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AT A GLANCE

Donkey b-ball a fund-raiser for Boyne Chamber

The Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking brave riders to participate in the Northwest Michigan Regional Donkey Basketball Championships, to be held on Thursday, April 17, at 7 p.m. at the Boyne City Middle School. The event offers fun for family members of all ages, and will raise funds to support the chamber.

Individuals or whole teams can enter, through sponsorships of a Donkey Rider. Three, 15-minute games will be played, with eight donkeys each game (four per team). Sponsorships, on a first come, first served basis, are \$100 per donkey. The chamber will be sponsoring one team, assembled by voting ballot from students at the public schools. Each school will send one player.

To sponsor a player, call the chamber at 582-6222 or e-mail boyneareachamber@nmo.net.

Tickets for spectators are now on sale, at a cost of \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door. Advance tickets may be purchased at Boyne Country Books on Water Street in Boyne City, or at the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce.

EJMS to hold annual carnival

The East Jordan Middle School will hold its annual Community Carnival on Thursday, April 17, from 5:30-8 p.m., in the middle school gymnasium.

The event will feature games and prizes for kids of all ages, including a cake walk, an "ooey-goey" spaghetti dunk, duck pond, roulette wheel, and more. Clowns, face painting, balloons, and refreshments will round out the fun for the evening.

The carnival is sponsored by the East Jordan Middle School Student Leadership class. For more information, call the school at 536-2823.

Gymnastics and dance offered in Boyne City

Boyne Area Gymnastics and Dance is offering a variety of programs for both children and adults during its upcoming spring session, including an all-boys conditioning and tumbling class, yoga, step aerobics, tumble tots, cheerleader tumbling, adult tumbling, and many levels of gymnastics classes, as well as ballet and hip hop/jazz dance. Both group and private classes are offered.

The nine-week session will begin the week of April 7.

Boyne Area Gymnastics and Dance Center is located across from the Charlevoix County Humane Society, at 611 Beardsley St., Boyne City. Gymnastics classes will also be offered at the East Jordan Elementary School. For more information, call director Kari Strelman at 582-9787.

ON THE HOMEFRONT

Local resident Deborah Meads watches and waits as two children head off to war

The following is the first of a three-part series focusing on local families with loved ones serving in the on-going war in Iraq.

Though many of us in northern Michigan are observing the on-going war in Iraq at a distance, for some local residents, like East Jordan's Deborah Meads, the war hits closer to home than they'd like. For Meads, the conflict means that two of her four children will spend an indefinite amount of time far from home; her son Craig Meads is currently on the front lines as a tank gunner, and daughter Michelle Riggs, while still in the states at present, will be joining her brother in the Middle East before long.

As a mom left behind to watch and won-

der, Deborah is doing the best she can to take things day by day. "You have to do everyday things," she said. "At first, you try not to think too hard [about what's happening overseas]. What helps me is talking about it. If you keep it inside, that's when it gets to you."

Certainly, Deborah has had very little time to try to get used to the idea of two of her children going off to war. Though Craig had spent time over the last several months stationed in Kuwait (save for six weeks home over the holi-

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While many area residents are concerned about military personnel overseas, Deborah Meads worries as only a mother can, with two of her own children serving in the armed forces. One, Craig Meads (at left, in Kuwait earlier this year), is already on the front lines; a second, Michelle Riggs, will follow soon.

Grant could be a boost for Boyne Main Street program

Though the organizational process has been a long one, Boyne City Main Street Program volunteers are hoping to get a big boost from the state in the near future, via grant assistance currently being made available to Michigan communities pursuing the Main Street initiative.

According to Mary Campbell of M.C. Planning and Design, one of the core members of the Boyne City Main Street committee, the recent establishment at the state level of a Michigan Main Street program means that technical assistance is being made available to communities working to establish Main Street programs. The assistance, Campbell said, is being made available through a competitive grant process. "We're furiously putting together a grant application," Campbell said. Volunteers, including students from the Boyne City High

School marketing class, have spent recent weeks gathering information, surveying downtown businesses and pulling together historical information.

"There's been a lot of collaboration just in the process of putting together the grant," Campbell said, adding that the information gathered "will be useful as we're moving forward" in implementing the program in the future.

Additionally, the Main Street committee has been collecting letters of support from various community groups and organizations, another key element in the grant application process. Groups showing support in-

"If the state's willing to help . . . it could be a real catalyst to get this off the ground"

--Main Street committee member Mary Campbell

clude the Boyne City City Commission (which recently passed a resolution of support), the Downtown Development Authority, the Boyne City Historical Commission, the Economic Development Commission, the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce, the Boyne City Planning Commission, the Charlevoix County 4-H Extension, and the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance, as well as various individual community members and

leaders. "The DDA (Downtown Development Authority) and the City Commission have jointly supported trips to the National Town Meeting (a Main Street-organized

event) for the last three years, to increase the knowledge base of various people involved," Campbell said. Additionally, the DDA has committed \$20,000 for the first year, and has indicated additional support in subsequent years, for the general operation of Main Street. "We're currently pulling together some other support," Campbell added, "primarily in the form of in-kind contributions and donations of equipment, office space."

Twenty-one communities across the state have filed a letter of intent to apply for the grant with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, through which the grant will be made, indicating that they will select between three and eight recipients for the assistance. Grant applications are due by April 4, and, Campbell said, the MEDC will make a decision sometime in June.

If Boyne City is one of the chosen communities, the help could not come at a better time. "There's been interest in the community for a number of years," Campbell said, but the key to forward progress is a more diligent focus. Though up until now work on the Main Street project has meant volunteer hours from interested individuals, the primary goal at present

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Snow games

Wintery temperatures returned just in time for the 2003 US Amateur Snowcross Championships, held over the weekend at Boyne Mountain. Snowmobilers from all over took to the mountain for the competition, which was sponsored by the Michigan Snow X Racing Association.

photos by Vic Ruggles

Usher in spring with boats, bikes, blades

Despite the ups and downs of the weather of late, signs of spring are popping up everywhere; to celebrate the return of spring, residents and visitors alike are invited to take part in the second annual Boats, Bikes and Blades Festival, scheduled for April 24-27.

The event was held for the first time last year, the brainchild of local resident and Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce board member Joe Breidenstein. According to Breidenstein, the festival concept is really just an extension of efforts over the course of the last several years to develop springtime tourism throughout Michigan; the event is, in fact, held in conjunction with the official "Springtime Splendor Week" in Michigan, the last week in April, as designated by the State House of Representatives. The festival bridges two communities, with activities in Boyne City primarily focused in Veteran's Park, and activities in East Jordan taking place in Sportsman's Park and Memorial Park.

In Boyne City, the event will feature free kayak trials and demonstrations presented by Outside Edge; kids' activities including a nature-based scavenger hunt; "interactive

inflatables" on a carnival midway, including a 30-foot hard rock climbing wall and a bungee jump; a display by Northwest Scuba with information on lake shipwrecks; roller blade and skateboard demonstrations by Latitude 45; and bike registration and identification stickers, courtesy of the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department.

A kids' fishing contest will also be held on Saturday, free of charge, with prizes for all participants. Sponsors include Boyne River Bait, Triton Marine, Stinger Lures, and Fish and Game Finder Magazine.

And what would the ushering in of spring be without a bike ride-in, open to all bikes from tricycles to motorcycles. The ride will begin in Boyne City at around 10:30 a.m., and continue into East Jordan, where a "Blessing of the Bikes" will be held at Sportsman's Park. According to Breidenstein, organizers are currently working on the possibility of having some "interactive inflatable" rides in East Jordan as well.

For more information on the event, or to volunteer to lend a hand for the festival, call the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce at 582-6222, or Breidenstein at 582-2227.

Main Street

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is to hire a Main Street manager to oversee and facilitate progress. "Hiring a Main Street manager is one of the first things we need to do," Campbell said. The hiring of a manager is another area that will be made easier if state grant assistance is made available to Boyne City, in that the state would then provide some training for the chosen manager, as required by the National Main Street Center. "If the state's willing to help with some of this, it could be a real catalyst to get this off the ground," Campbell said.

The Main Street philosophy is comprised of, essentially, a four-point approach to strengthening and revitalizing downtowns. Developed by the National Historic Trust, the program merges historic preservation with economic development, through four main elements: design, organization, promotion, and economic restructuring.

The program has been utilized in commercial districts nationwide over the last 20 years, cumulatively generating more than \$12 billion in new investment, with a net gain of more than 193,000 new jobs and 51,000

new business in more than 1,200 communities. Designed to be adopted locally, all initiatives stem from local issues and concerns.

In Boyne City, the program has been made a collaborative effort under the umbrella of the Boyne Area

Chamber of Commerce, giving the chamber the advantage of having access to Main Street resources.

For more information, call Campbell at 582-6504 or the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce at 582-6222.

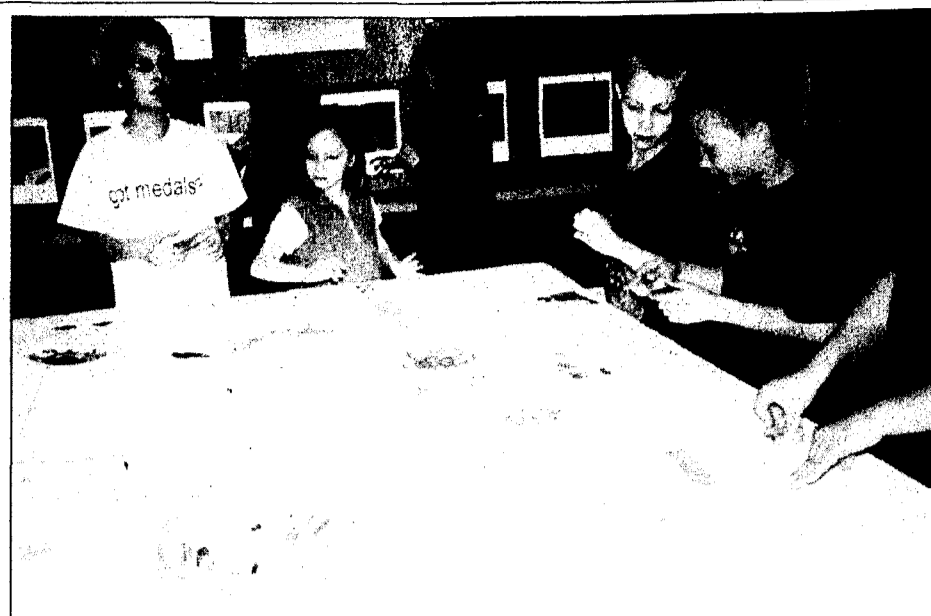
Speaker will mark Boyne Library's 85th anniversary

This year marks the 85th anniversary of the opening of the Boyne District Library, an historic event which calls for a special happening to celebrate the local heritage. To that end, the Friends of the Boyne District Library will host historian and acclaimed storyteller Larry B. Massie at the library on Wednesday, April 9, at 7 p.m.

A native-born Michigander, Massie has devoted his life to researching, writing about, and promoting the history of the state. He has authored 16 popular books about Michigan history, written the texts for historic walkways in numerous cities, and developed museum displays throughout Michigan.

Massie will take his audience on a pilgrimage into Michigan's past through storytelling, in the same fashion he's presented them at conferences, schools, festivals, and libraries across the state. Earlier in the day, Massie is scheduled to make history come alive for fourth, fifth, and sixth graders with vignettes featuring Indian chiefs, intrepid pioneers, rough-hewn lumberjacks, and salty Great Lakes ship captains from Michigan's past.

For more information, call the Boyne District Library at 582-2998.



Kids take advantage of the hands-on activities currently hosted by the arts council.

JRAC hosting two exhibits

Two traveling exhibits, the 22nd annual Alma Print Competition and Ken Scott's View of Northern Michigan, will continue through April 13 at the Jordan River Art Center.

Both exhibits opened March 16. The print exhibit, coordinated by C. Sandy Lopez-Isnardi of Alma College, features 47 original prints, reflecting a variety of media, techniques and conceptual approaches.

Accompanying the exhibit is one of the science-art culture boxes showing the history of lithography, on loan from Raven Hill Discovery Center. Also available for patrons are the Alma Print Catalogue, a display of tools and materials of printmaking, and numerous handouts.

Complementing the print exhibit is the Ken Scott exhibit of photography entitled View of Northern Michigan, with a walk-in Camera Obscura to aid in the understanding of the working of the fixed lens. Located in the lower level of the art center, the exhibit is especially designed for the young students and comes from the Great Lakes

Children's Museum in Traverse City. The exhibit consists of five, 40-inch by 27-inch photographs of northern Michigan, and 15 smaller images which can be found in the larger photos; hands-on activities invite children to find the smaller image in the larger photos. Other hands-on activities include relief printmaking, the camera obscura, and photo transfer emulsion.

Jordan River Arts Council board member Rebecca Glotfelty, a video producer and photographer, is the gallery leader. To schedule a tour for students or a group, call Glotfelty at 536-2180 or 547-2333.

The gallery is open to visitors from 1-4 p.m. daily. The Jordan River Art Center is located at 301 Main St., East Jordan. For more information, call 536-3385.



Printmaker Chad Pastotnik spoke to attendees at the March 16 opening of Alma College's Print Competition Exhibit at the art center.

POLICE REPORTS

Boyne City Police Department

The following information was provided by the Boyne City Police Department.

Monday, March 24: Assisted Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department on deer complaint; embezzlement complaint under investigation from Boyne City Food Mart; malicious destruction of property to Bob Mathers Ford vehicles; unlock of vehicle parked at Carter's; property damage accident on M-75 S; assisted ambulance department on Lewis Avenue; domestic on Adams Street.

Tuesday, March 25: Trash complaint at Park View Apartments; malicious destruction of property to porch railing on North Park Street.

Wednesday, March 26: Larceny of equipment from Administration Building of Boyne City Public Schools; hit and run accident on N. East Street; suspicious person on Hannah Street; over two hour parking complaint on East Water Street. Domestic complaint reported; property damage accident on Wilson Street; family dispute on State Street.

Thursday, March 27: Malicious destruction of property to vehicle on South Park Street; littering complaint off North Lake Street alley; unlock of vehicles at Boyne City Pizza and Boyne Country Provisions.

Friday, March 28: Fight at Dilworth; assist at Blockbuster; unlock at Park View Apartments; found property at Rotary Park, Larceny from Park View Apartments; civil dispute on Jersey Street.

Saturday, March 29: Hang-up call to 911 checked at Sportsman's; disturbance on East Main Street; unlock on Franklin Street; house check on Hull Street; civil dispute in parking lot at Police Department; five minor in possession arrested from South Street; one arrested and lodged for

operating under the influence of liquor; parking violation on South Lake Street.

Sunday, March 30: Called to Dilworth on disorderly; assisted Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department with vehicle in ditch on M-75 North; loud music on Jersey Street;

assist on Boyne Summit Drive; civil standby on Pleasant Avenue.

Arrests and citations: Assault and battery; entering without permission; private property; five minor in possessions; operating under the influence of liquor; seven speeding citations; parking violations; seat belt.

East Jordan Police Department

The following information was provided by the East Jordan Police Department.

Thursday, March 20: Assist citizen on Main Street; possession of tobacco on Maple Street; civil dispute on Maple Street; three violation of controlled substance on Maple Street; two assault and battery on Fifth Street; family dispute on Mill Street.

Friday, March 21: Assist Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department on Spring Street; larceny of purse from vehicle on South Lake Street.

Saturday, March 22: Child neglect on Main Street; larceny of bike on Williams Street; trespassing on Echo Street; suspicious situation on Mill Street; public peace disturbance on Garfield Street.

Sunday, March 23: Operating under the influence of liquor arrest on Manning Drive; 911 hang-up on Mill Street; dog running at large on Third Street.

Monday, March 24: Found property - purse - on Elmer Green Drive; larceny of boots on Main Street; found property-bike-on State Street; harassing communications on Water Street; larceny of bike on Echo Street; contempt of court arrest on Mill Street.

Tuesday, March 25: Civil dispute on Water Street; dog at large on Garfield Street; retail fraud-arrest-on

South Lake Street; two alarms on South Lake Street; larceny of money on Maple Street.

Wednesday, March 26: Alarm on South Lake Street; possession of tobacco on Maple Street; alarm on South Lake Street; assault and battery on Second Street; assault and battery on Fifth Street; assist Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department on Third Street.

NEWS BRIEFS

Scholarships to be offered by EJ Garden Club

The East Jordan Garden Club is offering horticultural scholarships to eligible students at East Jordan High School.

One scholarship opportunity will provide the recipient with \$200 towards a course offered through the Higgins Lake Environmental School, with the recipient to pay the remaining \$100 of the course fee. Three different sessions will be held through the summer months.

The East Jordan Garden Club has also recently become vested with the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, and will present their first-ever scholarship of \$500 to be used by a

selected student at the school of their choice.

For more information, call garden club president Jean Pardee at 544-6988, or East Jordan High School, 536-2259.

Challenge Mtn offering volunteer training session

Challenge Mountain will be offering volunteer CPR/First Aid/AED training on Saturday, April 5, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Training for summer programs will be held the same date and times for those interested in summer programs and spring hiking. Lunch will be provided for all attending training programs. All training is provided free of charge, including meals and snacks.

People may volunteer to stay overnight and work with clients, come for components of programming, help prepare and serve meals, hike, sail, and much more. For more information, call Challenge Mountain executive director Sue Moody at (231) 535-2141.

Kindergarten Round-up on tap at BCES

Boyne City Elementary School will hold Kindergarten Round-up for the entering class of 2002-03 on Wednesday, April 30, Thursday, May 1 and Friday, May 2. Morning and afternoon sessions will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, with a morning session only on Friday.

Vision and hearing screenings will be offered to entering kindergarten children at the Round Up.

To register for a session, call the elementary school office at 439-8300.

CRADLE CALL

A daughter, **THERESE MARIE** was born to Steve and Rita Wisniewski of East Jordan on March 25, 2003 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 19 inches at birth. Her siblings are Jack, Emily, Luke, and Thomas Wisniewski; grandparents are Ben and Betty Wisniewski of Flushing, Mich.

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Julie Tobin from North Central Michigan College, pictured here with students Melody Bishop and Felisha Castle, was on hand at last week's Career Expo to give out information and answer questions.

Career expo a big success at EJHS

Students at East Jordan High School had the opportunity to connect with a variety of after-graduation resources recently, through the school's first-ever Career Options Expo.

Held in mid-March, the event brought together volunteer representatives from colleges and vocational schools, employment services, businesses, branches of the military, and more to meet with students in an expo atmosphere at the school.

According to East Jordan Public Schools' school-to-work coordinator Deb Harm, the event was a huge success, both for the students and participating representatives. "We got great feedback from participants," Harm said, noting that many requested to be called to attend next year.

Students prepared for the event by filling out Career Pathway questionnaires and preparing questions, and followed up with an evaluation form.

This year, the expo replaced the school's typical "Career Day" event, which in the past has consisted of groups of students listening to presentations from local professionals.

Red Cross readying to support military

American Red Cross, Armed Forces Emergency Services (AFES) is marshalling resources nationwide and around the world to assist members of the U.S. Military and their families as troops are deployed far from home.

Serving active-duty military personnel and their families for more than a century, the Red Cross recently enhanced its outreach to the community-based military: the National Guard and Reserves. In the months ahead, active-duty military, Guardsmen and Reservists will be called to duty and separated from their families.

"Every day, the Red Cross carries the sad news of a death or illness of a family member, or the joyful news of a birth, to servicemen and women worldwide, and we often arrange emergency travel, enabling military families to be together," said Gordon Hahn, Northern Lower Michigan Chapter, Armed Forces Emergency Services Director. "The long separations and stressful situations that occur when a service member deploys often place a serious emotional strain on families," Gordon continued. "The Red Cross links military personnel and their families through services which include confidential counseling as well as neutral, impartial assistance when and where needed, particularly during times of crisis at home."

Community-based military members and their families are entitled to the same valuable Red Cross emergency services as full-time active duty personnel. When a doctor, a pharmacist, or a citizen is mobilized or deployed with the Reserve or National Guard, the American Red Cross helps keep them in touch with their families at home, verify emergency leave information, secure emergency financial assistance and help families cope with separation

when their loved ones are far from home in defense of our country.

Individuals can help the Red Cross by keeping close at hand specific information needed to quickly contact someone in the military. This includes their full name, social security number, address where they are deployed, home base unit and name and phone number of the local Red Cross chapter.

The mission of the American Red Cross is to save lives, ease suffering and restore hope at home and around the world. Currently operating on a budget of \$2.7 billion, the Red Cross

annually mobilizes relief to the victims of more than 67,000 disasters nationwide and has been the primary supplier of lifesaving blood and blood products in the United States for more than 50 years. In 2000, the Red Cross also trained almost 12 million people in vital lifesaving skills and delivered more than 21 million locally relevant community services. The organization also assisted international disaster and conflict victims in close to 40 locations around the globe, and its emergency communication centers processed 1.2 million calls in support of U.S. military families.

'Evening under the stars' a fund-raiser for Raven Hill

Raven Hill Discovery Center in East Jordan has announced its first fundraising event, dubbed Solstice Magic: Galileo's World.

The event is slated for Saturday, June 21, at 6 p.m. on the Raven Hill grounds. Guests will be given a chance to step back in time, to 17th century Italy, at the height of the Renaissance, when Galileo has declared his belief in Copernicus' revolutionary theory that the earth revolves around the sun. Gentlemen and ladies in period dress will be in attendance, and guests are encouraged to dress in a similar style. Banquet tables will provide nourishment as well as a feast for the eye, complemented by fine Italian wines.

In keeping with Raven Hill's mission "to connect science, history, and art," the event

will also feature an exhibit of scientific instruments of the era, to be demonstrated by trained apprentices. Troubadours and recorders will entertain, and displayed artwork will be sold to the highest bidder.

Proceeds will support Raven Hill Discovery Center's mission to build lifelong connections for children and adults that link science, history and art in a hands-on learning environment.

Tickets are \$75 per person. Sponsorships are available, and volunteers are needed to help out prior to and during the event.

Raven Hill Discovery Center is located at 4737 Fuller Road, between East Jordan and Boyne City off of C-48 at Pearsall. For more information, call 536-3369.

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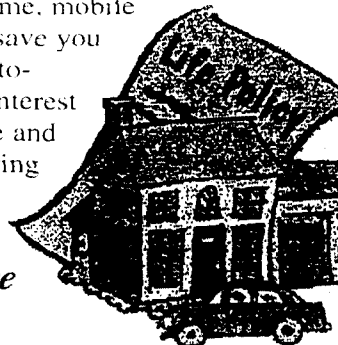
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Awards given at EJMS science fair

East Jordan Middle School's annual science fair ended last week, with 23 students recognized with awards for outstanding work. Science fair criteria required students to do original research, write a research paper, prepare a display board, and do an oral presentation.

Awards were given to the following students: Grand Prize projects - Kyle Mills (pictured at left), first place; Katherine Rowley, second; Gloria Barnum, third; first; Jacob Crawford, second; Ashley Mac Brennan and Ryan Gettel, fourth; Skrocki, third; Jamila Baier, fourth; Glen Andrea Symonds, fifth.

Eighth grade - Ashley Skop and Jeanne Schultz, first; Kayla Leazier and Melanie Hillaker, second; Jeff Keyser, third.
Seventh grade - Brittany Kline, first; Kristen Kovel, second; Scott Hansen, third.
Sixth grade - Andrew Boyer and Tommy Brown, first; Hailey Crick, second; Kim Elzinga, third.
Honorable mentions - Dustin Miller, second; Jacob Crawford, second; Ashley Mac Brennan and Ryan Gettel, fourth; Skrocki, third; Jamila Baier, fourth; Glen Andrea Symonds, fifth.

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LETTERS

Red Cross is grateful for generosity of East Jordan

TO THE EDITOR:

The need for blood products has never been greater and the citizens of East Jordan are helping out beautifully. Since last year at this time, hospitals have seen an eight percent increase in the need for blood both here in Michigan and nationally.

The American Red Cross appreciates the generosity of the East Jordan donors, community groups, businesses and churches that make the blood drives so successful in East Jordan.

The East Jordan Community Blood Drives are held at the East Jordan Middle School with several churches sponsoring them: Evangelical Lutheran Church, First Presbyterian Church, Lighthouse Missionary Church, St. Joseph Catholic Church and the United Methodist Church.

The Lions provides refreshments for many of the blood drives. The special Type O Blood Drives are hosted by the United Methodist Church with volunteer help from RSVP.

Each year, the East Jordan High School Student Council sponsors a blood drive at the high school giving students an opportunity to donate for the first time.

Thank you to all the groups, volunteers and blood donors who make it possible for the American Red Cross to meet its mission of providing life saving blood for hospital patients.

Lynn Tilson
Red Cross donor recruitment representative

Two-trackin' on Boyne City roads

TO THE EDITOR:

Has anybody been two-trackin' on Park Street lately? Or Jefferson Street, or Court Street?

Let's time an ambulance or fire truck run.

After trying the conventional approach, going to City Hall talking to the Street Superintendent and leaving a message for the City Manager, I have decided to make my complaint a matter of public record.

First, I was told the street was graded daily. This is simply not true. I travel that road daily.

Secondly, it was recommended to take an alternative route. Take Jefferson Street, which is better in quality, but also lacking in maintenance (although it is witnessed that City trucks travel it almost daily.)

Or I could take the Charlevoix detour - adding additional mileage to my car and gas tank. Normally alternative routes can be tolerated for a short time while roads are being worked on. However, this matter of impassable roads has been an ongoing problem for two years.

Furthermore, I was told it is a budget issue. The project has been scheduled in the new budget which begins in May, but the contractor may not have it scheduled for May. With this several questions come to mind. One - Where are priorities set?

Boyne City has the issue of expensive boat slips before it. Boat slips for wealthy tourists would be wonderful, if the local people could use them and drive on passable roads. Two - Can the city afford a lawsuit brought about because impassable roads delay emergency vehicles? Third - Who is this contractor? Hopefully, not the one who has done local work of questionable quality!

A reliable source tells me that Boyne City has the equipment to make a temporary fix. It would be a matter of digging sufficient ditches for water run off, adding gravel and appropriate grading more than once a week.

The bottom line, it should have been completed with the construction in the first place. The 200 feet of road was destroyed at that time.

Roxanne Zell

P.S. Has anybody been two trackin' on Shadow Trails lately (the only access for heart patient Petoskey Ambulance Service for our area - and impassable most days?)

IRAQI TROOPS ARE DRESSING IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES... SO BE CAREFUL, SOLDIER!

I'M A JOURNALIST.



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LETTERS

Boyne City 'Gift Horse' could become a 'Trojan Horse'

TO THE EDITOR:

When I read the letter of March 19, 2003 regarding the "Proposed Wharf Project" in Boyne City, my thought was, is this another developers "Trojan Horse" placed in front of the Boyne City Hall? The letter writer stated the following list of advantages of the Wharf Project:

A gift to the community of a landscaped park? I believe a landscaped park already exists along the waters edge.

A gift of waterfront appreciators of a 40 x 190 wharf with safety railings and park benches? The park at the end of Water Street already offers an "unobstructed" lake view for water front appreciators including walkways and park benches.

A floating dock and boat slip system for private boat owners, generating \$50,000/year in property taxes? If this tax base is that important to the city, as fast as this city is growing, it would only take 25 new homes built to gener-

ate this tax base and not lose the priceless view of a beautiful natural lake other communities would love to have in their town.

A gift of 16 shoppers docks open to the boating public? I believe it was stated at a city meeting, that the shoppers dock would be limited and not available 24/7 to the general public.

And how about that view? Personally, a view of boats vs. a view of a beautiful lake is no contest. The lake is the "Crown Jewel" of Boyne City. When you obscure the view, there is no going back.

How about the fish habitat? Shade from the wharf and boats is good but I'm not sure the water quality of soap from cleaning boats, diesel and gas fuel spills and boat activity will have a positive effect on the habitat. I am certain it will interfere with my fishing rights. This area is a very popular trolling area for salmon and walleye fishing for both the local residents and visitors.

But it looks so big! It looks so big because it IS BIG!

The "Wharf Project" is 2 1/2 football fields long and the T-dock is one football field wide. It is so big because it will be capable of harboring boats up to 60 feet.

But the T-Dock at the end extends over the city riparian line! This is what the whole issue is about. I personally don't believe it is in the city's best interest to start setting a precedent by giving up riparian rights no matter how enticing it may seem now. It could be a regrettable precedent for future requests.

I'm always a little gun shy when a "gift horse" is presented to the city as I have seen several "gift horses" turn into "Trojan Horses." The city is losing its slogan of "HOME TOWN FEEL - SMALL TOWN APPEAL."

I encourage anyone, for or against the Riparian Rights issue, to attend the next meeting. Hopefully, if you have a concern one way or the other, you may want to attend the meeting and express your feelings on this issue. (Boyne City Auditorium, April 8, at 7 p.m.)

Vasco Zucchiatti

Boyne marina would be a boost to local businesses

TO THE EDITOR:

Some people really need to take some business classes! I'm so tired of reading this but here we go "a sweatshirt here and a ice cream come there" well if you add it up yes! it does make a difference.

It would help all the local businesses, all the way around. It will also add a touch of class to Boyne City, along with a place for kids to fish and the beautiful ambiance of all the boats. C'mon, as you can see, our downtown district needs help! It's a long winter for business owners.

It's called survival, not making a "buck," attracting long-term, year-round businesses is needed and being worked on, but these potential businesses need to see revenue coming in.

This first class marina project will only add ambiance and prosperity to our pretty little town.

Don't forget you could be looking at condos in its place

if this marina project doesn't go through.

Sally Roselli

P.S. Open sky is only in Boyne City?

Nice to see Boyne City litter-free

TO THE EDITOR:

Wow! its so nice to see Boyne City's streets and curbs clean and litter free! They look great. My hat goes off to the new City Manager, and the Street sweeping crew. Now, if we could just keep people from messing them up again. People must live like pigs that litter our streets. Maybe we should enforce fines for littering?

Thanks again for the great clean-up, and I hope the pub-

lic does their share as well.

Lets all try to keep our town clean.

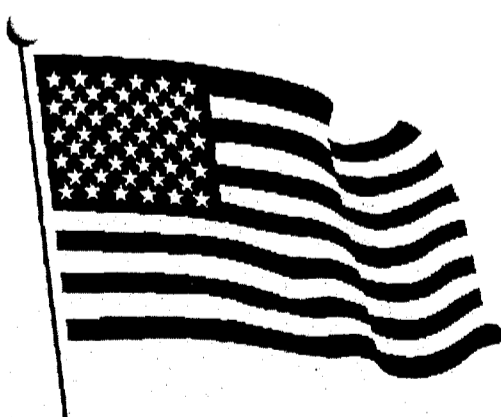
Sally Roselli

EDITOR'S NOTE

Change to agenda for Boyne City meeting

As of press time, the City of Boyne City had received a request from the One Water Street developers to remove the item regarding a requested encroachment into city riparian area from the agenda of the regular April 8 City Commission meeting, due to the fact that key representatives will be out of town and unable to attend. The City, according to city manager Michael Cain, has honored the request. However, the riparian study by Sherman Chamberlain, commissioned by the City, will remain on the agenda, and Cain expects that commissioners will take comments on the riparian encroachment issue as well.

Despite the change in the agenda, the meeting will take place as planned at the Boyne City High School auditorium, to begin at 7 p.m.



In service

As the war in Iraq continues, each week *The Citizen-Journal* will recognize active military personnel from the Boyne City, East Jordan, and Boyne Falls area.

Names can be mailed to *The Citizen-Journal*, P.O. Box A, Boyne City, MI 49712, or e-mailed to citizen@voyager.net.

Please include the individual's name, rank, branch of the service, and names of immediate family members.

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NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

A HAPPY NOTE came in from former Boyne residents Dorothy and Paul Pfahler of Florida, who just returned from a two-week cruise to and around Hawaii. They had gone with 50 friends from Cypress Lakes, the retirement community they live in. They enjoyed each Island. Paul was in Hawaii in World War II with the U.S. Marines. Dorothy had dreamed of going to Hawaii for many years. She said, "I was not disappointed, I loved every minute of the cruise and the beautiful islands."

AN UPDATE on Al Lawson of Boyne City is that he had the follow-up appointment with his surgeon, this past Monday. He is doing well, and has been able to resume his normal duties! "He's especially thankful that he now is back to managing the driving of our vehicle from the driver's seat, once again," said wife Jenny. Al and Jenny are forever grateful for all the concern, care and prayers throughout this past month. The faithfulness of God, who heard those prayers, is what carried them through this time in their lives.

ROGER AND JANET SMITH returned to

their Boyne Ridge Condo on Thursday after a long vacation in Florida.

BUTCH AND PHYLLIS CROZIER, Tysh and Scott Snyder, Brenda and Terry Urman and twins, Hilary and Tyler, and Jessica Crozier all "brought dinner in" on Thursday evening, in celebration of their parents and grandparents, Howard and Peg Crozier, and their 55th wedding anniversary. Their granddaughter, Jessica Crozier, made the special anniversary cake.

LONG TIME BOYNE City resident Roselyn Enochs fell in her Boyne Ridge home on Thursday night and broke her hip. She was transported to the Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

SENIORS OF THE Boyne City Senior Center will be enjoying better weather, hopefully, and April events planned. On April 4, it will be the great music of "The Country Cousins," formerly known as Ray's Guitars, from 11 a.m.-12 noon. An Easter party is in the works for April 17, and they will be closed, Good Friday, April 18.

SCOTT SUTLIFF surprised his family by flying in Friday night for the weekend on a business

trip to the east coast. While here he was able to take in the birthday party for his nephew and niece, Brenton Fitzpatrick turned 15 and Brooklyn Fitzpatrick turned 1. He also was credited for bringing the SNOW. It seems as though every time he comes it snows, except for the Fourth of July. He continued on his trip early Monday morning before heading back to California.

ALL CONCERNED residents are urged to attend the meeting April 8, 7 p.m. at the high school auditorium, where citizens can voice their opinion about the riparian issue regarding the much-talked-about marina proposal for the property at One Water Street.

KAREN ANTHONY of Cincinnati, Ohio was here over the weekend visiting her mother, Nancy Lawson and husband Bruce. Also there throughout the weekend were Heidi and Herb Conner of Wyoming, Jean Korthase and Bill and Deb Korthase, for a fine time of gathering together for breakfast on the farm.

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

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

East Jordan

NAME: Kelsey Poineau
PARENTS: Pat and Andy Poineau
GRADE: Freshman
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Ski team, soccer, SADD, Gaylord Gators swim team
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Girl Scouts, reading, writing, art
FUTURE PLANS: Attend Brown University and pursue a career in advertisement.



Kelsey Poineau

FAVORITE CLASSES: English and Art
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Kelsey went above and beyond showing excellent creativity and writing skills on her multi genre project in creative writing," said David Torola. "Kelsey uses her knowledge to help and tutor other students who are having difficulties with kindness and respect," said Kathleen Stangis. "Kelsey is a dedicated, outstanding student who sets an excellent example for her peers," said Mary Standerfer.

Boyne City

NAME: Meredith Clemens
PARENTS: Tom and Jody Clemens
GRADE: Senior
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Band, National Honor Society, basketball, volleyball, softball
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Sports and music
FUTURE PLANS OR GOALS: "I want to attend L.S.U. in the fall and study secondary education to become a high school teacher."



Meredith Clemens

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Meredith's willingness to step in and perform, at a last minute request, a trumpet solo at the Academic Awards Banquet cannot go unnoticed," said Jill Towne/Patton. "A world of gratitude for your thoughtful deed. Thank you, Meredith."

Boyne Falls

NAME: Jared Mathers
PARENTS: Jennifer Mathers
GRADE: Fifth
FAVORITE CLASS: Social Studies
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Play football
FAVORITE SPORT: Football
FAVORITE COLOR: Blue
FAVORITE CARTOON: Sponge Bob
FAVORITE HERO: Uncle Jonathon
FAVORITE BOOK: Lord of the Rings



Jared Mathers

NOMINATING COMMENT: "Jared Mathers is a great student - he has many great qualities that make him deserving of this honor," said Ms. Luea. "He is an enthusiastic person who is a hard worker, is honest, and is always willing to help others and myself. One of his best qualities is his positive attitude toward everything he does and attempts to do. Jared is the kind of student that makes teaching fun - I'm proud to have him in my class!"

OBITUARIES

Martha Reidel Cawthra

Martha Reidel Cawthra passed away on March 13 in Naples, Fla., aged 87.

A memorial service will be held at a date to be announced in July.

Martha Cawthra was born on Sept. 6, 1915, in Boyne City, the third of five children born to Charles Reidel and Rose Knop Reidel. The Reidels had a dairy farm on the Boyne City-East Jordan Road.

Martha was graduated from Boyne City High School in 1932 with honors, attended Michigan State University on an academic scholarship and was graduated from the Charlevoix County Normal College in 1936. In 1936 Martha was crowned Boyne City Winter Queen.

Martha married Henry J. Cawthra of Grand Rapids and Walloon Lake in 1939 and they lived in the Detroit and Grosse Pointe, Mich. area from

1939-1972. She was active in the antiques and garden clubs of Grosse Pointe and worked as an occupational and art therapist at the Belmont Nursing Center in Grosse Pointe from 1966-1972.

In 1972 the Cawthras retired and returned to their centennial farm in Walloon Lake. Martha was again active in the antiques and Questers clubs of Petoskey as well as the Petoskey Garden Club.

She was a founding member and president for many years of the



Martha Reidel Cawthra

Walloon Lake Art Club where she exhibited every year. Her paintings are in the homes of many area residents.

Martha is survived by her husband, Henry J. Cawthra of Walloon Lake; her daughter, Carol Cawthra Hopcraft, of Walloon Lake and Athi River.

Kenya and son-in-law, David Hopcraft of Athi River, Kenya; two grandsons, Alexander Nash Hopcraft and Adam Arthur Hopcraft; a sister, Louise Reidel Shelver and brother-in-

law, Robert Shelver of Helena, Mont.; a sister-in-law, Jean Eaton Reidel, of Boyne City; and eight nieces and nephews.

Her kindness, generosity of spirit and pursuit of beauty in all of life is her inspiration and legacy, and will live forever in her paintings and in our thoughts.

SERVICE BRIEFS

ROBERT E. HEWITT of Boyne City has graduated from basic training from the United States Airforce on March 7, in San Antonio, Texas.

He is the son of Bryce and Michele Hewitt of Boyne City.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE LAST DAY TO REGISTER

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF
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 CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN

All electors are hereby given notice that a Special Recall Election will be held in Eveline Township on Monday, May 5, 2003.

Electors who wish to vote in the special recall election must be registered to vote no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 7, 2003. If you are not currently registered to vote or have changed your address in the city/township in which you live you may do so at the following locations listed in this notice.

In Person:

At the city or township clerk's office where your residence is located or at the office of the Charlevoix County Clerk during normal business hours.

At any of the Secretary of State Branch offices located throughout the state during normal business hours.

At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind.

At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.

By Mail:

By obtaining and completing a Mail Voter Registration Application and forwarding to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline.

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

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

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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 Thursday, April 3
 An April food distribution under the monthly Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) will be held from 8:30-10 a.m. at the Boyne City Senior Center. The CSFP is available to anyone who meets the income guidelines. For more information call, (231) 347-9070 or 800-443-5518.

GARDEN CLUB TRIP
 Sunday, April 6
 The East Jordan Garden Club has planned a trip to Grand Rapids on April 6 to visit Meijer Garden's Butterfly House. It is a day trip, leaving East Jordan at 7 a.m. The public is welcome. For more information, call club president Jean Pardee at (231) 544-6988.

BLOOD DRIVE
 Thursday, April 17
 A Boyne City Community Blood Drive will be held at the Trinity Fellowship Church from noon-5:45 p.m. The church is located at 401 State Street. For more information, call 582-9132.

MAUNDY THURSDAY
 Thursday, April 17
 The First Presbyterian Church in Boyne City will be presenting a live dramatic presentation of the Last Supper at 8:45 p.m. The Church is located at 410 S. Park St. in Boyne City.

SPRING CRAFT SHOW
 Saturday, May 10
 The Boyne City Middle School PTO will hold a spring craft show at the middle school gym from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Booths are still available to rent for local crafters. For more information, call 582-0269 or 582-3694.

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. There is no fee to attend. For more information, call 582-1853.

BOYNE VALLEY LIONS

CLUB MEETINGS
 Wednesdays
 The Boyne Valley Lions Club holds weekly meetings every Wednesday from 12 noon until 1 p.m. at the Boyne District Library Community Room. Any interested person is invited to attend.

GRANDVUE AUXILIARY
 Second Thursday
 The Grandvue Auxiliary meets the second Thursday of each month, except for the months of January and February, when no meetings are held. For more information, call Helen Deming at 582-6278.

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 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.
AA MEETINGS
 Weekly
 The Boyne Valley Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets in the basement of St. Matthew's, 1303 Boyne Ave., Boyne City.
 Times: Sunday 1 p.m.; Monday 12 noon, 8 p.m.; Tuesday 12 noon; Wednesday 12 noon (Big Book Study); Thursday 12 noon, 6:30 p.m. (Big Book/Step Study); 8 p.m.; Friday 12 noon, 8 p.m.
 To list an event, call 582-6761 or e-mail citizen@voyager.net.

Local church to host 'financial peace' seminar

A seminar featuring the program created by nationally-syndicated talk show host and founder of Financial Peace University, Dave Ramsey, will be offered in Boyne City on June 8, through the New Beginnings Assembly of God Church.

The program focuses on teaching the average American how to gain control of their finances and thereby obtain financial peace.

Pastor Russ Hager will host the non-denominational course, preceded on May 4 and 11 by a short orientation for those interested in taking the seminar.

There is no cost or obligation to attend the orientation, which takes the form of an informational meeting to help prospective attendees decide if the seminar is right for them.

For more information, call Russ or Nella Hager at 582-5009. Dave Ramsey can be heard locally on 1270 AM radio from 12 noon-3 p.m.



Our Michigan
 Boyne City Elementary fourth graders paid homage to their home state with last week's musical production of "Michigan Our Michigan." Under the direction of music teacher Erin Zucker, students portrayed both Native Americans and settlers in telling the story of how Michigan came to be.

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<p>Announcements</p> <p>BOYNE RIVER STORAGE, 980 Division Street (behind Sunburst Marina). The contents of the following units are to be sold at public auction at the above address on Saturday, April 12, 2003 at 10am: Unit #157, Gregware, misc. household items; Unit #162, crumpler, misc. household items.</p>	<p>Help Wanted</p> <p>THE CITY OF BOYNE City is accepting bids until 2pm Friday, April 11, 2003 for a contract position involving the provision of janitorial services in the parks system. Services shall be provided for a six (6) month period from May 1-November 10, and on a limited basis from November 11-April 30. The contract shall be for a period of three (3) years beginning May 1, 2003 and ending on April 30, 2006. Individuals hired for this position must have knowledge of custodial practices and cleaning products. Candidates must possess a valid Michigan Vehicle Operator's license, be able to lift a minimum of 35 pounds, have the physical dexterity to perform the listed tasks. The successful applicant must have a strong work ethic, the ability to work safely; ability to maintain effective working relationships with other employees and the public; ability to understand and carry out written and oral instructions; and the ability to work independently. Copies of the cleaning specifications can be obtained at City Hall. Please submit sealed bids to the City of Boyne City, 319 North Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712. The City of Boyne City is an equal opportunity employer whose employment opportunities are open to eligible/qualified persons without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion or disability.</p>	<p>Wanted</p> <p>WANTED: STANDING timber and saw logs. Selective cutting and long term forest improvement available. Call Burt Moeke, Fahl Forest Products, 231-631-9600.</p>	<p>Real Estate</p> <p>9,000 SQ.FT. COMMERCIAL building located on high traffic, M-75 North between Walloon Village and Boyne City. 15+ acres, great development opportunity, 796' of highway frontage, new roof, \$399,000. Call Jeff Wellman, Re/Max of Boyne, 231-582-0097.</p>	<p>Real Estate</p> <p>GREAT FIRST HOME! 3 bedroom, 1 bath, garage on large private lot in Boyne City, \$109,900. Call Mark or Jody Kowalske, CENTURY 21 Up North, 231-582-6981, 231-582-6554.</p>	<p>Real Estate</p> <p>NORTHERN PRIVATE compound on 116 acres with stream and pond. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, garage and pole building, \$649,900. Call Mark or Jody Kowalske, CENTURY 21 Up North, 231-582-6981, 231-582-6554.</p>	<p>Rentals</p> <p>BOYNE CITY/EAST Jordan: 3 bedroom 1 bath home, all appliances and garage, credit check required. \$900 per month plus utilities, 1 year lease, first month rent and security deposit. Call for application at 231-582-2948, extension 218.</p>	<p>Land/Property</p> <p>LAKE CHARLEVOIX views! Large building site in Boyne City with swimming beach across the street, \$169,900. Call Mark or Jody Kowalske, CENTURY 21 Up North, 231-582-6981, 231-582-6554.</p>
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The Post Honor Guard conducted Veteran of the Month ceremonies for Harold Lang and Harvey Varnum.

It was moved, supported and passed that the Post place a \$25 ad in the Boys State yearbook to show our support of the program.

Veterans Appreciation Day will be May 15, between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. with

schools and public being invited to visit the Post to experience a part of history which has ensured our freedoms.

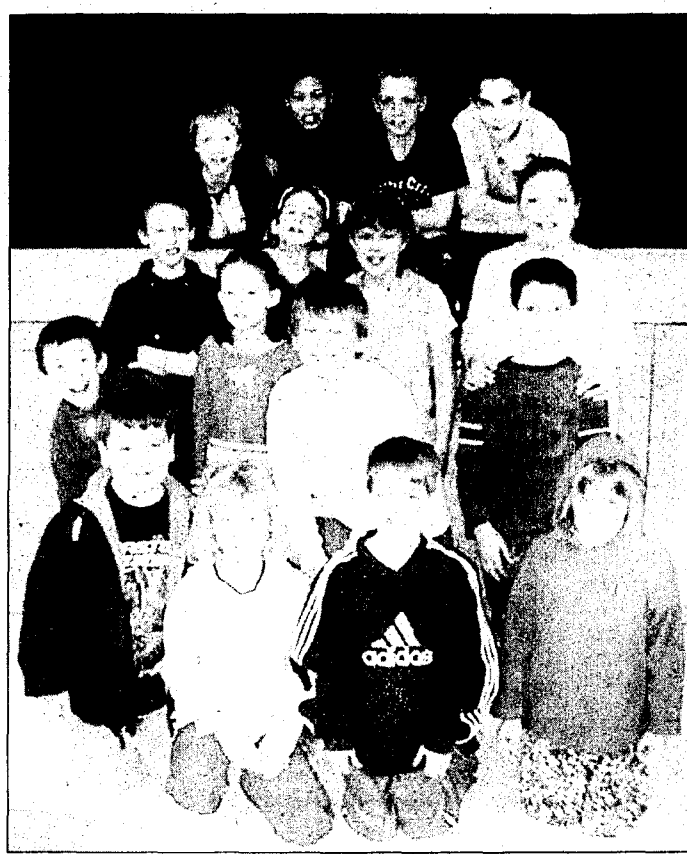
The next regular meeting will be held April 3, at 7:30 p.m., to be preceded by the Veteran of the Month ceremony at 6:15 p.m. followed by a potluck supper in his honor.

Genealogical Society

The Charlevoix County Genealogical Society will meet on Thursday, April 3, at 7 p.m. at the Boyne District Library, 201 E. Main St., Boyne City.

The speaker will be member Carol McWain Goodenough, the editor of the society's newsletter and a professional genealogist. Her topic will be "Family Reunion Planning - Big and Small, Near and Far." Following the program, those attending will be encouraged to share their own reunion stories.

The meeting is free and the public is welcome to attend. For more information, call Joy at 582-3440.



Good science

The auditorium at Concord Academy Boyne was filled with emotional electricity last week, as elementary students showcased evidence of their scientific investigations in the annual Science Fair. Students grades 2-5 presented their projects to parents and other visitors; several students, including those above, won science medals. They are, top row to bottom row: fifth graders Brendan Baic, Emma Stuewer, Peter Carleton, Michael Courtright; fourth graders Caleb Grams, Eric Forbes, Andrea Westrick, McKenzie Sulak; third graders Weston Kartes, Olivia Pellerito, Brock Sanderson, Mitchell Farrell; second graders Trenton Sulak, Tawni Holley, Mitchell Reynolds, Petra Stoppel. Students who won awards will be on hand for the Concord Academy Boyne Open House, to be held Thursday, April 10, at 7 p.m.

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BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING - March 13, 2003

Acceptance of Treasurer's report. Approval to pay Township obligations totaling \$11,300. Discussion of Recreation Grant Application for funding assistance in possible purchase of Ripstra property. Extension of zoning administrator contract on month-to-month basis. Next Board of Trustees regular meeting to be held on Thursday, April 10, 2003 at 7 p.m.

ENGAGEMENT

Perna-Andrews

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Gail Perna of Allendale, Mich., and Mr. and Mrs. Paul and Rebecca Andrews of Boyne City together announce the engagement of their children Lauren Perna and Jeremy Andrews, both of Kalamazoo.

The bride elect is a 1999 graduate of Zeeland High School and is currently a senior at Western Michigan University graduating in April 2003 with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. Her fiancé is a 1997 graduate of Boyne City High School and a 2002 graduate of Western Michigan University with a Bachelor's in history. Jeremy is currently working at



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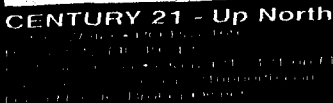
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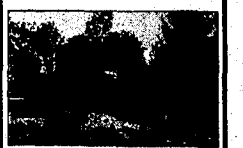
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days to meet his new son, Kevin, born in October 2002), developments in the last month or so happened quicker than she'd expected them to.

Daughter Michelle Riggs' appointment with the Middle East came as a bigger surprise to Deborah, with the family, and Riggs, having been under the impression that her unit was one that was not deployable.

Not that Riggs isn't up to the call to duty. From the day she'd visited her brother Craig upon his completion of basic training in the National Guard, Riggs knew that the armed forces were where she wanted to be. "She liked the cadence, liked the excitement," Deborah said of her daughter. "All the way home [from basic training], Craig talked to her about it."

Entering the Army right after graduating from East Jordan High School, Riggs soon found her calling as an MP, or Military Police officer.

It was in the service that she met her husband, Shawn, also an MP, with whom she had two children before deciding to leave full-time military duty. "She got out after she had her second child," Deborah said. "It was too hard with two kids to be out in the field for two weeks."

Michelle and Shawn packed up the kids and moved back to East Jordan, but soon Shawn was missing the military life, and signed on with the National Guard. After 9/11, Shawn was deployed to New York City on security detail, leaving Michelle and their two young boys at home, where Michelle had begun to attend classes at North Central Michigan College. The military life had called again to Michelle, as well; she signed on for duty with the National Guard in December of 2001.

Her duty, however, wasn't expected to include a tour in the Middle East. "She got the call on a Friday," Deborah said of the notice that her unit was, indeed, to be shipping out. "She called me and said, 'Mom, are you ready to be a mom again?'" Deborah said, meaning that she would be taking care of her two grandsons for awhile. "I've been activated."

By the following Monday, Michelle was gone, heading for Fort McCoy in Wisconsin, where she remains, awaiting orders to deploy overseas. The boys stayed with Deborah briefly, until Shawn returned from New York City; he is currently living with the boys in Virginia, until Michelle returns.

Though Deborah hears from

Michelle once or twice a week, word from Craig is less frequent, with his last letter, written on March 10, arriving late last week. Watching the news coverage, Deborah and other family members, including Craig's other siblings Dawn and David, attempt to piece together any information they can about Craig's current whereabouts. "David heard a group of [soldiers] in the 164th Armored Division (Craig's unit) interviewed," Deborah said. "He said, 'I didn't hear Craig's voice, but I heard some of the guys.'" Such tidbits of information are about all Deborah can count on for now to help ease her mind as the day to day business of war continues.

For Craig and Michelle, Deborah said, their roles in the war are simply part of their duty as soldiers. For Mom, though, seeing her children go to war is something she's just beginning to learn to deal with. "I was okay until the day the ground troops went

in," she said. "Now, I'm on pins and needles. I don't know [from day to day] where my son's at."

She also feels, she said, for the families who have already lost children as casualties of war. Loss is something she's familiar with, as well; 14 years ago, her husband, and the father of her four children, was killed by a drunk driver, leaving her to raise her family alone. "I've been there," Deborah said. "I've gotten that call at three in the morning."

It's her commitment to her kids as a single mom that earned her the honor, a few years ago, of East Jordan's Mother of the Year. It's that commitment, too, that

will likely keep her up nights as long as the war goes on. "As a parent, I'm proud of what my kids are doing," she said. At the same time, "I

don't like war. I don't want my kids in any harm's way. But somebody has to do the job."

"I've done a lot of praying. I ask

God to keep all the soldiers safe. I've told my husband to put his arms around our son, and bring our son home safely."



Michelle Riggs, above, with husband Shawn in New York City, is currently in Wisconsin awaiting deployment. At right, a poem sent by Craig Meads to his mom from the front lines in Iraq.

A Soldier

When duty calls I serve with pride.
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 Even through many hardships I do endure.
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By SGT Craig A. Meads
 March 10, 2003

FROM THE CENTRE

Helping kids cope with fears over war in Iraq

By BERNADETTE BEYER

It is Sunday evening and I have been putting off writing this article all weekend. "Why?" I ask myself. The answer is that, I too, do not want to face the horror in the eye; still, I feel compelled to share with you some of my suggestions as a mental health professional concerned for the well-being of all of us, but especially children, who may be affected by what professionals call Secondary Post-traumatic Stress Disorder.

Adults and children across America are vulnerable to experiencing this disorder, as well as depression or anxiety, as our nation is at war.

One does not need to witness the terror of war firsthand to be gravely affected. Research now demonstrates that reading, hearing or seeing an account of a tragedy can cause us trauma. I encourage you to answer these questions honestly about how well you are coping: Are you more tired since the war started? How is your appetite? Are you looking for comfort food or have you lost your appetite? Are you experiencing restless or fitful sleep? Do you find yourself on edge more? Are you listening more intently when a plane flies overhead? Is your body heavy and your energy low?

Even in the beautiful North Country we are vulnerable to fears about how we too may be affected by the war. The arms of this war reach us and cannot but help to touch our spirits. Children are even more vulnerable to experiencing Secondary Post-traumatic Stress or in the very least an increase in anxiety, irritability or sadness; even toddlers are astute at picking up on what you as a parent are feeling.

If you have not already been shielding your children from the TV and news reports, I urge you to start ASAP. If your child tells you s/he is not afraid, it is likely s/he does not even want to admit this to himself. Teens may especially

try to act "tough." Studies have shown that when a person is traumatized they frequently do not want to talk about what has happened, and yet it is by talking (for children, this can be indirectly through their play activities) that healing can happen.

Some signs to watch for in your children are: reports of stomach aches, headaches or other unfounded physical ailments; increase in nightmares; fear of bad guys or monsters; clinging behaviors, such as fear of sleeping alone or being left alone; regression to earlier mastered behaviors, i.e. bed wetting, thumb sucking, baby talk, or fear of you going to work and getting hurt or even fear of going to school; little everyday tasks feel too difficult to complete; an unexplained increase in aggression or temper outbursts; startling more easily or acts jumpy.

Many of these responses are actually "normal" when our nation is at war even though we live thousands of miles away. So how can you help yourself and your children cope with this potentially traumatizing situation? Begin by taking good care of yourself so you can be there for your children. Then select from the following recommendations those that fit for your family:

- Be sure to take extra time to listen to your child's worries that may be expressed as sadness over losing a dollar/toy but may actually be hidden worries over the war.
- Maintain the family's usual routine. This provides a sense of safety when the world feels quite unsafe.
- Do not encourage regressive behaviors by letting your child sleep with you or staying home from events. When a parent allows a child to make these changes it gives the child the message "you are right, you have reason to be afraid and you need to be at my side in order to be safe."
- If symptoms persist in spite of your efforts to reassure, seek help for your child from a professional that understands how to help children who suffer from anxiety, depression or

trauma.

• Know that in spite of your best efforts to decide what to expose your children to, your child will hear about the war from friends, at school, on the Internet or from interruptions in their regular TV programs giving an update of the war. Ask your child what they have heard about the war. Respond honestly while at the same time giving only the necessary information needed for your child's age and concerns.

• Pretending the war does not exist may be harmful. Your child may wonder what is real. It is like having an elephant in the living room and everyone pretends it doesn't exist. Encourage dialogue with your school-age kids.

• Reassure your child that there are many people who are working to keep our country safe.

• Monitor more closely what your child is watching on TV. Even programs made for children may not be something you consider appropriate for your child. Reassure your child that what they are feeling is okay. They do not need to hide their fears, confusion, terror or sadness.

• Get out and enjoy the spring weather: go for a bike ride, watch the bulbs popping out of the ground, listen to the birds in the morning, have a good laugh or cry and remember to give your children extra hugs.

Children's Hospital of Michigan is offering a free brochure, "How to Talk to Your Children about War." To receive the brochure call (313) 745-5340.

I will be offering a children's group session on April 9 from 4:30-6 p.m. to help children (ages 7-12 years old) cope with their feelings about the war. Pre-registration is required. Call The Centre, (231) 582-0670, with questions or to reserve a space for your child. There is a fee of \$15 per child.

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