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## At A GLANCE

### Turn clocks back on Saturday night

As all the leaves are falling, so are the hours — back, that is, as Daylight Savings Time comes to an end in the wee hours of Sunday morning, Oct. 28. Be sure to turn your clocks back one hour on Saturday night.

### EJ Fire Dept. to flush hydrants on Oct. 28

The East Jordan Fire Department will be winterizing the city's hydrants on Sunday, Oct. 28, beginning at 8 a.m.

Residents are asked not to wash laundry that morning, due to possible discoloration. If any water discoloration occurs, residents are being told to run cold water until it clears.

### No school for Boyne students on Oct. 30

Boyne City Public Schools will hold staff development meetings all day on Tuesday, Oct. 30. Students will be excused from classes on that day.

School will resume on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

### BC, EJ set times for trick- or-treating

With Halloween around the corner, local cities have set trick-or-treating hours for Wednesday, Oct. 31. In both Boyne City and East Jordan, little ghosts and goblins can collect candy from 5-8 p.m.

While picking out the perfect costume is highest on most trick-or-treaters lists, here are some safety tips from AAA for parents to keep in mind when heading out on Halloween:

- Avoid masks that block vision.

- Have kids wear light-colored costumes, and use reflective tape to illuminate costume and treat bags or buckets.

- Walk facing traffic and cross streets only at the corners, never midblock or between parked cars.

- Plan the trick-or-treating route in advance, and include only neighborhoods you know.

- Flashlights and/or glowsticks are a good idea for kids and chaperones; children should be reminded not to shine flashlights into the eyes of oncoming drivers. For younger kids, make the flashlight handsfree by placing the light face-down in a plastic treat bucket.

- For motorists, be sure to drive slower than usual, to allow extra reaction time should a child dart out in front of the car. Drivers should also broaden their eye scan, looking left and right into yards and front porches, and turn your lights on even in daylight.

And don't forget, parents should check all treats before consumption.

## Finding focus

### East Jordan DDA considers bids for demolition of two downtown buildings

Though details are still being researched and worked through, it's possible that, if all the pieces fall into place, the old Dalquist and Bernier buildings at the corner of M-32 and Main Street in East Jordan may not be standing much longer.

In September, the Downtown Development Authority, which owns the two properties, voted to request bids for demolition of the properties. The thinking, said DDA chairman Tom Teske, is that a vacant property may be more marketable than the buildings as they currently stand. "Unfortunately, the Dalquist Building is such a large project" in terms of renovations and repairs, said Teske, that a potential buyer would need either a great deal of financial resources or be a "talented builder."

"We'd be happy to see if that person did come along," said Teske, making note of the current renovations going on at the old Jordan Inn further up Main Street. But, at this point, that buyer hasn't come along, and so the DDA is looking at its options, of which demolition may just be the most practical, assuming that

the financial aspects fall into place if bids are requested.

"We're trying to be financially responsible," Teske said, adding that the DDA has put a large amount of money into the Dalquist building, to the tune of about \$75,000 for a new roof and other repairs; for the Bernier building, the DDA still holds a mortgage. The properties have been for sale for quite some time, with the Dalquist building having been acquired as a city foreclosure, and the Bernier building purchased by the DDA about five years ago due to the fact that the property is considered a key parcel as an entry to downtown.

Over the years, the DDA has had offers on the Bernier property, but, said Teske, "the offers weren't quite what we hoped for at the time." After the length of time they've been on the market, though, Teske and the DDA feel it's time to look at some other options.

One recent presence that's aided the DDA in that area is Rod Benson, hired in July for a year-long stint as East Jordan's downtown development coordinator. About three months into



The DDA-owned Bernier/Dalquist buildings in East Jordan have been on the market for some time, without success.

his commitment, Benson has helped pull the involved elements together to focus on what's been dubbed the "Renaissance Block," a portion of Main Street between Esterly and Mill. One part of his role, said Benson, is to "help provide focus so that we target our efforts in terms of what most needs to be done."

In targeting that "Renaissance Block," "if we can succeed, if we can

change that particular block from being an economic depressive to a positive," then the whole town will benefit.

"There are a number of issues [on that block]," Benson said, pointing to older dilapidated buildings, including the Bernier and Dalquist properties. "It may well be easier to sell empty land to developers," he said. Besides those buildings, Benson said, there's

also the issue that "some landlords don't seem to care about their properties."

Part of the effort will be to get the landlords to clean up what's already existing, primarily to create "a good appearance" on the interior to show possible tenants or businesses coming into town.

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## Funding woes stall work on Rotary Park

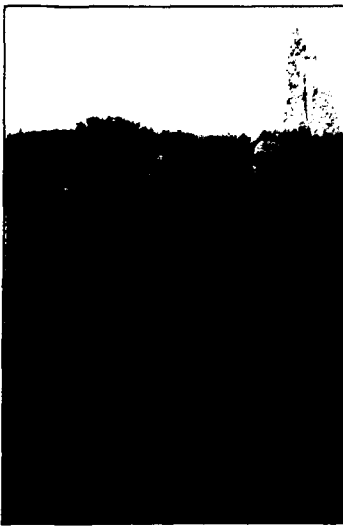
Though it's been an uphill battle, proponents of the new athletic fields at Boyne City's Rotary Park continue to persevere, working towards creating a multi-use sports complex for the community.

At the helm of the project are Keith Hausler and Dennis Amesbury, who, through their involvement with Boyne City Little League, have been involved from the get-go, almost five years ago, when planning began.

The vision, at the time, was to create four baseball/softball fields for use by both little leaguers and school athletes. The wooded land, donated by the Boyne City Rotary to the City, and adjacent to existing softball diamond and tennis courts, had been sitting unused for some time, and so, to Hausler, Amesbury, and other project organizers, seemed to be a perfect location for such a facility.

When the idea was brought forward to the public, it became evident that the Boyne City soccer program could also use a place to put fields, so the focus then changed with plans altered to include one baseball field, two softball fields complete with skinned infields, and two soccer fields.

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Boyne City's Dennis Amesbury, Keith Hausler, and Rob LaVanway, at left, have been among those who have put their own time and labor into the creation of new sports fields at Rotary Park. The continuation of the project will depend on funding.

## Local law enforcement agencies request that citizens be vigilant

Since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Washington D.C., and in the wake of recent Anthrax scares around the country, security is the issue on everybody's mind. For members of local law enforcement, the key now is extra vigilance, something they're both practicing themselves and requesting of area citizens.

"Look for suspicious stuff, anything that looks out of place," said East Jordan chief of police Jerry Alward, and report it to local officials, no matter how insignificant it might seem. The Boyne City Police Department, under the direction of police chief Randy Howard, recently released a pamphlet asking residents "to play an important role by being extra vigilant and more aware of their surroundings, and to report suspicious activity to local law enforcement agencies."

Charlevoix County Sheriff George

T. Lasater echoes the sentiment, stressing that the sheriff's department is "encouraging [citizens] to be another set of eyes for us."

"[Citizens should] report any unusual events," said Lasater, "anything that looks suspicious to them. Just because we're out of the metro area doesn't mean we're immune."

For its part, the sheriff's department has received special kits to deal with suspicious mail and other items potentially connected to terrorist activity including the recent national anthrax scare. According to Lasater, the department is also under a directive to report, in writing, any "unusual events." "So far," said Lasater, "we've sent about 8-10 [reports] to the FBI that we felt they should be aware of."

An area of special concern to the sheriff's department is Big Rock Nuclear Plant in Charlevoix, which, though currently in the process of

decommissioning, has been indicated to law enforcement by the federal government as a "potential target." The sheriff's department is "working hand in hand to assist [Big Rock] in their security," said Lasater. "We meet with them once a week. They're at their highest level of security."

The East Jordan Police Department, according to Alward, initially found itself subject to a bit of uncertainty. The department receives "four or five [high alert] warnings a day" from the FBI and Michigan State Police; "However," said Alward, "they never tell you exactly what to do [with those warnings]. It was pretty confusing for awhile." Now though, he said, officers are up to speed on staying alert for suspicious activities, especially after attending a special class on the subject in Gaylord recently. "That helped us out somewhat."

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## Boyne Falls voters pass millage in special election

In a special school election held on Oct. 16, Boyne Falls voters passed a millage proposal to assure that students at Boyne Falls School will receive the maximum in state foundation grants.

The election, called by the Boyne Falls School Board, asked for voters to restore the full 18 mills to be levied on non-homestead property, necessary to receive the full amount in per-student foundation grants bestowed by the state each year. If the request did not pass, the district was looking at a reduction by approximately \$100 per student in the district, due to significant growth in the district, exceeding the inflation rate. In terms of how student grants are figured by the state, if the rate of evaluation increases greater than the rate of inflation, then a rollback, instituted by the Headlee Amendment to the state constitution, would occur.

A per-student reduction of \$100 piece would have amounted to about \$100 lost to the school.

Fortunately, voters passed the request, which affects mostly non-recreational property owners, by a vote of 92 to 36. "We were very pleased with the support," said Boyne Falls School superintendent.

The school board is looking forward to continuing to do a good job.

# OPINION

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## LETTERS

### America stands for greatness

(The following is a letter received by local residents Sally and Gene Herzog from Dorothea Steenbuch, a family friend who lives in Oslo, Norway and winters in Arizona.)

I just want to say that I think of you, think of America, in fact I think of nothing else.

What a wonderful and magnificent people you are and how lucky the world is to have you. You saved us in two world wars, you gave us the Marshal Plan later and ever since you have contributed with your manpower, your brain power and your dollars.

Your country is based on your fight for freedom and now you will do it again. Europe could never have got its act together like you have - and America, standing rock solid together with all its might, supported by Europe, is an awesome sight.

GOD BLESS YOU AMERICA - thank you for what you are, what you stand for - without you we cannot survive. Thank you that I have been given the privilege of living in your country, thank you that I know people like you Sally and Gene and all the other American people I know.

### No reason to panic

TO THE EDITOR:

What on earth has happened to common sense? Of course we're referring to the anthrax scare. What else covers front pages, in profusion and much confusion, all over the country? People afraid to open mail, suspicious of neighbors, wondering about gas masks.

Terrorism is certainly a threat but let's be rational. Is a shopping-news publisher in Florida a likely target for terrorists? Or an anonymous office in New York? Let's get real. How about Senator Daschle's office in Washington? It's awfully hard to keep in the news when you're the leader of the opposition and there's a war going on. Or maybe the scare can be traced to some renegade conservative.

As far as the House of Representatives closing down for a few days, that's a blessing. If the House shuts down it can't pass any more laws or get in the way of progress. But seriously, how is it that the evidence of Anthrax always seems to show up in an unused, or seldom used, nook or cranny of some office?

As for the latest - oh, there will be more of this nonsense, it's just that you have to stop somewhere - it seems that "Fearless Dan" Rather, anchor man extraordinary, is calling a press conference to reveal that he, too, has a mild form of Anthrax. Received, no doubt, from his efforts to keep from being blind-sided by his media colleagues or from opening all that fan mail, take your choice.

This does not mean there is little danger. It does mean there is no reason to panic. There is every reason to stay intelligently alert! An enemy as fiendish and adroit as the one we face is not going to blow his cover by playing pin-the-tail on the phone book. We can't afford to dilute the time and efforts of our intelligence forces by chasing after every Chicken Little's alarm.

Ira Breneman

## BOYNE CITY SCHOOLS CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

**New High School:** Work continues on the walls and acoustical aspects of the auditorium wing. Locker bases have been poured in lockerrooms and the classroom wing. Other work on classrooms continues, including insulation, hanging of hardware for folding partitions, and remaining roofing. Plumbing work in the kitchen area and restrooms of the auditorium wing has been started, as has ductwork in the gymnasium.

Over the next couple of weeks, workers will continue to work on the auditorium, including setting the of the precast at the backside of the auditorium and pouring the concrete topping and equipment pads at the mezzanine. Pouring of the roof deck over the stagehouse, the restroom floors in the auditorium, and the band room floor are planned. Construction will continue on the CMU bearing walls in the auditorium and CMU walls in the classroom wing. Roofing in the kitchen area and band room will start, and insulation and drywalling of the classroom wing will continue.

(This update was provided by The Christman Company and the Boyne City Board of Education.)



## BETWEEN THE LINES

### America is changing, in some ways, for the better

By ANGELA SHULTIS

It is an understatement, and almost redundant, to say that the world has changed since Sept. 11. As the situation becomes more surreal, with cases of Anthrax exposure popping up in government and the media, we are all, as Americans, drawn into a web of uncertainty.

I was reading a column in Time magazine this week which addressed that issue of fear. The author was commenting on the fact that now, for the first time really, Americans in their homeland know the fear that so many other nations around the world have always known.

Previous to this, Americans had been to war, had had their way of life under attack, but always at a distance for most of us. It was always about sending our soldiers away, to fight a specific enemy. Now, each of us finds ourselves feeling as though we are, in some way, on the front lines.

Even here in northern Michigan, where we are certainly physically removed by leaps and bounds from the centers of terrorist and suspected terrorist activity, I've spoken to numerous people who are feeling, to put it mildly, uncomfortable about the future. Reasonable and practical people who are, while maintaining that life needs to go on, plagued with moments of fear and worry over the unknown. Bombs and terrorist aircraft are not likely to reach northern Michigan; bioterrorism, unfortunately, has the potential to be much more far-reaching.

Let's be realistic, though, and look at the facts about what's happened so far. Cases of anthrax exposure thus far have been quickly isolated and treatments are successful.

The incidents, if they are indeed terrorist attacks, have been rather unsuccessful in terms of doing physical harm to Americans. Still, I find myself, as I read about the bare facts of anthrax and terrorism, fighting a rising sense of panic and uncertainty. And this is, right now, what the real battle for the average American is.

We're a generally sensible people - we have access to unlimited information, and so we tend to seek that information in a time of crisis; educating ourselves on what's going on is a great line of defense, against both the offender and the by-product of fear. But those moments of panic are infiltrating our daily lives and influencing the way we perceive the previously safe world around us.

Recently, for instance, the portion of Boyne City where I live experienced a relatively long-term power outage. As the lights went out, round about 8 p.m. on a Saturday night, I found myself, for one split second, thinking about terrorism. Ridiculous, I know, and I quickly came to my senses, feeling foolish for having the thought flit unbidden through my mind. My husband, as it turned out, sheepishly admitted to having had the same moment. And as ludicrous as it was, it is that sort of experience that

drives home the reality that we are changed.

But even as I'm getting used to this new feeling of wariness, I'm also getting used to another sensation, one much more welcome, and, I believe, with more potential for permanence - patriotism.

As a 30-something woman, I have had little experience with such an emotion. I was in college during the Gulf War, and so got in the spirit of things along with my dorm mates, painting flags and pro-USA slogans on our dormroom windows, sticking yellow ribbons on our doors. Those actions, though, had more to do with getting on the bandwagon and feeling a part of something than anything else. We were not feeling, in any way, threatened. We had no fear for our country, our fellow citizens. We knew of soldiers, about our age, but had no concept, really, of what it was they were doing or why. It was all about being cheerleaders for something we were certain would end without ever really impacting, personally, most of our lives. And we were right.

Beyond that, patriotism has been something my generation and beyond have felt to be a bit trite and outmoded. Something for the World War II and Korean War generations. We'd heard the most about Vietnam, and somehow had been convinced that pride in our country was something to be vaguely ashamed about, if expressed overtly, anyway.

Now, I'm happy to say, we're feeling differently. Suddenly, most of us seem to have some understanding of just what it is we have here in America that's so worth being proud of, and worth fighting to preserve.

It's not for me that I'm feeling this most intensely, though; it's for my kids. I'm horrified that they live in a world where they've known of the worst that man can do, illustrated in blazing color on Sept. 11. But I'm thrilled, at the same time, that they are now growing up in an America that is not afraid to be proud of itself, that has found a way to be a united front rather than a host of bickering, self-important factions. When it was time for dinner the other night, my four-year-old son, at his turn to say part of grace, asked politely to recite the Pledge of Allegiance, which he'd learned from his first grade sister. At that moment, I realized that there is most certainly something positive to be gained for America out of all of this - a nation of proud citizens is far more likely to find a way to uphold its tenets, united, as they say.

We now fly the flag in front of our home, like so many others since the World Trade Center, and sing "God Bless America" at church and public functions without a trace of self-consciousness.

They're small gestures, really, but have the potential to fight that spectre of fear, as well as to set an example for our kids that just may change the world they grow up to, for the better.

## A Mom's LIFE

### Observations from kids hit home

By CINDI PLACE

We've all heard the saying "kids say the darnedest things." And as parents, we've heard all those "things." Children's logic can be so hilarious, and sometimes very poignant. They are usually very honest (often painfully so), and generally kids are not afraid to say what they feel when they feel it!

I can remember times when our children were little and I dreaded taking them to a place that would require their silence. Inevitably they would burst out with some comment, at the top of their lungs (like "hey mom, I thought you said you wouldn't be caught dead in an outfit like that lady is wearing"). Or when your kids decide that it's everybody's business that you're two weeks late with their allowance.

Our children are not particularly choosy about the type of audience they have when they announce their need to: a) visit a restroom; b) sock their brother in the jaw; or c) release a little "gas." Never in my life though was I more embarrassed than when our child announced to a visitor that his mother didn't change the linens in the guest room because "Aunt Debbie wouldn't know the difference anyway."

As funny as many of the things are that our children say, I am most struck with the things they observe about life in general. With all the talk about terrorism and the recent attacks on the United States, it was inevitable that our kids would have thoughts to share with us. The other day our youngest son asked me if there had ever been a time when Christians were hated.

After sucking in a little air and trying to gather my thoughts, I tried to get at the reason a 10-year-old child would ask such a question. Obviously, he has been listening to all the discussions about the Muslim religion and has heard hateful things about these people. So we talked about why people hate, and why and when people with all kinds of religious beliefs have been disliked and even hated for those beliefs.

And yes, we discussed the times that Christians have had to protect themselves when others have wanted to hurt them.

What scared me was that my child was afraid that someone would hate him because of something he believed in, but what gave me hope was his sureness in knowing that doing so would be wrong.

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# Rotary Park

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Work has progressed in earnest over the last two years, with the heavily wooded property being logged out (the money from which was returned to the project). Fields have been carved out of the expanse of land, by city workers and volunteer labor, with a baseball field and a soccer field already in use, and two softball fields and one soccer field just seeded this season.

For now though, despite continued enthusiasm from those involved, work has stalled due to a lack of funding. The current push is for fencing, but without grants or substantial donations, the project can't move forward. The lack of funding has been a continued source of frustration for Amesbury and Hausler, who have seen the Little League and the City apply for numerous grants without much luck, save for a \$3,100 grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation's Youth Advisory Council, which will not be released until the project secures the remainder of the funds needed to complete the fencing portion of the project.

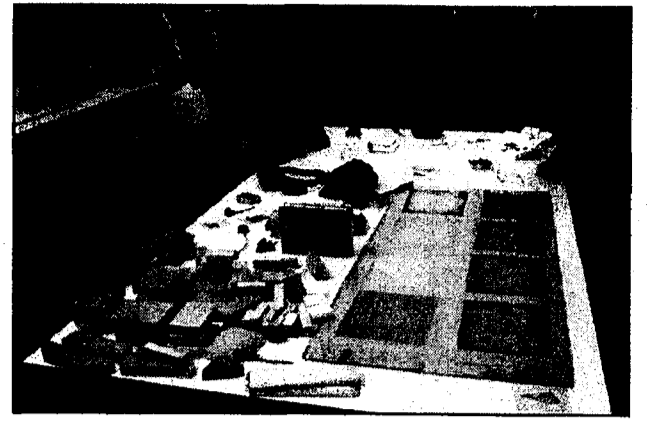
"The City has been really supportive," said Hausler, noting that Boyne City has donated money, equipment, and manpower to the effort. But, he added, "we need more money and

help."

The long-term goals for the park include dugouts, a new parking lot and an additional road to access fields, paving of the current parking lot, an irrigation system, and a concession stand with restrooms on site. Also envisioned is a potential eight-foot wide paved walking trail through the area. Preparations have been made to accommodate these goals, including water already piped in to the concession stand location, but future work will depend on financial backing to make it happen.

While the fields were initially conceived to relieve pressure on the current limited little league facilities (one field on the waterfront at Veteran's Park), the opportunity for a variety of community uses are there if the project continues to move towards fruition. The schools would be welcome to use the fields, said Amesbury, in the event of tournaments or other scheduling needs. In addition, said Hausler, "It's a big, open area," perfect to host events other than ball games or soccer.

Little league will likely try some more grant-writing, according to Amesbury, along with the City. For the time being though, organizers are hoping for support of community members and former little leaguers to help carry the project to fruition.



## Art lesson

As part of the current print exhibit, "Reflections on Paper," the Jordan River Arts Council recently held a wood engraving workshop with artist Jim Horton, pictured at left answering a question from East Jordan resident Franny Bluhm. Above, workshop participants work studiously on their individual pieces. The exhibit, which features wood engravings and other relief prints, intaglios, and lithographs, is on display at the Jordan River Art Center, 301 Main St. in East Jordan, until Nov. 7.

## DDA looks at future of downtown EJ

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In addition to addressing specific issues on that downtown block, Benson is also seeking to help the city identify as many people as possible locally to take part in the formation of an investment group to take an interest in the future development of the town.

Identifying opportunities and creating vehicles for new investment are going to be a major thrust of future downtown development.

Benson stresses, though, that his role is that of a coordinator, not an implementor or manager. "Whatever happens [in downtown East Jordan] will be as a result of what a lot of different people agree to do," he said. His part will be to help identify the key leadership figures, and "move them into action of some kind."

Part of that action, according to Teske, will be working on future projects like the M-DOT-approved streetscape and storm sewer improvements to be made on Mill Street, an extension of the streetscape project that has transformed the face of Main Street in recent years. Also planned are physical enhancements on M-66 and a 10-foot-wide paved bike path from the Tourist Park to Eerie Street.

While most of the funding is in place for these projects, the fate of the Bernier and Dalquist properties will play a large role in giving the DDA the balance of funds needed to move ahead. "If we sold the Bernier building tomorrow, funding would be in place tomorrow," said Teske.

Pending legal review of the bid requirements, the DDA is planning on having the bids due in December, with a possible final decision to be made as soon as January of 2002.

## Be aware

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us on what to do if we find something, who to contact, things like that." Though the East Jordan Police Department is, like others in the area, prepared for a variety of emergency situations, "I don't think anybody in the United States is prepared" to deal with a situation like the one the country's found itself in. "It's a new war, like [President George W.] Bush calls it," he said.

In East Jordan, they've seen "three to four incidents," one in particular involving a suspicious piece of mail. A call from a resident found officers facing a letter with a Nigerian return address. "The guy said he'd never had anything to do with Nigeria, and he felt a little funny about it," according to Alward. Putting on rubber gloves and a mask, Alward took the letter outside and opened it. Though

it turned out to be from a church missionary thanking the man's wife for a donation, laughed Alward, it was still a scary moment. "It made me feel good to see that [it was harmless]," said Alward.

In Boyne City, too, officers, along with all public safety personnel and city staff, are on alert of suspicious or unusual persons, vehicles, activities or other circumstances that may

seem unusual or pose a threat, according to Howard. As long as this situation remains, vigilance and preparedness are key. Said Sheriff Lasater, "The sheriff's office prefers to prepare for a crisis than reacting to one."

Anyone who witnesses any suspicious persons or incidents, or who has received a suspicious piece of mail, can contact law enforcement by calling 911.

## Boyne City plans a 'Meet the Candidates' night Oct. 30

The City of Boyne City has reported that six residents have filed petitions for the upcoming election of city commissioners, to be held on Tuesday, Nov. 6. Three, four-year seats are up for election. Candidates are incumbents Mayor Eleanor Stackus and Ron Grunch, and challengers Dan Adkison, Nan Carpenter, Stephen Czerkes, and Shirley Howie. Commissioner Vic Ruggles is not running for re-election. The city of Boyne City will host a "Meet the Candidates" night on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 319 N. Lake St.

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# Encouraging exploration

## ■ East Jordan Middle School's Allied Arts program aims to give students both choices and challenges

By ANGELA SHULTIS

Students at East Jordan Middle School this year are getting an opportunity to branch out in a way that hasn't been available to them before, through the newly-established multi-disciplinary Allied Arts program. The kids, by all accounts, seem to be responding.

"So far, it seems wonderful," said middle school principal Michael Haynes of the reaction by students and staff to the program, which incorporates a grid of course offerings, held 1-2 days each week, designed to allow students to sample a maximum amount of different experiences throughout the course of the school year. The concept of exposure to different experiences is an important one for middle school students, said staff member Kay Holley, who teaches Future Problem Solving and Creative Writing components of the program. "With middle school children, the more activities they have piquing their interests [the better]," Holley said. "They're really trying to decide [at that age] what they're interested in."

Fellow teacher Paul Nachazel, who oversees the Odyssey component,



Students in Paul Nachazel's Odyssey class work together and individually on a variety of projects that encourage development of problem-solving skills.

which focuses on problem solving, agrees. "Middle school needs to be an introduction to a lot of different things," he said.

The concept came to the attention of administration and staffers in planning sessions prior to the school year, as a way to maximize the use of teachers as well as "jam a lot of experience" in for students, said Haynes. With 85 kids and five teachers involved, students are able to choose from offerings that include not only Future Problem Solving, creative writing, and the Odyssey class, but also vocal music, art experience, and team sports and aquatics.

Class sizes are smaller, and so are more conducive to learning, giving teachers a better chance for one-on-one time with students. The courses are not for the faint of heart, but instead are geared towards "allowing kids who want to be challenged an opportunity for that," said Haynes.

Holley, as a teacher, has appreciated the opportunity to teach to a smaller group of students, especially in an intense course like Future Problem Solving, in which students are doing a lot of research and creating work that extends outside of the classroom to state-level competitions.

Being able to offer a creative writing component, independent of the regular language arts program, is another positive outgrowth of the Allied Arts program, one that Holley is very enthusiastic about.

"There are some marvelous writers," she said. "It's real exciting to sit down and read something an eighth grader has written that's outstanding, to be riveted to the paper."

Nachazel is equally enthusiastic about the opportunities afforded by the Odyssey component he's teaching this year. A non-traditional, hands-on problem solving course, part of Odyssey is the incorporation of students' ideas in determining the direction of the class. "We keep it open to what the kids are interested in," said Nachazel. Upcoming projects include creating an invention, complete with a model and advertising, and working on mouse-trap powered cars. "The kids are enthusiastic," he said. "I think it's fun because they'll see an initial disappointment, and then see beyond the



Odyssey students Nathan Ciszewski and Alex Bajko worked together to create a tower from plain paper and scotch tape. The object was to use creative strategies to build the tallest free-standing tower.

disappointment to look at it a different way, and they achieve." The class, he added, is geared towards higher-learning kids who often "haven't had to struggle" in school. "It's nice to see those kids struggle and work through it. That's what life is all about."

## SCHOOL BOARD UPDATES

### Boyer City Board of Education

At its October meeting, the Boyer City Board of Education announced its goals for the year.

Five areas the board plans to focus on are: developing a marketing plan; supporting all student populations; superintendent search; finances; and reviewing and updating the policy manual. According to school board president Ed Vondra, the marketing plan will aim to increase communi-

cation and promote the positive image of the school district both internally and externally, as well as increase community involvement.

Support for student populations will be achieved through maintaining a commitment to the "Student Success" programs, targeting specific programs/curriculum to challenge ability levels of all students, increase vocational offerings, and continue

pursuit of the Transitions Endorsement through the North Central Association.

**IN OTHER BUSINESS**, the board awarded the technology infrastructure bid for the high school construction project to Voice Data Systems, which came in with the lowest bid at \$191,000. High school principal Karen Jarema presented the district's annual report.

### East Jordan Board of Education

At its regular monthly meeting, the East Jordan Board of Education reviewed and accepted an annual audit report, prepared by Hill & Schroeder, P.C.

The report confirmed that the 2000-01 fiscal year was a solid year for the district, with general fund revenues for the year reported at \$9,098,081, with expenditures/operating transfers of \$8,914,304. The district closed the

year with a fund balance of \$918,261, representing approximately 10 percent of the general fund revenues.

Auditors encouraged the board to continue to build the fund balance to the 12-15 percent level, given the state of the economy and the uncertainty surrounding the 2001-02 State Aid Act.

**IN OTHER BUSINESS**, the board heard an informative report on

the new "EXSL" (Excellence for Special Learners) Program at the elementary school. Faculty member Laura Reid provided the report, which included a visit to her classroom. Carla Wesaw was appointed as a tutor in the Title IX program. Other appointments included Sean Ferguson as the seventh grade boys basketball coach, and Andrew Otis as the assistant varsity boys basketball coach.

### Boyer Falls Board of Education

At the October meeting of the Boyer Falls Board of Education, the board approved fund-raisers for the classes of 2004 and 2005, with the Class of 2004 to sell cookie dough in the late fall and candy bars in the winter, and the Class of 2005 to sell Log-

ger Bears as well as Frankenmuth Candy and items for Easter in the spring. Also at the meeting, senior class president presented the class' planned trip to Hawaii from May 9-16, 2002, and class treasurer Jenny Kuhn reported \$22,000 in the class

account. School principal Bill Aten reported that the NCA Annual Report has been filed, and that teacher evaluations are in the process of being completed. Board members also rode in the new school bus, which was delivered on Sept. 19.

## East Jordan Fire Dept. undertaking annual fire and burn safety program

East Jordan Fire Chief Glen Thorman has announced that, as part of a commitment to fire prevention, the department is organizing its annual Fire and Burn Safety Program for the children of East Jordan.

Over 600 youngsters, ages 5 through 12 will receive educational fire prevention materials created and geared to each specific age level.

This comprehensive program includes fire safety guidebooks that contain 24 activity pages designed by educators to stimulate the child's awareness and independent thinking about the everyday fire hazards he or she may encounter.

Various other fire safety booklets, folders, posters, and brochures are made available to encourage the prevention of destructive fires, painful burns, disfiguring injuries, and needless death.

Bob Koch, of the National Fire Safety Council, Inc. (NFSC) will be helping local fire fighters in planning and delivering programs to the school children. Koch is the area fire safety coordinator of the NFSC.

The East Jordan Fire Department is in the process of mailing sponsor request letters explaining the entire program to area business, industrial and professional leaders, asking for their financial support to help cover the cost of the materials used by the department.

Thorman stresses to prospective sponsors that this is the only program of this type that the East Jordan Fire Department will be conducting this year.

Should any other person solicit for support, especially by phone or in person, without a letter from Chief Thorman, residents are asked to contact the fire department immediately.

## Frances E. Rogers Benson scholarship available to CMU students from EJHS

Once again, the Frances E. Rogers Benson Memorial Scholarship is being made available to Central Michigan University students from East Jordan High School. Students from other high schools in Charlevoix County may also be eligible to apply for the scholarship.

The scholarship has in the past assisted at least 13 students in their pur-

suit of a college degree, and has grown over the years from an award in 1989-90 of \$100 to \$1,000 for the 2001-02 academic year.

Established in the name of Frances E. Rogers Benson by her family to honor the long-time East Jordan resident and educator, the scholarship is awarded to Central Michigan University students with a grade point aver-

age of 2.8 or better.

Recipients are selected from East Jordan High School or Charlevoix County high schools.

For more information, call Central Michigan University's Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid at (989) 774-3674 or East Jordan High School principal Tammy Jackson at 536-2259.

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## NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

**TOM AND CAROLYN** Christensen of Charleston, S.C., were in Boyne City, visiting Tom's family, Bill and Lynda, Denny and Betty Christensen and his sister, Louise and Cecil Giam, and Aunt Merla Vought. While in Michigan, they also visited Carolyn's dad, who lives in Alma, at the Masonic Home.

**JEAN KORTHASE** is recuperating from a broken leg at the Korthase Road home of Bruce and Nancy Lawson. She will be visiting at the farm for several weeks.

**OUT OF TOWN** guests of Jim and Linda Felton over the beautiful weekend were his sister and husband Jane and Frank Leidich of Traverse City.

**JENNIFER AND TONY** Witer of Ohio and their four daughters, ages 16 months to 7 years, spent the weekend in Boyne Falls with Nels and Louisa Northup. They also "just loved" the Creative Playground.

**A BABY GIRL**, Jacqueline Tapper, arrived on Monday, Oct. 15, to Kerry and John Tapper of Paw Paw, Mich. Jackie weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz.

and measured 20 inches in length at birth. Proud big brother is Charlie, age 2. Grandparents are former Boyne resident, Carol Harvey of Detroit and John and Linda Tapper of Paw Paw.

**AMY KILE**, the 12-year-old daughter of Gail Gerrie of East Jordan, was honored at her home the first of the week with a family dinner party, lovely cards, gifts, and birthday cake and ice cream. Attending were grandparents Jack and Judy Gerrie of Boyne City, Aunt Robin, and cousins, Tiffany, Haley, and Andrea Birdsall.

**JAMIE AND CHRIS** Dobrowski of Alpena welcomed the arrival of their first child, Jaelyn Christy, at the Alpena Community Hospital at 8 p.m. on Oct. 18. Jaelyn Christy weighed 5 lbs. 15 oz. at birth. Grandparents are Dale and Christy Reinhardt of Boyne City and Janet and Ted Dobrowski of Charlevoix.

**JEAN LIMRON** of Boyne City is doing well at home after undergoing angioplasty heart surgery at Northern Michigan Hospital this past week.

**JANET GEIGER**, daughter Kelly Styles and four granddaughters of Gaylord spent Thursday evening in Boyne City with her mother

Phyllis Hardy. All shared in celebrating a lovely dinner party in honor of Janet's birthday.

**SCOTT SUTTLIFF** of Berkley, Calif. spent this past weekend here with his parents.

**AMY AND DAVE** Hardy of Boyne City welcomed the arrival of their first child, a son, on Thursday, Oct. 18, at Northern Michigan Hospital. Jordan David Hardy weighed 5 lbs. 15 oz. and measured 18 inches long at birth. Grandparents are Glorie and Ed Barden and Leanna and Jerry Hardy, all of Boyne City.

**DICK AND VIRGINIA** Guitar of Boyne City spent overnight in Traverse City and joined their son Mark in watching the exciting BC/TCSF football game and the winners were—the undefeated BCHS Ramblers!

**JACK AND JUDY** Gerrie spent Tuesday in Traverse City, visiting his mother, Lena Gerrie.

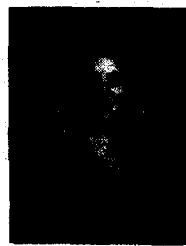
**MIKE AND JOYCE** Northup of Eastpointe were in Boyne City Sunday and Monday visiting his family here, including his sister Nancy!

(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

### Boyne City

**NAME:** Heather LaCroix  
**GRADE:** Junior  
**PARENTS:** Rocky LaCroix and Kim Mitchell  
**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** Class treasurer, student office assistant  
**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:** Horseback riding, snowmobiling, working with children, and doing anything creative  
**FUTURE PLANS/GOALS:** "I plan to attend college and become a teacher or an interior decorator."  
**NOMINATING COMMENTS:** "Heather has taken the initiative to pursue and organize activities for her class of 2003, although she only recently became a class officer," said Jill Towne-Patton. "Not only does Heather fulfill the class treasurer obligations, but she also goes above and beyond the call of duty. It is wonderful to work with someone that initiates, follows through, and finishes projects and jobs!"



Heather LaCroix

### East Jordan High School

**NAME:** Erica Carey  
**GRADE:** Senior  
**PARENTS:** Marty and Debbie Carey  
**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** National Honor Society, ski team, and softball  
**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:** Skiing, softball, basketball, traveling, and having fun  
**NOMINATING COMMENTS:** "Erica is a delightful young lady," said Alice McPherson. "She works diligently to complete each assignment to the best of her ability. She always has a positive attitude."  
 "Erica's perseverance and sense of humor will serve her well in life, as they have in class," said Roxanne Zell.  
 "Erica is a wonderful person," said John Ubbing. "Her class work is top quality, and she incorporates high standards for herself. For Erica, average or satisfactory work is not an option."  
 "Erica is a wonderful person," said Lance Bailey. "She is willing to take a stand for what she believes in."  
 "Erica is my assistant this year and she is a great help in setting up labs," said Sharon Moeke. "She does what is asked always to the best of her ability."



Erica Carey

### East Jordan Middle School

**NAME:** Karina Hosler  
**GRADE:** Seventh  
**PARENTS:** Marsha Amesbury and Jerry Hosler  
**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:** Swimming, all sports, going shopping with friends, going to movies, and listening to music  
**NOMINATING COMMENTS:** "Karina is a hard worker and a pleasure to have in class," said Mrs. Bergquist.  
 "Karina has a great personality," said Mr. Ferguson. "She comes every day with a smile and a positive attitude."  
 "Karina is doing a great job in science class," said Mr. Peterson.



Karina Hosler

## "Teen Night" means fun at Boyne City Middle School

It's that time of year again — the leaves are changing, football is in full swing, and the Teen Nights at Boyne City Middle School have begun. In its fourth year now, Teen Night was put together as a way to give the kids from Boyne's Middle School a place to socialize and have a great time once a month. The idea, said Teen Night coordinator Marty Moody, "was to give the kids a place to go, that was not only safe so the parents would feel good, but also had a lot of things for them to do."

Things to do is exactly what they have. The kids are offered a wide variety of things to do at the Teen Nights, including board games like Connect Four, Scrabble, Chess, trivia games, etc. And nine video game stations that are set up with games to appeal to everyone. The gym is set up with air hockey tables, a foosball table, ping-pong tables, and electronic darts.

Students are not allowed to play basketball during the events, as, said Moody, "they have plenty of opportunity to play those sports. We wanted this to be more of a socializing event for them."

The hit of most Teen Nights is, not

surprisingly, Karaoke. "We hire Jim-N-I to do the karaoke for us," said Moody. "It's definitely the piece that costs us the most, but the kids really get into the singing. It's great fun for them, and also great fun for the chaperones to watch them try stuff. I think it has helped bring a few of them out of their shell over the years, too."

The night wouldn't be complete without something for the kids to munch on, so they are supplied with snacks such as chips, pretzels, cookies, candy, pop, pizza, and vegetables and dip. (Yes, they do eat their vegetables, Moody said). "Dave Peck and Glens markets have been great to me over the years" Moody said. "He helps me defray the cost of putting on the Teen night by donating some of the snacks and soda for the night." The pizza is supplied by BC Pizza, who has contributed to the Teen Nights since they began. "Chris and Wayne Nelson of BC Pizza have been great," said Moody. "Without their support of the program we wouldn't be able to do such a great thing for the kids. They are one of the main reasons we can put this night on for the kids and be so successful with it."

The end result of all the efforts put



Boyne City Middle School students line up for Karaoke at one of the monthly "Teen Night" events. The nights are an evening of free fun and food for BCMS students.

forth by the sponsors, the parents, and the chaperones, is a fun-filled night for Boyne's youth which is totally free to all the kids. "The main thing was to make it so everyone could come and take part, and the only way to do that was to have it be free to all kids. This way no one is excluded, and everyone has a great time," Moody said. An estimated 200 kids attend Teen

Night each month. Teen Nights are held one Saturday a month from October to March for any Boyne City Middle School student. The fifth and sixth grades come from 6-8 p.m. and the seventh and eighth grades from 8-10 p.m. For more information on the Teen Nights, or to volunteer to chaperone, call Moody at 582-2606.

## 50TH ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Nellie Saxton

### Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saxton

Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Nellie Saxton of East Jordan and McAllen, Texas will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 27 with a family dinner.

Charles Edward Saxton and Nellie Estella Wilson were united in marriage on Oct. 27, 1951 in Muskegon. Charles is a retired teacher from Warren Lincoln School District in Warren. Nellie retired from homemaking and then worked for several years for Macomb Community College. The couple has five children, Charnell and Lynn Downing of Fowlerville, Jane and Dan Hoch of West Milford, N.J., Charles P. of East Jordan, Scott and Michelle of Farmington, and Jill of Brighton. Charles and Nellie have 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Local residents create full-service salon in East Jordan

East Jordan residents Tinea Spence, Angela Gee, and Debbie Chappuies have pooled their talents and resources to form Vanity Faire, a full-service hair, nail, and tanning salon in downtown East Jordan.

Located where Sunnyside Tanning, Chappuies' business, has been for about three years at 124 Main St., Vanity Faire also contains the Nail Nook, Gee's business of about seven months, and Spence's recently established Tinea's Hair.

Last summer the three joined forces to create Vanity Faire, which came out of the trio's desire to create a "full-service salon atmosphere," said Gee.

Each business, added Gee, has something special to offer. The Nail Nook specializes in pink and white acrylics, and does full manicure and pedicure services and nail art. Gee also carries a full line of retail nail products.

Tinea's Hair is likewise a full service salon; Spence features "all hair care services," and carries a variety of retail hair products including Redkin and Paul Mitchell.

Sunnyside Up Tanning is unique in that it has the area's only dry hydro massage bed, besides its regular tanning facilities.

For more information, call The Nail Nook at 536-1516; Tinea's Hair at 536-1414 or Sunnyside Up at 536-4826.



Angela Gee and Tinea Spence, pictured here at their Main Street storefront, have teamed up with Debbie Chappuies, to create Vanity Faire.

### M.C. Planning & Design celebrates second anniversary

In early October, the Boyne City planning firm M.C. Planning & Design celebrated its second year anniversary.

Owner Mary Campbell started M.C. Planning & Design in October 1999 to better serve northern Michigan communities by providing professional, personalized planning and design services.

M.C. Planning & Design's three main areas of practice are community planning, including community mas-

ter plans, recreation plans and facilitation of public meetings; zoning and land use regulations, including review and revision of existing ordinances or drafting of new ordinances; and landscape architecture, including streetscape and park designs which work with the natural environment to incorporate the unique natural beauty of northern Michigan in the design.

While M.C. Planning & Design is a young firm, Campbell has been working with communities in north-

ern Michigan since 1994, and has over 13 years of professional experience in the fields of community planning and landscape architecture. She holds masters degrees in both community planning and landscape architecture. Mary Campbell is a Michigan registered landscape architect and is a planner certified with the American Institute of Certified Planners.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## COUNTY-WIDE BUSINESS AFTER HOURS Thursday, Oct. 25

A county-wide Business After Hours event is being held by the Boyne City, East Jordan, and Charlevoix Chambers of Commerce at Nanny's Restaurant in Charlevoix, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person for chamber members, and \$7 per person for non-chamber members. Co-sponsors for the evening are Raven Hill Discovery Center, Cellular One, Northern Michigan Title Company, Nanny's, the Business and Professional Committee of Charlevoix Area Hospital, The Learning Center of Northern Michigan, and the Ironton Cove Landings.

## BREATH SUPPORT WORKSHOP Friday, Oct. 26

Crooked Tree Arts Center will offer a Breath Support workshop for vocal students from 4-6 p.m. The workshop will be conducted by Fran Tollas, an instructor with the Arts Center. She instructs all ages and feels strongly about basic vocal techniques. All vocalists are encouraged to take the workshop as all levels of experience will be accepted. The fee for the afternoon workshop is \$20 per student. For more information and to sign up for the workshop, call 347-4337. The Arts Center is located downtown Potoskey at 461 E. Mitchell.

## PANCAKE SUPPER Saturday, Oct. 27

The Peninsula Grange will hold a pancake supper from 5-7 p.m. on south Advance Road. Cost is a \$5 donation for adults, ages 6-12, \$2.50, and 5 and under eat free.

## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Monday, Oct. 29

A special blood drive will be held from 8:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m. at Boyne City High School, 1025 Boyne Ave. The drive is being sponsored by the National Honor Society.

## BAKED POTATO LUNCH Friday, Nov. 2

St. Matthew's Parish guild will be hosting their Annual Fall Baked Potato Lunch Buffet from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. in St. Matthew's Fellowship Hall in Boyne City. The menu includes baked potato, cheese, broccoli, chili, sour cream, onions, butter, etc., hot dogs, and desserts and is dine-in or take-out. Price is by donation. The church is located at 1303 Boyne Ave.

## CPR CLASS Saturday, Nov. 3

A class for CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) instructors will be held in classroom B at Charlevoix Area Hospital from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. The class is sponsored by Charlevoix Area Hospital, which is an American Heart Association CPR Community Training Center. Cost for the course is \$100 and includes an instructor manual. Registration for the course must be made before Oct. 22. Enrollees must be at least 18 years of age and have completed a current BLS Healthcare Provider Course, and bring a copy of their card to class. To enroll, call Connie Roland, Education Coordinator, at 547-8570.

## EAST JORDAN FOOD PANTRY Every Monday & Thursday

The East Jordan Food Pantry is located at 601 Bridge St., in the basement of the Health Center. Pickup or donation hours are Monday and Thursday from 9 a.m.-12 noon.

## BOYNE FOOD PANTRY First & third Mondays

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

## IN GOOD COMPANY Thursdays

A group for single, divorced, or wid-

owed individuals meets at Ansted's by the Lake in East Jordan every Thursday at 7 p.m. The cost is \$5 for hors d'oeuvres. For more information call 231-544-2014.

## VETERAN ASSISTANCE Thursdays

A Service Officer will be at the American Legion Post every Thursday from 3-6 p.m. Any veteran seeking assistance - financial, medical, disability benefits, etc. - may visit the Post at the corner of Lake and Main streets in Boyne City or call 582-7811 at that time.

## AL-ANON Tuesday nights

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

## AA MEETINGS Weekly

The Boyne Valley Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets in the basement of St. Matthew's Catholic Church, 1303 Boyne Ave., Boyne City. All meetings are closed and non-smoking. Times: Sunday 1 p.m.; Monday 12 noon, 8 p.m.; Tuesday 12 noon; Wednesday 12 noon (Big Book Study); Thursday 12 noon, 6:30 p.m. (Big Book/Step Study), 8 p.m.; Friday 12 noon, 8 p.m. The first Friday of each month, an "Open Speaker" meeting is open to family and friends.

# NEWS FROM CITY HALL

By SUE HOBBS

**DON'T FORGET**, as you are raking leaves for pickup, that leaves must be in biodegradable bags. Those bags are available at Carters, Glens or City Hall. Also, a reminder: leaves and brush only are to be left at the north Boyne site.

**ZONING PERMITS** recently issued were; Richard Szabo, 207 West Cedar Street, garage; Casey Powers, 300 Terrace Street, addition/remodel; Boyne City Public Schools, 859 Deer Run Court, new dwelling/garage; Darrell Heard, 1113 Marshall Road, new dwelling/garage; Harborage Park, 712 Lake Park Drive, new dwelling/garage; Jim Hornbeck, 329 Terrace Street, remodel; Tom Greetis, 220 South East Street, garage; Matt Vroman, 622 Adams Street, garage/porch; Brandon Stadt, 419 East Pine Street, garage; Jerry Riseling, 515 Maple Street, addition/remodel; Elanah Scott and John Palmer, 526 North Lake Street, new mobile home; Laura Kneip, 223 Franklin Street, garage conversion; Arthur Cosier, 451 Lewis Street, garage; Summer LaVanway, 550 Jersey Street, storage shed.

**AT THE PARKS** and Recreation commission meeting, the following rules and regulations for the new playground in Veteran's Park were recommended to the City Commission: Please, no pets, smoking, alcohol, glass containers and please play safe, not rough play. These

recommendations will be reviewed at the Oct. 23 City Commission meeting.

**THE PLANNING** Board recommended approval to the City Commission to abandon the north/south alleys between Court and Silver Streets in Block 9 of Chapman and Addis' addition to Spring Harbor. This will be the subject of a public hearing at the City Commission in November.

**THE MARLAND** muck under Park Street should be dug out by next week. The project will shut down in a couple of weeks and be completed in the spring.

**THE WATER MAIN** job on Court to Park is almost complete; they are doing restoration and paving on Park and Groveland. Sidewalk has been installed on Groveland from Lake to Park.

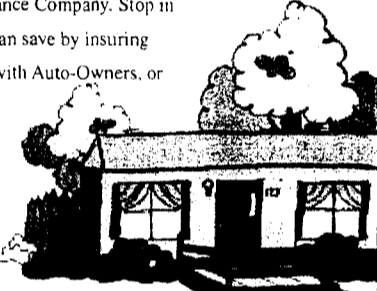
**THE BASE COURSE** of asphalt has been placed on Mattie Lane, the new subdivision off Vogel and Jefferson.

**THE CITY** is installing a water main on M-75 as far as the entrance to the to the expanded Industrial Park in order to create a loop in the system.

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

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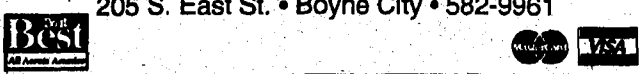
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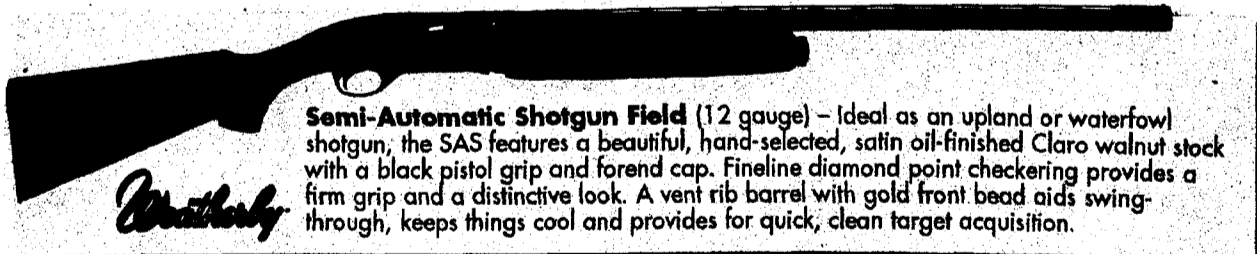
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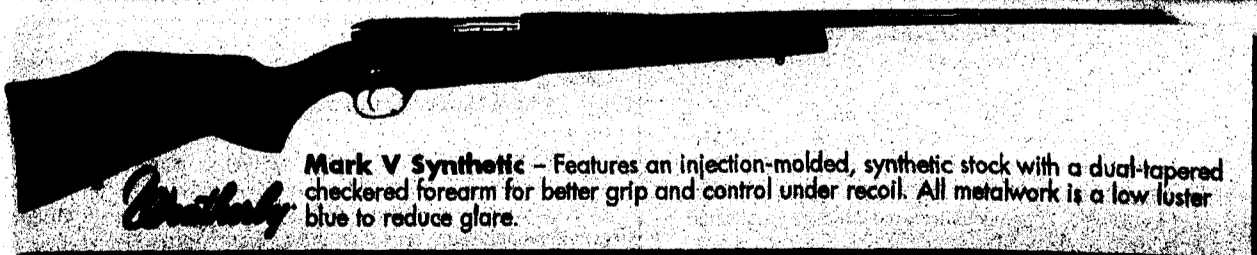
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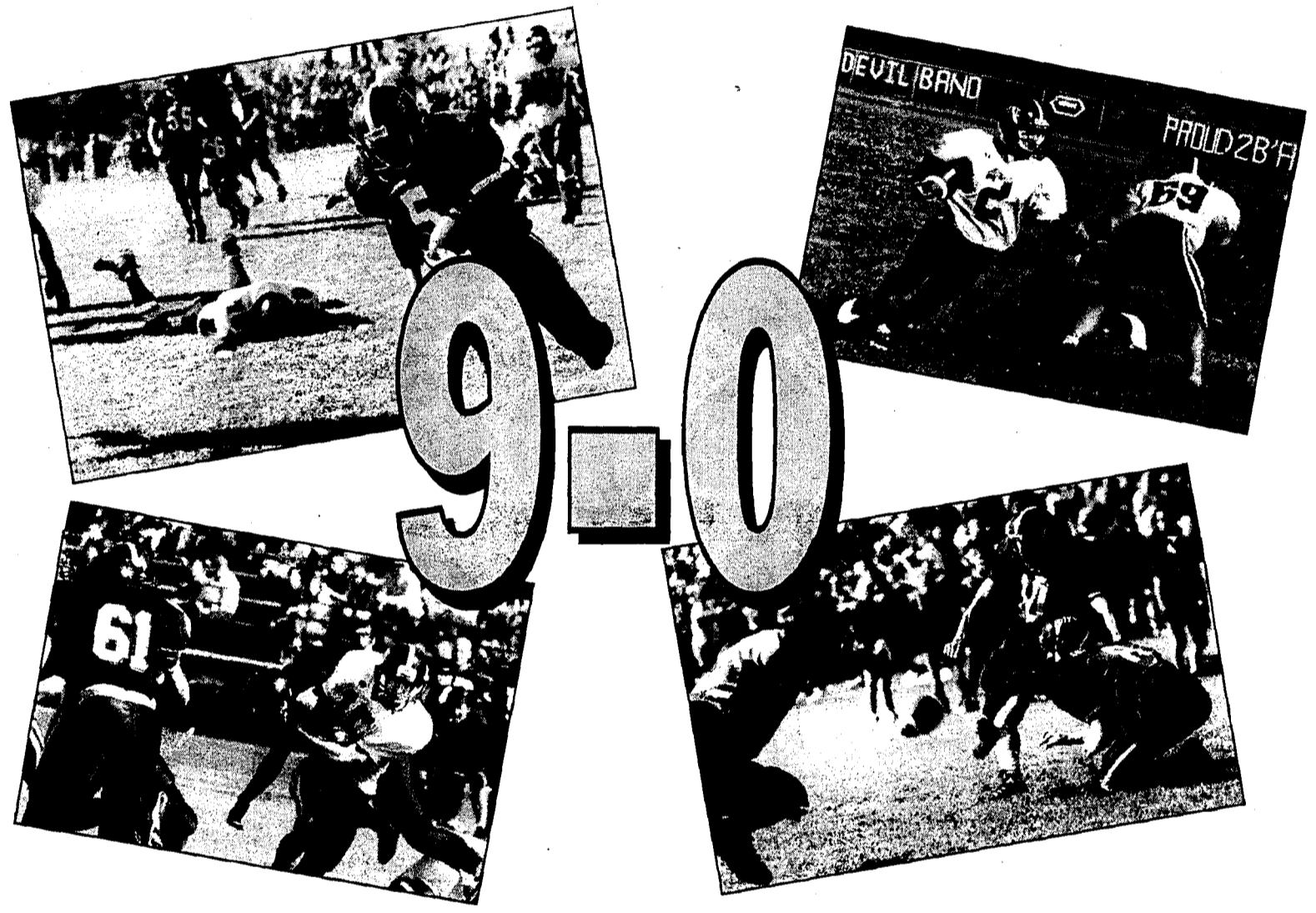
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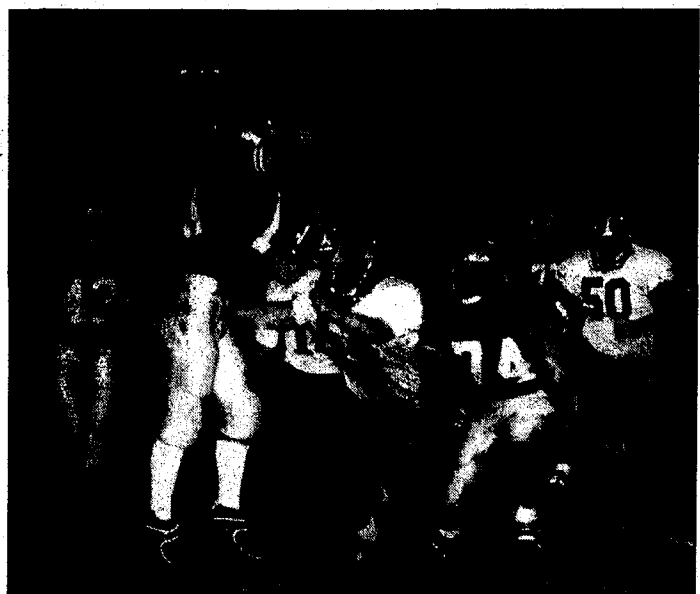
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# SPORTS



Led by Mark Gaudard, 54, the Ramblers' defense puts the pressure on St. Francis quarterback as he releases the ball just in time.



The large contingent of Boyne City fans had plenty to cheer as the final seconds ticked off the clock in the Ramblers' exciting 21-20 victory over St. Francis Saturday night. Many of the fans followed the team back to Boyne late Saturday where the team was escorted into town by the fire department.



Dustin Moore, Zake Slate and Kyle Gibbons sign the huge banner which proclaimed the team's accomplishments so far this season.



A.J. Spaay was all over the field for the Ramblers, leading the defense with 17 tackles.



The St. Francis defense had a hard time keeping up with Boyne City's Cole Andrews who scored two touchdowns and rushed for 133 yards on 16 carries.

## PERFECTION

### RAMBLERS HOLD OFF ST. FRANCIS IN A THRILLER TO WIN CONFERENCE TITLE AND FINISH UNDEFEATED

As family, friends and fans gathered on the field Saturday night after Boyne City's exciting 21-20 victory over Traverse City St. Francis, players were signing their names to a huge banner that was unfurled on the top row of the Ramblers' section at Thirby Field as the final seconds ticked off the clock.

The banner read: "Congratulations Ramblers!! Conference Champs!! 9-0."

Those few words sum up as succinctly as any the success of the 2001 Boyne City Ramblers.

And the players were not just signing their name on a banner, but in a way they were signing their names into the history books.

Few other Rambler teams can boast the success of this year's squad. And the season isn't even over. Who knows what lies ahead.

The second season starts Friday for Boyne City when they host Roscommon in the opening round of the high school playoffs. As long as they win, the Ramblers won't have to travel far. They could host as many as three games.

Roscommon enters the playoffs with a 6-3 record. "They are tough," said Boyne City head coach David Hills. "They run a veer offense. They have a big offensive line and a big defensive line. They are playing some

good football right now."

Roscommon and the Ramblers had one common opponent this season: Kalkaska. The Ramblers defeated the Blazers, Roscommon lost. Hills said that is no indication of what to expect from Roscommon. The loss was early in the season and it played without its top running back.

"We will be tested," Hills said.

Kickoff Friday is 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the game are \$4. Since it is a playoff game, Boyne athletic passes will not be accepted.

WHILE THERE was nothing but a feeling of success and achievement on the field after the final gun had sounded Saturday night, the fans, players and coaches were stretched to their emotional limit.

The Ramblers jumped out to a 14-0 lead in the first quarter, saw St. Francis cut it to 14-7 in the second quarter, then the Ramblers scored with less than a minute left in the half to build a 21-7 lead. Boyne City fans were feeling confident the Ramblers had control of this game.

The second half, though, was St. Francis at its best. The Glads chewed up nearly 10 minutes of the third quarter on a long scoring drive. Then with little more than six minutes to go, St. Francis scored again. Down by only a point, a bad snap on the extra point forced St. Francis to

go for two. It failed.

Boyne clung to a one-point lead.

That was enough. With their backs against the wall and momentum clearly on the side of St. Francis, the Ramblers showed the determination and drive it takes to be champions.

The Rambler defense stiffened and the offense moved the ball when it had to, picking up two key first downs to allow it to run out the clock.

Boyne scored its first touchdown when Cole Andrews broke free and raced 46 yards to the end zone. Tim Wellert's extra point was good and the Ramblers led 7-0

with 4:35 remaining in the first quarter.

On St. Francis' next possession, A.J. Spaay intercepted a Glads' pass near midfield. On the next play Amesbury dropped back to pass and hit Kyle Gibbons with a 48-yard touchdown. Wellert's extra point gave the Ramblers a 14-0 lead.

The Ramblers final touchdown came with 58 seconds remaining in the half when Andrews scored on a five-yard run. Wellert's extra point was good. He's now connected on more than 20 in a row.

See CONFERENCE CHAMPS on page 9

## PACING the sidelines TEACHING

He walks the sidelines quietly. There's a look of intensity, but rarely does he raise his voice.

Watching Boyne City head football coach David Hills, who in his second year at the helm has led the Ramblers to an undefeated 9-0 season and the Lake Michigan Conference title, you see a coach with a steady hand on the rudder of his team. He is calm, yet exudes confidence. Hills calls himself a "fanatic teacher."

"I'm out there teaching kids. I don't think yelling at a kid is necessary to teach. I don't think yelling and screaming is the best way to teach kids to learn skills and lessons.

"I coach the way the coaches I played for who had the biggest impact on me coached. I don't think the coach who yelled and screamed at me taught me much.

"I have a hard time with coaches who berate kids. Kids know first when they make a mistake. You have to let them work it out themselves."

Don't let the calm exterior fool you, however. He is intense. And if there is a lesson to be taught, he will work on the player "until they get it."

Football has been a big part of Hills' life. He was a standout high school linebacker and fullback for Grand Ledge and went to Northern Michigan University on a football scholarship. He also was a standout hurdler in high school.

"Football has afforded me many opportunities," Hills said. Top among them was an education. He earned a degree in business administration, but in his final year of school he started to coach and decided that was the route he wanted to take. So he immediately returned to school and earned a teaching certificate in social studies.

Hills said there are "intrinsic rewards" in coaching - teaching kids, observing them in a setting like football - and he likes being around young people.

He coached two years in Marquette, and five years in Alpena, the last two as high school varsity coach before coming to Boyne City. Alpena was conference co-champs his final year and his team won an honorable mention all-state academic honor.

But even though he was enjoying success, Hills was looking for another opportunity. "I was looking for a better place to raise my kids," he said. Hills and his wife Tricia, a teacher in Gaylord, are the parents of 4-year-old Abigail and 6-month-old Ethan.

"This size school (Boyne City) is the perfect size school for kids."

So when Boyne City's head coaching job opened along with a teaching position, Hills applied and when offered, accepted the job.

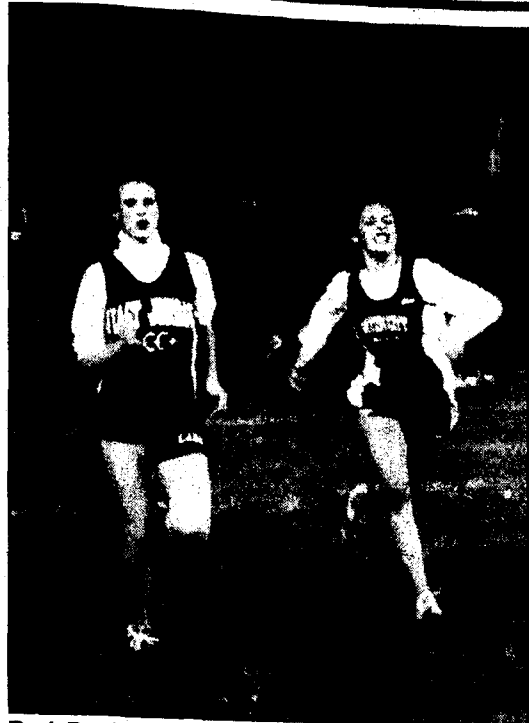
His first year the Ramblers finished the season on a high note with a win over St. Francis, setting the stage for this year's outstanding season.



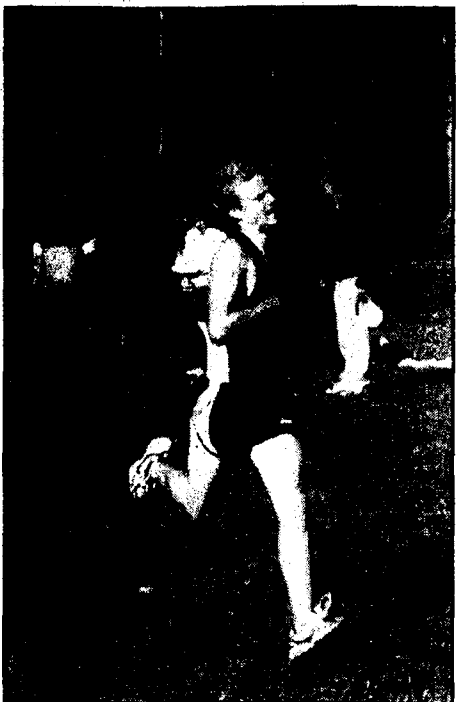
Boyne City head coach David Hills message to his team was short after Saturday's win. He told his players their success this season is something they will remember for the rest of their lives.

"This success we are having," he said, "is the result of many peoples' efforts. We have a tremendous coaching staff that works hours and hours. And the kids have reacted extremely well."





**Red Devil Heather Hammond and Rambler Mindy McCutcheon make the push for the finish line at last week's conference meet.**



**Boyne City's Brad Winkler finished 18th overall at the Harbor Springs-hosted Lake Michigan Conference Meet.**

## BC girls take conference win

The Boyne City Rambler girls' cross country team continues to build on a strong season, taking home a first-place win at the Lake Michigan Conference Meet early last week, their second win at the competition in the three years they've participated.

Hosted by Harbor Springs at East Jordan, the meet found the Lady Ramblers, ranked number three in the state, favored to win, but, said Boyne City head coach Andy Place, "the favorite does not always win this race. It's always tough to run when you are looking over your shoulder."

The team finished with two All-Conference runners, Jane Stieber and Emma Dunne, and one honorable mention, Mindy McCutcheon. "This was Jane's fourth year as All-Conference, and Emma and Mindy were honorable mention last year," said Place. "It was the strength of our four and five runners, Carly Stieber and Brie VanDam, that gave us the 18 point margin over Charlevoix and Elk Rapids. We had gutsy performances by all of our team members."

Dunne finished fifth overall with a time of 21:24, followed by Stieber in seventh with a time of 21:52 and McCutcheon in tenth with a time of 22:02.64. The team had a total of 55 points, ahead of Charlevoix with 73 and Elk Rapids with 74.

The East Jordan girls came in fifth overall, with 119

points. Top finisher for the Red Devils was Heather Hammond in ninth with a time of 22:02.27.

The Rambler boys finished sixth overall, with a score of 142. "We cannot be disappointed in our team finish," said Place, "because each of our runners improved their times from the first time we ran this course this fall." Top finisher for Boyne City was Brad Winkler in 18th with a time of 18:45.

For the Red Devils, the boys finished third overall, with 69 points, behind Charlevoix and Elk Rapids in first and second, respectively. Top boys for EJ were Garrett Romero in seventh with a time of 17:49 and Jeremy Penzien in 10th with a time of 18:00.

Later in the week, Boyne City traveled to the highly competitive Elk Rapids Invitational, where the girls finished third overall. Division I Traverse City West won the race followed by Division IV powerhouse Glen Lake. "This was a low-key event for us," said Place, "even though most of our regional competition was competing." Top girls for Boyne were Jane Stieber in 11th with a time of 20:55.6 and Emma Dunne in 19th place with a time of 21:25.9.

The Rambler boys finished 10th overall.

The East Jordan girls also ran at Elk Rapids, taking 13th overall with 315 points. Haley Shaw was EJ's top runner in 35th, with a time of 21:54.6.

## Boyne City's win gives it season split with East Jordan

It was a sweet victory for the Boyne City Ramblers as they evened their season series with East Jordan with a 49-36 win last Tuesday.

"This was a great victory for us," said Boyne City head coach Michele Deming. "We came in really fired up. We set goals and achieved those goals and in the end had a great victory."

Those goals included controlling the boards, taking good shots, controlling the tempo and keeping East Jordan's Courtney Hammond in check. "We did a good job on all of those," Deming said.

"Once again we had a lapse," said East Jordan head coach Dan Pepin. "The last few games we have been struggling offensively, taking bad shots and not making the easy ones. Boyne did a nice job defensively and went to the boards strong."

The Ramblers out-rebounded East Jordan 37-26.

Kriste Gaither led the Ramblers with 18 points and 12 rebounds. Lyndsay Tomkins had 11 points and Kelsi Brewer had nine.

Hammond, double-teamed by the Ramblers most of the night, led the Red Devils with 21 points and 12 rebounds. Lisa Talboys added seven points, while Amy Schroeder grabbed

seven rebounds.

**THE RAMBLERS** returned to action Saturday afternoon at home when they hosted Escanaba.

"They are a very good team," Deming said. "They are a big team. They moved the ball well and have great shooters."

The Ramblers held tough with the visitors the first two games, trailing only 21-16 at the half. In the third quarter, however, Escanaba scored 26 points to take charge on its way to a 59-35 victory.

Gaither led the Ramblers with 10 points followed by Mallory O'Brien with six.

The Ramblers, 4-9 overall and 2-5 in conference play, played Kalkaska Tuesday and host Benzie Central on Thursday.

**DESPITE A 51-40 loss for East Jordan**, Pepin came away from the team's match-up against Kingsley accentuating the positive.

"I was pleased with the intensity and effort all four quarters," said Pepin.

"Kingsley is a good team, and they got hot [in] the third quarter. I saw some encouraging signs that we may be emerging from our lackluster play of late. The girls played as a team."

Hammond led the Red Devils with 24 points, also adding six rebounds and four steals. Talboys contributed seven points, and Schroeder led in rebounds with seven.

"Claire Niewendorp played her best all-around game," said Pepin. "We're going to need her come tournament time."

**IN JUNIOR VARSITY** action, Boyne City, led by Kim Foster's 21 points, defeated East Jordan 64-29. Karlene Gaither had 10 points for the Ramblers and Susie Wellert had eight points and eight rebounds.

Against Escanaba, the Ramblers lost 62-39. Foster had 12 points, Wellert 10 and Gaither eight. The junior varsity is 4-3 in conference and 8-5 overall.

**BOYNE CITY'S** freshmen lost a double-overtime thriller to the Ellsworth junior varsity Oct. 16, 42-41. Boyne rallied from 11 points down in the fourth quarter to tie the game and send it into overtime. Ten Ramblers contributed offensively for the team.

Later in the week the freshmen defeated Inland Lakes 51-47. Kathleen Adkison had 12 points, Malorie Lehto 11, and Melanie Higgins had nine for the Ramblers.



**The intensity was high at last week's East Jordan-Boyne City matchup. At far left, EJ's Courtney Hammond looks for a shot, while, at near left, Boyne's Kriste Gaither keeps her eye on the hoop.**

## Red Devils end season with loss to Elk Rapids

The odds were stacked against the East Jordan Red Devils Friday night at Elk Rapids.

They were on the road with only 12 players dressed for the game and it was Elk Rapids' homecoming.

Considering the Red Devils lost only 13-6 and had chances at the end of the game to win, you could consider it a moral victory.

East Jordan trailed only 7-0 at the half, but a quick Elk Rapids touchdown in the third quarter put the Red Devils down 13-0.

They cut the lead to 13-6 when Robert Grover scored on a two-yard run, but that was as close as the Red Devils would get.

"We had our chances at the end but just couldn't get anything going," said head coach Alan Peterson.

Matt Huver led the Red Devils with 60 yards on two carries, while Grover had 47 yards on 19 carries. Corey Purvis and Pat Bearden each had 25 yards.

On defense, Kevin Roberts and Bearden each had 17 tackles to lead the team. Bearden also had an interception. Bryan Diller had 12 tackles and Jon Reese and Grover each had eight. Greg Gross had a fumble recovery.

The Red Devils finished the season 1-8.

"You would like to win a lot more, that's for sure," Peterson said. "I'm real proud of the kids. We didn't win but I think we let most teams know we were there."

## Conference champs

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"It's great," Hills said of win. "I said going in 'just win. I was very pleased with how our team played."

Hills said several factors were working against the Ramblers. They were coming off an emotional win

over Charlevoix, they were playing on Saturday night at a strange stadium and their opponent was fighting for a playoff spot and a share of the conference championship.

St. Francis "played well," Hills said.

"They had a real smart game plan

in the second half to just grind out the clock and keep our offense off the field. They found out very early our offense was difficult to stop."

While St. Francis learned about the Ramblers' offense, Hills learned something about his team. With their large margins of victory this season, Hills wondered how his team would react in a tight game.

He was impressed by what he saw. "They were cool headed, didn't panic and didn't over react. I was very pleased with how our team played."

The Ramblers were led on offense by Andrews who scored two touchdowns and rushed for 133 yards on 16 carries. Ben Hausler had 46 yards on nine carries and Amesbury was 3 of 6 for 105 yards and one touchdown.

Defensively, A.J. Spaay had a tremendous game, leading the team with 17 tackles. He also had one interception. Dustin Moore had 10 tackles and snatched his nine interception of the year. Paul Simeri had 10 tackles and Tim Follette had nine tackles, including two huge quarterback sacks.

## Loggers defeat Mackinaw City

Boyne Falls defeated Mackinaw City 54-42 in a Northern Lakes basketball tilt Oct. 18. Both teams play a hard-pressing game, and the result was a foul-filled contest similar in tone to the first match in Boyne Falls earlier this season. The Loggers got the early advantage, 17-13, and held serve for the second period, leading 32-28. In the meantime, the fouls were building up, much to coach Doug Tippet's chagrin.

The Comets got a little closer with a quarter to go, 39-37, but in the fourth, despite losing three players to

the foul flu, Boyne Falls stepped to the line and kept knocking the shots down, pulling away to win with a little breathing room to spare. On the day, 61 fouls were called, resulting in 87 free throws by the two teams combined.

Kim Wagner scored 16 points, Kayla Reynolds and Jenny Kuhn each scored 10 in the Loggers ninth win of the season. The Comets took the JV contest by a 39-20 margin. The Lady Loggers hosted Vanderbilt Tuesday, then visit Northern Lakes leader Harbor Light Thursday.

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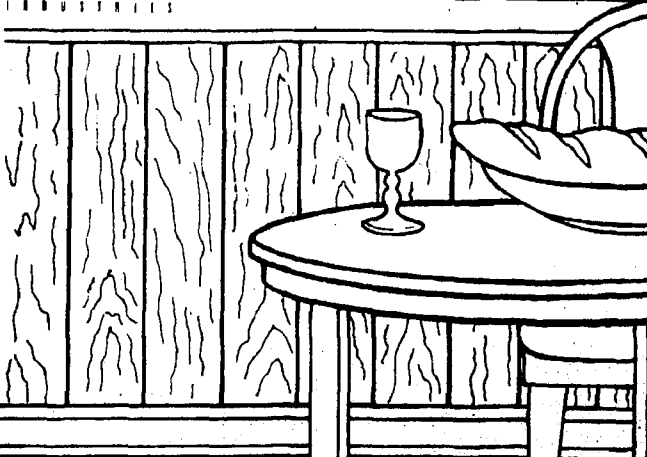
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## Wrapping up the season

Shareholders at the Wagbo Peace Center farm in East Jordan gathered last week for a potluck celebration to cap off the season. As part of the festivities, the group enjoyed a hayride through the hilly property; at right, East Jordan's Shirley Vollbach makes friends with one of the horses on the farm. The center, established in 1994, provides shareholders with fresh, organic produce and other food products throughout the year.



## Red Cross still calling for donations to maintain blood supply

According to the American Red Cross, more than 15,000 Michiganders have expressed their support and sympathy for victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks by donating blood.

Although that generosity ensured blood will be there for any immediate national emergency or military action, maintaining an adequate and safe blood supply is still paramount.

"The need for blood will always be there," said Fred Stems, CEO of the Great Lakes Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross. "Right now, we have nearly tripled our usual goal of a three-day supply. Even though that's good, my concern is the future supply of blood and blood products in the state and nation."

Stems emphasized that blood is made up of living cells, with limited life expectancy. Whole blood has a shelf life of 42 days, while other blood products, like platelets, have a life span of only five days. That means blood must be collected continuously to ensure its availability for sick and

injured people when they need it.

"We're in an unusual situation right now, but we could find ourselves starting down another blood shortage come the winter holidays," Stems said. Stems said that nearly 25 percent of Michigan's donors since Sept. 11 gave blood for the first time. Generally, first-time donors make up about 9 percent of the state's donor base.

Locally, a special Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Monday, Oct. 29, from 8:45 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. at Boyne City High School.

The drive is being sponsored by the National Honor Society. For more information, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

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Starring Kate Beckinsale & John Cusack  
At 7 & 9 Nightly  
Also Sat & Sun at 2 & 4  
**Bandits - PG-13 (120)**  
Starring Bruce Willis  
At 7 & 9:15 Nightly  
Also Sat & Sun at 2 & 4:15  
Thursday Matinee All Shows At 2:00 & 4:00  
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**Bellaire Theater 533-9725**  
**Don't Say A Word - R (110)**  
Starring Michael Douglas  
At 7 Nightly

**Gaylord Cinema West (517) 731-9766**  
**Bandits - PG-13 (123)**  
Starring Bruce Willis & Billybob Thornton  
At 7 & 9:15 Nightly  
Also Sat & Sun at 2 & 4:15

**The Last Castle - R (131)**  
Starring Robert Redford & Delroy Lindo  
At 7 & 9:20 Nightly  
Also Sat & Sun at 2 & 4:20  
**K-Pax - PG-13 (120)**  
Starring Kevin Spacey & Jeff Bridges  
At 7 & 9:15 Nightly  
Also Sat & Sun at 2 & 4:15

**13 Ghosts - R (91)**  
Starring Tony Shalhoub & Shannon Elizabeth  
At 7 & 9 Nightly  
Also Sat & Sun at 2 & 4  
**Riding in Cars With Boys - PG-13 (132)**  
Starring Drew Barrymore & Steve Zahn  
At 7 & 9:20 Nightly  
Also Sat & Sun at 2 & 4:20

**From Hell - R (97)**  
Starring Johnny Depp & Heather Graham  
At 7 & 9:15 Nightly  
Also Sat & Sun at 2 & 4:15  
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## MORE SPORTS

### Red Devils' JV ends season with a win at Elk Rapids

The East Jordan junior varsity football team ended the season with another big win, this time a 40-8 victory over Elk Rapids.

The Red Devils closed their season with a 7-2 record.

Will Skrocki put the first points on the scoreboard with a 28-yard run up the middle. Josh Sheridan added the two-point conversion, and the Red Devils were off and running.

Alan Arnott got into the action on the second series with a 23-yard dash to make the score 14-0. Later in the first quarter AZ Ahmed made the score 20-0 on an eight-yard run.

The Red Devils continued to break the Elk Rapids defense in the second quarter, where a 33-yard pass from Richard Derenzy to Tyler Cutler, as well as a spectacular 14-yard catch by Reece Bartlett, set up a five-yard touchdown run by Skrocki. On the final series of the first half, the Red Devils mounted a 13 play, 70-yard drive that ended in another Skrocki touchdown from six yards out.

The final scoring drive for East Jordan took place on the first play of the second half. Derenzy, who was 5-7 for 118 yards and one touchdown, connected with Arnott for a 58-yard

touchdown pass.

"This was a nice way to end the season for our kids," said East Jordan head coach Todd Derenzy. "Believe it or not, 18 of our 23 kids carried the ball at least once tonight. I'm really proud of how well our kids performed week in and week out this year. Defensively they were the foundation of what we accomplished."

Derenzy praised the kids for overcoming the loss of five starters to the varsity, saying his team "came together and worked together as a team all year long."

Arnott and Skrocki, whom

Derenzy referred to as "standouts again tonight," led the way as they scored five of East Jordan's six touchdowns. Skrocki carried for 114 yards, three touchdowns, and one extra point while leading the team with 21 tackles.

Arnott finished the game with 10 tackles and three receptions for 81 yards and a touchdown, as well as getting one touchdown and 48 yards on the ground.

Ahmed finished with 35 yards and a touchdown while Nick Timmons, whom Derenzy said played the game of his career, had 10 tackles.

### EJ Girls Youth B-ball starts Oct. 27

East Jordan Girls Youth Basketball will begin Saturday, Oct. 27, at the high school gym. Third and fourth graders will go from 9-10:30 a.m. and fifth and sixth graders from 10:30

a.m.-12 noon. For those interested in registering, forms can be picked up at the offices of the elementary, middle, and high schools or by contacting coach Dan Pepin at 547-4963.

### Local residents compete, place at State Mountain Bike Championship

East Jordan resident Duane Miller, along with son Dustin Miller, took home top finishes at the State Mountain Bike Championship, held recently at Boyne Mountain.

In the downhill events, Duane took

second place in the first race of the day, and third in race two. In the cross country runs, Duane took third in the ninemile event, while son Dustin took second in the kid's cup event.

**Boyne City Pop Warner Junior Midgets wrap up season**  
The Boyne City Pop Warner Junior Midget football team lost to the Petoskey Crusaders Saturday in Bellaire. Cody Mittig carried the ball into the end zone for Boyne's only touchdown. Taylor Voice was credited for the extra point. The team finished the season with a record of 4-2-1.  
Team members are: Charlie Courtright, Robby Jenson, Taylor Voice, Cody Mittig, Brad Boyer, Nick Schrader, Tyler Price, John Miller, John Carson, Kelly Austin, Trevor Kruzel, Jacob Peck, Cory Mills, David Klevom, Andrew Sutton, Cory Sisson, Stephanie Fortune, Ryan Musser, Logan McCarty, Adam Karpatian, Travis Smith, Steve Redmer, Shane Grunow, Keegan David, Ryan Spence, Ian Cooper and Dan Remsburg.  
Coaches are head coach Bob Courtright; and assistant coaches Dave Suttle, Ed Boyer, John Miller and Bill Spence.

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**WEEKLY Health Tips**  
By Steve Czerkes Pharmacist  
**HEALTH TIPS FROM MEDICAP PHARMACY**  
**HOW TO TREAT AND PREVENT ATHLETE'S FOOT**  
Athlete's foot is caused by a fungus. It is spread by direct contact with contaminated surfaces. Symptoms include: itching, burning, stinging between the toes and on the soles of the feet. Blistering and cracking of skin and a red scaly rash may also occur. Antifungal cremes, such as Lotrimin AF, Micatin, or Lamisil can be effective at curing athlete's foot. The fungus thrives in warm, moist areas, so keeping feet dry is a key factor in prevention. Wear cotton socks that absorb sweat and well ventilated shoes. Also, wear sandals or thongs when walking in public bathroom or locker rooms.  
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### "Uncommon Valor was a Common Virtue"

In February and March of 1945, my late father was heavily involved in one of the most savage battles in American history. On the island of Iwo Jima, Americans sustained a number of casualties remarkably similar to the number of people killed and wounded on September 11, 2001.

The US Marines and Navy personnel involved in the battle for Iwo Jima never had any doubts as to the final outcome. There was never any wavering from their dedication to the ultimate victory; regardless of their own personal risk. After the battle was over, the 3rd Marine Division went back to Guam to prepare for the final invasion - which never came.

My father C. E. Davis, (past Vice President, Second Chance) was temporarily assigned to a headquarters company. His tent-mate, who was also heavily involved in the battle, was assigned the task of writing a routine speech for Admiral Nimitz, who was coming to Guam briefly to thank the men of the 3rd Division for taking Iwo. The speech he wrote contained the line "Uncommon Valor was a Common Virtue". Nimitz liked it and so did the attending reporters. Now it's in marble on the Iwo Jima Flag Raising statue in Washington, D.C.

The law enforcement officers and firefighters who responded to the World Trade Center attack never faltered or considered their own personal safety. It will never be known for sure how many lives were saved by their unwavering dedication and willingness to accept personal risk.

What is known is that having suffered this hell on earth, they are assured entry into heaven.

God Bless Our Public Safety Officers,

*R. C. Davis*  
U.S.M.C.R. 1962-1968  
Founder of Second Chance Body Armor

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