 8,000 square foot facility can seat 350 people and allows more breathing room than the basement meeting space.

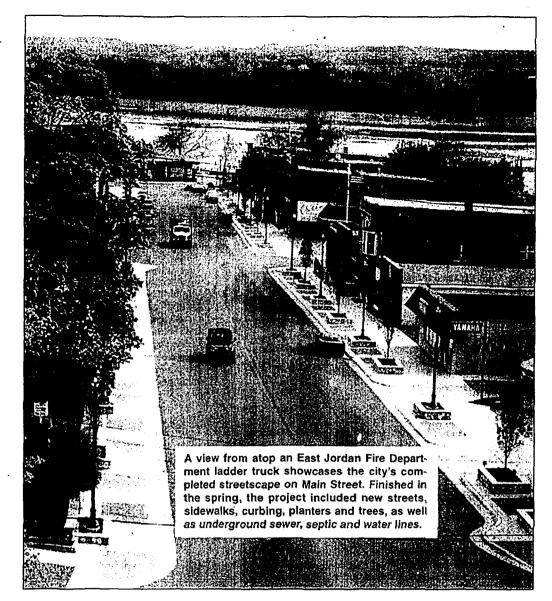


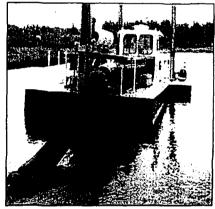


Just rounding the bend of its first anniversary, Friends of the Boyne River also found a new home in an old cabin which was moved from Lake Charlevoix to the edge of the river on an old dump. FOBR members hope it becomes the group's permanent headquarters and the starting point for a nature walk along the river.



The Charlevoix County Humane Society took up residence in a newly constructed facility in Boyne City in the spring, moving from its former home in Charlevoix. At 4,900 square feet, it's four times larger than the old site.





A dredge purchased by Boyne USA Resorts pumped from 1,200 to 1,500 gallons of sand and sift per minute from the bottom of the Boyne River in an attempt to return it to its natural state. Work has ceased during the winter months, but should resume come warmer weather.



The East Jordan High School football team made history when it advanced for the first time ever beyond the first round playoffs after a 26-24 victory over Stephenson High School. They lost in the next round to Traverse City St. Francis, who went on to win the state championship.



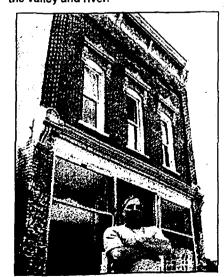
Friends of the Jordan River Watershed will move closer to its namesake once renovations are complete in the old red Trading Post building, which was moved near Sportsman's Park from its former spot on M-66. Overlooking the river's sedge marsh, it will eventually serve as FOJ's headquarters as well as a center for learning about the valley and river.



Boyne Falls basketball team captured a back-to-back district championship last spring coming off a season with 21 victories and a 17-game winning streak. Unfortunately, a 77-76 over-time loss to Cedarville wiped out any chance to advance to the final four in the State Class D tournament.



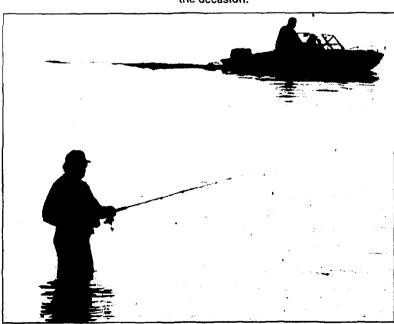
East Jordan's Freedom Festival brings folks downtown for the city's annual parade and held a captive audience in this little fellow who came properly attired for the occasion.



Following the completion of East Jordan's streetscape, investors such as Larry ingalls are taking the next step to help revitalize the downtown by fixing up their properties. Known as the Loveday Building, the formerly dilapidated structure on Main Street now houses two offices and two apartments.



Scott Fisher's 16-foot long Philippine mahogany canoe was voted best in the state during the springtime industrial Arts competition. The East Jordan High School senior spent more than 250 hours building the boat. Boyne City middle-schooler Katle Grice and Boyne high-schooler Gregg Koteskey also earned state championship status for their coffee table and gun cabinet, respectively.



Each season in the north holds a special beauty. Combined with an abundance of natural resources and recreational activities, there's no better place to be.

Are you ready for Y2K?

■ City and law enforcement officials offer tips just in case

By this point in time folks have either prepared, or don't feel there's a need to prepare for any glitches that may come with the new year.

But with Y2K (year 2000) just days away the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office in conjunction with the Charlevoix County Emergency Services Office offers some tips.

"It is not our intent to alarm you," states a memo from the Sheriff's Office, "however, we feel that you should take a few prudent steps to provide your family with basic needs in the event of a computer error."

The City of Boyne City also advises, as with any standard emergency protocols, that the public be prepared to be on their own for up to 72 hours in the event of any widespread emergency or disaster.

Below are some tips compiled from both offices.

During the first 72 hours of any disaster, emergency forces are focusing on restoring infrastructure and on emergency response.

So, as you would in preparation for any major storm, Boyne City advises residents to stock disaster supplies to last several days to a week for their family. This includes having non-perishable foods, stored water (one gallon per person per day for drinking and additional water for basic hygiene needs), and an ample supply of prescription and non-prescription medications that you regularly use.

In order to conserve water, plan on using paper and disposable plastic products for eating.

The Sheriff's Office said considering how to heat the food is very important and to consider a fireplace or wood stove inside, or a gas or charcoal grill for cooking out of doors. Remember to have a sufficient supply of fuel for any of them.

In case power fails, plan to use alternative cooking devices, but do not use open flames or charcoal grills

Have extra blankets, coats, hats and gloves to keep warm. Do not use gas-fueled heating devices that are not designed to be used in residential homes.

Have plenty of flashlights and extra batteries on hand. Do not use candles for emergency lighting. The Sheriff's Office recommends a minimum of two flashlights.

are hard-wired into your home's elecetrical system, check to see if they have battery back-up and that the batteries are charged.

If you plan to use a portable generator, connect what you want to power directly to the generator, remembering to keep it in a well-ventilated area either outside or in the garage with the door open. Do not connect the generator to your home's electrical system.

Have some extra cash or traveler's checks on hand in case electronic transactions involving ATM cards, credit cards and the like cannot be processed.

A full tank of gas in all family and business vehicles is encouraged. In the event you may have to leave the area, a full tank of gas in most cases will take you anywhere in the state.

Be prepared to relocate to a shelter for warmth and protection during a prolonged power outage. Listen to a battery operated radio or television for information about where shelters will be available

Also, many of your basic needs such as food, water and shelter are the same needs as your pets and farm animals' needs. Remember them too as you make your plans.

Emergency shelter will be available

In cooperation with the Charlevoix County Emergency Services Agency, the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office has established a list of emergency, shelters. The shelters will only be open at the direction of the emergency services director.

Shelters with a generator include the Boyne City City Hall, East Jordan City Hall, East Jordan Civic Center, Charlevoix City Hall, Charlevoix Area Hospital and the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office which will have limited space and limited emergency food.

Other shelters include: East Jordan Public Schools, Charlevoix Elementary School, Northwest Academy-Charlevoix, St. James Township Hall, Charlevoix Township Hall, Hayes Township Hall, Chandler Township Hall, Boyne Valley Township Hall, and Norwood Township Hall.

OBITUARIES

Floyd Wayne "Mike" Miner

of Boyne City, died on Friday, Dec. 24, 1999, at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

His funeral service is Wednesday, Dec. 29, at 11 a.m. at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City. The Rev. David Behling will officiate, with burial in Maple Lawn Cemetery.

Mike was born on Dec. 6, 1952 in Petoskey, the son of Melvin and Charlotte Lyttle Miner. He lived in Boyne City his entire life. After high school he worked for Ray Skop Masonry in general construction. He worked for Local #1283 for 19 years. He had been working at Litzenburger Place as a maintenance man for the past nine years.

On Oct. 27, 1972, he married Patricia Moyer, and she survives. He had been a member of the

Floyd Wayne "Mike" Miner, 47, Boyne City Eagles since 1972. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, and snowmobiling. He especially loved his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife Patricia; two sons, Mike (Melissa) Miner of Charlevoix, and Jason Miner of St. Ignace; four grandchildren, Becca Banks, and Tiffany, Jordan, and Michael David Miner; his mother, Charlotte Miner of Boyne City; a brother, Ray (Joann) Miner of Boyne City; sisters, Charlotte (Fred) Simpson of East Jordan, and Rose Stahl of Grand Rapids; and many nieces, nephews and close friends.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Davy, in 1965, and his father Melvin in 1963.

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A blood drive will also be held Friday, Jan. 14, from 10:30 a.m. -4:15 p.m. at city hall in Boyne City, sponsored by AlliedSignal. City hall is located at 319 N. Lake St.

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Grant will fund three new programs at Grandma's Child Care

Grandma's Child Care Center in Boyne City is the recipient of a Michigan 4C's Grant that will fund three new programs: Infant Signing, Smart Start and I Can Read.

The Michigan 4C's offers grants to child care homes and centers to improve the quality of child care and increase space and availability. The grant will allow Grandma's to reopen the infant room, begin a nurs-

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ery school program for 3-year-olds, and teach 4- and 5-year-olds prereading skills.

"This will allow us to prepare the children to enter kindergarten ready to succeed," said Valarie Burns, the center's director.

The Infant Signing Program will teach infants and toddlers simple sign language skills so that they will be able to communicate before they can

talk. The Smart Start program will be for children up to three years old, and teaches recognition of words and pictures with games, flash cards, and songs. The skills they learn will carry over to the "I Can Read" program which teaches pre-reading skills and early phonics to children prior to entering kindergarten.

"These programs couldn't have come at a better time for us with the Nursery Center and the Head Start

programs filled to capacity. This will allow the children that need these programs a place to go and get the skills they need," said Burns.

All three of the programs will begin as soon as the equipment arrives. Enrollment will be limited to keep the classes small so the children will receive the attention they need to learn.

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After bringing the first triple, quad and six place chairlifts to skiing, and patenting a process to make snow that was used in three Olympics, Boyne USA Resorts enters the age of the Internet with another ski area first a live video feed.

Boyne's website capitalizes on the latest in state-of-the-art technology to bring live streaming video feeds from Boyne Mountain.

"Boyne TV" consists of two channels, the "Hemlock Cam" broadcasting from the top of the Hemlock run and the "Boarder Cam" from the halfpipe and terrain park. Viewers can access up-to-the-second live video of weather conditions and skiing and boarding action from their home, school or office.

Another feature of BTV will be

"Boarder Cam." Snowboarders will be able to access their time in the halfpipe for several days after a visit and download their specific timestamped action.

"It's like having televised coverage of your vacation fun and you get to pick the moments you want to save forever," said Stephen Kircher, regional general manager of Boyne USA Resorts.

Both cameras will be operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week. There is no cost for accessing Boyne TV from the web and it can be done simply by logging onto www.boyne. com and then downloading the free RealPlayer 7 Basic program, which is necessary for cam views.

Twelfth Night celebrates winter

dark pines overhead and snow crunches underfoot. Rounding a bend in the trail, children squeal with excitement at the sight of a coyote sitting next to a lantern, awaiting the group's arrival. Is it a scene from a new holiday fantasy movie? No, just a typical January evening at SEE-North's Twelfth Night Celebration.

Each January, SEE-North staff and volunteers enact the legend of Twelfth Night, in which, for one night, animals can speak. Families follow a candle-lit trail through the woods, encountering six animals along the way. These animals use their gift of speech to share their secrets for living in the wilds of Northern Michigan.

Two Twelfth Night Celebrations

Candlelight dances across the will be held, one on Sunday, Jan. 9 at Nub's Nob Ski Area and again on Friday, Jan. 14 at the Terrace Inn/Bay View woods. Each event runs from 6-8:30 p.m. Face-painting, maskmaking, and refreshments are offered inside for families to enjoy before and after their adventure on the trail. Everyone should come dressed to be outside for a half hour. Families with small children should bring sleds so the kids can ride if the walk is too

> The cost is \$5 per person, with children under three years admitted free. To keep group size small on the trail and to preserve the quiet atmosphere of the evening, SEE-North requires participants to register in advance for a 30-minute time slot. Call 348-9700 to register

NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

LITZENBURGER PLACE residents extend heartfelt sympathies to the family of Floyd (Mike) Miner, who died on Christmas Eve. As a friend and maintance man here at Litzenburger Place, who oftentimes went beyond the call of duty in helping others, he will be greatly missed.

A REMINDER GOES out to Boyne area senior citizens about the special meeting to be held at the senior center on Jan. 5 at 10 a.m. It takes all of us, even those who are in their mid-50s and recently retired, to get things going towards more program opportunities for seniors. Please try to be there!

KATHY AND JIM RICE of Tecumseh arrived late Sunday afternoon to spend a few days here with her mother, Arlene Inman and family. All gathered around to celebrate the Dec. 26 birthday of Kathy and her 5-year-old niece, Clorissa. Arlene and twin sister, Elaine Rennekamp, also observed their Dec. 30 birthday, with Elaine being the youngest by 15

HILDA JOHNECHECK of Greenwood, Ind. arrived last Wednesday to spend a few days of Christmas with her family on Camp Daggett Road

COLLINS MCGEORGE and wife Stephanie of Westerville, Ohio were here over the Christmas week with his grandmother, Gen Varnum. While here, Grandma and family honored him with a celebration of his Dec. 27

A GROUP OF 25 senior citizens enjoyed a Christmas celebration at the center last Wednesday with lunch, Bingo, lots of fun and lots of Christmas time goodies.

EVERETT SAYLES spent the week of Christmas in Flint with his daughters Sally and

RUTH YAHR has returned from a week in Lapeer where she enjoyed an early Dagley family Christmas gathering, seeing grandchildren and great-grandchildren she hadn't seen in quite awhile.

BILL AVERY arrived back to his Glenwood Beach home just in time for Christmas! He has spent the past couple of months in Kansas City helping his son Wayne with a house remodeling project. He and wife Jeanette were happy to have their daughter Paula Avery and friend Mik O'Patrik of Grand Rapids join them on Christmas too.

SHERRY KORTHASE of Waleska, Ga. is here for a 10-day visit with mom Jean Korthase and family. Heidi and Herb Connor of Grand Rapids were also here and all spent a "home for Christmas" time out at the Deer Lake farmhouse. On Christmas Day, they joined a dinner group of 25 at the Bill and Deb Korthase home, which included their daughters, Adrea of Ann Arbor and Brianne of Oakland, Calif., and Deb's sister, Brenda Hozingam, her husband Scott and their baby boy, Brandon, of Grand Rapids.

GORDON KANE of Grandvue made it home for Christmas with wife Bonnie and their daughter and son-in-law, Sherry and Bud Jolly, here from the Yale area, as well as other friends and family.

MERLA VOUGHT of Avalanche Park spent a couple of nights of Christmas at the home of her nephew and wife, Bill and Lynda Christensen. They were joined by their son Chris of Grand Rapids, daughter Kristie of Petoskey, and Lynda's sister Virginia Yell and son Chester of Petoskey.

JASON ROZYCKI was home over the holidays before returning for another game at Oakland University, Other Christmas guests at the John and Jane Rozycki home were

relatives from Detroit and Chicago.

FAMILY MEMBERS gathered at the home of Eileen and Michael Belleau for dinner on Christmas Day. Those attending were Erin Belleau, home on Christmas vacation from Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Trevor Belleau, Soo, Mich., Keith and Sally Ruekle, Matt and Dylan, Boyne Falls, Scot Sutliff, Berkley, Calif., and Oral and Eleanor Sutliff, Sheri and Kevin Fitzpatrick, Brenton, Kaitlin, and Madison, Elinor Dubin, Stephen McCarry, Jim and Leanna McCarry, and Tim McCarry and Alyssa, all of Boyne City.

WIL AND DELORES NICHOLS of Joplin, Mo. spent the day after Christmas with Jim and Leanna McCarry. Afternoon visitors included Eleanor and Oral Sutliff, Sheri and Kevin Fitzpatrick, Brenton, Kaitlin, and Madison, Elinor Dubin, Michael and Eileen Belleau, Trevor Belleau, Erin Belleau, Tim McCarry and Stephen McCarry.

RESIDENTS OF LITZENBURGER

Place were joyful over the many kind gifts and rememberences, big and small, over the holidays. The beautiful community fruit baskets, chickens from Carter's, the lovely recliner from the Rotary Club, as well as a great exercise bike from Boyne Rehab, a VCR from the Boyne Valley Garden Club, and the much needed large roaster from the Boyne Valley Slim & Trim Club are just ideal. We also enjoyed the Gingerbread cookies from Avon's Melissa, the candy bags from the Nazarene Church, the refrigerator magnets and angel ornaments of the Hemingway Educational students and the year-round faithfulness of pen pals from Mr. Hoover's class. Hopefully. I have not forgotten anyone who made the holidays special throughout '99. Have a safe and Happy New Year!

(If you have an item for Nancy's column, call 582-9174 or e-mail her at nanup@mail. unnet.com)



For the dogs

Seventh graders in Denene Johnson's advisory class at **Boyne City Middle School** made sure dogs and cats had a merry Christmas too by collecting food and other items for the Charlevoix County Humane Society. The items were delivered to the shelter just prior to the holiday.

HOCKEY RESULTS

On Dec. 4, the Boyne Area Mite team met up with St. Ignace for a 8-0 loss. The Dec. 5 game with Mackinaw ended with a 4-4 tie. Scoring for Boyne was Travis Reinhardt with one goal and Trevor Price with a hat trick. Reinhardt also picked up two assists for the game Henry Wolf was in goal.

On Dec. 12 Boyne faced the Char-Em Blades and lost 3-2 with unassisted goals from Price and Reinhardt. Wolf was in

Boyne lost to the Gaylord Kiwanis Blades on Dec. 18 by a score of 5-1. The goal came from Reinhardt assisted by Tanner Kragenbrink. Billy Stone was in

On Dec. 26, Boyne lost to the Char-Em Blizzards 8-4 with Reinhardt and Price scoring two goals each and picking up two

assists each. Stone was in goal.

The Boyne Area Mite team is sponsored by East Jordan Iron Works and Subway, and is coached by Stacy Reinhardt, Brian Price, Jeff Wright, and Gerry Kragenbrink

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Any Given Sunday -R (162 min)
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Dec. 31-Jan. 2 at 2:15 & 7:15
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Volunteer earns grant for Boyne Area Hockey

Chuck Barsy, a senior technician at Consumers Energy Big Rock Point Restoration Project, earned a \$700 grant from the Consumers Energy Foundation for the Boyne Area Youth Hockey Association, for performing more than 60 hours of volunteer work for the club. The money will be used to purchase equipment and sponsor player fees.

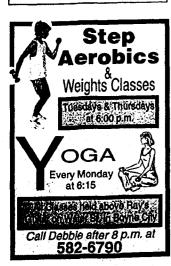
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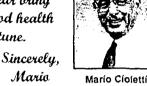
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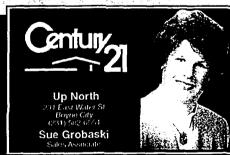
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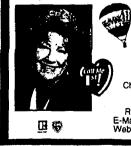
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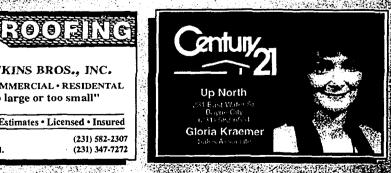
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Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard Jerome Paquette and Darla Jean Paquette his wife (original mortgagors) to NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated May 3, 1995, and recorded on May 5, 1995 in Liber 284, on Page 504, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated October 14, 1999, which was recorded on Dec. 8, 1999, in Liber 378, on Page 558. Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of thirtyfive thousand seven hundred ninetynine and 67/100 dollars (\$35,799.67), including interest at 8.250% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest may change 6/1 of each year.

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 11, 2000.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described

Beginning at the Northwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 31, Town 32 North, Range 6 West; Thence South on the West line of said Section 600 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 100 feet; thence East 800 feet; thence North 250 feet; thence West 600 feet; thence South 150 feet: thence west 200 feet to the point of beginning, and being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest

1/4 of Section 31, Township 32 North, Range 6 West

Dated: Dec. 29, 1999

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

For information, please call 248-593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C Attorneys and Counselors 30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File #990809576

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Mortgage Sale - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Sherry L. Fisher, a single woman, 05631 6 Mile Lake Road, Ellsworth, MI 49729, Mortgagor, to FIRST FI-NANCE, which is organized and existing under the laws of Michigan and whose address is 6785 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301, Mortgagee, dated January 5, 1998, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix and State of Michigan, on Jan. 30, 1998, in Liber 330, Page 745 of Charlevoix County Records, which mortgage was thereafter on Jan. 1, 1998, assigned to Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Custodian or Trustee, 3 Park Plaza, 16th Floor, Irvine, CA 92614 and recorded on Oct. 5, 1999 in the office of the Register of Deeds for said County of Charlevoix in Liber 373 Page 638 of Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of twenty four thousand

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale

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contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Friday, Feb. 4, 2000 at 11 a.m., said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder at the main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 11.25% per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the pre-

The land referred to in this policy is situated in the Township of South Arm, County of Charlevoix, State of

Michigan, and is described as follows: In the Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan; Beginning on the North and South 1/4 line of Section 31, Town 32 North, Range 7 West, 1939.56 feet North 0 degrees 32 minutes East from the South 1/4 corner of said section; thence North 0 degrees 32 minutes East along said 1/4 line 183.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 40 seconds West 476.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 32 minutes West 183.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 40 seconds East 476.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 fractional 1/4 of Section 31, Town 32 North, Range 7 West. Tax I.D. No. 15-014-031-027-35

Commonly referred to as: 56316

The redemption period shall be six 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

Dated: December 22, 1999

Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A. as Custodian or Trustee

Assignee of Mortgagee Elaine W. Mardirosian (P33528) Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee 1373 Balfour

Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230 (313) 881-0296 Dec. 22, 29, 1999, Jan 5, 12, 19, 2000

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Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tomalynn S. Suttle, a married woman (original mortgagors) to Old Kent Bank, Mortgagee, dated September 6, 1995, and recorded on September 8, 1995 in Liber 289, on Page 0250, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage their is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty-seven thousand two hundred fifty and 07/100 dollars (\$57,250.07), including interest at 8.625% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 10/01 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provide, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of hem, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m. on January 21, 2000.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described

Commencing at the South Quarter corner of Section 5, Town 32 North, Range 6 West, thence North 00 degrees 11 minutes 20 seconds East along the North and South Quarter line 1390 feet for the point of beginning, thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes West 1327.1 feet; thence North 63 degrees 02 minutes 40 seconds East 1491.3 feet to the North and South Quarter line; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 20 seconds West

along said quarter line 674.2 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the East half of the Southwest quarter, Section 5, Town 32 North, Range 6 West. Subject to a 33.0 foot right of way for the County Road across the Easterly portion thereof

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 8, 1999

For information, please call: 248-593-1303 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File #97110048

Ravens Dec. 8, 15, 22, 29, Jan. 5, 2000

BOYNE CITY COMMISSION SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES

November 23, 1999, 12 noon meeting - The Commission presented service awards to City employees Jack Bush and Gary Dunlop for 20 years of service to the City; approved temporary closure of Water and East Streets for the Santa parade; approved the purchase of one John Deere loader, voted for directors on the Michigan Municipal League's Liability & Property Pool; and held a closed door session to discuss possible land acquisition

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in Regular Session, Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1999 at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Klooster presiding with all members of the Commission present except for Commissioner Cihak. Minutes were approved and acknowledgment was given to paid bills in the amount of \$584,095.50.

Further Commission Action: Amended Ordinance #169 Section 25-2 of the City of East Jordan Code of Ordinances Entitled Snowmobile Regulations; authorization was given to hire an Assistant EMS Director

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

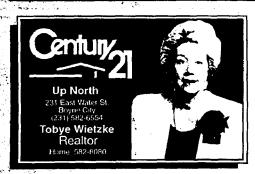
BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting, December 9, 1999 Members present: Chipman, Bergmann, Moeschke, Monk, and Simmons. Acceptance of Treasurer's report. Approval to pay Township obligations. Approval of fire protection agreement with City of Boyne City. Discussion of abandonment of Forest Lane-Eagle Island Area. Discussion of proposed Private Road Ordinance, proposed Land Division Ordinance and proposed amendments to Zoning Ordinance. Report of Zoning Permits issued and miscellaneous zoning ordinance activity. Annual meeting date set for March 30, 2000, 7 p.m. Regular Board of Trustees meeting dates set for second Thursday in each month. 7 p.m. Next Planning Commission meeting to be held on Tuesday,

Jan. 4, 2000 at 7 p.m. Next Board of Trustees meeting to be held on

Thursday, Jan. 13, 2000 at 7 p.m.

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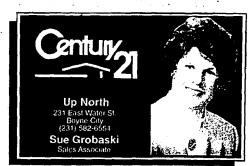
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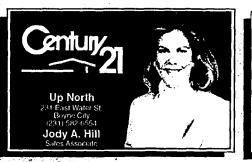
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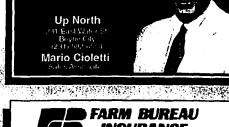




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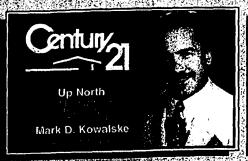


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Volunteers, including high school students, packed boxes of food for about 350 families, and fruit boxes for about 120 shut-ins as part of Boyne's Community Christmas. Families received turkeys, produce and canned goods, as well as gifts for the children. At right, Laurie Moore (left) and Ruth Witenski sort through more than 400 toys.



Great Lakes

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iary services, primarily propane (gas services), heating and cooling, electrician services and private tree trimming throughout its entire service territory which stretches across the western side of the lower peninsula from the Mackinac Bridge to Kalamazoo.

They also saw a significant increase in the amount of money to be spent in future years for improving electric service dependability and reliability.

Over the past year the cooperative also distributed more than \$176,500 in People Fund grants to local charities. The money is collected from GLE customers by rounding up their electric bill to the next dollar. The round-up money goes directly into the People Fund.

Wood said the board regrets the men's decisions, but "remains com-

mitted to its goal of improving customer value by offering reliable, economical electricity and propane, and providing professional heating and cooling, electrician and other energy services."

Interim CEO Boeckman joined Top O' Michigan in June 1998. He was employed with Edison Sault Electric Co. in Sault Ste. Marie since 1989 and served as its vice-president and treasurer/assistant controller since 1993. Prior to Edison Sault, he was manager of acquisitions and planning for the CNW Corp.

Based in Boyne City and Newaygo, with 14 customer service locations and 12,300 miles of power line statewide, Great lakes Energy has 110,000 customers in 24 counties with nearly 8,200 customers living the rural areas within Charlevoix County. There are 105 employees working out of the Boyne City office.

Char-Em ISD receives funding

The Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District will receive \$93,750 to build developmental youth assets for middle school students through school-based education, parent education, community outreach and after-school activities.

The funding comes from the Michigan Abstinence Partnership, which is made up of grassroots groups across Michigan that encourage 9- to 17-year-old youths to stay healthy by avoiding risky behaviors such as sexual activity and the use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. The Partnership has been in existence

for nearly seven years. Last week, Governor John Engler announced \$1,432,092 in funding for 16 communities in Michigan for abstinence coalitions and activities.

The funding will provide communities with technical assistance, education materials and promotional items. Each community has developed a coalition that develops and implements unique abstinence activities, such as youth rallies, educational sessions for parents, abstinence curricula, family activity days, recreational events and peer education sessions.

Snowmobile safety course offered

The Charlevoix County Sheriff Department will hold a Snowmobile Safety Training Course for 12 to 16year-olds on Saturday, Jan. 8 at the Senior Center at Boyne City City Hall from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The course will cover safe operation, maintenance, sportsmanship and first aid.

Bring a bag lunch and your social security number. All other materials will be provided.



Countdown to 2000

The second grade class at Concord Academy Boyne celebrated the new year a bit early with a countdown to the noon hour. Then it was pizza for lunch and fireworks outside. The class also set a pre-New Year's resolution to read 2,000 books by the year 2000. They began in October and had completed their task by year's end.









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