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## at a GLANCE

### Harvest festival celebrates the season

Scarecrows, pumpkins and lots of family fun will get everyone in the swing of the season at the annual Fall Harvest Festival in Boyne City, to be held this year on the weekend of Oct. 6-8.

A new addition this year, a haunted hayride aptly titled "Field of Screams," will join favorite events such as the Scarecrow Ball, the Harvest Market, the 5K run, and a trolley color tour.

Also featured will be an arts and crafts show, pumpkin sculpting, and live musical entertainment.

Activities like pumpkin painting and the inflatable playground are sure to keep the kids busy, too.

The event is sponsored by Citizens Bank, Great Lakes Energy, LexaMar, Huntington Bank, and Korhase Insurance and Financial Services.

For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at 582-6222.

### Top scarecrow will win Leaf Peeker prize

The East Jordan Chamber of Commerce is calling for local businesses, schools, and organizations to get in the harvest spirit and enter this year's Leaf Peeker Scarecrow Contest.

Scarecrows may be entered by groups in three categories — businesses, organizations, and school (classes/clubs) — and must be built in the Downtown Development Authority district. Scarecrows will be judged on the afternoon of Friday, Oct. 6, by the East Jordan High School cheerleaders.

Cash prizes of \$50 for first place, \$35 for second, and \$15 for third will be awarded. Winners will be notified on Monday, Oct. 9, and prizes will be presented on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at Citizens Bank in East Jordan.

For more information or an entry form, call the chamber of commerce at 536-7351.



With his son Stephen and Art Tebo (center) looking on, Everett Kircher relates a story from Boyne Mountain's earlier days.



Stein Eriksen, left, Bill Fleming and Everett Kircher were among those attending the festivities on Saturday.



Officially breaking ground for Boyne Mountain's new lodge are, from left: Lois Kircher, Warren Miller, Stein Eriksen, John Kircher, Amy Kircher Prange, Bill Flemming, Kathryn Kircher, Everett Kircher, Stephen Kircher holding his daughter Loren, and Othmar Schneider.

## Grand IN EVERY WAY

### Construction begins on Boyne Mountain's new 222-room hotel

Boyne USA Resorts held groundbreaking ceremonies Saturday afternoon to kick off construction of its new 222-room hotel and spa and condominium, part of a \$150 million renewal of the Boyne Mountain Resort.

More than 600 people attended the groundbreaking, including skiing greats Olympic gold-medalist Stein Eriksen, who was the first director of the International Ski School at Boyne Mountain,

See **BREAKING GROUND** on page 3

## Dura selling East Jordan building

Dura Automotive has told the City of East Jordan that the company will be selling its property in town.

Last week, city administrator David White spoke with David Bovee in Dura's real estate division, who told White that the company has chosen a realtor and is in the process of listing the property. The asking price has not yet been finalized.

White said he will be meeting with the realtor next week, and will keep the city commission up to date on further developments.

Dura announced recently that it will be closing its East Jordan facility in order to move production to its Jacksonville, Fla., location, in the interest of filling previously unused manufacturing capacity. The company plans to phase out the East Jordan location by the fall of 2001.

The closing of Dura will mean not

only the loss of employment for the approximately 300 workers at the plant, but will impact the city as a whole.

For example, White noted that the company has previously paid \$17,000 per year in personal property tax, most of which the DDA captures, and generated \$88,000 of revenue to the city last year for water and sewer usage. The city's yearly budget is based on revenue from the previous year, meaning that such a loss could significantly impact the city financially.

The city plans to have continued contact with the company and will work, along with various agencies and the chamber of commerce, to bringing a new employer to the area.

"We're all in this together," he said. Northern Lakes Economic Alli-

ance is one local agency that will likely be involved in the transition over the next year.

According to executive director Tom Johnson, the agency will be working to assist in marketing the property to prospective employers, in order to minimize the financial impact on the city and create new jobs for displaced workers. Northern Lakes specializes in economic development, and while the closing of Dura creates many challenges for the community, Johnson said their current position must be that "you can't change the mind of a multi-million dollar corporation." Therefore, "we will work with them."

The first steps would be to get the physical specifications of the building as well as a breakdown of the existing workforce, "so that when we get inquiries, we can respond as to

what the amenities are," said Johnson.

Representatives of Northern Lakes then undertakes various marketing strategies, such as attending site consultants conferences to make contacts, and utilizing such resources as direct mailings, the Internet, creative networking and advertising, as well as contact with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. "There are some creative things we're hoping to do in working with the company," said Johnson, though the details will not be worked out until they have actually met with company representatives.

One positive aspect to marketing the property is "definitely the available labor force," Johnson said. "Just having an empty building by itself isn't easy to sell anymore. An empty building with a workforce makes it

easier." The challenge, he said, will be to find a company that can use the approximately 110,000 square feet the facility offers.

"Someone who just wants 60,000 [square feet] might not be interested, because they won't be making full use of their investment," said Johnson. "It's very particular to the type of business."

Johnson also noted that besides attempting to bring in a new business to utilize the property and workforce Dura will leave behind, another agency that will likely be on board is the Workforce Development Board, which specializes in employee training, retraining, and job placement.

"The sooner they're involved, the better," said Johnson. "Everyone has a different role [in this situation]... It's a team effort."

## Boyne City plans dredging of marina, shopper's dock

The City of Boyne City is beginning preparation this week for dredging of the city marina.

Dredging is also scheduled for the shopper's dock area and the river mouth, if weather permits.

"We're preparing Peninsula Beach right now as a containment site," said parks and recreation director Tim O'Leary.

Boyne USA will be performing the dredging, and will begin to bring in equipment next week, a process that will take several days to complete.

The timeline for the entire dredging project is uncertain at this point.

The marina will be dredged first, followed by the shopper's dock. If the weather holds out, the city also

plans to dredge the river mouth. According to O'Leary, Peninsula Beach will be "torn up" for the remainder of the year with reconstruction to take place in the spring.

The dredge itself will pump material to the containment site through a long tube in the water. Once dredged materials dry out, they will be trucked to Rotary Park, to be used as fill for the remaining three sports fields the city is planning to construct.

The city had originally hoped to dredge the areas in the spring, but was forced to postpone the project pending the approval of some work permits as well as some complications in determining the logistics of where the dredged materials would

go. By the time all of those elements were in place, there was "too much [boating] activity to do it then," said O'Leary. The present timing of the project will create "very little disruption to the boating season."

The city hopes to secure a portion of the funding required through grants, though, said O'Leary, "only that portion directly related to the marina is eligible."

The city submitted a grant request earlier in the year, for the entire project, and were told that the shopper's dock area and river mouth were not eligible for funding.

The city is in the process of re-submitting a grant request for the portion of the project involving the marina area.



## Homecoming celebs

Members of the East Jordan homecoming court are, front row from left: Katie Brock, Linda Slough, Tricia Pennington, Heather Jones, Jamie Baker, and Josie Krause. Back row from left: Tyson Potter, Bobby Huffman, Charlie Talboys, Tarn Leach, Micah Middaugh, and Nate Skop. East Jordan will host Harbor Springs at 3 p.m. on Saturday.

# OPINION

## BETWEEN the LINES

### Let's be prepared next time

By ANGELA SHULTIS

I know it's easy to second-guess the decisions made by others, especially those decisions that can't be reversed. I'm thinking of the decision made by authorities last week to kill a black bear which had wandered into the city of Charlevoix. Not having been present, I'm surely not aware of all of the factors involved, of what exactly had transpired in the early morning hours on the day in question, so I won't comment on those specifically. But there are a couple of factors that I have to wonder about.

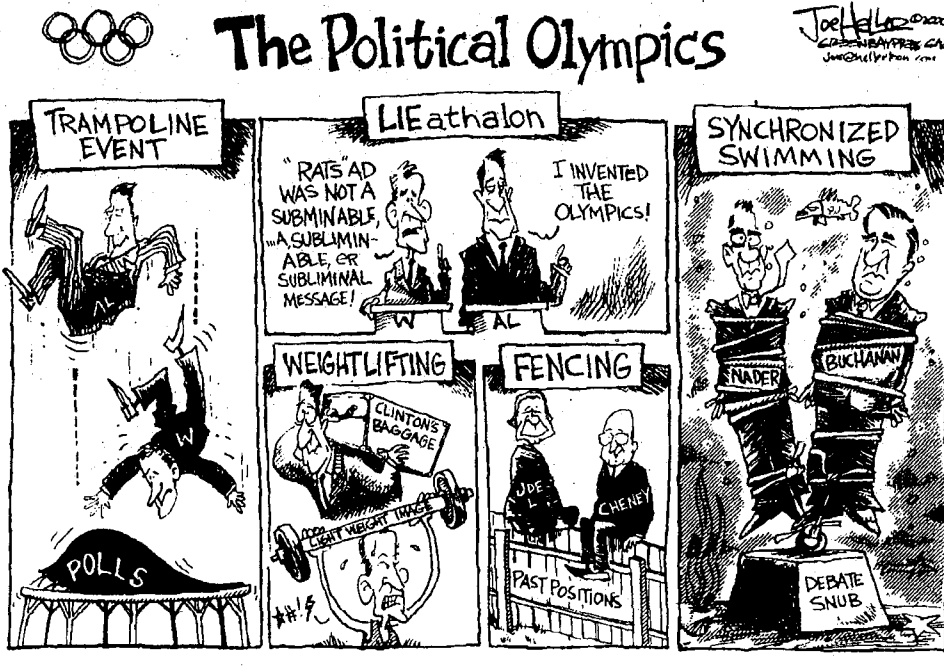
It seems, by all accounts, that the main reason the situation came down to killing the bear was the lack of availability of a tranquilizer gun. This I don't understand. Yes, I've been told that a tranquilizer gun is a very expensive, very specialized piece of equipment. It requires special training, not available locally. Okay. But, tell me, what good exactly is a wildlife officer, the DNR, or animal control officer without such a piece of equipment and the training that goes with it? I'm not blaming the officers, but what's wrong with the governing departments that don't allow for this equipment?

Okay, so it's expensive. Many jobs and businesses require expensive, specialized equipment to function. But, knowing that the equipment is a necessary component of what they do, they get it, not as a luxury, but as a necessity. I know lots of people were surprised to discover that no-one in our area, even those charged with controlling these very situations, has one, or knows how to use one. I mean, this is northern Michigan, isn't it? While a bear in the backyard isn't an everyday occurrence, I don't think anyone was too surprised that it happened. Bears live up here. As do some other potentially dangerous animals. We don't see them much, but they're around. And if I had one in my yard, I think I'd want a skilled professional with a tranquilizer gun taking care of it rather than an officer of any kind discharging a firearm in my neighborhood.

The other issue, then, is why the bear was in town to begin with. If it's true, as one account speculates, that someone has been feeding it, then that's another issue to tackle. It's very simple — don't feed the bears. Feed the birds, the ducks, the squirrels, that's fine. I don't care how interesting it is to see, or how badly you want that photo of a bear in your backyard, feeding a wild animal will lead to more headache, and in this case, trouble on a whole bunch of levels, than it's worth.

If, on the other hand, the poor thing just had the bad luck to wander in to town, then perhaps in the future someone should have a game plan in place in case it happens again. Living where we live, one would hope that the agencies in question could have anticipated such a situation, and been prepared with appropriate measures to take care of it, mindful of the best interests of all involved.

And, though some might argue otherwise, in my mind that includes the bear. After all, I believe we're the ones who've taken to shrinking the habitats of the resident wildlife. Knowing this, we should be prepared to take responsibility for the very occasional animal that has the bad luck to become confused, for whatever reason, about where it's supposed to be.



## LETTERS

### Denying one's freedom of choice

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing this letter to ask the people of Boyne City why they will not let motorcyclists and bikers have their freedom of choice as guaranteed in the Constitution. I am speaking of the mandatory helmet law that we have here. Michigan is the ONLY state in the Midwest with such a law. Other states had similar laws but have since repealed them, giving bikers their freedom of choice back. Ohio, Wisconsin, Indiana, and Minnesota all have provisional laws or laws stating that if a rider is licensed and of legal age he or she may choose to ride with a helmet or not. Many other states have done so recently such as Texas, Florida and Missouri. In fact there are only 17 states with mandatory helmet laws on the books.

I recently read an editorial article in a local paper written by the editor saying that "repeal of the helmet law is nonsense" and that "The law exists for our own good."

My question to him and all who feel the same way is when was the last time you rode a motorcycle? Speaking on my own behalf, I am 29 years of age with 14 years of riding experience under my belt. I am pretty sure I know what is good for my own self. Would people feel the same way if they were required to wear a helmet while driving their SUVs?

One well-known fact is that sport utility vehicles are prone to roll over, 90 percent of the fatal injuries were head injuries. That is a proven medical fact. How would you feel if you were required by law to wear a helmet to drive your car? It could save your life after all. At least that is the argument used on us. So the only other question is what does it matter to you if we wear a helmet or not?

There is something you can do, though. As of this writing there is legislation in government, which would CHANGE the helmet law, not repeal it. The new legislation states that to be able to choose to wear one or not you would have to be 21 years of age and licensed for at least two years or you must wear a helmet. I support this legislation and I ask you to do the same. The bill is SB574 and you can support this legislation by calling or writing your local congressperson or representative.

The bill is currently stalled in the Transportation Committee. Ohio changed their helmet law a few recent years ago and did a study one year after it took effect. The study showed no increase in motorcycle fatalities whatsoever. Let's stop living under the cloak of fear the government throws over us and tries to keep us blinded with. Remember "Freedom of Choice" is also a law.

Let those who ride decide.

Sean D. Harris  
Boyne City

## GUEST COLUMN

### 'Putting caring into action'

BY ROSEMARY HORTON

On Saturday, Sept. 30, which has been declared "CROP Walk Day" by Mayor Alvin Russell of Charlevoix, Mayor Eleanor Stackus of Boyne City, and Mayor Ron Klooster of East Jordan, many enthusiastic walkers from these three communities will be setting out on an approximately six-mile hike to the Ironton Congregational Church. They hope to do something positive and concrete to express "putting caring into action locally and globally," the motto of this year's CROP Walk. The money these walkers earn from pledges will go to help fight hunger, both in the world and here at home in our own county.

This is the 17th Annual CROP Walk for Charlevoix County, and organizers hope to see at least 150 walkers bring in a total of \$17,500. This would surpass last year's total of \$17,210 earned by 136 people who made the walk last year. Local food pantries in these three communities will keep 25 percent of money pledged.

Each route is different, but walkers from all three locations will end up at the Ironton Congregational Church where this year the Boyne Valley Lions Club will serve a luncheon to participants. Drivers will be available at Ironton after the lunch to return walkers to their communities.

Boyne City walkers will begin at Whiting Park and walk to the Ironton Ferry, where they will cross over and finish the walk to the church.

East Jordan hikers will start at Elm Pointe and walk along M-66 to Ironton, while Charlevoix participants will begin from the May Street door of the high school, walk down May Street to Stover Road and proceed on M-66 to Ironton.

There will be a rest stop along the way, if needed, and drivers will patrol the routes to pick up any person who feels he or she cannot complete the walk.

The walk will begin in all areas at 9 a.m., but it is suggested that those planning to walk come at 8:30 to register, turn in pledges, and obtain an orange vest to wear (necessary for all walkers for safety's sake).

As the name indicates, this is a walk, so bicycles, skate boards, inline skates, etc. are not permitted. Parents, however, may push children in strollers or pull them in wagons, and wheelchairs are permitted.

To obtain a sponsor form, participants can contact their local church or Kay Smith at 547-2920 in Charlevoix; in East Jordan, Marge Teske at 536-3128; or Diana Walls in Boyne City at 582-6485.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, please come join your friends and neighbors in the Walk, enjoy the activity, share a lunch, and help "de-feet" hunger on our planet.

## A MOM'S LIFE

### It's easy being on the sidelines

By CINDI PLACE

Our children have been lucky enough to have some wonderful coaches and youth leaders in their lives over the years. We've always tried to express our deep appreciation for all the time these people spend working with youth and caring about each of our kids. Our children have learned some very valuable lessons from these special adults.

But lately, I've noticed that many of these people have become targets for other parents and community members who somehow feel that it's their job to criticize and ridicule the good work that is being done. My goodness, if all the "sideline" coaches and other adults were actually willing to work with our kids we wouldn't need to beg for help every time a soccer team is without a coach or an after school activity needs adult help. Where are all these self-nominated experts when we really need them? Or, more importantly, where would their kids be if other people didn't step up, stick out their necks and try to help kids do something that they love?

It's easy to criticize the job that someone else is doing. And it's really easy to be part of a problem. It's a much harder task to volunteer to help. And maybe, if some of the folks who are unhappy with how something is being done actually spent some time standing in a coach's shoes, they might find that working with young adults, although a wonderfully

rewarding experience is also exhausting, time-consuming and many times thankless.

People who coach don't do it because they'll get rich, or because they have nothing better to do. Or because they needed to spend time away from their families. They coach for all sorts of other reasons. Like, there was no one else who would volunteer. Or they simply like being with kids. Or they see some talent and want to help develop it. But they don't coach because they felt that having some stranger tell them that they're doing a terrible job was an experience they were missing in their life.

Life today is so much different from when we were teenagers. As it should be. Things change and how we deal with kids should change as well. We're not wearing the same clothes we wore twenty years ago, or eating the same food, or driving the same car. So why should we expect kids to respond to the same motivation, or run the same football plays, or cheer the same cheers?

So the next time you're ready to yell at a coach or complain to a teacher, please remember one thing: every time you see a young lady cheering at a football game or a young man playing basketball or a church youth group member cleaning up someone's yard, that's one less kid with nothing to do. And one of the biggest reasons that kid is out there is because some adult somewhere is encouraging him or her to do their best at something they love.

### Bent Club Classic was a big success

TO THE EDITOR:

The entire East Jordan basketball coaching staff and players would like to thank the East Jordan merchants, businesses, and participants for their continued support of the boys and girls basketball program through your generous donations to the Bent Club Classic golf outing. Without your commitment to the school and community, such an event would not be possible.

Dan Pepin  
Girls Varsity Basketball Coach

### WE WELCOME YOUR LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The best read letters are brief and on a topic of local interest. Our deadline is Monday at 10 a.m. Letters will be printed on a space-available basis.

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## Breaking ground on new lodge

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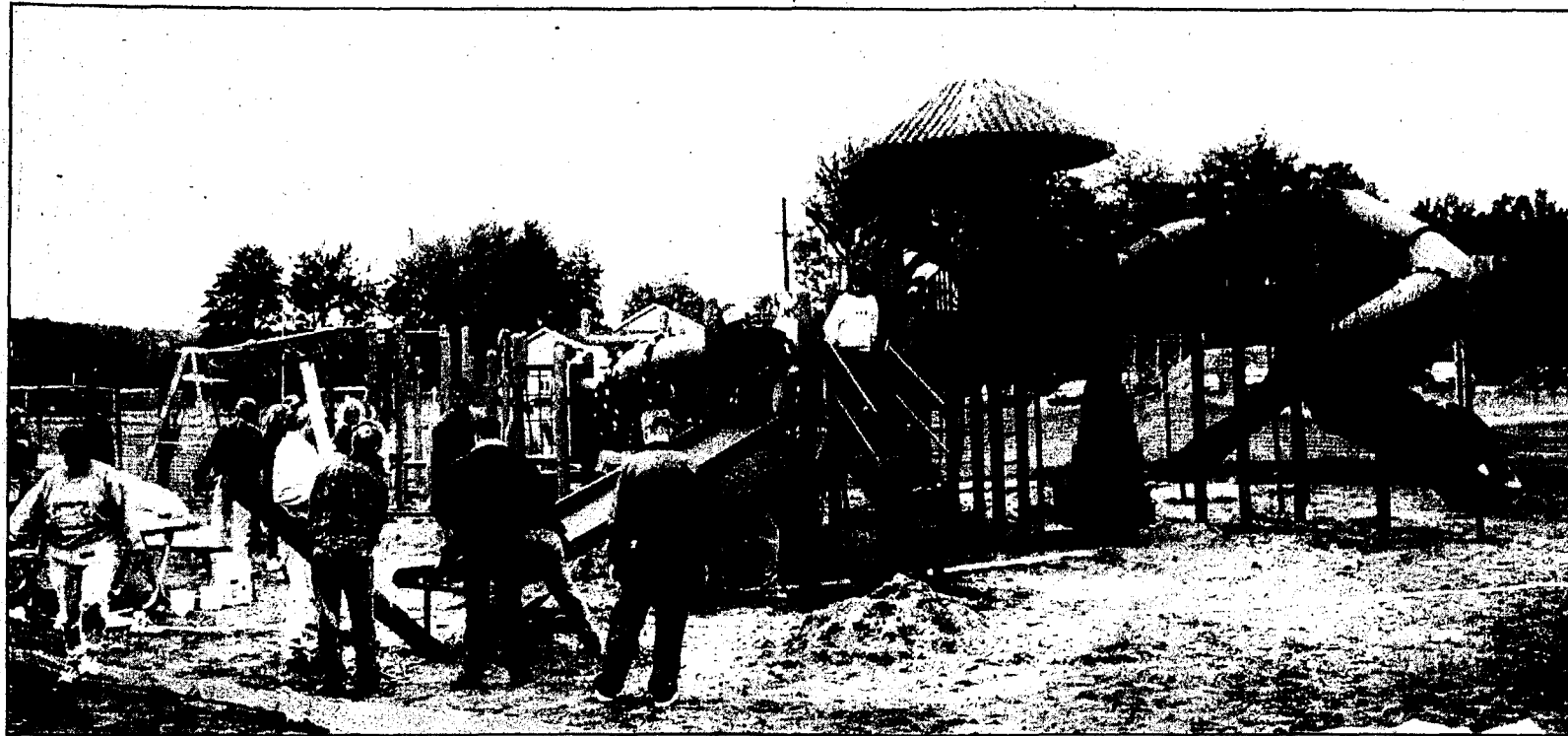
Othmar Schneider, an Olympic medalist who was a director of the school, and Warren Miller, the producer of many popular winter sports films.

Also attending were Boyne founder Everett Kircher, along with the resort's general manager, Everett's son Stephen Kircher, and friends and

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*“It's been an ideal government and business coming-together, to create a lot of jobs”*

— Ed Grice



# All in a day's work



More than 60 teachers, parents and other community members turned out on Saturday to pitch in and assemble the new community playstructure at Boyne City Elementary School. Workers labored from about 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Saturday. Many school staff members turned out, including counselor Wendy Thomas, above, getting down to the nuts and bolts with student Jennifer Lockery and parent volunteer Tracy Wilmot. Principal Fred Sitkins, right, did his part with the support of several hard-working volunteers.



family members, who participated in the traditional symbolic “turning of the earth.”

Other highlights included fireworks and a panel discussion moderated by Bill Flemming of ABC's Wide World of Sports.

The event marks the beginning of what will be a two-year, \$150 million construction project, which will include the new hotel and spa and condominiums as well as a fitness center, specialty shops, a cafe, skating rink, and teen activity center.

“They're just beginning right now, moving the construction trailers in place,” said Boyne Mountain general manager Ed Grice on Monday. By the end of the week, actual construction will be underway, with work on footings and foundation work expected to take place over the next few weeks.

Crews will work through the winter, and “hopefully, by March, they'll be ready to start placing steel,” Grice said.

The first phase of the project, which includes the lobby, the bar and restaurant area, as well as hotel rooms, should be completed by the fall of 2001. Phase two, which involves hotel rooms predominantly, is expected to be completed by the fall of 2002.

Boyne expects that the expansion will not only bring more tourist dollars to the area, but create new job opportunities as well. According to Grice, the construction management firm will employ about 300 workers during the course of the two-year building project. Once the building is complete and running, Boyne expects that about 150 new jobs will be created to operate the resort.

“It's been an ideal government and business coming-together, to create a lot of jobs,” said Grice.

“It's been a cooperative effort between the village of Boyne Falls, Boyne Valley Township has been very helpful, the City of Boyne City has been very helpful with sewer and things like that. Without their help, it wouldn't be possible.”

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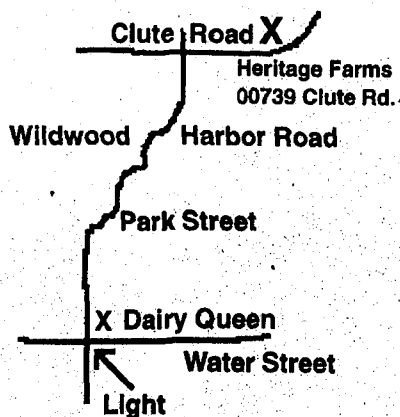
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**OBITUARIES**

**Charles J. Winkler**

Charles J. Winkler, 69, of Wolverine, died Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2000, at his son's home in Boyne City. A graveside service was held Sept. 22, at Silver Lake Cemetery in Wolverine. The Rev. Carl Litchfield officiated. He was born Jan. 21, 1931, in Roseville, the son of William and Edna (Haas) Winkler. He grew up in Roseville and attended Sacred Heart Catholic School. He served in the U.S. Army in the Korean War and was a member of the VFW Post No. 2358 of Roseville. On Jan. 12, 1952, he married Mary

Johanna Schaefer in Roseville. He moved to Wolverine with his wife in 1969. Charles worked in construction all of his life. He liked to garden and make wood crafts. Survivors include his son, Charles and his wife, Janine, of Boyne City; two grandsons, Christopher and Bradley Winkler, of Boyne City; brother, Donald and his wife, Virginia, of Roseville; sister Nancy; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, who died in 1994; and sister, Betty, who died in 1975.

**Robert H. Samuel**

Robert H. Samuel, 80, of Boyne City, died on Saturday, Sept. 23, 2000 at his home. A memorial service was held Sept. 26 at the Stackus Funeral Home. The Rev. Kenneth Bernthal officiated. Robert was born on Aug. 1, 1920, the son of Jack and Esther Harder Samuel in Waterford Township. He

was an avid golfer and duplicate bridge player. He is survived by his daughter, Amy Jidov of Milford; son, Robert H. Samuel, Jr. of Commerce Township; his partner, Betty Alldread of Boyne City; and three grandchildren, Jennifer, Candace, and Catherine. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

**Lois J. Stephen**

Lois J. Stephen, 71, joined her husband in heaven on Sunday, Sept. 3, 2000. He preceded her in death three days earlier. A joint funeral service was held Sept. 5 at the First Baptist Church in Mt. Morris, Mich. Lois was born in Flint, on Oct. 22, 1928, the daughter of Jess and Meta (Porter) Robinson. She graduated from East Jordan High School in 1946. Lois married Carl H. Stephen on March 26, 1949 in Flint. They are survived by two sons, David and Jan Stephen, and Dennis

and Sherri Stephen; daughter, Lois O. Stephen; five grandchildren, Dana, Jennifer, Aaron, Jason and Allison; five great-grandchildren, Chantel, Zane, Elizabeth, Kristen and Austin; sister-in-law, Lorraine Robinson; many nieces and nephews; and special friends, Tony and Evelyn Simpson, and Wanda and Bill Harrison. Mrs. Stephen was preceded in death by her parents; granddaughter Shannon; and three brothers, Bruce, Alan and Ward Robinson.

**East Jordan Learning Lab offers classes**

High school completion classes, preparation for the GED exam as well as instruction in basic skills are offered by the East Jordan Learning Lab, housed in the lower level of the Jordan Valley District Library. Classes are free of charge to those 16 years of age or older. In addition to traditional GED texts and workbooks, the Learning Lab also offers the Contemporary GED software that features an interactive, computerized approach to preparation for the GED exam. This software includes over 120 highly

interactive lessons for instruction and practice as well as six pretests and post-tests to help students assess their readiness for GED testing. Those who are interested in preparing to take the current GED test will have until Dec. 31, 2001 to complete the five-part exam. However, beginning Jan. 1, 2002, an entirely new GED test will be offered, which will differ significantly from the current GED exam. For example, the new test will feature an increased emphasis on critical thinking and problem solv-

ing exercises. In addition, there will be more questions in the areas of civics, health, and the environment. Another change will be the use of a calculator in the math portion of the test. All Learning Lab basic skills instruction, including the GED preparation program as well as the high school completion classes, is self-paced and offers individualized instruction. Lab hours are Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. For additional information, contact the lab at 536-7898.

**Sentencing set for teens in EJ vandalism**

Two East Jordan teens will face sentencing in Charlevoix County District Court on Sept. 29, on charges stemming from vandalism to Murphy Field on Aug. 14. A third teen involved in the incident has waived his arraignment, and has a scheduling conference set for Oct. 13. Wesley James Sheridan, 18, and a 17-year-old male, both from East Jordan, were arrested on Aug. 29 by the East Jordan Police Department and originally faced charges including felony charges of breaking and entering a building with intent (to commit larceny); malicious destruction of property; attempted breaking and entering with intent (to commit larceny), and a misdemeanor called boats - removing from moorings. Sheridan and the 17-year old both entered guilty pleas on Sept. 12 to the reduced charges of one count of malicious destruction of a building,

with damage of more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000, for damage to the concession stand and tennis courts at Murphy Field; and one count of receiving and/or concealing stolen property, less than \$200, in regard to gum and candy found in the teenagers possession, which had been stolen from the concession stand. The two have not posted bail, which was set on Sept. 30 for \$10,000 cash or surety bond, and remain in custody. Wilber James Wiser, Jr., 18, also of East Jordan, has not entered a plea, and has a scheduling conference set for Oct. 13, to set plea cut-off and trial dates. Wiser posted the \$10,000 bond on Sept. 1. One condition of the bond is that he have no contact with the other two charged in the incidents. The charges stem from incidents which occurred during the night of Aug. 14. On Aug. 15, police discov-

ered that the tennis courts and concession stand at Murphy Field were damaged, and that the concession stand had been broken into, and some items had been stolen. Boats at a local marina were also released from their moorings, and a chain link fence at Galmore's had been damaged. Police first spoke to Sheridan on Aug. 15 after responding to a report of a suspicious person sleeping in a vehicle off of Civic Center Lane. Upon further investigation, police discovered baseball caps and boxes of gum in the vehicle. According to the police report, Sheridan admitted breaking into and damaging the concession stand, as well as releasing boats from their moorings. Police interviewed the 17-year-old and Wiser, who also admitted involvement in the incidents. Damages were estimated at more than \$7,000.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**PLAYGROUND MEETING**  
Thursday, Sept. 28  
Boyne City Creative Playground Committee meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the home of Scott and Jane MacKenzie 847 W. Division Street. This meeting is for anyone interested in helping to organize and build the playground at Veterans Memorial Park. Information: 582-0486.

**YARD AND BAKE SALE**  
Sept. 29 and 30  
The Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will hold a yard and bake sale from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. with a soup luncheon on Friday only from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. The church is located at 777 Vogel St., Boyne City.

**SWISS STEAK DINNER**  
Saturday, Sept. 30  
The Smelt City VFW #3675 will be serving their monthly Swiss Steak Dinner from 5-7 p.m. Cost: \$6 for adults, \$3 for children ages 5-12, and free for children under 5. A cold salad and dessert bar is available for \$4.

**BC BOOSTERS MEETING**  
Wednesday, Oct. 4  
The Boyne City School Boosters will hold their annual meeting in the BCHS home economics room at 7 p.m. Election of officers will be held.

**SMELT CITY BREAKFAST**  
Sunday, Oct. 1  
The Smelt City VFW #3675 is serving breakfast from 8 a.m. - noon. The menu consists of bacon, link sausage, toast, fried potatoes, pancakes, and eggs cooked to order. Cost: \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages 5-12, and free for children under 5.

**VFW AUXILIARY MEETING**  
Wednesday, Oct. 4  
The Smelt City Ladies Auxiliary #3675 will hold their monthly meeting at 3 p.m. at the post home in Boyne City.

**COMMUNITY BAND**  
Thursday, Oct. 5  
The Jordan Valley Community Band will resume fall practice on Thursday from 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the East Jordan

High School band room. Anyone who plays a band instrument and would like to participate is welcome to join. For more information, call 536-7654.

**SOUP AND SALAD LUNCHEON**  
Thursday, Oct. 5  
The St. Ann's Alter Society will host a Soup and Salad luncheon from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan. The cost is \$5 and there will also be baked goods and craft items available.

**FARMER'S MARKETS**  
The Boyne City Farmer's Market is open from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays through mid-October. The East Jordan Farmers Market is open from 8 a.m. - noon every Friday through September in the Huntington Bank parking lot. Information: 536-2677.

**BOYNE FOOD PANTRY**  
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Food pick-up hours are on the first Monday of the month from 10 a.m. - noon and third Monday from 5-7 p.m.,

or on Tuesday if a holiday falls on Monday.

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First Wednesday  
The Boyne City Foundation for Excellence in Education meets the first Wednesday of each month at 5:45 p.m. at Boyne City High School.

**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 - financial, medical, disability benefits, etc. - may visit the Post at the corner of Lake and Main streets in Boyne City or call 582-7811 at that time.

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

**AA MEETINGS**  
Weekly  
The Boyne Valley Group of Alcoholics

**CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS**

**Friends of the Boyne**

A board meeting for members of the Friends of the Boyne River will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 27, at 7 p.m. at the Dilworth Inn.

**EJ Garden Club**

The East Jordan Garden Club recently held its annual flower show at the Jordan River Arts Center. The theme was "Birds and Blooms." Refreshments were served from noon until 8 p.m. and well over 130 guests and members attended.

Lucy Lercel chaired the event with Martha Annear, Diane Cox, Carol Johnston, Bill and Jan Luptowski,

Shirley Vollbach, Rusty Hart, Howard Ellis, and Peggy Midener joining together to make it an afternoon of beauty for those who stopped by. Over 75 entries were brought in from area gardens for the unjuried show.

**American Legion**

Ernest Peterson Post #228 of the American Legion in Boyne City will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 5. The meeting will be preceded by the Veteran of the Month flag ceremony at 6:15 p.m., followed by a potluck dinner held jointly with the Legion Auxiliary. The post is located at the corner of Lake and Park streets.

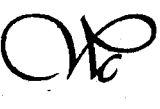
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## A tour of Grandvue

■ Facility hosting open house to acquaint voters with building plans

Grandvue Medical Care Facility will hold an open house on Sunday, Oct. 8, to give community members an opportunity to view the facility's plans for an addition and renovation.

Tours of the facility will be held from 12-4 p.m., with a presentation on the building plans by the architect from 2-2:30 p.m.

Since its construction in the 1950s, Grandvue has made two small additions to provide additional rooms and services, including a 12-bed wing in 1968 and a 27-bed Supervised Residential Unit in 1980. In 1997, the Supervised Residential Unit was converted into a 20-bed Alzheimer's Unit, which is now recognized throughout the state of Michigan as a model for caring for people with Alzheimer's.

Two years ago, the Grandvue Board, Charlevoix County Commissioners and community representatives, undertook strategic planning to identify current and future needs. Conclusions included a need to upgrade living conditions to improve the dignity and quality of life for residents, the addition of new services, and the correction of building deficiencies.

The Charlevoix County Commission has voted to put a bond proposal to support the recommended changes, including renovations and an addition to the current facility, on the ballot of the general election on Nov. 7.

The proposal asks for a millage of 5.4 mills (\$7.5 million) over 16 years. Some specific improvements planned include: expanded and enhanced resident activity areas, expanded family visiting areas, private physician examination rooms for residents, an increase in the number of private and semi-private rooms, the creation of an additional Alzheimer's Unit, the addition of hospice suites, respite beds, and improved ventilation and heating systems.

If the bond proposal is passed, Grandvue expects to begin renovations in the spring of 2001.

# Sunburst taking over Van Dam's marine services

Sunburst Marine of Boyne City and Gaylord, and Van Dam Marine Co. of Boyne City, have announced plans for changes.

Under a new agreement, Sunburst will take over Van Dam's marine services and boat storage operation, allowing Van Dam to focus on its primary interest, boat building.

Steve Van Dam, president of Van Dam Marine Co., is pleased to be able to turn his company's focus and attention back to building boats.

"The demand for custom crafted boats and boat design services, our areas of expertise, continue to grow," Van Dam said. "That is where we want to focus our time and resources."

Skip Forcier, spokesman for Sunburst, sees this as an opportunity to provide services that support his company's boat sales, and is excited about the new venture.

The plan calls for the continuation of the same quality marine services and boat storage plus enhancements under the Sunburst banner.

In the spring Sunburst intends to build new boat showroom facilities adjoining those of Van Dam on Division Street. The headquarters for marine services and storage will be moved to the new location.

Both companies anticipate a smooth transition and continuation of operations with the same personnel.

Sunburst, with boat sales and service in Gaylord, opened its boat sales and marine supplies location in Boyne City early this summer. Van Dam moved its boat building operation from Harbor Springs to Boyne City in 1991, and added marine services and boat storage to its operations at that time.



Pat Tinney will show her work at the Jordan River Art Center until Oct. 1.

## Students turn out for teacher's opening

More than 100 art students of Patricia Tinney from East Jordan High School were able to attend the opening reception for the Master Watercolor Exhibit at the Jordan River Art Center earlier this month.

Tinney is showing over 50 watercolors, either loaned by her art patrons or recently painted and for sale.

Also in attendance at the event were art patrons and teacher friends, including East Jordan schools superintendent Chip Hansen and East Jordan High School principal Tammy Jackson. "East Jordan High School is fortunate to have Pat as a teacher," said Hansen.

Many of Tinney's students have continued in

art or related fields and have received scholarships based on their portfolio reviews.

Tinney says she paints from the heart, often telling a story which became apparent as one viewed the exhibit, in such paintings as "Bear Dog and Bill," on loan from Janice Gerson of Beaver Island, and "Guardian Angel," on loan from Jeanne Buick of Boyne City, which, Tinney noted, are about the lives of her friends.

The exhibit will be open daily from 1-4 p.m., except on Thursday, when hours are extended until 8 p.m., through Oct. 1. On Thursday, Sept. 28, still life materials will be set up for those attending the exhibit to paint. Group tours can be arranged by calling Jane Diller at 582-6399.

## Green Party meeting in Boyne

The Up North Green Party, a local chapter of the Green Party of Michigan, invites the public to "Party 'Til You're Green!" Saturday, Sept. 30, at the Dilworth Hotel in Boyne City starting at 6 p.m.

There is no cover charge for the event which will feature music by Robin Lee Berry and Kirby. Also featured will be speakers Matthew Abel, Michigan Green Party candidate for U.S. Senate and JoAnne Beemon,

Green Party candidate for Charlevoix County Drain Commissioner.

There will be a cash bar and free munchies as well as Green Party literature, Nader/LaDuke lawn signs, and voter registration forms available. A hat will be passed to help the Up North Green Party.

For more information, contact Up North Green Party at [www.upnorthgreenparty.org](http://www.upnorthgreenparty.org) or Virginia Heick at 582-3539.

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## Char-Em ISD holding screening clinic

The Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District is sponsoring a Developmental Screening Clinic for three-year-olds who will be entering kindergarten in the fall of 2002.

The clinic will take place at the Community Reformed Church on the corner of U.S. 31 and Meech Street in Charlevoix, on Oct. 10.

To be eligible, the child's birthdate must be between Dec. 1, 1996 and Dec. 1, 1997.

The purpose of the clinic is to provide parents with information regarding normal child development, an opportunity to interact with parents of

other three-year-old children, and to have their child informally screened to identify any potential learning difficulties which may arise during the school years.

The service is free, with appointments made on a first come, first served basis.

To make an appointment, or for more information, call Pat Gauthier at the Charlevoix-Emmet School District at 547-9947.

If special accommodation is required for a disability, notify Gauthier in advance to make arrangements.

## MSU EXTENSION NEWS

### A week to celebrate

By SUE SHENK

OCT. 1-7, is National 4-H Week. 4-H is the largest non-formal youth organization in the United States. 4-H reaches over 6.6 million youth every year. Here in Charlevoix County, 4-H will be recognizing the outstanding work of our 4-H members and leaders at the 4-H Achievement Day & Recognition Banquet on Monday, Oct. 2, at 3:30 p.m. at Whiting Park. For more information, contact Dawn Thayer at 582-3459 or the MSU Extension office at 582-6232.

THE COMMODITY Supplemental Food Program (CSFF) will be available to those Charlevoix County residents who qualify on Thursday Oct. 5, from 8:30- 10 a.m. at the Boyne City Senior Center. For more information contact Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency at 347-9070.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE Day on Oct. 28, is a day when friends relatives, neighbors, and co-workers join together with nonprofit organizations, schools, religious institutions, local businesses and service clubs to take part in community projects. It is a day when the spirit of volunteerism can be rallied into a year-round commitment to making a difference in your communities through volunteering. For more information contact The Make A Difference Day Hotline at 1-800-416-3824.

DID YOU KNOW? Many doctors and nutritionists believe we have an obesity epidemic in the U.S. Part of the problem is no one knows what a normal-size portion of food looks like. In the last few years food comes supersize, oversized, biggest size, king sized, etc. Let's face it, food just seems to come in bigger sizes. Experts tell us that in order to lose weight, you have to measure your food. Know how much one ounce of cereal is or what four ounces of chicken looks like on a plate. Restaurants have not helped with portion size. In fact, restaurant plates have gone from 8 to 12 inches in size. Bigger is not better when it comes to portion size. You really have to think about what and how much you are eating. Watch the portion size and get some exercise.

(Sue Shenk is the MSU Extension children, youth and family 4-H agent.)

## Hospital receives grant for prenatal education classes

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation recently awarded \$2,000 in grant funds to expand the prenatal education classes offered at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

The grant funds will be used to cover costs of videos, current literature, state of the art cardiopulmonary resuscitation equipment and qualified instructors.

Prenatal education classes cover a wide range of topics including Baby Safe Class, Sibling Preparation Class, Baby-sitting Class, Special Needs Children Support Group, Pregnancy and Post Partum Exercise Class, Tea for Two Support Group, Dad's Class and Childbirth Reunion.

Charlevoix County Community Foundation distributes funds to educational institutions, municipalities and non-profit organizations to be used to enhance the quality of life for people in Charlevoix County.

For more information on the classes, contact the Charlevoix Area Hospital Obstetrics Department at 547-8575.

## COLLEGE NEWS

PAUL GAUDARD of Boyne City and KATHERINE DRENTH of East Jordan are both degree candidates at Michigan State University for the summer semester 2000. Gaudard received a BS in kinesiology and Drenth received an MA in curriculum and teaching.

SUSANNA WELLERT of Boyne City recently participated in the Summer Youth Program (SYP) held on Michigan Tech University's campus. Wellert is the daughter of David and Jean Wellert. She is a freshman at Boyne City High School.

## CRADLE CALL

A daughter, LAUREN ELIZABETH FITZPATRICK, was born to Kevin and Sheri Fitzpatrick of Boyne City on Sept. 18 at 8:02 a.m. at Charlevoix Area Hospital. Lauren weighed 9 lbs., 7 oz. and measured 22 inches long at birth. Her siblings are Brenton, Kaitlin and Madison. Grandparents are Oral and Eleanor Sutliff of Boyne City, and Keith and Margaret Fitzpatrick of Boyne City. Great-grandfather is Thomas Demme of Boyne City.

## NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

MERLA VOUGHT and her nieces Zada (Beals) Boyer and Lynda Christensen of Boyne City, went to Rockford on Wednesday, Sept. 20, to have lunch with Merla's 84 year old sister Beryl, her husband David and their daughter Marge. Beryl is under the care of Hospice in Rockford and the sisters wanted to have the opportunity of getting together to visit and reminisce. It was a delightful visit. While in Rockford, Lynda also had the opportunity of a visit with her son Chris, who lives in Grand Rapids, and also checked in on Bill's brother Bob. All are doing just fine.

LAST WEEKEND, Jim and Janet Shepherd of Boyne City attended the wedding of his nephew, Brett Gates, son of David and Carol Gates, in Eaton Rapids. They also visited Jim's sister, Esther Gates, before returning home.

BETTY BRADLEY of Litzbenburger Place recently had some welcomed visitors. On Sept. 10, her sister and brother-in-law, Helen and Frank Price stopped by and took her out to lunch and all enjoyed a good family talk. On Friday, Sept. 22, her granddaughter, Heidi Armstrong, came for a visit. Another happy and fun time for all was Betty's small family gathering time with her daughter Cathy and three children.

CONGRATULATIONS go out to Ron Inman and Anida Fales, who were married on Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2000, at the Charlevoix

County Courthouse. The happy occasion included the presence of their parents, Arlene Inman of Boyne City, and Larry and LouAnne Burd of Mancelona. The newlyweds are at home in East Jordan.

A WARM "WELCOME Neighbor" goes out to Jessie Moose, who moved into Litzbenburger Place this past week.

KATHY INMAN RICE and husband Jim of Tecumseh were here over the weekend visiting her mother, Arlene Inman and family as well as to attend Kathy's 35th BCHS class reunion, which was held at Springbrook Hills on Saturday night.

AMANDA KORTHASE was honored by her parents, Brian and Jonna Korthase of Boyne City on Sunday afternoon for her 15th birthday. A family gathering, including her grandparents, Jean Korthase and Jan and John Tobin of Gaylord, joined in a fun time of birthday cake and ice cream and cards and gifts for Amanda.

TIMOTHY FALL, son of Pat and Louie Fall, and Jessica Johncheck, daughter of Steve and Cindy Johncheck, all of Boyne City, were married on Saturday, Sept. 23, 2000. Before 100 guests, the lovely lawn ceremony at the Deer Lake home of his parents was performed by the uncle of the bride, Harvey Johncheck, of Gaylord. A reception followed at the Terrace Inn in Bayview. The newlyweds left aboard the Royal Caribbean on Monday, for a honeymoon trip to the Bahamas. Upon their

return, they will be living in Cincinnati, Ohio, where Tim works with Fidelity Investments and Jessica works at Anderson Park as District Coordinator of Events.

BOYNE CITY High School nurse, Jean Odgers, introduced Gail Kubesch to the residents of Litzbenburger Place on Friday. Gail, who is with the Commission on Aging, will take Jean's place as the visiting nurse there, as well as in the community. She is planning to keep Wednesdays as her day at Litzbenburger Place, though occasionally alternating with Tuesday or Thursday visits, depending on her schedule.

ANNE MARIE (Anzell) Robbins of Kentwater was in Boyne City over the weekend to visit her mother, Helen Anzell and to attend the dinner and combined BCHS classes of 1965 and '66 reunion, held at Springbrook Hills on Saturday night.

LARRY ERICKSON and his wife Pat were visiting Boyne City from Farmington, N.M. for three weeks in September. They traveled here in their motor home, stayed at his sister and brother-in-law's home, the Peg and Howard Crozier's while they were in the area. They visited with family and friends during their time in Boyne. Pat and Larry's daughter, Valerie, was also here from Colorado for a week with her parents.

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

## Boyne library offering series of Wednesday workshops

During the month of October the Boyne District Library will present three Wednesday Workshops. The workshops will cover a variety of topics of interest to adults and will be held at the library's temporary location at 342 North Lake St. There is no charge to attend but there is a limit of twenty pre-registered participants for each workshop.

The first will be on Wednesday, Oct. 11, at 7 p.m. and will feature Ron Mills from Korthase Insurance and

Financial Planning. The topic that evening will be Investments 101 and will include terminology, basic financial planning and investment skills for beginners.

On Wednesday, Oct. 18, at 7 p.m. the topic will be Women's Health Issues. Dr. Pam Knysz from the Boyne Area Medical Center will share information on menopause, osteoporosis, breast cancer and other medical issues of concern to women.

The last workshop will be

Wednesday, Oct. 24, at 7 p.m. and is called Finding Your Roots. Nancy Fulkerson, president of the Charlevoix County Genealogical Society will explain how to get started tracing a family tree.

Also in October is the annual Fall Family Fun Night on Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 6-7 p.m. This evening is for the entire family and no registration is required. The fun will include guest readers, refreshments and take-home craft projects for the children.

For more information about any of these programs or to register for the Wednesday workshops, call the library at 582-7861.

## New Books

The Crooked Tree District Library in Walloon Lake recently received \$1000 worth of children's books, all Caldicott or Newberry Award winners, through a program funded by the Libri Foundation. To receive the books, the Friends of the Crooked Tree Library had to make a commitment to raise \$350 of their own funding. Here, Dolores Wehrenberg, Barbara Brochu, and Cynthia Hermann hold a few of the new arrivals.



## Bergmann Center programs meet 'highest quality'

Bergmann Center, Inc. of Charlevoix was recently informed by CARF, the Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission, that it has been accredited for a period of three years for its organizational employment and community personal and social service programs.

The accreditation outcome, which represents the highest level of accreditation, is awarded to organizations

that show substantial fulfillment of the standards established by CARF and clearly indicates that present conditions represent an established pattern of total operations that is likely to be maintained and/or improved in the foreseeable future.

The latest action marks the third consecutive three-year accreditation awarded to Bergmann Center, Inc. by CARF, an international accreditation

body established in 1966.

According to Donald E. Galvin, Ph.D., president and CEO of CARF, "Bergmann Center has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated that its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable and accountable."

Bergmann Center, Inc. is a private

non-profit organization located at 8855 Martin Rd. in Charlevoix. It has been providing services to mentally and physically challenged adults since 1965.

For additional information or a tour, contact Suzanne Muma or Kitty Bennett at 547-2979. Bergmann Center is in operation Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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The Replacements -PG-13 (118 min)  
Starring Gene Hackman & Keanu Reeves  
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Starring Jamie Foxx  
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Starring Clint Eastwood & Tommy Lee Jones  
At 7:00 & 9:15 nightly  
Also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:15  
The Replacements -PG-13 (118)  
Starring Gene Hackman & Keanu Reeves  
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Also Sat & Sun at 2:00  
Hollow Man -R (118 min)  
Starring Kevin Bacon & Elizabeth Shue  
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Also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:15  
Highlanders-Endgame -R (108 min)  
Starring Donnie Yen  
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# WOODEN

HARD WORK PRESERVES A REMINDER  
OF THE AREA'S RICH LOCAL HISTORY

## splendor

By ANGELA SHULTIS

Like many rural residents, Joe Bender has a little piece of local history in his backyard, in the form of an old barn. But rather than letting time take its toll, for the past seven years or so he's been working diligently to restore the structure to something resembling its original splendor.

The Benders purchased their home off M-66 in East Jordan about seven years ago, and, Joe said, have been working on remodeling the barn ever since. While he'd never necessarily had the ambition to take on a barn restoration, Joe said that "after you get in those barns, it's like going into a cathedral or church."

Joe, who has a background in construction, has been inspired by the "workmanship, the time people spent" in crafting their barns.

Joe, for his part, has spent a lot of his own time refurbishing the structure, replacing much of the foundation, the floor, and repairing the roof, doing all the work himself. In some places, some of the main beams sagged as much as 20 inches, requiring jacking up as well as some new support posts. All the windows have been replaced, as well as the wiring and light fixtures. And the barn is now resplendent in its new paint job, in traditional barn red, which took 55 gallons and two coats to complete.

The biggest thing, he said, was that all around the barn, the bushes, trees, and weeds had become overgrown, requiring Joe to take on the task of cutting them all back, replacing the overgrowth with a rolling green lawn.

The project hasn't been without its hard knocks. Once, the floor collapsed, causing Joe to fall and hit his head, requiring medical



Joe Bender has spent the last seven years refurbishing this barn at his home in East Jordan. The final touch will be to paint the names of the original owners on the barn, as a tribute to those who first put their time and resources to create the structure.

attention, and on another occasion he fell through the floor, injuring his foot and taking a second trip to the hospital. Restoring a barn can be a dangerous proposition he said, because, for instance, the roof is "50 feet in the air, and you're taking two ladders, and hooking on a third one to get high enough."

Working so closely in this old barn, though, Joe did encounter some distinct connections to the past. He found "a couple of odd things" like old tools, including a wood-and-leather implement once used to beat grain. Behind the barn, he discovered some old equipment for potato farming.

He also discovered an area in what was once the granary that "looked like it was a hangout" for kids, who had carved their names, initials, and/or dates into the boards, dating as early as the late 1800s. In the main area of the barn, an old basketball hoop had been hung, which Joe surmises was used for entertainment by the kids, who likely swept the floor and played "probably for hours."

And though the origins of some of his findings will likely never be known, Joe has taken it upon himself to uncover a bit of the barn's history. In a stroke of luck, Joe had acquired, along with the property, the original abstract which lists the land's

owners from 1882 on up.

The barn was likely built in about 1886, and was first owned by Orlando Blair, who was either a ship's captain on the Great Lakes or a local blacksmith, by two different accounts Joe's heard so far. After Orlando died, his widow married Sverke Ulvund, who added on the second portion of the barn somewhere around 1919, and started the Crystal Springs Dairy, which provided dairy products to the East Jordan area for quite some time in the early 1900s.

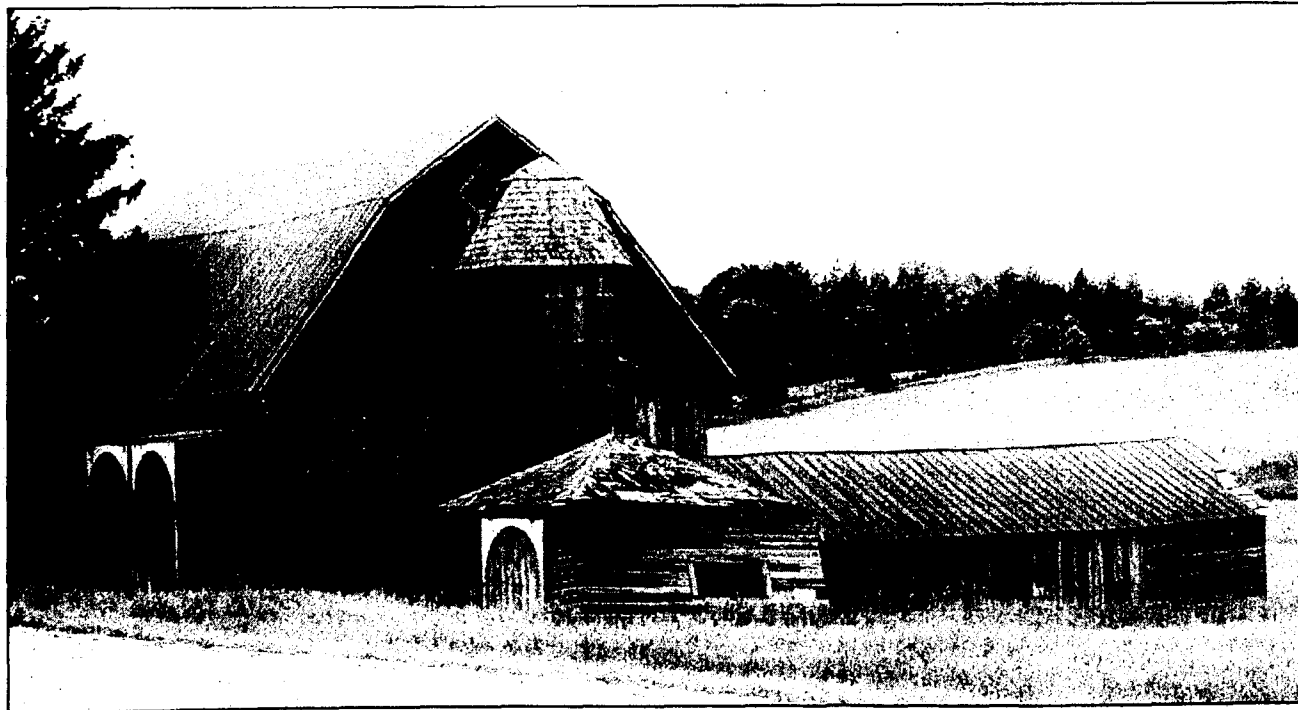
Joe's acquired some photos of Ulvund and the barn in its early days, and plans to hang them in the structure. And while he's about 95 percent finished with the project, the final touch will be to put the names of the original builders on the two separate parts of the barn, Orlando Blair on the older part, Sverke Ulvund on the newer. "You see names on people's barns," he said. "I thought it would be neat to find out who built the barns and put their name on it." And while he's put a whole lot of his own hard work into the barn, he said "it's not right to put my name on it."

And though he's just using the barn for storage, once Joe's project is complete, it will stand for many more years as a reminder of the area's rich local history.

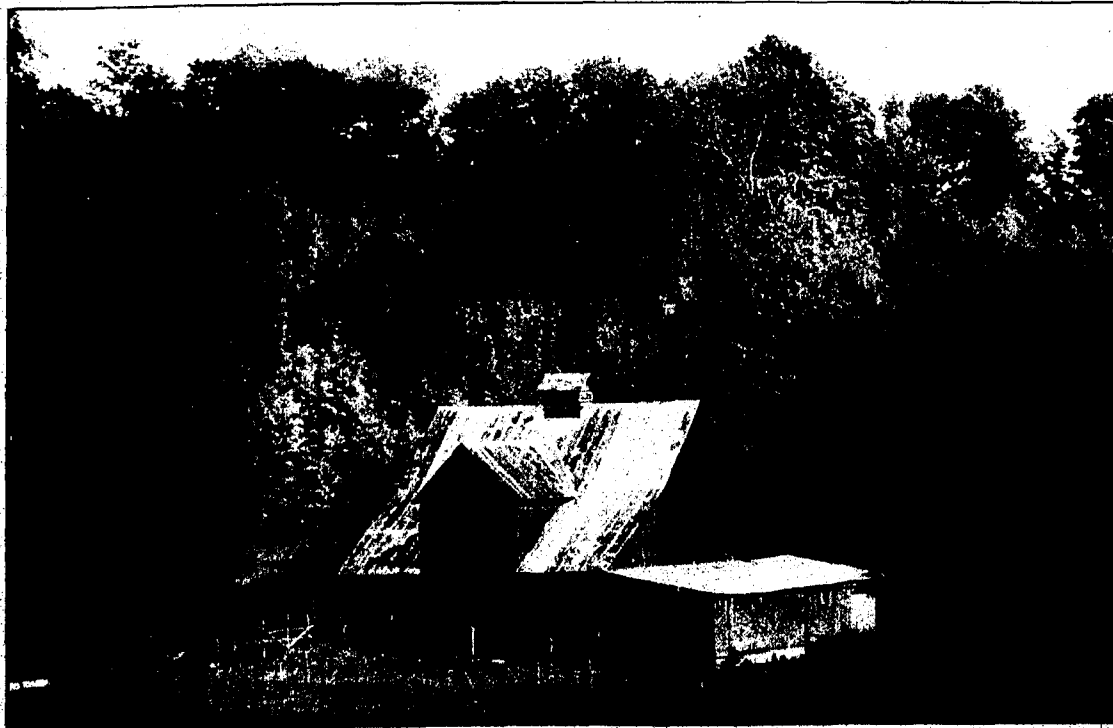


Photo courtesy of Joe Bender

This photo shows Sverke Ulvund during the construction of the second part of the barn, around 1919. Ulvund used the barn for the production of dairy products for his business, Crystal Springs Dairy.



Photos by Angela Shultis



## AGING beauties

"Barns are mystic," says local farmer Gerald Boyer. "Everything happened in the barn, good and bad." To Boyer, and other longtime farmers like him, barns represent not just a place to store hay or keep livestock, but rather a focal point of farm life in years past. Here in northern Michigan, we are fortunate to have many standing reminders of days gone by, a wealth of historical markers of our rural heritage.

# Sweetness and sorrow

## Red Devils' running game takes charge late to spoil Ramblers homecoming

Despite their hunger for a homecoming win, Boyne City couldn't get past East Jordan, losing 21-7 at home on Saturday.

The Ramblers were first on the scoreboard, with a 24-yard pass from Jason Rostar to A.J. Spaay mid-way through the second quarter. The Red Devils came right back and answered with a 14-play, 80-yard drive on their next possession, ending with a run into the endzone by Robert Grover from four yards out. Grover's extra point was good, to tie the game 7-7.

And 7-7 it stayed until late in the fourth quarter, when East Jordan, after trading series with Boyne, took an eight-play drive into the endzone, with a 13-yard touchdown run by Ken Slough. Boyne blocked the extra point, making the score 13-7. But opportunity slipped through their fingers, when East Jordan's Slough forced the Ramblers to fumble on their next possession, with 3:31 left in the game. The Red Devils' Joe Cooper picked up the fumble, and Slough completed the drive with an eight-yard touchdown run. Jeff Kraemer had the two-point conversion, taking the final score to 21-7, East Jordan.

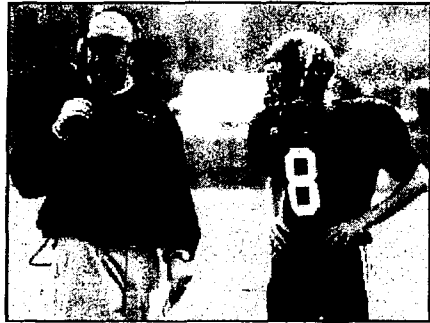
"Obviously we're disappointed," said Rambler head coach David Hills. "It was a game we could have won. We had some breaks, but we couldn't convert them into points."

Boyne City quarterback Jason Rostar was three of three for 54 yards, and Cole Andrews led the team in rushing with 73 yards on 16 carries. "Offensively, we were moving the ball pretty well," Hills said.

On defense for the Ramblers, Steve Bush and Nick Denison

contributed 12 tackles apiece, and Jason Jasinski had 11.

Red Devils coach Allan Peterson was pleased with his team's performance. "I know the kids were pretty excited about



Coach David Hills, here with quarterback Ryan Amesbury, experienced his first inter-county rivalry with the Red Devils.

winning the game," he said. "It was a great game, the kids played hard." Going into the game, Peterson had voiced concerns about Boyne City's depth. "We figured they'd be able to wear us down," he said. "But our kids did real well. They were able to hold them off."

Brandon Healey led East Jordan in rushing with 109 yards on 14 carries, followed by Bill Bavers with 102 yards on 19 carries and Grover with 75 yards of 16 carries.

Ken Slough carried four times for 27 yards and two touchdowns. Nate Diller led the team with 13 tackles, followed by Evan Chappuies with nine, Kraemer and Bavers with eight each, and Slough, Bearden and Grover with six apiece.

Peterson also noted good play by Bobby Huffman on both sides of the ball. "He did just a great job for us," he said.

East Jordan will host 4-1 Harbor Springs on Saturday for the Red Devils homecoming game. "It's



Slipping out of the grasp of a Boyne City defender, East Jordan quarterback Ken Slough finds room around the end as he churns up yards in Saturday's win. Slough only ran the ball four times, but two of those resulted in fourth quarter touchdowns.



Cole Andrews tries to straight-arm an East Jordan tackler who would not let go.

going to be a tough game," Peterson said. "They're a lot faster than we are, so hopefully we can contain them." Game time is 3

p.m. Looking ahead for Boyne City, said Hills, "We are tied for second in our conference. Winning the



East Jordan's Branden Healey led the Red Devils' rushing attack with 109 yards on 14 carries.

conference is still in reach for us, making the playoffs is still in reach for us. All our goals are still there, we just made them a little more

difficult for us to reach." Boyne City travels to Elk Rapids on Friday, Sept. 29. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

## Runners earn medals at Petoskey meet

### Tarn Leach sets the pace again

Once again, the East Jordan cross country teams showed their strength, taking second place in the 9th and 10th grade girls' race and the 11th and 12th grade boys race at the Petoskey Invitational on Saturday.

The girls used a third-place finish of 21:32 by Haley Shaw and a fourth-place run of 21:42 from Tiffanie Bearden to finish second to Sutton's Bay (55) with 83 points, and ahead of traditionally strong Benzie Central (100). Amanda McMichael (19th), Krystal Birgy (23rd), and Amanda

Haney (34th) also ran well.

In the varsity girls' race, East Jordan was unable to field a full team, but still ran a strong race, led by Heather Hammond's fifth-place finish (21:09). Ruth Elliott finished 10th with 22:05, while Heather Jones placed 17th and Amanda Daniels 37th.

East Jordan co-coach Dennis Snarey was very pleased with the girls' race. "Heather Hammond is now back on track after being ill for her previous three races. All of the girls are now gaining confidence and learning to race."

Tarn Leach added another first-  
Please see CROSS COUNTRY on page 9

### Rambler Jane Stieber takes third

The Boyne City cross country team had several medalists at the Petoskey Invitational on Saturday, despite being unable to field a complete team in a majority of the divisions.

Jane Stieber was the top finisher for the Ramblers, taking third-place in the 11th and 12th grade girls division with a time of 20:53. Mindy McCutcheon also medaled, placing 11th in a time of 22:29.

"It was a smart race for Jane," said Boyne City coach Andy Place,

noting that for a while the leaders ran together, but as they separated Jane had to run her own race. "It was the best race of the year for Mindy [McCutcheon]."

In the JV girls' division freshman Hannah Decker, who runs cross country and plays basketball, earned a medal with her 12th place finish in 22:37. Brie Van Dam placed 21st in 23:34 and Katie Martin, another basketball player, placed 22nd in 23:53.

Kellan Smith was the only medal winner in the 11th and 12th grade boys' division. Smith placed 13th with a time of 18:08. Brad Winkler (33rd-19:16), Brian Miller (46th-20:28), and Geoff Martin (54th-21:08) also ran in the invitational.

"It was a very good time for Kellan," said Place.

Boyne City placed third in the 9th and 10th grade boys' division, the only race they were able to field a complete team. The Ramblers had three medal winners, including Randall Sutton (15th-20:01), Justin Conklin (19th-20:48), and Justin Weisler (20th-20:54). Also running for the Ramblers were Ian Smith (22:20), Sam McVannel (33rd-22:40), and David Burns (37th-23:36).

The Ramblers were running without a couple of racers, including captain Char Brandt, due to injuries and homecoming activities.

Their next meet is the Wolverine Invitational on Saturday. Race time is 9 a.m.

## Lon Kowalske defends championship at Ye Nyne

On Saturday, Sept. 23, at Ye Nyne Olde Holles Golf Course Lon Kowalske of Boyne City successfully defended his club championship by shooting a 71. This is Kowalske's sixth consecutive club tournament win, and 16th out of the last 27. Todd Buckmaster, also of Boyne City, took second-place with a 75, followed by Mike Granger of Dunmaglass Golf Club with a 78.

In the Handicap Division of the championship flight, Brandon Stadt of Ye Nyne Olde Holles Golf Course tied Kowalske with a 71. Stadt was followed by Russ Bohnet of Boyne City with a 72, and tied for third with 73, Chad Raymond of East Jordan and Dwayne Shay of Boyne City.

The First Flight put on a great match between Jim Earegood, Mike Miller, and Dave Sherman, all of Boyne City. They tied for first-place with net 70s.

The Senior Division was won by Brad Jones of East Jordan with a net 65. Fred Lehto of Boyne City was second with a 66, followed by Al Van Dusen of Walloon Lake with a 67. Ron "Buzz" Grogan of Boyne City, who was the oldest participant at 81 years of age, shot net 70.

## EJ golf team scores low

The East Jordan golf team had its lowest 18-hole score this year when it really counted, at the Gaylord Junior Invitational Sept. 22. The Red Devils shot a combined 357 to take third in the 11 team-Division III and Division IV field behind Traverse City St. Francis and Rogers City.

Aaron Woodard led the Red Devils with an 87, while Nate Skop shot an 88. Matt Malpass (90), Billy Nichols (92), and Paul Teske (101) rounded off East Jordan's top five.

On Sept. 19, East Jordan hosted Elk Rapids, losing 182-159. Brian

Hammer and Mike Tegal, both of Elk Rapids, each shot a 38 to take medalist honors. Paul Teske led the home team with a 43, followed by Skop (45), Woodard (47), and Steve Kempton (47).

The East Jordan JV team defeated the Elks 178-189; Sean Gee shot a 42 to lead the Red Devils, while Kevin Curtin and Kyle Brouwer each shot a 45. Matt Malpass contributed a 46.

The Red Devils travel to Mancelona on Sept. 28 for a 4 p.m. match, then host the Ironmen on Oct. 2 for a 4:30 p.m. match.



Boyne City and East Jordan runners are in the thick of it at the downhill start of the girls varsity race at the Petoskey Invitational, held at Boyne Mountain this year.





Photo by Aaron Place



## Homecoming Royalty

Boyer City's homecoming queen Charlotte Brandt and king Waylon MacNaughton shared the traditional dance at Saturday night's festivities. Earlier in the day, the homecoming court, above, was presented at halftime, and maintained their composure despite the less-than-ideal fall weather. They are, from left, Nick Denison, Emily Roland, Ben VanDam, Ali Swaim, Jason Grace, Kara Perry, Dylan Hall, Meghann Gerling, Waylon MacNaughton, and Charlotte Brandt.

## East Jordan defense too much for Boyne City

East Jordan defeated host Boyne City 68-54 in a physical game between the two rivals. Fifty-one fouls were called, and 68 free throws were shot during the game. East Jordan shot 65 percent from the line, behind the 7/8 shooting of Wendy Walczak, while Boyne City shot 50 percent.

The Ramblers led 14-10 after the first quarter, but after that it was all East Jordan, as they scored 42 points in the next two quarters compared to Boyne City's 22. The Red Devils also played excellent defense, keeping the Ramblers off-balance for much of the game.

"Our pressure seemed to cause Boyne City some problems and take them out of sync," said Red Devils coach Dan Pepin.

"Credit East Jordan, who came ready to play," said Rambler coach Tom Neidhamer. "We are struggling

with scoring. We shot 28 percent from the field, which will not win many games."

Linda Slough led all scorers, contributing 26 points to the Red Devils, along with six steals. Walczak added 13 points and 6 rebounds and Kristen Haley scored eight points and grabbed nine boards. Andrea Palmrose had a strong showing off the bench, scoring six points and getting five rebounds.

Lindsey Helsley led the Ramblers, coming off the bench and scoring 12 points. Ellie Neidhamer added ten points, including two three-pointers, while Kriste Gaither added eight.

Boyne City won the JV game 51-33, after holding a two-point lead at the half. The Ramblers came out strong and opened up a ten-point lead in the fourth quarter. Meredith Clemens scored 14 points and

grabbed 13 boards for the Ramblers. Jenna Roland added eight points. The Rambler JV is now 4-2.

Boyne City, 1-5 overall and 1-2 in the league, travels to Rogers City on

Sept. 28 and Harbor Springs on Oct. 3.

East Jordan hosts Charlevoix on September 28 and Kalkaska on Oct. 3. Game time is 6 p.m.

## Bellaire falls to East Jordan

East Jordan hosted Bellaire on Sept. 21, and came away with a hard-fought victory, 65-60. Bellaire stayed close throughout the entire game, down by one-point at the end of the third quarter.

"It was a struggle from the start," said Coach Pepin. "Every time we made a run, Bellaire would come right back, primarily due to their shooting (54 percent including five three-pointers)."

East Jordan shot 50 percent from the field and 67 percent from the line.

They also out-rebounded Bellaire 34-24.

"The difference in the game was the stellar play of Kristin Haley (10 points/10 rebounds) and freshman Courtney Hammond (26 points/11 rebounds/six steals/ five deflections)," said Pepin. He also noted that the team got quality minutes from Anna Olson, Renee Nowka, and Stefanie Skop off the bench. Linda Slough added 13 points.

East Jordan is now 4-3 overall and 1-1 in league competition.

## Red Devils top Boyne City in jv matchup

After a strong first quarter, the Rambler jv team couldn't keep pace with the Red Devils, losing the matchup at home 28-16.

Matt Huver scored the first touchdown of the game on the opening drive for East Jordan on a 12-yard run with 8:57 left in the first quarter. Alan Arnott added the two-point conversion on a three-yard run.

Boyne came right back with Ben Hausler taking in a 60-yard kick return for their first touchdown. The Ramblers ran in a two-point conversion on the option to make the score 8-8.

With 3:58 left in the first quarter, East Jordan's Scott Murray connected with Kevin Roberts on a six-yard touchdown pass to put the Red Devils up by 14-8. Boyne came right back down the field with a 35-yard touchdown run from Hausler and another two-point conversion. At half-time, Boyne had the upper hand, with the score sitting at 16-14.

The Red Devils came out strong in

the third quarter, with a pass from Scott Murray to Alan Arnott, with Arnott sprinting 60 yards for another touchdown for East Jordan. Arnott ran in the two-point conversion from three yards out. East Jordan capped off the scoring with a final touchdown on a 28-yard reverse from Tyler Cutler, who raced the Rambler defense to the corner of the endzone for the touchdown.

"We knew this was going to be a tough game, but I didn't realize how great Ben Hausler and Jeff Prested were on the option that Boyne runs," said East Jordan head coach Todd Derenzy.

Top rushers for East Jordan were Huver with 107 yards on 15 carries, Arnott with 46 yards on 10 carries, and Cutler with 40 yards on eight carries.

In receiving, Roberts led with 75 yards for five receptions followed by Arnott with 80 yards on two. Quarterback Scott Murray completed eight of 10 attempts for 155 yards and two touchdowns. "We were very fortunate to have a quarterback of Scott

Murray's caliber to throw the football for us tonight," said Derenzy, "as well as some fantastic runs by Huver, Arnott, and Cutler. Defensively, Cutler, Bryan Diller, Jon Reese, Josh Sheridan, and Greg Grose played outstanding for us."

Bryan Diller led in tackling, with 13, followed by Jon Reese with nine, and Josh Sheridan with eight.

Boyne was noted for good blocking by Jeff Prested and Jordan Voice on the perimeter, with Prested leading in tackles. Hausler led in rushing with 14 carries for 104 yards.

While the team put in a good effort, said Rambler coach Dave Bricker, "Coach Todd Derenzy had [his team]

ready to play and they kept hitting us. I was impressed with their depth, and their passing game hurt us."

## JV football game rescheduled

Due to a scheduling conflict for Traverse City St. Francis, the time and place of the Oct. 5 East Jordan junior varsity football game has been changed. The game will be played at 4:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth School in Traverse City. St. Elizabeth School is located near East Junior High School on Three Mile Road.

## Loggers lose to Harbor Light

Boyer Falls suffered two close losses last week in girls varsity basketball action.

The Lady Loggers fell 53-50 against Harbor Light. After leading by four points at the end of the first quarter, the team was unable to keep its edge, lagging just behind Harbor for the rest of the game.

"Rene (Fiel) and Kim (Wagner) both made three-point shots to keep us in the game," said coach Ken Doty. Julie Korthase and Wagner took top scoring honors with 14 each, followed by Fiel with seven, and Jennifer Boyer with eight.

The team was six for 10 from the line.

Against Leelanau St. Mary's, the Loggers kept a steady pace but were unable to pull ahead, losing with a final score of 47-46.

It was, said Doty, "an exciting game." Wagner led scoring with 19 followed by Korthase with 17. The team made 21 fouls, and was seven of 18 from the line.

The Lady Loggers are 3-4 for the season, with a conference record of 1-2. The team was scheduled to travel to Johannesburg on Tuesday, Sept. 26, and will face Wolverine at home on Thursday, Sept. 28.

## Soccer travel teams split games

Last weekend the Boyne Area 4-H Soccer travel teams went to Petoskey, with the girls tying one and winning one, and the boys splitting the day with one win and one loss.

On Saturday, the first game tied Petoskey 1-1 in their first game of the day, with Aurora Ryan scoring Boyne's lone goal.

In game two, Boyne topped Petoskey 2-0, with two goals from Lindsay Baic, the second with an assist from Brittney Farrell. "The whole defense played pretty good in that game," said coach Nick Baic.

Sunday found the boys team in a tough match against an experienced Petoskey team. Boyne lost 8-0. "They were just overmatched," said Baic. "[The Petoskey team] has been

together for five years, they practice every day."

In their second game of the day, Boyne came back to beat Manistee 2-1, with a goal from Eli Barys on a breakaway from midfield. Boyne's second goal was scored by Nick Dunwoody on an assist from Barys.

"Skylar MacNaughton and Ben Kroondyk did a really nice job," said Baic, who also noted good play by Brett Evans. "Our keeper, Justin Knysz played really well in both games," he said.

The teams will both be playing in Walloon this weekend at Boyne Valley Lodge. The girls team plays Saturday at noon and the boys team plays Sunday at 1 p.m.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF EAST JORDAN REQUEST FOR VARIANCE

The East Jordan Board of Appeals has received a variance request from McDonald's Corporation for variances on their proposed sign location and height. They are requesting a 7 foot variance on the sign location, placing it closer to the road, McDonald's Corporation is also requesting a 10 foot variance in sign height from 15 feet to 25 feet.

A Special Public Hearing Meeting to receive comments on this request will be held on Monday, Oct. 16, 2000 at 5:15 p.m. in City Hall, 201 Main Street, East Jordan, MI. A copy of the application may be examined at City Hall during normal business hours. If you are unable to attend the Public Hearing, written comments may be submitted to: Appeals Board, % Acting Zoning Administrator, P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727.

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in Regular Session, Sept. 19, 2000 at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Klooster presiding with all members of the City Commission present except for Commissioner Gee and Norton. Minutes were approved and acknowledgment was given to paid bills in the amount of \$270,819.66.

Further Commission Action: awarded bid for a Sand/Salt Dome to Dome Corporation of North America; awarded a bid for a 2001 1/2 ton pickup to Bob Mathers Ford; tabled awarding bid for a Power Sweeper until Oct. 3 meeting; withheld payment recommendation for C.H. Smith; approved lot split for Raymond and Rose Hines on State Street.

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

### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF BOYNE CITY CITY OF CHARLEVOIX 2nd READING AND CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF

#### AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE A-28

At a regular meeting of the City Commissioners of the City of Boyne City, County of Charlevoix, MI held at City Hall in said City the 19 day of September 2000 at 12 noon, the following amending ordinance to City of Boyne City Ordinance #A-28, the Boyne City Zoning Map was presented and approved as a First Reading. The following is a synopsis of that amending ordinance:

THE CITY OF BOYNE CITY ORDAINS

#### Section 1. Amendment of Section 2.20 of the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance

Section 2.20 of the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended to rezone a parcel of land from Community Services Commercial (CSC), Commercial (C-2) and Rural Residential (RR-1) to Planned Industrial District (PID), said property lying northeasterly of M-75 South and southerly of the Boyne River, containing 48.95 acres, more or less.

Notice is hereby given that the second reading and consideration of adoption of this amending Ordinance will be held at the City Commission meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2000 at 12 noon at City Hall, 319 North Lake Street. The public is invited to attend this meeting and give input. This Amendment to Ordinance No. A-28 shall become effective fifteen (15) days following publication of a notice of ordinance adoption in a newspaper of general circulation in the City.

Sue Hobbs, City Clerk

### CITY OF BOYNE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to rules and regulations as outlined in the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance A-28, public hearings will be held at the regular meeting of the Boyne City Planning Commission on Monday, Oct. 16, 2000 at 5 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, Mich., to review and consider the following:

A. A request from the Boyne City Air Commission to review a final plat for development of the Boyne City Air Industrial Park Phase II, Property I.D. #15-051-306-904-00.

B. A request from the Boyne City Housing Commission for an amendment to an approved development plan to permit construction of a storage accessory building with the new proposed building on Division Street Property I.D. #15-051-335-084-10.

C. A request from the Boyne City Housing Commission to divide and reconfigure property at 805 S. Park Street Property I. D. #15-051-363-278-00.

More details and proposed plans are available for review at the Boyne City Planning Department, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. through 5 p.m. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and participate in discussion. Any input for or against this project will be received in writing by the City Planner's office until 5 p.m. on the day of the public hearing or at the public hearing. For further information contact the City Planner's office at 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, Mich. 49712 or call (231) 582-0337. Questions and comments may also be e-mailed to toleary@boyncity.com.

Timothy O'Leary  
Planning Director

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## Cross country

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place to his growing list of victories as he won the 11th and 12th grade division in a time of 16:27. East Jordan missed out on first place to Charlevoix by only three points, and defeated Benzie Central by only one in a very close competition. Jeremy Booze placed fifth in a time of 17:20 and Jeremy Penzien took 11th in 17:56. Peter Warnos placed 20th, Brian Kirby 24th, Soren Low 36th, and Pat Curtin 69th for East Jordan.

"Peter Warnos and Brian Kirby are beginning to play more of a role as our sixth and seventh runners," said Snarey. "Tarn, as usual, was super."

East Jordan was unable to field a complete team in the jv competition but took a fourth-place individual finish from Garrett Romero in 17:43. Mark McKenney placed 47th.

"We coaches were very pleased at how improved the kids ran today," said Red Devils co-coach Matt Peterson. "I'm certain the kids would agree that this can only be a beginning if we continue the hard work and keep the mental edge in focus."

In the middle school competition Chris Duff took first with a run of 11:37, followed by Nick Hanson, who placed fourth in 11:59. Kyle Carson (18th) and Josh Pung (43rd) also competed for the boys.

In the girls' middle school run, Chelsea Poindexter was the top East Jordan runner, finishing 10th with a time of 13:51. Amanda Thomas (39th), Liz David (46th), Nina Romero (49th), Andrea Postmus (66th), and Amber Lifer (67th) also raced.

East Jordan travels to the Carson City Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 30. Race time is 9 p.m.

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Patrick G. Jacobson a single man (original mortgagors) to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Lender as hereinafter defined and Lenders successors and assigns as beneficiary, Old Kent Bank, Mortgage, dated December 15, 1999, and recorded on January 4, 2000 in Liber 380, on Page 337, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOUR AND 63/100 dollars (\$47,134.63), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

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Said premises are situated in CITY OF EAST JORDAN, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

**THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Douglas E. Perrault and Marianne B. Perrault his wife (original mortgagors) to Midwest Mortgage Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 3, 1987, and recorded on February 4, 1987 in Liber 191, on Page 0082, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Midfirst Bank, a Federally Chartered Savings Association. Assignee by an assignee by an assignee by an assignment dated May 8, 1998, which was recorded on July 24, 1998, in Liber 343, on Page 044, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT AND 90/100 dollars (\$19,468.90), including interest at 9.000% per annum.

as: Lot 14, Empey's Addition to the Village of South Lake (Now City of East Jordan) according to the recorded plat thereof in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 92, Charlevoix County Records.

shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: Sept. 27, 2000

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**BOYNE CITY COMMISSION SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES**  
**Sept. 19, 2000, 12 noon special meeting.** The Commission awarded the construction contract for Phase II of the Boyne City Air Industrial Park to M & M Construction; approved the replacement of a 1988 Fire Department vehicle; held a first reading to amend the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance proposing to rezone Commercial and Rural Residential properties to Planned Industrial.

**PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF EAST JORDAN REQUEST FOR VARIANCE**  
 The East Jordan Board of Appeals has received a variance request from McDonald's Corporation for an 8 foot variance from the required 10 foot side Yard setback. A Special Public Hearing Meeting to receive comments on this request will be held on Monday, Oct. 16, 2000 at 5:15 p.m. in City Hall, 201 Main Street, East Jordan, MI. A copy of the application may be examined at City Hall during normal business hours. If you are unable to attend the Public Hearing, written comments may be submitted to: Appeals Board, % Acting Zoning Administrator, P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727.

# NOTICE LAST DAY TO REGISTER

**NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS OF CITY/TOWNSHIP OF \_\_\_\_\_, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

All electors are hereby given notice that a General Election will be held in \_\_\_\_\_ City/Township on Tuesday, November 7, 2000.

Electors who wish to vote in the general election must be registered to vote no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2000. If you are not currently registered to vote or have changed your address in the city or township in which you live you may do so at the following locations listed in this notice.

In Person:  
 At your city or township clerk's office or at the office of the Charlevoix County Clerk during normal business hours.  
 At any of the Secretary of State Branch offices located throughout the state during normal business hour.  
 At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and home offices of the Commission for the Blind.  
 At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.

By Mail:  
 By obtaining and completing a Mail Voter Registration Application and forwarding to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline. Mail voter registration applications may be obtained by contacting any of the following clerks.

NOTE: A person who registers to vote by mail is required to vote in person unless they have previously voted in person in the city/township where they live or are at least 60 years of age or are handicapped.

Electors who wish to register with the county or city/township clerk are advised to call ahead for location.

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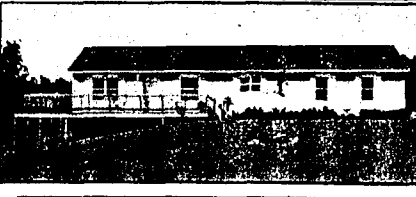
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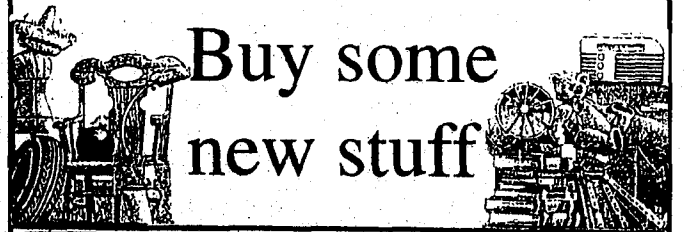


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**NEWS BRIEFS**

**East Jordan has full slate of activities for homecoming**

It's fall again, and that means homecoming time. A community pep assembly will be held at the Jordan Valley Express on Friday, Sept. 29, at 5:30 p.m. The family event will include dinner, the introduction of all of the fall varsity athletes and the homecoming court, entertainment by the high school band, children's games, door prizes, raffles, and other fun-filled activities.

The cost for the evening is \$2 per adult, and \$1 per student, which includes dinner. The East Jordan Sports Boosters are sponsoring the event.

On Saturday, the homecoming parade will make its way down Main Street. Registration and line-up will begin at 1 p.m. in the GAR Park at the corner of Main and Garfield Streets. The parade will begin at 1:30 p.m., proceeding down Main and up Mill Street, concluding at the high school.

Following the parade, a tailgate party will be hosted by the East Jordan Sports Boosters at the high school. Burgers, hot dogs, brats, and more will be available for a minimal fee until shortly before game time. A Sports Booster concession stand will have a full assortment of refreshments available throughout the game.

At 2:30 p.m., a pre-game ceremony at Boswell Stadium will honor the teams of 1948 and 1949.

At 3 p.m., East Jordan will host Harbor Springs.

**EJ chamber hosts after hours**

The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Business After Hours on Wednesday, Sept. 27, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Lumber Jack's restaurant, 101 Main St.

Hors d'oeuvres will be served, and there will be a cash bar. The cost is \$3 for chamber members and \$5 for non-members.

The event is sponsored by Jordan Valley Accounting and Lumber Jack's.

For more information, call the chamber at 536-7351.

**Sno-Blast committee meeting**

The Sno-Blast 2001 committee will be meeting on Friday, Sept. 29, in the Jordan Valley District Library community room at 9 a.m. to begin organizing this year's event.

Those interested in helping out are invited to attend. For more information, call Kurt Ballien at 536-3182.

**Scarecrow Ball is October 6**

For those looking for a little fall-themed fun, the Boyne City Chamber of Commerce is hosting the second annual Scarecrow Ball on Oct. 6 from 7-11 p.m. at the Wolverine Dilworth Hotel.

Those attending are invited to dress as their favorite scarecrow to be entered into the Scarecrow Costume Contest.

Door prizes will be awarded, and there will be a cash bar. You must be 21 to attend.

At 11 p.m., participants will receive a free pass to the Field of Screams, a haunted hayride.

Admission to the ball is \$5 at the door. For more information, call the chamber at 582-6222.

**Plans set for Watershed Ramble**

The Charlevoix County Land Conservancy and the Friends of the Boyne River will host the third annual Fall Lake Charlevoix Watershed Ramble and Rowe Inn Wine Tasting Adventure on Sunday, Oct. 15, starting at the Wolverine Dilworth Hotel in downtown Boyne City.

The event will begin at 1 p.m., when participants will gather at the Dilworth for watershed maps and introductions. Those attending will then take a "ramble" around the watersheds on the Charlevoix County Trolley. Areas visited will include the Walloon Lake, Boyne River, Jordan River, and Elk River watersheds.

From 3-5 p.m., guests will enjoy a wine tasting and hors d'oeuvre party at the Rowe Inn.

The cost is \$20 per person. For more information, or to register by Oct. 1, call JoAnne at 237-9335 or Tom at 582-5824.

**Zoning changes topic of meeting**

The Boyne City Planning Commission will be holding a work session on Monday, Oct. 2, at 5 p.m. to review proposed changes to the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance. The public is invited to attend.

The meeting will be a chance for the planning commission to review proposed changes to the ordinance with consultant Ken Dettloff, of McKenna Associates, Inc. Topics covered under the ordinance include future land use on the waterfront, issues related to the Central Business District including parking and the use of the right-of-way, and residential zoning.

The planning commission has been working on revising the ordinance for approximately one year, and this meeting is the culmination of that work. After the meeting, any changes will be incorporated in a final draft and a public hearing will be scheduled to begin the adoption process. The city hopes to have the revised ordinance in place by the first of the year.

**Humane society getting unwanted attention over death of black bear**

The Charlevoix County Humane Society has been getting a little unwanted attention regarding the recent shooting of a black bear by local authorities in downtown Charlevoix.

The approximately 200-pound, 3-year-old black bear was shot by both a Charlevoix police officer and a conservation officer in a residential area in Charlevoix, after attempts to scare the bear out of the area failed. Authorities were apparently unable to locate a tranquilizer gun. But, said Charlevoix County Animal Control officer Julie Whitley and Humane Society director Martha Weisler, don't call the humane society — they had nothing to do with it.

"I was contacted by central dispatch at 3 a.m. [on Monday]... They asked me if I had a tranquilizer gun," said Whitley. She said she did not, noting that tranquilizer guns are very costly pieces of equipment, which also require special training at a special school.

"At that point," she said, "they stated they were trying to get a hold of one of the hunters with a bear dog." They asked Whitley if she would be willing to come out and help utilize the bear dog in managing the situation.

"I didn't feel comfortable doing that," she said, and so, "that was the end of my part in it."

Or so she thought; unhappy citizens have had other ideas. "Everywhere I have been, I've had just tons of people approach me," Whitley said. At the gas station, at private residences, even on the Ironton Ferry, folks have questioned Whitley as to her role in the incident. "I was not involved," she said.

The office of the Humane Society, too, has been fielding its share of calls from angry citizens.

"I didn't know anything about the bear issue," said Weisler, "until 3:45 on Monday afternoon." At that time, "a lady outraged that we'd have any-

thing to do with it" phoned to give the organization a piece of her mind. Weisler told her that they didn't have anything to do with it. But the calls didn't stop there.

On Tuesday morning, workers arrived to find anonymous messages on their answering machine from individuals who said that they were "big contributors" to the humane society, and were "appalled" by the actions taken in the bear situation.

While Whitley and Weisler can understand the emotions behind the feedback they've gotten, they want to emphasize that animal control and the humane society were in no way involved in the decisions made in handling the incident.

According to Whitley, her position as an animal control officer essentially involved working with situations involving domesticated animals. "I do get a lot of wildlife calls," Whitley said, and she sometimes responds to them, but "it depends on the situa-

tion." With a larger wild animal like a bear, in a more complicated situation, said Whitley, "I don't have a whole lot of expertise [in that area]."

Likewise, the humane society is strictly involved with domestic animals, and was not contacted at all regarding the incident. "[Wildlife] is not our area," Weisler said.

And in regard to their opinion on how the situation was ultimately handled, ending with the bear being shot and killed, Whitley and Weisler are hesitant to place judgment. "It's easy to be a Monday morning quarterback," Whitley said, noting that she was not present so therefore couldn't really comment on the decision to kill the bear. And, adds Weisler, "Even if we are incensed, it's not our call. It's for the Department of Natural Resources [to decide]."

Whitley and Weisler are deferring calls on the issue to the Department of Natural Resources and the Charlevoix Police Department.

**Wagbo expanding agriculture program**

After three years of operating a successful Community-Supported Agriculture program, Wagbo Peace Center is looking to expand its offerings and include more local producers in the area.

Wagbo, a 212-acre organic working farm and experiential educational center, has been providing organically grown vegetables, herbs, maple syrup, and chickens for three years, selling subscriptions to "share holders," who pay for a share in the farm's harvest in advance. Each week, shareholders come to the farm to pick up their portion of the harvest. According to multi-farm CSA coordinator Scott MacKenzie, advance payments allow the farm to purchase seeds and other supplies when necessary, eliminating the need for loans. "The local farmer receives fair and guaranteed compensation, and in return shareholders receive a variety of fresh, organically grown vegetables, meats, and other farm products," he said.

The program has proved to be popular, and the center is now looking to bring in other producers, both to provide more quantity as well as increase the variety they are able to offer. The expansion is "something

we hoped would happen down the road," said MacKenzie. "Our program is going really well... Part of the mission plan of Wagbo in the long run was to create a local community-supported farming program in turn that would help the economy locally."

The number of shareholders involved in the program doubled in the second year, and while the number has held steady into the third, "our shareholders are asking for more," including eggs, bread, dairy, meats, honey, and cut flowers.

So far, some local producers have shown interest, including some lamb and beef producers. The basic issue for most, though, is the requirement that the food be raised organically. "Mostly it's the way our economy is set up," said MacKenzie of the resistance of some producers to convert to organic methods. And, he said, "if a farmer has a pest issue, they go to the cooperative or the agricultural service, and they set them up on a pesticide spraying schedule." MacKenzie concedes that there are risks involved with changing to organic methods; once they've made the move away from pesticides, farmers are in for a "rough two or three years," which includes the time it takes for

the soil to regain its nutrients and for the farmer to learn new methods. But, he said, the long range benefits are worthwhile.

And a local CSA is one way to help support organic production. "It's keeping a local family farm in business," said MacKenzie, and "keeping community dollars in the community." Participating in a CSA is beneficial for both the farmer and the shareholder in several ways, he noted, including creating a stronger local economy and providing fresher, nu-

tritious food.

Wagbo plans to provide support for any producer wishing to learn more about or make the transition to organic production. "We want to have some public forums," said MacKenzie, and Wagbo will help farmers get in touch with the appropriate professionals, and provide support education.

For more information on the CSA program at Wagbo, call MacKenzie between 1-5 p.m. Monday-Friday at 536-0333.

**Fall color cruise a benefit for snowmobile council**

The Charlevoix County Snowmobile Council will host a trip aboard the Emerald Isle for a fall color cruise to benefit the Charlevoix area trail system.

The tour will take place on Saturday, Oct. 7, from 4:45-6:45 p.m., with boarding time at least 15 minutes prior to departure. The boat will cruise scenic Lake Charlevoix.

Tickets are \$18 each, and children under five are free but require a ticket. Ticket information is available through the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce at 547-2101.

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