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Middle school hosts carnival

The East Jordan Middle School will hold its annual Community Carnival on Thursday, March 8, from 5:30-8 p.m. in the middle school gymnasium.

There will be lots of games and prizes for children of all ages. Game highlights will include a cake walk, spaghetti dunk, duck pond, leap frog, dart balloons and much more. Clowns, face painting, balloons, raffles and refreshments will round out the evening of family fun.

Youth groups presenting mystery dinner

An original mystery dinner production will be presented by the youth groups of St. Matthew and St. Augustine on March 17 at St. Matthew Parish Hall.

The evening will begin at 7 p.m., and includes a dinner of chicken and beef entrées, potato, vegetable, rolls, beverage and dessert, followed by a mystery interrogation introducing and questioning the suspects. After the questioning, those attending will be given the opportunity to question the suspects themselves, and search for any hidden clues.

A gift will be awarded to the participant that solves the murder.

Tickets are \$12 per person and can be purchased at St. Matthew Rectory at 1202 Boyne Ave. in Boyne City. All tickets are being presold. Proceeds will benefit a community project planned for this summer.

For reservations or more information, call Sue Dzwik at 582-6589 days, or 548-2005 evenings.



Serious fiddlin'

Five-year-old Connor Huckle of East Jordan showed remarkable concentration as he took the bow to the strings at the annual Fiddler's Jamboree last weekend. Held at the Jordan Valley Express, the event pulled an estimated 1,500 spectators throughout the day. While there was no charge for admission, organizers of the event accepted donations at the door, with all proceeds being awarded as scholarship money to young musicians. For more pictures, see page 3.

City moving ahead with full-time ambulance director

The Boyne City City Commission moved forward with its commitment to establish a full-time ambulance director's position at last week's commission meeting.

The commission approved a drafted job description for the position presented by city manager Eric Strahl, who was given approval to begin advertising the position.

At a previous meeting, the commission decided to act on recommendations from both the ambulance department and Strahl that a full-time director would be necessary in order for the service to continue moving

forward.

The service has been without a director since previous volunteer director Henry Erber resigned the position in July 2000 after 30 years.

Functions of the position as outlined in the drafted job description include responding to medical emergencies, scheduling manpower, training and supervising staff, developing a proposed departmental budget, maintaining department records, working with state licensing agencies, grant research and application, communications, and development of safety training programs and curricu-

lum.

Candidates will be required to have EMT Specialist certification and a minimum of five years experience as an Emergency Medical Technician Specialist, including some administrative and supervisory experience.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, the commission tabled action on a request to construct an office/restroom building at 330 Front St., to allow time to review feedback from citizens concerned about the location of the proposed building.

Missing man walks out of Jordan Valley on his own five days later

After spending five frigid days and four nights lost in the depths of the Jordan Valley, Harold Blazier walked out of the large wilderness area Sunday afternoon, Feb. 25, alive, with no injuries.

Blazier walked to the Jordan Valley Trading Post on M-66 just south of the intersection with Eddy School Road (County Highway 620) around 3 p.m.

"When he came in, the first thing he asked me was 'what day is it?' I thought that was kind of unusual," said Jim Hooks, owner of the Trading Post. "I then remembered there was a missing person and asked him if he was the one missing. He said he was."

"At first he looked like any other customer, except he was soaking wet," added Hooks. "Then I noticed he looked exhausted."

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Keeping in touch with home

College students cruise the information superhighway at Boyne Falls library

While winters at the Crooked Tree District Library in Boyne Falls can be long and perhaps a bit lonely, this year, librarian Judy Planck has had some international visitors to keep things interesting.

College students working the winter at Boyne Mountain and Boyne Highlands, from countries as diverse as Zambia, South Africa, and Peru, have discovered that even in the rural Midwest, there are ways to get on the information superhighway.

Throughout the winter, the students have visited the library to make use of the two computers with Internet hookup available to the public. "They were so excited to learn that they could do this here," said Planck.

"I have had as many as six persons here at one time to wait their turn to use the computer. These are real nice kids and I have really enjoyed them."

Most of the students are living at the Cliff Dwellers complex at Boyne Mountain, where they pay their own expenses, while working at the Mountain or at the Highlands.

Ramiro Amorena, for example, a college student from Argentina, discovered the program on the Internet. He found the address of a local of-

fice, which put him through a process fairly typical when interviewing for any job.

After submitting papers verifying he was indeed a college student, and passing an English interview, Amorena was asked for his preferences in terms of geography, types of jobs, etc.

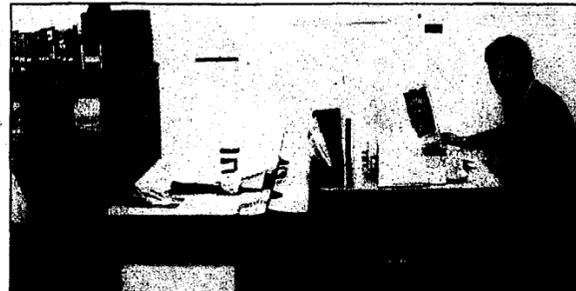
In December, he arrived at Boyne Mountain, ready to report to work. His reasoning for spending what is his summer break working in a snowy North American locale, Amorena said simply, "I like to travel."

An avid snowboarder, he figured working at a ski resort would be "a good way to go snowboarding without paying."

Not that they don't work hard. The students work upwards of 40 hours per week, with overtime during particularly busy weeks, of which there have been plenty with all the additional snow the area's experienced this season.

While it's not something that they'd all like to do for the long term, the opportunity has been a good "life experience" said Leonardo Torres, who works at the Highlands and is, like Amorena, from Argentina.

Though some of the employees



Amorena and Torres regularly use the computers at the Crooked Tree District Library branch in Boyne Falls to e-mail friends and family back home.

have experienced the type of weather they've encountered here in northern Michigan before, for some, this is a first.

According to Planck, many of the students who've frequented the library have told her that "Oh my gosh, it's just too cold, but we can appreciate the experience," she said.

For many of the students who come from large metropolitan areas, the experience has also included discovering some of the finer points of living in a rural community, which include the fact that many people leave both homes and cars unlocked on a regular basis. "That doesn't happen in a big city," laughed Torres.

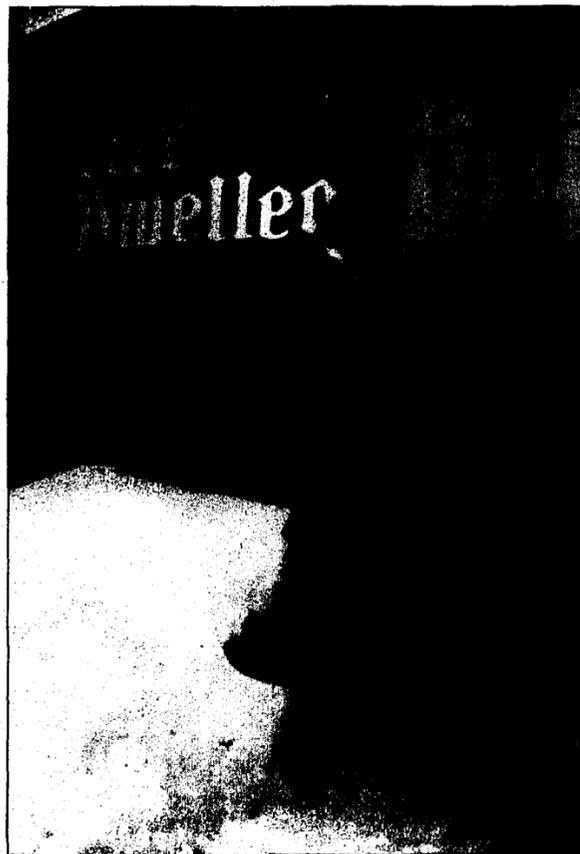
"The people are so honest," he said.

And while feeling secure is great,

the other side of the coin is that in a quiet, rural midwestern area, there's not much of a night life. "It's very different," said Torres. "We're used to dancing, listening to Latin music. It's a cultural difference."

Still, said Amorena, having a chance to live in northern Michigan has given the students an opportunity to experience "the real United States." From his experience, Amorena said that most South Americans seem to visit areas such as Miami or New York City, which have large Latin American populations, so they don't get a sense of how average, everyday Americans live. Hector Prieto, a student from Columbia, echoed the sentiment. "I'm really amazed with the

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Ramiro Amorena, Hector Prieto, and Leonardo Torres are three of the many international college students who spent their winter working for Boyne USA.

OPINION

IN INK

Winter has been around far too long

By GINA SOLTIS KENDELL

"It's like a broken record around here," quips my husband again and again about the snowfall. A local birdwatching friend — while warming himself the first of two times stacking wood for his furnace — noticed a bird molting. His own personal groundhog. "That's all I've been waiting to see," he mumbles from frozen lips beneath a frost-tipped moustache.

The mail carrier has tagged us a second time with an instruction card in our mailbox on how to properly remove snow from near our mailbox so he can get close enough with his four-wheel drive to insert mail. The snowplow driver knows the precise moment when my husband has tossed the ice pick back in the garage after completing the numbing equivalent of burrowing a road through granite (to assure we get our daily ration of junk mail).

The parcel delivery truck, with just inches to spare on either side, has gotten stuck twice this year trying to back out of our 300-foot driveway — which by now has become the alternate site for the Olympic luge event. I ask my husband to get the shovel and unwrangle the pick again from the heap in the garage, to help the man in brown.

Our heating bill has gone through the roof — although the price has only increased five cents per gallon, explains the propane customer service agent. Now that's frigid.

On the bright side, without bad weather we may never have conversations with the delivery or utility people in our lives even if it is via telephone, sixth generation Xerox copies in my mailbox, or over a bent aluminum shovel with a cracked plastic handle which pinches the palm every third scoop.

Extreme precipitation also creates opportunities for bragging and one-upmanship — vital to maintaining long-distance friendships. You will know how the conversations unravel:

Me: "We got 50 inches up here last night."

The friend: "We got at least 75 down here."

Me: "Well, our snow all fell in one minute and sent cars in the ditches everywhere."

The friend: "You guys could actually get your cars on the roads? Everyone's cars around here were completely buried. If they could uncover them, the tires were just melted right to the driveways anyway. That's right, melted. It was so cold that the thermometer went all the way around the dial right back to boiling or something."

Me: "Well, those cars in the ditches around here were actually still there from five years ago. The snow never even melts here."

It goes on and on. Somehow we not only take pride in the treacherous weather, but somehow take credit for it. Perhaps brain-freeze isn't a by-product of only the Slurpee.

It's not just traditional winter weather which brings out the socialization in me though. Even dry spells provoke phone calls to the road commission to do something about the dusty "ribs" our dirt road grows (like a skeletal varmint which met its demise in the Sahara) that launch us on mind-jarring rides to and from paved civilization. We may as well be talking into turning fan blades on those jaunts.

It's the high winds, though, with the downed trees and powerlines, hay impaled in tree trunks, and Holsteins flying through the air that really stir up a frenzy — and of course bringing out the neighborliness in all of us.

"I heard a freight train. My house and chicken coop blew away. But a Dixie Cup I left on the picnic table didn't so much as move an inch."

And with the kindred spirit that blossoms in the face of disaster comes the reply: "I left a match stick on my picnic table. The picnic table blew away, but the match stick — actually half a matchstick because I had used one half to clean under my pinky fingernail — is still there."

Volunteers make season possible

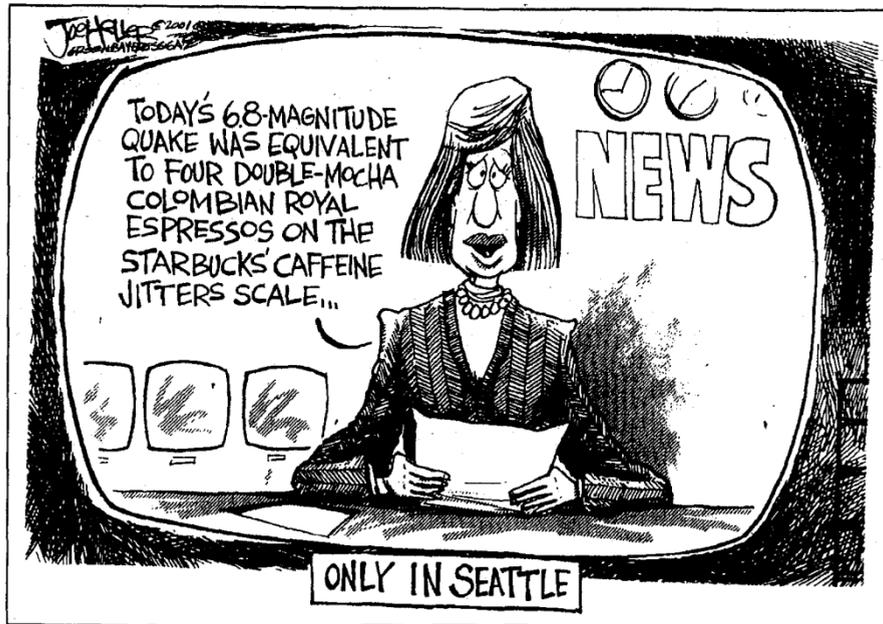
TO THE EDITOR:

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers who contributed their time, talent and energy in support of the East Jordan Boys Youth Basketball Program this season. Thanks to the efforts of many, over 70 youngsters learned a lot about the game of basketball, and had a lot of fun too.

Special thanks to Ron Warnos, Todd Ingalls, Tracy Reich, Gary Peters, Jim Blaha, Keith Gee, Scott Meads, Pat Brennan and Versie Spence for doing such a great job coaching the youngsters, and to Gail Bingham, Lori Hines, Terri Warnos, Karen Brennan, Doreen Danoff, Jean Schneider and Laura Hansen for their help with registration and with keeping the clock and stats. Thanks also, to Ray Fisher and Kenny LaVanway for being so faithful in their support of the program.

Finally, a big thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who came to the gym every Saturday to watch the games. The kids know you're there, and they appreciate your interest and support.

Chip Hansen



A MOM'S LIFE

A real sign of progress

By CINDI PLACE

We are so lucky to be raising daughters at this time in society's development. A little girl ran by me the other day at a basketball game with a T-shirt on that proclaimed to all the world that she was a basketball player and proud of it!

Not that many years ago, she wouldn't have been allowed to own a shirt like that, much less wear one in public.

I think back to when I was a high school student. We had half-court basketball and a girl's swimming team. That was it. No softball, no track, no Title IX. I can remember a gym teacher telling us that we couldn't jump too hard on the trampoline, lest we rearrange our insides too much. And those gym suits we had to wear. All designed to keep us in our place, as little ladies. Certainly not athletes.

I just spent several months with a group of female athletes, and I can't imagine any of them not being allowed to run and jump and play sports to their heart's content. At a recent conference, results from a survey were presented that had asked both male and female high school athletes why they were involved

in sports. Survey results were shared from 10 years ago and then just recently.

Ten years ago girls enjoyed sports for the comradeship, exercise and because they liked being part of a team. In the same survey, high school boys listed their need to be competitive as the number one reason for playing sports.

But the more recent survey showed that girls have moved their need to be competitive up several notches to the third reason for being involved in athletics. Being with friends and staying healthy were the number one and two reasons listed.

At the same basketball game where that young lady was sporting her basketball shirt, a little game of pickup was begun by a couple of girls and boys after the scheduled game had ended. Watching these kids play ball, I was struck by a couple of things. First of all, the girls were keeping up with the young boys.

But more importantly, the boys were playing as hard as they could, not giving the young ladies any slack.

Seems like we've come a long way from lawn tennis and tea parties.

LETTERS

A great teacher of music

TO THE EDITOR:

Herb Parrott's recent death note in The Citizen evoked a flood of memories for this '62 BCHS grad.

I suspect I'm not alone. Herb was Boyne's school music director in the late 50s and 60s. As band director, his musicians resembled third world generals by the time they were seniors with all the medals they wore on their uniform coats.

That was because from the time they were freshmen to their last appearance as seniors, they took first place at every district and state band festival. Nothing less. And then if they entered solo and ensemble competition, which was something Herb encouraged and oftentimes demanded, the medal row count would grow exponentially.

The real talents like Thad Hegerberg, Sue Hale, Phil and Karla Porter, Linda Lockman and a host of others, may be permanently stoop shouldered today as a result of lugging around all that hardware.

That was the way it was with Herb's bands. His music program was legendary. And if there was a more honored or distinguished Class C band program in the state, we didn't know about it.

Once he decided to enter the band in the state VFW marching band competition, despite the fact the marching season was limited in Northern Michigan and the band's primary experience was halftimes at a few home football games and an annual Memorial Day parade.

Undaunted, Herb implemented a summer marching band boot camp. Several weeks later the band returned home as winners of one of the largest trophies to ever grace the school's display case.

A regular late winter ritual was the downstate trip for big league state high school band competition in cities

like Ann Arbor and Battle Creek.

There, student musicians would get their first taste of McDonald's or Frankenmuth chicken, and for some—their first taste of metro life. There were a few other taboo tastes that were sampled as well. Thankfully, cigar-detecting smoke alarms were not yet in vogue.

Judges of those competitions invariably had high praise for "another well-schooled" Herb Parrott band. These adjudicators were the musical giants at MSU, Michigan and CMU. Names like Revelli and others, they were revered. And following our performances, and along with our talented director, we analyzed their comments like they were the Terf Commandments.

"Split Lips" was a nickname my Dad gave Herb. Dad was into nicknames. As publisher of the local Boyne Citizen, he could indulge that fetish. And as a former trumpet player who gigged the dance band circuit a bit, he recognized a cat when he heard 'em.

And Herb was a cat when it came to coaxing distinctive sounds from a trumpet.

Along with Frank Spencer, Juanita Haddix, Loton Wilson and others, he played many a gig at the Hotel Dilworth. The annual spring barbershopper afterglow was a favorite.

My point in writing is to acknowledge Herb's influence, and perhaps revive a memory or two. His musical genius touched hundreds of Boyne students, many of whom still today have a distinct appreciation for a finely written or played piece of music, or in one way or another are involved in music—thanks to Herb Parrott and his lessons in music and life.

Gregg Smith
Interlochen

CHECK IT OUT

Designed so everyone feels at home

By NANNETTE MILLER

Almost everyone has a story to tell about some stem-faced, pursed-lipped, crepe-soled librarian in their past, demanding silence in the library and enforcing it with fierce looks and adamant "SHHHH!" sounds.

I have heard tales of Boyne City's own silence officer, ruling the library with little or no tolerance for needless talk. Of course, I have also heard stories about the librarian who refused to buy fiction books because they were not uplifting or worthwhile, and the librarian who kept the "racy" authors stashed behind the desk, hoarding the power to determine who was mature enough to read the likes of Henry Miller, D. H. Lawrence, or J. D. Salinger.

Times have changed, and libraries have changed along with them.

Another thing I have heard lately is the observation, and sometimes criticism, that libraries are no longer quiet, like they "used to be," like they "should be." Have we lost something valuable by shifting away from the hushed sanctuaries of serious study to the relative hubbub of thriving, vital, community centers?

When I see, and hear, my staff help someone set up an e-mail account to keep in touch with faraway family and friends, or check the stock market online, or discuss the latest John Grisham novel or Oprah pick, or listen sympathetically as a patron describes his poor egg-bound budgie and then finds a book on bird care that will help him handle the situation, I feel a deep sense of pride. I am proud of my staff's friendliness, their empathy, their basic desire to help. I am thrilled when a toddler is so enchanted by the sheer existence of so many books she can't help pulling several off the shelf, laughing as she savors their look, feel, and smell.

A few years ago someone raised a furor in the library community by suggesting that, in order to compete in today's world, libraries must become more like the "super" book stores: add cappuccino bars, open mike nights, video rentals, and any other attractions offered by profit-making businesses. In my mind, libraries serve a different purpose in the community.

Yes, libraries are about books. But more importantly they are about people, and about fostering a love of reading and learning. The Boyne District Library is about providing quality materials and services that fulfill educational, informational, cultural, and recreational needs of the entire community in an atmosphere that is welcoming, respectful, and businesslike.

When we were designing the "new" library and making decisions about layout, colors, decor, and furniture, we were striving to create an atmosphere that is at once friendly and inviting, elegant and dignified, tranquil and serene, comfortable, yet functional. We want everyone to feel at home: the adult-looking for a quiet place to read, the teenager who wants to challenge himself or a friend to a computer or board game, the toddler who simply loves to play. That's a tall order, but I think we succeeded.

You can judge for yourself when we open for business on Monday, April 9, at 9 a.m.

(Nannette Miller is the director of the Boyne District Library.)

MANY THANKS

The members of the Boyne District Library Endowment Fund would like to thank Michelle Cortright and Cris Shankleton of Harbor House Publishers for their great job designing the Endowment Fund Campaign "The Excitement is Building" materials.

We also sincerely thank Michelle Cortright for donating the services of Harbor House Publishers. Because of this extremely generous donation, the Boyne District Library Endowment Fund has professionally designed and exciting campaign materials which will help us succeed in our fundraising goals.

Boyne City is very fortunate to have such a talented, generous, and community-minded graphic design firm. Thanks again!

Rebecca Brand, Secretary
Boyne District Library Endowment Fund Committee

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Fiddling time

Fine music from fiddlers and support musicians of all ages inspired lots of toe-tapping at last weekend's Fiddler's Jamboree, and even moved some folks to take a few turns around the dance floor. Pictured below, local fiddle instructor Kary Johnson brought her students to get a taste of the spotlight.



East Jordan Learning Alliance building bridge between schools and community

The East Jordan Learning Alliance is growing, and wants more community members to help make the connection between school, parents, and community.

Founded about three years ago, the Learning Alliance resulted from the merging of the East Jordan Parent Teacher Organization with the area's Academic Boosters. The group tries to embody the goals of both organizations, with a focus on communication between parents and teachers like a traditional PTO, as well as continuing with the boosters' focus on supporting academic effort in the schools.

The alliance's mission, on the whole, according to school curriculum director Heather Ballien, is to increase communication between the schools and community.

To that end, the group sponsors monthly meetings, alternating buildings and grade levels, in an attempt to target specific student and parent needs. "This year, we started a parent forum opportunity," said Ballien.

On March 13, for example, the alliance will hold a meeting at the high school, which will target scheduling issues and changes currently being made to the high school schedules. Parents will have an opportunity to learn more about class offerings for their high school students, in

the hope of allowing parents to take a more active role in guiding their students in terms of making appropriate and beneficial class choices.

A recent meeting at the lower elementary level focused on developmentally appropriate activities and reading, while at a middle school meeting in January parents discussed ways to get their kids involved in school activities.

Under the direction of an executive council, made up of Karen Brennan, president; Jean Schneider and Lisa Ernst, co-vice presidents; Ballien as secretary; and Kurt Ballien, treasurer, the alliance also has a grants committee, which has distributed grants of up to \$1,000 twice a year to teachers in the district to do, said Ballien, "innovative and creative things" with their students.

Last year's grants supported programs ranging from the purchase of camera and darkroom equipment for a photography class to a project spearheaded by English teacher Kathy Stangis and media specialist Matt Inman, in which Stangis' students traveled to a bookstore, picked out books of their choice, reviewed those books for their peers, and then donated them to the school library.

"Kathy [Stangis] told us at the end

of the year... [that some] of the kids had never been inside of a bookstore," Ballien said.

Another project which the group has supported in the past and is thinking of continuing on an annual basis is a cooperative night in which students from the high school's Math, Science and Technology program spend an evening with students kindergarten through fifth grade, teaching them about science with hands-on activities. "Students do all of the preparation, gathering materials, resource allocation," said Ballien, and create a wide variety of activities, "everything from making a habitat for a caterpillar to hatch into a butterfly, to building a model airplane, to [creating a] vortex to learn about tornadoes."

The alliance also presents awards annually to recognize the outstanding achievements of students, including being named to the honor roll, superintendent's roll, or principal's roll, and sponsors the honors convocations held at each of the three buildings.

While supporting educational endeavors is a primary goal of the alliance, communication is, at this point, key. The meetings that the alliance holds at the different building levels are for parents, yes, but also, stresses

Ballien, anyone interested in the education of children within the district. "It's not just closed to parents of kids in school," she said. "Part of our mission is to get the communication between the school and the community."

Those merely interested, and those wanting to help out, are always welcome. "We're always looking for additional interested people who either just want to know more or are willing to participate," she said.

For more information, call Karen Brennan at 536-2606 or Ballien at 536-0053, ext. 5495.

Gift will help BF school buy books

At a recent meeting of the Boyne Falls Board of Education, school superintendent J. Mark Parsons announced that the school had received a \$1,000 gift from Nancy Held to purchase books for the media center.

The donation was made in memory of Charles Held, the father of Heidi Held Hinkley, a teacher in the elementary and middle school.

In other business, principal Bill Aten reported the entire staff has completed the requirements for the Teacher Technology Initiative, and the school should soon be receiving funds to purchase laptops and other technology. He also reported an official count of 307 students on Feb. 14; the number will be used to help determine next year's state funding.

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Sportsmen's Club always welcomes new members

Later this month, the Jordan River Sportsmen's Club will hold a reloading seminar, open to the public, followed by a Cabin Fever Dinner for members and friends.

With about 150 members from the local area as well as downstate and out of state, the club is thriving, yet, said member John Sumner, many people are still unaware of what the group does.

"Most people think we're just a muzzleloader club," Sumner said, noting that, in fact, the group is just what the name implies, a sportsmen's club, which focuses on all aspects of sporting including hunting and fishing of all types. The club grounds, located off of Advance Road, include a rifle and pistol range, a newly-enclosed 24' x 60' clubhouse, and camping areas.

The group also regularly extends its resources and knowledge for the benefit of others in the community, including local law enforcement, local schools, 4-H, and Boy Scouts.

"The county sheriff, city police, DNR, have affiliation memberships, [which allow them] free use of the range," said Sumner, which they use for law enforcement training.

Area students have participated in two-day hunter safety courses put on by the membership, and area Boy Scouts have used the location for camp outs and supervised shoots. "We base a lot of [our activities] on youth and safety of firearms," said Sumner.

The club also holds annual sight-in days for hunters to have their rifles checked, and, for its membership, has

regular rifle and pistol shoots as well as potluck dinners and other family activities.

In existence since the early 1900s, the club started with a focus mainly on the needs of fishermen in northern Michigan. In 1933, the club held the first "Smelt Jamboree," and was the only group in the state to take complete charge of a smelt run without the direct supervision of the Conservation Department.

Early on, the club also worked with the Department of Fisheries to remove pike from "Dam Pond" and plant other sporting fish.

Until fairly recently, the club owned and maintained Sportsmen's Park in East Jordan, with the membership rebuilding the park as it flooded out over the years. The park land was donated to the community in 1986, though a log cabin originally located in the park has been moved to the club's current location.

The rifle range at the club's meeting grounds first came under club ownership in December of 1946, after club president Theodore E. Malpass and secretary/treasurer E.H. Clark offered to purchase the range from the War Department. The range, which the club purchased for \$100, had been used by the Area National Guard as a training site.

At that time, the club had not expended much energy on the need or use of a rifle range, but in 1947, Malpass proposed to increase the use of the range and resume an annual Turkey Shoot.

Since that time, use of the range has increased dramatically, due in

large part to what the club has seen as a growing need for a safe and controlled environment for people to shoot.

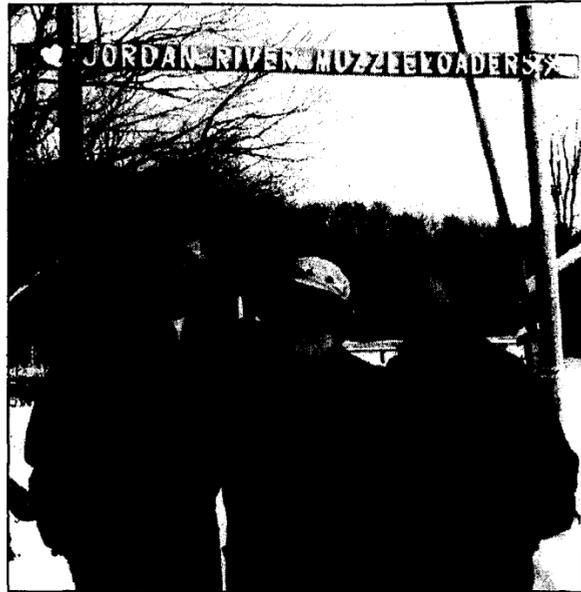
The range has also been used for archery, and though there is currently no organized archery component, the group would welcome anyone who would like to start one.

"A few years ago we had an active archery group," said club secretary Tom Conklin. "We had 3-D targets throughout the woods. One year, we were on the national tour."

It is the club's annual Rendezvous, though, that brings in the most public participation. In its 21st year, the weekend of food, music, camping, and shooting events will be held on the weekend of Aug. 10-12, and promises to once again provide the public with a first-hand look at a living historical portrayal of events that took place during the great rendezvous of the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

Many participants come decked out in authentic garb of the era, and cook, camp, and shoot the way mountain men and pioneers of that time period did at their own rendezvous.

The original rendezvous of the late 1700s and early 1800s were times that fur traders would come out of the woods and down from the mountains to trade together with merchants to trade their furs for supplies such as coffee, tobacco, sugar, salt, and liquor. It was also a time for the hunters to gather in revelry and compete with one another in shooting competitions and tomahawk throws.



Longtime Jordan Valley Sportsmen's Club members Tom Conklin, Paul Beauvais, and John Sumner are trying to get the word out on what their club has to offer.

Trying to stay as authentic as possible, many Jordan River Sportsmen's Club members and guests attend to create a true-to-life historic encampment, going so far as to not allow any modern conveniences be visible in the designated primitive area. Even necessities such as coolers are required to be enclosed with wood, sticks, or other primitive materials to create a rustic appearance.

Club members take great pride in this intricate historical tradition,

sometimes even taking the show on the road, so to speak. This year, members have volunteered their time to assist with rendezvous held at the East Jordan schools, giving kids a hands-on history lesson.

While the rendezvous is perhaps the activity of the club that is most visible to the public, the group has been a low-key constant presence in the community. Membership fees and fees charged for services they provide have allowed the club to make con-

tributions to many groups, including the Miss East Jordan contest, Rockin' for Research, Senior Nite events, the Department of Natural Resources, the National Leukemia Foundation, and other charities.

The club also maintains affiliations with the Michigan Conservation Club, Northern Michigan Whittails Unlimited, and the National Rifle Association.

Presently, club members would like to assume a more visible profile, welcoming new members with new ideas and energy. Though a "sportsmen's" club by title, the group has quite a few female members, either in their own right or through their spouse's membership, and readily welcomes sportswomen into the fold. From a family standpoint, the club encourages women to participate if their husband is a member, because the club prides itself on being a family-oriented organization.

Indeed, said Sumner, "It's always fun out here," and the group is just like "one big family. Everybody works stuff out as a big family, everybody's right there together."

And he said, the club has room for anyone interested in joining. "There are no outcasts here," said Sumner. "Once you join, we bring you right in."

Anyone interested in joining, or just taking part, is invited by the group to attend the reloading seminar, to be held March 24 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Membership information will be available at that time. Or, for more information, call Sumner at (231) 536-0262, Conklin at (231) 536-0551, or Paul Beauvais at (231) 536-2960.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Boyne USA goes international with the purchase of Cypress Mountain ski resort

Boyne USA Resorts has added its first international area to its portfolio with the announcement that it has purchased Cypress Mountain, the largest day skier area in British Columbia.

Closing of the transaction occurred Feb. 20. "Cypress was seeking an investor for some time to fund their recently approved Master Development Plan, and we have just the experience and capital to get the job done," said John Kircher, head of Western Resort Operations for Boyne.

Cypress Mountain, in business since the 70s, is located just 25 minutes from downtown Vancouver amidst the 9,000 acres of Cypress Provincial Park.

The property includes 1,750 vertical feet of ski and snowboarding terrain, 16 kilometers of groomed cross-country skiing trails, a snowshoe touring area, and a snowtubing park.

Operating assets to be acquired also include a full service cafeteria, Growlies Bar and Grill, Hollyburn Lodge, and Major Mountain Sports retail and rental outlets located in West Vancouver and Cypress Mountain.

"There is considerable potential with the approved Master Development Plan (MDP) to provide state of the art facilities to Vancouver skiers and

snowboarders. The MDP addresses upgrades in chair lift service, replaces temporary structures with beautiful lodges and adds a mountain top facility that will attract visitors year round," Kircher added.

Boyne Resorts is a leading operator of ski areas across North America. The company owns resorts at Big Sky Montana, Brighton in Utah (Salt Lake City), Crystal Mountain in Washington (Seattle), and Boyne Mountain and Boyne Highlands in Michigan.

Boyne expects to log 1.9 million skiers to its resort conglomerate this season.

Century 21 Up North receives service award

Century 21 Real Estate Corporation has announced that Century 21 Up North in Boyne City is the recipient of the Quality Service Office Award.

The award is given based on customer service responses received from a Quality Service Survey.

"The receipt of this award is a great honor for Century 21 Up North," said Douglas Hoesli, broker/owner. "This award is the result of our hard work and the quality customer service we diligently provide each of our customers with."

The office will receive a Quality Service lapel pin and certificate, in addition to recognition at the regional level.

Century 21 Up North has 25 years of experience in the real estate industry and has been affiliated with the Century 21 system for 20 years.

Foundation accepting new grant requests

Once again, it's time to put local charitable dollars to work on behalf of the community.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is inviting civic groups, schools, municipalities, and nonprofit organizations in need of extra funding to submit grant requests in support of their projects.

In the next few months, the Community Foundation will review grant proposals to help fund youth programs, health initiatives, community development projects, education, the arts and cultural events, environmental efforts, and human service programs.

The Youth Advisory Committee, which is made up of representatives from high schools throughout Charlevoix County, will award grants to programs that serve children and teens.

Programs chosen for funding must serve residents of Charlevoix County, meet an urgent need, or enrich life for local residents in some way.

The deadline for grant requests is April 2, 2001, and funding decisions will be announced later in May.

Grant applications are available by calling the Community Foundation office.

All applicants must call and discuss proposals before submitting them.

Foundation staff is available to offer advice and assistance to organizations interested in applying for funds.

Established by a group of area citizens in 1992, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a grassroots charitable organization made up of 116 separate funds - all of them established by local donors.

Some funds are earmarked for specific causes, and others are open-ended to meet changing needs.

All the funds are held in permanent endowment, so they can continue to grow and generate income to enhance the quality of life in Charlevoix County, now and for generations to come.

To date, the Community Foundation's assets have grown to more than \$7 million, and its grant-making totals more than \$2.3 million.

More information about the organization, establishing a fund, making a gift, or requesting a grant is available by calling the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, (231) 536-2440, or writing, PO Box 718, East Jordan, Mich., 49727.

WEEKLY Health Tips

By Steve Czernes Pharmacist



HEALTH TIPS FROM MEDICAP PHARMACY

Blepharitis Is A Common Eyelid Disorder

Blepharitis is a chronic inflammation of the eyelid margins, where the eyelashes are located. It is one of the most common problems that eye doctors treat. Symptoms include flaking or crusting of the eyelid margins, itching, and redness. It is caused by dysfunction of oil glands near the edge of the eyelid or by infection. It is not contagious and can be treated by lid hygiene and in some cases antibiotic ointments. Your doctor will decide what treatment is best for you.

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OBITUARIES

Charles Matthew Backus

Charles Matthew Backus, 30, of Boyne City died Feb. 24, 2001 at Detroit Receiving Hospital.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 2, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. Fr. James Suchocki officiated and burial was held in Greenwood Cemetery.

Charles was born Sept. 29, 1970 in Petoskey the son of Gary and Karen Backus.

He grew up in Petoskey and attended Petoskey Schools, North Central Michigan College and Central Michigan University.

On June 11, 1994 he married Terri Fineout in Petoskey. Charles has been

employed as a Deputy Friend of the Court for Emmet County. He loved all sports and was a passionate University of Michigan fan.

He is survived by his wife, Terri; children Nicholas and Zachary, both at home; parents, Gary and Karen Backus; brother, Andrew Backus and fiancé Meadow Weglarz of Petoskey; grandparents, Raymond and Marie Backus of St. Joseph; and many friends and extended family.

Contributions in memory of Charles may be made to a Scholarship fund set up for the children. Envelopes will be available at Stone Funeral Home.

NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

HIS TEAM served a wonderful Pancake Breakfast at the United Methodist Church following the morning worship service this past Sunday. **HIS TEAM** is a United Methodist Youth Mission Ministry. Its mission statement is to reach Boyne and beyond with the love of Jesus. Based in Boyne City, they accept youth of all denominations, from grades 7 through 12. At present, there are 15 young people, and four team leaders of college age who are actively participating in this Christian venture, led by two adult church members and Pastor Carl Litchfield of the Boyne City and Boyne Falls Methodist Churches. Since their beginning in December of 2000, they have been involved with Community Christmas projects, traveled to Lansing, working with and donating needed items for Success Place, an apartment unit donated through Harvest House Ministries for unwed teen-age mothers and their babies. The list goes on and on in the many ways this group helps in disaster areas and just wherever they see the need. I am sure many prayers of gratitude are said for them.

A WARM "Welcome Neighbor" goes out to June Capelin, who moved into Litzenger Place on Friday. In appreciation of their help, she took all the family to Robert's for dinner on Friday night. On Sunday's beautiful sunny but cold day, her grandson, Bob Olson, and family of Gaylord visited her at her new home.

ANOTHER GREAT story to be told is about a brand new 90-year-old! Birthday celebrating honored Everett Sayles on Saturday for his March 4 special day. Doing the honors, with dinner at Filmore's in Petoskey were his daughters, Mary Kandler and Sally Kaza of Flint, O.D. and Rita Sayles of East Jordan, and Barbara and Lyle Ross of Boyne City.

JUANITA VANHORN of Boyne City and her grandson Charles were lunch guests of her

mother-in-law Olive Bernier and husband Walter, on Sunday. Also there, after skiing on Boyne Mountain, were her son Gregg VanHorn and son Elliot of Traverse City.

OVER LAST weekend's nasty road conditions, Jeff and Julie Bradford of Boyne City made a trip to Chicago to visit her sister and husband, Dr. Wayne and Janet Milos and family. While there, they attended the bridal shower for the Milos' future daughter-in-law, Shawn, the soon to be bride of their son, Kevin Milos.

SALLY FLOWERS has returned to her home in Boyne City after having spent the past 30 days in the hospital. Still recuperating, she is improving.

THELMA WILLIAMS of Litzenger Place suffered a light stroke on Saturday and was taken to Charlevoix Area Hospital.

PAUL AND JOYCE HIBBARD of Millington were here from Tuesday until Thursday, in celebration of his mother, Adell's birthday of March 2. Her daughter, Nancy Rennick of Big Rapids was here from Thursday until Saturday, keeping a good birthday time rolling!

A YEAR HAS gone by, and in remembering his father, Joseph Tison of Boyne City, son Robert and Gladys Tison of Missouri sent his mother, Phyllis, a beautiful and bright bouquet of fresh cut flowers.

ELOISE CLELAND of Boyne City, who had just returned from spending a few days in Charlevoix Area Hospital, was honored with a family dinner and fun gathering at the home of her niece, Ann and Harley Parks, on Saturday night. Also attending was Eloise's nephew, Richard Dunsmore of Redford Township.

ABOUT 40 friends and relatives attended the Feb. 25 baby shower honoring Serena Cassidy Allan, daughter of Jessica Froats and

James Allan. Gathering in the community room of Litzenger Place, all enjoyed a gift sharing for baby, games by Nannette Long, and refreshments served by Great-great-grandmother, Phyllis Tison.

EDNA MAY of Boyne City spent a few days in Northern Michigan Hospital this past week.

DAN AND NORMA WILSON of Stanek Road spent the weekend in West Branch visiting his sister Gloria and husband Jim Burns.

HYLON HEATON JR. of Grand Rapids was in Boyne City over the weekend.

CHONNIE, DALE, CASEY, and Bobby Holzschu snowmobiled over to visit Leona Stanek. Other guests throughout the weekend were Barb and John Imel, Aaron and Allan Olund, and Noah and Holly Stanek.

NORMA PECK has been hospitalized in Florida, due to a blood clot on her lung. Word came from her husband, Bob, that she returned to their home this past Saturday and is recuperating as well as can be expected and also that Laurie Hardy and Debbie Hammontree had arrived on Friday night to visit for awhile.

THE ORAL SUTLIFFS recently returned from a 10-day break from the northern winter. They visited cousins Norm and Joann Miller in Gulf Shores, Ala. While there, they all, for the first time, took in the Mardi Gras celebration in Fairhope, Ala. They also made a brief trip to Florida, enjoying the ocean and other points of interest. On the way home, it was an interesting stop in Nashville, visiting the new Opry Mills Mall, all with 70 and low 80 degree temps, which were not hard to take, they both agreed.

(To submit an item for Nancy's column, call her at 582-9174 or e-mail her at nanup@nmo.net)

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

East Jordan

NAME: Tim Murphy
PARENTS: Tim and Lynne Murphy
GRADE: Sophomore
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Football and baseball
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Hunting, fishing and sports
FUTURE PLANS: Undecided - looking towards auto mechanics or carpentry
FAVORITE CLASS: U.S. History and drafting
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Tim learns quickly and has a good eye for detail," said John Cross.



Tim Murphy

"Tim is a good, steady worker and problem solver," said Jerry Hawes.
"Tim is a quiet, deep thinking student," said Roxanne Zell. "He offers new perspectives in all of his analyses."
"Tim has a natural talent of woodworking and machinery," said Mike Gee.
"Tim is very quiet, but also very hard working," said Bob Panoff.
"Tim is always pleasant to be around and works hard in class," said Brad Jones.

NAME: Katy Kovel
PARENTS: Tom and Millie Kovel
GRADE: Seventh
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Science Enrichment
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Read, ice skate, draw, and swim
FUTURE PLANS: College - undecided major
FAVORITE CLASS: Language arts - likes to write, art - drawing
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Katy is an outstanding young lady," said Mr. Ferguson. "She has a great work ethic and social studies mind."
"Katy is a hard worker and puts forth 110 percent with everything she does," said Mrs. Daniel.
"Katy has a great attitude," said Mr. Peterson.
"Katy is a pleasure to have in class," said Mrs. Bergquist.



Katy Kovel

Boyne Falls

NAME: Casey Strong
PARENTS: Nelson and Audie Strong
GRADE: Sophomore
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball
HOBBIES AND INTEREST: Hunting and fishing
FAVORITE COLOR: Green
FAVORITE HERO: Cousin Andy Grobaski
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "I enjoy having Casey in my Spanish class this year because he constantly works to the best of his ability," said Jane Rozycycki. "He is not afraid to ask questions on information he doesn't understand and he takes his assignments seriously. Casey can be proud of his achievements."



Casey Strong

EJ churches host Lenten program

The East Jordan Ministerial Association will host a series of Lenten Worship Services followed by soup and sandwich luncheons beginning on Wednesday, March 7.

The theme for the series of services is "Behold the Tree." Each Lenten worship service will begin at noon and be followed by a soup and salad lunch at 12:30 p.m.

Four of the five services will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 207 Nichols St., East Jordan. One service, to be held March 28, will be held at the Community of Christ Church, 202 Jordan St., East Jordan.

The full schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, March 7: Theme - "The Oaks at Mamre," led by Father Herbert Willman of St. Joseph Catholic Church at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Wednesday, March 14: Theme - "The Burning Bush," led by the Rev. Robert Carter of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Wednesday, March 21: Theme - "Jonah's Shade Plant," led by the Rev. Gene Baughan of the East Jordan United Methodist Church, at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Wednesday, March 28: Theme - "Trees Planted by a River," led by the Rev. Jerry Dean of the Community of Christ Church, at the Community of Christ Church.

Wednesday, April 4: Theme - "The Sycamore Tree," led by the Rev. Dr. David R. Downton, of the First Presbyterian Church, at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

The public is invited to attend. There is no charge for the lunch, but a free-will offering will be taken during the worship service. Proceeds go to the Ministerial Association Emergency Relief Fund.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

The Northern Michigan Sewing Guild will meet on Thursday, March 8, at the Charlevoix Reformed Church in Charlevoix.

The lending library will be open at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Anyone who enjoys sewing is welcome to attend. For more information, call Marilyn at 547-2254.

ENGAGEMENTS



Kelly Handorf-Bryan Hawkins

Fran and Larry Handorf of Boyne City are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Marie Handorf, to Bryan Dana Hawkins. He is the son of Gayla and Fred Turgeon and Charles and Svetlana Hawkins of Coldwater.

The bride-elect graduated from Boyne City High School in 1995 and from Michigan State University in 1999 with a secondary teaching degree in English and psychology. Kelly is currently employed at Northport Public Schools teaching English, drama and journalism.

Her fiancé graduated from Coldwater High School in 1994 and from Michigan State University in 1999 with a secondary teaching degree in the social sciences. Bryan is currently employed at Charlevoix High School teaching 11th grade U.S. history.

Kelly and Bryan are planning a Saturday, Aug. 4 wedding at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

GREEN PARTY MEETING

Wednesday, March 7
The Up North Green Party will be meeting at 7 p.m. at the Wolverine Dilworth Hotel, 300 Water St., in Boyne City. The Environmental Awareness Kite-In committee will meet at 6 p.m., before the regular meeting. The public is welcome. For more information, call 582-3539.

BACPAC MEETING

Thursday, March 8
The Boyne City High School BACPAC group will have a planning meeting in Room 6 of the Middle School. For more information, call Karen Jarema at 582-9710 or Robin Bricker at 582-7430.

WALLEYE TOURNAMENT

March 9-11
The Last Chance Walleye Tournament, sponsored by Tom's Bait and Tackle of East Jordan, will be held Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Participants must sign up by March 9. Daily and overall prizes will be awarded by weight. Cost: \$10 entry fee. Information: 536-3521.

PEACE COFFEE HOUSE

Saturday, March 10
Wagbo Peace Center presents its folk music program "Peace Coffee House" from 8-11 p.m. at the Jordan River Art Center in East Jordan. This month's featured performers are Kevin Mejsel and Tone Soup. Open stage follows with songs, poetry, and stories from the audience. Coffee and treats are available. Donation of \$5 is requested of adults. This is a smoke- and alcohol-free event. Information call 536-0333.

EJ LEARNING ALLIANCE

Monday, March 12
The East Jordan Learning Alliance will hold an open forum for high school parents from 7-8 p.m. at the high school. The forum will be directed by high school principal, Tammy Jackson. Child care will be provided.

BENEFIT DINNER

Thursday, March 15
A chili supper will be held at the East Jordan Elementary School from 4:30-7 p.m. to benefit the family of Brian Sweet, who has been undergoing cancer treatments. The cost is \$5 per person, \$3 ages 5-12.

MUSHROOM WORKSHOP

Thursday, March 15
SEE-North is offering a workshop for teens and adults to demonstrate several natural methods of growing Shiitake, Oyster, and other varieties of mushroom at 7 p.m. at McLean and Eakin Booksellers in Petoskey. Instructor Dan Poux will teach the workshop, and participants will inoculate their own Shiitake log to take home. The workshop is free, but tax-deductible donations are accepted. Advance registration is requested. Information: 348-9700.

CHORAL CONCERT

Sunday, March 18
The Little Traverse Choral Society will present its Spring Concert entitled "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Franz Joseph Haydn at 4 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Petoskey. Donations for tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for students. Tickets are available through the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce, the Harbor Springs Chamber of Commerce, the Crooked Tree Arts Center, or at the door. Information: 536-6727.

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STAR SCHOOL BENEFIT

Sunday, March 25
An auction and live entertainment event will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on M-75 South in Boyne City. From 1-3 p.m., Sneaky Peat will perform, followed by an auction from 3-5 p.m. Proceeds will benefit repairs to the old school building made necessary by recent vandalism. For more information call 536-9881 or 582-2424.

NMMSA FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Wednesday, March 28
Northern Michigan Human Services Agency in Petoskey recently announced the March food distributions under The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) will be held at the East Jordan VFW Hall, M-32 from 11 a.m.-12 noon. The TEFAP food package is distributed four times a year and is available to anyone who meets the income guidelines. To determine eligibility you must provide current proof of income, Social Security cards and birth dates for the entire household. For more information call Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency at 231-347-9070.

SOUPER SUPPER

Every Thursday
It's souper supper time again at Nativity Episcopal Church in Boyne City. Every Thursday 6-8:15 p.m. We'll supply the soup and refreshments, you supply your own sandwich and desire to engage in lively discussions, questions and answers and great fellowship! Led by Father Jim Hempstead for 7 weeks beginning March 1 at 209 E. Main St. Join us any or all weeks. Everyone is most welcome.

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SPORTS



Surrounded by Boyne City defenders, the Red Devils Ken Slough goes up for two of his 17 points.

Ramblers end regular season with three wins

Ramblers and Red Devils are gearing up for March Madness

After a long season of heartache, Boyne City took the momentum of a late season win against McBain and parlayed it into two more victories to close the season.

On Friday, the Ramblers closed regular season play with a 78-65 win over Mancelona.

Ending the first quarter with a one-point lead, the Ramblers outscored the Ironmen through the first three quarters.

Leading Boyne in scoring were Ryan Amesbury with 17, followed by Jason Rostar with 15, and Kellan Smith with 13. Amesbury had six

assists, and also led the team in rebounds with 14, while Rostar added 11.

The team was 23 of 44 from the line.

Earlier in the week, the Ramblers had topped rival East Jordan at home, 77-68.

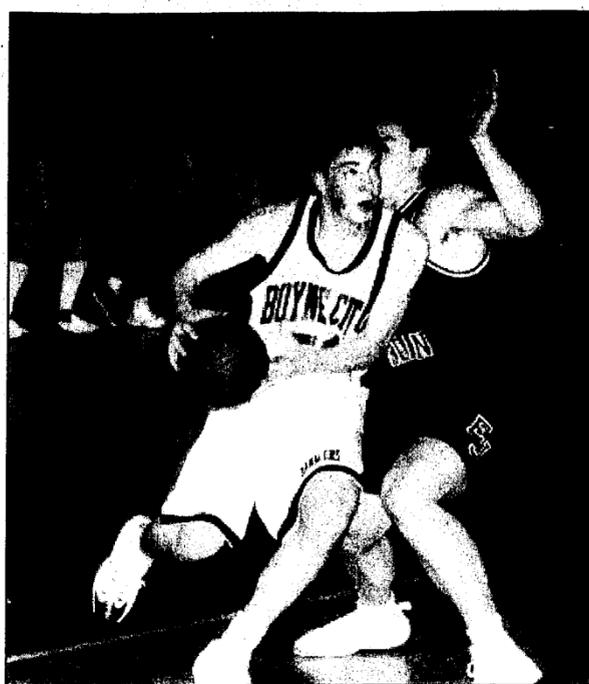
After a strong first half performance for Boyne, the teams went into the lockerroom with Boyne leading by 17 points.

Rostar took top honors in scoring for the Ramblers with a career-high 21 points, followed by Cole Andrews with 16, Brian Metzger with 15, and Dylan Hall with 14.

Amesbury led the team in rebounding with 13 and had five assists.

For East Jordan, the loss was a tough one. "We got off to a very poor start offensively and defensively," said Hines.

"For some reason, we were a little



A key to the success of Boyne City against East Jordan last Tuesday was the play of senior Jason Rostar who scored 21 points and was a force on the inside.

bit flat," Hines said. "We didn't do a good job defensively at all, and didn't execute well on offense."

Top scorers for East Jordan were Jones with 18 and Slough with 17. Micah Middaugh, Corban Shaw, and Ryan Derenzy led the team in rebounding.

The team was 18 of 26 from the line.

THE RED DEVILS' regular season play came to a disappointing close later in the week.

On Friday, East Jordan hosted Harbor Springs only to lose the game in a 66-62 heartbreaker. "It was very similar [to the last time we played Harbor]," said East Jordan head coach Steve Hines, referring to the team's 65-61 loss to Harbor earlier in the season.

Harbor led the game by three at the end of the first half, but East Jordan

closed the gap to one by half time.

The teams played fairly even in the third, entering the fourth quarter tied. In the final quarter, though, "we just didn't do as well offensively as we had previously," said Hines.

"We made a couple of mistakes in the last couple of minutes, didn't come up with some defensive stops when we needed to."

Top scorers for East Jordan were Ken Slough with 28, Soren Low with 12, and Scott Jones with 10. "It was probably by far Soren's best game of the season," said Hines. "He had eight points in the first quarter."

IN POST-SEASON action, the Red Devils will face Charlevoix on Wednesday, March 7, at 6 p.m. in Harbor Springs, and Boyne City will meet the winner of the Harbor Springs-Mancelona game at 8 p.m. on the same night.

Cheer teams qualify for state meet

Several area cheer teams competed in last Saturday's MCCA Regional Championships at East Jordan High School.

In the Class C competition, Boyne City's varsity cheer team placed second and East Jordan took third place.

Both teams qualified for the State Championships next Saturday at

Saginaw Valley State University. "This has got to be one of the toughest regions in the state," said Cindi Place, Boyne City's coach.

"There were 13 Class C teams competing and the regional champions Evert High School was a pretty tough act to follow."

According to Region 1 director

and East Jordan coach Phyllis Olszewski, "The day ran smoothly and was filled with spirit and sportsmanship," she said.

"I appreciate everyone's support throughout the day and in the planning of the event."

In addition to competing at next Saturday's state finals, Boyne City's

cheer team will be cheering for one of their own.

Senior Nissa Ryder is a MCCA scholarship finalist and will be presented her scholarship award in a ceremony preceding the Class B state final competition Saturday.

Ryder has also been named a MCCA Scholar/Athlete.



Tournament winners

With its victory over Petoskey Saturday night, the Boyne City freshman basketball team ended the season with an 18-1 record. Saturday's win, the third over Petoskey this season, earned the Ramblers the championship trophy in the Kiwanis Tournament. Members of the team are, back row from left: Coach Scott Hausler, Justin Houck, Tyler Daniels, Jordan Voice, Robert Noeske, Ben Place, Kurt Wuerth, Justin Conklin, Brenton Rozycki, Nick Follette, and assistant coach Mike Sero. Front row: manager Elliot Hausler, Ian Smith, David Burns, Adam Friedrich, and Matthew Ku.

East Jordan wraps up youth basketball season with playoff games

Four playoff games were played in the third and fourth Grade Division of the East Jordan Youth Basketball program on Saturday, Feb. 24.

In the first round of the season-ending tournament, it was the Greys over the Blacks, 22-10. The Greys were paced by eight points each from Beau Fuller and Jared Danbert, with Kevin LaVanway the top play maker. The Blacks got six points from Michael

Hines and four from Daryl Bingham. Nate Peters led the defense. Also in the first round, the Reds topped the Teals in overtime, 24-18. Jeb Doebel had 12 for the Reds, while Neil Schneider had six. John Thompson was the top rebounder. For the Teals, Tyler Ingalls had 12 points and Grayson Myas added six. Jordan Richards and Tanner Olstrom led the defense.

In the consolation game, the Blacks stopped the Teals, 22-16. Michael Hines had 12 points, Darryl Bingham, eight points and Chelsea Carson two points. Tony Pentecost led the defense and Cody Morris was the top rebounder. For the Teals, Tyler Ingalls had 10 points and Grayson Myas added six. John Bennett and George Patton led the defense. In the championship game, the Greys topped the

Reds by 8-6. Andrew LaCount led the Greys with four points, with Jared Danbert and Zach Shuler adding two apiece. Josh Forbes keyed the defense and Dillon Hughes was the top rebounder. For the Reds, Jeb Doebel had four points and Neil Schneider added two. Levi Warnos was the top play maker and Mike Manville and Josh Williams led the defense. Marlon Yaldo was the top rebounder.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by W. James Lindsay Jr. and Christine C. Lindsay a/k/a Christine Lindsay his wife (original mortgagors) to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated Dec. 19, 1997, and recorded on Jan. 6, 1998 in Liber 329, on Page 427, Charlevoix County Records, Mich., and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated June 1, 1999, which was recorded on Oct. 25, 1999, in Liber 375, on Page 002, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO and 17/100 dollars (\$16,982.17), including interest at 6.950% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on April 20, 2001.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF BOYNE CITY, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 17, Boyne Hills, a condominium according to the Master Deed thereof, recorded in Liber 352, Page 416 through 454, inclusive, and as amended in First Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 367, Pages 487 through 493, Charlevoix County Records, and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 76, together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in said Master Deed and as described in Act 59 of The Public Acts of Michigan of 1978, as amended.

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

Dated: March 7, 2001
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Said premises are situated in CITY OF EAST JORDAN, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described 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.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

BOYNE CITY HOUSING COMMISSION

The Boyne City Housing Commission will receive sealed proposals for the replacement of roofs on 16 houses and one garage by 3 p.m., March 19, 2001.

Specifications are available up at the Boyne City Housing Commission Office, 829 South Park St., Boyne City, Mich.

The Housing Commission reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids; to waive formalities or errors in the bidding process and to accept any bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Boyne City Housing Commission. Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.

CITY OF BOYNE CITY PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to rules and regulations as outlined in the Streets and Alley Vacation Ordinance A-42, a Public Hearing will be held at the City Commission meeting on Tuesday, March 27, 2001, 12 noon, in Commission Chambers, 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI, to review and consider the following:

A request by Charlevoix Area Hospital to vacate an alley in the Plat of Boyne Village, bordering lots 38, 39, 40, 51, 52, and 53, said alley measuring 16.5' by 198', running east and west between North Park Street and the north/south alley which is parallel with Park and Lake.

More details and location map of the alley in question are available for review at the Boyne City Planning Department during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. through 5 p.m. All property owners abutting this alley will be notified by U.S. Mail of this hearing. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and participate in discussion. Any input for or against this request will be received by the City Planner's office until noon 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, MI 49712 or call (231) 582-0337.

EVANGELINE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW 2001

The Board of Review for Evangeline Township will meet at the Township Hall as follows:

Board Organization Meeting: Tuesday, March 5: 7 p.m.
Public Hearing for Tax Appeals: Monday, March 12: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Tuesday, March 13: 3-9 p.m.

Evangeline Township tentative ratios and multipliers, subject to change by the Assessing Officer, Board of Review, County Equalization and State Equalization are as follows:

	Tentative Ratio	Multiplier
Agricultural	33.39	1.49745
Commercial	47.08	1.06202
Industrial	48.11	1.03928
Residential	43.55	1.14811
Timber-Cutover	30.41	1.64420
Personal	50.00	1.00000

CITY OF BOYNE CITY BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review for the City of Boyne City will meet at City Hall, 319 North Lake Street, as follows:

Board Organization Meeting: Wednesday, March 7: 9 a.m.
No public input
Public Meetings by appointment: Monday, March 19: 12-3 p.m.
and 6-9 p.m.
Wednesday, March 21:
9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m.

The Assessment Roll will be available at City Hall beginning March 7, 2001 during normal working hours.

The City of Boyne City tentative ratios and multipliers, subject to change by the Assessing Officer, Board of Review, County Equalization and State Equalization are as follows:

	Tentative Ratio	Multiplier
Commercial	47.98	1.04210
Industrial	49.12	1.0000
Residential	44.90	1.11359
Personal	50.00	1.00000

You may call City Hall at 582-6597 between the hours of 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday to schedule a 10 minute appointment with the Board of Review for the March 19 or March 21 meeting.



Making friends

Boyne City Elementary kindergarteners Jazmine Bennett, Kaitlyn Whitaker, and Rose Burns got up close and personal with Asia, a sled dog brought by the Bacchus family of Mesick, Mich., who spent a day last week giving students an education in the art of dog sledding.

EJHS band is 'SUPERIOR'

■ Highest rating since 1988 earns it a trip to state festival

The East Jordan High School Concert Band earned a "Superior" or "1" rating at the District Band Festival, which was held in Petoskey on Saturday, Feb. 24.

The EJHS Band was among just five area schools to earn a "Superior" rating, the band's first such rating since 1988.

As a result of its rating, the EJHS Band will have the honor of performing at the State Band and Orchestra Festival.

The band earned its "Superior" rating by performing for four judges and an auditorium filled with spectators. Each of the band's three pieces were judged for overall musical performance and given a "1" to "5" rating by each judge, with "1" being the highest.

Following the concert performance, the band was then judged in sight-reading, which involves playing two pieces of music after being allowed only seven minutes of study.

Director of Bands Stephen Emery was thrilled with the performance, saying, "our students played incredibly well today and I'm extremely proud of them."

"It was an honor and a lot of fun to conduct their performance, and I'm looking forward to the State Festival."

The State Festival will be held on April 27 and 28 at Benzie Central High School, and at three other locations in Michigan.

Local issues featured on PACE programs

Locally produced PACE television will feature some local faces in upcoming programs.

Dana Compton, superintendent of Boyne City Public Schools, will be the guest on School Forum, discussing issues facing the district, including accreditation, curriculum, and renovation and expansion plans. The program will air on Friday, March 9, from 7-7:30 p.m., and will be replayed on Saturday, March 10, from 4-4:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 11, from 10-10:30 a.m.

The weekend of March 9-10, a Community Forum program featuring Mary Faculak, executive director of the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce, will air. The focus of the program will be on the growth of the community and its numerous activities and opportunities. Airtimes will be 8-8:30 p.m. on March 9, 5-5:30 p.m. on March 10, and 11-11:30 a.m. on March 11.

Also coming up will be the broadcast of a Quiz Bowl competition that

took recently featuring students from East Jordan High School, Concord Academy Boyne, Ellsworth High School, and Petoskey High School. The competition was sponsored by the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District. The program will air at 9 p.m. on March 9, 6 p.m. on March

10, and 12 noon on March 11.

PACE programming can be viewed in Boyne City, East Jordan, Boyne Falls, Charlevoix, and Ellsworth on Charter Cable's channel 13; and in Petoskey and Harbor Springs on Charter Cable's channel 10.

BOYNE AREA HOCKEY

Boyne's Pee Wee team, sponsored by Dan's Concrete, played in the Jim Elenbaas Challenge Cup Tournament last weekend in Cheboygan, taking third place in an eight-team bracket.

Boyne lost the first game against Saginaw Allen Supply 2-0.

Boyne won game two 7-2 against Cadillac. Gabe Korthase and Josh Aown scored for Boyne, along with Russell Williams with two and Stephan Cahoon with a hat trick. Assists came from Korthase, Alex Bajko, Aown, and Evan Keller.

Boyne beat Cheboygan 4-1 in game three of the weekend. Scoring for Boyne were Cahoon, Jacob Fair, and Williams. Tallying assists were Fair and Tyler Price. Nick Ferree was in goal.

In the semi-finals, Boyne lost to Midland, 3-0. "Our guys went head to head with many outstanding teams this weekend and we outplayed most of our opponents," said head coach Al Aown. "This outdoor team sur-

prised a lot of people. I'm proud of the kids. They are a class act."

THE BOYNE Area Mite Team traveled to Cheboygan last weekend. On Saturday, Boyne lost to the Cheboygan Rotary team 6-3. Scoring for Boyne were Trevor Price with two unassisted goals and Gavin Porter with one goal assisted by Price.

On Sunday, Boyne played the Cheboygan F.O.E. team and won by a score of 10-1. Scoring for Boyne were Porter with three goals and one assist, Price with two goals and one assist, Andrew Clark with two goals, Billy Kraemer with one goal and one assist, Taylor Reinhardt with one goal, Michael Messina with one goal and one assist, and Neil Anderson with two assists.

Spencer Korthase was in the net, and Ryan Zimmerman, Reinhardt, Price, and Levi Messina were noted for good defensive play. The team is sponsored by East Jordan Iron Works

and Subway.

THE BOYNE Bulldogs Girls Hockey Team defeated the Traverse City girl's team twice on Saturday at the Avalanche rink.

In the first game Boyne beat Traverse by a score of 5-0. Thereseann Zimmerman recorded the shutout in her first game in goal. Scoring for Boyne were Amy Anderson, Kelly Clark, Ashley Adkison, Samantha Dunwoody and Allison Aown. Assists came from Dunwoody, Kelly Clark, Anderson, and Aown.

In the second game Ashley Adkison opened the scoring for Boyne with an assist from Amanda Westrick. Zimmerman scored with assists from Kate Cameron and Dunwoody. Anderson recorded the third and final goal for Boyne with assists from Adkison and Dunwoody. Allison Aown had the shutout in the net. The team is sponsored by Boyne Country Books.



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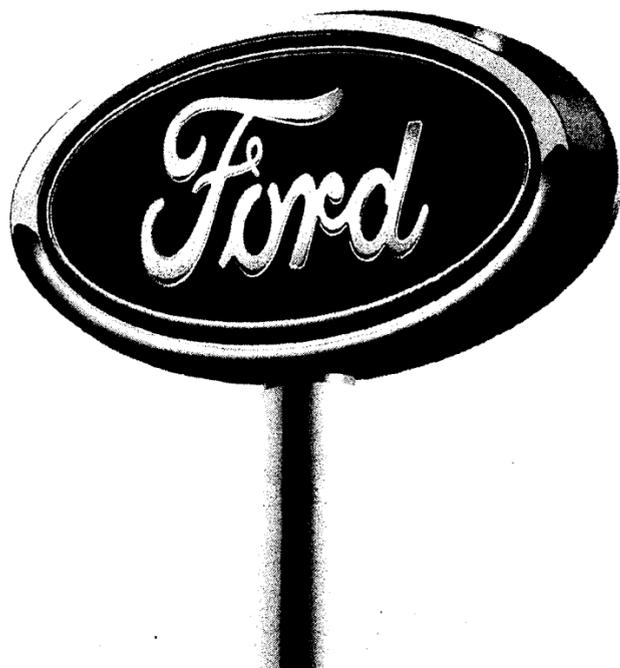
Boyne City resident Natalie Carleton, 13, competed last weekend in the Michigan Team Swimming League State Championships held in Alma. Swimming in the 13-14 year old division, Carleton placed fifth in the 50 yard free style event, with a time of 27.36; seventh in the 100 yard backstroke with a time of 1:13.55; and 12th in the 100 freestyle with a time of 1:03.01. Carleton is a student at Concord Academy Boyne.

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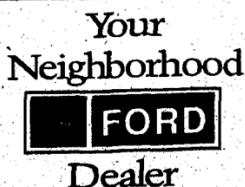
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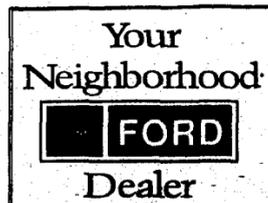
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BOYNE FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOL is accepting letters of application for the following positions for the 2001/2002 school year: 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade advisors, National Honor Society Advisor, Yearbook Advisor, Student Council Advisor, Cross Country Coach, Middle School Boys Basketball Coach, Middle School Girls Basketball Coach, Girls Varsity Basketball Coach, Girls J.V. Basketball Coach, Cheerleading Coach, Volleyball Coach, Boys Varsity Basketball Coach, and Boys J.V. Basketball Coach. Send letters to J. Mark Parsons, Superintendent, P.O. Box 356, Boyne Falls, MI 49713 before March 12. 2/8-3/7

BOYNE CITY SCHOOLS are seeking a person for the middle school and high school libraries for the remainder of this school year. Time will be split between the buildings with work hours being 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Applicants should be avid readers with a basic knowledge of library operations. Good communication skills and a working knowledge of computers are desirable. The ability to supervise and work with middle and high school students is required.

Letters of interest, along with a resume should be sent to Dana Compton, Superintendent of Schools, and received in his office no later than 4 p.m. on Monday, March 12. Questions can be directed to either Mary Jason, High School Principal at 439-8100 or Steve Smith, Middle School Principal at 439-8200.

TITLE I PARAPROFESSIONAL FOR THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Boyne City Public School System has an opening for a Title I Classroom Paraprofessional at the middle school for four and three quarters (4-3/4) hours daily, Monday through Friday. The position will entail pre-teaching or reinforcing skill with fifth grade students.

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Please direct questions to Karen Jarema or Steve Smith at the Middle School at (231) 439-8200. Interested individuals should submit resumes and letters of application to Mr. Dana Compton, Superintendent, P.O. Box 289, Boyne City, Mich., 49712. This position will remain open until filled. 2/28-3/7

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PUBLIC NOTICES

HUDSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review for Hudson Township will meet as follows:

March 6 Organizational meeting at 7 p.m.
 March 12 Open meeting from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
 March 13 Open meeting from 3-9 p.m.

Hudson Township tentative ratios and multipliers, subject to change by the Assessing Officer, Board of Review, County Equalization and State Equalization are as follows:

CLASS	RATIO	MULTIPLIER
Agricultural	40.72	1.22790
Commercial	44.25	1.12994
Residential	46.11	1.08436
Timber-Cutover	31.08	1.60875
Personal Property	49.10	1.00000

CITY OF EAST JORDAN BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING DATES

The East Jordan Board of Review will be in session March 12 and March 13, 2001. Property owners may examine their 2001 property assessments at City Hall during the following times:

March 12: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
 1-4 p.m.

March 13: 2-5 p.m.
 6-9 p.m.

The City of East Jordan tentative ratio and multiplier subject to change by the Assessing Officer, Board of Review, County Equalization and State Equalization:

	Ratio	Multiplier
Real Commercial Property	48.25	1.03627
Real Industrial Property	45.69	1.09433
Real Residential Property	44.59	1.12133
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

Written protests are allowed as long as they are received by the Board prior to 9 p.m., March 13, 2001. Written protests may be sent to: East Jordan Board of Review, P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727.

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Located in Charlevoix County, in MELROSE TOWNSHIP at 04169 East Street, parcel number 010-700-032-00, COM at SW COR Bullock and Middle STS TH WLY ALS LI of Middle St. 232.85 FT to NW COR Lot 33 TH SELY AL SW LI Lot 33 124 FT TH NELY to POB being PT of Lot 32 and 33 of plat of VLL of Talcott. 100%.

Any person(s) with a redeemable interest in said property must pay in full to the Charlevoix County Treasurer's office the amount paid to purchase the lien plus 50% interest and the cost of publication of this substitute service notice along with all sheriff costs for attempted delivery of Notice of Service. Person(s) with a redeemable interest have six months to redeem this parcel following the filing of the proof of "Substitute Service Notice."

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lowell R. Bailey, husband and Sandra J. Bailey, wife (original mortgagors) to Associates Financial Services Company Inc., Mortgagee, dated Nov. 19, 1999, and recorded on Nov. 24, 1999 in Liber 377, on Page 640, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-EIGHT THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-NINE AND 76/100 dollars (\$98,449.76), including interest at 15.740% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on March 23, 2001.

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

A deed dated 03/04/98 and recorded 03/06/98, among the land records of the county and state set forth above, and references as follows: book 383 page 694 a parcel of land described as follows; Beginning at the South 1/8th corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 13, Town 32 North, Range 4 West, thence North along the East 1/8th line 467 feet, thence East parallel to the South Section line 467 feet, thence South Parallel to East 1/8th line 467 feet, thence West along the South Section line to the point of beginning, containing 5 acres more or less.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale. Dated: Feb. 7, 2001

For more information please call: 248-593-1301
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File # 200027298
Cougars

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Julie A. Gillespie, an unmarried woman (original mortgagors) to Commonpoint Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated Feb. 9, 1998, and recorded on April 2, 1998 in Liber 334, on Page 785, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company, One M & T Plaza, NY 14203-2399, Trustee for Securitization Series 1998-1, Agreement dated March 26, 1998, Assignee by an assignment dated Dec. 29, 2000, which was recorded on Jan. 22, 2001, in Liber 405, on page 595, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FOURTEEN AND 25/100 dollars (\$65,714.25), including interest at 11.370% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on March 30, 2001.

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

LOT 238, UPRIGHT AND HURLBUTS ADDITION, to the Village (now City) of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

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

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Dated: Feb. 14, 2001

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File # 200023252
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael J. Borths, a married man and Darlene A. Borths, a married woman, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Washington Mortgage Company, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated Sept. 28, 1999, and recorded on Oct. 8, 1999 in Liber 373, on Page 786, Charlevoix County Records, Mich., and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated Oct. 4, 1999, which was recorded on Oct. 8, 1999, in Liber 373, on Page 792, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT AND 38/100 dollars (\$124,738.38), including interest at 8.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on April 13, 2001.

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

Lot 21 Westport Subdivision, according to the recorded plat in Liber 2 of plats, page 211 and 212, Charlevoix County Records.

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

Dated: Feb. 28, 2001
For more information please call: 248-593-1304
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File # 200110915
Stallions

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate File No. 01-010241-DE

Estate of **KAREN S. SEELYE, DECEASED**. Date of birth: March 23, 1954.

TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, **KAREN S. SEELYE**, who lived at 00017 Crozier Rd., Boyne City, Mich. died Jan. 15, 2001.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Stephen C. Seelye, named personal representative, or to both the probate court at County Bldg., 301 State St., Charlevoix, MI 49720 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date Feb. 27, 2001
Kevin G. Kleivorn P35531
215 South Lake Street
Boyne City, MI 49712
231-582-7911
Stephen C. Seelye
00121 Dietze Rd.
Boyne City, MI 49712
231-582-0256

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Cory G. Chambers, a single man, and Mandy M. Wittigen, a single woman, (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank f/k/a CB North, Mortgagee, dated July 24, 1996, and recorded on July 29, 1996 in Liber 303, on Page 558, Charlevoix County Records, Mich., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT AND 17/100 dollars (\$35,528.17), including interest at 8.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on April 20, 2001.

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

Beginning 28 rods West and 270 feet South of the northeast corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 24, Town 32 North, Range 7 West; thence South 390 feet for

place of beginning of this description; thence West 330 feet; thence North 100 feet; thence East 330 feet; thence South to place of beginning.

Together with a 1981 Fairmont Mobile Home Serial #N037478 which is affixed to the real estate. Together with an easement for ingress and egress as evidenced by instrument recorded July 26, 1982 in Liber 270, Page 952, Charlevoix County Records.

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

Dated: March 7, 2001

For more information please call: 248-593-1303
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Attorneys and Counselors
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File # 200110576
Ravens

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Delores A. Moby f/k/a Delores Anne Simmons to United States of America, Acting through the United States Department of Agriculture now known as USDA, Rural Development Mortgagee, dated Feb. 12, 1997, and recorded on Feb. 24, 1997 in Liber 312, on page 0432, Charlevoix County Records, Mich., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of twenty thousand thirty five and 19/100 dollars (\$20,035.19), including interest at 1.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Mich., at 11 a.m., on April 6, 2001.

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

Commencing at a point 16 feet South of the Southeast corner of lot 6, block 3, Bownes addition, west 180 feet; South Northerly line of State Street; Thence Southerly along Northerly line of State Street to an intersection with the West line of Elm Street extended South; Thence North on said extended line of Elm Street to point of beginning, part of Northwest one-quarter of Southwest one-quarter, Section 24, Town 32 North, Range 7 West.

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

Dated: Feb. 28, 2001
For more information please call: 248-593-1309
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File # 200112112
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard Ager and Julie Ager husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated Dec. 17, 1999, and recorded on Jan. 11, 2000 in Liber 380, on Page 696, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan and was assigned by said mortgagee to the First Union National Bank, as trustee of the Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust, Series 2000-BC3, without recourse, Assignee by an assignment dated Dec. 29, 1999, which was recorded on Jan. 23, 2001, in Liber 405, on Page 669, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE AND 75/100 dollars (\$69,529.75), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on March 30, 2001.

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

Lot 37, Springbrook Hills No. 1, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 197, 198, 199 and 200, Charlevoix County Records.

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

Dated: Feb. 14, 2001

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Ravens

gining of this description; thence continuing North 36 degrees 28 minutes 45 seconds West along said highway right of way 100 feet; thence South 53 degrees 33 minutes 15 seconds West 327 feet; thence South 36 degrees 28 minutes 45 seconds East 100 feet; thence North 53 degrees 33 minutes 15 seconds East 327 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of the Northeast fractional quarter of Section 2, Township 33 North, Range 8 West and sometimes known as Lot 8 of the unrecorded Plat of Loskot and the Good Neighbor's Foundation No. 1 Subdivision.

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

Dated: Feb. 7, 2001
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File # 200024984
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas Craig Donnelly and Alexis Donnelly, husband and wife (original mortgagor) to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc./k/a Norwest Mortgage, Inc., dba Directors Acceptance, Mortgagee, dated March 8, 2000, and recorded on March 15, 2000 in Liber 384, on Page 393, Charlevoix County Records, Mich., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE AND 12/100 dollars (\$72,195.12), including interest at 11.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on April 13, 2001.

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

Lot 170 and 171, Susan Shores No. 1, according to the recorded Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 111, 112, and 113, Charlevoix County Records.

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

Dated: Feb. 28, 2001

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lisa Lynn Cunningham, a single woman (original mortgagor) to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for lender Old Kent Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 23, 1999, and recorded on March 26, 1999 in Liber 360, on Page 329, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE AND 75/100 dollars (\$69,529.75), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on March 30, 2001.

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

Lot 37, Springbrook Hills No. 1, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 197, 198, 199 and 200, Charlevoix County Records.

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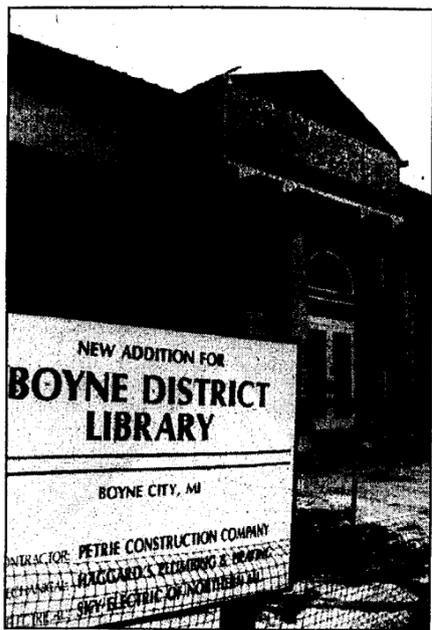
Library offers a sneak peek to renovations

Just dying to check out the changes at the new and improving Boyne District Library? Can't wait until the official opening date to get a glimpse of what all the fuss is about? Now's your chance to be among the first to take a "peek" at the new addition and renovations at the official Boyne District Library Sneak Peek to be held on Friday, March 16, from 6-8 p.m.

Refreshments will be served in the new community room. Advanced tickets are \$5 per person, or \$15 for four tickets. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$10 per ticket. Children under age 5 will be admitted free.

Tickets are available at Boyne Country Books at 125 Water St. or Boyne District Library's temporary location at 342 N. Lake St.

All funds will go to support the Boyne District Library Endowment Fund. The endowment fund was created as a source of support funding for the extensive renovations and additions at the library, made possible by a \$2 million grant in 1998 from the Mary K. Peabody Foundation.



Construction on the Boyne District Library began in April of 2000.

Missing man

Continued from page 1

Hooks said Blazier told him he was very hungry and thirsty. "I got him warmed up, he called his wife, and then he had a pop."

Blazier told Hooks "he hoped his wife felt like cooking because he was starving."

"He was lucky he didn't get hypothermia," added Hooks.

Blazier, 53, had set out on foot Wednesday, Feb. 21, for one of his "rather routine" walks in the Jordan Valley. A press release issued by the Antrim County Sheriff Department (ACSD) reported him missing Friday morning.

The ACSD led a full-scale search for Blazier, which included assistance from the Bellaire Police Department, Antrim County Emergency Services, Alba and Bellaire fire and rescue units, and the U.S. Coast Guard. A Coast Guard helicopter dispatched to the area made several trips over and around the Jordan Valley looking for Blazier.

The Sheriff Department's command post was staged on Harvey Road off Alba Highway, about a half mile from Alba and U.S. 131. The search process combed the entire Jordan Valley with a team of 11 snowmobiles.

The search was called off Friday afternoon by Antrim County Sheriff Terry Johnson.

"We followed absolutely every lead we had. We have no more to go on," said Johnson at the time.

When the search was called off, Johnson said there was no evidence found to indicate any type of foul play regarding Blazier's absence.

In an ACSD update release issued Monday, Feb. 26, Blazier stated he walked into the Jordan Valley on Wednesday (Feb. 21) and became lost and disoriented. He stated he could hear the Coast Guard helicopter and snowmobiles at times, but could not get into an opening to signal for help.

"It's surprising. We're glad he's alive," said Johnson. "It's great news" Before his disappearance, Blazier was last seen Feb. 21 walking along M-66 near Eddy School Road (Highway 620). He was wearing a green Army type coat, a navy cap, and blue jeans. The temperature dropped to -7 degrees that night.

Blazier liked to take long walks from Bellaire to the Jordan Valley, a 22,000-acre area of state-owned land managed by the Department of Natural Resources. The valley is bordered by M-66 to the west and U.S. 131 to the east.

"His tenacity saved him," said his elated wife Sharee. "Our prayers were

answered.

"We're so grateful. The Sheriff's Department made me feel very secure. They assured me they would exhaust every avenue," added Sharee.

"First I thought he was lost. Then I began to wonder if he ran away or was hiding. My biggest fear was that he had had a heart attack," she added.

Blazier ate trail mix and sunflower seeds he had with him and drank water out of the Jordan River to survive, said Sharee. She said he had three, trash-bag type rain ponchos which he used to shelter himself from the elements while sleeping in the swamps of the Jordan for four nights.

Blazier, employed by East Jordan Iron Works, normally works six or seven days a week in their maintenance department and always reports to work on time, his wife told Johnson.

"Everyone here was very concerned and worried about him," said Tad Malpass, EJIW president. "We're all relieved and pleased he'll be coming back to work. That's good news."

Sharee said her husband was an ex-Marine, having done two stints in Viet Nam.

"Walking and being in the woods is his thing," she said. "He is overly sure of himself and doesn't feel a compass is necessary."

NEWS FROM CITY HALL

By SUE HOBBS

There has been much discussion, and questions in letters to The Citizen-Journal about the reason the city did not purchase the United Technologies property. Quite some time ago, a petition was presented to the city commission asking that they purchase the property. The city commissioners met in closed session more than once to discuss this purchase. At their request, the city attorney made an offer, in writing, to the owners. They talked to him on the telephone, but would not put anything in writing for the city. They would not give an answer, yes or no, or give a price which they would find acceptable. We can't force a property owner to sell property to the city. The city commissioners and city manager did try to respond to the citizen request. They just couldn't get an acceptable answer.

The Fochtman property was not purchased instead of United Technologies. This property became available and it was determined that, if the city purchased this property, it could receive money from the leases for the remaining two years, keep a strip along the river, perhaps enough property for a small public parking area, demolish the building, and sell the corner parcel. It was repeatedly stated by the city commissioners that they do not want to get into the real estate business. This was a chance, however, to get river frontage for the public, maybe add a small amount of parking, and sell the corner lot to someone who will put up an attractive, new structure.

CITY STAFF is working on the upcoming FY 2002 budget. As part of this process, a plan is put together for major expenditures during the next six years. If anyone would like to look at the plan, it is available at City Hall. Department heads met last week to plead their causes to the city manager, who will determine what has to be put off to another year in order to balance the budget, and it will be completed by Friday, March 9, and go to the city commission to begin its review at the 7 p.m., March 13 meeting. The budget is also available for all citizens at city offices.

DICK DODDS was recently honored for 30 years of service with the city. He recently had surgery and is doing very well. Please offer him congratulations on both the 30 years working for the city and his recovery.

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

In touch

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culture," he said.

Of which computers play a large part, even in the most rural households, something that's not necessarily true in the home countries of some of the students.

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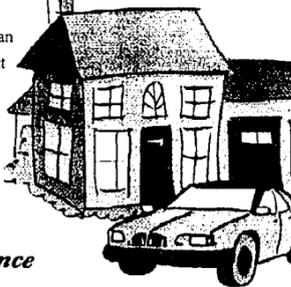


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