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AT A GLANCE

Holiday Art Fair to be held at EJHS Nov. 9

If you're looking to get a jump on holiday shopping, or are merely a lover of art, the Jordan River Arts Council's Holiday Fair is sure to have what you're looking for.

On Saturday, Nov. 9, the council will sponsor its 12th annual Holiday Fair, featuring fine arts and crafts from more than 50 artists of all media. To be held from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the East Jordan High School, the event will feature gift items, home decorations, and more.

In addition to being a sale to the public, the fair is also a juried show, accompanied by a gourmet luncheon with several selections to choose from. A children's booth is also featured, where children can make crafts of their own while parents shop, for a small fee.

Always held the second Saturday in November, the Holiday Fair is the major fundraiser for the arts council, with proceeds from booth fees, donations at the door, and the luncheon benefitting both the council's programs as well as helping to fund scholarships for art students.

BC Elementary to host Family Discovery Time

Boyer City Elementary School invites area families to share in the fun at Family Discovery Time. Science Exploration, to be held Wednesday, Nov. 6, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Boyer City Elementary School.

The event is geared towards families with children ages birth to five, and will feature fun family activities with goop, bubbles, magnets and more, as well as vision and hearing screenings and an infant and toddler sensory path.

The elementary school will also be holding a RIF book fair from 6:30-8 p.m. that evening.

Family Discovery Time will be hosted by the Boyer City Elementary School and Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District, and is sponsored by the Stepping Stones to School Network.

For more information, call Boyer City Elementary Family School Liaison Cindy Kujawski at 547-9812, ext. 351.

Nov. 8 magic show will benefit Humane Society

The Charlevoix County Humane Society is sponsoring a magic show at Boyer City Elementary School on Friday, Nov. 8, from 7-8:30 p.m.

Admission is \$5, and all proceeds will be used to benefit the animals at the humane society.

For more information, call the shelter at 582-6774.

City manager opening attracts a crowd

The Boyer City City Commission will take a significant step in the process of hiring a new city administrator when it meets Wednesday, Nov. 6.

The commission, with the assistance of Bill Baldrige from Executive Search Services, who has been guiding the search for the city, will review applicants who have applied for the position and narrow the list of the candidates they will interview. As

of Tuesday morning, 46 applications had been received by the City, with the final deadline for applications falling on Wednesday, Nov. 6.

The meeting begins at 5 p.m. at City Hall, 319 N. Lake St., and the public is encouraged to attend.

Interviews of the top candidates will be held Wednesday, Nov. 13. The commission hopes to complete all the interviews in one day.

Before advertising the opening, the

city commission developed a profile of the skills it is looking for in a new city administrator. Required skills include effective communication skills, effective employee-relations skills, effective budget experience, and effective department relations.

The ideal candidate will also have extensive financial experience, good listening skills, good public relations skills, previous city government experience - preferably as a city admin-

istrator or assistant city administrator, and possess at least a bachelor's degree.

The entire interview process will be open to the public.

The search for a new city administrator began shortly after the city commission in early September terminated without cause the contract of Eric Strahl who had served the city as city administrator since 1997.

Since Oct. 16, Richard Huebler has

served as interim city administrator. Huebler spent 20 years as city administrator of Allen Park and most recently served as interim manager director of the Monroe County Commission. He is being paid \$50 per hour by the city.

Although no date has been set, depending on how the interview process proceeds, it is possible a new city administrator could be hired by the end of the month.



Opening night

The Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra made the first event in the Boyer City High School Performing Arts Center a grand one, opening their season on the new stage on Nov. 2. Conducted by Matthew Hazelwood, the program featured the music of Haydn, Mozart, and Grieg, performed by northern Michigan musicians.

'Choice' means challenges for area schools

By JANENNE IRENE
HARRINGTON
Contributing writer

Kayla, Evan and Logan Orban have spent their every school day with teachers and classmates in Boyer City Public Schools. When their family moved seven miles, traditional school district lines determined they should attend East Jordan Public Schools.

Rather than consent to additional change, Barbara and Jason Orban took advantage of Schools of Choice, an educational reform that allows parents to choose which school their children will attend. Schools of choice is

best known for ushering in the area's Charter Schools, such as Concord Academy in Boyer City, Alba and Petoskey, and Northwest Academy in Charlevoix. It also allows students to transfer at will to other schools. When this happens, the state funding goes with the student.

"We've always been happy with the district here," Barbara Orban said, noting that the decision to keep her children in Boyer City didn't involve whether East Jordan schools offers a quality education. "They've always done well in Boyer City, and we didn't see a reason to change."

The Orban story isn't uncommon,

and there are many more reasons why students either stay in a district they know or try a new school. Some parents seek a district that offers programs designed for their child's talents or interests. Other parents look for an atmosphere where their child can be socially successful. And still others consider changing schools because they're unhappy with the current system.

Most of the area superintendents, though, find that convenience is the predominant reason why parents choose a district.

"If you look at the reasons people choose to go to schools other than

their resident school, in most cases, the reasons usually involve work or day care," said Chip Hansen, East Jordan Public Schools superintendent. "There are a lot of good schools in our immediate area, and we're proud to be one of them."

"For the most part, students tend to go to school in whatever location is most convenient to their families," said Bellaire superintendent Jack Wallington. "If convenience is not the issue, then families pick schools with the best programs."

"All the schools in our area are fine schools," said Boyer City Public Schools Superintendent Jim Cooper.

"Parents need to see what fits their child's needs."

AN EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION AGE

Regardless of why, parents wield power over where their children attend school. And the Michigan Department of Education (MDE), community promotional groups such as chambers of commerce, and individual school districts are providing information to help them make their choice.

On the MDE website, please see CHOICE on page 2

Making patients the priority

■ The first in the county to achieve ALS designation, East Jordan EMS continues to look to the future

If you ask East Jordan Ambulance Service director Jay Peck if achieving Advanced Life Support status has helped save lives, you may get a different answer than you'd expect.

"Can I go back and say, 'Have we saved a life because of ALS?'" asks Peck. The answer he said, is not necessarily. "But on a large scale, we have provided higher patient care."

For example, Peck relates the story of a recent day on-call. Early in the day East Jordan Ambulance Service members responded to a call of a patient with extreme back pain. Directed by the patient's physician to transport the patient to Northern Michigan Hospital, those on the call were, in the meantime, able to help get the pain under control and get to the hospital in a reasonable amount of time.

Later in the day, the service responded to a call of an elderly gentleman in cardiac arrest. "We weren't able to get there and save his life," Peck said, but they were able to confirm the death, call the physician and the funeral home, and assist the family in those difficult periods after such an event.

"We didn't save his life, but we still did everything we

could for him," Peck said. "Going ALS is not all about saving lives, that's not the [only] reason for being Advanced Life Support," Peck said. "But there are other things we can do [to] provide better care."

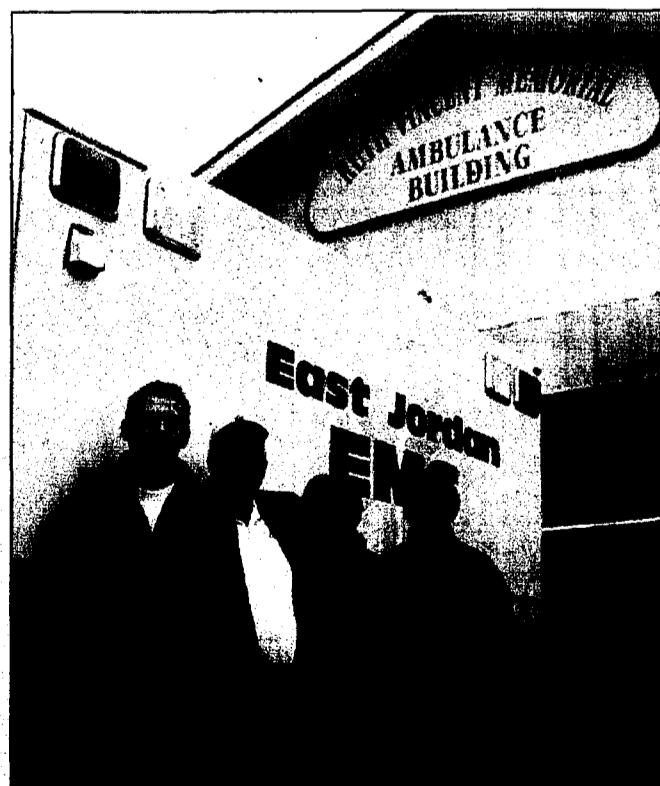
"To do anything less is substandard."

“It's the volunteers that make these kinds of services so special. They're the backbone of the service.”

-- ambulance director
Jay Peck

which includes Peck's full-time salary. "I get 23 people for the price of one," he said, a fact that speaks to the dedication of such volunteers. "A lot of people leave work

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The East Jordan Ambulance Service has 22 volunteers, who together handled 1,082 calls last year alone. Pictured here outside the ambulance garage are volunteers Mike Peck and Guy Vallance with assistant director Chiara Leist and director Jay Peck.

Damaged Paper

Schools of Choice

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www.michigan.gov/mde, parents can review information on how to choose a school, what questions to ask while visiting and how state-funded schools have fared on standardized tests, such as the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), and the Standard & Poor's School Evaluation Services.

Highlights of local districts' strengths, including test scores, are included in many of the state's community chamber directories, information/promotional guides that are sent to potential developers and residents.

The school districts, too, are beginning to market themselves to parents and the community at large. In addition to attracting and retaining students, schools are developing strong partnerships with local businesses where students may intern or someday gain employment. They are packaging themselves as educational enterprises where students flourish academically, athletically and socially.

"Extracurricular activities are as important as academics," said Gus Bishop, Central Lake superintendent, of the questions he receives from parents who are considering where to send their children. "Parents are looking for options like if the school is well-rounded and safe."

What remains to be seen is whether Michigan schools will begin to sharpen the competitive edge by aggressively seeking students the way colleges and universities do. Like the higher learning institutions, funding for K-12 schools depends on the number of students who enter the classroom each semester.

GETTING THE WORD OUT

Many area schools are assembling or have assembled marketing packages to inform the community about their strengths and vision.

East Jordan Public Schools has been using a video about the district since 1997. It is part of an overall packet of materials that is sent to families who express an interest in the district's schools.

Boyer City Public Schools recently completed a brochure with the assistance of the Char-Em Intermediate School District's marketing director, Diane Lutzenburger. The brochure has been distributed to parents, real estate professionals, businesses and the chamber for further distribution to people who are interested in relocating to the area. The brochure is the brainchild of a district marketing committee.

Also in Boyer City, a group of students is working with school staff to create a video CD to highlight the district and market its new facilities, academic programs and extracurricular activities.

The marketing efforts, Cooper said, are designed to make sure people are informed about what Boyer City's K-12 program has to offer.

"We're not going to compete to the point where we try to recruit students from other schools or entice students from other schools," he said. "We're letting people know what we offer and that their students can be successful in our schools."

Other area school superintendents share the same philosophy.

"Schools of Choice has affected the way that all school districts market themselves," Wallington said. "Bellaire is no exception. We are more aware of the need to present the positives that we offer students and families and try to communicate these positives in our publications."

Mancelona has communicated with residents by running a quarter-page advertisement in the *Antrim County News*. In the ad, the district offered one free pass to an athletic event.

"We are simply trying to promote ourselves as the school of choice for the children in our district," said Mancelona superintendent Matt Miller. "We do not attempt to attract students from outside our district."

Boyer Falls Public Schools is one local district that does not pay for media advertisements or direct mailings to homes within the district's traditional boundaries.

"We focus on individual contact

with our students and the family atmosphere we have with all of our students in one building," said superintendent Mark Parsons. "It is very evident the community supported our school by voting in a 7-mill levy to build a \$6.7 million school."

WHAT THE NUMBERS SAY

In Central Lake this year, 26 students are leaving the district for other area schools and 17 entered the district, according to superintendent Bishop. The trade-off involves students to and from Bellaire, Ellsworth, East Jordan, Elk Rapids and Concord Academy in Alba, mostly. Each student is worth about \$7,400 a year to the overall district budget.

"We are getting students who may open enroll (move to another nearby district) for a year or two and then come back to our district or go back to the other district," Bishop said. "Sometimes the moves happen at the last minute and the school can't plan for it."

Today the fluctuation between students coming and going is less than when Schools of Choice was instituted. At that time, the opening of area charter schools prompted a substantial exodus from traditional districts.

When Concord Academy in Boyer City first opened its doors, Boyer City Public Schools lost 100 students. Since then, declines have been more gradual, a result of graduating more seniors than incoming kindergartners and slight variations in counts as students seek to find the school that best meets their needs or personality.

This year, Boyer City Public Schools is seeing its first increase in the overall student count in five years. There are 11 more kindergartners than expected and 72 students are coming into the district through Schools of Choice while only 56 are transferring out.

Cooper attributes the increase to the district's marketing attempts and new facilities.

"Jobs and housing have as much an impact on us as Schools of Choice," Cooper said.

The same charter school cost Boyer Falls School 70 students when it first opened. The district dipped to 278 students its last year in the former school building. Since opening the new school, student enrollment has increased to 319 students, climbing back toward its pre-Schools of Choice total of 348 students.

East Jordan Public Schools' enrollment is increasing annually. According to Hansen, Schools of Choice is benefiting the district.

"EJPS has typically enrolled more students through Schools of Choice than have enrolled elsewhere," he said.

Increasing student numbers at Bellaire schools is providing funding it needs to maintain various programs. According to Wallington, if the current trend continues, Bellaire will gain students annually because of Schools of Choice.

Miller said Mancelona generally breaks even with students entering and leaving the district during open enrollment, bringing in and sending out about 75 students per year.

"If we grow in the future like we did this year, I believe it should be attributed to demographic shifts and population growth, not Schools of Choice," Miller said.

Several area superintendents agree. Other than gaining or losing a handful of students during open enrollment, they see overall district growth tied to area development.

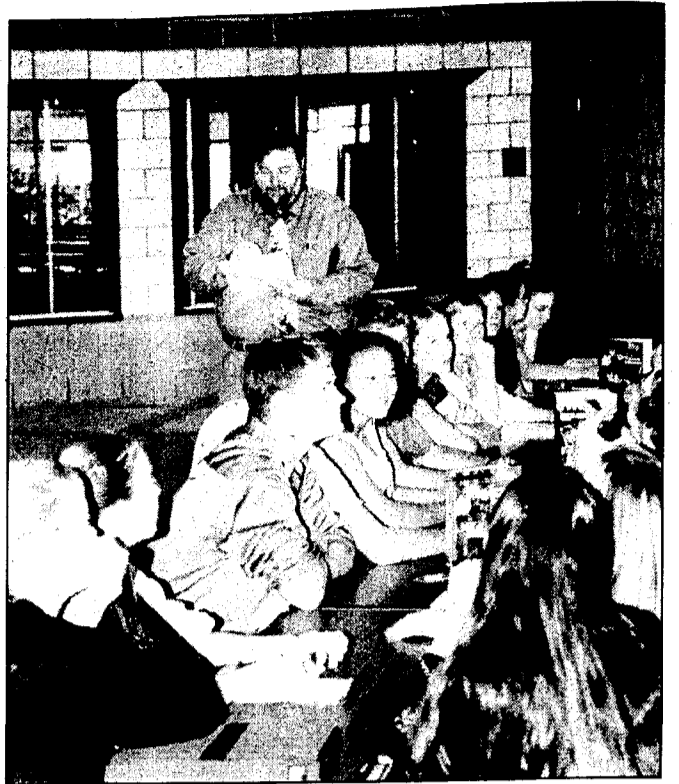
"I believe that most of the district's growth will come from an increase in the number of resident families," Hansen said.

A HELP OR HINDRANCE

It's clear to see that each student is worth a minimum of \$6,700 a year to a school district.

But other than foundation grants, how has Schools of Choice affected education?

"We think Schools of Choice is good," Boyer City's Cooper said. "It raises the level of competition and accountability of the schools. It has made us more aware. We've had to



School of Choice' means more competition for students among area schools. For some, this has meant things like increased marketing and the creation of specialized offerings, like the new hospitality vocational program at Boyer City High School.

look internally at what we're doing. It's not that we weren't doing that before, but Schools of Choice has raised the stakes."

Looking internally has meant listening to the community, inviting parents who have transferred their children out of the district into the school to discuss their reasons and try to reach a resolution.

"Of the families I've met with," Cooper said, "about 20-25 percent have returned to the district or changed their mind about leaving before transferring their students."

Often listening to the community can mean adding new classes, such as the commercial foods/hospitality and visual imaging/graphic arts vocational programs that have been added in Boyer City. Boyer Falls,

too, is utilizing its computer equipment to offer integrated learning system to all elementary students and virtual classes that range from web page design to oceanography.

"When the only operating money a school gets is based on the number of students that attend, some schools compromise their standards and behavior expectations to keep the money coming in," Parsons said. "Some, and I emphasize some, schools needed to become more responsive to the people they serve and, like it or not, that is where the competition has helped some schools."

(Janenne Irene Harrington is a freelance writer who lives in East Jordan.)

OBITUARIES

Robert C. Boyce

Robert C. Boyce, 74, died Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2002, at his home in East Jordan.

A memorial service will be held in the summer of 2003. He was born on Sept. 26, 1928 in East Jordan, the son of Robert W. and Violet (Chamberlain) Boyce. He grew up in East Jordan.

Robert had worked as a geologist for the United States Department of Agriculture. He retired in 1983 and moved back to East Jordan. He enjoyed model building, reading and his computers.

He is survived by five children, Robert J. Boyce of Ithica, N.Y., Steve C. Boyce of Berlin, Md., Jerome Boyce of Long Branch, N.J., Kathy Ott of Naples, Fla., and Sue Marchant of Riverview, Fla.; 12 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be given to Charlevoix County Commission on Aging.

The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

Season opens Nov. 9 at Peace Coffee House

The 11th season of the Meisterheim's "Peace Coffee House" opens Saturday, Nov. 9, at 8 p.m. at the Jordan River Art Center.

This year's opening performance will feature Floodgate, the husband/wife group of Ann and Will Rowland of Vanderbilt. Floodgate will be debuting their two new CDs, "Ready for the Storm" and "Stuff That Works."

Peace Coffee House is a local folk music venue started by Rick Meisterheim in 1992. Meisterheim wanted to offer a place for local musicians to share their original music and an atmosphere for all to enjoy that was smoke and alcohol-free.

Peace Coffee House runs from 8-11 p.m., with two scheduled performances followed by an open stage for more music, stories, or poetry. Admission is \$5, children 12 and under are free. Those attending are encouraged to bring snacks to share during intermission.

The Jordan River Art Center is located at 301 Main St. in downtown East Jordan.

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-The family of Phillip DeVise

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Trees find new homes in Boyne

Work crews in downtown Boyne City were busy last week in the early stages of a project which will mean the removal of about 12 of the maple trees that line Lake and Water Streets.

According to Department of Public Works head Denny Jason, the trees are being removed by the city in response to complaints from businesses regarding the trees blocking signs and building fronts from view. The timing of the removal couldn't be better, according to Jason, who noted that the trees being removed are in the process of being replanted in other areas of the city hit hard by the tornado that ripped through the downtown area on Aug. 1. As a result of the twister, many mature trees were lost. "Now is the time to take some of the trees out and replant them [where they're needed]," Jason said. Locations to receive the trees include Veteran's Park, Rotary Park, Old City Park, and the State Street right of way. The trees will be better suited to their new locations, said Jason.



Crews removed several downtown trees last week.

since the maples were the "wrong type of trees for where they [were]," noting that the shallow roots tended to break up the concrete surrounding them. The City is putting concrete over

the spots where trees have been removed, with the possibility of some type of new planting or planters being installed as part of a future streetscape improvement.

'Hallelujah Night' keeps kids smiling

In the name of safety, Darlene Swanson brought her three costume-clad children to Hallelujah Night Thursday, a bash thrown by Harvest Barn Word of Life Church at the East Jordan Middle School.

The family of five - the three youngest posing as Elmo, Sponge Bob and a ladybug - spent time playing about 20 carnival games. They filled their bags with candy and pop before heading to their East Jordan home.

"This is a lot safer than taking them door-to-door," Swanson said during the event, which drew about 750 adults and children.

"It's also a lot quicker. They get more candy and don't get so tired out."

Throughout Hallelujah Night's 14-year history in East Jordan, countless parents have discovered the convenience of walking their children from game-to-game or sitting in the bleachers watching over them while they scour through the football toss, plinko, strongman bell, miniature golf, shuffle board, shooting hoops and more. The gymnasium is dry, warm and well lighted.

"When we first began Hallelujah Night, we wanted to provide our kids and their friends with a safe place where they could have fun and col-



Kids attending last week's Hallelujah Night enjoyed games and candy thanks to the donations of generous sponsors.

lect plenty of candy," said Pastor Kimon Criner. "We didn't realize what an asset the party would become as changing times make us all more careful about where our kids are and who they're with."

Harvest Barn Word of Life Church is determined to continue to provide the community with a safe place for children on Oct. 31.

Bridgette Criner, who co-pastors with her husband, spends her birthday each year watching children's faces light up as they win candy and prizes.

Sponsors provide the additional funding it takes to buy the ever-increasing amount of candy found at each year's party. This year, seven 50-gallon drums of candy were distributed to about 500 children who attended.

In addition to the games, names are drawn to give prizes away to children and adults.

This year, Amber Dailey, 12, won an 80-watt Philips Stereo system and Linda McFall won a gift certificate to stay overnight at the Cherry Beach Inn.

East Jordan EMS setting priorities for the future

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[to respond to a call]," Peck said, adding that employers don't always pay for the time absent. When a volunteer is on the on-call schedule, "they can't run to Home Depot, they can't even start painting the garage. Being on-call is a huge thing. You've committed yourself. You have a duty to respond."

These things are true of all volunteer-based departments, which make up the vast majority of local ambulance and fire services in northern Michigan. One thing that makes East Jordan different, though, is having had the commitment and careful planning to achieve the milestone of be-

coming the first Advanced Life Support service in Charlevoix County, in early 2000. Being Advanced Life Support, on a 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week basis, means asking that much more of service members, for which they receive no more compensation in return.

To give the level of service that Advanced Life Support services can give, including defibrillation and heart and pain medications, more service members must achieve higher levels of training, which means more time given up by individuals, for the good of the community. Staffing, it seems, is always a big issue. Requirements are such that "you're talking a two-year degree now for a para-

medic," Peck said.

For ALS runs, a paramedic must be present, a requirement currently satisfied by either Peck or assistant director Chiara Leist, the service's only full-time employees, who both hold paramedic status. The service also has Medical First Responders (MFRs), which is the first licensing level, requiring a minimum of 60 classroom hours, field experience, and passing a state written exam, and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs), who must have a minimum of 194 classroom and practical experience hours.

More paramedics would mean better coverage (while allowing Peck and Leist a little scheduling flexibility),

but after all that schooling, paramedics command a better pay-rate than a self-supporting ambulance fund like East Jordan's could pay. Still, there's only so long two full-time employees will be able to keep up the intensive pace of a 40-plus hour workweek combined with multiple hours of on-call time, year-round. More volunteers are always needed, and "we're in additional need of full-time staff."

Funding, then, is obviously another crucial issue, one which is constantly under scrutiny by Peck. An "Enterprise Fund," the East Jordan Ambulance Service runs its own budget separate from the City of East Jordan, and is not supplemented by city funds. The service has all of the same ex-

penses of a private business, including garbage pickup and lawn care, and is making payments on a new ambulance out of its own revenues. The department is also paying a \$30,000 past debt to the City of East Jordan in annual payments.

"We're providing ALS service at no cost to the City of East Jordan," Peck said.

Since no tax revenue supports the service, East Jordan Ambulance revenue comes from fees charged to townships for service (\$3,500 per each of six townships) and the per-run charge to the patient, the rates of which are, according to Peck, a bargain when compared with other ALS services in the area, and beyond.

"Our rates are probably the lowest in the State of Michigan, at \$200 for a basic life support run, and \$400 for an advanced life support run. Many of the area's private services charge a flat rate of around \$800 per run."

"Our goal," Peck said, "has always been to provide the highest level of care at a reasonable cost." Keeping costs low isn't always easy, considering staffing needs, and beyond that, other practical needs like a reasonable amount of space to house those volunteers and needed equipment.

Currently maintaining two locations, with the director's office and classroom space connected to city hall and the garage on the other side of town on the corner of Mill Street and M-32, the department is in need of a new facility, where all parts of the service can be housed under one roof.

Just having enough space to store all the equipment would be a start, Peck notes, pointing out the emergency services ATV (purchased through grant monies) that is stored outside of the current ambulance garage. Again, lack of funding stands in the way of a new facility, since the self-supporting service would have to fund it on its own, a prospect that is currently not possible.

Despite the complicated financial picture, Peck is still looking forward and setting goals.

After all, the service was able to achieve ALS status on its own, despite the fact that the City of East Jordan didn't financially support the effort, which was ultimately made possible by grants from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and individual donations.

It's evident that however difficult the money-wrangling can be, Peck doesn't intend to let it stand in the way of the good of his volunteers, or his patients.

"My number-one priority is to speed up early defibrillation," Peck said, followed by a new facility and full-time help. He'd also like for more people to be aware of just what it is these volunteers do. Occasionally, he said, he and others are still referred to as "ambulance drivers."

"We've come a long way from that," he said. For more information on volunteering, or to make a donation in support of the ambulance department, call Peck at 536-7881.

FAST FACTS ON THE EAST JORDAN AMBULANCE SERVICE

History of EJEMS

- 1960 - Ambulance Service moves from Watson Funeral Home to City of East Jordan Police Department.
- 1971 - Police department turns over ambulance services to the East Jordan Fire Department.
- 1972 - Bernie Hammond takes on position of full-time ambulance director.
- 1972 - New ambulance purchased at a cost of \$7,496.
- 1974 - Back-up ambulance purchased at a cost of \$5,000.
- 1975 - Total of 175 runs for the year.
- 1978 - Total of 282 runs for the year.
- 1981 - Ambulance service licensed as Limited Advanced Life Support
- 1986 - New ambulance cost \$29,900.
- 1991 - Used 4x4 ambulance, cost \$59,990.
- 1996 - Two new ambulances.
- 1997 - Bernie Hammond retires.
- 2000 - East Jordan achieves Advanced Life Support license.
- 2001 - Training facility completed.


Area covered by the East Jordan EMS:

City of East Jordan; Banks Township; Echo Township; Jordan Township; Wilson Township (part); Eveline Township (part); South Arm Township; Village of Ellsworth.

What is ALS?

Advanced Life Support (ALS) allows for the highest level of pre-hospital care available:

- More education, focusing on patient assessment and advanced procedures.
- Manual defibrillation: slow down a heart that is beating too fast.
- Pacing: Speed up a heart that is beating too slow.
- Medications: Cardiac, pain, breathing, overdose, diabetic emergency, seizures, and allergic reactions.
- Special procedures such as advanced airways, chest decompression, etc.

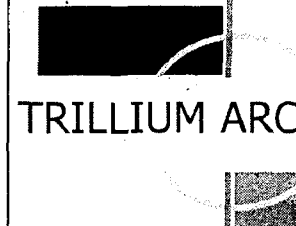


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OPINION

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LETTERS

A Red Wing fan struggles to watch her team

TO THE EDITOR:

As a Red Wing fan, I would like everyone to know that the people at Charter Communications do not know how to communicate.

In mid-September I called the Petoskey office to have "Hockey in Demand" in my home. The guy I talked to said it would be \$150 for the season and post season and that they would spread that out over my monthly payments; that I would need to put a box in my residence; and that I would have to be here, (not at work) for them to come in to install the box.

I made the appointment and took a day off of work and they did come and put a box in. They did not have any instructions to give me, so I called the Petoskey office again to see how to access a hockey game when it was on (I was sure the office would not be open to ask someone when there was a game on.) They told me something that did not make sense at the time but I let that go. I got off the phone and saw that the guy who brought the box had left some of his equipment here. I called the office again to tell them that. Of course every time I called I got to wait and wade through the menu and commercials on hold.

The guy came back to get his equipment and I asked him how to work it. He really didn't know either. (Out of all those people I talked to, none of them knew that I could not get "Hockey in Demand?") I told every one of them why I was getting that box.) Last Wednesday night I thought there had to be a hockey game on somewhere. So I tried everything I could think of to find out how to work the box. I called the 800 number for Charter, thinking that there would be no one there at 9 p.m. (like a real person) who would know any more than I did. I did get a real person. He asked for my zip code, then looked for about 10 minutes to find the code to punch in to turn on my "Hockey in Demand." He came back on the line to tell me "it is not available in this area."

So now I get to take more time off of work to either wait for someone to come back and get the box or take it to Petoskey myself. There are no other choices. My question is: Why was I not told when I called to order the "Hockey in Demand" that it is not available in this area? They seemed to know it in the Petoskey office after they had put me through all that.

This all started because I would really like to see ALL of the Red Wing games. Why is that too much to ask? The dish companies all have those fine-print disclaimers that say 11 packages subject to change without notice, and they do it too! I wrote a letter to the editor a few years ago to the same newspapers to ask why we did not get ESPN2? We had ESPN2 very shortly after that. We still did not get all the Red Wing games, but we got more of them. Now ESPN2 and ESPN and ABC (in their infinite wisdom) have decided to air one-third fewer hockey games this year.

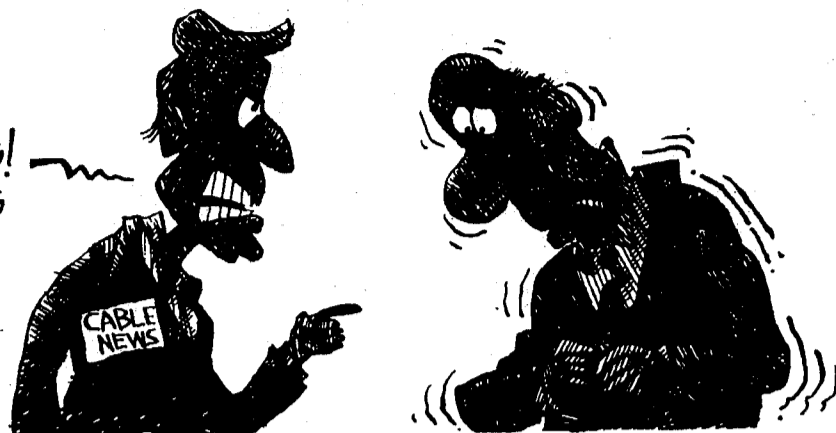
"There is not enough money in hockey," they say. (I'm sure the Hlitch family would beg to differ on that one). Why do they say that? Maybe because the hockey players as a whole are good family men, who are not "sensational" enough off ice to sell bad commercials? Now football players are often in the news for reasons other than their play on the field. And look at all the football games we can get. The guy at the 800 number (Charter) even told me I could get "Football in Demand" in this area. I won't get into the other sports.

Everyone reading this knows what I am saying, especially Red Wing fans. And what's up with UPN50? Why can't we get that on cable? It does go out on cable, just not here. They air all the Red Wing games. I think the cable company along with the dish companies are on a power trip. Being the lesser of the evils is not a good thing, even in politics. I think we should all let the cable and dish companies know that all we want is all of the Red Wing games.

Whoever provides that first (without fine print disclaimers) wins!

Margaret Howard

YOUR 'EXPERT' SPECULATION ABOUT THE SNIPER WAS SO FAR OFF IT WAS EMBARRASSING! I DON'T KNOW IF I AM WILLING TO SACRIFICE JOURNALISTIC INTEGRITY FOR RATINGS AGAIN!



THE MAGIC 8-BALL SAYS, "ALL SIGNS POINT TO YES."



A Mom's Life

Quality time for mom and dad isn't all it's cracked up to be

By CINDI PLACE

As new parents, whenever we found ourselves too tired to move, exhausted from multiple late night feedings and a baby without any sense of day or night, we would spur ourselves on with the thought that one day all this baby stuff would be behind us and we'd have time to breath. And time to ourselves.

Not that we would ever choose to do anything differently, but we pretty much got right into the family business, so to speak, not long after we were married. So "couple time" wasn't really something we had experienced during our early years of parenting. But we certainly had dreamed about such a thing.

Once our family was out of diapers and we had an in-house teenage babysitter, we thought, well here we go. Dinner and a movie out, a few late night walks on the beach... quality time here we come. Sure, right. As long as we schedule it between soccer, basketball, cheerleading, coaching, homework projects and quality time with the kids.

So, we once again talked ourselves into looking toward our future, possibly when the teenage years hit.

Innocent lambs.

Because, now we know that when your children are teenagers, the last place they want to see you is in the movie theater, while they are there with friends. Or the last place you want to be is out to dinner somewhere, while your 16-year-old son is driving the car. So, once again, we postponed spending any real couple time together where we could act like adults and enjoy adult conversation.

So now, we find ourselves in the perfect time as parents. Half our children aren't even living at home anymore, the two kids left are extremely self sufficient and in fact kind of like the idea of grabbing a bite to eat together and watching a video at home, without parental supervision once in while. So, dinner and a movie it is.

What should have been a perfect night out, once again failed to work out the way we had hoped it would. We did make ourselves relax, stop worrying about the children, and try to enjoy the popcorn and a movie. Problem was, we were both so exhausted that we missed half the show while we were taking a nap.

Ah, quality time.

LETTERS

Fan proud of BC junior varsity

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to congratulate the Boyne City High School junior varsity football team and coaching staff on completing an awesome 8-1 season.

Not only did they win most of their games by wide margins, but more important, they always showed what

good sportsmanship was all about.

I'm proud of each and every one of these young men. I have every reason to believe that the next few years of varsity Rambler football will continue to be very exciting to watch.

GO BOYNE!

Cheryl Mapes

MANY THANKS

Haunted maze draws a big crowd

The support for "Screams from the Dark" was incredible! More than 1,200 people went through the haunted maze on Friday and Saturday night! Not only did we raise money for the Freedom Festival, but to know we were providing a fun, safe event for families to enjoy - what a bonus!

Besides thanking the community for their support, a big thanks goes to the more than 50 volunteers including the building crew, tear down and clean-up crew, door crew, and the fantastic players of all ages. I also want to thank City Hall for the use of the Civic Center, the police department and the fire department for their support, and the following businesses for their donations: Ron's Roofing, Blue Water Construction, Stark & Schroeder Realty, Wright Builders, Arlies IGA and Glen's Market of East Jordan.

It has been a profitable and fun event because many people have come together to lend their talents, ideas and time.

Thanks again to everyone.

Larry Oliver
Chairperson

CORRECTION

Last week, an item in *The Citizen-Journal* regarding Boyne City American Legion Veteran's Day activities contained some incorrect information. Following is a corrected version.

The Ernest Peterson American Legion Post #228 in Boyne City invites all area veterans to attend an open house at the Post on Monday, Nov. 11, from 5:30-9 p.m.

A highlight of the open house will be a military chapel service at 7:30 p.m. "in honor of comrades who have answered the final call." Commander Steven D. Brown, Chaplain Corps, USN, Ninth Coast Guard District Chaplain, will give the message during the service. He will incorporate slides of two Jima then and now, and ground zero-post 9/11 into his message.

Brown began his military career in the Marine Corps in February of 1980. He served as a Cobra helicopter mechanic at Naval Air Station in Atlanta and became an associate pastor in Florida before finding his calling to serve as a Navy chaplain. His tours of duty include: staff chaplain, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; Saudi Arabia and Kuwait during operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm; Command Chaplain of the USS San Jacinto; Deputy Command Chaplain and Protestant Pastor at Marine Corps Air Station in Iwakuni, Japan; Command Chaplain of the USS Belleau Wood and USS Essex.

The Post is located at the corner of Lake and Main streets in Boyne City.

WE WELCOME YOUR LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The best read letters are brief and on a topic of local interest. Our deadline is Friday at 5 p.m. Letters will be printed on a space-available basis.

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NEIGHBORS

By LOUISA NORTHUP

MARTI HUTCHINSON'S daughter, Traci Bishop, and her family left for their home in Wisconsin Friday after her follow-up doctor's appointment. She had a car accident a week ago and is now doing just fine.

BILL AND LYNDA CHRISTENSEN visited with brother Bob and Kathy in Rockford on Monday and Tuesday of last week. Lynda also helped Merla Vought's niece, Marge Livingston, celebrate her birthday in Rockford and they called on Marge's dad, David, who is a resident at Welcome Home for the Blind in Grand Rapids. Quick trip, but it was nice to see family and friends.

KEN AND LENA MAY of Brandenburg, Ky., are spending a few days in the area visiting Edna May and other relatives and friends.

JEAN KORTHASE welcomed her niece, Denise O'Neil, of Clinton Township the weekend of Nov. 2 and 3 and her daughter Heidi Connor of Wyoming who visited from Thurs-

day to Sunday, Oct. 20-27.

DALE AND CHRISTIE REINHARDT spent from Oct. 21 to Oct. 27 driving a U-Haul to Reno, Nev. for Gary Wade Jenkins and returning to Grand Rapids by train. On their return trip they were impressed by the mountains, the lights in Denver, Colo., and the wonderful wildlife. Last weekend Christie picked up their granddaughter, Jaelyn Dobrowolski, daughter of Jamie and Chris Dobrowolski and shared her with Grandma and Grandpa Dobrowolski of Charlevoix.

WEEKEND VISITORS of Walt Stahl the weekend of Oct. 26 and 27 were his grandson, Sean Torres and two great-grandchildren, Alyssa and Eric, of Wayne.

ESTHER GARBOW of St. Louis, Mich. is spending two weeks with her sister, Olga Lick, of Boyne Falls.

GLORIA AND RAY ANDERSON, Ann and Harley Parks and Aunt Eloise Cleland spent Saturday night in Gaylord having a wonderful din-

ner with Don Dunsmore and wife, Bobbi. **JOE BOWERS** visited for a week in Columbia, Ohio with his daughter, Pam Laurie and family. While there, Joe helped with the building of a new home for the Lauries.

BRUCE AND NANCY LAWSON spent last week helping their daughter, Trenna Nees, and grandson Lucas relocate to Virginia Beach, Va., where they will be stationed for the next few years with husband and dad, Brian, with the U.S. Navy. On the way back, they spent the weekend with daughter and son-in-law Kristen and Ken Robinson in Lake Orion, and daughter Karen Anthony, who was visiting from her new home in Cincinnati, Ohio.

NANCY RETURNED home Sunday evening. She had a wonderful time with her family in Florida, but is happy to be home.

(To submit an item for Nancy's column, call her at 582-9174 or e-mail her at neighbors@glakes.com)

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

American Legion Post #228

At the regular meeting of Ernest Peterson Post 228 on Oct. 3, letters were read from the Boyne City Ministerial Association thanking Post members and color guard for participation in the 911 Memorial Community Service; thank you from Karen Jarema for classroom flags and large flag in front of new high school and for the dedication and service of youth programs chairman, Maxine Hough in helping to get everything done; East Port Baptist Church thanking the Commander for advancing the colors at their 911 Memorial Service; Matthew Brong, who was assisted by the Post to attend the Presidential classroom in Washington D.C., informed the Post that he is attending Michigan State and has enrolled in the ROTC program and upon completion will be commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army.

Maxine Hough reported that the Tabs For Tots program is under way at all area elementary schools and that the area high schools have received presentations regarding Boys State, Student Trooper, Scholarships and Oratorical programs.

A commitment date of Nov. 6 was set for all programs and require that

the student submit a letter of intent signed by the student, parent and school counselor.

Chaplain Fred Gondzar gave a detailed report regarding Veterans who are sick, disabled or have answered the final call. The Commander asked Fred to take Art Cosier with him on his next round of visits.

Adjutant Mathers reported that membership dues continue to come in and that bingo is doing poorly but may improve. The Oct. 12 Post birthday dinner was a success and the Nov. 11 chapel service plans are near completion.

New sources of Post income were discussed and selective hall rentals, private dinners and fund-raising dinners will be publicly encouraged. The Commander will be ordering Legion jackets soon and any member wanting one should get their request on file.

This meeting was preceded by the Veteran of the Month ceremony for Roy Winegarden followed by a potluck supper in his honor. The next regular meeting will be Nov. 7 at the Post home. The public is notified that the membership of Elsworth Marsh in The American Legion has ceased.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

East Jordan

NAME: Rosa Ambrosio
GRADE: Sophomore
PARENTS: Rosa and José Ambrosio
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "Hanging out with my friends, listening to music, and cooking."
FUTURE PLANS: Go to college and study marine biology.
FAVORITE CLASSES: Drama, U.S. History, and Journalism.
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Rosa is hard working, produces high quality work," said Jennifer Richardson.
"Very good attitude. Kind and hardworking," said Kathleen Stangis. "Rosa is willing to go the extra mile. Speaks fluent Spanish."
"Rosa is doing a great job in my class," said Brad Jones.
"Rosa went out of her way to help a student with his freshman English," said Bill Strong.



Rosa Ambrosio

Boyne City

NAME: Bryan Simmons
PARENTS: Lynn and Lorraine Simmons
GRADE: Sophomore
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Gym class, student worker for Mrs. Place
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I am very interested in snowmobiles and small engines."
FUTURE PLANS AND GOALS: "I hope to go to college after graduating from Boyne City High School."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Bryan is doing a really great job for me in the media center," said Cindi Place, media center specialist. "He works without complaint and will take on any job asked of him. He is really conscientious about his responsibilities, especially the copy production work. Congratulations, Bryan! We're pleased with your performance."



Bryan Simmons

Boyne Falls

NAME: Cody Wilmot
PARENTS: Tracy Deering and Brian Wilmot
GRADE: Sixth
FAVORITE CLASS: Reading and writing
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Playing football
FAVORITE PROFESSIONAL TEAM: Oakland Raiders
FAVORITE COLOR: Maize and Blue
FAVORITE FOOD: Pizza
FAVORITE MOVIE: Triple X
FAVORITE TV SHOW: Sponge Bob
FAVORITE BOOK: Captain Underpants
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Cody is a very hard worker and a great addition to the classroom," said Mr. Ingelhart. "He is always willing to participate and help others when needed. Cody has a great personality and is always in a positive mood. I am honored to have Cody as a student."



Cody Wilmot

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MAGIC SHOW
Friday, Nov. 8
The Charlevoix County Humane Society is sponsoring a Magic Show at Boyne City Elementary School from 7-8:30 p.m. Admission is \$5, and all proceeds will be used to benefit the animals at C.C.H.S. For more information, call the shelter at 582-6774.

HOLIDAY FAIR
Saturday, Nov. 9
The Jordan River Arts Council is holding its 12th annual Holiday Fair, a juried fine arts and crafts show, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at East Jordan High School. The fair will feature the work of more than 50 artists.

CREATE A PLATE
Saturday, Nov. 9
The East Jordan Cooperative Nursery will be hosting a Create a Plate event. Use your child's artwork to create a treasured keepsake such as plates, mugs and travel mugs. These items will be available for sale at the event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Community Room of the Jordan Valley District Library in East Jordan. Homemade baked goods will also be available for sale.

SPORTSMAN'S SUPPER
Wednesday, Nov. 13
A Sportsman's Supper will be held at the East Jordan VFW Hall on M-32 from 4-7 p.m. The dinner will include spaghetti, tossed salad, garlic bread, and an all-you-can-eat dessert table. The cost is \$6 per person in advance or \$7 at the door. Take-out can also be purchased for \$6. Proceeds will benefit the East Jordan kids' fishing pond project. For more information, or to volunteer, call Tom Durecki at 536-3521.

YOGA/STEP AEROBICS
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays
Boyne Area Gymnastics and Dance is offering yoga classes on Mondays at 6 p.m. and step aerobics classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. All classes are for adults. The cost is \$6 per class. Boyne Area Gymnastics and Dance is located on Beardsley Road, Boyne City. For more information, call 582-9787.

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.

BOYNE CITY SCRAPBOOKING
Second Monday
A Boyne City Scrapbooking Night will be held on the second Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 11 p.m. at the Boyne District Library Community Room. Participants should bring own supplies. All skill levels are welcome. There is no fee to attend. For more information, call 582-1853.

ADULT CO-ED SOCCER
Wednesdays
Adult co-ed soccer will be played every Wednesday at 6 p.m. at Rotary Park on M-75 (State Street) in Boyne City. Participants are invited to show up for games, or call John at 620-6511 or Nick at 535-2475.

TOPS MEETING
Wednesdays
The TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Successfully) club will meet on Wednesdays from 9:30-11 a.m. at the Friendship Center in Petoskey. The cost to join is \$20 per year, or \$5 per month. For more information, call Val at 526-3226.

KIWANIS OF BOYNE
Thursdays
Interested persons are invited to join the Kiwanis of Boyne for coffee, camaraderie, and community service every Thursday morning at 7 a.m. at Robert's Restaurant in Boyne City.

VETERAN ASSISTANCE
Thursdays
A Service Officer will be at the American Legion Post #228 of Boyne City every Thursday from 4-6 p.m. Any veteran seeking assistance may visit the Post at the corner of Lake and Main streets in Boyne City or call 582-7811 at that time.

AL-ANON
Thursday nights
Al-Anon meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Church, 1303 Boyne Ave., Boyne City.

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At birth he weighed 9 lbs. 9 oz. and was 21 inches long.
Jay has one sibling, John. Grandparents are Cort and Sandy Clausen of East Jordan and Bob and Kathy Schmoldt of Boyne City.

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SPORTS



In his final game for Boyne City, senior running back Ben Hausler gained 79 yards on 14 carries. Hausler and his backfield mate, senior Chris Grice, carried the bulk of the offense for the Ramblers this season.

THAT'S IT

■ Calumet ends Ramblers' season with 19-0 playoff victory

The Boyne City Ramblers may not have been at the top of their game Saturday, but they showed a depth of character you can only see when times are tough.

They never gave up.

Even as they trailed Calumet 19-0 in the closing minutes of Saturday's pre-district playoff game, the Ramblers were still trying to drive down the field and, if nothing else, take pride in the fact Calumet did not shut them out.

That final drive stalled out on Calumet's one-yard line with just over one minute remaining. The Ramblers, though, tried their best to tackle Calumet quarterback Tom Pintar in the end zone. If they couldn't score a touchdown, a safety was the next best thing.

On a cold, wintry day at Brotherston Field, Boyne City concluded its 2002 season with a 7-3 record and said goodbye to a dedicated group of seniors who led them this season.

They are Anthony DeNiko, Beau Detcher, Zach Slate, Ben Hausler, Nate Burks, Don Peters, Chris Grice, Dusty Marquardt, Mike Grobaski, Bob Courtright, Keith Bradley, Mike Stewart, and Kiel Pemberton.

As he gathered with his team out on the field following the game, head coach David Hills wanted his players to focus on the positives of the season, not the disappointment of the loss.

"It's tough when you are in the playoffs when your season comes to such an abrupt end," Hills said. "I wanted to make sure they focus on the positive."

Those positives include the team's 6-1 record and second place finish in

the conference; the victories over East Jordan and Charlevoix; and its 7-2 regular season record which earned it a home game in the first round of the playoffs.

"These kids as a team covered as much ground as any team I've been involved with," Hills said. "They worked harder than any collective group in the off season and came a tremendous way from where they started."

THE DAY DID NOT start well for the Ramblers as Calumet, on its first possession needed just four plays to score. The big play was a 56-yard scoring jaunt by running back Matt Helminen.

It didn't get any better when on the Ramblers' first possession they moved the ball down deep into Calumet territory only to turn it over on downs when they failed to make a first down on fourth and short.

Calumet increased its lead with just over four minutes remaining in the half when John Maki ran 59 yards on a reverse for a touchdown.

Calumet's final score came after it recovered a Boyne City fumble and two plays later found the end zone with 7:43 remaining in the third period.

Turnovers and Calumet's size were big factors in the Ramblers' loss.

"They were big and athletic," Hills said. "They were a real good team. They were big up front."

Then there were the turnovers - five interceptions and one fumble. "We had way too many turnovers," Hills said.

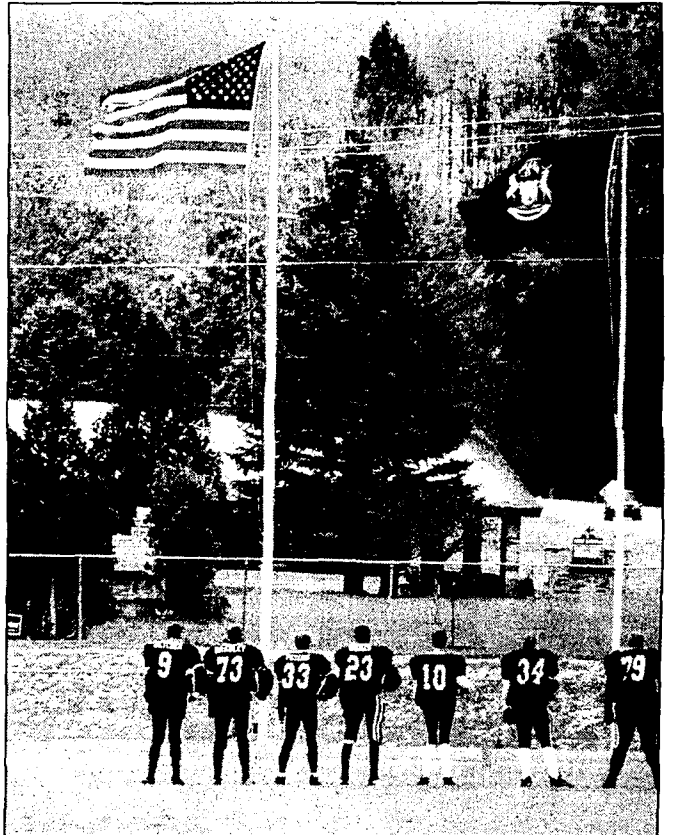
"A lot of those were the result of us being behind. We were doing things beyond our normal offense.

"We were struggling all day," Hills continued. "There are any number of reasons you can attribute to that."

The Rambler offense was bottled up for much of the game, but the senior tandem of Grice and Hausler still managed to gain nearly 170 yards between them. Grice carried the ball 19 times for 91 yards, while Hausler carried the ball 14 times for 79 yards. Grice also caught two passes and Hausler caught one for 25 yards.

Reed Ameel carried the ball four times for 26 yards and caught one pass for seven yards. Nate Burks and Jordan Voice also each had one catch. Voice had to leave the game in the second half with an injury to his left knee. He was able to walk on it, but he was scheduled to see a specialist Tuesday to make sure there was no serious damage.

Defensively, Paul Simeri led the team with 15 tackles and he also had one fumble recovery. David Austin had 11 tackles, Brenton Rozycki eight, and Don Peters had three tackles and one interception.



The flags at Brotherston Field were waving in the stiff November breeze as the Ramblers stood in a line for the singing of the National Anthem by Mallory O'Brien.



A common site at Saturday's game was the officiating crew measuring for a first down.



Boyne City cheerleaders did their best fire up the crowd on a cold, windy day.



Nate Burks goes high for this pass but the Calumet defender came down with it for one of five interceptions the Ramblers had during the game.

Photos by Vic Ruggles and Roger Rainey



Boyne City linebacker Paul Simeri got his hands on many Calumet runners as he led the team with 15 tackles. He also had a fumble recovery.

Lady Ramblers end week with two losses

Benzie Central came to Boyne City last Thursday billed as one of the top basketball teams in northern Michigan.

They showed the Lady Ramblers why. Benzie jumped out early and never looked back as it defeated Boyne City 66-30 to earn its 18th victory of the season against only one loss.

"Benzie Central is a strong team that came out hot," said Boyne City head coach Maurie Tomkins.

The Ramblers were led by Lyndsay Tomkins and Kim Foster who each scored eight points. Hannah Decker led the team with six rebounds.

Earlier in the week, Boyne City traveled to Kalkaska where they lost 65-49.

The Ramblers stayed close with Kalkaska throughout much of the game, trailing 49-40 after three quarters. But a 34-point performance by Kalkaska's Maria Kasza was too much for the Ramblers to overcome.

Foster led Boyne City with 11 points.

The Ramblers are now 2-7 in the conference and 3-12 overall as the regular season winds down.

They played Harbor Springs on Tuesday, travel to St. Francis on Thursday and close out the season at home against Charlevoix on Nov. 12.

EJ's Hammond makes it one for the record book

East Jordan's Courtney Hammond set a new school record last Thursday in a disappointing 74-67 loss to conference rival Charlevoix.

Hammond scored 53 points, 20 of them in the fourth quarter when East Jordan mounted a ferocious comeback. Hammond broke her own record which she set earlier this season when she scored 44 points. The previous record was set by Jill Berg in the mid-80s.

Hammond had to work for her points against a tough man-to-man all night, while occasionally drawing double coverage, mostly in the first half. "I didn't think I scored that many," she said. "I was surprised

when they told me."

With Hammond marching to the scoring beat, Charlevoix relied on balance and defense everywhere else to build a 14-9 lead. The Red Rayders got the margin to 35-24 at the half, and held a 54-39 lead with a quarter to go.

The final eight minutes saw Hammond go wild, scoring 20 of her points to set the scoring record. Hammond added 16 rebounds to her tally as she tried to get her coach, Lisa Parrish, a win against her dad, Jim. Sierra Roberts added nine rebounds for East Jordan.

The JV game was won by Charlevoix.

Elk Rapids visited East Jordan Tuesday and the Elks were quickly

dispatched. East Jordan jumped out to a 21-13 lead. With Hammond pouring in points along with Sierra Roberts and Amy Schroeder, the Red Devils were up 41-21 at the half.

From there, East Jordan substituted freely, getting everyone into the scoring by game's end, a 78-52 win.

When all was said and done, Hammond had completed a fine day of scoring with 30 points, seven rebounds, five assists, five steals, and four blocked shots. Sierra Roberts scored 16 points and had 11 rebounds, while Amy Schroeder had 13 points, hitting three three-point shots.

In the junior varsity game, East Jordan won 44-20.

East Jordan plays at Ellsworth on Thursday.

BOYNE AREA HOCKEY

Boyne Area Pee Wees

The Boyne Area Pee Wee Hockey team, the Thrashers, began its 2002-03 season with two games against Gaylord.

Boyne lost the first game 10-5, with goals scored by Taylor Korthase, Justin Stolt, and Tyler Goodwin, who tallied a hat trick. Assists for Boyne were made by Levi Messina, Adam McLeod and Stolt. Noted on defense was Dillon Oslin. Blake Kroondyk was in goal for the Thrashers.

In game two, Boyne lost 7-3, with Boyne goals scored by Goodwin and Trenton Pellasi. Assists were made by Cal Hoppe and Korthase. Kroondyk was between the pipes.

Coaches for this year's Pee Wee squad are head coach Shawn McLeod and assistant coaches Sam Oslind and Chris Goodwin.

Cross country runners compete at state meet

East Jordan runners Chelsey Poindexter, Tiffanie Bearden, and Garrett Romero traveled to the Division III State Cross Country Championship over the weekend, with Romero bringing home a 12th place finish overall with a time of 16:14.

"Garrett ran the best race of his career exactly when he needed to," said coach Dennis Snarey.

"He didn't get passed by a runner the entire race."

Poindexter, a freshman, finished 106th overall, followed by junior Bearden in 113th.

"Overall it was a pretty good day," Snarey said. "The girls were disappointed with their finishes. They're already talking about getting back down there next year and improving on their finishes."

According to co-coach Matt Peterson, "the Lake Michigan Conference was certainly represented well, with the Harbor boys winning the [Division IV] meet, and all of the area's individual boys and girls doing so well."

BOYNE CITY'S Hannah Decker

saved her best race of the season for last.

Decker recorded her career best time at the state finals on Saturday. Her time of 20:46 placed her 75th out of the 240 girls racing in the Division III race.

"It was a great race for Hannah," said coach Andy Place. "She likes this course. She went out fast and hung on to a fast pack of runners for most of the race."

"She placed ahead of many of the girls that had beaten her at the regionals in East Jordan."

Decker had something to prove after last year's race when she limped through much of the race after a runner had stepped on the back of her shoe.

"She ran a very smart race this year," said Place, who made his 15th straight trip to the cross country state finals as a coach of qualifying athletes from Boyne City and Boyne Falls.

Decker was back on the basketball court this week, where she averages eight points per game for the Lady Ramblers.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David M. Russell and Christie M. Russell, his wife (original mortgagors) to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated Nov. 14, 1997, and recorded on Nov. 25, 1997, in Liber 327 on Page 60 in Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated June 1, 1999, which was recorded on Oct. 23, 1999, in Liber 375 on Page 346 Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIX and 55/100 dollars (\$82,506.55), including interest at 7.700% 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 mortgage premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on Nov. 22, 2002.

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

The North 330 feet of the East 660 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, Section 1, Township 32 North, Range 7 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated: Oct. 16, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Jaguars 248-593-1311
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Attorneys and Counselors
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File #200215227
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Allan Barash and Debra S Guzman, husband and wife, to Bank One, N.A., mortgagee, dated Aug. 11, 2000 and recorded Aug. 18, 2000 in Liber 394, Page 735, Charlevoix County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Three Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Two and 17/100 Dollars (\$334,192.17) including interest at the rate of 10.63% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of

the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the main lobby of Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix County, Mich. at 11 a.m. on Dec. 6, 2002.

The premises are located in the Township of Bay, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

Portion of Lot lying East of road easement center line: Beginning on the South line of Lot 6 of the recorded plat of East Bay, 931.15 feet South 78 degrees 13 minutes 30 seconds East from the Southwest corner of said lot; thence North 1 degree 34 minutes 12 seconds East 17.30 feet; thence North 24 degrees 33 minutes 10 seconds West 135.85 feet to the North line of said Lot 6; thence South 80 degrees 57 minutes 13 seconds East 206.06 feet; thence South 79 degrees 24 minutes 38 seconds East 578.88 feet to the Shore of Walloon Lake; thence South 39 degrees 16 minutes 55 seconds West along said shore 71.75 feet; thence South 20 degrees 13 minutes 10 seconds West along said shore 28.25 feet; thence North 86 degrees 33 minutes 36 seconds West 583.80 feet; thence North 78 degrees 13 minutes 30 seconds West 90.26 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of Lot 6 of the recorded plat of East Bay.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: Nov. 6, 2002

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Bank One, N.A.,
As Mortgagee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 224.0592

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gerold Grice and Kristine Grice (original mortgagors) to Alliance Funding, a Division of Superior Federal Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated Jan. 9, 2002, and recorded on Jan. 16, 2002, in Liber 453 on Page 562 in Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the LaSalle Bank, National Association, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2002, among Asset Backed Funding Corporation, Litton Loan Servicing LP and LaSalle Bank National Association, ABFC Asset-

Backed Certificates, Series 2002-SB1, without recourse, Assignee by an assignment dated Jan. 24, 2002, which was recorded on Aug. 27, 2002, in Liber 483 on Page 700, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-SIX and 94/100 dollars (\$126,896.94), including interest at 12.250% 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 mortgage premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on Nov. 22, 2002.

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

Lot 17 and the North 33 feet of Lot 19, C.G. Lewis Addition to Boyne (now City of Boyne City), City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Mich. according to the Plat thereof, Charlevoix County Records.

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

Dated: Oct. 9, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Debora L. Towsley, a single woman to United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee, dated April 27, 1995, and recorded on April 27, 1995, in Liber 284, on page 166, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY and 39/100 dollars (\$94,790.39), including interest at 8.75% 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 mortgage premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on Nov. 22, 2002.

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

Lot 33, Westport, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 211 and 212, Charlevoix County Records.

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

Dated: Oct. 9, 2002

United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee
Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
30300 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 222
Farmington Hills, MI 48334

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paul Robert White a single man (original mortgagors) to Huntington Mortgage Company, an Ohio Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 14, 2001, and recorded on May 21, 2001 in Liber 419 on Page 826 in Charlevoix County Records, Mich., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR AND 53/100 dollars (\$115,274.53), including interest at 9.000% 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 Dec. 6, 2002.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF BAY, Charlevoix County, Mich., and are described as:

Commencing at a 1/2 inch rod at the South 1/4 corner of section 8, Town 33 North, Range 6 West; Thence North 00 degrees 20 minutes 21 seconds East 1972.97 feet along the North and South 1/4 line of said section, as monumented; Thence North 89 degrees 58 minutes 54 seconds West 369.59 feet to a 1/2 inch rod, being the point of beginning of this description; Thence continuing North 89 degrees 58 minutes 54 seconds West 290.40 feet to a 1/2 inch rod at the Southeast corner of playground lot 10 of Pomeroy's unrecorded Plat of ShoShoNie Beach; Thence North 00 degrees 20 minutes 21 seconds East 150.00 feet along the East line of said unrecorded Plat to a 1/2 inch rod; Thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes 54 seconds East 290.40 feet to a 1/2 inch rod; thence

South 00 degrees 20 minutes 21 seconds West 150.00 feet to the point of beginning; Being a part of Government Lot 3, Section 8, Town 33 North, Range 6 West.

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

Dated: Oct. 23, 2002
For information, please call:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael E. Boyer, a married man and Angela C. Boyer his wife (original mortgagors) to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated June 29, 1998, and recorded on July 13, 1998, in Liber 342 on Page 153 in Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated June 1, 1999, which was recorded on Oct. 26, 1999, in Liber 374 on Page 963, Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE and 92/100 dollars (\$72,729.92), including interest at 7.350% 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 mortgage premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11 a.m., on Nov. 22, 2002.

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

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in Regular Session, Oct. 15, 2002 at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Klooster presiding with all members of the City Commission present. Minutes were approved and acknowledgement was given to paid bills in the amount of \$351,769.19.

Further Commission Action: acknowledged receipt of Funds on Hand report, September 2002; acknowledged receipt of Zoning Activity report, September 2002; acknowledged receipt of City Administrator annual evaluation form; adopted Resolution #126/2002; adopted Resolution #127/2002; approved request for use of Civic Center; scheduled a Public Hearing for Nov. 5, 2002 at 7:15 p.m. for amending Code of Ordinances Section 13-51; approved Freedom Festival request for use of Civic Center; approved placement of sign in Sportsman's Park and approved engineering proposal for Bike Path.

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

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The Department of Natural Resources will have the following offices open to the public for deer check during the Archery Season:

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304 Stimson

November 15-30, 8-6 pm (except Thanksgiving)

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1732 W. M-32

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November 18-30, 8-5 pm (except Thanksgiving)

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Said premises are situated in the Boyne City, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point which lies 300 feet Northwest of the Northwest corner of lot 6, block G, of N. Morgan's Addition South Boyne in line with the Northeast side of Clinton Street and same being on the shore of Mud Lake (Forest Lake) for a point of beginning of this description; thence Southeast along the said line a distance of 234 feet to the Northwest side of High Street; thence Northeast along the Northwest side of High Street a distance of 94 feet; thence Northwest along an angle of 99 degrees 33 minutes 30 seconds (Previously and erroneously described as 80 degrees 26 minutes 30 seconds) to the left from the last described course (this being a complimentary angle of 80 degrees 26 minutes 30 seconds) to the shore of Mud Lake; thence Southwesterly along the shore of Mud Lake to the point of beginning.

Also: Commencing at a point which lies 300 feet Northwest of the Northwest corner of lot 6, block G, of N. Morgan's Addition to South Boyne in line with the Northeast side of Clinton Street and same being the shore of

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Mud Lake (Forest Lake); thence Southeast along the said line a distance of 234 feet to the Northwest side of High Street; thence Northeast along the Northwest side of High Street, a distance of 94 feet for the point of beginning; thence at an angle to the left of 90 degrees 33 minutes 30 seconds (this being a complimentary angle to 80 degrees 26 minutes 30 seconds) 83 feet; thence at an angle to the right of 90 degrees 4.8 feet, thence Southeast to the point of beginning; all part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, section 35, Town 33 North, Range 6 West.

Tax map or parcel ID No.: 051-335-132-00.

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

Dated: Oct. 21, 2002
Joel E. Grand, Esq.
Grand & Grand PLLC
31731 Northwestern Hwy., #151w
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
(248) 538-3737

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lisa R. Cesaro, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., (MERS)(solely as nominee for Lender, as hereinafter defined, and Lender's successors and assigns), Homestead USA, Inc. as Lender, a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated Dec. 11, 2000, and recorded on Dec. 13, 2000, in Liber 403, on page 282 Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy two thousand eight hundred sixty five and 23/100 Dollars (\$72,865.23), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

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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, MI, at 11 a.m. on Dec. 5, 2002.

Said premises are situated in TWP OF SOUTH ARM, Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel 2: Commencing at a 1" pipe at the Northeast corner of Section 18, Township 32 North, Range 7 West; thence along the East line of said section, also being the centerline of Miles Road, South 0°46'46" East 337.53 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING of this description; thence continuing along said section line, and said center line South 0°46'46" East 337.53 feet; thence North 89°14'14", West 33.01 feet to a 1/2" rod on the West line of said road; thence continuing North 89°14'14" West 615.63 feet to a 1/2" rod; thence North 0°35'15" West 337.50 feet to a 1/2" rod; thence South 89°14'14" East 614.50 feet to a 1/2" rod on the West line of said road; thence continuing South 89°14'14" East 33.01 feet to the Point of Beginning, being a part of the East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 18, Township 32 North, Range 7 West.

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

DATED: October 23, 2002
ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgagee
Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
For information please call:
(248) 540-7701
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., (MERS)(solely as nominee for Lender, as hereinafter defined, and Lender's successors and assigns), Homestead USA, Inc. as Leader Mortgagee

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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 mortgage premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 10 a.m., on Nov. 8, 2002.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: LOT 38, WILLIAM H. WHITE AND COMPANY'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF BOYNE, NOW CITY OF BOYNE CITY, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Charlevoix County Records.

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

Dated: Oct. 9, 2002

Assignee of Mortgagee
First Union National Bank,
As Indenture Trustee
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MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Christine I. Kopkau, a single woman (original mortgagor) to The Huntington Mortgage Company, an Ohio Corporation, Mortgagor, dated Feb. 21, 2000, and recorded on Feb. 21, 2000 in Liber 382 on Page 894 in Charlevoix County Records, Mich., and was assigned by said mortgagor to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority, a public body corporate and politic of the State of Michigan, as assignee by an assignment dated Feb. 17, 2000, which was recorded on Feb. 21, 2000 in Liber 382 on Page 901 Charlevoix County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR AND 71/100 dollars (\$74,194.71), including interest at 6.250% 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 Dec. 6, 2002.

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

Lot 3 and 4, Block F of the Plat of the Village of South Arm, now the City of East Jordan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

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

Dated: October 23, 2002
For information, please call:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has

been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Darrell W. Burt, a single man, to Alliance Funding, a Division of Superior Bank FSB, mortgagor, dated Oct. 19, 2000 and recorded Oct. 30, 2000 in Liber 558, Page 455, Charlevoix County Records. Said mortgage is now held by LaSalle Bank, N.A., fka LaSalle National Bank, as Trustee under the pooling and servicing agreement dated Dec. 1, 2000, Series 2000-4 by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Charlevoix County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand One Hundred Seventy and 30/100 Dollars (\$83,170.3) including interest at the rate of 10.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the main lobby of Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix County, Mich. at 11 a.m. on Dec. 6, 2002.

The premises are located in the Township of Jordan, Charlevoix County, Mich., and are described as:

West 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 5, Town 31 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the re-

demption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a third party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: Oct. 31, 2002
ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for LaSalle Bank, N.A., fka LaSalle National Bank, as Trustee under the pooling and servicing agreement dated Dec. 1, 2000, Series 2000-4, As Assignee
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven A. Crandall and Yvonne Crandall husband and wife (original mortgagors to Alliance Funding Company, a Division of Superior Bank, FSB, Mortgagor, dated Dec. 18, 1998, and recorded on Jan. 18, 1999 in Liber 355 on Page 876 in Charlevoix County Records, Mich., and was assigned by said mortgagor

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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 Dec. 20, 2002.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF JAMES, Charlevoix County, Mich., and are described as:

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

Dated: Nov. 6, 2002
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Parent-teacher conferences in BC planned for Nov. 7 and 12

Boyer City Public Schools will be holding Parent/Teacher Conferences in the evening on Thursday, Nov. 7, and in the afternoon on Tuesday, Nov. 12.

There will be a half day of school on Tuesday, Nov. 12, and all students will be dismissed at 11:13 a.m. There will be no afternoon Kindergarten. The morning Kindergarten students will return home with the older students. Breakfast will be available for all students.

EJ firefighters will sponsor skating at JV Express

The East Jordan Fire Fighters Association will hold its annual rollerskating at the Jordan Valley Express beginning on Saturday, Nov. 16, from 12-3 p.m. and running until April.

The cost is \$4 which includes skates if needed. All ages are welcome. Kids under 10 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

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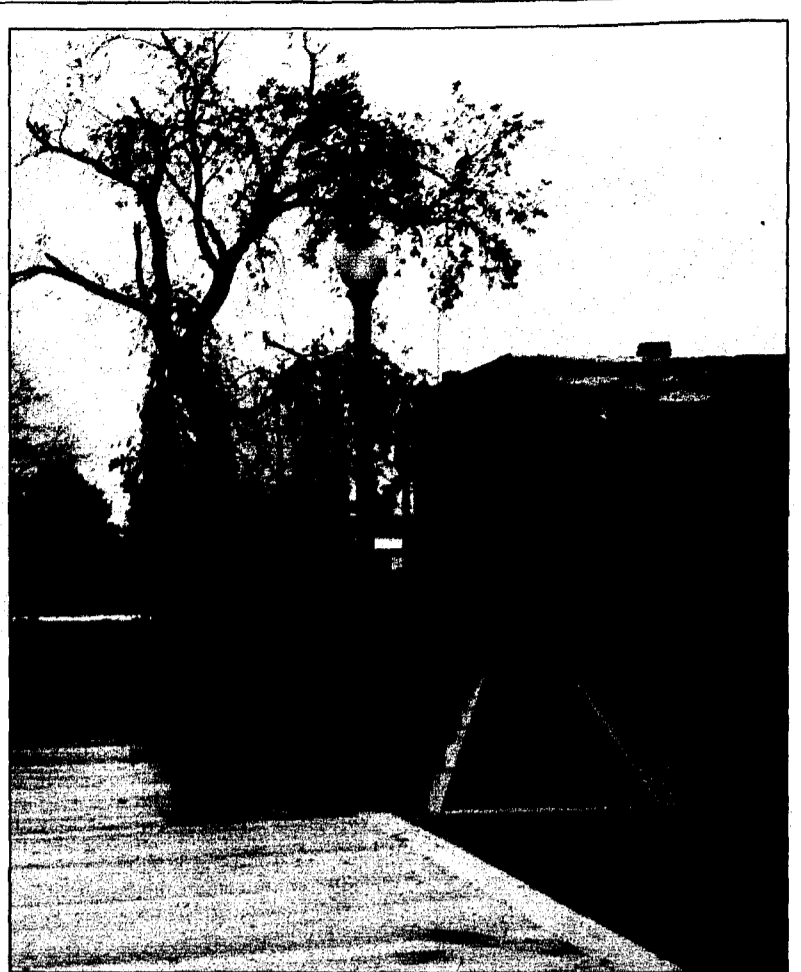
The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Business After Hours event on Thursday, Nov. 7, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at The Zone, 214 Main St., East Jordan.

Sponsored by Jordan Construction and Northwest Michigan Works!, the event will feature hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. For more information, call the chamber at 536-7351.

Marcus Belgrave to play Nov. 8 & 9

Marcus Belgrave will bring his 'Tribute to Louis Armstrong' to the local stage on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 8 and 9, at the Boyne City High School Performing Art Center. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. each evening.

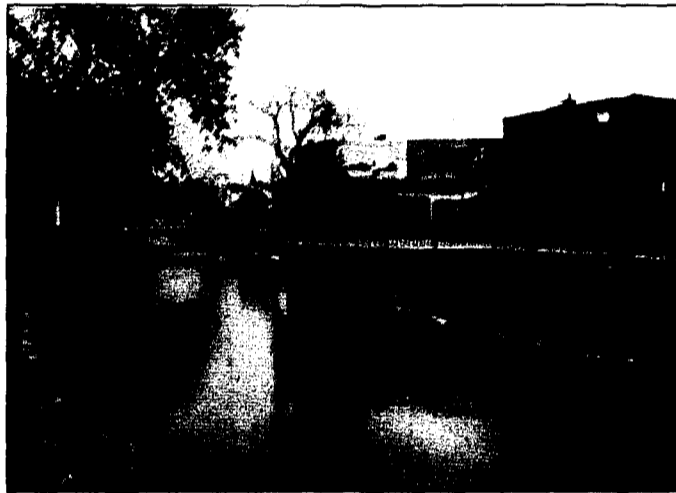
Tickets for the performance can be purchased at the arts center in Petoskey, Boyne Country Books, and at the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce. The cost is \$50 for reserved patrons; for Crooked Tree Arts Center members, \$20 for adults and \$8 for students; and for non-members, \$25 for adults and \$10 for students.



The newly-constructed Riverwalk in Boyne City runs from Water Street to Park Street. The undertaking was a major project for the Downtown Development Authority.

Located along the Boyne River behind Water Street businesses, the boardwalk significantly expands access to the waterfront not only for visitors to the downtown but area anglers as well.

photos by Hugh Conklin and Vic Ruggles



ON THE BOARDWALK

■ Boyne City Riverwalk is the latest addition to the landscape

A project long in the works is "essentially complete" but it will be next spring before area residents have a chance to take full advantage of it.

The Boyne City Riverwalk, a major project for the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), runs along the Boyne River from Water Street to Park Street.

Some finishing touches still remain to be done, but according to city planner Tim O'Leary, construction is "essentially complete."

There is a small amount of follow-up work to complete on the east end and the city is completing some concrete work on the Park Street side of the boardwalk, which is outside the scope of the project, O'Leary said.

The project's total cost has not yet been tallied. The project had a budget of \$361,600 and the contract amount with H&D, general contractor for the project, was \$361,352. There was one change order for additional pilings and a sub-surface structure at a cost \$16,388 and minor sewer work was also added that will raise the project's total cost.

With the boardwalk complete, the city has plans to reconstruct the river's shoreline in Old City Park. Part of the project would include putting a sidewalk along the shoreline that will tie the two areas together with Veterans and Sunset parks.

The city has applied to the state for a grant to pay for the project, but has not received word on its status.

The DDA is tentatively planning to have a picnic on the boardwalk's overlook following Buff Up Boyne in May to celebrate the new addition to Boyne City's landscape.

Riverwalk construction, at left, was in full swing in mid-to-late summer.

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By Steve Czerkes Pharmacist



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