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Few were bugged by Y2K computer glitches

"It's pretty quiet around here. I guess that's a good thing," said Sandi Whiteford, owner of the Computer Center in East Jordan, on Monday.

Though she set aside the first business day after the New Year to troubleshoot any possible computer glitches brought on by the date rollover that came with the turn of the century, the day was uneventful, save a few early morning calls to walk people through manual date rollovers.

"Most people thought about it well before the first of December," Whiteford said, of

people checking their personal and business computers for date compliance issues.

Worldwide, billions were spent preparing for potential computer-caused failures of everything from short power outages to global chaos on Jan. 1, 2000. And while the New Year came and went, so did, it seems, those fears.

But until then, nobody knew exactly what would happen. Those concerned about the bug bringing down power grids and stopping the flow of water and food, took precautions weeks and months prior to the 2000 date

change.

Municipalities updated generators. Utilities, such as Consumers Energy, worked since 1985 to analyze and fix the technology essential to its core business operations with costs expected to total \$22 million.

Locally, people did their own part to prepare.

"We saw a lot of Y2K sales in the last two weeks," said Dan Miller, owner of the East Jordan True Value store.

Coming off the shelves were plenty of propane bottles, cook stoves, gas lanterns, oil

and wicks for hurricane lamps, flashlights, batteries and kerosene heaters.

"Anything that doesn't rely upon electricity," he said.

He noted that most of those customers were over 50 years old with the over-65 set showing the most concern.

Some people "were looking to buy machinery they had no idea how to run," he said, pointing out that in itself was more dangerous than what the weekend may have

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at a GLANCE

Walloon library opens doors of new building

The newly built Crooked Tree District Library in Walloon opened its doors to the public on Monday.

Hours will remain the same for now: Monday 4-8 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday 1:30-5:30 p.m., Thursday 1:30-8 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. A patron survey will be undertaken shortly to determine users preferences for hours of operation.

A dedication ceremony will take place in February. The library is located at 2203 Walloon Street.

Kids fishing contest is this weekend

Children ages 12 and younger can begin stringing their fishing poles for East Jordan's Sno-Blast Kids Fishing Contest which runs this Saturday and Sunday only, Jan. 8-9.

The competition begins at 7 a.m. Saturday. Registration is at Tom's Bait and Tackle at 810 Water St. in East Jordan. Bait must also be purchased at the store. The contest ends on Sunday at 6 p.m.

All fish entered will win a prize, and awards for the longest perch, pike, walleye, bluegill and crappie will be presented at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 16 at the East Jordan Sno-mobilers grounds.

The adult fishing contest also begins at 7 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 8 and runs through Sunday, Jan. 16. For more information call 536-3521.

See page 12 for additional information about Sno-Blast.

Snowmobile safety is topic of teen clinic

A Snowmobile Safety Training Course for 12- to 16-year-olds will be held on Saturday, Jan. 8 at the Senior Center at the city hall in Boyne City from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Charlevoix County Sheriff Department, the course will cover safe operation, maintenance, sportsmanship and first aid.

Bring a bag lunch and social security number. Materials will be provided.

Ice rink open for skating

The recreational skating rink at Avalanche Park is now open from 4-9 p.m. during the week and noon-9 p.m. on weekends.

The hockey rink is open to the public from 3-5 p.m. Monday - Friday.

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Boyne Falls School begins taking shape

The onslaught of winter has slowed progress somewhat at the Boyne Falls School construction site, but Comstock construction manager Mike Shea said Mother Nature produced ideal weather conditions for building in the last part of November and first part of December.

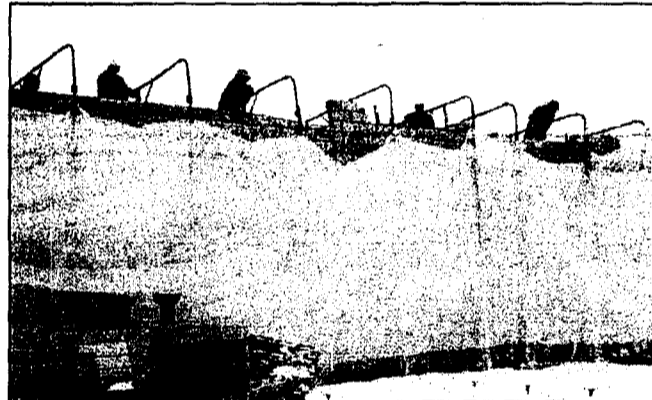
"An accumulation of snow slows things down," Shea said, noting that shoveling takes valuable time out of actual construction. High winds thwart efforts as well, in one case knocking over scaffolding. For the most part though, the weather mainly affects roofing which gets sidelined with precipitation and windy conditions.

Still, the facility is taking a recognizable shape now with workers getting done what they can as the weather allows. And with a 6,500 square foot area of concrete already poured and enclosed — in some areas with plastic — they have a site to work out of when the weather forces them inside.

Exterior walls outline the high school and elementary wings. Interior dividing walls will be erected once the floors are poured.

The school's cement block walls are being built progressively to the north, with work currently being done

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Construction workers brave the cold to erect a wall of what will soon be the Boyne Falls School cafeteria.

School architectural plans moving ahead

Boyne City School Board members will be asked to approve the schematic plan for the district's new high school this month.

The District Steering Committee and High School Planning Committee have worked over the past few months with the architect and construction manager to finalize plans, and board members will act on it either at their regular meeting on Monday, Jan. 10 or at a special meeting.

In September, voters passed an \$18.8 million bond proposal to fund a new high school with a 600-seat auditorium. The plan also includes converting the current high school into the middle school for grades 6, 7

and 8, and converting the current middle school into an upper elementary for grades 4 and 5. The current middle school will also house the district's administration offices. The current elementary school will house grades kindergarten through third.

Design work for the high school has taken into consideration the potential for growth in the district, with an area off the school's academic wing configured to allow for the construction of 10 to 12 more classrooms, according to Superintendent Dana Compton. Architects have drafted what such an expansion

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Skiing lessons

Sydney Stofflet, 2 1/2, took the first steps, sans poles, toward learning to ski during her vacation up north last week. Behind the scenes, ready to assist with the inevitable fall that comes with learning balance, are dad's steady hands and patient demeanor.

Snow closes down schools, brings tourists

It was nearly a three-peat for area children when school was called off Tuesday morning — the second day back following the holiday break — after five to nine inches of snow fell overnight.

For the last two years, Boyne City, East Jordan and Boyne Falls students awoke to school closings on the first day back from their Christmas vacations.

Last year it was due to a snow-storm and the year before, icy roads following a rain storm was the cause.

By 5 a.m. Tuesday morning, Charlevoix County Road Commission snowplows were on the roads.

There were 30 plows clearing streets throughout the county and Road Commission manager Pat Harmon said it would probably be dark before crews could head home. The depth and weight of the snow

"slows down the operation considerably," Harmon said, noting it's a different story when there are just three to four inches of snow on the ground. He also pointed out that equipment breaks down too — another setback.

By the time people headed off to work though, most of the main roads had been plowed.

Harmon said over a foot of snow fell on the county's east side, and with blowing and drifting in some parts "it doesn't look like anybody's been there" an hour after plowing.

No doubt, students welcomed the snow Tuesday, as did area resorts, retailers, restaurateurs and hotel owners as nearly 18 inches fell on the area between Christmas and New Years.

"There was lots of ridership," said Lee Symonds, a member of the

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Lines were long, but moved quickly at Boyne Mountain over the holidays after a dousing of snow brought outdoor enthusiasts north. More snow Monday night closed local schools.

BETWEEN the LINES

A good year for worrying

By ANGELA SHULTIS

So here we are. After all the hubbub, the speculation, and, yes, the media hype, Y2K was a big dud. Well, not completely - the year did in fact arrive, so that's something. Except it looks pretty much like all the other ones have up to this point. Just another day.

I suppose that most of us were really not overly concerned, anyway. I admit, I did fill a few jugs full of water, and stowed away some extra canned goods and a few odd batteries just in case. Only prudent, really - we'll just have to see how creative I can be in order to persuade my family to eat stewed tomatoes every night for the next month or so.

There are those, I'm sure, who are feeling a bit sheepish after maxing out their Visas on all those generators and then shoving their lifelong neighbors out of the way at the grocery store for that coveted last economy-size can of yams.

As for all those folks who were predicting the second coming at the stroke of midnight, they must be either really disappointed or extremely relieved, depending on the state of their immortal souls. And really, what good was it to freak out about the advent of Judgment Day anyway? One - we Christians are supposed to be looking forward to it, and two - was worrying going to stop it?

What does worrying accomplish at all, for that matter? What can we change by the sheer act of worrying? Not a blessed thing. And yet, worry we must.

We worry about death, taxes, the weather, our hair, if the Lions will make it past their first playoff game. All things great and small. Things over which we have little or absolutely no control.

And it doesn't matter how many "real" things we may have to worry about. We always seem to, collectively, throw in a few inconsequential just for good measure.

So this past year has been a virtual smorgasbord for worrywarts. From Jan. 1, 1999, we've been all a-buzz about the potential Y2K disaster, from computer glitches that could throw us into the dark ages, terrorist nuts that might blow the world to bits, and supernatural happenings beyond our wildest imagination. And didn't we eat it up?

To give credit where it's due, there might have been something to worry about had businesses and government agencies not been diligent in their dealing with the potential problems before they happened. The irony of that is we were all well aware that those with the know-how were concentrating on minimizing the effects Y2K would have on our lives, and yet many of us ended up spending an inordinate amount of time speculating, and, yes, worrying obsessively about it. So much for not affecting our lives.

My only question now is, what sort of important stuff did we miss when we were channeling our energy into this?

That and, what's next?

Now there's something to worry about.

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IN INK

A worthy cause doesn't warrant an automatic handout

By GINA SOLTIS KENDELL

Guilt is usually what precipitates my giving in and purchasing mediocre chocolate from fundraising kids.

They come around when you least expect, asking you to buy some delectable looking snacks on a brochure.

How much is 3 ounces. I try to visualize in my head, cursing the years I ignored my mother's deftness with the measuring cups. Is it as big as a breadbox or a Band-Aid box?

The cookies, candy, nuts, cheese, or what-have-you, all look splendid, spilling out of designer tins and baskets and woven bags on the glossy brochure. Well, if it's \$10, there must be a lot of it. What a deal. And for such a good cause.

I agree to buy what I know darn well will be a less-than-satisfactory product. It doesn't matter if the kid gives me a hard sell or not — they usually don't. It doesn't matter that her father simply brought the brochure into work and set it by the coffee maker with a pen — a testament for

everyone else in the office to see "who did and who didn't buy."

But, I justify, it's for such a good cause, and I scrawl in my order.

Parents haul the purchases to work. I scrounge around in my purse for the money, open up the box of chocolate turtles — eight waxy blobs, somewhat resembling the reptile. Irritated, I eat them all at once, tossing the oversized box and plastic-molded holder into the trash, along with my illusion that it was going to be delicious.

But it's for such a good cause, I moan, caramel stuck in my molars. "What will the money go toward?" I finally asked a mini solicitor one day. The answer was vague. "How much does your cause get, and how much goes back to the manufacturer?" Blank stare.

Indeed, the snack-food's producer makes it easy as can be for the adults organizing the food-fest. And it should be easy for mom and dad. They're not the ones directly benefiting, it's their children.

But what about me? How about a little more value added in exchange

for my money? Money for which I think I work pretty hard. Harder, I think, than schlepping a candy brochure to work. Harder, I think, than calling grandma and aunts and uncles and next-door neighbors for their annual or bi-annual guilt-giving gift.

In most cases, these fundraisers are for a good cause — school, band, sports, or what-have-you. But I receive solicitations for (what seems like) hundreds of good causes. The line needs to be drawn somewhere.

I've often thought I would gladly pay kids the going rate to rake my yard in the fall. A task, if undertaken by a group, could net them plenty of profit once they hit a number of yards.

No orders to track, no boxes to sort, no percentage of funds being sent to candy-land. Just honest-to-goodness hard work, and a few leaf bags.

What about shoveling snow? Another low-overhead fundraising activity. Or wrapping gifts at Christmas time, cleaning a house, baby-sitting, washing windows — tasks people need done and for the right price are willing

to pay. We don't need, nor want any more candy.

A car-wash is a great idea. A clean car (in most cases) for \$2 to \$3.

Boyer City High School's softball team picks up Christmas trees from the curb-side for \$3. Now that's a deal.

The East Jordan Girl Scout troop sells baked goods at events. They do the baking themselves. The snacks are reasonably priced and tasty. If you need to pick up a dessert anyway, why not?

And somewhere along the line, kids may actually learn the value of a dollar.

No, I don't believe that selling cheap candy for an exorbitant price will cause these children total disillusionment upon entering the job market. "But it was so easy to sell processed 'cheeze' spread in a collector crock when I was 7 years old. Why won't you buy this swampland from me?"

But, when my purchases are based more on guilt and less on the cause, that's where I do indeed need to start drawing the line.

Turtle, anyone?

LETTERS

Christmas spirit was evident thanks to the donations of many

TO THE EDITOR:

The Christmas Day Dinner was held for the third year in a row at the First Presbyterian Church of Boyne City, thanks to the generosity of many donations, in many forms. It truly takes many forms — time, talent, finances, etc., — to make it a successful event.

The Christmas spirit was evident in the people, as they lingered, enjoying their meals and one another. The Christmas spirit was also present in the shower of (donated) gifts provided. This afforded each guest a memento of the day, which was thankfully received.

Above all, each and every person involved — in whatever form — has been blessed in some way. As we give, we receive. In receiving, we also give. This is, after all, the truth about Christmas. Joy to the world!

In gratefulness and appreciation,
Al Lawson and family

A MOM'S LIFE

World celebrations were beautiful

By CINDI PLACE

As we watched on television, we couldn't help but be struck by the beauty of all the world's millennium celebrations. Massive fireworks displays, musical performances and lots of dancing headlined many of the countries' festivities as they shared their New Year's Eves with all of us.

What a wonderful feeling of camaraderie was shared as each time zone stepped into another century. One by one, major cities would count down to the year 2000 with everyone hoping that the predicted problems would simply not exist. And what better sign that we're being watched over by some all-powerful being than the one we received at midnight on New Year's Eve. It was awesome.

But most striking to us were all the gestures of

peace and goodwill being offered throughout our world. At one point, singers from northern and southern Ireland were joined in a technological moment during which both choirs sang the song "Danny Boy" together. One could only hope that the feelings that this song inspires would stay in their Irish hearts well into the new millennium.

We watched with wonder as the New Year arrived in Moscow and we were allowed a glimpse into the beautiful architecture and traditions that exemplify the Russian people. Ten years ago that would not have been possible.

But the moment that brought the most emotion, at least for our family, was the final countdown as we ourselves reached the magic 2000. Together, holding hands and with a little prayer in our hearts we stepped through the threshold, entering a new era.

Hopefully, one filled with peace.

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held. "We've had people asking about it pretty heavy since August 1," he said. That's when they started selling larger items, such as generators — an item which the store couldn't get in stock over the past few weeks at all.

Miller's sales of generators and wood stoves were less than that of another True Value owner he spoke with whose store is in southeast Michigan.

"Living up here, we're so used to having a snowstorm knock us out of power for two to three days, we don't worry about it too much," he said.

"It's not a bad idea for anyone up here to have one," Miller said of generators, though he added that he expects to see quite a few at yard sales and garage sales come springtime.

As far as any computer glitches, the store's main computers were problem free. But the paint computer, which reads colors, is having some recognition problems — something Miller has been working on with the supplier.

There's also a bug to be worked out with the DNR's hunting and fishing licensing program.

Local municipalities made it through the New Year without any problems.

"The computers came up this morning," East Jordan City Administrator David White said, with water, sewers and other city services running properly as well. The same was true for Boyne City.

"Something may develop over time," said Eric Strahl, Boyne City's city manager. "Nobody can say one way or the other. I guess you kind of wait and see what happens."

Those worried about their community's water supplies made a rush for the bottled stuff at East Jordan's EJ Market, which produce manager Arlie Frey said was probably the largest Y2K-related item the store sold.

"Water was the biggest thing probably of everything," said Boyne City Glen's Market store manager Dave Peck, estimating that the store probably sold 10

times more water than usual over the previous three weeks.

"One thing that caught us off guard was powdered milk," Peck said.

And while the grocery department felt the effect most, batteries were also picked up in large quantities.

Thursday and Friday also saw

home and stayed home by 10 p.m.

"You just couldn't get people to come out later on," Marvin said.

He did note that families with children and teenagers filled up many of the early evening reservations.

Whiteford explained that it was computers' "bios dates" that caused all the ruckus.

"Most of them automatically rolled over," Whiteford said, explaining that computer hardware and software produced in the last year and a half were fully compliant.

Some systems simply needed a bios date update — with most programs available through the Internet.

Manual changes were required for 386 computers and older models. In some cases a \$200-\$300 motherboard solved the problem.

Some versions of Microsoft Works and Excel which were a few years old needed software updates while Windows 98 was 100 percent compliant.

"Accounting and database software were the biggest worries," Whiteford said. In those cases, if data is over seven years old, it would automatically be eliminated if the computer's date was rolled back. She said the problem affects from small to very large accounting packages.

For many computers, if not updated properly, the worst case scenario was that they wouldn't boot properly because of an invalid date. In the majority of those cases, a manual date entry would take care of the problem.

Last week the Computer Center kept very busy helping people understand what they needed to do to their own computers, with recommendations to folks that they back up their data before leaving for the weekend "just in case," Whiteford said.

"We were mostly reassuring people that their computers weren't going to blow up, erase data or catch fire," she said. "No matter what, there would be a way to recover information if there were issues not caught before the rollover."

"Most people thought about it early enough that it wasn't a last minute panic in most cases," she said "which makes my day."

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we can use it.”
-- Jerry Kelts,
Boyne City Food Pantry

revelers who weren't going to let Y2K dampen their party plans. Peck said the usual New Year's Eve items such as snacks, meat and shrimp trays, ham and wine were sold in high numbers.

All staff were called in for the weekend rush, with a few college kids, home on winter break, helping out as well.

Boyne Food Pantry director Jerry Kelts said the organization will gladly take any extra non-perishable food items from overstuffed kitchen cupboards.

"If you've got extra food you stocked up with for Y2K, and you don't want it, we can use it," said Kelts. Call Kelts at 582-7727 for more information about drop-offs or pick-ups.

Area restaurants were overrun, too, by festive yet cautious patrons celebrating the turn of the century.

Those taking reservations, such as One Water Street, were booked from 5-9 p.m. But many folks turned in early, leaving New Year's Eve celebrations and party favors to a few customers and restaurant staff.

"We had a great New Year's," said Dudley Marvin, the general manager for Stafford's Hospitality, but added they were a little disappointed in the late night crowd at One Water Street which went



Concrete block walls have begun to take the shape of a building at the Boyne Falls School site on M-75.



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on the backside of the cafeteria and then its onto the gymnasium.

Most of the building's steel supplies have been delivered as have the foam insulation and rubber membranes for the roof. The membranes can only be installed in a dry setting.

"Everything is according to the weather," Shea said.

School officials have anticipated a fall of 2000 moving-in date.

In December 1998, Boyne Falls voters turned out in record numbers to pass a 7 mill, \$6,575,000 bond issue to build the 65,000 square foot facility on school forest property on M-75 in Boyne Falls.

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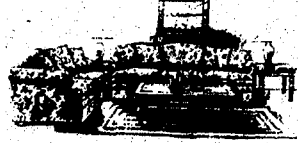
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OBITUARIES

Virginia Czerkies

Virginia Czerkies, 74, of Boyne Falls, died Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1999, at her home.

A funeral mass was held Monday, Jan. 3, 2000, at St. Augustine Church in Boyne Falls. The Rev. Francis Partridge officiated, with burial in St. Augustine Cemetery.

Virginia was born on Dec. 31, 1924 in Grand Rapids, the daughter of Joseph and Blanche Magee Sevnski. In 1929 she moved with her family to Lansing where she resided until 1982. On May 3, 1941 she married Andrew A. Czerkies in Lansing.

Mrs. Czerkies was housekeeping supervisor for State School for the Blind in Lansing for 36 years. She was a member of St. Thomas Aquinas

Church in Lansing and St. Augustine Church in Boyne Falls. She enjoyed playing bingo.

Survivors include her husband, Andrew Czerkies of Boyne Falls; a son, Andrew (Patricia) Czerkies of Elmira; three grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; four brothers, Joseph (Myrtle) Sevnski of Elmira, Robert (Della) Sevnski of Boyne City, William (Carol) Sevnski of North Carolina, and Daniel (Barbara) Sevnski of Boyne Falls; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Patricia Czerkies, in 1995; a brother, Walter Sevnski; a sister, Sue Kondrat; and her parents.

Memorials may be directed to St. Augustine Church Building Fund.

Agnes A. Johnston

Agnes A. Johnston, 92, of East Jordan, died Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1999 at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

No services are scheduled at this time. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery, Mancelona.

Agnes was born on April 1, 1907 in Gladstone, the daughter of John B. and Agnes A. (Zeeker) McCullagh. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Central Michigan College, now known as Central Michigan University. She was a school teacher in Central Lake, Bellaire, and East Jordan, retiring in 1972.

In 1935 she married Lysle E.

Johnston, Sr. He preceded her in death on Dec. 14, 1995.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Lysle and Agnetta Johnston of Ann Arbor; grandchildren Ann-Christine Johnston of Ann Arbor and Michael Erik Johnston of Glen Ellyn, Ill.; and a sister, Alfreda McCullagh of Detroit.

Agnes was also preceded in death by her brother, Howard McCullagh and two sisters, Mildred Haller and Iva Everett.

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

Man arrested after cutting self, threatening police

An East Jordan man was arrested early Monday morning after a stand-off with police officers.

Larry Gardner was arraigned Tuesday morning on two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon (knife) and four counts of resisting and obstructing police officers. Each of the four counts was for a different officer.

Around 3:20 a.m., East Jordan police officers were called to a dispute at 14 Manning Dr.

When they arrived, they found Gardner inside the home with five knives in his hand and blood up and down his arms. The blood was from self-inflicted wounds.

Once police back-up arrived, the suspect agreed to talk to East Jordan Police Chief Jerry Alward and

Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater out on a deck.

According to Alward, the man stuck four of the knives in the railing of the deck and one in the ground in front of him.

He eventually agreed to step down from the deck and talk to Sheriff Lasater and was taken into custody around 5:30 a.m.

Alward thanked all those that helped and extended special thanks to Lasater for his negotiating skills.

"He did an excellent job," Alward said.

The East Jordan Police Department was assisted by the sheriff's department, Boyne City Police Department, East Jordan Ambulance, and the Michigan State Police, Petoskey.

Young girl injured riding snowmobile

A 13-year-old resident of South Arm Township was injured riding a snowmobile last week.

Melody A. Bishop was riding an Arctic Cat 440 on private property on Ranney Road, when she hit a snow covered bundle of pipes that had been dropped off for a gas well drilling

project.

Bishop incurred a wrist injury and was treated at the Charlevoix Area Hospital emergency department.

There was substantial damage to the snowmobile, according to the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, which investigated the accident.

TWELFTH NIGHT
Weekend evenings, early January
The legend of "Twelfth Night" will be enacted SEE-North style from 6-8 p.m. Reservations required; call for dates and locations. 348-9700.

DIABETES CLASS
Jan. 5, 12, 19, & 26
A series of classes designed to help people with diabetes manage their own care will be held from 1-3 p.m. at the Community Health Education Center, across from the main entrance to Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. A registered dietician will lead the class including presentations from other professionals with expertise in diabetes management. Cost: \$25 registration fee. Information or to register: HealthAccess at 1-800-248-6777.

COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM DISTRIBUTION
Thursday, Jan. 6
Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency in Petoskey will make its January food distribution under the monthly Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CFSP) from 8:30-10 a.m. at the Boyne City Senior Center.

FREEDOM FROM SMOKING
Mondays & Wednesdays
Jan. 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 31, Feb. 7
The Community Health Education Center's "Freedom From Smoking" course will be held from 7-8 p.m. at the center, 360 Connable Ave. in Petoskey across from the main entrance to Northern Michigan Hospital. There is no fee. Information: HealthAccess at 1-800-248-6777.

BLOOD DRIVES
Monday, Jan. 10
The Boyne City Community American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from 1-6:45 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, 1052 E. Division Rd., Boyne City.

Friday, Jan. 14
The Allied Signal American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from 10:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m. at the Boyne City City Hall at 319 N. Lake St.

INSULIN USERS SUPPORT GROUP
Wednesday, Jan. 12
A support group for insulin pump users will meet at 7 p.m. at the Community Health Education Center in Petoskey, 360 Connable Ave. across from the main entrance to Northern Michigan Hospital. Registration is not required. Information: Eileen Mikus at 231-539-7330.

KEGEL EXERCISES CLASS
Wednesday, Jan. 19
A class designed to teach proper performance of Kegel exercises will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Community Health Education Center, 360 Connable Ave. in Petoskey, across from the main entrance to Northern Michigan Hospital. Kegel exercises are helpful for women with bladder control problems; the exercises focus on strengthening the muscles in the bladder area. Cost: free. To register, call HealthAccess 1-800-248-6777.

EJ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Thursday, January 20
The East Jordan Economic Development Committee will meet at 4:30 p.m. at East Jordan City Hall. The meeting is open to the public.

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Wednesday, Jan. 26
Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency (NMHSA) in Petoskey will make its January food distribution under The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) in Charlevoix County from 11 a.m.-noon at the East Jordan VFW Hall on M-32.

AL-ANON
Tuesday nights
Al-Anon meetings are held at 8 p.m. at St. Matthew's Church, 1303 Boyne Ave., Boyne City.

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Food pick-up hours are on the first Monday of the month from 10 a.m.-noon and third Monday from 5-7 p.m., or on Tuesday if a holiday falls on Monday.

CALENDAR

AA MEETINGS
Weekly
The Boyne Valley Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets in the basement at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Boyne City. All meetings are closed. Times: Sunday 12 noon; Monday 12 noon, 8 p.m.; Tuesday 12 noon; Wednesday 12 noon (Big Book Study); Thursday 12 noon, 6:30 p.m. (Big Book/Step Study), 8 p.m.; Friday 12 noon, 8 p.m. The first Friday of

each month, an "Open Speaker" meeting is open to family and friends.

VETERAN ASSISTANCE
Thursdays
A Service Officer will be at the American Legion Post every Thursday from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Any veteran seeking assistance, whether financial, medical, disability benefits, etc., may visit the Post at the corner of Lake and Main streets in Boyne City or call 582-7811 at that time.

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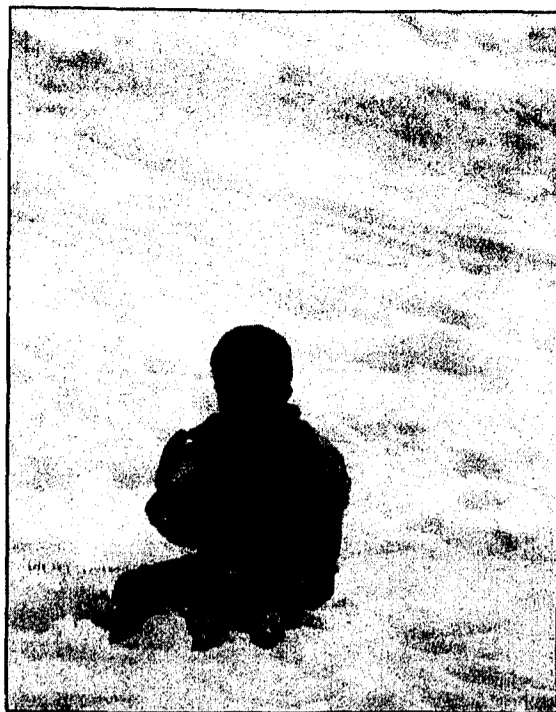
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Hillside fun

Even dads, lobbing snowballs at unseen targets below, can share in the fun of a snowy hillside, while kids, such as Jay Hack, above, make snowballs of their own. The group, hailing from Detroit and Chicago, spent the holidays in the north.

School boosters have full agenda

The Boyne City All School Boosters are selling Savings Certificates again this year to support school programs. The coupons can be purchased from any Booster member.

At the December meeting, the Boosters approved funding requests made by the second through fourth grade basketball program and the Michigan Youth in Government. They are also planning a drug education program for parents in the near future.

The group will sponsor Business After Hours on Thursday, Jan. 20 at One Water Street to thank the community for its support.

The Boosters meet the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the high school home economics room. All are invited.

East Jordan City Commission cancels meeting

The regularly scheduled East Jordan City Commission meeting was canceled Tuesday, Jan. 4, due to a lack of agenda items.

City commissioners amended the city's snowmobile regulations ordinance on Dec. 21 in a unanimous vote, to allow snowmobiles be driven on any street or alley except for those posted "no snowmobiles" by the city.

Previously, snowmobiles were allowed to drive only on a designated route, where posted. The amendment is effective Jan. 12.

Health agency receives high praise from CHA

The Health Department for Charlevoix, Emmet, Antrim, and Otsego Counties, Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency, received six commendations from their certifying and accreditation agency Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP) of the National League for Nursing.

CHAP is responsible for both certifying that Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency meets the conditions of participation of the Medicare Home Health and Hospice programs, and the higher standards of CHAP Accreditation.

Site visits by CHAP surveyors are unannounced and intensive in the review of the agency's clinical practice, financial status, policies and procedures, personnel qualifications, client documentation and includes home visits to some of the agency's clients.

The commendations were awarded for Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency management practice; their financial status, their long-term viability and longevity; the support from the Board of Health; and the high number of volunteer hours in the Hospice program. According to the agency, the surveyors were impressed with the dedication, commitment and quality of services provided by the home care nurses, aides, social workers, and therapists.

"The accolades are well deserved by all of the home care staff," said Nancy Bottomley, director of the agency's adult health and aging services. "We are an important, if not always recognized, part of the health care delivery system in northern Michigan. I'm happy to have our staff and program given the recognition they so richly deserve."



Elliot Hack, above, takes on the harder uphill work with a smile, while Mike Lassaline, right, enjoys a free ride back down the slope.



String band taking the stage at Wagbo Peace Coffee House

The New Five Cents String Band will perform at Wagbo Peace Center's Peace Coffee House on Saturday, Jan. 8 from 8-11 p.m. at the Jordan River Arts Center in East Jordan.

The band delivers a spirited string band sound, whether sawing an old dance number, a Cape Breton melody, a lively polka or a swing tune.

The group has played in the Grand Traverse area for 10 years as well as at DuneGrass, Hiawatha Music Festival, FarmFest, BlissFest, the Grand

Traverse Resort and numerous coffee houses, weddings and contra dances.

Bob Saddler plays exquisite waltzes to spirited hoe-downs on his fiddle and has taken the blue ribbon at numerous state contests. The driving mandolin and octave mandolin work of Dave Eggebretch together with the fine counter melody work of John Warstler on mandolin, tenor banjo and guitar lend a texture that provides a unique sound. The rhythm is provided by Joe Bottenhorn on

guitar while Daniel Gorno jump-starts audiences by beating percussion on bones and bodhran (Irish drum) and entertains with his Appalachian, French Canadian and Irish dancing.

Open stage follows their performance, with songs, poetry and stories from the audience. Coffee and treats will also be available. It is a smoke- and alcohol-free event.

A donation of \$5 is requested of adults. The Arts Center is located at 301 Main Street. For more information call 536-0333.

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American Legion

The American Legion Post #228 of Boyne City will meet Thursday, Jan. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Post Hall located at the corner of Lake and Main Streets.

The meeting will be preceded by a 6:30 p.m. potluck dinner held jointly with the Legion Auxiliary. All area veterans and their families are welcome to attend.

Learn the ropes of paying for college education

■ BCHS hosting financial aid night

To help in the financial considerations of post-secondary education, Boyne City High School is hosting its annual Financial Aid Night which is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 12, at 6 p.m. in the high school media center.

Many high school seniors are currently making plans for education or training toward their career goals beyond high school. The average annual cost for college or university education is in excess of \$10,000. For many parents, the cost of post-secondary education is second only to the purchase of a home and represents a significant financial burden.

Parents are encouraged to attend this informative session where the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) process will be discussed in detail. In addition, a variety of financial aid information and handouts will be available. Also, the BCHS Guidance and Counseling office has several publications to improve understanding of the financial aid process and a video tape titled, "Introduction to Financial Aid for High School Students." The Michigan Occupational Information System (MOIS) is on computer at the high school and can provide detailed information about careers and post-secondary education or training centers.

For more information call Kevin King at the BCHS guidance and counseling office at 439-8129.

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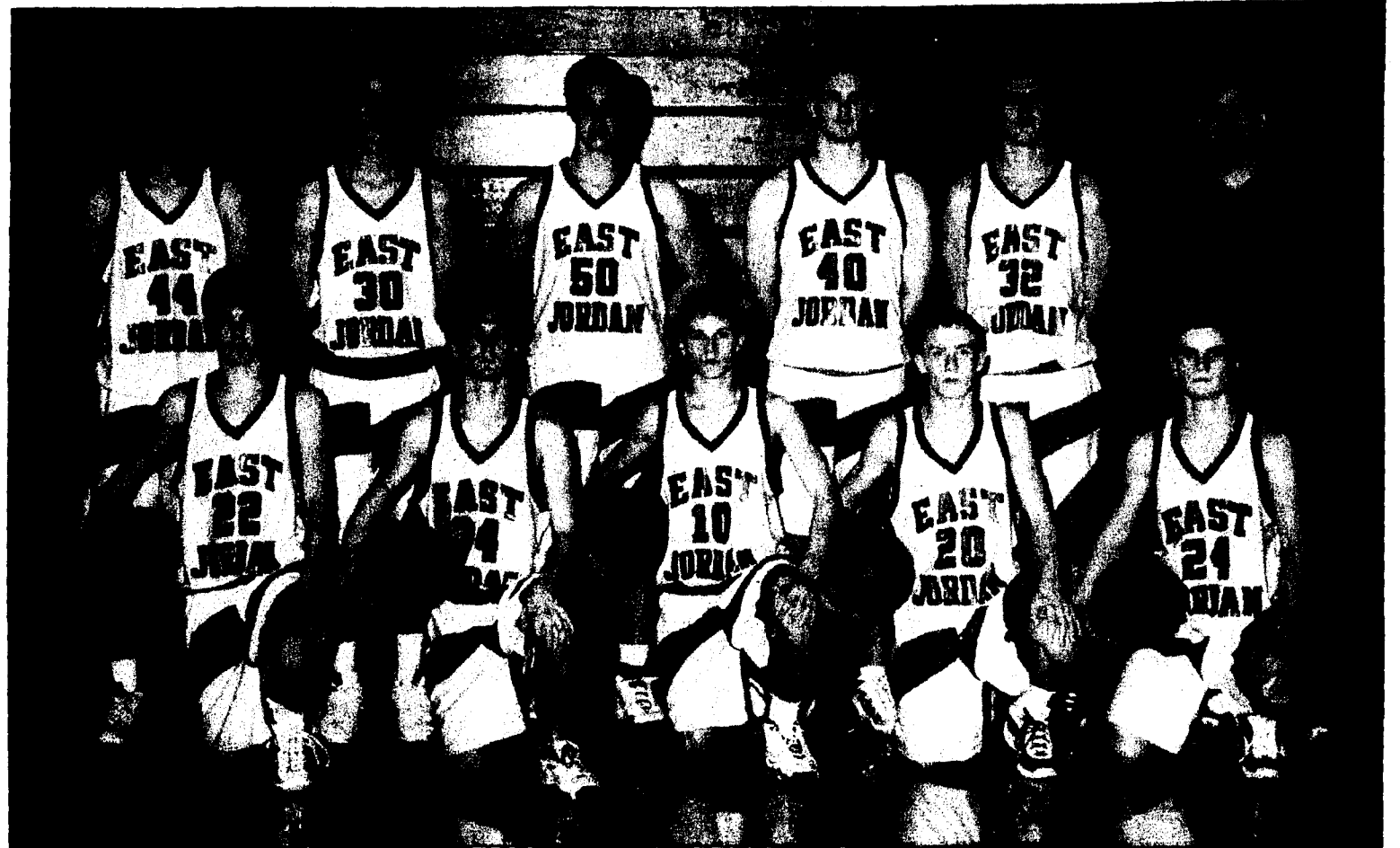
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Cheerleaders

FRONT ROW: PATTI MURRAY. MIDDLE ROW, FROM LEFT: JESSI BROOKS AND KATIE GOEBEL. BACK ROW, FROM LEFT: TRICIA PENNINGTON, HOLLY WELLS, CYNTHIA MAZZELLA, MICHELLE DERENZY.



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TESTS CONTINUE ON SAMPLES FROM NW ANTRIM COUNTY

Bovine TB threatens deer

By RICHARD WEHN

"This is the only wildlife reservoir of bovine tuberculosis in North America," said a senior microbiologist at a federal research center in Ames, Iowa.

Diana Whipple is one of the many people studying bovine tuberculosis at the National Veterinary Services Laboratory and their focus on Michigan has increased significantly since the close of the 1999 firearm deer hunting season.

A deer harvested from the northwest corner of Antrim County was submitted to the Department of Natural Resources in November and initial inspection of the carcass Nov. 16 showed signs of microbacterium bovis, commonly known as bovine TB.

Further testing Nov. 18 at the DNR's Rose Lake laboratory, as well as tests conducted the same day at Michigan Community Health and Michigan State University labs in East Lansing, tested positive for the disease. Samples were then sent to the ARC and the National Veterinary Services Laboratory in Ames where technicians are trying to encourage the growth of the organism under laboratory conditions.

"Various samples are placed in environments where the organism should thrive, if they're present," said NVSL microbiologist Janet Marcourt. "It takes five to 10 weeks to confirm or rule out the presence of TB." Marcourt said the longer the testing period takes, the less likely it is the organism is present.

"A positive result can show up in two or three weeks, but we need up to 10 weeks before we can say the test is negative with any confidence," she added.

The Antrim County samples had just entered the testing cycle in Ames when state officials got word in mid-December that a second Michigan deer was suspected of carrying bovine TB. Officials monitoring the disease throughout the state were alarmed to learn the second animal was harvested in northern Isabella County, nearly 100 miles south of the Antrim County site.

"We had a draft memorandum of understanding worked out with the USDA and the Michigan Department of Agriculture to deal with the Antrim County situation, in case the test came back positive," said Dr. John Molesworth, multi-county livestock agent for

northeastern Michigan.

The draft memorandum proposed extending the movement restriction zone (MRZ) currently in effect east of I-75 and north of M-55, to include all counties north of M-55, from Lake Huron on the east to Grand Traverse Bay on the west.

The individual overseeing the state's bovine TB eradication efforts said news of the Isabella County find would drastically change the picture if tests came back positive.

In an interview Dec. 17,



It will take 10 weeks to learn if a deer harvested in Antrim County had TB.

Michigan Bovine Tuberculosis Eradication Coordinator Bob Bender said, "We could be looking at a statewide MRZ if these samples are determined to be positive."

Bender explained that standard practice calls for establishing a 25-mile radius zone around the site where an infected animal is found, and zones must be contiguous.

"We can't establish multiple zones within the state," Bender said. "If we're going to eradicate the disease, the zones must be contiguous so we can limit its spread and better monitor testing of animals."

Following two years of extensive testing, the state-mandated MRZ was put into effect for Presque Isle, Montmorency, Alpena, Oscoda and Alcona counties on Jan. 1, 1998. The remaining counties bounded by M-55 and I-75 were established as buffer zones. The MRZ was designated as a federal zone in October 1999.

According to Whipple, nationwide efforts to eradicate bovine TB began in 1917, when it was discovered that many people with the disease received it by drinking milk from infected cows.

"The primary reason we pasteurize milk today is because of bovine TB," she said.

Scientists originally thought human TB was spread only by breathing in microbes contained in the coughs and sneezes of infected people. But research into bovine deficiencies and deformities

eventually confirmed the disease can be spread through ingestion as well.

Spread of the disease in Michigan is not limited to deer and cattle, according to Whipple.

"We've seen positive tests on a black bear, a fox, six coyotes, a bobcat and two raccoons in Michigan," she said.

Within same-species herds, experts agree bovine TB is most often passed from one animal to another by breathing in close proximity to infected animals.

"But we also know the

microorganism survives on food sources a lot longer than we once thought," Molesworth said.

Microbes carried on the breath and saliva of diseased animals are in turn ingested by others, creating an endless cycle of infection.

Of the two methods employed to eradicate the disease, testing and culling individual animals is the more cautious and economically feasible alternative. The more drastic approach calls for the "depopulation" of an entire herd. Depopulation is the politically correct way of referring to killing cattle.

Within Michigan's MRZ, four beef herds and a captive herd of deer have been destroyed. Although state and federal agencies try to compensate farmers for the loss of their herds, many find it difficult to continue what is often a family tradition.

The money given to farmers doesn't cover loan payments and the cost of rebuilding a business," said Antrim County MSU extension director Stan Moore.

"Even after the infected herd is removed, feed has to be destroyed and barns disinfected. It can take two months to a year to repopulate a farm," he added. "By that time people may have to sell off property or other holdings and they're out of business."

Moore estimates the loss of a 70-cow herd (average for

Please see TB on page 9

Boyer City Middle School honor roll

Following is the honor roll for the first marking period at Boyer City Middle School.

FIFTH GRADE

All "A" Honor Roll: Amy Anderson, Brittany Bauman, Allen Detlaff, Samantha Dunwoody, Nicholas Ferree, Perry Fish, Renee Gahn, Jessica Grice, Jonathan Haver, Angela Hecker, Maris Herrington, Michelle Katz, Matthew Keiser, Shelley Koteskey, Robert Lahti, Jennifer Lockery, Abby Mapes, Ross McKinnon, John Miller, Emilee Moeke, Kristin Moody, Marisa Muniak, Jessica Nichols, Oliver Ryan, Amy Schneider, Nicholas Schrader, Jennifer Sisson, Taylor Voice, Kelsey Weir, Alexandra Welborn, Ryan Witten.

3.00 or Better Honor Roll: Ashlee Adkison, Amanda Berry, Evan Boese, Bradley Boyer, Anna Bricker, Dylan Clark, Katie Clark, Charles Courtright, Taylor Crandell, Ryan Cribb, Kirsten Dole, Stephanie Fortune, Tamara Howard, Danielle Johnson, Jesse Kleinschrodt, Ethan Knott, Audrey Koteskey, Amanda Lambdin, Timothy Lewis, Sarah Lounsbury, Lindsey Mansfield, Logan McCarty, Paige Moore, Allen Moose, Savannah O'Brien, Cassandra Ostby, Alicia Pearce, Ben Percy, Tyler Price, Polly Reinhardt, Kylie Romanelli, Carina Shope, Mallory Slate, Holly Stanek, Melissa Suttle, Andrew Sutton, Eric Sweet, Jordan Umbra, Amielin West, Logan White, Amanda Wiesenauer, Shandon Williams, Jared Wilmot, Michael Wolf, Elizabeth Zettel.

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Hospital opens day care to public

The Child Development Center at Northern Michigan Hospital came under private ownership Jan. 1 and will be accepting applications for enrollment from the community at large. The center was formerly for hospital employees only.

The center is located in the east building of Northern Michigan Hospital just off U.S. 131.

Care will be provided on school snow days, professional development days and holiday breaks. The center also plans to institute an all-day summer program that will include field trips and outdoor activities.

Questions about enrollment, tuition costs and general information should be directed to LuAnn Ameluxen at 487-4563.

Snow

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Charlevoix County Snowmobile Council, which grooms trails in the East Jordan and surrounding areas.

Sledgers started coming to town Dec. 23, with local riders hitting the trails, though not groomed yet, even before that.

Symonds, also owner of the Westbrook Motel, said he had no vacancies — his rooms filled up with snowmobilers.

"I think most in the area were

full," he said. "Not just with snowmobilers, but other sports enthusiasts."

"The town in general saw a lot of people enjoying the winter recreational opportunities," said East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce director Mary Faculak. "And while they were here they were shopping, eating, buying gas and staying in hotels. I see no indication of it slowing down, either."

Symonds recalls it was the same last year when snow fell just prior to Christmas.

By late Saturday afternoon, rising temperatures had rendered the snowmobile trails unuseable, and tourists headed home after a week of riding.

But with the most recent dosing of snow, Symonds said "now we should be back in the saddle."

"As long as there's snow, there will be tourists up here every weekend."

MSU Extension hosting farming conference

A Northern Michigan Farm Marketing and Grazing Conference will be held on Saturday, Jan. 29 from 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. in Gaylord.

The conference is sponsored by Northern Michigan MSU Extension Offices and will feature speaker Joel Salatin, a third generation natural farmer who promotes food production that is environmentally, emotionally and economically enhancing for both producer and consumer.

The cost to attend is \$15 for the first person and \$10 for each additional person in your group.

Contact the Charlevoix County Extension Office for more information and a brochure at 582-6232.

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Boyne City baby is first arrival in new millennium

A Boyne City baby was the first to be born at Charlevoix Area Hospital in the new year.

Harvey Riley Fineout was born at 12:48 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 2, 2000 to parents Heather Wormell, 20, and Harvey Fineout, 21, of Boyne City.

"The nurse told me when I was in labor that this would probably be the first baby of the new year born at the hospital, unless someone else came after me," Wormell said. "I think it's pretty neat."

Heather's due date was Dec. 27, but the day came and went with no baby. On New Year's Eve she woke up with "pretty bad pains," she said. "I thought I was going in then," Wormell said, but the pains sub-

“I think it's pretty neat.”
-- Heather Wormell, mother of Harvey Riley

sided. When she woke up Sunday morning, she knew she was in labor. "It didn't really hurt until the last hour," Wormell said.

Harvey's father and namesake, said it's not that his son was the first baby born in the New Year that impresses him. "I'm more excited to have a little boy."

Harvey Riley weighed 6 lbs. 14 oz., and measured 20 inches long. He is the couple's first baby.

To help the family celebrate, the hospital gave them a gift basket full of donated items from area businesses which included, among other things, a car seat, savings bonds, baby toiletries and clothing. Busy Bridge Antiques and Gifts in East Jordan gave bunny slippers and a wash cloth set and Harbor House Publishers in Boyne City gave a large laundry basket.



Heather Wormell and Harvey Fineout are the proud parents of Harvey Riley.

NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

MEMBERS, RELATIVES and friends of the Walter J. Rozycki family will be gathering on Jan. 15 to cheer and watch Jason Rozycki of Boyne City play basketball at 7 p.m. for Oakland University. Any Boyne City resident planning to attend the game is welcome, prior to the game, at a Hospitality Suite at the Hilton Hotel on Featherstone and Opdyke Roads for snacks and refreshments.

MORE CHRISTMAS NEWS came in from the Boyne City home of Evelyn Newville. Six of her seven children were there for the "Family Christmas Eve" event that has been a tradition spanning more than forty years. The six children and spouses, 13 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren made a four-generation evening of dinner and presents around the tree. Grandson Scott Satmary came from Dallas, Texas, daughter Shirley Suter from Bowling, Ohio and the rest coming from Traverse City, Boyne City, East Jordan, Charlevoix, and Petoskey, made it a joyful occasion for all.

VIRGINIA HEGERBERG returned to her Boyne Ridge condo from Daphnie, Alabama after having spent a wonderful two-week holiday time there with her daughter and son-in-law, the Rev. Richard and Pam Schmidt and family. Pam and Dick (as we know them) left the day after her mother did, for a "first time in five years" visit with her brother, Thad Hegerberg, in Hawaii.

LITZENBURGER PLACE residents, numbering over 30, enjoyed a New Years gathering in the community room. Amidst much glittering, decorations, lots of finger foods, including rum balls and pizza, they played a variety of card games, and watched the spectacular television coverage of celebrations around the world! All that made it "till midnight, bedecked with hats, horns and noise makers, chimed in with the New York ball countdown, sang Auld Lang Syne and with non-alcoholic champagne, toasted in a safe

and fun Y2K. Appreciation goes out to B.C. Pizza, Big Boy, Glen's, Phyllis Tison, Virginia Burns, and all who helped coordinate a special millennium celebration!

A TWO-DAY New Year's Eve celebration and Sterzik family reunion was held at Traverse City's Waterfront Inn. The family gathering of 50 young and old, almost took up the whole fourth floor. All enjoyed skiing, card and board games, taking in casino games and lots of family fun. The great time resulted from the six-month planning done by Sherry Bedford of Boyne City, her mother, Val Sterzik of Petoskey and cousin Ruth Sterzik of Traverse City.

JOHN MIKUSAK and John Rautio of M & R Drywall Interiors hosted an employee pre-New Year's luncheon celebration at Petoskey's La Senorita on Thursday. About 20, including spouses and friends from the Boyne area enjoyed the fun gathering.

SCOTT SUTLIFF returned to California this past Thursday after spending the holidays with his parents, the Oral Sutliffs, and sister, Sheri Fitzpatrick and family. As usual, getting together with friends and family gatherings was enjoyable. Getting back to California was a little difficult. But, after two and a half days of flight cancellations and delays, he finally made it safely. He described his trip as "an adventurous one!"

BASIA LEE MATHERS, daughter of Stephanie and the late Jonathan Mathers and granddaughter of Linda and John Mathers of Boyne City and Nancy Richardson and Steve and Carol Agnew, all of Charlevoix, was dedicated at the Sunday morning worship service by the Rev. Mark Bullock of the Free Methodist Church. The family gathered later in the afternoon for dinner.

RAQUEL REDMER and Dr. Chris Fair were married at 5:30 p.m. New Year's Eve at the Christ Lutheran Church. The ceremony before 180 guests was officiated by the Rev.

Kenneth Bernthal. A reception honored the couple at the Eagles before the couple left on their wedding trip of scuba diving at Roatan, just off the shoreline of Honduras. Guests attended from California, New York, Connecticut, Lansing, and the local area. Upon their return, the newlyweds will be living in Boyne City.

NANCY AND BRUCE LAWSON of Rochester were here from Thursday to Sunday at the Korthase farm. They enjoyed ringing in the New Year with all Bruce's children, grandson and friends who came from the Lansing area.

ADELL HIBBARD returned New Year's Day after being driven to Big Rapids by son Paul and Joyce of Millington to spend Christmas and New Year's Eve family gatherings with her daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Don Rennick.

SANDY KADROVACH of Boyne City and John Tell of Petoskey were married before children and grandchildren at a 2 p.m. ceremony at the Christ Lutheran Church on New Year's Eve. Officiated by the Rev. Ken Bernthal, the family celebrated with dinner at the Argonne. The newlyweds, who are planning a later date trip, are at home in Boyne City.

FROM 8 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT a nice group of Lakeview Village residents shared New Year's Eve fun, food, games, and conversation at their community clubhouse.

ROBIN REYNOLDS from the audiologist and hearing office of Dr. Michael Koskus will be here at the upstairs Library of Litzenburger Place from 9 a.m. until noon on Tuesday, Jan. 11. Anyone throughout the community is welcome. For more information, please call 348-3666.

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



Dr. Gerardus 'Jerry' de Roth

VETERAN PROFILE AMERICAN LEGION POST #228

January Veteran of the month for Boyne City's Ernest Peterson Post #228 of the American Legion is Dr. Gerardus "Jerry" de Roth.

Jerry served with the United States Army Corps in World War II with the Medical Corps. He became a trainer of combat medical personnel and helped develop field sanitation procedures and equipment.

He was born in Elizabeth, N.J., and married Marjorie Ayers of Mont-

gomery, N.Y., shortly before his induction.

He received his Master's Degree from the University of Maine and a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan.

He was a biology professor for 20 years at Defiance College in Defiance, Ohio. Dr. de Roth is being remembered by his daughters Jerie Leyh of Boyne City and Suzanne de Roth of Wauseon, Ohio.

PUSH NEEDED TO REPLENISH SUPPLY

Boyne City hosting three blood drives next week

In an ongoing effort to replenish the blood supply for the patients served through the American Red Cross Blood program, there will be an unprecedented three blood drives held in Boyne City the week of Jan. 10-15.

Boyne City Blood Drive Week is being kicked off with the traditional community blood drive scheduled for Monday, Jan. 10, at Christ Lutheran Church, from 1-6:45 p.m. Under the direction of Jim Raber, the Red Cross

community chairperson, this drive is slated to collect at least 60 units of blood. The public is welcome.

Thursday, the Red Cross moves its operations to LexaMar Corporation for its second annual employee winter blood drive. LexaMar began their involvement with the Red Cross last January and has pledged to host three drives per year. This drive is only open to employees of LexaMar and they have made a commitment to collect 50 units of blood.

Honeywell Corporation, formerly known as AlliedSignal, will round out the week with its annual winter blood drive slated for Friday, Jan. 15. The drive is being held at the Boyne City City Hall. This drive is open to the public and is scheduled for 10:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Students from Concord Academy Boyne are providing the cookies and volunteering at the drive as part of their community outreach program.

Community members who wish to donate at this drive are encouraged to make an appointment ahead of time, if possible, by calling Joyce Newville in the Honeywell human resources department at 582-3938.

Walk-in donors will be welcome but in order to facilitate the employee participation from Honeywell, appointments will be honored first. The goal for this drive has been set for 50 units of blood.

All people age 17 and older who weigh at least 110 pounds and who are in good health are generally acceptable to donate blood. Each day in Michigan alone, 2000 units of blood are needed to treat cancer patients, accident victims and people undergoing life-saving surgery. After the two-week holiday season, it is important that the community puts forth every effort to meet the 160-unit goal.

TB

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Michigan), creates a \$475,000 dent in the local economy. Testing and culling also comes with a substantial price tag, according to Moore.

"The state reimburses farmers \$10 for each test done on their cattle, but when you factor in travel time and hourly veterinarian fees, farmers are still losing money," he said.

Under the requirements of the MRZ each animal in a herd must be tested annually, unless they're headed directly to slaughter.

"If the animals go from the farm to a slaughter facility, with no stops in between, they must be tested every three years," Molesworth said.

Results of the ongoing TB culture tests in Iowa should be completed in time for Michigan's fourth annual Bovine TB conference, scheduled for Feb. 8 and 9 in East Lansing.

"Restructuring the MRZ and deciding the best way to attack the spread of the disease will be at the top of the agenda," Moore said.

(Richard Wehn is a staff writer for the Antrim County News, an Up North Publications newspaper.)

Christmas Trees will be collected

Boyne City High School softball team members will be collecting Christmas trees in town on Sat. Jan 8 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. for a \$3 donation. If you wish to have yours collected, please have it on your front lawn and they will stop by to pick it up.

For more information, call the high school at 439-8100.

COLLEGE NEWS

EMILY BARRET WRIGHT of Boyne City was named to the fall quarter Dean's list at Michigan Technological University by earning a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

More holiday cheer



East Jordan Elementary schoolers in Carolyn Downton's first grade class collected more than 100 cans and boxes of food to donate to the Care and Share Food Pantry. They delivered the food and toured the pantry, learning how food was stored, shelved and distributed.



Boyne City Middle School Pencil Pushers Store employees donated half the proceeds from their annual Christmas sale to Boyne City's Community Christmas baskets by buying toys for infants through teenagers. They spent a special day shopping to find just the right toys. From left, are: Lacey Leaman, Angel Chipman, Tom Purdy, Chris Seamon, Eddie Mathers, Jimmy Martinez and Cody Olund.

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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 FINANCE, 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 nine hundred fifty one and 14/100 (\$24,951.14) dollars.

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 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 premises.

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 Mile Lake Rd.

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 sale.

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 there 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 mort-

gaged 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 January 21, 2000.

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

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 Trot & Trot, 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

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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 thirty-five thousand seven hundred ninety-nine 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

as: 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.

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

Dated: Dec. 29, 1999 For information, please call: 248-593-1304 Trot & Trot, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File #990809576 Falcons Dec. 29, 1999, Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2000

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met for their regular meeting on Dec. 29, 1999, in the Commissioner's Room, Charlevoix, MI 49720. Their organizational meeting will be on Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2000, at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room, 203 Antrim Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

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.

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BAY TOWNSHIP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE

The Bay Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2000 at the Bay Township Hall, 05045 Boyne City Road in the Village of Horton Bay.

The purpose of the public hearing is to hear comments from the public on a requested amendment to Article 5.2, Zoning Map, of the Bay Township Zoning Ordinance, Bay Township Ordinance No. 12. The requested amendment is being sought by Charles and Cheryl Robinson and, if approved, would rezone an 8.104 acre parcel of property from R-1 Residential to A Agricultural as defined in the Ordinance. The parcel is identified as property tax identification number 15-001-005-020-30 (formerly 15-001-005-019-90) and is located at approximately 05406 West Road.

Persons may send written comments for presentation at the public hearing to Secretary, Bay Township Planning Commission, 05045 Boyne City Road, Boyne City, 49712. Written comments must be received not later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2000. A map of the proposed rezoning may be viewed by visiting the posting at the Bay Township Hall.

David L. Simmons Bay Township Clerk

ORDINANCE #169 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 25-2 OF THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED SNOWMOBILE REGULATIONS.

THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN ORDAINS:

Sec. 25-2. The following provisions of Sec. 25-2, Snowmobile regulations of the Code of Ordinances for the City of East Jordan are amended or added to as follows:

Sec. 25-2. Snowmobile regulations.

(a) Part 821, Subchapter 6 of Chapter 4 of Article III of Chapter 324 of the Michigan statute known as the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (MCLA 342.82101-324.82160) is hereby adopted by the City as a part of this section.

(b) A snowmobile may be driven on any street or alley except for those streets or alleys that have been posted "no snowmobiles" by the city.

Subsections (c) through (f) are unchanged.

Kathy O'Rear, City Clerk

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East Jordan welcomes the snowy season

■ Sno-Blast 2000: January 14-16

East Jordan's Sno-Blast Festival is just around the corner, bringing with it a little something for everyone.

Creative sports should start planning now for the Sno-Sculpture Contest and the Sno-Blast 2000 Parade.

The entry deadline for the Sno-Sculpture Contest is Monday, Jan. 10. Judging will take place on Jan. 12 and prizes will be awarded. Individuals, groups, organizations, families, neighborhoods, school children or anyone else that is so inclined, can enter the contest. So get out your mittens, chisels, colored water and imaginations to decorate the town and perhaps capture a cash prize as well.

For the parade on Saturday, Jan. 15, polish up your snowmobiles, build a float or just wear a costume. There's no better way to usher in the

snowy season than with a march down Main Street.

For more information or to register for either event, call the chamber at 536-7351.

SNOWMOBILERS will fill the East Jordan Sno-mobiler's grounds on Mt. Bliss Road off M-32. This year a safari and drag racing will be the featured sledding events and antique snowmobiles will be on display as well. For drag-racing information call Ed Elliott at 536-7305 or Ren Graham at 536-0452.

IF IT'S THE SPORTING life you're after, look no further.

The Sno-Box Trot is a good old-fashioned cardboard sled race. Only a cardboard box, paint and tape are allowed in its construction. Racing and judging will be at the skating rink hill on Saturday, Jan. 15. Call 536-0006.

Head inside to the Jordan Valley Express for roller skating from noon-

3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 15. The \$4 admission includes skates. Call 536-7913.

Knock down a few pins during Sno-Bowling at noon on Saturday, Jan. 15 at Murphy Field. Call 536-7599.

Sno-Blast softball is open to out-of-town teams as well. Games start at 1 p.m. at Murphy Field on Saturday, Jan. 15. Call 536-3400 to register.

Sno-Golfing at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 15 at the Sno-mobilers Club, will award first through third place prizes for the ball closest to the pin. The cost is \$2 for three shots.

Then round out Saturday evening with a snowshoe hike through the Jordan Valley at 7:30. Call 536-0006 to register.

The Kids Fishing Contest runs from Jan. 8-9, and begins for adults on Jan. 8 as well. Call 536-3521.

GOOD EATS are a must for sustenance in frigid temperatures, and

there will be plenty of both throughout the weekend. A chili supper sponsored by the Rotary Club of East Jordan will be offered from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 14 at the East Jordan Sno-Mobiler's clubhouse. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. The meal is free with the purchase of a Rotary Club raffle ticket.

On Saturday, Jan. 15, the Sno-Mobile Club will offer concessions from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and an ice cream social, sponsored by the East Jordan Market, includes a complimentary frosty treat on Saturday as well.

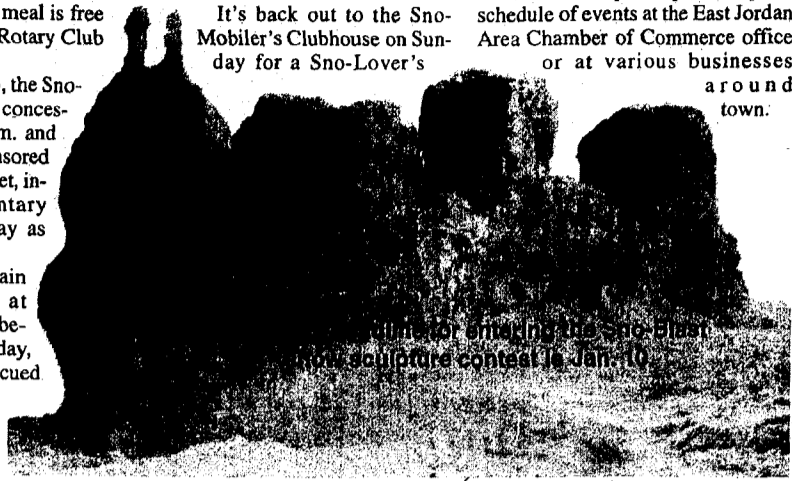
Ribs will be the main course of dinner at Ansted's By the Lake beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday, with \$2 from each barbecued rib dinner being donated to the Sno-Blast Festival. Ansted's is located at 115 Main St.

Make sure to save room for a warm bowl of stew and other fixings from 4-7 p.m. at the Evangelical Lutheran Church on Rogers Road. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Kids under 3 years old eat free.

It's back out to the Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse on Sunday for a Sno-Lover's

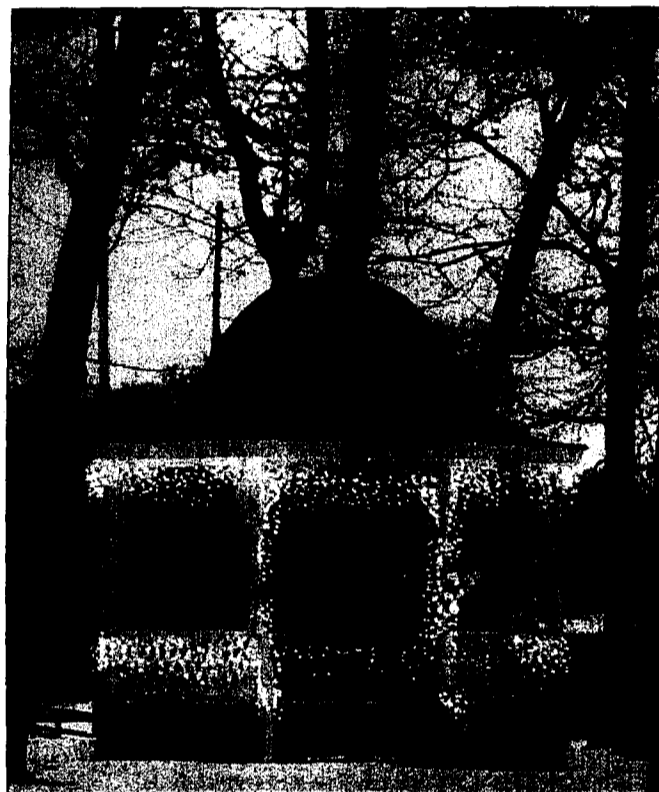
Breakfast from 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. "The Works" includes pancakes, bacon, sausage, potatoes, eggs and toast. The cost is \$4 for adults, \$2 for kids under 12 and free for those under 5 years old.

Be sure to pick up a complete schedule of events at the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce office or at various businesses around town.



Mystery lights

A serene sight in the evenings at Old City Park in Boyne City are the twinkling white lights, hanging like icicles from the gazebo's rafters and railings against the night sky. But who displayed them there is a mystery. It wasn't the City, nor the Boyne Valley Garden Club, nor the gazebo's builder. Whoever did it hasn't let on, and instead appears to have made the kind act an anonymous holiday gift for the community to enjoy.



Planning for new BC school

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might look like.

"We're trying to build a building that's going to be serviceable now and for the long term," Compton said, adding that "we've really tried to design into this building a lot of flexibility."

Undergoing research now are vocational programs' needs. Compton said North Central Michigan College has indicated a willingness to help the district assess its needs based on NCMC's own experience with such programs.

The district will also look to local business, industry and contractors to "get feedback to find out what kinds of skills they want our kids to have," Compton said.

As is, three separate spaces in a vocational wing will be dedicated to such programs. The wing will also include a lab area set aside for the more technological aspects of business and vocational programs. Art facilities will be located in the wing as well.

Compton said the shop space is designed so that electrical, ventilation and so forth, will all be in place, no matter which direction vocational programs take in the future.

"We don't want to lock ourselves into any type of facility plan that won't be flexible for future uses," Compton said. Proper design now should eliminate the need for complete redesign and reconfiguration later, he said.

Next up for the District Steering Committee will be to work with consultants on food services, technology and the theater area.

Considerations for the high school cafeteria will be a food court area, similar to a shopping mall, which will provide students a variety of options. Technology decisions will focus on delivery to classrooms, rather than lab-type environments.

Theater needs, in addition to basic stage, sound and lights, include acoustical engineering.

The committee will meet again on Jan. 6.

Next for the architects will be to complete the structural designs. Site work could begin in late April or early May, and some construction bidding is already underway.

"If everything stays on track, we could see actual groundbreaking for the foundation around the end of August," Compton said.

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SPORTS schedule

Boyne City

- Jan. 7 - Varsity/JV Basketball, at Harbor Springs - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 10 - Skiing, Petoskey, Harbor Springs, and Charlevoix at Boyne Mountain - 1 p.m.
- Jan. 11 - Freshman Basketball, Rogers City, home - 4:15 p.m.; Varsity/JV Basketball, Rogers City, home - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 13 - Volleyball, Frosh at TC St. Francis - 4:30 p.m.; Skiing, Elk Rapids, East Jordan, and Charlevoix at Boyne Mountain - 4:30 p.m.
- Jan. 14 - Varsity/JV Basketball, TC St. Francis, home - 6 p.m.

East Jordan

- Jan. 6 - Volleyball, Charlevoix, home - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 7 - J.V./Varsity Boys Basketball, at Charlevoix - 6 p.m.; Freshman Boys Basketball, at Charlevoix - 4:15 p.m.
- Jan. 10 - Freshman Boys Basketball, at Kingsley - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 11 - J.V./Varsity Boys Basketball, Manton, home - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 13 - Volleyball, at Kalkaska - 6 p.m.; Skiing, Boyne City, Charlevoix, and Elk Rapids at Boyne Mountain - 2:30 p.m.
- Jan. 14 - Freshman Boys Basketball, Kalkaska, home - 4:15 p.m.; J.V./Varsity Basketball, Kalkaska, home - 6 p.m.

Boyne Falls

- Jan. 7 - Boys Basketball, Harbor Light, home - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 10 - Volleyball, at Charlevoix (ninth grade) - 7:30 p.m.
- Jan. 11 - Boys Basketball, at Wolverine - 6 p.m.
- Jan. 14 - Boys Basketball, Bellaire, home - 6 p.m.

BOYNE AREA HOCKEY

THE BOYNE BLUE Squirts hockey team battled it out with the Char-Em Hawks on Sunday, with Boyne losing 3-0 in the first game. Keegan David, Jacob Fair and Nate Ciszewski were credited with good defense.

In its second game of the day, the Blue Squirts tied Char-Em with a goal in the last eight seconds of play. Matt Thomas scored the tying goal, unassisted. Dylan Clark also scored a goal for Boyne. Andrew Katz and Brit King showed good offensive team play, and Shane Grunow and Ben Kroondyk were noted on defense. Nick Ferree was in goal.

The Blue Squirts are sponsored by Premier Construction.

THE BOYNE WHITE Squirt team played two games Sunday against the Char-Em Canadians at the refrigerated Avalanche hockey rink.

In the first game, Boyne's Brad Boyer scored the game-winning goal with two minutes left to break a 1-1 tie. Amy Anderson assisted on Boyer's goal. Tyler Price scored first

for Boyne with assists from Anderson and Floyd Alma. Charlie Courtright played an outstanding game in goal.

In the second game, Boyer pulled it out again by tying the game 4-4 as time ran out in the third period. Tyler Price completed his hat trick for the game with 27 seconds left. Boyne played the last 1:30 without their goalie to put another attacker on the ice and bring an exciting finish to the game. Price scored his first two goals in the second and third periods with assists from John Miller.

The Boyne White Squirt team is sponsored by Dan's Concrete Service. They will see action next week at the Avalanche rink with two games Saturday against Mackinaw City and two games Sunday against Cadillac.

THE BOYNE CITY Bantams suffered a 4-3 loss to Char-Em last Thursday. Goals for Boyne were scored by Eli Barsy (2) and Tyler Barsy with assists by Chris Grice, Cody Webster, Tyler Barsy (2) and Joe Houser. Strong two-way play

was given by Darren Looze and Scott McDowell, with Keith DaFoe strong on offense. Bobby Courtright was in goal. The Bantams are sponsored by Ace Hardware.

THE BOYNE AREA MITES beat the Char-Em Blizzards on New Year's Eve with a score of 11-7. Scoring for Boyne were Travis Reinhardt with five goals, Trevor Price with four, and Blake Kroondyk and Tanner Kragebrink with one goal each. Picking up one assist each were Trevor Price, Kyle Wright, and Jack Carlson. Daniel Seagraves, Taylor Korthase and Kyle Wright were strong on defense. Henry Wolf was between the pipes.

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