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At A GLANCE

City of BC has goal-setting session planned for Jan. 29

The public is invited to participate in an evening of brainstorming and goal setting at the City of Boyne City's annual planning session.

This year the event, scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 29, will combine the annual goal-setting session with a forum for the Downtown Development Authority's Market Study, which is currently underway.

The session will allow for an open discussion of the economic/market issues associated with downtown Boyne City.

Howard Kohn, owner of The Chesapeake Group, which is conducting the study, will be on hand to gather data as part of the study's information base.

The session will begin at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at St. Matthew's Fellowship Hall, 1303 Boyne Ave.

Refreshments will be provided.

Family Discovery Time on tap at EJES

A Family Discovery Time will be held at East Jordan Elementary School on Thursday, Jan. 24, from 8:30-11 a.m.

The event, geared towards parents of children ages birth to preschool, will feature activities, snacks, a brain development workshop, and fingerprinting by the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department. Child Care will be available.

Co-hosted by the Charlevoix Emmet Intermediate School District, the event is sponsored by The Stepping Stones to School Network and funded by a grant from the Michigan Department of Education.

For more information or to RSVP, call Billie Jo Williams at the Char-Em ISD Early Education office at 582-8070.

Winter carnival means family fun at Boyne City Elementary

Boyer City Elementary School will hold its annual Winter Carnival from 6-9 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 25, at the school, located on Beardsley Street.

The evening will feature food, games, and fun for the whole family, including a raffle with many great donated prizes.

The event is sponsored by the Boyne City Elementary School PTO.

For more information, call the school at 439-8300.

The end of an era

Boyer USA founder and ski industry pioneer Everett Kircher dies at 85, leaving a huge legacy

Everett Kircher. In northern Michigan, as well as around the country, the name is synonymous with great skiing. On Jan. 16, the ski industry pioneer, who innovated ski instruction, snowmaking, and grooming, and was the founder of the nation's largest privately held collection of ski resorts, died peacefully at the age of 85.

According to Kircher's close friend of more than 50 years, ABC Sports legend Bill Fleming, he is already greatly missed.

"It's a great loss," Fleming said from his home in Florida late last week.

Kircher is best known for his business prowess, having remained the active president of Boyne USA Resorts, which he founded in 1947 with Boyne Mountain in Boyne Falls. But, Fleming said, there was much more to the man. "If someone were to ask me what three people I'd like to have dinner with on this earth before I left it, he would be one of them," he said. "He could talk about anything. He was very well-informed, particularly on things of nature.

"There isn't anything Everett didn't know... He was full of witticisms, but also solid knowledge."

Kircher's dynasty began simply enough, when, in 1947, the Detroit native moved north to build a ski resort. For just \$1, he bought the land necessary to begin development of what is known today as Boyne Mountain. Later, Kircher's holdings grew to include Boyne Highlands in Harbor Springs, The Inn at Bay Harbor, Big Sky Resort in Montana, Brighton Ski Resort in Utah, Crystal Mountain Resort near Seattle, Washington, Cypress Mountain in Vancouver, British Columbia, and several golf courses including Boyne South in Naples, Fla.

His gifts were not limited to building businesses; an innovator in the sport of skiing, Kircher introduced snowmaking with the invention of the Boyne Snowmaker, the first efficient snowmaker widely accepted as the standard for marginal temperature snowmaking.

He also pioneered the design of much of the snow grooming equipment and techniques in use today

worldwide.

His unflagging interest in skiing technique resulted in the inclusion of former Olympians Stein Erickson and Othmar Schneider to Boyne Mountain in the 1950s to head the ski school. "Everett was years ahead of everyone when it came to developing and operating a ski resort and attracting the potential skiing public," said Erickson. A desire to keep his employees on staff between ski seasons led Kircher into golf, which began with a sporty nine-hole, par-three layout at the base of Boyne Mountain Lodge.

In 2000, Kircher was honored as one of the "Top 100 Most Influential Skiers of All Time," by SKI Magazine, placing him beside Olympic athletes, inventors and filmmakers such as Jean-Claude Killy and Warren Miller.

According to Fleming, though, there was much more to the man than the empire he created. The men were first acquainted in the mid-1950s when Fleming, as sports director for Channel 4 in Detroit, was working on ski condition reports. After that initial contact, Kircher invited Fleming to Boyne Mountain to film Erickson, and from there, a lifelong friendship was born.

"We kept coming back to the fact



Everett Kircher at the time of his 80th birthday, in 1996.

that we had so much in common," Fleming said. "We liked to golf together, fish together, just generally talk. My political leanings were very much like his, far to the right, pretty conservative. Our dislikes were equal. It was the natural blending of two personalities. You'll never find anybody who had a greater capacity for living," Fleming concluded.

Fleming's contact with Kircher in recent months revealed a man still very much with his wits about him. "I saw no evidence in his last years

and months of any senility," Fleming said. "He was just as sharp."

"He passed, according to (Kircher's wife, Lois) very, very peacefully," Fleming continued. "His heart just stopped."

His legacy, of course, never will. Besides his wife, Kircher is also survived by four children, John, Amy, Stephen, and Kathryn, all of whom hold positions within Boyne USA, as well as five grandchildren - Tyler, Andrew, Loren, Evelyn and Everett Henry.



The snow returned just in time for local snow artists to get creative for the Sno-Sculpture contest. Pictured here is the winning entry in the business category, created by Mark and Penny Postma of Signs, Letters and Graphics.

What a blast!

At Sno-Blast 2002, held last weekend in East Jordan, everyone was a kid at heart, including Roselyn Cutler, left, who tested her maneuvering skills at the Sno-Box Trot sled race on Saturday. Cutler was one of many who turned out for the good food and fun the weekend had to offer. For more photos, and some contest and game results, see page 4.

City of EJ looking at funding for Bernier property improvements

At last week's regular meeting, the East Jordan City Commission gave city administrator David White the go-ahead to pursue a \$220,000 funding option from the Department of Environmental Quality for the demolition of the old gas station located on the Bernier property on the corner of Main and Mill Streets.

The funding, if obtained, will also be used for public infrastructure improvements on the property, including a planned public parking lot.

White presented the commission with two potential options for the funding, one being a grant which would not require repayment, and the other being a loan which can be forgiven through an \$11,000 credit for each job created by the overall project.

The work on the city-owned Bernier property will happen in conjunction with a larger renovation project currently being planned by developers Floyd and Todd Wright and Charlevoix State Bank, to encompass the adjacent Dahlquist and Main Street Pizza buildings.

The loan option entails a \$220,000 loan to the city, similar to the loan

utilized for the construction of the East Jordan Air Industrial Park, over a 10-year period at zero percent interest.

If in the course of the first three years, 20 jobs are created in the project, at \$11,000 per job, the loan will be entirely forgiven.

The potential for the creation of at least 20 jobs is realistic, said White, who noted that with the current interested tenants, "we could have as low as seven and as high as 12 [new jobs], right out of the gate."

In addition, added White, "the Wrights will be very aggressively seeking new tenants."

The loan option will also allow the portion of the project developed by the Wrights to move forward at the same time as the Bernier property development, while the grant would have put restrictions on that possibility.

The loan option, White said, "gives us more flexibility, and we're still at the stage where we need that flexibility."

Commissioner Mark Postma made

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John McLeod of Great Lakes Motor Works recently presented a donation to the Boyne City Senior Center effort. The project is counting on more community support to make the new center a reality.

Work continues toward building new senior center

The Boyne City Senior Advisory Council continues to work towards realizing the dream of a new senior center for area seniors, and progress has been slow but steady.

In the planning stages for about two years, the project consists of a 5,400-square foot structure, at an estimated cost of about \$430,000 to \$460,000 for building and furnishings. Two and a half acres of land adjacent to Litzenger Place and Deer Meadows senior

apartment complexes have already been donated by the Boyne City Housing Commission for the center's location.

The council is gathering a building fund for the project through donations, grants and fund-raisers, and has thus far collected close to \$200,000 towards the \$400,000 goal. Nearing the halfway point, the council has plans to continue moving forward with the grassroots fundraisers

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OPINION

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MANY THANKS

Donations made Care and Share Christmas baskets a big success

We would like to send a huge thank you to everyone that helped through out the holiday seasons. We would like you each to know, no matter what contribution you made, it was appreciated. If your donation was big or small, food or toys, or a money donation, we couldn't have done it with out each of you. We also would like to thank all of you that volunteered your time to work. It is wonderful that our community pulls together through contributions and volunteers to make sure that all families have a nicer holiday!

East Jordan Care and Share

Boyne Community Christmas benefitted from community support

Another Community Christmas has come and gone. What a great day it was for the less fortunate in our community. A big, big thank you goes out to all of you, from all of us... to all of the churches, schools, local businesses, Toys for Tots, Wal-Mart, service organizations, scouts, clubs, and individuals; for the toys, food, money and the time that you volunteered, THANK YOU!

Over 300 families received large boxes of food, 460 children and teens received gifts of socks, hats, mittens, toys and books. Over 100 shut-ins and those who have lost loved ones this past year, were also remembered with fruit boxes.

A very special thank you to the students from Boyne City and Boyne Falls schools who gave of their time to help us pack and deliver. With so much turmoil and hurt in our world today, it is great to have schools teaching the values of love and sharing. For all the kids who brought food, toys, books and other items for the boxes, a hug from all of us on the committee!

To each of you on the Community Christmas Committee who work and plan all year to make it work, you are very special and greatly appreciated.

Ardith L. Hawley, Secretary
Boyne Area Community Christmas

Donation to county hospice made a difference

The Charlevoix County Hospice, Inc. would like to personally thank H & D, Inc. employees for their extremely generous donation of \$500. It was decided that instead of the money spent on beverages for their end of the year party that the employees would make suggestions for charitable organizations to receive these monies, and a committee would review the suggestions and make final distributions. We are truly impressed with the responsible response of the employees. We are very appreciative to again be one of the organizations they selected this year. THANK YOU!!

Margaret E. Lasater, Executive Director
Charlevoix County Hospice, Inc.

Salvation Army appreciates contributions to holiday efforts

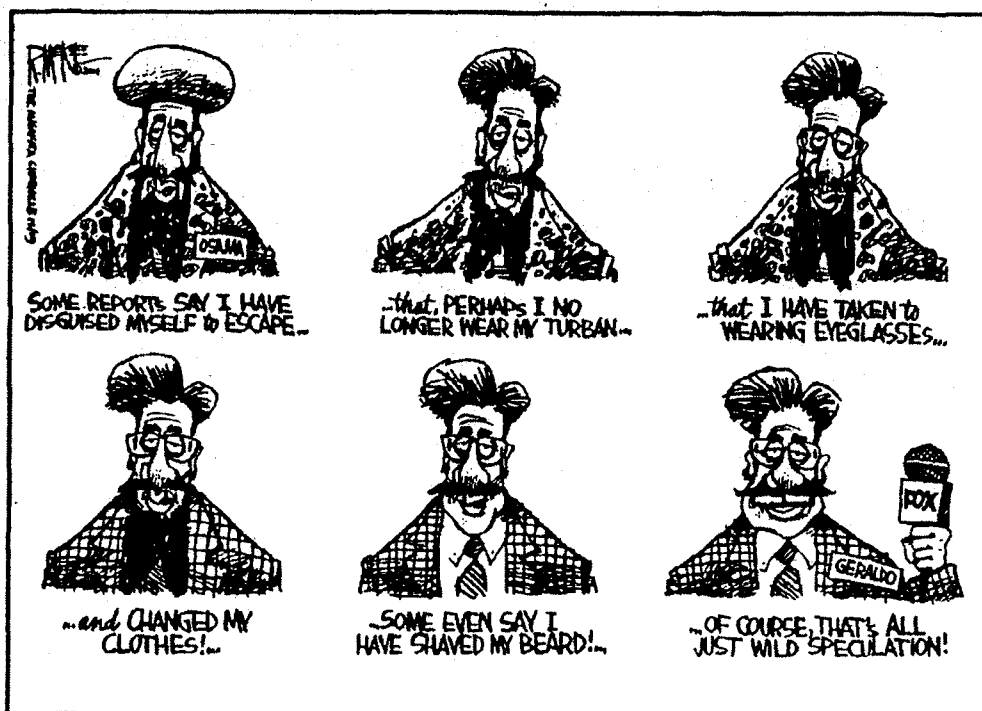
The Salvation Army would like to thank everyone who gave so much to make the holidays a happy occasion for needy families and individuals in our area. Thank you to all the churches, businesses, schools, radio stations, service organizations and individuals for the many toys and food items. Also for the monetary gifts you so graciously donated, which allowed us to reach our goal of \$110,000.

Thank you also to many volunteers who assisted with the gift shop, packing food baskets and organizing the programs to make everything run smoothly. We were truly blessed with many gifts of time, items and contributions. A special thanks to everyone who rang bells, and to the businesses who allowed a kettle stand at their location.

We truly appreciate the generosity of so many which will assist the less fortunate, not only at Christmas but throughout the year.

We wish each and every one a blessed and prosperous New Year.

Captains William, Barb Everling and staff
Petoskey Salvation Army



REMEMBRANCES

Smelting 'pig iron' put the town of Ironton on the map

By CHUCK STUTZMAN

Known for the White Pine, many northern Michigan communities have emerged from the dark pine forest only to survive as long as its timber. Though pine timber was in demand particularly to help rebuild Chicago from the devastating 1879 fire, hardwoods unique to the northwest region brought other opportunities to the area. Enterprising individuals seized the opportunity and built factories producing everything from hardwood handles to wooden dishes. Substantial stands of this timber in the area encouraged another profitable industry, the smelting of "pig iron."

The progress of the Industrial Revolution brought rise to new machinery built with steel from the processed pig iron and demand was on the rise particularly after Bessemer perfected his process in the mid 1800s.

In 1878 R.M. Cherrie and S.R. Adams saw the attributes of a small burg on the shores of Pine Lake (Lake Charlevoix), known today as Ironton. Together they built the Pine Lake Iron Company at the entrance of the South Arm.

The location for the Pine Lake Iron Company was convenient to say the least, with easy access to Lake Michigan, Ironton was an ideal place to intercept iron ore from Escanaba, turn it into pig iron and transport the product to southern locales.

Stands of hardwoods and the availability of lime locally provided the raw materials needed in production. Consequently the smelter, docks and over 20 dome shaped kilns (to produce the charcoal) were built. The entire concern employed several hundred men to work in the smelter, kilns and in the woods. The men were paid in script to be used exclusively at the company store. Company housing was also available along with a school and of course saloons. Unsuspecting today, Ironton became a buzzing industrial settlement with a population that shadowed larger towns in the region.

Travel by road in 1878 was meager at best and left to the mercy of the weather. Pedestrians could cross the narrows at Ironton in a rowboat operated by Robert Bedwin (owner of the village store and post office) for five cents but with the building of the furnace the need was soon found to transport oxen, horses and wagons across as well. Arden Sheldon built an 18-foot by 24-foot scow and connecting the narrows with a one-half inch cable, was able to transport two teams across the divide. The self proclaimed ferryman used a hand powered windlass to ferry his payload across but not alone, as the passengers were expected to help with the windlass crank. The ferry was destined for fame nearly half a century later by Ripley's "Believe It Or Not" when Capt. Sam Alexander was featured by traveling 15,000 miles without leaving sight of home.

What a scene Pine Lake must have been, with the shipping traffic unremitting as it passed through Round Lake for docks at Ironton, East Jordan, Boyne City and back to

the big lake. Schooners were the workhorse of the lakes carrying everything from lumber and pig iron to passengers. Another mode of transportation opened accessibility to the area when in 1872 the Grand Rapids & Indiana Rail Road was making its way through the stump laden fields north from Grand Rapids on its way to Mancelona, Boyne Falls, Clarion and finally to the ultimate goal Mackinaw.

The opportunistic Cherrie began yet another partnership in neighboring Antrim County with John Otis to produce charcoal pig iron in 1883, this time to take advantage of economical shipping cost with the railroad. Otis had been busy plating the town of Furnaceville (now known as Antrim) south of Mancelona and likely with Cherrie's influence was constructing another "company town" paralleling Ironton.

The endeavor did not begin as fruitfully as Ironton however, since not long after the partnership began the furnace and all the main buildings succumbed to fire. Cherrie withdrew but Otis, unrelenting, resumed operations in only a few months. Otis sold the operation in 1886 to one of the largest manufacturing concerns in northern Michigan, the Antrim Iron Company, which persisted until 1943.

As 1883 came to a close, the growing industrialization and close proximity of pig iron brought rise to another enterprise. William E. Malpass, along with his father-in-law opened a foundry in East Jordan and to further help service the area needs, brother and journeyman machinist James instituted a machine shop two years later.

The significant impact that R. M. Cherrie and the Pine Lake Iron Company had from 1878 to 1893 on the surrounding area was obvious... but not enduring. The political scene of the day was filled with distrust and political favoritism. Democrat Grover Cleveland (the only president to be elected for two non-consecutive terms) was first inaugurated in 1885. Cleveland resisted political influences, which left him in an unfavorable light with some of the business establishment, and it seems Cherrie was one such entrepreneur. Devoted Republican Cherrie endured Cleveland's first term and breathed a sigh of relief when Republican Benjamin Harrison won the presidency in 1889, but the change in party did little to change issues of the day; in fact times were becoming even more anxious.

By the end of Harrison's presidency, the economy was headed for a depression. It is said that Cherrie vowed if the democrats won the coming election, he would close the operation in Ironton. Unfortunately for the settlement, Grover Cleveland was yet again elected to the executive office in 1893. Cherrie, likely feeling the impending "hard times," dismantled much of the operation, and literally blew the rest up with dynamite, leaving the Ironton Ferry to remind us that through our communities we take for granted the work, enterprise and enduring persistence that built those places. At times one can see faces in weathered boards, the hopes and desires in century old buildings or sometimes only in a name.

NEWS FROM CITY HALL

Working together helps make programs succeed

By SUE HOBBS

WITH THE help of the recently donated groomer, former city commissioner Vic Ruggles has been volunteering his time to groom cross country ski trails at Rotary Park and Avalanche.

THE CITY Commission recently passed a motion to proceed with establishing a special assessment district to put in the platted, unimproved Newton, Larch and Miller streets and install water and sewer services. Current zoning does not allow construction on a lot which is on an unimproved street. The property owners along these unimproved lots will pay for the cost of the infrastructure over a period of years by means of special assessment. This will allow the owners to use their property. The city does not maintain streets unless they are brought up to city standards. Prior to enactment of the current zoning ordinance, homes have been built, and then sold, on unimproved streets. The new owners, looking at the plat of the area, believe they have bought a home on a street which will be maintained by the city. They are then upset to learn their street will not be plowed until they improve the street. The goal of the city commission is to use the special assessment ordinance to improve the as yet unopened streets to prevent these future misunderstandings.

IN LAST WEEK'S Citizen-Journal, there was a letter to the editor stating that Boyne City is opposed to helping the Boyne Area Hockey Association build an indoor rink. I have since then called the letter's author to discuss this, but felt it would be beneficial to also respond to some of the issues in the paper. City commissioners did not approve the construction of an indoor rink in city parks due to the size of the structure and the potential for the hockey association to eventually disband, leaving city taxpayers having to take over maintenance of a very expensive building. Following that, it was also believed that the association had found another place to locate an indoor rink. It is believed that this is still unresolved. The same decision was made when the gymnastics association requested a place to construct their facility. They then purchased property and have a very nice building on Beardsley Street.

In 1996/97, the city constructed a building at Avalanche to house the Zamboni. The cost of this garage, which is used almost exclusively by the hockey association, was approximately \$23,000. The Zamboni was financed by the city at no interest cost to the hockey association. The city has the right to use this on the public rink during the regular work week and before 11:30 a.m. on Saturday. In the fall of 1999, the city spent roughly \$1,500 to run water lines to the hockey rink for the installation of a refrigeration unit. Each year, over \$1,000 in taxpayers dollars goes to pay for heat and electricity for the Zamboni garage. The refrigerated rink is available for public use for 12 hours a week.

Outside normal working hours for the street department, the on-duty police officer is responsible for calling out the crew to plow and sand. Any citizen believing that conditions are such that public safety is at risk should call the city police at 587-6611 and leave a message. The officer on duty will call back. Upon hearing the complaint, the officer will check it out and then, if necessary, call out the street department crews. In the past, city employees have been criticized for sanding the parking lot because the kids walk in their skates from the parking area onto the rink and carry the sand and salt to the rink. The sand also dulls the skates. Hockey parents have asked that we not sand the parking lot.

City taxpayers have done as much to help the hockey association as they have for Little League, soccer, and the many other hard-working groups in the area. The numerous hours, and money hockey parents spend so their kids can participate in hockey is appreciated. Also much appreciated are the donations from local businesses and the support they give to requests from numerous groups for fundraising, but that's a subject for another column.

The most important step in working together is communication. The more often those involved discuss issues as they arise, the smoother the program operates. City officials do support and encourage the hockey association. It is critical to the success of the program that everyone involved talks to city staff when there is a concern or request.

The Boyne City taxpayers do provide for everyone. The current year's budget for parks and recreation is \$220,095. City parks and facilities are available to be used by those who live within the city limits and those who live in the township.

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

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A Mom's Life

When a computer's sick, less is more

By CINDI PLACE

In dealing with issues involving spending money, I tend to go with the "less is more" attitude. Especially when dealing with technology. Of course, this flies right in the face of our children's way of thinking that whatever it costs, if it's new we've got to have it!

This difference in opinion really came into play last week when we had to send our ailing home computer to the techie hospital. It caught the flu, or a virus or something and just shut down on us.

My husband and I weren't really too upset. We rarely get any time to use the system anyway.

But the kids, on the other hand, were panicked!

Thinking that some really important homework or research paper was being held captive in the little white box, I reassured our son that we'd get it to the repair shop right away.

Of course, at the time I didn't realize that the "panic" was because he was in the middle of a game and had almost "broken the code." But, off the computer went to be cured of its ills.

Of course, our dad is a great one for "since it's already being looked

at, why don't we a) add more memory, b) give it more power or c) add that awesome graphics card that we really "need."

I could see the rather modest repair bill just shooting right up there into the stratosphere. Before they were done, we'd be able to launch a space

rocket from our very own home.

Fortunately, the dad is away for a few days and the computer doctor had to call me to get final approval for our system's upgrades.

Needless to say, we'll not be running any small town utility companies from our den for a while longer.

BC Chamber to host Valentine's dinner event

The Boyne City Chamber of Commerce will host a formal evening on Feb. 14 for couples who wish to celebrate Valentine's Day in style.

The evening will begin at 7 p.m. at The Dilworth Hotel, and will feature a formal dinner and dancing to the romantic sounds of Ellington, Basie, and more.

The cost is \$100 per couple, which includes one bottle of wine. Formal dress is required. Only 100 tickets will be sold. For more information, or to purchase a ticket, call the chamber at 582-6222.

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Up, up, and away

Students at East Jordan Elementary had a little outdoors fun while learning about science last week. Gary Peters' class braved the cold and snow to launch homemade hot air balloons into the wild blue yonder.

BC Senior Center

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like those it has organized over the past year, including dinners, bake sales, and 50/50 raffles. A quilt raffle has contributed to the cause, and a percentage from the summer's popular

Farmer's Market sales benefit the senior center.

The effort has received support from individuals, businesses, and organizations in the area, like the Boyne City Labor Day Car Show, which donated a portion of the proceeds from this

year's event. The council is also moving forward with grant applications and a primary goal, said council member Ron Grunch, is "to find a major benefactor" to support the project. The key to the success of the venture, Grunch added, is "public awareness."

In the last year, the council received their 501(c)3 designation, making them a tax exempt foundation, and thus making donations to the effort tax-deductible. To make a donation, or for more information on the project, call Grunch at 582-6974.

EJ property

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the motion to instruct White to proceed with the application for the funding; the motion passed 7-0.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, the commission discussed the first draft of an amendment to the Code for Water Liability. The code draft comes in response to the current lack of a standard by which relief may be given to water customers who have been faced with an exorbitant bill due to an undetected water leak.

Commissioners came to the consensus that relief would only be available to those who have suffered an underground water leak between the meter and the structure, which may well be undetectable to those occupying the building. Other discussion focused on the measure of relief to be given, with commissioner Lee Symonds suggesting an average of the last three bills on a property with a water history, and city attorney Scott Beatty suggested that for those with no water history, a

50 percent reduction in the bill may be reasonable.

City commissioner Jerry Cihak voiced concerns that with that type of arrangement, the "burden falls onto the rest of the taxpayers."

Issues of standard of proof and as-

suming an appeals process were also discussed, but no decisions were finalized. The commission referred the amendment draft back to staff to be re-drafted based on the discussion, to be presented to commissioners at a future date.

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Sno Blast 2002



Sno-Blast royalty was crowned after Saturday morning's parade. Pictured above with Old Man Winter are this year's Belle of the Blizzard, Shannon Fender, and Winter Knight, Marty Ernst. At left, parade grand marshal Jack Vincent receives a plaque from emcee Tom Clemens to commemorate the honor.



The Sno-Blast parade featured a total of 16 very patriotic entries, including this strolling snowman, above, and at left, a flake-themed float from Galmore's Inc.



The day was perfect for sledding, with area folks bringing out their homemade sledding creations for the Sno-Box Trot competition. At left, Winter Knight Marty Ernst took a royal ride down the hill in a super-charged model sponsored by The Round Table Restaurant.

photos by Angela Shultis

Winners of the EJS third grade Sno-Blast poster contest are: front row, from left, Derek Malpass, Andrew Ehnis, Michael Leposky. Back row: Katie Carter, Brady Brennan, Brandie Bartlett, Stephen Wells. Not pictured is Jordan McKaig.



It was a great weekend for a Sno-Blast, indeed, as Mother Nature had the sun shining and the snow glistening for the day's events. Hardy souls braved the morning's cold to attend the Sno-Blast parade on Main Street, followed by the crowning of the Winter Knight and the Belle of the Blizzard in Memorial Park atop a snow stage, created courtesy of Butch Breakey and the East Jordan Department of Public Works. This year's Winter Knight was Marty Ernst, and the Belle of the Blizzard was Shannon Fender.

Other winners for the day were:

In the Sno-sculpture contest, organization division - 1st East Jordan Baptist Church, 2nd Evangelical Lutheran Church, 3rd Girl Scout Troop #370. Family division - 1st the Gerry Argentsinger family, 2nd the Jack Brown family. Business division - 1st Signs, Letters and Graphics.

Parade winners were: civic division - The Jordan Valley Freedom Festival; commercial division - Galmore's Inc.; 8 and over division - Courtney Fender; 7 and under - Jari Brooks and Nicole Gilkerson.

Box Trot winners: 7 and under - 1st Courtney Gibbard, 2nd Kara LaVanway; 8 and older - 1st Nicole Gilkerson; adult division - Roselyn Cutler of the Round Table Restaurant.

Broomball: Ted Sherman's Team
Softball in the Snow: McDonald's Team
Antique Snowmobile winners: Captain Sno-Blast Choice - 1969 Polaris TX Factory Racer, owner Mark Williams of Gulliver, Mich.; Mayor's Choice - 1973 Moto-Ski S400, owner Tom Kuchnicki of Alanson, Mich.; Participant's Choice - 1966 AMC Car 140D, owner Rod Marshall of Bellaire, Mich.

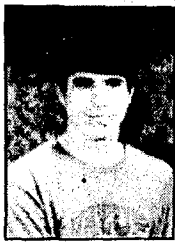


And what would Sno-Blast be without snowmobiles? Plenty turned out in the perfect conditions to compete in the Snowmobile Drag Races at the Sno-mobiler Club grounds on Mount Bliss Road on Saturday.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Boyne City

NAME: Justin Houck
PARENTS: Max and Janice Houck
GRADE: Sophomore
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball and baseball
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Golf, soccer, playstation 2, badminton, basketball, baseball, and football
FUTURE PLANS/GOALS: "I plan on going to college and playing for their baseball team, then hopefully professionally."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Justin is doing a great job in World Geography," said Michele Deming. "I am impressed with his ability to balance academics and athletics. He is conscientious of his work, consistently meets deadlines and always puts forth 100 percent effort. Keep up the great work, Justin!"



Justin Houck

Boyne Falls

NAME: Charlene Bears
PARENTS: Roger and Heather Bears
GRADE: Kindergarten
FAVORITE CLASS: Computers
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Watch movies
FAVORITE SPORT: Monopoly
FAVORITE COLOR: Purple
FAVORITE CARTOON: Cartoons
FAVORITE MOVIE: Pooh
FAVORITE FOOD: Chicken tenders
CLASSMATES' NOMINATING COMMENTS: "She is a nice door holder," said Andy. "She picks up the room even if she didn't play with something," said Austin. "She is good at sliding on the playground," said Brendon. "She doesn't lie," said Calsey. "She plays with all the kids," said Clay. "She is a good swinger," said Clifford. "She likes to play with me," said Cody. "She really likes me and is nice," said Constance. "She plays with me," said Greg. "I like playing puzzles with her," said Haley. "She stays on green all the time," said Jake. "She is a good door holder," said Jay. "She plays with me," said Kathryn. "I like to play with her at recess," said Mallory. "She cleans up good," said Travis. "I like when she plays with me," said Tyler. "Charlene is always willing to lend a hand when it is needed," said Mrs. Collins. "She is a great student with a very kind heart. We are so happy to have her in our class."



Charlene Bears

East Jordan

NAME: Kim Beauvais
PARENTS: Anne and Mike Beauvais
GRADE: Sophomore
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Play percussion in band, and MST
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Listen to music, read, camp, sleeping, and in the Jordan Valley Community Band.
FUTURE PLANS/GOALS: "Go to college, maybe study archaeology or history, or something with math and science."
FAVORITE CLASSES: US History
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Kim is an excellent student," said Sharon Moeke. "She is a great writer. It's always a pleasure to read her work." "Kim is hard working and self-motivated," said Roxanne Zell. "She is a joy to have in class." "Kim is really an intelligent young woman," said Jennifer Richardson. "She is very mature and responsible." "Kim is an extremely talented young lady," said Alice McPherson. "She is insightful and can make connections from the classroom to the outside world. She has a wonderful future ahead of her."



Kim Beauvais

NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

ELAINE AND DICK MARGOTT of the Detroit area spent several days in Boyne City, visiting her sister, Donna Moll. They also were among the many here to attend the Tuesday funeral service of Everett Kircher.

A **WARM**, "Welcome Neighbor" goes out to Tina Carter, who moved into Lizenburger Place the end of last week.

DORIS LODING of Boyne City is now settled in at her new apartment at Deer Meadow on 315 E Division. Her neighbor, Eleanor

Detcher, has now returned from about a week's stay in Northern Michigan Hospital.

THE BOYNE CITY Free Methodists S.C.A.M.P.S. (Senior Christians Are Marvelous People) spent their monthly outing this past Sunday with lunch at B.C. Pizza.

REHEL SIVAN of Lizenburger Place was admitted to the Charlevoix Area Hospital this past week with pneumonia.

NANCY AND DON RENNICK of Big Rapids spent a long weekend in Boyne with her mother, Adell Hibbard.

GEORGE HUTZLER, formerly of Boyne City, has returned to Grandvue after having been in the Charlevoix Area Hospital with pneumonia.

VERNICE NELSON returned to her home in Boyne City on Thursday, after having spent before Christmas at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Robin and Dick Wright and family in Ontarioville, Ill. Her son, Kenneth Nelson of Hudsonville and his son Justin, a student in Nashville, Tenn., were here for a visit and snowmobiling over the weekend.

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



Boyne City resident Chris Fall Knight continues to receive a little national recognition, in the form of a photo contest in *Birds and Blooms* magazine. Knight's moment in the spotlight began last summer, when her photo of a hens and chicks plant was chosen as a finalist in the publication's blooms division. Later, the photo was chosen as the winner of that category, and has now moved on to the final round against the winners of three other categories. To vote for Knight's photo, log on to www.birdsandblooms.com. If she wins, Knight will enjoy a domestic vacation package, courtesy of the magazine.

DEATH NOTICE

Willie Jane Bowen

Willie Jane Bowen, 94, of Atwood, formerly of East Jordan, died Saturday, Dec. 22, 2001, at Charlevoix Area Hospital. A full obituary will appear at that time. Arrangements were made by Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth. Services will be held in the spring of 2002.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Boyne City Friendship Club

The Boyne City Friendship Club will meet at 12 noon on Monday, Jan. 28, at the Boyne City Auditorium at City Hall. Anyone over 50 years of age is welcome to come and bring a dish to pass.

Smelt City Auxiliary 3675

Smelt City Auxiliary 3675 Boyne City will hold a Swiss Steak dinner on Saturday, Jan. 26, from 5-7 p.m. Tickets for adults are \$7; children \$4; and children under five eat free. The salad bar is \$5.

To have news of your club or organization listed, please submit items to P.O. Box A, Boyne City, MI 49712 or e-mail to citizen@voyager.net

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them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Mich. at 11 a.m., on March 1, 2002.

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

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NORTHERN MICHIGAN SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Pursuant with action taken at the Jan. 7, Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services Board of Directors meeting, there will be a special meeting of the board on Monday, Feb. 4 at 10 a.m. in the lower level meeting room of Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, located at 1165 Elkview, Gaylord, Mich. The purpose of the meeting will be for the Board of Directors to identify a plan of action that will meet the needs identified by all CMH affiliations within the region, the Department of Community Health and Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services pursuant to the merger between Northern Michigan Community Mental Health and NMSAS. If you are planning to attend this meeting please RSVP to Heidi Serven by fax 989-732-7052 or by e-mail to heidi@nmsas.net. Federal and State funding has been provided to support in the project costs.

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF BOYNE CITY

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, Feb. 12, 2002, 7 p.m., in Commission Chambers, 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI to review and consider the following:

A request to vacate an alley in Chapman and Addis Addition, Plat of Spring Harbor, bordering lots 17, 18, 19, and 20, said alley measuring 16' x 241'; also an alley, in the same Plat, bordering lots 15 and 16 and 1 through 14, said alley measuring 16' by 180.5'. Both alleys running north and south between Silver and Court Streets.

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 5 p.m. on the day of the public hearing or at the public hearing. For further information, contact the City Planner's office at 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712 or call (231) 582-0337. Sue Hobbs City Clerk

COLLEGE NEWS

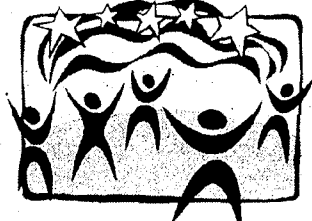
BRIAN MCNEIL of East Jordan was named to the Dean's Honor List for the Winter 2001 term at the University of Michigan. McNeil is a graduate of East Jordan High School.

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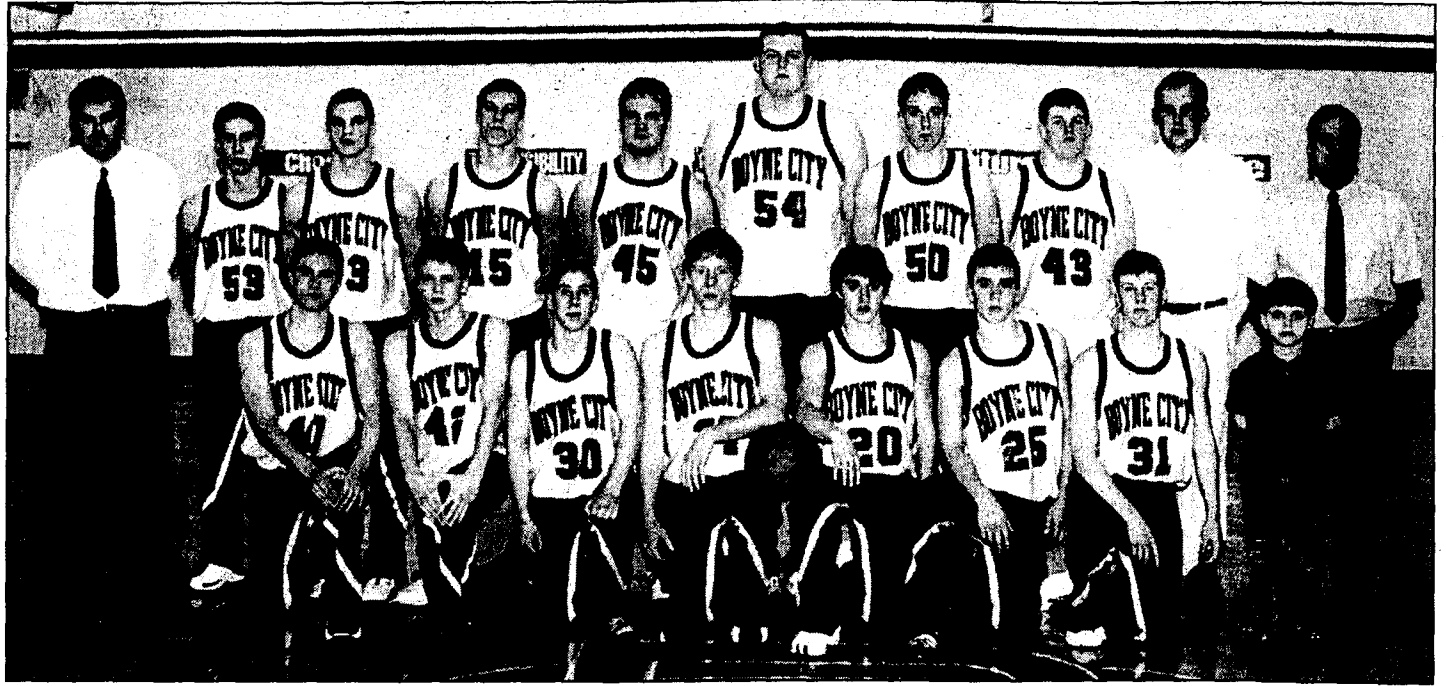
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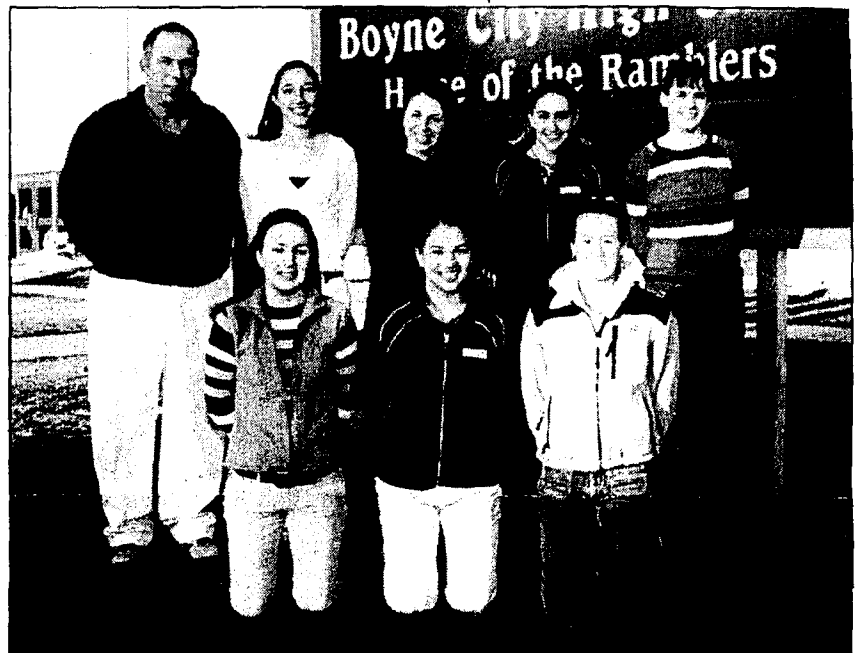
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Varsity Basketball
 Front row from left: Ben Hausler, Corey Dixon, Jeff Prested, Ryan Amesbury, Dustin Moore, Cole Andrews and Brent Moore. Back row: Assistant coach Jim Brown, Matt Streeleman, Brian Metzger, Kyle Gibbons, A.J. Spaay, Cass Dolbow, Beau Detcher, Mark Gaudard, coach Bill Brown and assistant coach Scott Hausler.



Boys Ski Team
 Front row from left: Bryce Endline, Collin Babb and Austin Boese. Back row: coach Bob Simpson, Jesse Grove, Matt Mercier, Kevin Coon, Adam McBee, Nick Sulak, and Brandon McNamara.



Girls Ski Team
 Front row from left: Heather Looze, Kyle Barden and Lea Howie. Back row: coach Bob Simpson, Mindy McCutcheon, Robyn McCarry, Riley O'Brien, and Savannah Hartwick. Not pictured are Aimee Hewitt and Jenna Roland.



Varsity Cheer Team
 Front row from left: Wendy Ostby, Keisha Kruzel, Katie Dole, Kelsi Brewer, Andrea Cooper, and Maddy Fineout. Middle row: Lindsay Helsley. Back row: Sophie Hartwick, Crystal Legg, Alex Crum, and Kristen Zettel. Coach Cindi Place, and assistant coach Andy Place.



Varsity Volleyball
 Front row from left: Meredith Clemens, Ashley Hadix, and Sarah Hall. Middle row: Christina Rau, Sam Bricker, coach Dorine Britton, Cadie Britton, and Nikki Erickson. Back row: Kayla Wittjer, Wendy Chrysler, Kristen Galther, Alison Warstler, and Kelly Spaniak. Not pictured is Lindsie Brewer.

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AT HOME ON THE COURT

By ANGELA SHULTIS

The first word that comes to East Jordan Red Devil basketball coach Lance Bailey's mind when you mention point guard Takoyuki Kida is tough. And with good reason — it's a reputation he earned early on. Witness the fact that he played the first three games of the season with essentially one lung, later discovering that the lung had collapsed and requiring emergency medical intervention to reinflate it. Even under those remarkable circumstances, Bailey said, after one of the games Kida came to him and apologized. "He said 'I'm sorry coach for the way I played,'" Bailey recalled. "And he was a leading scorer [for the game]."

"I am still totally amazed by that."
It's no coincidence that the East Jordan High School foreign exchange student ended up shooting hoops for the Red Devils basketball team. Indeed, it was one of the main reasons Kida wanted to come to America — to have the opportunity to indulge his love for the sport.

A native of Tokyo, Japan, Kida has loved the game since he first started playing in sixth grade. Now a senior, Kida has advanced to being the captain of his school team back home, averaging an enviable 30 points a game, and boasting a game high of 52 points. Even with that success, he longed for a chance to test out his talents in another setting.

America, for a number of reasons, seemed the perfect opportunity. Besides nurturing a passion for basketball, Kida had also been looking for a chance to branch out from the intense academic environment he was used to. From seventh grade to graduation, Kida said, any students in Japan who wish to attend college spend all of their free time studying, a worthy pursuit, but one that left little time for fun. "We didn't do any fun stuff," Kida said. Beginning to look to the future, he realized that he knew nothing of other things and places, so therefore was ill-equipped to decide what he wanted to do in the future. "I needed to get more good experiences to decide my future," Kida said.

Searching for a way to get those "good experiences," Kida mentioned his problem to a teacher, who suggested the possibility of becoming a foreign exchange student. Kida did a little research, and settled on the Youth For Understanding organization, one of the most reputable in his native Japan. As for where to go, the destination was a no-brainer. American basketball beckoned, and with it, American culture. "I think it's good to experience and to know another culture, to know American culture," he explained.

Arriving from Tokyo, a city of skyscrapers and millions of residents, Kida found East Jordan a drastic change from that to which he was accustomed. "It's quite a big difference," he laughed. "But I've found I really like it here. It's an easygoing city. In Tokyo, there's too many people, too much air pollution."

The basketball, too, is a bit different than he'd imagined. As for the game itself, "American basketball is more physically tough," he said, "but it's basically the same." The difference is in the attitude, the way the game is regarded by players and fans alike. "In Japan, basketball is just getting popular, it's not quite popular yet," Kida said. "Here, everyone takes it seriously."

In Japan, Kida noted, one might see maybe 10 supporters from each team at any given game, while in East Jordan, the bleachers are packed with supportive family, friends, and community members, from both sides. Before the game, the teams warm up to some high-energy music, and announcers are on hand, neither of which Kida would see at home. "I really enjoy playing here," he said.

Things are slightly different on the court, too, in terms of stature. "There are not so many taller people in Japan," said the 5'11" Kida. "I'm one of the taller players." The difference has forced Kida to work a little harder to compensate, and he's found it challenging. "When I was in Japan, I averaged 30 points a game," he said. "Here, it's lower."

As for his starting status, it's not something he takes a lot of credit for. "I'm honored to be starting, but I don't care if I start or not."

That modest attitude is one thing his American coach admires, among other things. "The neat thing is, he's very talented musically, artistically, intellectually," Bailey said. "He brings a real sense of humor and fun to the team. He has us cracking up all the time."

While language issues can create some communication problems for the athlete, it's just one

of the many things that he simply handles, and has a sense of humor about. Difficulty comes especially in the case of technical terms containing the letter "r" (a sound not found in Japanese), making it a challenge for him to call certain plays in practice; at such moments, though, Kida is likely to take things far less than seriously, making his difficulty a source of humor rather than frustration. In fact, in relating the story, he laughs good-naturedly at his inability to say the word "curl." Said Bailey, "Sometimes we call plays purposely with the letter 'r'."

Language nuances notwithstanding, "I have no problem making friends and doing my studying," he said. His English is much better in written form, he admits, and he's an accomplished reader of the language as well, having studied it in Japan since the seventh grade. "Most Japanese study English," he said. Speaking it, however, has been an adventure; "We study writing and reading [English in Japan]. We hardly ever do speaking practice."

If things go as he envisions, Kida may have plenty of opportunities to continue using the language. His dream, he said, is to "do basketball for my whole life, do it professionally." Though he's still very much in the planning stages, he's considering returning to the United States to attend college here, hopefully to continue pursuing his basketball goals while studying "something that has to do with writing."

For now, though, Kida is looking forward to finishing out the basketball season, as well as the school year, with his host parents Terri and Ron Warnos, and returning to Japan in June. "I miss my friends," Kida said, noting that in Japan, he lives in a dormitory at school, so he's more used to being away from his family than his schoolmates. "Of course I miss [my family], but I'm more used to that," he said.

"I also miss my Japanese foods. It's much more healthy. I really like American food, but I can't believe Americans eat donuts for breakfast," he laughed. "That's only [for] snacks."

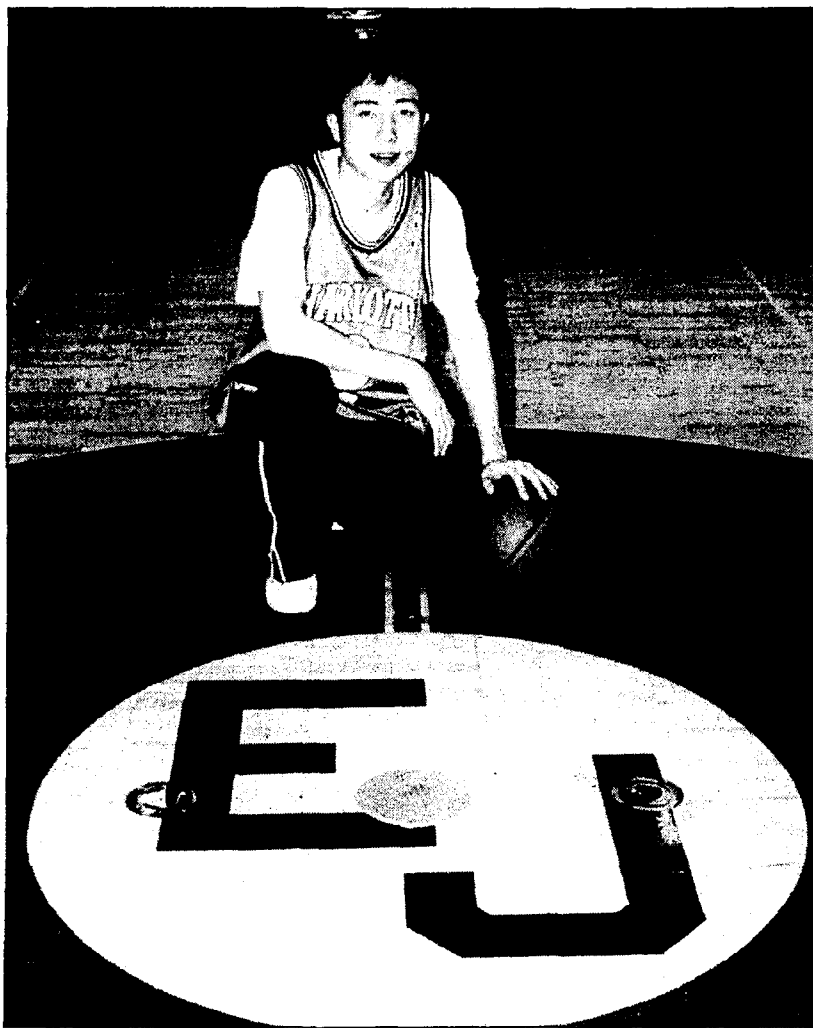
When he does leave, he'll miss a few things about his adopted home, as well, including his new acquaintance with something as simple as the natural world most of us take for granted here in northern Michigan. "I'm really impressed to see the night sky," Kida said. "I saw the Northern Lights. I was so moved by that."

He will also take with him the memory of his first NBA basketball game, to which he was taken by teammates and Coach Bailey. Not only did Kida get to take in the game, he was chosen to go out on the court between the first and second quarter to take a few shots in front of the crowd. "The crowd loved him," Bailey said, noting that Kida made the first two shots and nearly made the third.

The biggest thing he'll miss, though, is "my family and friends. I can play basketball forever if I want, but I will miss my crowd [at] the game. It's so nice." Indeed, he's made no secret of the enjoyment he derives from the novel experience of having "fans." At a recent basketball banquet, the team saved Kida to be announced last, and when his name was called, "the crowd just cheered." Afterwards, Bailey said, Kida commented a little incredulously, "The crowd cheered loud for me. That's nice."

Bailey, aware of Kida's basketball dreams, is helping his player look at his options. "With his ability... I think there's a future there for him," Bailey said. But, he added, basketball isn't the sum of who Kida is.

"He's one of those neat kids," he concluded. "There's more to him than basketball."



East Jordan High School exchange student Takoyuki Kida is making himself at home on the court as a starting member of the Red Devils basketball squad. Tako, as his friends call him, is the captain of his basketball team back home in Tokyo, where he averages somewhere in the neighborhood of 30 points per game.

Rayders leave no doubt in win over Ramblers

There was a hardly a seat to be found in the Charlevoix High School gymnasium when two fierce county rivals — the Boyne City Ramblers and the Charlevoix Rayders — met for the first time this season last Friday night.

For the Ramblers, the game was a chance to kick-start their season which so far has been disappointing. With a 1-8 record coming into the contest, a win would have been a huge boost. Charlevoix, on the other hand, came into the contest on a roll. The Rayders are ranked third in Class C and have dominated their opponents this season in every aspect of the game.

Friday night it was no different as the Rayders rolled to an 81-47 victory.

Charlevoix jumped out to an early five point lead by hitting a three-pointer and then stealing the inbound pass for an easy basket and that was as close as the Ramblers would come the rest of the evening.

Charlevoix's full-court pressure, its dominating offense and deep bench was too much for the Ramblers.

"You have to give credit to Charlevoix," said Boyne City head coach Bill Brown. "Everyone who steps on the floor is capable of scoring." Despite the score, Brown was pleased with the effort of his team. "Our guys really played well," he said. "We played strong and hard against a real tough team."

"I was real impressed at how hard our kids played."

The Ramblers were led by A.J. Spaay and Brian Metzger, who each had 11 points. Ryan Amesbury had nine rebounds and six assists. "Ryan played a strong game," Brown said. "He had a full-out effort on the floor."

As you would expect when two rivals get together, the intensity level is high on the court and in the stands. One casualty of the intensity was the Ramblers' Kyle Gibbons who was injured late in the third quarter and had to be taken off the floor on a stretcher. He was taken to the hospital where he was evaluated for a pinched nerve and pain in his neck. He was released that evening and, according to Brown, "is okay. He's just real sore."

The Ramblers were back on the court Tuesday evening against East Jordan, then have a one week break before they travel to Lake City on Jan. 29. They return to conference play Feb. 1 when they travel to Elk Rapids.

Red Devils fall to Elk Rapids

After outscoring Elk Rapids 14-11 in the first quarter, the East Jordan offense was held to just 24 points for the rest of the game as the Red Devils dropped a 53-38 decision to the visiting Elks Friday night.

Elk Rapids took control of the game in the second quarter, outscoring East Jordan 22-9.

The Red Devils were led by Takayuki Kida, who scored 13 points. Corbin Shaw had nine, while Kevin Roberts scored six. The Red Devils played at Boyne Tuesday night and play Harbor Springs on the road on Friday.

Boyne Falls defense shines in win over Harbor Light

Boyne Falls defeated conference foe Harbor Light last Friday 58-42 on the Loggers' home court.

Boyne Falls (6-3, 3-1) jumped out to a 12-point lead in the first quarter, 20-8.

In an attempt to regain the lead, the Swordsmen (4-7, 3-2) outscored the Loggers 15-13 in the second quarter to end the half at 33-23 with the Loggers still in command. The Swordsmen cut the deficit to eight twice in the third quarter before it ended with the Loggers holding on to a 10-point lead, 43-33.

With 5:47 left in the fourth, the Swordsmen were within six points of the Loggers, but the home team held them off and extended the lead to 16 before the final buzzer.

Boyne Falls was 10 of 14 from the line. "We're on the right track," said Boyne Falls coach Frank Hamilla. "We're showing signs of improvement and I'm happy with that."

Mike Dunlop led the team in scoring with 20 points, followed by Archie Griffen with 17. Matt Skop is expected to return Friday from a wrist injury.

"I was very happy with our defensive effort," Hamilla said. "We did a good job with their people down low."

As a team, the Loggers limited Harbor Light's leading scorers — Ben McCray and Zach Gray — to 12 each.

Boyne Falls also won the junior varsity contest, 62-53. The Loggers were led by Josh Jarema with 17 points and Josh Blackwell with 15.

The Loggers are on the road this week with a conference game against Wolverine on Tuesday, followed by another league game in Ellsworth on Friday and a non-conference contest in Brimley on Saturday.

BOYNE AREA HOCKEY RESULTS

BANTAMS

The Boyne Area Bantams lost to Mackinaw City 4-2 at home on Jan. 12. Boyne opened the scoring with a goal from Josh Grove. Mackinaw tied it five minutes later, but Russell Williams laid one in from just inside the blue line to pull Boyne back ahead. Assists were credited to Grove and Ryan Hennessy. Dogged defense on both sides ruled the scoreless second period. Mackinaw scored three quick goals early in the third and Boyne was unable to answer, resulting in a 4-2 loss. Nate Herrera was in goal for Boyne. This was a good, clean, fast game.

On Jan. 13, the team was at the Howe Arena to challenge TC 3. Boyne's Eli Barys scored the first goal of the game unassisted. TC stayed relentless, though, and outscored Boyne 8-3. Russell Williams and Barys scored the other Boyne goals. After a short rest, Boyne took on a fresh TC 4 team. TC took this game 9-2. Eli Barys and Josh Aown scored with Gabe Korthase, JP Fiedorek, and Barys credited with assists. Nate

Herrera was the goalie.

The Bantams are sponsored by Boyne City Ace Hardware.

SQUIRTS

On Jan. 19, the Boyne Area Squirts played two games against Cheboygan FOP. Boyne won the first game 5-1. Goals were scored by Trevor Price, Travis Reinhardt and Blake Kroondyk. Assists were made by Jack Carlson, Travis Reinhardt, Trevor Price and Levi Messina. The second game was a 5-5 tie. Boyne's goals were scored by Reinhardt and Price. Assists were made by Cal Hoppe, Levi Messina and Trevor Price.

On Jan. 20, the Squirts played two games against Mackinaw. The first game was a shut out. Boyne scored 11 goals. Spencer Korthase was the winning goalie. Price scored six goals and scoring one each were: Levi Messina, Cal Hoppe, Reinhardt, Blake Kroondyk, and Jack Carlson. Hoppe had two assists and Messina, Taylor Korthase, Andrew Clarke and Reinhardt had one each. Boyne won the second game 9-3 with Blake

Kroondyk in goal. Goals were scored by Carlson, Messina, Reinhardt, Hoppe and Price. Assists were made by Taylor Korthase, Price, Tanner Kragenbrink, Carlson and Hoppe.

MIDGETS

The Boyne City Midgets took on the Alpena Firehawks in Alpena Saturday night. The game ended in a 9-3 loss for Boyne City. A.J. Krey scored a goal in the first period with assist from Aaron Westrick. A second period goal was scored by Garrett Bergman with an assist from Tyler Barys, and an unassisted third period goal was scored by Westrick. Bob Courtright was in goal.

Game two on Sunday ended in a loss against the Mackinaw City Midgets. The fast-paced game ended in a 5-3 loss for Boyne. Chris Grice scored with an assist from Barys in the first period. Westrick scored the second goal assisted by Barys and Grice and a third period goal scored by Grice was assisted by Darren Looze and Scott McDowell. A.J. Krey was in goal.

EJ YOUTH B-BALL

On Jan. 19, the Teals defeated the Blacks, 32-28. Jared Danbert led the way with 14 points. Also scoring were Nathan Peterson with eight, Matter Werner and Dillon Hughes with four each, and Derek Malpass with two. For the Blacks, Josh Williams had 14 points, Andrew Nemecek and Wesley Petrie had six apiece, and Anthony Bocook had two. Malcolm Wilson was the top defender.

The Greys stopped the Reds, 16-10. For Greys, Travis Braman had 12 points, with Jacob Baier adding four. Mike Manville and Tony Pentecost were the top defenders and Jason Sonnett was the top playmaker. For the Reds, Tyler Harpough and Derek Boyer scored four points each. Eric DeHaan was the top playmaker and defender.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING - Dec. 13, 2001

Acceptance of Treasurer's report. Approval to pay Township obligations totaling \$23,600. Approval of form of contract with W. Randolph Frykberg, Zoning Administrator. Amended General Fund Budget for year ending March 31, 2002. Received report on Zoning Permits issued. Reappointment of William F. Newman and Irvin N. Sturm to Planning Commission for three year terms. Appointment of John R. Turner to Zoning Board of Appeals for three year term. Next regular Planning Commission meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2002 at 7 p.m. Next Board of Trustees regular meeting to be held on Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002 at 7 p.m.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in regular session, Dec. 18, 2001 at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Klooster presiding with all members of the City Commission present. Minutes were approved and acknowledgment was given to paid bills in the amount of \$308,989.40.

Further Commission Action: National Sheriff's Association awards; annual Service awards; acknowledged receipt of Funds on hand report November 2001; cancelled regular meeting of Jan. 1, 2002; approved rental request from East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce for use of Civic Center and waiver of fee; adopted Resolution #125/2001; adopted Resolution #126/2001; adopted Resolution #127/2001; approved Change Order #4 on Community Park; audit presentation and approved City Administrator vacation request.

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

CITY OF BOYNE CITY BIDS WANTED - GAS FURNACE

Sealed bids are now being accepted at Boyne City Hall, 319 North Lake Street, for installation of a gas furnace at Rotary Park. All work to be completed by April 15, 2002.

Specifications for this furnace unit may be picked up at City Hall, 319 North Lake Street or requested by calling (231) 582-6597 during regular business hours. Bidders must participate in a walk through of the project with Maintenance Director, Butch Erber. This can be done at the time specifications are picked up or by calling (231) 582-0375 to schedule an appointment. All bids must be received no later than 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002, at which time said bids shall be publicly opened and read. Bids shall be contained in a sealed envelope identified as "Furnace, Rotary Park."

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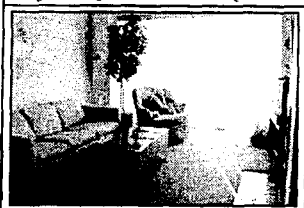
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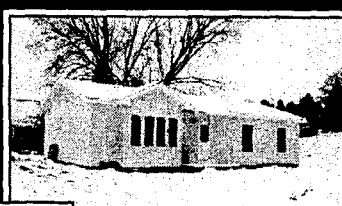
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MORTGAGE SALE- Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Gerald Matejski and Brenda J. McClellan, of 630 Maple Lane South, Boyne Falls, MI 49713, MI, Mortgageors, to AFS Financial, INC, Mortgagee, dated the 10th of April, 2001, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Charlevoix and State of Mich., on the 18th day of April, 2001 in Liber 415 of Charlevoix County Records, page 255, said mortgage having been assigned to Olympus Servicing, L.P. on behalf of DL1 mortgage Capital, Inc., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Seventy Eight Thousand Fifty Five & 93/100 (\$178,055.93), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of February, 2002 at 11 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the main lobby Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Charlevoix is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 10.250% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece of parcel of land situated in the Township of Chandler, County of Charlevoix, and State of Michigan, and describes as follows, to wit:

Situated in the State of Michigan, County of Charlevoix and in the Township of Chandler. Commencing at the East 1/4 post, Section 35, Township 33 North, Range 4 West; thence North 0 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East on Section line 1324.6 feet; thence North 88 degrees 58 minutes

West 1321.00 feet for point of beginning; thence North 88 degrees 58 minutes West 205.0 feet; thence South 40 degrees 51 minutes 20 seconds West 650.35 feet to the centerline of Easement No. 2; thence South 49 degrees 45 minutes 40 seconds East on centerline 492.7 feet; thence North 69 degrees 55 minutes East 37.11 feet to the Northerly line of Easement No. 2; thence South 47 degrees 18 minutes 20 seconds East 160.0 feet; thence North 40 degrees 43 minutes 12 seconds East 745.86 feet; thence North 88 degrees 58 minutes West 385.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East 330.00 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of the South 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 35, Town 33 North, Range 4 West.

Parcel No: 003-035-003-20

During the twelve (12) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during the 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: Jan. 16, 2002

Olympus Servicing L.P. Mortgagee
FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
JONATHAN E. ENGMAN (P56364)
Attorney for Olympus Servicing LP
888 W. Big Beaver, Ste. 1470
Troy, MI 48064
(248) 296-8684

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MORTGAGE SALE- Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rodney P. Des Rochers and Deborah Marie Des Rochers, his wife (original mortgageors) to AmeriFirst Financial Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 15, 1990, and recorded on June 19, 1990 in Liber 217, on Page 978, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. f/k/a Countrywide Funding Corporation, a single man and Florida McKenney, a single woman (original mortgageors) to Homestead USA, INC, Mortgagee,

which was recorded on July 22, 1991, in Liber 227, on Page 695, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHT AND 38/100 dollars (\$33,698.38), including interest at 10.000% 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 Feb. 15, 2002.

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

Commencing at a Point 476 2/3 feet North of the Southeast corner of Section 14, Town 32 North, Range 7 West; thence West 297 feet; thence North 110 feet; thence East 297 feet; thence South 110 feet to the Point of Beginning; being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 32 North, Range 7, West, 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.

Date: Jan. 2, 2002
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
Mustangs-A 248-593-1306
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200118781
Mustangs-A

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MORTGAGE SALE- Default has been made in the conditions of mortgage made by Tracey A. Segraves, a single man and Florida McKenney, a single woman (original mortgageors) to Homestead USA, INC, Mortgagee,

dated Oct. 1, 1999, and recorded on Oct. 6, 1999 in Liber 373, on Page 660, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the First Nationwide Mortgage Corporations, a Delaware Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated March 2, 2000, which was recorded on April 24, 2000 in Liber 386, on Page 728, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED SEVEN THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED NINE AND 59/100 dollars (\$107,509.59), including interest at 8.500% 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, Mich. at 11 a.m., on Feb. 8, 2002.

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

Land situated in the Township of Wilson, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, described as:

The North 330 Feet of the South 990 Feet of all that part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4, Section 15, Town 32 North, Range 6 West, Lying South and East of Jaquay Road.

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

Date: Dec. 26, 2001

For information, please call:
Hawks
248-593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200119576
Hawks

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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 mortgageors) to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for lender Old Kent Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 23, 1999, and recorded March 26, 1999 in Liber 360, Page 329, Charlevoix County Records, Mich., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR AND 43/100 Dollars (\$71,624.43) 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, Mich. at 11 a.m., on Feb. 15, 2002.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF MELROSE, Charlevoix County, Mich., 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 the sale.

Dated: Jan. 2, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
Wolves 248-593-1312
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in regular session, Dec. 4, 2001 at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Klooster presiding with all members of the City Commission present. Minutes were approved and acknowledgment was given to paid bills in the amount of \$162,032.42.

Further Commission Action: acknowledged receipt of monthly Fire Department report, October 2001; acknowledged receipt of zoning activity reports, September 2001, October 2001 and November 2001; approved Concord Academy Boyne's request for use of the Civic Center; appointed Amy Sherman to Zoning Board of Appeals; appointed Christian Tong to Jordan Valley District Library and asked for staff recommendation for amendment to water ordinance.

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

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in regular session, Jan. 15, 2002 at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Klooster presiding with all members of the City Commission present. Minutes were approved and acknowledgment was given to paid bills in the amount of \$539,021.29.

Further Commission Action: acknowledged receipt of zoning activity report December 2001; acknowledged receipt of annual zoning activity report 2001; acknowledged receipt of funds on had report December 2001; approved Elm Pointe rental applications; approved Civic Center rental applications; acknowledged receipt of monthly EMS report November 2001; approved Sno-Blast Committee requests with changes; adopted Resolution #101/2002 and authorized City Administrator to proceed with MEDC loan and to pledge revenue sharing for such.

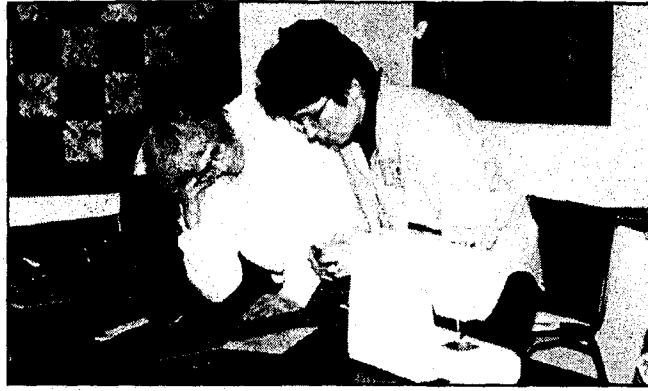
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BUSINESS BRIEF

The Quilt Cottage offers classes and advice in East Jordan

Open since August, the Quilt Cottage has become a comfortable setting for quilters, both new and experienced, to find everything they need for their craft. According to co-owner Barb Malpass, the business started in a simple way, growing out of the common interest of four friends who quilted together in an informal weekly club. Last summer, Malpass, along with co-owners Shelly Stallard, Helen Cook, and Laura Mason, "decided that there was a need," and so the business was born. Offering classes, patterns, notions, and gifts, the Quilt Cottage tries to accommodate all of a quilter's needs, combining their offerings with, Malpass said, "the personal attention we like to give. We try to be a full service, all-around quilt and fabric store." Questions and queries for advice are welcome, and, Malpass said, "if we don't know [the answer], we'll search it out until we get it."

The business is also offering classes from beginner to advanced, in which even someone who doesn't know anything about quilting can "come in and start fresh, and leave with a finished project," she said. Classes can be taken at every level of skill and expe-



Co-owner Shelly Stallard helps a student work out a quilting problem at one of the shops many class sessions.

rience, and some feature specific techniques or are project-oriented. Upcoming classes include an Origami Box Class on Jan. 29 and Feb. 4, and a Stack and Whack class on Jan. 26. On Feb. 13, a Pine Needles block of the month club will begin. Pre-registration and payment are required.

A Quilt and Coffee Club is also held every Tuesday morning from 8-10 a.m., and a Brown Bag Quilting Club runs every Monday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Interested quilters are also in-

ited to participate in the effort to make at least one quilt to be given to a family in New York who lost a loved one in the World Trade Center attack. Anyone interested in making one of the necessary 12-inch Heart blocks can stop at the shop for instructions.

The Quilt Cottage is open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., with some evening classes available. The business is located at 301 Water St., East Jordan. For more information, or a full schedule of classes, call 536-3363.



Special visit

Students at Boyne City Elementary School learned all about what it takes to become a successful author during last week's visit from Tim Smith, author of the best-selling Buck Wilder adventure book series. Smith, a Traverse City resident, is pictured here giving kindergarten and first grade students a closer look at his "Small Fry Fishing Guide."

NEWS BRIEFS

Many attended 'Ready to Learn' program at library

Last week, the Boyne City Elementary PTO and Boyne District Library co-sponsored a presentation by WCMU Public Television's Linda Deilman. Deilman's program entitled "Ready to Learn" discussed the issue of family literacy, and provided information on how to use public television shows as tools for education in the home and classroom.

More than 50 people attended the program, which also featured door prizes. Winner of the 13-inch color TV was Colleen Calo. Other winners were: Laura Stutzman, who won a Clifford the Big Red Dog backpack; Mike Shell, who won a Calliou ceramic bank; Wendy Bruneel, who won Barney computer software; and Kelly Henning, who won a Zobomafu stationary set.

The evening also included free handouts and ideas about planning activities in conjunction with future PBS programs, and all children received a free book.

Upcoming events at the Boyne District Library include more Wednesday Workshops, including Introduction to Yoga on Jan. 30, with instructor Debbie Edwards, and an

Aromatherapy program on Feb. 6, where participants will learn about the properties of scent, and will make their own bath salts. The cost for the programs is \$2 and \$3, respectively, and must be paid at time of pre-registration. Also coming up is a class called "Surfing the Net" with Yvonne Looze on Feb. 20.

Preschool storytimes are also on tap beginning Feb. 5 and running through March 12. Storytime sessions will be held from 10-10:45 a.m. Children must be pre-registered to attend.

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

County jail starts new computer training for inmates

Sheriff George T. Lasater, Under-sheriff Don Schneider and Jail Administrator Babs Meggison have embarked upon a new effort to reduce the recidivism rate for the Charlevoix County jail. In addition to providing substance abuse training, mental health counseling, GED testing and church services, Sheriff Lasater has introduced computer training for the inmates.

The training comes at no cost to taxpayers of Charlevoix County. The funds that pay for this program come from the inmate trust fund, generated from a portion of the costs inmates pay for their commissary. Four complete work stations were recently purchased and participating inmates were selected on the recommendations of the corrections staff.

"This program not only teaches inmates the basic skills of computer operation but provides them with additional self esteem preparing them to re-enter the work force when they return to society," said Lasater. "The better we prepare someone to return to a normal environment will lessen the chance they will return to jail in the future."

Upper Room Coffee House open on Jan. 26

The Upper Room Coffee House in Boyne City will be open Saturday, Jan. 26, with live music and an open mike event.

Doors will open at 8 p.m. with an open mike period, with two live bands featured for the evening.

There is no cover charge to attend; however, donations are accepted at the door.

The Upper Room is located above Ray's Guitar on Water Street. For more information, call Karen Robert at 582-1519 or Juli Fry at 347-6179.

Harvest Barn Church to host national radio broadcast

Live satellite is beaming a New York Times best-selling author to northern Michigan. Area residents may participate with Dave Ramsey during his Nashville, Tenn. Financial Peace Live broadcast from 1-6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, at Harvest Barn Word of Life Church in East Jordan.

They will be part of an expected 40,000 people from around the nation who participate by satellite.

Host of the nationally syndicated Dave Ramsey Show and financial counselor, Dave Ramsey has been teaching that Financial Peace can be achieved by anyone for more than 10 years. Through personal experience, a no-nonsense style and a common sense approach, Ramsey aims to capture and motivate the audience toward financial peace.

During the simulcast, guests learn how to make a budget that works, how to become debt free and stay debt free, how to invest with confidence no matter what the market looks like and much more.

When leaving, they will carry with

them a workbook full of instructions on how to implement the teaching into their everyday lives. Financial Peace Live is based on Ramsey's best-selling book "Financial Peace."

Tickets for the five-hour event are \$20. For more information, or to obtain tickets, call Janenne Irene Harrington at 536-2845.

To receive a free workbook, tickets must be purchased or reserved by Sunday, Jan. 27.

Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis to 100 people.

To hear the Dave Ramsey Show, tune into WKMT in Petoskey at 1270 AM from noon-3 p.m.

For more information on Dave Ramsey and his teachings, visit www.daveramsey.com.

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A 29 year Swedish study showed that routine mammograms reduce breast cancer mortality by 63%. "Women should be told that if they get regular screening, they will reduce their risk of dying from breast cancer by about two-thirds," said epidemiologist Dr. Robert A. Smith, American Cancer Society. Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women and the second leading cause of their cancer deaths. About 69% of women survive if diagnosed early, before cancer has spread to regional lymph nodes.

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