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Boyne library holding auction on Saturday

The Boyne District Library will hold a public auction on Saturday, March 25, at 10 a.m. at the library building located at 201 East Main St.

Items for auction include several sections of oak shelving, both wall mounted and free standing, children's and adult height; oak library tables; some chairs (mostly youth size); folding tables; metal folding chairs; doors; window blinds; bathroom fixtures; children's oak circulation desk; the original oak circulation desk; and other miscellaneous items.

Successful bidders must remove items from the building within 48 hours after the auction.

Items may be previewed by appointment. For a complete list or for more information, call 582-7861.

BF basketball game to benefit girls athletics

The Boyne Falls Sports Boosters are sponsoring a staff vs. alumni basketball game, to be held on Friday, March 24 at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$2 per person. All proceeds from the basketball game will be used to benefit the girls athletic program.

The game will be preceded by a spaghetti dinner sponsored by the class of 2003. The dinner will start at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$5 in advance for adults, \$3 for children, and at the door are \$6 for adults, \$3.50 for children.

For more information, call Joe Skop at 549-2079.

Still no solid leads in death of puppies

The Charlevoix County Animal Control and Humane Society are still checking out leads in the beating deaths of 10 puppies last week.

"We've had more than a dozen leads," said Charlevoix County Humane Society director Martha Weisler, "but those haven't panned out."

A reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the deaths has grown from the original \$325 to about \$6,500. The reward money has primarily been raised through private donations.

The puppies' bodies were found in a ditch along Hetrick Road in Boyne Valley Township approximately two weeks ago. Their skulls were crushed.

Killing a dog is a felony punishable by four years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

If you have information regarding this incident, or would like to make a donation to the reward fund, call 582-6667. Callers may remain anonymous.



Catching Cold?

Local angler Jeff Hart took advantage of recent good weather to cast a line into the Boyne River. Though the fish just weren't biting, the 15-year-old kept at it, showing fine form in the still-icy waters of the Boyne.

Crunching numbers

■ East Jordan budget will allow city to move forward on long-awaited projects

The City of East Jordan will hold a special meeting to discuss the proposed 2000/2001 budget on Tuesday, April 18, at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall. The public is encouraged to attend.

"The past few years have seen dramatic changes in our community," said city administrator David White in a message accompanying the proposed budget. "This budget will allow us to continue the aggressive movement forward with many long awaited projects, extensive upgrading of our infrastructure, facilities improvements and new projects."

"This fiscal year will see the development of a state of the art sports complex and the completion of system upgrades and improvements."

Several items are highlighted as General Fund Revenues for the budget year. These include a \$369,000 state grant for the construction at Boswell Field, \$40,000 in contributions/donations toward the City's match for Boswell Field, and \$11,500 to be generated from timber sales as part of the Boswell Field project. Additionally, the proposed budget includes a \$28,000 grant from the Bureau of Aeronautics for the Airport Master Plan and \$60,000 to be received in private grants.

Changes in General Fund expenditures include an increase in the treasurer's department to allow

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■ Boyne City budget includes River Walk, Air Industrial Park expansion

The City of Boyne City will review sections of the proposed budget for the 2000/2001 fiscal year in two upcoming city commission meetings, scheduled for Tuesday, April 11, at 7 p.m. and Friday, April 14, at noon.

On Tuesday, April 18, there will be a public hearing and consideration of adopting the 2000/2001 budget and annual appropriations ordinance.

In city manager Eric Strahl's budget message, he states, "In preparing this budget, the city's staff attempted to meet current needs for ongoing improvements to existing facilities, undertake the planning and construction of new facilities to meet the demands of growth and development, and to reorganize some operations in order to make them more efficient and productive."

In the last year, Strahl noted, several area projects made significant progress. The majority of the North Lake Street reconstruction project was completed, improvements to city hall were begun, work continued on the Rotary Park fields project, and several street and sewer projects were completed.

Plans for the year ahead include beginning the DDA's River Walk project, construction of Phase II of the Air Industrial Park expansion project, revamping the airport entrance, dredging at the marina and

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Stepping aside to let others serve

■ It was a rewarding yet challenging four years on the Boyne City school board for Kathy Anderson

By ANGELA SHULTIS

After four years of commitment to the Boyne City school board, Kathy Anderson has decided the time has come to take a step back and catch her breath.

"I always felt I would never do more than one term," Anderson said of her decision to not seek re-election to the Boyne City school board.

Currently serving as board president, Anderson's term will expire at the end of June, with new board members taking their seats on July 1.

The question is, after traveling the long and winding road to a school bond proposal and putting months of hard work into the search for a superintendent, why step down now?

It's a time factor, according to Anderson, who not only owns and operates a local business, Boyne Country Books, with her husband Steve, but is also a mother of three, Amy, 10, Neil, 7, and Mary, 18 months. One reason the Andersons had moved north from downstate in June 1994, leaving behind careers in engineering, was to find a more

family-oriented lifestyle. And while she's enjoyed her tenure on the board, she wants to focus on spending more time with her family.

In fact, it was because of her family that Anderson first became involved with the board. "I wanted to be involved in my kids' education," she said. "I'd gone to a few board meetings, and noticed there were some of the same long-standing members."

"Change is good," she said, and so, in 1996, she sought election to the school board. In July 1997, she was asked to be the board's president, and accepted.

Anderson spent the next three years deeply involved in various aspects of school board duties, the most time consuming of which was the school bond proposal, a process she went through twice as president, as the first effort fell short of passing muster with the voters.

"The pacing was too fast the first time," Anderson said. "We just chugged along and

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This will be board president Kathy Anderson's last term on the school board.



Eleanor Stackus holds a book about Drogheda, Ireland.

Boyne River weaves a common bond

Boyne City Mayor Eleanor Stackus recently received an unexpected invitation.

It seems that Mayor Sean Collins of Drogheda, Co. Louth, Ireland, planned to be in New York City on Friday, March 17, to take part in the St. Patrick's Day parade there.

Stackus, as mayor of Boyne City, was sent a letter from Collins' countryman, Patrick Maguire, currently a resident of Adrian, Mich., suggesting that perhaps Mayor Stackus could connect with Mayor Collins in the

Big Apple.

The two have a lot in common, considering they both reside over cities located on a river called Boyne.

Collins, though, has dibs on the original, being mayor of Drogheda, Ireland, a town of about 30,000 folks, situated on the River Boyne. It is, according to Maguire's letter, often referred to as the Boyneside City.

Maguire had visited Boyne City a few years ago, and on a recent trip to Drogheda, related the details of the experience to Collins. "The mayor

and I talked about how interesting it would be to have some dialog between the two cities and perhaps even have a twinning of the cities," Maguire said in his letter.

Stackus, for her part, was tickled by the invitation, which she unfortunately had to decline, but only after jokingly presenting it to her peers on the city commission in search of a motion to have the city send her to the parade.

Trip or no trip, the connection still sparked an interest for Stackus, who

believes that conversation between the cities might be interesting. She said she hopes to exchange some e-mail, in an effort to "strike something up and see what happens."

Maguire also sent, along with the letter, a book about the history of Drogheda, including artists' renderings of the town and surrounding area.

Stackus plans to donate the book to the city, perhaps for a spot in the historical museum.

OPINION

BETWEEN the LINES

A case of too much information

By ANGELA SHULTIS

You hear it all the time these days — the one million and one ways that our health, nay, our very lives, are in grave danger due to the existence of household germs. I, for one, have heard quite enough.

I cannot stomach one more report of diligent scientists who, through the tiny lens of their powerful microscopes, have discovered legions of flourishing contagions on the tray of a high chair, and the ubiquitous fecal matter on a seemingly-innocent toothbrush.

I am fully aware that these things pose a multitude of health risks to my family. And, as a mom, I am concerned about my family's health.

But, really, do I need to know these things? I'm sure the existence of our microscopic neighbors is nothing new; what is new is our ability to catalog them, and our inexplicable need to track down and eradicate every last malevolent trace of bacteria that dares to share our living space. And really, are we all that much better off with this obsessive-compulsive strain of science?

While I admit that it is useful to know more about potentially serious health risks like salmonella and e-coli, I have to question whether it really benefits me to know that my kitchen sponge harbors 17 different species of microscopic lifeforms. I'm fairly certain my life would have been full and happy without that particular bit of trivia.

But still, I find myself inundated with this unsolicited information. And, as if the handprints on the bathroom door and the stack of dishes in the kitchen sink weren't enough, my daily dose of guilt regarding my inability to pass muster on the cleanliness front continues.

Quite frankly, the level of clean currently found in my house is about as good as it's getting. It's not on the verge of condemnation, but it's far from perfect. I keep telling myself that quality time with my kids is more important than bleaching the bathtub twice a day, and that taking the dog for a nice long walk should take precedence over scouring the baseboards with industrial strength disinfectant, given a choice between the two. But if you listen to the pop-scientists that appear regularly on Oprah, hawking their latest health-scare tome, you'd think that it's time to call in the decontamination squad and seal the bubble once and for all.

And then, of course, there is the glut of anti-bacterial products on the market. Anti-bacterial floor cleaner, dish soap, hand soap, you name it. Talk about capitalizing on a nation full of neuroses. A multi-million dollar industry born of something that, until recently, we were hardly even aware of.

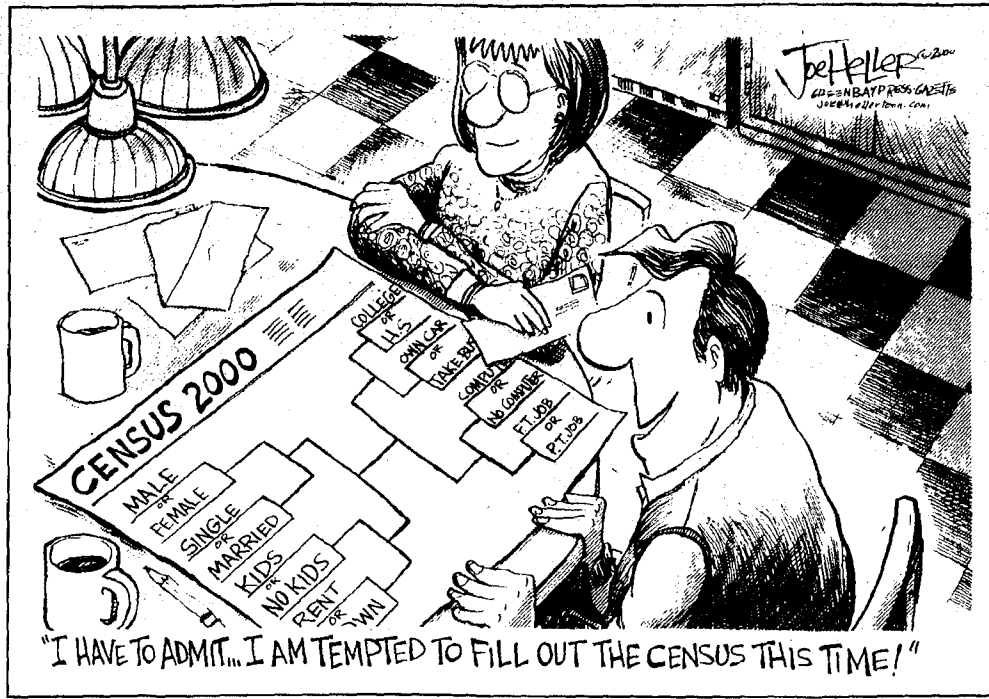
The thing that troubles me is that we seemed to be getting along just fine without this micro-level of information. Sure, perhaps we had a few more colds and a case or two more of the flu each year. But maybe not — I certainly haven't heard of any documentation on that count, so how do we know if we're really benefiting at all? Seems that it's not as fun and profitable to discover that perhaps we were all just fine, after all.

And on the flip side, I've heard that all these anti-bacterial products may actually be detrimental to our health, in that they also kill the "good" bacteria that is necessary to control the bad stuff. This may be another case, surprise, surprise, of human interference upsetting the balance of nature.

Personally, I wash my hands after handling raw meat, and replace my kitchen and bathroom sponges a little more often than I used to. And I am keeping the toothbrushes a little further away from the commode, just in case. But that's pretty much where it ends.

And as for this cold/flu/mystery illness I've been nursing on and off for the past three weeks — hey, it's just part of the balance of things.

Isn't it?



LETTERS

A great season at the ice rink

TO THE EDITOR:

To all Boyne Area Hockey parents, volunteers, players, coaches, and sponsors: thank you for a job well done! Boyne Area Hockey had a wonderful year, one of the best ever, and I would like to thank the many parents, volunteers, players, coaches, and sponsors for their efforts throughout the year. Without their help and support the organization would never be where it is today.

The weekend of March 10, 11, and 12 was a fantastic finish to another fun-filled season. At the eighth annual Northern Michigan Invitational tournament held in Big Bear Arena in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Boyne Area Hockey placed five teams in the championship round. This tournament included teams from Ludington, St. Johns, Gladwin, Mackinaw, Char-Em, and Boyne Area Hockey with over 600 participants.

In the end, Boyne Area Hockey took home the Squirt and Pee Wee championships and was runner up in the Bantam, Mite, and Mini Mite divisions. Just a great showing by one of the smallest, hardest working hockey organizations in Northern Michigan.

Above all, the Boyne Area Hockey parents, coaches, and players exemplified true sportsmanship throughout the tournament by supporting all of the Boyne teams and their competitors, as well as playing "clean" hockey throughout the tournament. They all lost and won with class and dignity. Also, the crowds were fantastic. In some of the games there was close to 1,000 fans in the

stands. This season, as any, had many ups and downs. But in the end, we all realize that it is worth the effort when you see the smiles on the faces of the kids when they participate in events like the year-end tournament.

This was the first year our program was able to skate on a refrigerated surface. This was just a stepping-stone to our eventual goal of playing in an indoor facility in the Boyne area. If all continues as it is progressing at this point, we will reach that goal for next season. Not bad for an organization that started 10 years ago with just 12 kids.

I would also like to thank all of our sponsors for the 1999-2000 season. They are Boyne USA, Premier Construction, Ace Hardware, B.C. Pizza, East Jordan Iron Works, Bayko Concrete, Sky Electric, Memory Lane Systems, and Pepsi. Special mention needs to go to Gibson Excavating for their help this year as well. Special thank yous go out to the Boyne City Rotary, Charlevoix Foundation, and to Great Lakes Energy for their generous support in the form of grants, which were used to purchase and install the refrigeration equipment at the rink.

Once again, thanks to everyone for your hard work and dedication in making this year a fun-filled and successful year.

Al Aown
President, Boyne Area Hockey

A MOM'S LIFE

Where's the sympathy when you need it?

By CINDI PLACE

Not that I'm one to talk, but generally speaking when I have work to do I try not to put it off. Such was not the case this past weekend, but there is a good excuse. The mom in our house got sick.

Actually, I've been fighting a cold since early January, but I just didn't have time until this weekend to actually be sick. And since this was the first free time our family has seen in, oh, eight months, it was time to let the illness take over.

As a result, everything that needed to be done this weekend just didn't get done. Which really knocked our kids for a loop. "What do you mean you can't do it?" I was asked throughout the weekend. My answers were usually mumbled replies from under the heap of blankets piled over me.

You see, everyone else in this family can be under the weather whenever they want. They can have a "sick stomach" or another headache that keeps them from doing dishes, or cleaning their room or any other number of regular chores. But not the mom. I have to be invincible. Or so I thought.

This past weekend, after finally succumbing to the cold to end all colds, I did the unthinkable. I took medicine and crawled into bed and declared myself "off-limits." And it worked for a little while. But then, dinner needed to be made and since I hadn't yet grocery shopped the pickins were slim indeed.

But, the kids found the silver lining in this cloud pretty quickly. You see, when the mom is sick, pizza is on the menu — as much as they want!

LETTERS

Young teens have their own night out

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing this note in thanks from all the kids who attend or have attended the "Young Teen Night" activities, put on once a month throughout the school year for the fifth-eighth grade classes.

That thanks goes out to Dave Peck and Glen's Markets, Wayne and Chris Nelson and their B.C. Pizza chain, and to the Board of Education. Glen's donates all of our snacks, i.e. chips, pop, cookies, carrots and dip, etc. B.C. Pizza helps us with their great pizza, and the board gives us the use of the middle school gym and cafeteria.

Every month we have anywhere from 120-200 kids attend the Teen Night, where we have plenty of activities for them, some of which are board games, video games, air hockey, ping-pong, darts, eating snacks and pizza, drinking soda, and their favorite, singing karaoke! It's great to see them all having such a great time, and the best part, thanks to all of our donators, is that it doesn't cost the kids a cent!

Also, we need to thank all the parent volunteers (they know who they are) who helped to chaperone the teen nights. Without their support we couldn't do it. So in short, thanks once again Boyne City for being the little community with the biggest heart!

Marty Moody
Teen Night coordinator

Students appreciate great turnout for benefit dinner

TO THE EDITOR:

This letter is in regards to the outpouring of support we received for the benefit spaghetti dinner that we recently held at Boyne City High School.

The proceeds go towards a cultural trip to Chicago at the end of the year, and the cost per student was quite high for most students to pay out of pocket. Not only did we have a multitude of businesses donate items, but the amount of people who came to eat was incredible.

We would like to thank the following people and businesses: Pippin's Restaurant, Glen's Market, B.C. Pizza, McDonald's, Carter's, East Jordan Marketplace, Bread Box Bakery, Tannery Saloon and Big Boy of Boyne City. These establishments were more than generous with their assistance. Also, we would like to thank Dave Dipzinski, Berry Loper, and Monty Loper for the music during dinner.

This event made many of us realize how wonderful it is to live in a community like ours, where people are more than willing to lend a hand. Thank you to everyone who attended. Chicago here we come!

Students of Boyne City High School

GUEST COLUMN

Lending an arm for the first time

By KATIE BROCK

I sat uncomfortably on the fold-out bed, and watched the nurse mark my vein and prepare to stick me with a needle. I was less than thrilled, and my friend stood beside me squeezing my hand supportively.

A few weeks ago was the first blood drive that I have donated for. I was scared to death, but then, death was something that I could be saving another person from.

The East Jordan Student Council helped the Red Cross collect blood in, what we were told, was one of the most productive blood drives the Red Cross has had in our area this year. Not all that surprising considering the work those members of the student council went through trying to organize the blood drive.

For about a month prior to the collection, members of the student council called people who had donated in previous years, posted fliers, asked local businesses to donate refreshments for the cause, and students were sent out from classroom to classroom recruiting anyone 17 years and up, students and teachers alike. It was their goal to sign up more people than last-year's turn out, which resulted in a collection of 80 units of blood. By the Friday before the blood drive, they had over 85 people signed up, which only included people from the high school, they expected more from the community.

Set up for the blood drive began at 7:30 in the morning. Metal briefcase-looking things were stacked up against the wall, which later folded out

into cushioned beds for patients. Two tables were piled high with an assortment of foods: tootsie rolls, fudge cookies, pizza, and a large selection of donuts.

People started rolling in at about 8 a.m. Being a greeter, I saw the vast majority of the people walk in fidgety and nervous, willing to run out of the gym with the smallest of excuses if it meant they didn't have to donate. People would grin at me, somehow proving to themselves that they were ready to go through with this.

For many people, especially myself, it is a scary concept. I do not particularly relish the idea of being stuck with a needle, lying upon a bed, and slowly watching the dark substance being extracted from my body. However, the concept that a mere pint of my blood, and at most, 10 minutes of dull pain could save four lives, could save four people from death; that is what makes me scrunch my eyes together, clench my teeth, and bear with it.

It could be me, someday, that is in need of that donated blood, and the fact that not even half the people in the United States who are capable of donating actually do is a tad worrying. And though some people commented that the blood drive was, and I quote, "The most fun I've had in a long time," I'll still be wary of my next donation. But then 10 minutes of my life could give someone life. Something I know I cherish, something we all cherish.

(Katie Brock is a junior at East Jordan High School.)

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for four employees and computer upgrades, and \$8,000 to complete the fifth addition at the cemetery in order to address space concerns.

The fire department budget is looking to improve and upgrade, with \$50,000 budgeted for the ladder truck with the remainder of the payment to come from the Fire Equipment Fund; \$28,493 from townships served will be used to pay off the township tanker, and \$14,000 is being requested for a new air compressor to refill air bottles.

For the airport project, \$31,000 is proposed to be budgeted for engineering in the Master Plan, \$28,000 of which is in the form of the Bureau of Aeronautics grant.

In White's message, he notes that the budget originally proposed for Recreation/Parks "was very aggressive, but had to be reduced when integrated with other department requests and revenue projects." In the revised budget proposal, \$3,500 is allocated for the creation of a groundskeeper position with initial duties at the new park in Boswell Field, as well as \$20,000 to allow for the hiring of an additional seasonal position to address increased maintenance in the parks.

Improvements are in the works for the East Jordan Harbor Marina. Among the proposed allocations are \$50,000 each for a new public restroom and for dredging, as well as \$15,000 for sprinkler system and land improvements and \$7,000 for painting and installation of a new counter in the office.

A four percent rate increase is proposed for water service, in order to maintain current services. The measure is proposed, according to White, "in tandem with the continued effort of our Water Department employees to raise our low pumped-to-billed ratio. If the pumped-to-billed increase does not address any revenue short fall, an additional increase will need to be considered."

In addition, \$70,500 is budgeted to come from the General Fund to offset the Water System Debt. In expenditures, \$85,000 is budgeted to begin repaying the loan for the water system upgrade, with a debt interest line item for \$36,833 going toward the same loan.

Anticipated revenue for the general fund for the 2000/2001 fiscal year is \$1,728,330, with total expected revenue at \$3,462,029. Planned expenditures from the general fund total \$2,340,830.

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the mouth of the Boyne River, street and sewer projects, and the development and implementation of a new city web page.

Under the proposed budget, the city's total millage rate will decrease by .21 mills, resulting from an increase in state equalized valuation of \$8,753,063. Though the overall millage rate in the budget has decreased, the proposal contains an increase in water/wastewater rates to balance increased maintenance needs, and the necessity for additional manpower.

User water rates would increase \$.10 per 1,000 gallons, to \$1.06, with quarterly water meter charges increasing \$.50 for each of the five sizes of meter. Sewer user rates would increase \$.20 per 1,000 gallons to \$1.06, with the quarterly meter charge increasing \$.50.

The proposed budget allows for expenditures totaling \$1,834,390 for the Local Development Finance Authority fund for air industrial park expenses, including contracted engineering services and contracted construction services.

Another major item included in the budget is a \$350,000 expenditure for construction costs for the River Walk Project. \$185,000 of that will be paid by revenue in the form of a state grant.

For airport improvements, the proposed budget contains an allocation of \$30,000, and \$38,250 is earmarked for capital projects including playground equipment, park irrigation, tree replacement, paving, and park amenities.

The general fund for the marina and launch ramp includes \$62,000 for buildings and equipment, which includes paving the marina parking lot and dredging marina slips, shoppers' dock area, and the mouth of the Boyne River.

"Over the next 12 months, we will be looking at ways to improve operations and the ways in which we approach tasks," Strahl said. "Over the next year we will also evaluate several large capital projects." The proposed budget contains funds to begin the planning process for additional space for the DPW, Fire and Ambulance Departments.

Several large public works projects are also in line to be evaluated.

General Fund Revenues total \$3,114,847, an increase of \$209,584. Total revenues for all funds in the proposed budget are \$4,471,260, with expenditures totaling \$4,426,483. The revenue surplus of \$44,777 will be added to fund balances.

The budget review sessions are open to the public. They will take place at City Hall.

Board candidate filing deadline is April 10

The Boyne City, East Jordan, and Boyne Falls boards of education will all have seats up for election on June 12.

The Boyne City Board of Education will have one opening for a two-year term, to expire at the end of the 2001-2002 school year, and two openings for four-year terms, to expire at the end of the 2003-2004 school year. The four-year seats are currently occupied by Kathy Anderson and Jerry Kelts. The two-year seat was occupied by Jill Compton until December, when Jon Gerster was appointed to fill the seat until the June election.

In East Jordan, the Board of Education has two seats to be contested. The seats, both four-year terms, are currently held by Barbara Malpass and Gary Ciszewski.

The Boyne Falls board also has two four-year terms up for election in June. The seats are presently held by Sandra Erber and Joe Skop.

The deadline for filing nominating petitions in each school district is Monday, April 10, at 4 p.m. Petitions, which can be obtained at the respective superintendent's offices, must be accompanied by an Affidavit of Identity.

Board president

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chugged along, and that hurt us. There was no time to stop and say 'what are we doing?'"

For the second attempt, she said, "we were not going to let anything drive the schedule except for what was the next logical step."

As to why the voters did eventually pass the proposal when they did and not in previous attempts, Anderson doesn't necessarily believe there's any credit or blame to be laid.

"Maybe it was just time," she said.

Beyond the all-consuming bond proposal, another of Anderson's big goals when she first joined the board was improving communication. "Communication is still a huge factor," she said. "It's still something we struggle with."

Anderson cites communication at the community level to be the biggest problem, one the board has yet to find an effective solution for.

According to Anderson, community attendance at the board meetings is sparse. "If it's something controversial, people come," she said. But she finds that people are not as willing to come out just to hear about regular agenda items. "Until you make a change they don't like," she adds, smiling. Her wish is for folks to take a more proactive role in the school board activities.

"It's not the community's fault," she said. "We haven't figured out a way to involve people in a way they want to be involved."

Addressing complaints that the meetings are too long, Anderson said that's not always the case. And while the fact that they allow participants to join in the discussion at any time during the meeting may draw things out just a little, she feels it's an important component of the meetings. "We want people who come to speak freely," she said.

Anderson, for her part, has put in plenty of time at meetings, not only of the school board but also as a member of the curriculum council and taking part in various other committees. Her role was especially time-intensive during the six-month period that encompassed both the bond proposal and the search for a new superintendent.

"That was a lot," she said. "That's enough to put wear and tear on anyone's life."

She does add that "that's the exception," and that involvement on the school board is more typically just a couple meetings a month and some outside reading. But for Anderson, her unusually time-consuming experience

on the board has been demanding all the way around.

Her family, though, has always been behind her. "My husband's been very supportive," she said. "When I need to go he says, 'Just go.'"

And she used to take her youngest daughter to committee and curriculum council meetings with her, until she was about eight or nine months.

"She was a fixture at those meetings," Anderson said with a laugh. But once she started walking, that was no longer a viable option.

The bottom line is, Anderson wants to spend more time with her kids. She said it's time to make some changes "when you're doing something for your kids, and it's not benefiting them on another level." She's planning on simply keeping up with her increasingly busy family, and on the business side, she and Steve expect to make some expansions to their store this spring and summer.

Overall though, Anderson seems to have no regrets about the time she's invested. "I know so much more about how my kids are educated," she said. And if she ever has a question or concern about the school system, "I know who to go to and how to ask the question."

As to whether her local business has been impacted by her role on the board, either positively or negatively, Anderson said she just hasn't seen it. "I haven't had anyone come and say 'you've lost my business'" because of a stance she's had on an issue, but, she concedes, "it could happen and you wouldn't know it" if the person wasn't vocal about it.

On the positive side, Anderson said that there were many occasions when people would come into the store and ask her questions about school board issues, since they always knew where to find her.

And that's where they'll find her still. But rather than fielding questions about the latest school issue, she'll be answering questions about the latest good book.

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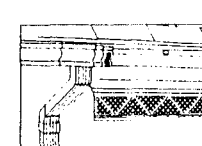
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OBITUARIES

Catherine M. Howe

Catherine M. Howe, 97, of Boyne City, died March 16, 2000 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. Her funeral was Tuesday, March 21, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, the Rev. Francis Partridge officiating. She was born Nov. 30, 1902 in Boyne City, the daughter of John and Anna Carlson. She was the oldest member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church and the longest living resident of Litzenburger Place. She had a wonderful wit about her and a wealth of friends. She valued the time spent with her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren. She leaves behind countless memories of times spent together. Carrie touched many lives with her warm, caring heart. She was a great lady and will be sadly missed. She was preceded in death by her son, Edward R. Gunderson, and

great-grandson, Daniel Cobb. She is survived by a special daughter-in-law, Antoinette Gunderson, who cared for her; one brother, William Meyers; grandchildren Judith (Paul) Cobb, Larry (Sue) Gunderson, Dennis (Anne) Gunderson, Jennifer (Norm) Renaud, Lauri (Mark) Lindsay, Gail (Sam) Reid, Kristina (Matthew) Powers, and Kirk Gunderson; great-grandchildren Greg (Jill) Cobb, Mathew Cobb, Trevor and Tracy Gunderson, Brooks, Kelsey and Travis Gunderson, Alisha, Kati, Angela Peck and Carlee Lindsay, Garrett and Danielle Powers and Kori Gunderson; and great-great-grandchildren Tyler, Jacob, and Madelyn Cobb. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to St. Matthew's Catholic Church building fund.

Richard 'Dick' Allen Rose

Richard "Dick" Allen Rose, 63, of Boyne City, died on Friday, March 16, 2000 in Oak Hill, Fla. His funeral was held on Tuesday, March 21, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Boyne City. The Rev. Milton Walls officiated, with burial in Maple Lawn Cemetery in Boyne City. Dick was born on April 10, 1936 in Pontiac, the son of Wilford and Eva Storm Rose. He moved to Boyne City as a young man and attended Boyne City High School. On Feb. 11, 1956, he married Lois Hampton in Petoskey. Mr. Rose owned and operated Dick's Body Shop for many years. He loved hunting, fishing, traveling, casinos, camping, and mushrooming. Survivors include his wife, Lois

Rose of Boyne City; one son Randy, of Boyne City; three daughters, Sherry (Gary) Laurie of Cadillac, Diane Rose of Boyne City, and Shelly (Brian) Young of Boyne City; two brothers, Wilford Jr. (June) Rose of Homassassa, Fla., and Roger (Joanna) Rose of Oak Hills, Fla.; four sisters, Beatrice Fisher of Oak Hills, Fla., Eva Miklia of South Carolina, Sandra (William) Hart of Texas, and Gloria Siddell of Ft. Myers, Fla. Dick was preceded in death by a son Rick in 1978 and a brother Carl in 1943. Memorials may be directed to the family and a charity will be chosen at a later date. Envelopes will be available at the Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City.

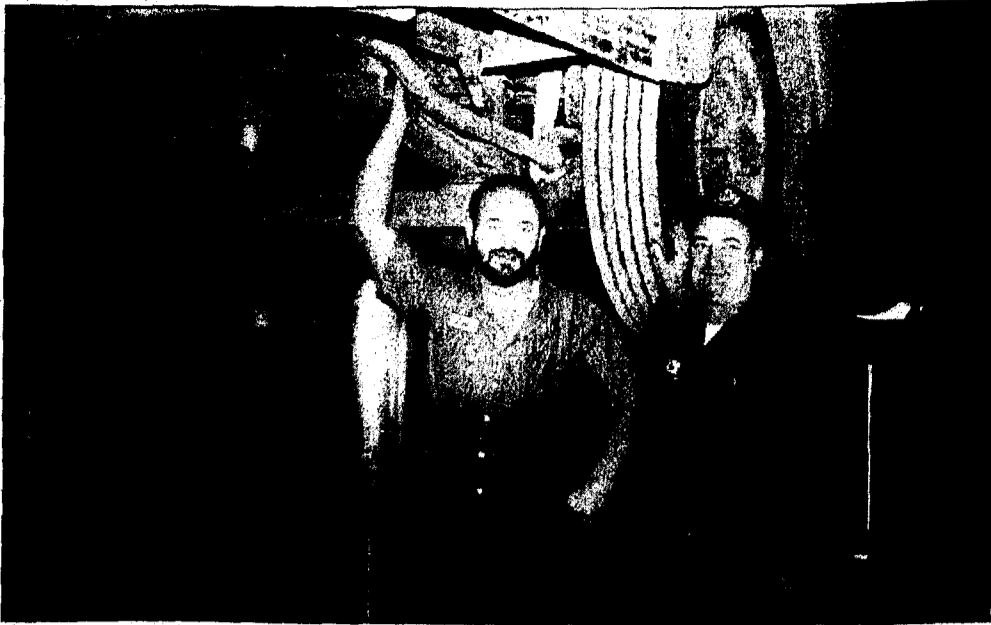
Viola J. Compo

Viola J. Compo, 76, of East Jordan, and formerly of Grand Rapids, died Monday, March 20, 2000 at Charlevoix Area Hospital. Her funeral is Wednesday, March 22, at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan. The Rev. Mariusz Makowski will officiate. Interment will be in Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan. She was born on June 15, 1923 in Petoskey, the daughter of Joseph and Louisa (Ettawageshik Blackbird) Shomin. She married Frank Compo 43 years ago in Grand Rapids. Viola retired from "Visiting Nurses" in Grand Rapids in the early 1980s. Viola and Frank moved to East Jordan in 1996. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan. Viola was also a member of the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa. Viola is survived by her husband Frank Compo of East Jordan; two daughters, Fran (Ron Yob) Compo

and Kelly (Carl Sr.) Wesaw, both of Grand Rapids; 11 grandchildren, Steve Compo of Portage, Alan Norberg of Kalamazoo, Ricky (Billi) Jo Kuikstra of Norberg II of East Jordan, Bernadece Compo, Andrea Compo-Yob, Carla Wesaw, Patty Wesaw, Frank Wesaw, Frances Wesaw, Carl Wesaw, Jr., and Tianna Shananaquet, all of Grand Rapids; three great-grandchildren, Kelly Norberg of East Jordan, Mshkoadekwe Breckenridge and Nimkee Fox, both of Grand Rapids; as well as many nieces and nephews. Viola was preceded in death by her parents and was the last member of a very large family.

June Anderson

June Anderson, 87, of Boyne City, died on Tuesday, March 21, 2000 at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix. Arrangements are incomplete at this time at the Stackus Funeral Home. A complete obituary will follow.



Joe Howie, left, and Ben Geyer, both of whom spend a lot of time underneath school busses, earned the Boyne City/Boyne Falls bus fleet a five-star rating for the ninth year in a row.

School bus fleet: Perfect, again

Joe Howie has done it again. For an unprecedented ninth year in a row, the Boyne City schools bus garage has received a Five Star Rating of Excellence from the State of Michigan. Howie, supervisor and mechanic, maintains the bus fleets for both Boyne City and Boyne Falls, with 22 busses altogether. He and mechanic

Ben Geyer are, to say the least, modest about their accomplishment. There are no secrets to their success, they say. "It's just an ongoing goal," Howie said. "It's a commitment." The busses undergo rigorous inspection in the rating process, checking everything from windshield wipers to the rear bumper.

Howie, who joined the school district in 1991 and maintains both the Boyne City and the Boyne Falls bus fleets, led the garage to break the state record of five straight years of perfect ratings in 1997. Now four years beyond that original record, it looks like Howie has set a standard for years to come.

BOYNE POLICE NEWS

The Boyne City Police Department handled 48 complaints for the week of March 9-15. Four traffic accidents were reported, and 15 verbal warnings and three citations were issued.

Complaints included: Monday, March 13 - The department received a report of the larceny of a backpack with CDs and a headset taken from the Avalanche area.

Wednesday, March 15 - Officers responded to a property damage accident at the corner of East and Water streets involving a school bus and a car. There were no injuries.

Thursday, March 16 - An officer was called to the Tannery in regard to a possible fight. A minor hit and run was reported in the Carter's parking lot.

Saturday, March 18 - Officers responded to calls regarding possible fights at the Tannery.

Sunday, March 19 - A report of a street party in front of the Tannery was called in. The department received a report of the larceny of a leather coat, with a cell-phone and wallet in the pockets, taken from the Tannery. Officers responded to a property damage accident in the Parkview Apartments parking lot.

CALENDAR

- BACPAC MEETING**
March 22, 7 p.m.
The Boyne City High School BACPAC Group will have a planning meeting Wednesday in Room 5 at the high school. Information: Karen Jarema, 582-9710 or Robin Bricker, 582-7430.
- NMC JAZZ CONCERT**
March 24, 8 p.m.
The Northwestern Michigan College Jazz and Blues Ensembles will perform on Friday in the Milliken Auditorium of the Dennon Museum Center. The Jazz Big Band, Vocal Jazz Ensemble, and the Blues Band will play. Tickets are \$5 at the door.
- RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**
March 30
Boyne City High School and Community American Red Cross Blood Drive will be 8:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at the Boyne City High School Media Center, 1025 Boyne Ave., Boyne City.
- SURVIVING DIVORCE PROGRAM**
March 23, 7-8:30 p.m.
A free presentation "The Healthy Self: Surviving the Stress of Divorce," will be available Thursday at Charlevoix Area Hospital. The program is a live video teleconference broadcast on the REMEC TeleHealth Network, a two-way television link with Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. To register, call Connie Roland at 547-8570.
- HOLINESS CAMP HYMNING**
March 26, 6 p.m.
The Northern Michigan Holiness Camp Hymning will be held Sunday at the Petoskey Church of God, 401 Madison St. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy a time of music and fellowship. Finger foods will be served following the service.
- CPR AND FIRST AID CLASSES**
April 5, 12 and 19, 6 p.m.
Charlevoix Area Hospital is offering cardiopulmonary resuscitation courses and first aid courses in its large classroom from 6-9 p.m. on the following dates: April 5, Adult CPR; April 12, Infant and Pediatric CPR; April 19, Basic First Aid. Cost: \$10 per class. To register, call Vicki Daman at 547-2801. All classes are taught by certified instructors.
- BCCFE First Wednesday**
The Boyne City Foundation for Excellence in Education meets the first Wednesday of each month at 5:45 p.m. at the Boyne City High School media center. Future dates are March 1, April 5 and May 3.
- 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.

OBITUARIES

Payne Justin Cole Reali

Payne Justin Cole Reali, infant son of Justin Andrew Reali and Heaven Nicole Arlene Stewart, was stillborn on March 18, 2000 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, March 23, at 1 p.m. at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City. The Rev. David Behling will officiate. Other than his parents, survivors include grandparents, Kyle (Susan) Stanley of Boyne City, Karen Malone of Florida, and Andrew Reali of Florida; great-grandparents Richard

and Jeannette Brooks of Boyne City; great-great-grandmother Joy Brooks of Boyne City; aunts Paula Stanley and Country Stewart, both of Boyne City, and Andrea Reali of Florida; godmother Tiffany Sirmons; uncles David Kirk and Collin Stackus, both of Boyne City, and Corey Stillinger of Florida; and cousins Gypsy, Jory, Rain, and Tristan. Memorials may be directed to the family; a charity will be chosen at a later date. Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City is in charge of arrangements.

The Family of Lewis W. Prebble
wish to take this opportunity to express their appreciation and say, "Thank You" to the many family members, friends, neighbors, and acquaintances who provided cards, flowers, food, and kind words during the recent loss of our father. A very special "THANKS" to Cindy and Mark Penzien, Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan, for their thoughtfulness and expression of guidance during this time in the life of our family. Also, to Mary Jane and Glen Seagraves and Ann and Bill Olstrom for their leadership expressed at the luncheon provided, after Dad's funeral, at the East Jordan Senior Center. This group of caring people graciously provided the location. Again, THANKS to all of you.
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NEWS FROM CITY HALL

BOYNE CITY

By SUE HOBBS

WITH THE early spring weather, city crews have already started leaf pickup. Leaves must be in biodegradable bags and placed by the curb. There is no schedule at this time; however, if crews see leaves out by the street, they will stop and pick them up. If you have some out for several days and they have not been to your street, please call 582-6597 to be put on a list for pick-up.

THERE HAVE been some changes in duties of staff with the new budget year. Tim O'Leary, City Planner and Zoning Administrator, will take on additional duties as Director of Parks and Recreation, while his assistant, Charles Stewart, will be assuming some responsibilities related to zoning and planning in the three townships with which the city has contracts.

CENSUS 2000 is in full swing. Census questionnaires are now being delivered to every residence in the United States. It is very important that you fill out and return this form. Census numbers are used to determine which governmental services are needed in your area, plan public improvements, and determine how many health providers and emergency service people are needed. Additionally, \$100 billion in federal funds and even more in state funds are distributed based on census numbers. Many businesses make relocation decisions based on census numbers by identifying markets, and individuals can request a certificate from past census records to establish age, residence or relationship, which could help you receive pensions or inheritance.

Census information should be filled out for your primary residence, the place you live for greater than six months, not your winter home. The home on which you claim Homestead Exemption is also the address which you should list on the census form.

Remember, it is extremely important to Boyne City that the Census Bureau count everyone who resides in our city. If you are away for the winter, wait until you get back to respond to the census. If you live here year round, please fill out and return the form. If you are part-time residents who are here more than six months a year and claim this as your homestead, then your Boyne City address should be used on the census form.

(Sue Hobbs is city clerk and assistant city manager for the City of Boyne City.)

EAST JORDAN

By KATHY O'REAR

Spring time is an extremely busy time of the year for all city departments and this includes our volunteer planning commission and zoning board of appeals. Our city is very lucky to have these seasoned individuals helping plan for and attend to the city's orderly growth and development. Planning commissioners and ZBA members have a combined 80 years of community development service.

Many people misunderstand the zoning process and homeowners and inexperienced developers become frustrated with community development standards. Some people also fail to realize that a community's development standards protect not only the individual, but the community as a whole. Zoning and development standards can improve proposed developments, making them more desirable for investors and the community, thus creating a better return to the developer.

East Jordan has a well-developed zoning ordinance, not too strict and not too permissive. The planning commission reviews the code continually to determine if developmental amendments are needed. The commission is charged with the duty to review the code and make any recommendations on change to the city commission. The planning commission maintains the city's Master Land Use Plan. The master plan is a developmental map for future needs of the city. In addition to zoning code maintenance and master land use planning, the commission is responsible for approving all site plans for projects in all zoning districts except single family residential districts. A planning commissioner's job can be fun and it can also be wrenching, because they can't always accommodate everyone's desires.

East Jordan's board of appeals has several tasks, but the most difficult are granting or denying dimensional variance requests, and interpreting provisions of the zoning ordinance that are not clear. The ZBA's action on a matter is final, unless appealed to circuit court. I have often thought that the job of the zoning board of appeals is the most difficult in city government. Hats off to you ZBA members Mike Burr, Donna James, Shelley Stallard, Lee Symonds, and Jim LaBeau.

We have been fortunate in recent years that our ZBA has not had to meet on a regular basis and we have had no legal entanglements. This indicates that our planning commissioners are doing their jobs at keeping our zoning code current and by meeting the needs of our community through master land use planning and site plan review. Thank you planning commissioners Brad Jones, Marie Yettaw, Bill Dunson, Jim LaBeau, Don Timmons, Larry O'Rear, Paula Sweet, Bart Petrich, and Lynn Carson. You are doing a great job!

REMINDER: You must obtain an approved zoning permit from city hall prior to getting a building permit from the County Building Department.

(Kathy O'Rear is city clerk for the City of East Jordan.)

Bands get high marks at festival

Both the Boyne City and East Jordan High School bands made a strong showing at the recent District Band Festival.

According to Boyne City schools music director Bill Sommerfeldt, their band received a "two", on a scale of one to five, where one is the best.

"It's a big improvement from last

year," Sommerfeldt said. "Last year we got a three rating. But two and one are really fabulous."

East Jordan's high school band also received a rating of two at the festival. Music director Doug Gaertner was pleased with the band's performance, stating that this was an improvement for them, having received a three the year before.

The festival is not a competition, but a performance event in which bands are judged independently of each other, and rated on a scale. The district extends from Frankfort to Mackinaw.

Upcoming events for school bands include a festival at Alma college in April for the newly-formed Boyne City High School jazz band.

The group, formed this past September, is "playing very, very well," according to Sommerfeldt.

For the East Jordan High School band, some band members will be performing, along with community members, in the orchestra pit for the East Jordan Thespians production of "Oliver!" In addition, the band has a pops concert scheduled for May 8 at 7 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

BUSINESS

Economic Alliance director receives planning award

Tom Johnson, executive director of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA) recently received an award in the category of "Outstanding Planning Professional" from the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments.

Johnson was nominated for the award by the Antrim County Planning Commission in recognition of his work in Antrim, Charlevoix, and Emmet counties as executive director for NLEA.

He was picked from all planning related professionals nominated within the 10-county area covered by the Northwest Michigan Council of

Governments to receive the award.

The Northern Lakes Economic Alliance is a three county, non-profit economic development organization to promote and coordinate economic development issues within and between each of the three counties.

Johnson, a Boyne City resident, serves as an advisory member to the Economic Development Corporations of at least two counties.

He assisted all three counties in establishing Brownfield Redevelopment Authorities. Johnson also assisted in establishing Northern Homes Community Development Corporation, a six-county non-profit

housing corporation.

Johnson also assisted the city of East Jordan in establishing a Downtown Development Authority to better guide the economic development of that community.

"There really isn't anyone in the region who has worked harder and deserves the award more than Tom," said NLEA board president Peter Garwood.

"He understands that a strong downtown, good land use decisions, historic preservation, a clean environment as well as a healthy business climate, are all key components of a thriving economy."

Century 21 associates attend international convention

Douglas Hoesli, Mario Cioletti, and Mark and Jody Kowalske of Century 21 Up North recently attended the Century 21 International Convention 2000 in Orlando, Fla.

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Sheriff and State Police join forces for safety patrols

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The program will target specific roads reported by citizens to be an area of concern. Traffic safety concerns may be in relation to speeders, careless or reckless drivers, drunk drivers, etc.

According to Lasater and Killips, one or more deputies or troopers, in both marked and unmarked patrol units, will be assigned to a concentrated patrol of areas in question for designated periods of time. The citizen or group of citizens requesting the service will be supplied with a written report after the patrol period outlining the number of citations issued, traffic stops made, arrests, and number of patrol hours spent on the problem area.

Requests for the service can be made to Sheriff Lasater at 547-4461. The sheriff will assign deputies and forward requests to Lt. Killips for assignments to State Police troopers.

Citizens requesting this service should supply the following information: specific roadway, including nearest crossroad; types of violations the citizen has observed; suspects, if any (type of vehicle, etc.); and the time and day violations take place.

The program will be utilized in addition to regular sheriff and state police patrol activities.

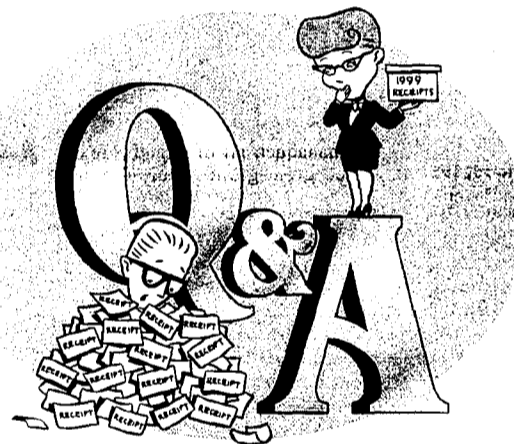
Boyne library holding April fool's drawing

Everyone's been asked this question at one time or another - which was better, the book or the movie? If you feel inclined to put your opinion down on paper, it just may win you a prize.

The Boyne District Library will hold a drawing on April 1 for answering that very question. To enter, write one line about which was better, the book or the movie, and deposit your entry in the box located at the library. You may pick any subject provided that you have both read the book and seen the screen adaptation.

Names will be drawn on April 1. Prizes for the drawing have been donated by B.C. Pizza, Boyne Cinema, Boyne Country Books, Blockbuster, Butler Drugs, and Subway.

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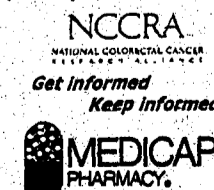
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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

East Jordan

NAME: Ashlie Bennett
GRADE: Freshman
PARENTS: Debbie Bennett and Norm and Rhonda Bennett
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Reading and writing
FUTURE PLANS: Become a lawyer
FAVORITE CLASS: Art II
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Ashlie is a hard-working student," said Becky Miller. "I enjoy her positive attitude."



Ashlie Bennett

"Ashlie is doing an excellent job in biology," said Brad Jones.

"Ashlie is a very hard worker," said Liz Huyck. "She never settles for less than her best."

"Ashlie is a real asset to the classroom," said Carolyn Hardy. "Ashlie is a great writer and can always be counted on to help others."

"Ashlie contributes well in class, continues to push herself to better each project," said Darrin Poldskalny. "She is a fun and exciting person to have in art."

"Ashlie works hard in class and contributes valuable ideas," said Laura Kueffner.

NAME: Matt Smith
GRADE: Junior
PARENTS: John and Margaret Smith
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Cross country, National Honor Society, track
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Lifeguarding, listening to music, traveling
FUTURE PLANS: College, but no specific
FAVORITE CLASS: Advanced Placement Biology



Matt Smith

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Quiet, but a very nice young man," said Bob Panoff.

"Matt has a good understanding of math and quietly does his work and is attentive in class," said Bill Aten.

"Matt is doing an excellent job in AP Biology," said Sharon Moeke. "He really likes the way I weigh grades."

"Matt gives deep thought to his input during class discussions and assignments," said Roxanne Zell. "He completes each assignment as a challenge he has mastered."

"Matt is a self-directed learner who stays focused on the task," said Jerry Hawes.

"Matt has a great sense of humor and is a pleasure to have in class," said Jennifer Richardson.

Boyne City

NAME: Sophie Hartwick
GRADE: Sophomore
PARENTS: Tim and Pam Hartwick
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball, cheer-leading, drama
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I enjoy reading, listening to music, and hanging out with my friends."
FUTURE PLANS AND GOALS: "I plan on going to college, maybe LSSU, to get my degree in neonatal nursing."



Sophie Hartwick

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Sophie is a consistent hard-working young lady in my English 220 class," said Rick Fowler. "She has taken on many difficult assignments and has prospered. She also greets each day with a smile. Congrats!"

"Sophie is doing great in biology," said Elizabeth Hemming. "She is polite, friendly, and genuinely nice. I enjoy her positive attitude and pleasant smile. Sophie is cooperative, dependable, and hard-working. She is doing a wonderful job and is a pleasure to have in class. Congratulations Sophie!"

NAME: Justin Callahan
GRADE: Senior
PARENTS: Curt and Brenda Sims
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Baseball, golf
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Bowling, art, basketball, football, baseball, computers, building web pages, and designing Internet graphics
FUTURE PLANS OR GOALS: "I'm going to be attending Baker in Muskegon taking a course in web design. I later want to also get a bachelor's in Graphic Design."



Justin Callahan

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Justin Callahan has been a leader in Phys. Ed. all year," said Bob Wollenberg. "He is courteous, respectful, and helps younger students learn basic skills. We appreciate students like Justin."

"Justin has been an excellent art student since he started high school," said Lee Ewald. "He constantly goes beyond the normal expectations of each assignment. Currently, Justin is working on all of the web pages for the Boyne City public schools and is the driving force for this project. Thanks, Justin."

Boyne Falls

NAME: Mitch Matelski
PARENTS: Debbie and Joe Matelski
GRADE: First
HOBBIES/INTERESTS: Pokemon cards
FAVORITE COLOR: Blue
WHAT I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP: Work like my dad
FAVORITE FOOD: Pancakes
FAVORITE T.V. SHOW: Scooby Doo
FAVORITE CARTOON CHARACTER: Scooby Doo
FAVORITE HERO: Hercules
WHAT I LIKE BEST ABOUT SCHOOL: Recess, work on computers, gym



Mitch Matelski

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Mitch has worked hard in first grade all year and has shown a lot of improvement in all areas," said Rebecca Disney. "He has also been a kind and understanding friend to all of his classmates. He is very deserving of this student of the week award."

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

VFW Auxiliary

The Smelt City VFW Auxiliary #3675 of Boyne City will hold a Swiss Steak Dinner from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, March 25, at the post home on Division Street in Boyne City. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children age 5-12 and free for chil-

dren under five. The cold salad and dessert bar is available for \$4.

Friendship Club

The Boyne City Friendship Club will meet Monday, March 27, at the Boyne City Hall auditorium. Bring a dish to share and your own table service. Anyone over 50 is welcome.



Scholarship candidates

Contestants for the 12th annual Miss East Jordan Scholarship Pageant will take the stage on Saturday, April 15 at 7 p.m. in the East Jordan High School Auditorium. The nine young women will be competing for a first place prize of \$1000 in scholarship money. The second runner up will receive \$500, third runner up \$300, and the remaining contestants receive \$200 each. Pictured here are, front row, from left: Gretchen Knight, Briann Thorman, Katie Goebel, Nichole Moblo. Back row: Cynthia Mazzella, Renee Roberts, Suzi Malpass, Naomi Lawson, Megan Kempton. Tickets for the event are \$5, and can be purchased from any contestant, at The E.J. Shop, Main Street Hair Cottage, or at the door.

NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

AN UPDATE on Jimmy Stackus of East Jordan, the son of Craig and Diane Stackus, is that he was released to his home on Saturday from the hospital in Kalamazoo. His motorcycle accident required six hours of surgery, which left him with 80 percent use of his legs. In talking to Jimmy, age 29, I also learned he was not practicing last week, when the accident happened, but riding in a race. "It's a miracle that I made it through successful surgery," he said. "And I want to thank the community for their prayers and concerns, especially Gen Varnum's support group for getting me a hospital bed and wheelchair for here at home. He starts therapy on Tuesday at Boyne Rehab and expects to regain full use of his legs. "I've been blessed," said Jimmy. With a positive attitude, he also said, "I haven't promised to give up motorcycleing, but I'll put it on hold, for awhile."

PATTY MOORE of Boyne City was honored with a bridal shower on Wednesday, March 15. A group of 20 friends, co-workers at Great Lakes Energy and dancers gathered in the Litzzenburger Place community room for a fine time of refreshments, dancing, and door prizes, with Patty receiving many lovely gifts. Patty and Larry Ingraham, both of Boyne City, are to be married in Las Vegas on March 26. The fun party was co-hosted by Brenda Miller and Judy Follette.

RECENT NEWLYWEDS, Jamie and Joan Shepherd have moved into their beautiful new home on Erickson Road in Boyne City this past week.

STAFF AND residents of Litzzenburger Place welcome new maintenance man, John Hess, who started this past Monday.

WORD HAS been received that former Boyne City resident, Victor Burdick of Indian River, died on Sunday, at Northern Michigan Hospital.

A REMINDER GOES out that the Boyne City Holiness Camp Hymn Sing will be held next Sunday, March 25, at the Church of God, 401 Madison St., in Petoskey at 6 p.m. This time of singing, special music, fellowship, and refreshments keeps area church families in touch throughout the year.

LITZENBURGER PLACE residents extend heartfelt sympathies to the family of longtime resident, Catherine Howe, who died at Northern Michigan Hospital on Friday.

GOOD NEWS came to the home of Merle and Mary Carson of Boyne City this week. It was announced in Colorado Springs, Colo., during the birthday party of Mary's 4-year-old grandson, Cameron Vobach, the son of Dr. Ken and Karen Vobach. The surprise of the party, was that Dr. Ken will begin his medical

practice with McCleron Hospital Clinic in Davison, Mich. this next week. Mary will have all four of her daughters in Michigan now. "Now I'll have all my little ducks in a row!" she said.

KEVIN AND DEBBY Northup of Sterling Heights were in Boyne City over the weekend visiting his grandmother, Edna May.

FORMER BOYNE residents, Esther and Don Trojanek of Grayling, joined the S.C.A.M.P.S. of the Free Methodist Church on Sunday, for dinner at The Flapjack Shack in Charlevoix.

AGATHA LACROSS of Boyne City, age 92, entered Grandvue on March 9, after a long illness in Florida. On March 7, her children, Norma Bean of Boyne City, Al LaCross of Georgia and Tom Collier, a friend of Al's, and Alice Patricko of Pittsburgh, brought their mother back home. The four of them drove a conversion van, with Agatha in the back, on an electric bed. They drove straight through for 25 hours (1,400 miles). Agatha took the trip very well. "My husband Larry and I both wish to express thanks to Steve Erber, Bill Stanley, and Bill, who came over with the ambulance and got mom into the house on a stretcher," said Norma. "And I am so glad to live in a town where people help one another and I'm glad to be home!"

(To submit items to Nancy, call 582-9174 or e-mail her at nanup@mail.unnet.com.)

Hospital guild offers medical scholarship

The Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild is offering a medical scholarship of \$400.00 per year for a maximum of four years.

The scholarship is open on a competitive basis to anyone holding a high school diploma who has been accepted into an approved school for a course of study leading directly into

a health care profession.

It is open to employees of the Charlevoix Area Hospital who are already working in the health care field who wish to further their medical education.

Applicants must reside in the area served by the hospital - Charlevoix and northern Antrim counties. They must also have applied for admission to an accredited school before applying for the scholarship, and be ac-

cepted into a medical program at the time the scholarship is awarded.

Students are eligible to receive scholarships for four years, so if a student has received a scholarship in the past, they should notify the scholarship committee of their interest in the 2000 scholarship.

Deadline for applications is June 1, 2000. To secure an application persons should contact their high school counselor or write: Scholar-

ship Committee, Attention Kathy Johnson, Charlevoix Area Hospital, 14700 Lakeshore Drive, Charlevoix, MI 49720 or call (231) 547-8502 for an application.

Scholarship applications are available at the counselor's offices at Charlevoix, Boyne City, Boyne Falls, East Jordan, Ellsworth, Central Lake and Beaver Island high schools, and at Northern Central Michigan College in Petoskey.

Boyne Falls rounding up kindergartners

Kindergarten Roundup for next year's kindergarten class will be held on Thursday, April 13 at Boyne Falls Public School.

All children who will be five years of age by Dec. 1, 2000 are encouraged to attend. Appointments can be made by calling the school at 549-2211.

Church hosting Brazilian visitors

The Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Boyne City, is sponsoring a Brazilian delegation to share their testimony of what the church is doing in Brazil.

There will be a potluck dinner and program on March 24, at 6:30 p.m. A free will offering will be taken to defray traveling costs.

Everyone is invited to attend. The church is located at, 777 Vogel St.

For more information, call pastor Lee Ecker at 547-0429.

COLLEGE NEWS

MICHAEL JOSEPH CZERKES of Boyne City, **HEATHER LYN GROBASKI** of Boyne Falls, **JAKE ALAN TSCHUDY** of East Jordan, and **STEPHANIE ANN MARCHBANKS** of Walloon Lake were named as honor students for the fall semester at Michigan State University.

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Northern Michigan Hospital is pleased to welcome Kal A. Attie, MD, to our Medical Staff.

Dr. Attie joins the other members of Northern Michigan Emergency Physicians, P.C., staffing the Emergency Department at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. The phone number is (231)487-4520.

For more information about Dr. Attie, or any of our physicians, please call HealthAccess at 1-800-248-6777

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Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit.

Post-Graduate:
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Board Certification:
American Board of Emergency Medicine (board eligible).



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STUDENTS WRITE WINNING ESSAYS

Heroes for the 21st Century

Three students from Boyne City Middle School have been named local winners in the 31st annual "American & Me" Essay Contest, sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance.

The topic of the 1999-2000 contest was "My American Hero for the 21st Century."

Jacqueline Neill was awarded first place, Christine Dixon, second, and Katie Martin, third. All three received award certificates for their achievement.

As the school's first place winner, Jacqueline's name will also be engraved on a plaque for permanent display in the school.

Her essay advances to the state level competition, from which the top 10 essays in Michigan will be selected. Statewide winners, who will be announced in April, will receive plaques, cash, and U.S. Savings Bonds valued from \$500 to \$1,000.

A FRIEND FOR LIFE By Jacqueline Neill

What is an American hero to me? Someone who can change your life completely and not even try. When I was told to write an essay about my American hero only two people came to mind. I decided to write it on the person that wasn't like everyone else's. I had chosen my best friend. I chose him over my mother.

Randy doesn't have any diseases, Randy isn't perfect, but he tries his best to be nice to everyone around him and respects them even if they don't respect him. He may not have changed anyone else's life, but he sure changed mine.



I met Randy at the beginning of seventh grade. I walked into the room and sat down. He said hi to me and asked what my name was. As soon as I heard his voice I knew I would become friends with him, with someone who seemed to be friends with everyone! We became really good friends and he started to hang out with all of my other friends.

One day I was talking to him about a fight that I was in with my friend. In seventh grade I made the choice to hang out with the wrong group. They all did drugs and were involved in gangs. I never thought twice about what they did, I didn't have to. Randy convinced me that what they were doing was wrong. He didn't tell me to stop being friends with them. He just told me to think about what they did, and what they did for me, (which wasn't much). It didn't take me long to make a decision. I couldn't be friends with them anymore.

I told my friend that we couldn't be friends anymore because of what she did. Then everyone else

followed her. It was hard, and they talked about me. But just the fact that I knew I was doing something right made me feel a lot better. I asked my mom if I could change schools, she transferred me and I called Rartdy. He was proud of me, so was his mom, sister and all of his friends. Now I am a different person because of what he did for me. It doesn't seem like much to some but it really is. I am a better person because of him. That is why Randy is my American hero for the 21st Century.

MY AMERICAN HERO By Christine Dixon

Taking care of family is like taking care of glassware. Delicate, valuable and precious, it must be handled gently. But if anything does happen to break the glass, someone must pick up the pieces. My Grandmother, Reta Cottingham Fields, has always been there not only to pick up pieces of our family, but to put them back together, as well. It is for this reason, she is my American Hero of the 21st Century.



As far back as my memory will travel, I can always see my Grandma's smiling face. Generosity is one of her many values in life. She has never refused to put her life on hold if someone is in need of a helping hand. Whether it's on the job with the people in her community or spending time with the family, she is constantly thinking of others before even considering herself. Continuously being a hard-working, caring and devoted person, she is the perfect example of a role model that has a positive influence on everyone's life.

More than just a role model, my Grandma is an outstanding friend. Like a never-ending waterfall, she pours out words of wisdom, advice and encouragement. There to root you on at a game or to provide a shoulder to lean on, she manages to find a way to lift your spirits and brighten your day. With an overall positive attitude, you'll rarely find a frown or pout when it comes to my Grandma. It is this very attitude that has kept our family going through hard times.

During the past few years, our family has been challenged with much crisis and turmoil. Through the struggle of death and divorce, our love and family bond was put to the ultimate test. My Grandmother refused to give in to the depression, and kept the positive attitude that was so vital to our family's survival. I don't know where our family or I would be without seeing the smile on my Grandma's face, so reassuring and comforting. Her strength and perseverance failed to waiver and

she was confident that we could make it. My grandmother was truly the one who kept us together and saved us all.

Valuable lessons that can never be re-taught, but will always be remembered, I cherish my grandmother for this. If I have one lifetime goal, it is to try and be like my grandmother more and more every day. I dedicate this to my grandma, who knew how to piece the puzzle of our family, and life in general back together, and earn herself the title of being an American Hero, which she truly deserves.

MY AMERICAN HERO By Katie Martin

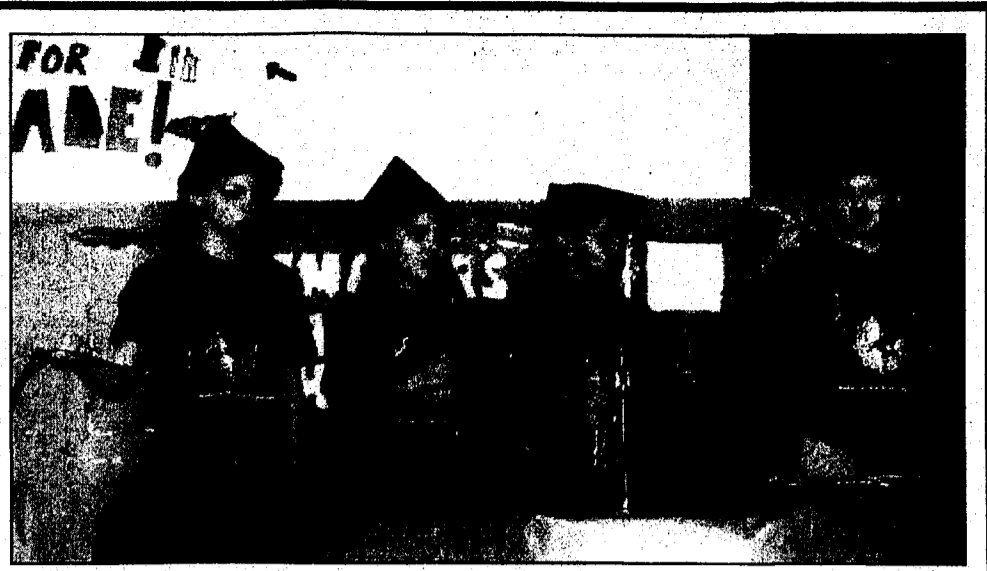
My American hero didn't become respected until later in life. He always had eyes staring at him and mouths screaming at him. Yet he stood up for what he believed in. He showed that everybody is equal and has the right to live in one world without being segregated, because of color. He proved to Americans that if you open your eyes and your hearts you might meet someone who truly is a human being too.

My American Hero is Martin Luther King. I think he is a great role model to people, because he showed that everyone is equal. Martin Luther King always stood up for what he believed in. He formed boycotts, marches, and speeches to stand up for blacks and show that the constitution stands for everyone's rights. One day this brave man and others started to form a boycott against the Montgomery bus, after Rosa Parks was arrested for not moving out of a white person's seat. No one showed up at the boycott, but weeks later they formed the M.I.A. (Montgomery Improvement Association) and elected Dr. King as their president. Two months later Dr. King's house was bombed. Many blacks started to hate white people, but Martin Luther King taught them that love would get them further.



I think Dr. King shows that violence is not the right path. This is important to young people as they move into the new century. Martin Luther King was truly a great person. And would do anything for others. Thanks to Martin Luther King, people are starting to get along without looking at your color, and proved that we all live in the same world. King was later assassinated shortly after giving his "I Have a Dream" speech.

This man truly touched my heart and I hope touched yours. Just remember everyone has a dream and if you follow it someday you will be rewarded. Maybe someday "we can all sit together at the table of brotherhood..."



Busy Elves

Students from Mrs. Kauffman's second grade class at East Jordan Elementary presented their version of "The Elves and the Shoemaker" to parents and fellow second graders last week. Pictured, from left, are: Sheneya Argetsinger, Haley Donaldson, Cody Watkins, and Tanner Olstrom.

Hospital opens expanded lab

By TAMARA STEVENS

A newly renovated laboratory opened recently at Charlevoix Area Hospital, doubling the size of the former lab area.

For patients who visit the lab to have blood drawn for tests, the changes and expansion appear in the form of a comfortable and roomy waiting area, increased privacy for blood draws, and a patient restroom that is handicapped accessible. But the major benefits of the expansion may never be seen by patients.

In addition to doubling the floor space of the lab, other improvements include everything from new flooring to deeper countertops to proper lighting and adequate air conditioning. All the equipment for the more than 48,600 tests performed in the lab

each year generate a lot of heat. Maintaining a cool work environment, as well as a proper temperature for the specimens, is critical in a hospital lab. Now each room in the lab has its own thermostatic controls. A new ceiling will absorb noise, new smoke detectors and built-in sprinklers will keep patients and personnel safe, and a back-up machinery room will provide needed services in case of an emergency should the main equipment go off-line.

Lab technicians and personnel now have a quiet room to rest in when they are on call at all hours of the night and early morning, something the former lab was sorely lacking. The new lab also has plenty of needed storage space, another vast improvement over the old lab.

The department provides lab ser-

vices to the physicians' offices who are on staff at the hospital, in addition to doing all the in-patient and out-patient tests for the hospital. Currently, the lab staff consists of 12 people, with plans to add a phlebotomist in the near future.

"These improvements will allow us to continue to provide the life-saving lab tests we've always been able to in an efficient and reliable manner," said Ralph Corwin, director of the lab.

For more information on Charlevoix Area Hospital's newly expanded laboratory and the many services available at the hospital, please call 547-8501.

(Tamara Stevens is director of marketing for Charlevoix Area Hospital.)

Retired School Employees offer scholarship

The Charlevoix County Chapter of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel is inviting

any graduating high school senior in Charlevoix County planning to attend a certified trade or vocational school program in the 2000-2001 school year to apply for a \$500 scholarship.

The scholarship is offered through the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. Applications may be obtained from local high school guidance offices or by calling chapter president Betty Walker at 536-2466.

Applications must be returned by April 15.

MARSP is an association of retired school personnel who may have been employed as a teacher, teacher assistant, librarian, social worker, school psychologist, administrator, or support staff such as secretary, custodian, cook, or bus driver.

There are more than 250 members in the Charlevoix County Chapter and more than 40,000 statewide.

WRC offers free alcohol screenings

In recognition of Alcohol Awareness Month in April, the WRC will offer free, confidential alcohol screenings to area residents on April 6.

The screening will evaluate a person's potential for having an alcohol problem. Screenings for court, alcohol or other drug abuse counseling and assessments are also available by appointment.

To schedule your free screening or to receive information on WRC services, call (231) 347-0067.



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The Process of Decay



The decay process is easy to understand, yet different than the majority of people think it is. Many are of the opinion that "sweets cause cavities," thinking that eliminating them in their diet will prevent decay. Unfortunately it's not quite that simple and some can't understand why new areas of decay are found at their check-ups.

The decay process requires 4 things - a tooth, time, the right type of food or liquids, and plaque. Plaque, that's the one, without it there would be no tooth decay. Plaque is composed of many types of bacteria, and some of those germs make acids that eat away at the tooth, causing decay. It is brushing and flossing regularly that helps keep plaque off our teeth.

The right types of foods are those from which the plaque germs can make acid. This list of foods is extensive, but includes much more than candy or dessert foods. Healthy foods can also promote tooth decay, such as milk, fruits and fruit juices, breads and cereals. These are foods we need in our diets. Granted, foods with large amounts of sugar will cause decay quicker, especially if plaque remains on the teeth, so brushing and flossing are essential.

Decay doesn't happen over night, it does take time. This time span varies from one individual to the next based on many factors. Certain habits can greatly shorten the time span, by increasing the amount of time the plaque acids are being produced. Each time a person consumes a food or beverage the bacteria can metabolize, acid may be present for as long as 2 hours. For a portion of this time, the acids strength is sufficient to eat away the tooth's enamel. Eventually this can result in an area of decay. For those who like to sip soft drinks or sugared coffee throughout the day, their teeth are being exposed to acid all day long. These people frequently have many or extensive areas of decay. Adherent (sticky) foods are also worse than other foods. Chocolate, raisins, potato chips, toffees, etc. remain on and-around the teeth longer allowing longer periods of acid production.

In-between meal snacks also help in extending the period of production. This is why brushing afterward is good, as well as brushing after regular meals. Saliva has natural buffers that can help neutralize the acids. If for some reason brushing isn't a possibility (out to dinner perhaps) sugarless gum can help increase saliva flow. Chewing sugarless gum is not a substitute for brushing, only a helpful alternative when needed.

No one is 100% effective at removing all plaque from teeth when brushing and flossing. The spot you missed this morning may likely be the one you don't miss later in the day. Brush at least twice a day, more if eating between meals. Floss daily. Avoid acid, avoid decay.

This information provided as a service by Dr. Gregory Kliniker and staff at 108 S. Lake St. in East Jordan. Most insurance accepted including Delta and Blue Cross. Services and treatment include family, preventive, restorative and cosmetic dentistry. (231) 536-3307. 32-17C

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HOCKEY results

The Boyne Area Mites participated in the year-end tournament March 10-12 in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

In the first game, the Mites beat the Char-Em Blades, 3-2. Trevor Price scored two goals, with assists by Jack Hufford and Kyle Wright. Travis Reinhardt scored one goal. Taylor Korthase and Blake Kroondyk played well on defense backing up goalie Henry Wolf.

Boyne won game two against the Char Em Wings in a shoot-out. Price scored Boyne's only goal in regulation. The last period was dominated by the Wings, but Danny Seagraves, Tanner Kragenbrink, and Cal Hoppe played strong defense and held off the attack. Neither team was able to score in overtime, forcing a shoot-out. Henry Wolf, goalie, played like a wall and Char Em's first two shooters were unable to score. Boyne's second shooter, Price, scored a big one for Boyne, making the final score 2-1.

The championship game was played against league rivals, the Char Em Blizzards. The Mites tried hard but were only able to score once by Reinhardt. The Boyne team was proud to end their season placing second in the tournament.

The Boyne Area Mite team consists of team captain Travis Reinhardt, alternate captains Kyle Wright and Trevor Price, goalie Henry Wolf, Tanner Kragenbrink, Jack Hufford, Taylor Korthase, Jack Carlson, Spencer Korthase, Danny Seagraves, Cal Hoppe, and Blake Kroondyk. Coaches are Stacy Reinhardt, Brian Price, Jeff Wright, Gerry Kragenbrink, and manager Pam Price.



Fun in the sun

A gaggle of revelers spent some time Saturday afternoon soaking up the sun at Boyne Mountain's annual St. Patrick's Day Carnival weekend. Thousands gathered for a weekend of skiing, barbecued meals, and festivities at the resort.

Netters earn conference honors

Members of the East Jordan and Boyne City varsity volleyball squads have been named to the Lake Michigan Conference all-conference volleyball team for the 1999-2000

school year. From East Jordan, Suzi Malpass and Jamie Baker have been named all-conference, with Rachel Boss and Jessica Peverall receiving honorable

mentions. From Boyne City, Jackie Cyr was named to the all-conference team, with an honorable mention going to Leah Senter.

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Mission To Mars - PG (113 min)
Starring Gary Sinise
Fri at 7:00 & 9:15
Sat - Thurs at 2:00, 4:15, 7:00 & 9:15
Erin Brockovich - R (131 min)
Starring Julia Roberts & Aaron Eckhart
Fri at 7:00 & 9:15
Sat - Thurs at 2:00, 4:15, 7:00 & 9:15
Final Destination - R (95 min)
Starring Devon Sawa
Fri - Thurs at 7:00
My Dog Skip - PG (95 min)
Starring Kevin Bacon & Diane Lane
Fri at 7:00
Sat - Thurs at 2:15, 4:15 & 7:00
Whatever It Takes - PG-13 (94 min)
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Sat - Thurs at 2:15, 4:15, 7:15 & 9:15

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Also Sat & Sun at 2:00
The Next Best Thing - PG-13 (110 min)
Starring Madonna
at 8:00 nightly
Also Sat & Sun at 4:00

MAIN EVENT cont'd
to imagine a more comprehensive selling event. New vehicles included in the event include compact sedans, mid-size sedans, full-size sedans, coupes, three-door coupes, convertibles, wagons, minivans, compact pickup trucks, full-size pickup trucks, compact SUVs, full size SUVs, and more. Basically, if there is a new 2000 model vehicle in stock it is included in this sales event. Furthermore, the incentives being offered during the Break Out Sales Event range from cash back to low financing rates to leases. Cash back, o-

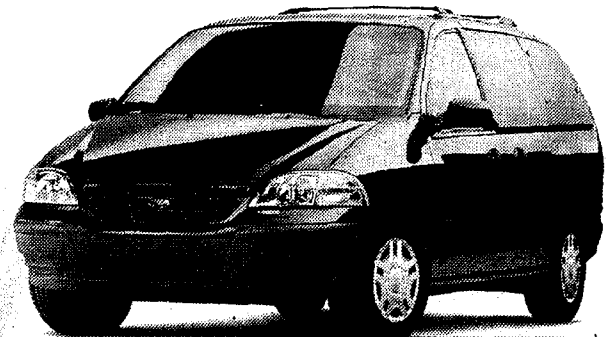
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BREAK OUT

during the month. They point out that the harsh cold of winter tends to keep people indoors as much as possible. But with the first signs of spring, people are motivated to leave the confines of their homes. In the same way, the Neighborhood Ford Dealers say, they are motivated to offer exceptional values at this time of year in order to make buying a new Ford vehicle easier for the public. Given the spirit of the Break Out sales event and the savings being offered, it is likely that many will heed their invitation Break Out of their old, cold ways and get into a new Ford.



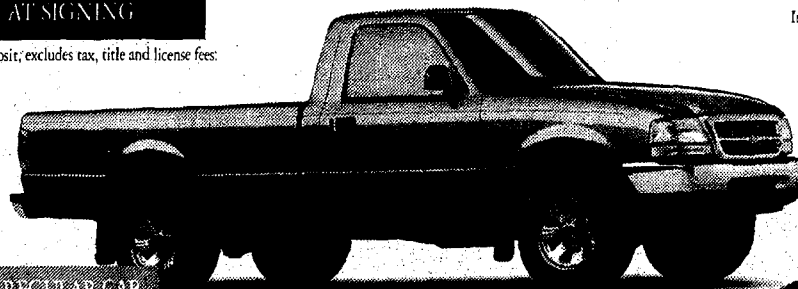
2000 F-150 XLT 4x4 SUPERCAB
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24 MONTH LEASE
\$2,200 DUE AT SIGNING

Includes a \$0 waived security deposit, excludes tax, title and license fees.



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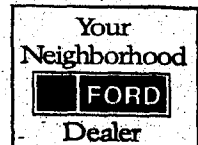
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PUBLIC NOTICES

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners has cancelled its regular Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 22. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 12, at 9:30 a.m.

CITY OF EAST JORDAN AMENDMENT TO ZONING MAP

Please take notice that the Zoning Map for the City of East Jordan has been amended to reflect that the property commonly known as 209 State Street has been rezoned from Professional Office to C-1 Local Commercial.

Kathy O'Rear, City Clerk

BOARD OF EDUCATION NOMINATING PETITIONS

Boyer City Public Schools has one opening for a two (2) year Board of Education term which will expire at the end of the 2001-2002 school year and two openings for four (4) year terms which expire at the end of the 2003-2004 school year. Nominating petitions for these positions may be picked up in the Superintendent's Office located in the back of the High School. All nominating petitions and an Affidavit of Identity must be received in the Superintendent's Office no later than 4 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2000 in order to be placed on the ballot for the June 12, 2000 election.

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BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES

Members present: Chipman, Bergmann, Moeschke, Monk, and Simmons. Acceptance of Treasurer's report. Amendment of General Fund Budget. Approval to pay Township obligations. Adoption of poverty guidelines. Approval of Erickson Road surfacing contract. Approval for rezoning of parcel No. 15-001-005-020-30 from R-1 to Agricultural. Report of Zoning Permits issued and miscellaneous zoning ordinance activity. Next Planning Commission meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 2, at 7 p.m. Next Board of Trustees meeting to be held on Thursday, April 13, at 7 p.m.

BAY TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 12-B AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE BAY TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE.

At a regular meeting of the Bay Township Board of Trustees held on March 9, 2000, the Board took action to amend the Bay Township Zoning Ordinance, Bay Township Ordinance No. 12. The amendment changed the zoning district of parcel No. 15-001-005-020-30, located at approximately 05406 West Road, from R-1 Residential to A Agricultural. Permitted uses of parcels in the Agricultural Zoning District are generally described as follows: farming, nurseries, single family farm dwellings, buildings and other structures essential to farming, timber management, single family dwellings and road side stands for the sale of produce. The effective date of the amendment is March 29, 2000.

David L. Simmons Bay Township Clerk

BID NOTICE WILSON TOWNSHIP CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Wilson Township is now accepting bids for lawn care and light maintenance at the Wilson Township Fall Park located at 02530 Boyne City/East Jordan Road, Boyne City, Michigan and for three Wilson Township Cemeteries which are one acre parcels each.

Please quote on a per mowing basis with an estimate of 14 mowings for Fall Park per season and 12 mowings per cemetery per season. Mowing will include weed control and raking when necessary.

Bids can be mailed to Carol Clavier, Wilson Township Clerk, P.O. Box 447, Boyne City, MI 49712. Put the word Bid in the lower left hand corner of the envelope. Bids must be received by 5 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2000. Bids will be opened at the Tuesday, April 11, 2000, 7 p.m. meeting of the Board to be held at the Wilson Township Hall located at 02530 Boyne City/East Jordan Road, Boyne City, Michigan.

Wilson Township Board

BOYNE CITY COMMISSION SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES

March 14, 2000, 7 p.m. meeting - The Commission received the proposed fiscal year 2000/2001 City Budget for review, approved motions to seat Pat Kubesh on the Boyne City Planning Commission, accepted the MSPO's Community Planning Principles, deeded 0.022 acres of City land to adjoining property owner (Boyer Avenue), awarded a bid to Robinson's Landscaping & Nursery for landscaping at City Hall, support for the Charlevoix county-wide recycling program, reappointed Dan Adkison and Marty McLeod to the Boyne City Parks and Recreation Commission, canceled the March 28 City Commission meeting and scheduled two special meetings - April 14 and 18 at 12:00 noon.

CITY OF BOYNE CITY BIDS WANTED HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING

Sealed bids are now being accepted at Boyne City Hall, 319 North Lake Street, for replacement of a roof top heating and air conditioning unit on the city hall building.

Bid specifications may be picked up at City Hall, 319 North Lake Street or requested by calling (231) 582-6597 during regular business hours. Bidders must participate in a walk-through of the project at City Hall on March 28 at 2 p.m. All bids must be received no later than 2 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at which time said bids shall be publicly opened and read. Bids shall be contained in a sealed envelope identified as "Heating/AC Bid."

The City of Boyne City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities in the best interest of the City.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BOYNE CITY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Pursuant to rules and regulations as set by the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance concerning variances from the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance, the Boyne City Zoning Board of Appeals has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, April 11, 2000 at 4:30 p.m. in Commission Chambers, 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712 to consider the following request:

A. A request from Jeff Lindsay for a sideyard setback variance to permit a chimney to remain at 926 Lower Lake Drive (Property I.D. # 15-051-143-003-00).

B. A request from Boyne Area Gymnastics for a sideyard setback variance to permit construction of a facility near 615 Beardsley Street (Property I.D. # 15-051-336-163-15).

C. A request from the Boyne City School Boosters for a variance from the Sign Ordinance to permit erection of a welcome sign.

More details are available for review at the Boyne City Planning Department. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and participate in the discussion concerning this request. Those unable to attend may submit written comments to the address listed above. Written comments will be received until 5 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Questions can be answered by calling (231) 582-0337.

Timothy O'Leary Planning Director

BAY TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS AND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING BUDGETS

The Bay Township Annual Meeting of Electors will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2000, at 7 p.m. at the Bay Township Hall, 05045 Boyne City Road in the Village of Horton Bay. The meeting will include a public hearing on the proposed General Fund and Road Fund budgets for the year ending March 31, 2001.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budgets will be a subject of this hearing.

A copy of the budgets may be obtained by calling the Township Hall, (231) 582-3594.

David L. Simmons Bay Township Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in Regular Session, Tuesday, March 7, 2000 at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Klooster presiding and all members of the Commission present except for Commissioners Norton and Cihak. Minutes were approved and acknowledgement was given to paid bills in the amount of \$379,793.29.

Further Commission Action: accepted attorney opinions and recognized EMS personnel as volunteers, amended the City's Zoning Map to indicate that the property at 209 State Street is rezoned to Local Commercial; approved Helen Robert's lot split request in the Wilson/State Street area; authorized the sale of an Industrial Park lot to Sky Electric; adopted a resolution to place delinquent water/sewer bills on the 2000 Summer Tax Roll for collection; appointed Mark Penzien to a vacancy on the DDA; sent a thank you letter to the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians for their \$15,000 grant to the EMS Department.

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

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Independent Probate

Estate of MILO E. HANDY, deceased. 363-24-2116

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent, whose last known address was 01175 S. M-75, Boyne City, MI 49712 died 02-07-00. An instrument dated 05-19-92 has been admitted as the will of the deceased. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Thomas M. Handy, 526 South Park Street, Boyne City, MI 49712, or to both the independent personal representative and the Charlevoix County Probate Court, Courthouse, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

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

Kevin G. Klevorn (P35531) 215 South Lake St. Boyne City, MI 49712 231-582-7911

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Independent Probate

Estate of MARY M. LEAZIER, deceased. 369-34-5010

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent, whose last known address was 03962 Camp Ten Road, Elmira, MI 49730 died 02-08-00. An instrument dated 04-28-99 has been admitted as the will of the deceased. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Maude Still, 4766 Pickereel Lake Rd., Patoskey, MI 49770, or to both the independent personal representative and the Charlevoix County Probate Court, Courthouse, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

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

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Independent Probate

Estate of EDWARD MILO CHASE, deceased. 367-12-1467

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS,

including CHARLES HAYNES AND CURLY HAYNES, whose addresses and whereabouts are unknown:

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent, whose last known address was 01806 South Peninsula Road, East Jordan, Michigan 49727, died 02-07-00. An instrument dated 08-06-87 has been admitted as the will of the deceased, and codicil thereto dated 09-20-83. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Timothy D. Amer, 110 Water Street, P.O. Box 100, Boyne City, Michigan

49712, or to both the independent personal representative and the Charlevoix County Probate Court, County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it. This estate is not being supervised by the Probate Court. Any interested party may file a written petition with the Charlevoix County Probate Court, located at County Building, 301 State Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, and with the independent personal representative, objecting to the appointment and to the admission of the decedent's will and codicil to probate. Objections to the admission of the decedent's will and codicil to probate must be filed within 90 days of the date of publication of this notice.

ARNER & BANNER, P.C. By: Timothy D. Arner (P33744) 110 Water Street, P.O. Box 100 Boyne City, Michigan 49712 (231) 582-6741

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald L. Pritchard, and Linda S. Pritchard, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to The Huntington National Bank f/k/a FMB-Northwestern Bank, Boyne City, Michigan, Mortgagee, dated April 29, 1996, and recorded on May 3, 1996 in Liber 299, on Page 0689, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE AND 99/100 dollars (\$53,349.99), including interest at 8.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on May 5, 2000.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF EVANGELINE, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

The South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 22, Town 33 North, Range 6 West, lying North and East of Old Horton Bay Road, EXCEPT: A parcel of land containing 20 acres situated in the South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 22, Town 33 North, Range 6 West; bounded on the East by the East Section line of said Section, on the North by the North line of said South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4, on the South by the North line of the South 66 feet of said South 1/2 of North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4, and on the West by a line parallel with East section line of said Section. ALSO EXCEPTING: A parcel of land 66 feet wide, lying on the North side of and adjacent to the North eighth line of Section 22, Town 33 North, Range 6 West, extending East and West from the right of way of the Charlevoix County Highway on the West to the East section line of said Section 22 on the East.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale. Dated: March 22, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1303. Troit & Troit, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File #200013322 Ravens March 22, 2000 April 5, 12, 19, 2000

CITY OF EAST JORDAN FISCAL YEAR 2000/01 PROPOSED BUDGET

PLANNED EXPENDITURES (TAX SUPPORTED FUNDS)

Table with 2 columns: Expense Item and Amount. Items include Governing Body/Commission, Elections, Assessor, Attorney/Counsel, Clerk, Board of Review, Treasurer, Data Processing/Computer Dept, Building and Grounds, Cemetery, Police Department, Fire Department, Inspection Department, Zoning Board/Commission, Department of Public Works, Airport, Street Lighting, Recreation/Parks Department, Elm Pointe Recreation Facility, Civic Center Recreational Facility, Sidewalks, Transfers Out-Control.

Total General Fund \$2,340,830

Table with 2 columns: Expense Item and Amount. Items include Major Streets, Local Streets, Fire Equipment, E.J. Community Day Camp, Tifa Fund, Ambulance Fund, Equipment Fund.

Total Tax Supported Funds Expenditures \$1,121,199

Total Expenditures \$3,462,029

ANTICIPATED REVENUE (TAX SUPPORTED FUNDS)

Table with 2 columns: Revenue Item and Amount. Items include Property Tax, Misc. Tax Income, Tax Collection Fees, State Revenue, Federal Grant, Grants Private Source, State Grant Recreation, State Grant, Township Contracts, Cemetery Fees, Interest, Rentals, Rebates, Miscellaneous, Sidewalk Receipts, Sale of Fixed Assets, Contribution/Donations, Operating Transfers In.

Sub Total General Fund \$1,728,330

Revenue (con't)

Table with 2 columns: Revenue Item and Amount. Items include Major Streets Fund, Major Streets Fund Balance, Local Streets Fund, Local Streets Fund Balance, Fire Equipment Fund, Fire Equipment Fund Balance, E.J. Community Day Camp, E.J. Community Day Camp Fund Balance, Tifa Fund, Tifa Fund Balance, Ambulance Fund, Ambulance Fund Balance, Equipment Fund, Equipment Fund Balance.

Sub Total \$1,218,295

Funds on Hand (General Fund) \$515,404

Total Revenue \$3,462,029

ENTERPRISE FUNDS

Table with 3 columns: Expense, Revenue, and Revenue. Items include Harbor Fund, Harbor Fund Balance, Transfer Station, Transfer Station Fund Balance, Tourist Park Fund, Tourist Park Fund Balance, Sewer Fund, Sewer Fund Fund Balance, Water Fund, Water Fund Fund Balance.

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Table with 3 columns: Expense, Revenue, and Revenue. Items include DDA 1997A Debt Retirement Fund, DDA 1997A Debt Retirement Fund Balance, 1998 DDA Debt Retirement Fund, 1998 DDA Debt Retirement Fund Balance, 1999 MI Transportation Debt Retirement Fund, 1999 MI Transportation Debt Retirement Fund Balance.

CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS

Table with 3 columns: Expense, Revenue, and Revenue. Items include Industrial Complex Const. Fund, Industrial Complex Const. Fund Fund Balance.

FIDUCIARY FUND

Table with 3 columns: Expense, Revenue, and Revenue. Items include Perpetual Care Fund, Perpetual Care Fund Funds on Hand.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

Table with 3 columns: Expense, Revenue, and Revenue. Items include Rehab I & II, Rehab I & II Fund Balance.

A Public Hearing will be held on the above tentative 2000/01 fiscal year budget on Tuesday, April 18, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall, 201 Main Street, East Jordan, MI.

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING. THE PROPOSED BUDGET CALLS FOR A GENERAL TAX MILLAGE OF 18.4539 AND FIRE EQUIPMENT MILLAGE OF .4614.

A copy of the above detailed line item budget is available for review during regular office hours at City Hall.

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HOUSING DIRECTOR. The East Jordan Housing Commission is currently seeking a person for the position of Director of Housing. Computer and good communication skills are a must. This is considered a part time/full time job that provides an excellent benefit package. Resumes are being accepted, until the April 10th cut off date, at the East Jordan Housing Commission, 451 Water Street, MI 49727.

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The posted position may encompass as few as 600 hours (part-time) to 1600 hours (full-time) per 200 day school work year. Compensation will be hourly, based upon education and experience.

The overall responsibilities of the position include but are not limited to the following activities: coordination of job-shadowing opportunities for students, school liaison with members of the business community, work site visits, development of student electronic portfolios with students and staff, School-To-Work coordinator, career development activities, and other connecting activities between school and work.

Excellent people skills, experience in business or education, and the ability to work with a diverse group of people required. High level of computer skills desired. Bachelor's degree preferred, but not necessary. A person who is wellness oriented is preferred. The Boyne City Public School District is a non-smoking environment.

Please apply to Dana Compton, Superintendent Boyne City Public Schools, P.O. Box 289, Boyne City, Michigan 49712, on or before Friday, April 14, 2000.

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For more information call Mary Ann Handwerk, R.N. at 231-536-2286.



CITY OF BOYNE CITY SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The City of Boyne City is seeking qualified candidates for summer workers in the Wastewater, Street and Parks Departments. Marina Dock Hands, Launch Ramp attendants as well as Parks maintenance personnel will be hired for the Parks and Recreation Department. Qualified candidates must possess a Valid State Driver's license. Successful candidates must be interested in serving the public and take pride representing the City of Boyne City.

Candidates must be willing to work safely; possess the ability to communicate effectively verbally and in writing; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, other departments and the public; and the ability to understand and carry out written and oral instructions.

Wages for these positions will be \$9.00/hr. Individuals with strong work ethic are encouraged to apply. Applications are available at City Hall. Resumes and/or applications will be accepted until positions are filled. Return to City Manager, 319 North Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712. You may call 231-582-6597 for more information.

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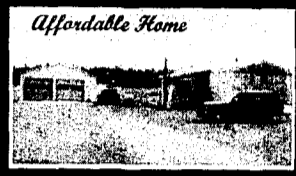
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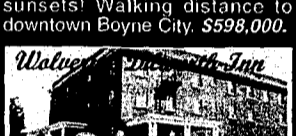
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Applications for early retirement under review by Boyne schools

The Boyne City School Board has received a total of eight applications from teachers interested in participating in the early retirement incentive program. The applications are being processed.

"Right now we're in that limbo period," said schools superintendent Dana Compton said last Thursday. "By the end of next week we'll have confirmations."

The deadline for applications was March 10. Approval of applications will be finalized sometime late this week.

All retirements secured through this program will be effective at the end of this school year. Only teachers with 10 years of full-time service in the Boyne City school system and 25 years in the Michigan Public Schools employee retirement system were eligible for the early retirement incentive.

Crooked Tree Arts Center has a full slate of spring classes

A host of classes are set for the spring session of Community School of the Arts at the Crooked Tree Arts Center beginning April 10 and running for eight weeks. There are a few new faces in the faculty and a few new classes to consider as well.

Tom Castiglione is offering two pottery classes for kids on Monday and Wednesday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. The fee for the kids' class is \$80 plus clay. Adults may take pottery with Castiglione on Monday or Wednesday evening from 7-10 p.m. or Tuesdays from 12:30-2:30 p.m. The cost is \$120 plus clay fee.

Joey Chickering offers an art class for children on Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. The cost is \$80.

Catherine Carey will offer adults two painting classes. Exploring Acrylics is Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-12 noon and Watercolor Painting is Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-12 noon. Either class is \$80. Carey is also offering a Weekend Watercolor Workshop April 8 and 9 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Arts Center.

Manna McGrew offers a class in Painting Oils or Acrylics on Canvas on Wednesdays from 12:45-2:45 p.m. The fee is \$80.

Practical Designs with Denn Nason is set for Wednesdays, 6-7:30 p.m. Students will create a paper sculpture, a compass design, perspective drawing and learn printmaking with Denn. The fee is \$40.

Photography with Jake Jakab is Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. The basics are taught in this class and you'll need a camera with a manual mode. The fee is \$80.

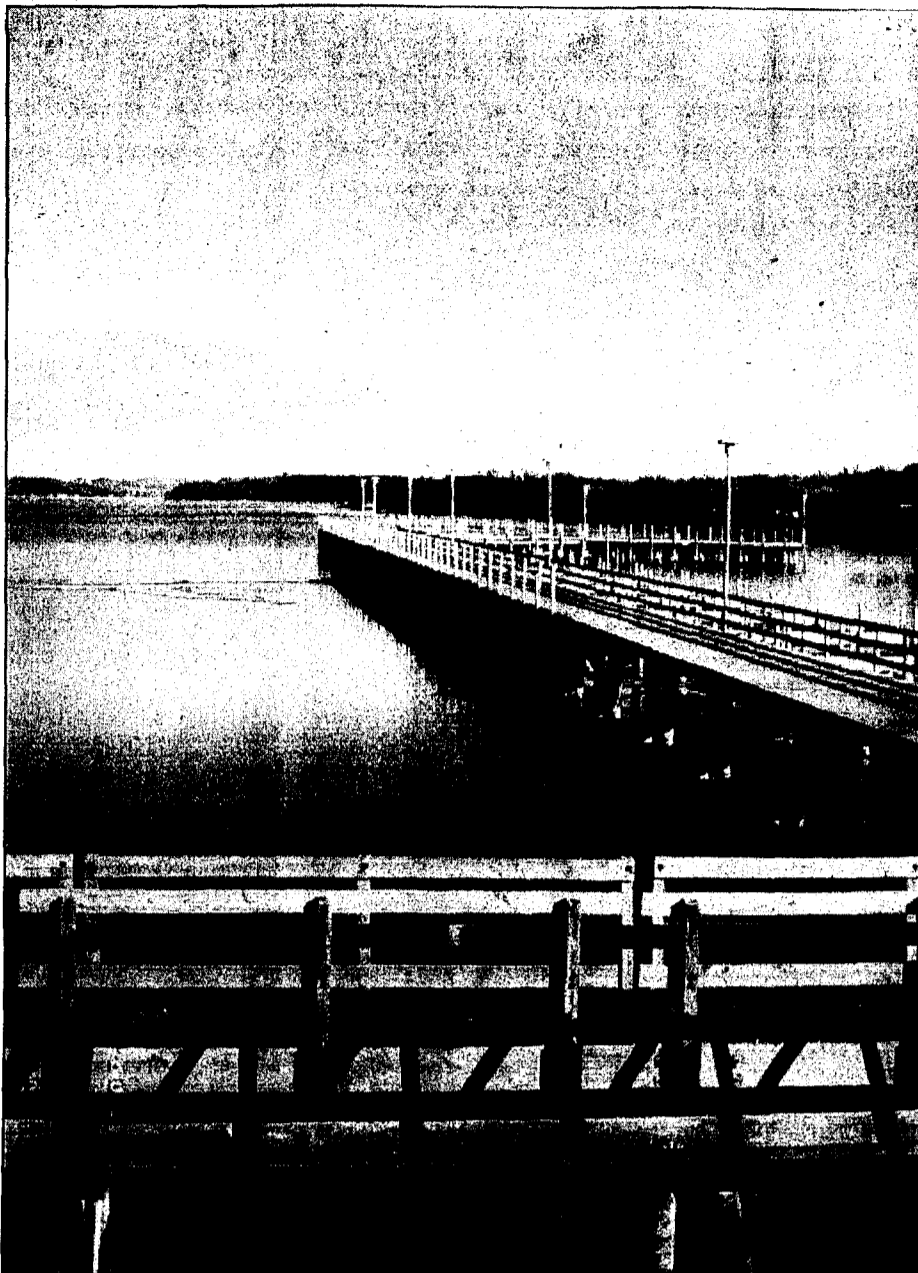
JoAnn Davis will offer two weeklong Papermaking Workshops, one in May and one in July. Classes will meet Monday through Friday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Call for details.

Mary Elizabeth Chaney offers Highland dancing with Heather Dance I and II on Tuesday afternoons. The fee is \$52.

Dorothy Elsenstein offers Creative Dance for Kids ages 4-6 on Thursdays from 4:30-5:15 p.m. Children's Dance Workshop is Thursdays 5:15-6:15 p.m. Body and Soul Dance for adults is from 7-8 p.m. The fee for any of Dorothy's classes is \$81.

Private lessons are offered at the Arts Center with a variety of instructors.

For more information about any of these programs, or to register, call 347-4337. The Crooked Tree Arts Center is located at the corner of Mitchell and Division streets, downtown Petoskey.



Before the rush

On a calm and sunny morning in East Jordan, the docks at the municipal harbor cut a clean line across the still waters of Lake Charlevoix's South Arm. Soon, this scene will be bustling with boaters, as the advent of spring lures folks outdoors.

FOJ seeks donations for annual auction

The Friends of the Jordan River Watershed (FOJ) will hold its third annual Benefit Auction and Taste of the Jordan on Saturday, May 6, beginning at 5 p.m.

The event will take place at the Jordan Valley Express, located on M-66 just south of M-32 in East Jordan.

The evening will include a silent auction and social hour from 5-8 p.m. and a live auction beginning at 8:30 p.m. Live music and the Taste of the Jordan will go on throughout the evening, featuring food and hors d'oeuvres from a variety of restaurants throughout the area.

Friends of the Jordan is currently seeking donations of goods or services for both the silent and live auctions.

Anyone with new or "gently used" merchandise, collectibles, or services to donate for the fund-raiser is asked to contact the FOJ office at 533-5063 or to send an e-mail to foj@freeway.net with donation information. All donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

Auction items in previous years included canoes, Adirondack furniture, works of art, sailing trips on the Tall Ship Malabar, hot air balloon

rides, handmade jewelry, outdoor recreational supplies, fishing trips, natural history tours, framed photos and paintings, and much more. One of this year's most-sought items will be a river kayak.

The auction is a fund-raiser for the FOJ, a grassroots nonprofit organization working to conserve the natural resources and protect the environmental quality of the Jordan River and its watershed.

"The Jordan River Watershed, 125 square miles in size, embodies some of Michigan's most outstanding natural features," said the FOJ's John Hummer.

"A nearly contiguous 25,000-acre block of state land in the upper part of the watershed, known widely as the Jordan Valley, provides a scenic, wilderness-like setting. However, this watershed ecosystem is fragile and is threatened by unplanned development, incompatible activities, recreational overuse, exotic species invasion, and forest fragmentation."

For more information or to purchase advance tickets to the auction, call the FOJ office at (231) 533-5063 or send an e-mail to foj@freeway.net.

Hands-on sessions held at 4-H Cabin Fever Day

The Charlevoix County 4-H Council recently held its first Cabin Fever Day at the East Jordan Middle School, with about 35 adults and children attending.

Participants had their choice of six different hands-on sessions presented throughout the day. Sue Shenk, Family Nutrition Program instructor for Charlevoix County, taught a class on nutritious snacks for kids.

Pat and Paul Haver, who raise sheep on their farm near Boyne City, led sessions using wool harvested from their own animals. Pat gave instruction of making angels from wool batting, and Paul helped participants make wool felt slippers.

Peter Elliot, owner of a farm located outside East Jordan, taught a class on building bluebird houses, with participants each taking home a completed birdhouse to help encourage the nesting of bluebirds.

Roxanne Zell of Boyne City led a session on scrapbooking, and Ginny Carey held a class on rubber-stamping, with participants in both sessions taking home completed projects.

Door prizes, donated by council members, were drawn throughout the day. Canned goods, donated by attendees, were later donated to the Care and Share Food Pantry in East Jordan.

Friends of the Boyne plan busy year

By ANGELA SHULTIS

The Friends of the Boyne River (FOBR) have come a long way since their inception in May of 1998. This year, the group plans, among other things, to participate in the creation of the riverside boardwalk in Boyne City, in cooperation with the Downtown Development Authority (DDA).

"(DDA member) Jeff Wellman came to an FOBR meeting and invited me to come down to the DDA meeting," Sheets said. He'd attended a few meetings of the DDA in the prior year on his own in order to apprise himself of the plans for the boardwalk, and welcomed the opportunity to attend as a representative of the FOBR.

"We're primarily going to be interested in the fact that when the boardwalk is put on the river, the bank underneath needs to be stabilized in some spots," Sheets said.

In approaching the FOBR, Wellman said, "we simply want to make sure we're not doing more harm to the river than good." He stated that the groups have the same concerns about stabilizing the bank and should therefore be working together. "We want them to look at the plan to make sure we're not doing anything harmful," said Wellman. He noted that the groups hope to have "more of an alliance" in the future, as well.

Sheets also mentioned that FOBR will be looking at the streambank along Old City Park to assess needs for stabilization, as well as address aesthetics. "It's not natural looking," he said. "It's a bad situation at this point."

The role of the FOBR, Sheets hopes, will be to provide a volunteer workforce and technical advice.

Besides assisting with the boardwalk project, FOBR has a full agenda for the coming year.

On March 17, Kim Cook from the Conservation Resource Alliance in Traverse City was in the area and, along with Sheets and a representative from the Tip

O'Mitt Watershed Council, set out in kayaks and canoes to assess the needs of the Boyne City mill pond. The group wants "to determine how and where to dredge and deepen it so we won't have the thermal pollution we've had."

Last July, FOBR put recording submersible thermometers in the river and mill pond, devices that recorded the temperature every hour on the hour. Data gathered from the devices indicated an "extreme rise in temperature from above the mill pond to below the mill pond," Sheets said. The mill pond, he said, is about four inches deep, and "the sun warms it like bath water."

"The water temperature went from the 50s to the 80s," he said. "Trout can't stand anything above the 70s." And one objective for the FOBR, says Sheets, is to bring back trout fishing to the area.

"We have trash fish — carp, suckers," Sheets said, noting that these are the types of fish that thrive in warmer water temperatures. "I want to bring back [trout] so kids can be down there and enjoy it like I did," he said.

In order to do that, the mill pond must be made deeper and cooler.

This spring, dredging will also take place at the mouth of the Boyne River near the municipal docks, in order to counter the effects of the drop in the water level combined with erosion material that has come down river from erosion taking place upstream. The timeline for both projects is uncertain, as the group is still waiting on permits.

FOBR are also awaiting a report from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality on the status of the location they're hoping to make the permanent home for an environmental education center. A cabin was donated to the group last year, which they've moved to a riverside location in Boyne City. If the MDEQ gives the okay, the group will seek permits from the city to permanently establish a center there.

"We hope to have it available to school kids here to learn about the river, and for adults, too," Sheets said. FOBR also hopes to establish the center as a trailhead for nature trails.

Bank stabilization, though, is the major goal for the FOBR this year, in order to prevent further erosion into the river. "Erosion is the single most important problem on the Boyne River," Sheets said. Roadways built near or over the river are major contributors. "The roads wash sand into the river," he said. The sand covers the spawning beds of fish and aquatic insects, and, in effect, "makes a sterile desert out of it."

The group did an assessment last year of over 60 road-stream crossings in the area, and have found 15 so far that need work.

The major goal the last couple of years for the group was the eradication of the invasive non-native plant, purple loosestrife. "We've done a good job of controlling it," Sheets said, noting that they've been able to kill most of it off by spraying three times last year, and three times the year before. Now the focus is on being diligent in spraying in order to give indigenous plants a chance to reappear. The group has applied for a permit to spray for purple loosestrife again this year.

In addition, FOBR plans to continue its focus on education and working with the schools in the coming year. The group's membership has grown to about 200, and they hope this year to acquire more student members. "We have a special \$1 membership for them," Sheets said. And, of course, the group will be coordinating a clean-up along the river during the annual "Buff Up Boyne," as well as special clean-ups prior to that.

The next general meeting of FOBR is Wednesday, April 12. For more information on the Friends of the Boyne River, call Tom Sheets at 582-5824 or membership chairman Gen Varnum at 582-7138.

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