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At A Glance

EJ to celebrate Community Night/Festival of the Bells on Thursday, Dec. 4

At the holiday season gets into full swing, East Jordan will hold its annual Festival of the Bells and Community Night from 4-8 p.m. in downtown East Jordan. Visitors to participating businesses can ring a bell and get a discount or gift. This year, the Passport Program will give shoppers a chance to win a little holiday cash -- those who get their "passport" stamped at all participating businesses to be entered in a drawing for a \$100 gift certificate. Passports can be picked up at any participating business, including Busy Bridge Gifts, Murray's Bar and Grill, the EJ Shoppe, Jordan Valley Outfitters, Quilt Cottage, and East Jordan True Value.

To take part in the fun as well, the Jordan River Art Center will be open on Thursday evening, Dec. 4, from 4-8 p.m.

Parents and children visiting the center will have an opportunity to create a holiday craft together, compliments of the Jordan River Arts Council. A variety of craft ideas and materials will be available in the lower gallery. Refreshments will be served.

In the upper gallery, the annual Holiday Art For Sale show will be on display, featuring one-of-a-kind saleable artwork designed by JRAC member artists for holiday giving. In keeping with the spirit of Community Night, the Arts Council will offer a 10 percent discount on all purchases to those creating a craft.

The Holiday Art For Sale exhibit will also be open during regular hours, 1-4 p.m. daily, through Dec. 20. For more information, call 582-6399.

Seats still available for BCHS fall fine arts shows

The Boyer City High School fine arts students will put their talent on display on Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 3 and 4 with the annual Fall Fine Arts Festival shows at the Performing Arts Center. Performances begin at 7 p.m. each night.

Tickets are \$3 each and are still available at the high school box office or from any drama department member.

The show will feature selections from popular musicals like "Chicago" and "Footloose" as well as family favorites like the Disney medley to include songs from "Lady and the Tramp" and "The Lion King."

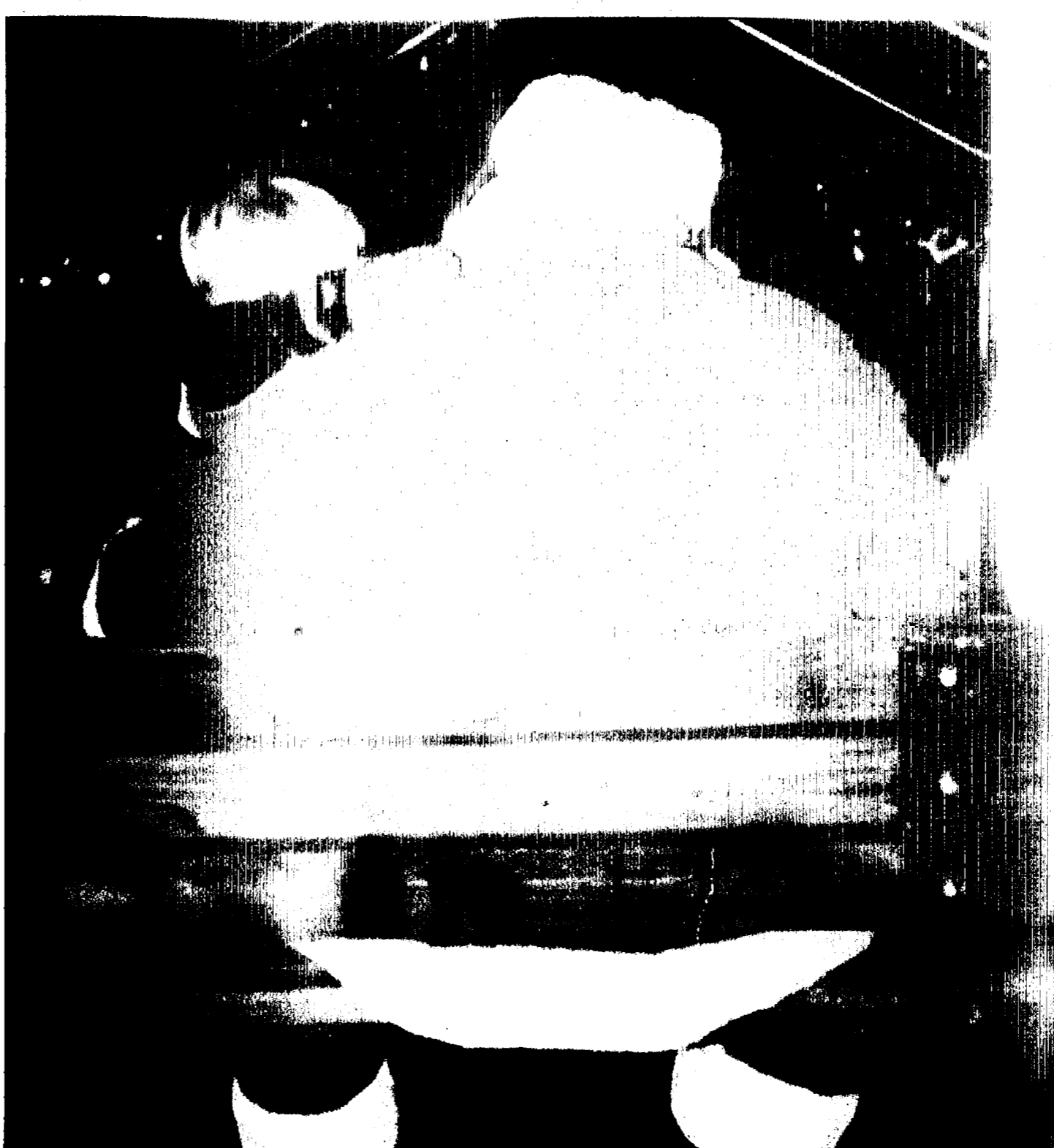
Music from the high school bands will also be featured.

For more information, call the school at 439-8100.

A Santa moment

After braving a long wait in the cold to see St. Nick, area children, like this little one at right, got the chance to enjoy a cozy moment with the jolly old elf himself, following last week's traditional Santa Parade in Boyer City. After traveling the parade route in a convertible with Mrs. Claus, Santa ended up at the gazebo in Old City Park to hear the Christmas wishes of area kids. For more photos, see page 10.

photo by Vic Ruggles



Big plans

Boyer City Rotarians select Rotary Park as subject of project to mark centennial

Having earlier this year announced plans to undertake a major service project in recognition of the Rotary Club's Centennial Anniversary, Boyer City Rotarians have selected, appropriately, Rotary Park to be the subject of their efforts.

The selection was officially announced at the recent meeting of the Boyer City City Commission. "We're going to enjoy it," said Rotary president John McLeod of the focus on Rotary Park.

Having looked to the community for input on potential projects, the Rotary Club, McLeod said, received "tons of ideas," including the potential rehabilitation of the Boyer City bandshell in Veteran's Park.

One of the most popular ideas, however, turned out to be Rotary Park and ultimately, "we believed it was the best idea to take Rotary Park under our wing."

McLeod said the project will consist of "major renovations," though the exact nature of those renovations has not been determined. The organization plans to work closely with the City to identify the areas of the most need, though, he said, a likely candidate will be a new concession stand/restroom facility.

Also in the running are bids to redo the parking lot and improve signage.

Though some funding has already been set aside for the project, McLeod said that Rotary will be doing some fund-raising in the coming months to supplement the project costs.

Volunteers are also being sought to work on the project, and new members are welcome. The Boyer City Rotary Club meets at Robert's Restaurant on Mondays at 6 p.m. For more information, call McLeod at Great Lakes Motor Works, 582-9100.

Fund-raiser set for Boyer City woman

It's been a long road for Diane Rose, a journey in the battle against cancer she's still fighting.

In November of 2001, the lifelong Boyer City resident was diagnosed with breast cancer. After a difficult fight, she won her battle with the disease. The victory, however, was short-lived; in October of this year, Rose was diagnosed with an aggressive cancer of the liver. She is currently undergoing chemotherapy.

Though she continues to fight, her illness has prevented Rose from working. She has worked for more than 20 years in the restaurant industry, most recently at Garrett's on Water Street and at the same location in its previous incarnation, Stafford's One Water Street. With mounting medical

costs, Rose's friends and family have decided to show Rose not only how much they care, but also help raise funds to get her through this tough time.

A Fundraiser Dinner and Raffle is set for Monday, Dec. 8, from 5-10 p.m., at Garrett's on Water Street in Boyer City, with dinner and entertainment, provided by Nightblend and Maggie and Jeff Dickson.

The cost is \$10 for adults, and \$5 for kids ages 5-12. A raffle and 50/50 drawings will also be held during the event. All proceeds will go to Rose.

For more information, or to donate items for the raffle, call Wendy Evans at 536-0810; Adam Nalbock at 582-1111; or Donna Lakritz at 536-9244. Anyone unable to attend the dinner



Diane Rose, a breast cancer survivor, is now battling liver cancer.

who would like to contribute can send checks to Diane Rose Fundraiser, c/o Bank One, 502 W. Boyer Rd., Boyer City, MI 49712.



A variety of wreaths and angels are donated by area individuals and businesses for the Wreaths and Angels auction, shown here on display at Red Mesa. The angel at right is featured in the auction each season, as area businesses bid on the item with the winner returning it the following year.

Wreaths & Angels

Silent auction joins with memorial breakfast to raise funds for Boyer food pantry

The holiday season is all about giving, but with so many good causes out there, sometimes a little creativity is in order to put the focus where you want it. So was born the Wreaths and Angels Silent Auction, an annual fund-raiser created nearly 10 years ago to benefit the Boyer City Food Pantry.

According to food pantry director Jerry Kelts, the origin of the successful event was a simple one, something he picked up in his time as a resident of California. In the San Francisco area, Kelts became fascinated with the Wreaths & Angels on pg. 10

Open House set at Adult Day Care Center in East Jordan

Two years have passed since the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging opened the doors of the Adult Day Care Center in East Jordan, and, according to Commission on Aging director Susan Bergmann, plenty has been accomplished since then. Designed to provide a safe, nurturing environment for memory-impaired or frail elderly with medical conditions that do not allow them to be left home alone, the Adult Day Care Center is a group setting that offers social interaction and activities specialized to their needs. The center, said Bergmann, not only provides a much-needed respite for caregivers but also aids in the prevention of early admission to a nursing home.

Staff members, which include new coordinator Barbara Shooks, RN, formerly of Northwest Community Health, and Pixie Fortune, previously with Health Aide at the Commission on Aging and the Health Department, work to emphasize strengths and abilities of their elderly charges. The goal is to help improve self-esteem and self-worth through the use of exercise pro-

grams, music therapy, crafts, gardening, field trips and reminiscence therapy. Specific medical treatments such as checking blood sugar, inhalation therapies, foot care, diet monitoring, wound care or assistance with activities of daily living such as dressing, bathing, eating, toileting, shaving or hair care can be performed as well. Fortune is an experienced hair stylist and nail technician, adding a special touch to the Adult Day Care setting where participants can get their nails done and hair styled. Diet intake and socialization during mealtime, Bergmann said, often improves appetites in elderly that are otherwise failing to thrive.

According to Bergmann, however, many caregivers are reluctant to try adult day services. "It may take a few visits to the day center to develop a comfort level for both caregiver and participant," Bergmann said. "We will take visitors anytime and offer tours and demonstrations of some of the activities we provide. The staff will work closely with the family to individualize the participant's care and activities." Through these methods, she said, caregivers can come to realize the ben-

efits of Adult Day Care. The center provides not only a break for caregivers but an opportunity for the participant to spend time with others with memory loss or functional needs while having fun and stimulating their abilities. "They return home much more relaxed after spending a day at the Adult Day Care," Bergmann said.

In order to acquaint caregivers and potential participants with the East Jordan Adult Day Care Center, an Open House event will be held on Thursday, Dec. 11, from 5-7 p.m. at the center, 116 Main St., East Jordan. The public is invited to attend to find out more about the center, which is currently accepting clients Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Intake and assessments can be conducted in East Jordan, or by calling the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging at 237-0103. Scholarships to supplement or defer payments are now available. For more information, to make a donation, or to volunteer at the center, call Bergmann at 237-0103 or Shooks at 536-5300.

OBITUARIES

Milton Philip Veverka

Milton Philip Veverka, 90, of East Jordan, died on Monday, Nov. 24, 2003, at his home.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Dec. 1, at the Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, Wilson Township, Charlevoix County. The Rev. Jeff Longren officiated. Interment was in Knop Cemetery, Wilson Township, Charlevoix County.

Milt was born on April 12, 1913, in Chicago, Ill., the son of Joseph and Josephine (Keberdle) Veverka. He was raised in Chicago and attended the Eli Whitney School through the eighth grade. At age 7 he went to work on his special corner selling newspapers until he was 15 years old. Milt held many jobs after that and was laid off from time to time, as was the norm for depression era workers. He was hired by the Western Electric Company in 1937 and worked five months before being laid off. He returned to Western Electric in 1940 and worked as a security guard. On Aug. 10, 1940, in Brookfield, Ill., he married Margaret Knop. He served in the United States

Navy from Oct. 19, 1943 until his discharge on Jan. 5, 1946. He had worked shore patrol during that time. Milt retired in 1972 and he and Margaret moved to East Jordan where they became very involved in the East Jordan Senior Center. Margaret preceded him in death on Feb. 4, 1977.

Milt was a very active member of the Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, serving as an elder, the financial secretary, an usher and also as a bell ringer. He also enjoyed fishing, swimming, singing and dancing. He was known to have done an impersonation or

two, one of which was Santa Claus. Milt was most often seen lending a hand to area senior citizens through the East Jordan Senior Center, the East Jordan Family Health Center and Grandvue Medical Care Facility's RSVP program and the auxiliary. He was also a volunteer for the Charlevoix County Hospice and the Charlevoix County Humane Society and was a member of the East Jordan Snowmobile Club. He was also a member of the Bell Telephone Pioneers and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #7580 in East Jordan.

Milt is survived by his daughter, Linda Ann (Timothy) Johnson of Dor; one sister, Mildred Eggert of Chicago, Ill.; many nieces and nephews; friend and chauffeur, Donald C. Sell of East Jordan. He was also preceded in death by infant son, Charles David Veverka in 1950 and two brothers, Joseph and John Veverka.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church or the East Jordan Ambulance Association. Arrangements were made by the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

Everett Bartholomew

Everett Bartholomew, 73, of East Jordan died Friday, Nov. 28, 2003 at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Jean Thornell officiated. Interment followed at Morehouse Cemetery, Echo Township, Antrim County.

He was born on May 13, 1930 in East Jordan, the son of Volorous and Gladys

(Batterbee) Bartholomew. He married Lillian Bartholomew on Feb. 23, 1957 in Angola, Indiana. Everett had been a 4-H leader for 46 years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, woodcarving, farming and growing flowers, especially gladioli.

Everett is survived by his wife, Lillian Bartholomew of East Jordan; Mary Lou (Ken) Brown of Traverse City, Dawn (Heinz) Rehfeldt of Delafield, Wisconsin, E. Charles (Diane)

Bartholomew of Clinton Township and John Bartholomew of Clinton Township; ten grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one sister, Rose Fredette of Traverse City. He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Kenneth; and two sisters, Louise and Gail.

Memorials may be given to the East Jordan United Methodist Church Building Fund. Arrangements were made by Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

EJ fire department getting ready for fire and burn safety program

The East Jordan Volunteer Fire Department is organizing its annual Fire and Burn Safety Program for East Jordan kids.

More than 670 children, ages 5 to 12, will receive educational fire prevention materials created and geared to each specific age level. The comprehensive program includes fire safety guidebooks that contain 24 activity pages designed by educators to

stimulate awareness and independent thinking about everyday fire hazards. Other fire safety booklets, folders, posters and brochures are also made available.

The East Jordan Fire Department is in the process of mailing sponsor request letters explaining the program to area business, industrial, and professional leaders, seeking financial support to help cover the

cost of the materials used by the department.

Those who do not receive a letter, but wish to contribute, can mail a check to the department, made out to National Fire Safety Council.

According to East Jordan fire chief Glen Thorman,

this is the only program of this type that the department will be conducting this year.

Anyone who encounters solicitation for support by phone or in person, without a letter from Thorman, should call the fire department immediately.

Boyer Falls athletes named All-Academic

Three student athletes from Boyer Falls have been named to the Northern Lakes Conference All Academic team for basketball.

Megan Pernicano,

Ashley Mauchmar, and Melissa Anthony all received the All Academic nod. Pernicano was also named to the All Conference team in basketball for the fall of 2003.

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Shopper's dock problem solved, for now

■ City of Boyne City opts to repair, extend life of ailing city shopper's dock

Though earlier indications were that a portion of Boyne City's deteriorating shopper's dock was beyond repair, further study concluded that the "L" section of the dock could still be saved.

According to city manager Michael Cain, despite previous recommendations to remove the 10-foot by 55-foot section and/or reconfigure the shopper's dock, it was decided that, based on information from Bulmann Dock and Lift of Boyne Falls, the "L" section could be saved, at least for the short-term.

"We were able to repair the whole thing without shortening it," Cain said, adding that workers were "pretty much wrapping [the project] up" last week.

Though it was rebuilt five years ago, a section had in recent months been determined to be badly deteriorating, due to harsh wind and wave conditions in the city marina.

"During a couple of storms this year," Cain said last month, "we weren't sure if we weren't going to lose it altogether."

Options presented to the commission included the removal of the section, finishing off the remaining "I"

to serve as a stand-alone dock, or removing the section and lengthening the remaining "I" by 55 feet.

Though rebuilding the section had been presented as an option it was not, at that time, recommended by staff, based on information

provided by Flotation Docking Systems, Inc., based in Cedarville, and former city planner Tim O'Leary.

Ideally, however, preserving the "L" shape of the dock would prevent possible complications, includ-

ing a loss of boat storage space as well as a loss of wind and water protection for the general marina area.

The commission tabled the issue last month for further study. Subsequently, an inspection by Bulmann Dock and Lift determined

that, Cain said, the dock was "salvageable."

Still, the fix is by no means a long-term solution. "It was rebuilt about five years ago," Cain said, so "if this lasts five more years, by then we'll be working on our new marina." ■

A good cause

■ Easter Seals will benefit from basket raffle

A Christmas "Party" Basket raffle is raising funds for Easter Seals, the backers of the Loan Closet, an organization that supplies walkers, wheelchairs, and more for those who need them.

Established in Charlevoix County 50 years ago, the Loan Closet is currently run by volunteers Lynda Christensen and Gen Varnum in Boyne City, under the auspices of Easter Seals. Though "it was suggested that we ask for \$5 donations for use," Varnum said, the practice has been to simply allow donations to Easter Seals on an at-will basis. Equipment, stored in space provided by Charlevoix Area Hospital and Boyne Storage, is acquired primarily through donations, including that received from families "after their family member is no

longer in need." Giving in general, however, has been down around the country and closer to home, meaning that to continue some fund-raising efforts will have to be made. Christensen and Varnum are selling tickets for the Christmas Basket raffle, with the winner to be drawn at the Holiday Hobbycraft Show at Boyne City High School on Saturday, Dec. 6. Ticketholders need not be present to win. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5, and are available at Lynda's Real Estate, 112 S. Park St., Boyne City. For more information, call 582-9555.



Lynda Christensen and Gen Varnum have long run the Loan Closet in Boyne City.

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Holiday Giving

Concord Academy Boyne's National Honor Society recently collected 43 boxes of items for Boyne Area Community Christmas. The National Honor Society members, pictured at left with elementary participants, join others in the area collecting donations for the annual effort, which provides food and gifts for community members in need at the holidays. For more information or to make a donation to Boyne Area Community Christmas, call Ardith Hawley at 582-7880.

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of this notice the sum of \$127,873.50 including interest at the rate of 10.686% per annum together with any additional sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.
NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of December, 2003 at 10 o'clock a.m., the undersigned will:
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foreclose said mortgage by selling at public auction to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amounts due on said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorneys fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:
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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, in the main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse, Charlevoix, Mich., on Friday, Dec. 12, 2003, at 11 a.m. Said premises are situated in the Township of Wilson, County of Charlevoix, and State of Michigan and are described as:
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LETTERS

Boyne City Carter's isn't going anywhere

TO THE EDITOR:

Boyne City Carter's is here to stay!
In the interest of stifling any existing rumors, we are happy to report that the Boyne City Carter's is alive and well! With the recent reorganization of Carter's stores across the state, Boyne City's local Carter's showed strong enough local support to keep its doors open. Corporate Carter's has made recent long range investments in strengthening our local Carter's store facilities in Boyne City. With continued community support, Carter's plans to stay and serve our community for a long time to come!

Scott MacKenzie, director
Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce

Volunteers need help on area trail systems

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing out of concern for our trail system. This fall we had a lot of help, from good-hearted volunteers who traveled long distances to come up north to help us get the Blue Bare trail northwest of Grayling ready for the upcoming season.

We put in a total of over 1,200 manhours getting the Blue Bare, and the Jordan Valley trail system ready for the upcoming season.

I received a call from Rick Brewer from the Kalkaska D.N.R. about missing signs. Someone had taken down the signs, dumped them in a pile and took the posts.

We always expect some lost signs during the gun deer season but we came to find out that it was worse than expected. Another 30 or so signs were missing on the connector between Starvation Lake and Alba, Mich. We also have had some severe storms in the last couple of weeks bringing down many trees. They also have to be removed before the trails are ready. This takes away from the things we should be doing at this time of year. For example, we have been working with the D.N.R. and also the Kalkaska County Fire Rescue and the Volunteer Fire Rescue who just finished G.P.S. signing the Blue Bare Trail, installing 911 signs; these will make it possible for them to get necessary emergency equipment when they need to. These were paid for through fundraising. So you now know what it takes to put the trail system together so you can come north for a good time.

After speaking with the D.N.R. law enforcement and reading the snowmobile law it has been determined that a fine of up to \$100 per sign could be levied; also, if an accident occurred, much worse fines and jail time could be levied. Our main concern is we have other things to be doing at this time, such as teaching snowmobile safety classes to children. So all we can say now if you are hunting or just enjoying the outdoors please keep your eyes open and report anyone tampering with these signs. After all, these are your snowmobile dollars being wasted.

We need your help. If you are a club member and your club has time, get a hold of us through the adopt-a-club program with the Michigan Snowmobile Association. We need your help. Thank you.

Jim Kostin, president
Antrim County Snowmobile Club

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.



A nod to winter

The bowed heads of the these dried-up flowers, capped with fresh snow, seem resigned to the fact of winter's slow but steady arrival in the Jordan Valley.

photo by Vic Ruggles

LETTERS

More reward money offered for information on gazebo vandals

TO THE EDITOR:

Last week in The Citizen-Journal I read the article about the damage done to our gazebo in the Old City Park and I feel this vandalism is uncalled for and is very offensive to me.

I also read Leslie M. Neilson's letter to the editor about the gazebo. Leslie had told me she was going to write a letter and that she was going to offer \$100 reward for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of the person or persons responsible.

I told Leslie if she wrote the letter, I would also write a letter and I would offer another \$100 to this reward. I am doing that now.

If the City is offering \$200 and Leslie is offering \$100 and I am offering another \$100, that adds up to \$400 that someone could pick up if they know who did this. I am

sure the police would never tell who earned the \$400.

It is beyond me to think why some of these youths would destroy things just for the act of vandalizing.

The City had replaced a section of our sidewalk in front of our home this fall and before the cement got fully set up someone rode their bike through it. They not only just rode through it they put the brakes on so the tires would cut in deeper. I have seen where they did this in other places in town. This is also vandalizing.

Parents, do you know where your children are and what they are doing? Or don't you care? Maybe that is what is wrong with some of our youth, no one cares.

Someone out there knows who did this. Here is an easy way to make \$400.

Shirley Howie

A Mom's Life

With motherhood, total recall becomes a thing of the past

By CINDI PLACE

I have this on-going dialog with a friend of mine who is just beginning her walk down the road of motherhood. Before her child was born, I used to warn her that once she became a parent, the gray matter inside her brain would begin this inexplicable metamorphosis into mush. And I was speaking from experience!

Think about it...before kids, we could do homework, listen to music, all while keeping one eye on our favorite episode of "Love, American Style" (okay, so I'm dating myself). But, those days of multi-tasking are becoming fewer and fewer as I get older. And, I believe, I have my children to blame.

Before I became a parent, I was queen of the list-women. I could organize an entire year of activities on the pages of one notebook. I was able to remember telephone numbers, names and addresses of friends and family without any effort at all. That information was just ready and waiting for my total recall.

Prior to children, I can recall knowing exactly where everything belonged in my home. And, miracle of miracles when I went to look for some particular item, before there were two and three-year-olds running around my house, the item in question was usually right where it belonged. So, rarely was I searching the house looking for the book I KNOW I left on the kitchen table...before children, that is!

Maybe this is just a phenomenon that I alone have been "lucky" enough to experience. But I sort of doubt it. I

mean, am I the only mother ever who when talking to their children, can't seem to remember the name of the child I'm actually speaking to? Am I the only parent who drives to the store, locks the car making sure the cars keys are not locked in, makes a very quick purchase, and 10 minutes later can't remember where I put the car keys?

Or how about when you leave your car in a parking lot, make a note that your are in lane C, section 12 of the lot, but 15 minutes later can be found roaming the entire parking lot, trying to find the car that you are now sure has been stolen. Until you remember that you drove your husband's car and are therefore looking for the wrong vehicle. In the wrong color.

And I can't believe that I'm the only mom who walks into a room, intent on performing some important task, only to find myself completely at a loss as to what it was I needed to do. I have actually dialed the telephone to call someone to ask a question, and between the time I began dialing and when the telephone is answered, I have drawn a complete blank as to why I made the call in the first place.

Even after our first child was born, I had retained most of my faculties, at least in the memory area of my brain. And, as I've told my friend, the degeneration of a parent's brain cells is directly related to the age of one's child. And with multiple children, well suffice it to say the rate of memory loss simply multiplies. Until, right about the time your children reach their teenage years, you become, for all intents and purposes, brain dead.

Which, in retrospect, has probably been a blessing.

Mr. Gerald E. Evans

LETTERS

'Separation of church and state' is misunderstood

TO THE EDITOR:

As the holidays approach, I am greatly concerned about the widespread confusion over what is and is not acceptable seasonal religious expression in our community. Over the past few years, it seems that grave misunderstandings of the origin and meaning of the phrase "separation of church and state" have encouraged many government officials to embark on a mission to remove all references to religion from schools, government buildings, and public property.

The phrase "separation of church and state" doesn't even appear in the Constitution! It originated in 1802 in a private letter from Thomas Jefferson to a group of Baptist ministers in Danbury, Connecticut-13 years after the First Amendment was passed. And the courts have consistently ruled since then that eliminating all signs of religion from the public square is just as unconstitutional as establishing a religion. So, in response to recent efforts to censor Christmas in our community, perhaps it would help to clarify the forms of religious expression that are legal under the Constitution even under today's confused case law.

1. Students are free to express their religious beliefs in school. As long as it's not materially disruptive, students may express their beliefs verbally with phrases like "Merry Christmas"; through clothing that conveys religious messages with words, colors, or symbols; or through written materials like school assignments, religious cards, gifts, or tracts given to teachers and classmates (Lovell v. City of Griffin, 303 U.S. 444 [1938]; Westfield High School L.I.F.E. Club v. City of Westfield, 249 F. Supp. 2d 98 [D. Mass. 2003]).

2. At school, students can sing Christmas carols at concerts, teach the biblical origins of Christmas, and perform the Christmas story of Mary, Joseph, Jesus, and the shepherds. The Constitution does not require the exclusion of religion from public institutions. Christmas is part of our heritage and ingrained in our culture; therefore, expression of it through art and music and teaching of it as history serve both a religious and secular purpose. Provided these activities promote the "advancement of the students' knowledge of our society's cultural and religious heritage, as well as the provision of an opportunity for students to perform a full range of music, poetry, and drama that is likely to be of interest to the students and their audience," any of these activities can be conducted in public schools without creating an Establishment Clause problem (Florey v. Sioux Falls School District, 619 F.2d 1311 [6th Cir. 1980]; Stone v. Graham, 449 U.S. 39 [1980]).

3. Nativity displays can be placed in schools, parks, and government buildings. No Supreme Court decision has ever forbidden a private citizen from setting up a nativity display in a public park, as parks, streets, and sidewalks are all public forums traditionally devoted to "assembly and debate." Such displays may also be placed in public buildings provided the government has opened the property for expressive activity. The Free Exercise Clause assures religious speakers the same access to public forums given to secular speakers (Americans United for Separation of Church and State v. City of Grand Rapids, 980 R 2d 1538 [6th Cir. 1992]). Nor can private citizens be forced to include nonreligious objects such as snowmen in their faithbased displays (West Virginia v. Barnette, 319 U.S. 624, 642 [1943]).

Furthermore, even under current decisions, city governments may include a nativity in a seasonal display provided 1) there are a sufficient number of secular objects along with religious ones, 2) the secular objects are in close proximity to the religious ones, and 3) overall, the display is sufficiently secular (Lynch v. Donnelly, 465 U.S. 668, 671 [1984]).

The U.S. Constitution, laws, and court decisions are all constructed to protect and permit religious expression in both public schools and government buildings. So, attempts to remove Christ from Christmas do not stem from the Constitution, but from those who simply seek to silence the Christian message. And that is a violation of the Constitution!

Thank you for this opportunity to clarify the legal position on keeping Christmas a vital part of our heritage.

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NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

ON TUESDAY, Nov. 25, Ms. Bennett's East Jordan Elementary second grade class went to the East Jordan Senior Center to sing songs all about Thanksgiving. They also colored table decorations and placed them on each table at the Center. The students did a very good job singing and all attending hope they will come back for Christmas!

AN EARLY Thanksgiving dinner was held at the home of Dale and Chonnie Holzschu of Elmira on Sunday night, Nov. 23. Guests present were Kate and Bob Holzschu, Leona and Charlie Stanek, Justin Holzschu and friend Sara, and Casey Holzschu and friend Christy and also son Bobby Holzschu, who was suffering with strep throat.

CHRIS AND ERIKA MCCLEARY, along with daughter Riley, were the hosts to four generations of family members this Thanksgiving. Guests at their home included Ray and Terri Barnes of Grandville; Shawn and Natalie McCleary with children Alex and Isaiah of Wyoming, Mich.; Patrick McCleary of Alanson and Caroline McCleary and Joan Tompkins of Boyne City. All shared a wonderful dinner and a lovely afternoon.

HELEN AND CAL DEMING are happy to announce the arrival of a new great-granddaughter, born Nov. 24 to Liane Deming and Robbie Fisher of Flat Rock, N.C. New little Kyira Mehri weighed 7 lbs 13 oz and has a head of black hair, her mommy tells us. Her grandparents are Mary Goy and the late Tim Deming.

HEARTFELT SYMPATHIES go out to the friends and family of long-time Boyne City resident, Nyle Gould, who passed away at his home on Saturday, Nov. 29.

PAUL AND JOYCE HIBBARD of Millington left on Monday, after having spent a long Thanksgiving Day weekend here in

Boyne with his mother, Adell Hibbard.

BUD AND JEANNINE SEVERN spent Friday to Monday at their summer cottage on Stanek Road and visited the Dan Wilsons and the Charlie Staneks.

PAUL ZINCK and son Duncan of Belleville, Ill. are in Boyne City this weekend visiting his mother Meta Zinck and John and Diane Munk and family.

BARB AND JOHN IMEL spent Friday and Saturday in Midland visiting his father John and wife Nancy. John, Sr. is recuperating from open-heart surgery.

THANKSGIVING houseguests of the Oral Sutliffs were relatives from Ann Arbor. Carol (T.J.'s wife) Sutliff, son John and wife Theresa and their son, Josh. They all took in the Buffet Family Breakfast at the Presbyterian Church Saturday morning. "That was GREAT!" said my caller.

THANKSGIVING DAY guests at the Charlie Staneks were Chonnie, Dale, Casey and Bobby Holzschu; Betsy, Rick, Cody and Candice Olund; Barb and John Ime; Matt, Niki and Garret Imel; Holly and Noah Stanek and Rachel Boss and Aaron and Mikey Olund.

MICHELLE, KEITH and Justin Ellison of Clio spent the thanksgiving weekend with the Dan Wilsons and Keith enjoyed some deer hunting.

JERRY AND SARA DAVIS and daughter Jill of Durango, Colo. were here with his mother Florine Davis over the long holiday weekend. On Thanksgiving Day, they enjoyed dinner at the Boyne Ridge condo of Roger Michael (Mike) and Janet Smith. Janet's son Michael also joined them.

THERE WAS A good turnout on Sunday morning at the Free Methodist Church, in welcoming guest speaker, The Rev. Wayne Bul-

lock of Stanwood. A former pastor here for many years, he and his wife are leaving to spend the rest of the winter in Texas. Joining Pastor Mark and Cindy Bullock and Cody before they go were brother Paul and wife and family and sister, Shirley and Mark Hunter and family.

BRUCE GARNES was surprised by his wife Carol with a 50th birthday party on Saturday afternoon, as a few friends and family members gathered in the fellowship hall of the Boyne City Free Methodist Church for the fun of a surprise and light refreshments.

CONNIE AND TODD URMAN were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of her mother, Mary and Merle Carson. Mary was excited to have "run into" two former BCHS of '59ers, Jerry Davis and wife Sara and Jean (Anthony) Mundt and husband John in Traverse City over the weekend, as "the committee" will be gathering in January for planning our upcoming class reunion! The more e-mail addresses we can get, the better!

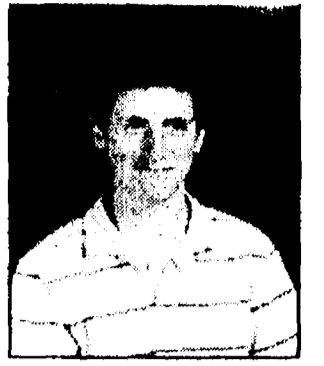
FRANK AND ANN SHALER have returned to Boyne after spending six weeks in sunny Florida. While there, they attended Frank's U.S. Navy reunion, enjoying the fun of seeing old friends and making new ones in Jacksonville Beach. They also watched two practice days of Blue Angel flyovers as well as another day of their grand show. They spent two weeks in an RV camp near Ocala and in Frostproof. They had a wonderful weekend visit with Frank's brother, George Shaler and wife Ellen in Naples. En route home, they spent three days in Hendersonville, N.C., visiting Ann's sister Molly and husband Jerry. Stopping in Saginaw, they visited Ann's sister and husband, Dr. Roy and Mrs. Margaret Hills. Here, at home, they enjoyed Thanksgiving with family.

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

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Boyne City

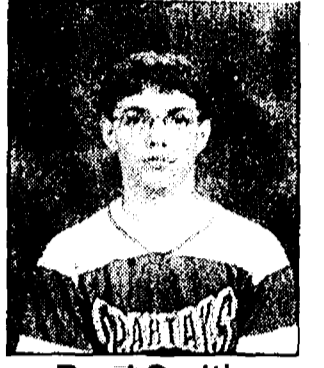
NAME: Ben Place
PARENTS: Andy and Cindi Place
GRADE: Senior
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Soccer, drama, Michigan Youth in Government, cross country, track, National Honor Society.
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Reading, running and working with computers.
FUTURE PLANS OR GOALS: "I plan to go to college and major in chemistry and pre-law then graduate from law school and work in government."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Ben is very deserving of student of the week," said Sandy Clausen. "He excels in both Physics and AP Calculus. Ben's level of understanding is very high in both classes. He is able to not only understand but explain what he is thinking to others. Congratulations Ben!"



Ben Place

Boyne Falls

NAME: Brad Smith
PARENTS: Kelly and Paula Harmon
GRADE: Sophomore
FAVORITE CLASS: Chemistry
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Play football
FAVORITE PROFESSIONAL TEAM: Minnesota Vikings
FAVORITE COLOR: Green
FAVORITE FOOD: Pizza
FAVORITE AUTHOR: Bill Waterson
FAVORITE MOVIE: The Grinch
FAVORITE TV SHOW: Punk'd
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Brad Smith adds a lot of flavor to English 10," said Mr. Garver. "He is an avid reader with a great sense of humor. His insights are very thoughtful." "He is a delight to have in the classroom," said Mrs. Howell.



Brad Smith

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

Petkewicz-Parton

Holly Jo Petkewicz and William David Parton exchanged marriage vows at a May 31 outdoor wedding in Grand Rapids, at Thornapple Hills Country Club.

The ceremony was performed by close friends Michael Wolfe and Bryan VanderArk, both pastors at Ada Bible Church.

The bride and groom were given away by their families Bill and Bea Parton of Charlevoix and Judy and Jerry Petkewicz of Charlevoix.

Maid of honor was Tina VanderMolen and bridesmaids were Bethany Purvis, Gretchen Knight, and Skylar Potter, sister of the bride.

Best man was Mark Adama and groomsmen were David Becksvooort, Jeffrey Oonk, and Peter Todd.

The master and mistress of ceremonies were Carla and Stan Gzym, cousins of the groom.

Holly and William graduated from Calvin College in Grand Rapids and now live in Morgan Hill, Calif. They are both employed by the Gilroy Uni-



Mr. and Mrs. David Parton

fied School District where they both teach middle school mathematics.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER FOOD DISTRIBUTION
Thursday, Dec. 4
 Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency (NMHSA) will hold a food distribution under the monthly Community Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) from 8:30-10 a.m. at the Boyne City Senior Center. The Community Supplemental Food Program targets nutritionally at risk mothers, infants, children and people aged 60 and older. For more information, call NMHSA in Petoskey at (231) 347-9070 or (800) 443-5518.

OPEN DOOR COFFEE HOUSE
Saturday, Dec. 6
 Jerry Huffman and friends will perform 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Open Door Coffee House in the East Jordan Senior Center on Main Street. Donations will be accepted at the door for the nondenominational, family event. Coffee and tea are free, pizza and pop are available.

BCHS CLASS TRIP FUNDRAISER
Tuesday, Dec. 9
 A group of students at

Boyne City High School will hold a Chili and Chicken Noodle Soup Supper at the school from 4:30-7:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for kids ages 10 and under. Children under 3 are free.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE
Monday, Dec. 15
 The American Red Cross will hold a special blood drive from 1-6:45 p.m. at the St. Matthew Catholic Church in Boyne City.

FOOD PANTRY
Every Sunday
 The East Jordan Baptist Church holds a food pantry every Sunday from 3-5 p.m. at the church located at 812 Ontario Street. For more information, call 536-7155.

EJ FOOD PANTRY
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.

OES CHAPTER 95
First Monday
 The OES Evangline Chap-

ter 95 meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Masonic Lodge, 212 N. Lake Street. All OES members are invited. For membership, call 582-6819 or 582-0506.

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. The food pantry is located at 401 State Street.

JORDAN VALLEY VFW MEETING
Second Tuesday
 A meeting of the Jordan Valley VFW Post 7580 is held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the East Jordan VFW Hall. For more information call 544-5312.

JV VFW POTLUCK
Third Tuesday
 A potluck dinner of the Jordan Valley VFW Post 7580 and Auxiliary is held at 6 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the East Jordan VFW Hall. For more information call 544-5312.

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.

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.

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 582-6278.

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 or call 582-7811 at that time.

AA MEETINGS
Weekly
 The Boyne Valley Group of AA 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.

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Holiday Calendar



Boyne City

WREATHS & ANGELS AUCTION

Through Dec. 6
The Wreaths & Angels silent auction to benefit the Boyne Food Pantry will be held through Dec. 6. Items for auction are on display at the Red Mesa Grill, downtown Boyne City. Winning bids will be announced at 11 a.m., after the Judy Kuheana Memorial Breakfast. For information, call Jerry Kelts, 582-7727.

LIGHTS OF LOVE
Wednesday, Dec. 3
The Lights of Love tree lighting will be held at 6:30 p.m. at 201 E. Water St., Boyne City (next to Dairy Queen). Sponsored by Eta Nu, the Lights of Love benefits the Hospice of Northwest Michigan.

JUDY KUHEANA MEMORIAL BREAKFAST
Saturday, Dec. 6
The breakfast will be held from 8-10:30 a.m. at the Red Mesa Grill. The menu will include spicy South American entrees as well as traditional American breakfast items. Cost: \$7 for

adults, \$4 for children 11 & under. All proceeds benefit the Boyne Food Pantry.

HOLIDAY HOBBYCRAFT SHOW

Saturday, Dec. 6
The annual Holiday Hobbycraft Show will be held from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Boyne City Middle School (formerly the Boyne City High School).

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
Saturday, Dec. 6
The United Methodist Church of Boyne City will hold its annual bazaar from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., featuring baked goods, candy, toys, crafts, Christmas gifts and more. A soup and salad bar luncheon will be served from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. The church is located at 324 S. Park St., Boyne City.

BCES CHRISTMAS SING 2003
Thursday, Dec. 11
At 6:30 p.m., the Boyne City Elementary School kindergarten and second grade classes will present their annual holiday show, followed at 7:30 p.m. by the first and third grade classes. Both performances will take place at the Boyne City High School Performing Arts Center.

COOKIE WALK/HOLIDAY RUMMAGE SALE
Saturday, Dec. 13
A Christmas Cookie Walk and Winter/Holiday Rum-

mage Sale sponsored by the Boyne City Presbyterian Women will be held from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at the church, located at the corner of Park and Pine streets in Boyne City. Proceeds from the cookie walk will support mission and outreach programs; proceeds from the winter/holiday sale will go to the Building Fund of First Presbyterian Church.

BCES FOURTH GRADE SHOW
Tuesday, Dec. 16
The Boyne City Elementary fourth grade class will present "Elfs and the Sleigh Riders" at 7 p.m. at the Boyne City High School Performing Arts Center.

BOYNE AREA COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS
Monday, Dec. 22
The Boyne Area Community Christmas volunteers will be packing food, clothing, toys and other donated items for pick-up and delivery at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Boyne City, beginning at 10 a.m. Donations of money, new toys, hats and mittens, and non-perishable foods are being accepted until the day of the event. Volunteers are needed to help pack items and for delivery. For more information, call Arndth Hawley at 582-7880.

To have an item added to the holiday calendar, call 582-6761.



East Jordan

JRAC MEMBERS ART FOR SALE

Through Dec. 19
On Sunday, Dec. 1, the Jordan River Art Center will host an opening reception from 1-4 p.m. for the annual members' Art for Sale event. "Art for Sale" will run through Dec. 19. The art center is located at 301 Main St. in East Jordan.

LIONS CLUB TREE SALE
Weekend
The East Jordan Lions Club annual tree sale is now underway, on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays at East Jordan True Value and Jordan Valley Floral. For more information, contact any Lions Club member.

COMMUNITY NIGHT/FESTIVAL OF THE BELLS
Thursday, Dec. 4
Downtown businesses will be taking part in the annual Community Night and Festival of the Bells event, with special deals and open house activities. Ring a bell between 4-9 p.m. at participating businesses and re-

ceive a discount or gift. Get your "passport" to be eligible for a \$100 gift certificate. Children's Christmas Trees will be featured at participating businesses, with gifts under \$10 for children under 12 to purchase for family and friends. The Jordan River Art Center will feature extended hours, open until 8 p.m. during the event with their Holiday Members Art for Sale.

GREENS MARKET AND BAKE SALE
Friday, Dec. 5
The East Jordan Garden Clubs will hold its annual Greens Market and Bake Sale event at the Civic Center from 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

SANTA PARADE/VISIT WITH SANTA
Saturday, Dec. 6
Santa will arrive in East Jordan with the annual Santa Parade down Main Street at 10 a.m. After the parade, Santa will visit with kids in the senior center, where there will be cookies and hot chocolate. The event is sponsored by the East Jordan Lions and Lionesses.

SNO-MOBILE BREAKFAST
Sundays, beginning Dec. 7
A snowmobiler breakfast will be held at the East Jordan Sno-mobile Club on Mt. Bliss Road in East Jordan from 7 a.m.-12 noon.

EJMS WINTER BAND & CHOIR CONCERT
Thursday, Dec. 12
The East Jordan Middle School band and choir will give their winter concert at 7 p.m. at the middle school.

DINNER WITH SANTA
Thursday, Dec. 11
Area families are invited to enjoy dinner with Santa Claus from 4:30-7 p.m. in the East Jordan Elementary School cafeteria. The cost is \$2 per person.

COMMUNITY BAND HOLIDAY CONCERT
Sunday, Dec. 14

The Jordan Valley Community Band will perform their annual holiday concert at 2 p.m. at the East Jordan Middle School.

EJES K-1 GRADE HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Monday, Dec. 15
The East Jordan Elementary School kindergarten and first grade classes will present "Happy Holidays" at 7 p.m. in the elementary school gym.

EJES 2-3 GRADE HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Tuesday, Dec. 16
The East Jordan Elemen-

tary second and third grade classes will present "Season's Greetings" at 7 p.m. in the elementary school gym.

EJES 4TH GRADE HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Wednesday, Dec. 17
The East Jordan Elementary fourth graders will present "An All American Christmas" at 7 p.m. in the elementary school gym.

EJHS HOLIDAY BAND & CHOIR CONCERT
Thursday, Dec. 18
The East Jordan High School band and choir will perform a holiday concert at 7 p.m. at the high school.

CHRISTMAS DRAMA
Sunday, Dec. 21
The Lighthouse Missionary Church, 7824 Rogers Rd., will present a Christmas drama at 10:30 a.m.

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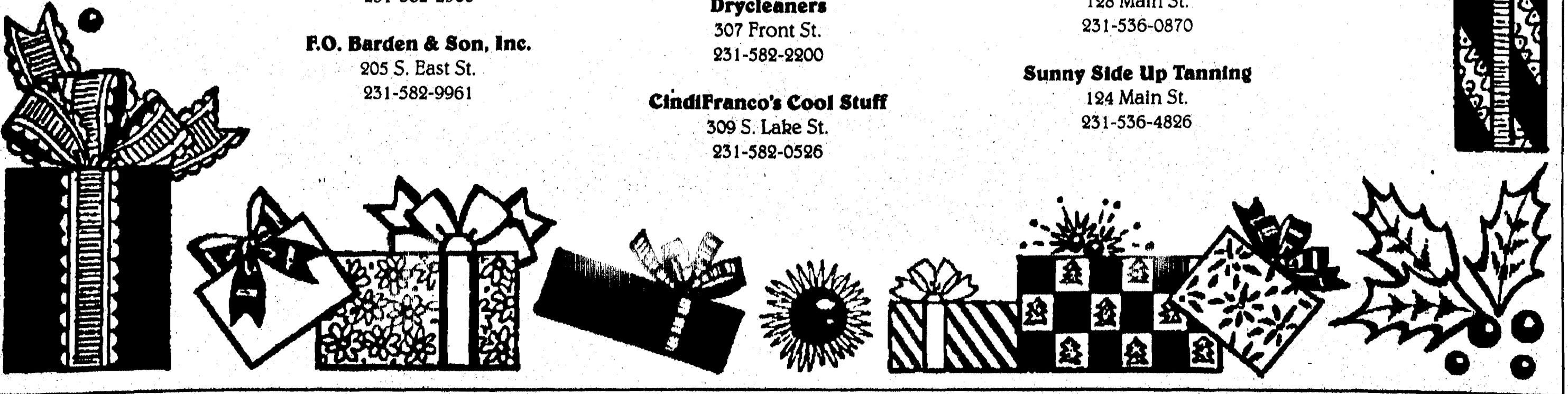
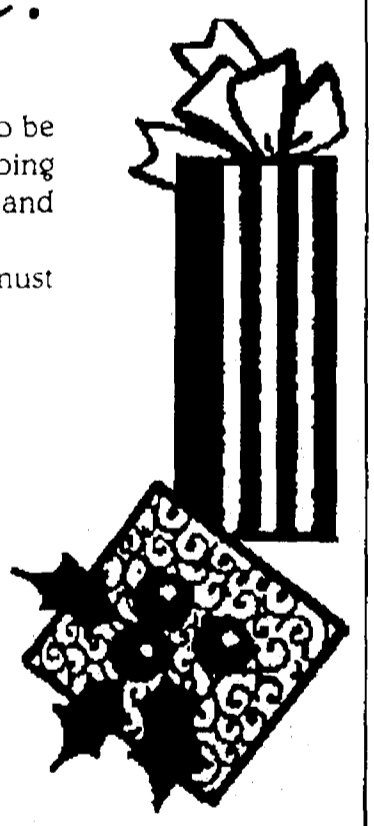
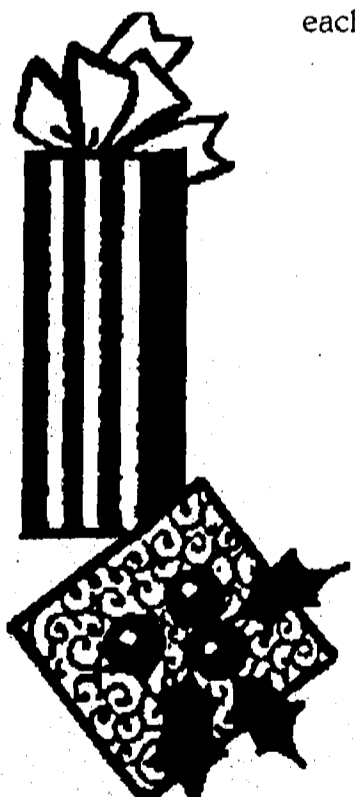
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POLICE REPORTS

Boyer City Police Department

The following information has been provided by the Boyer City Police Department.

Monday, Nov. 24: 911 hang-up checked on North Lake Street; unlock of vehicle at Parkview Apartments; property check on Pearl Street; officer assisted at Litzenger Apartments; 911 hang-up check on East Division Street; assist on Front Street.

Tuesday, Nov. 25: Two trespassing complaints on West Street and East Main Street area.

Wednesday, Nov. 26: Malicious destruction of property on West Division

Street; drive from Shell; property check on Bay Street; unlock at Carter's; unlock vehicle at East Water Street; personal protection order violation; noise complaint on River Ridge Lane; citation issued for disregard stop sign; one arrested for operating while intoxicated, lodged at Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department; malicious destruction of property on Front Street; 911 check on East Lincoln Street; assisted with family dispute.

Thursday, Nov. 27: 911 check on State Street; business alarm check on Water Street; citation issued for expired plate.

Friday, Nov. 28: Officer assisted Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department on Lakeshore Drive; unlock at Litzenger Apartments; parking complaint on South Lake Street; assist on Groveland Street; citation for speed; one arrested for operating

while intoxicated.

Saturday, Nov. 29: Assisted Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department on Addis Road with domestic; unlock at Litzenger Apartments; assisted at Parkview Apartments; trespassing arrest at

Parkview Apartments; harassing phone call complaint from North Lake Street; 911 hang-up check on South Lake Street; drive off from Boyer Mobil.

Sunday, Nov. 30: Property check on Boyer Avenue; speed citation issued.

Public invited to open house at humane society on Dec. 7

The Charlevoix County Humane Society will host an open house on Sunday, Dec. 7, from 2-5 p.m.

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

Lot 1 of Maple Leaf Subdivision as recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Charlevoix County, Michigan.

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. 19, 2003
ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Citifinancial Mortgage Company, Inc., As Assignee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 201.1632

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale
THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid

amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James C. McMichael, Jr., and Vikki R. McMichael, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Homestead Mortgage Company, A Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 27, 1997, and recorded on October 31, 1997 in Liber 325 on Page 0509, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Nationsbank Mortgage Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated March 3, 1998 recorded on April 13, 1998 in Liber 335 on Page 533, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Three Thousand Thirty-Three And 79/100 Dollars (\$53,033.79), including interest at 8% 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 at 11:00 AM, on January 9, 2004.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: West Forty (40) feet of Lot number Six (6), Block number Fifteen (15), NICHOLL'S SECOND ADDITION to the Village of South Lake (now City of

East Jordan) according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 43, Charlevoix County Records.

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

Dated: December 3, 2003
For more information, please call:
FC G 248.593.1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For BA Mortgage, LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of America, N.A.) successor in interest by merger of Nationsbank Mortgage Corporation
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #005161F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Terry W. Howard, a single man and Brenda L. Bare, a single woman, as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., mortgagee, dated Sept. 13,

1999 and recorded Sept. 20, 1999 in Liber 372, Page 336, Charlevoix County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Six and 67/100 Dollars (\$102,426.67) including interest at the rate of 7.25% 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 in Charlevoix County, Michigan at 11 a.m. on Dec. 5, 2003.

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

Commencing at an iron stake at the north 1/4 corner of Section 33, Township 33 North, Range 5 West; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 59 seconds East 1286.06 feet to an iron stake; thence Southerly to an iron stake on the North and South 1/4 line which is 1816.01 feet South 00 degrees 14 minutes 01 seconds East of said North 1/4 corner, being the point of beginning of this description; thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 01 seconds East 165.50 feet to an iron stake; thence North 88 degrees 11 minutes 43 seconds East 207.01 feet to an iron stake on the Westerly line of Highway US 131; thence Northerly along said Highway line to its intersection with a line which is South 88 degrees 39 minutes 17 seconds East of the point of beginning; thence North 88 degrees 39 min-

utes 17 seconds West to the point of beginning; being part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 33.

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 third party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: Nov. 5, 2003
Orlans Associates Pc
Attorneys for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., As Mortgagee
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BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING - Nov. 13, 2003

Amended Bay Township General Fund Budget for year ending March 31, 2004. Approved payment of Township obligations totaling \$18,500. Approved selection of Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council at a cost of \$14,800 to serve as consultants/facilitators for Bay Township Land Use Plan update. Adopted Great Lakes Energy Cooperative Electric Franchise Ordinance, Hazardous Materials Release Cost Recovery Ordinance and Telecommunications Ordinance. Endorsed community group's application to The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians for grant monies for Horton Bay School House Improvements. Selected H & D, Inc. for \$49,500 contract covering certain improvements to roads in Villa de Charlevoix subdivision.

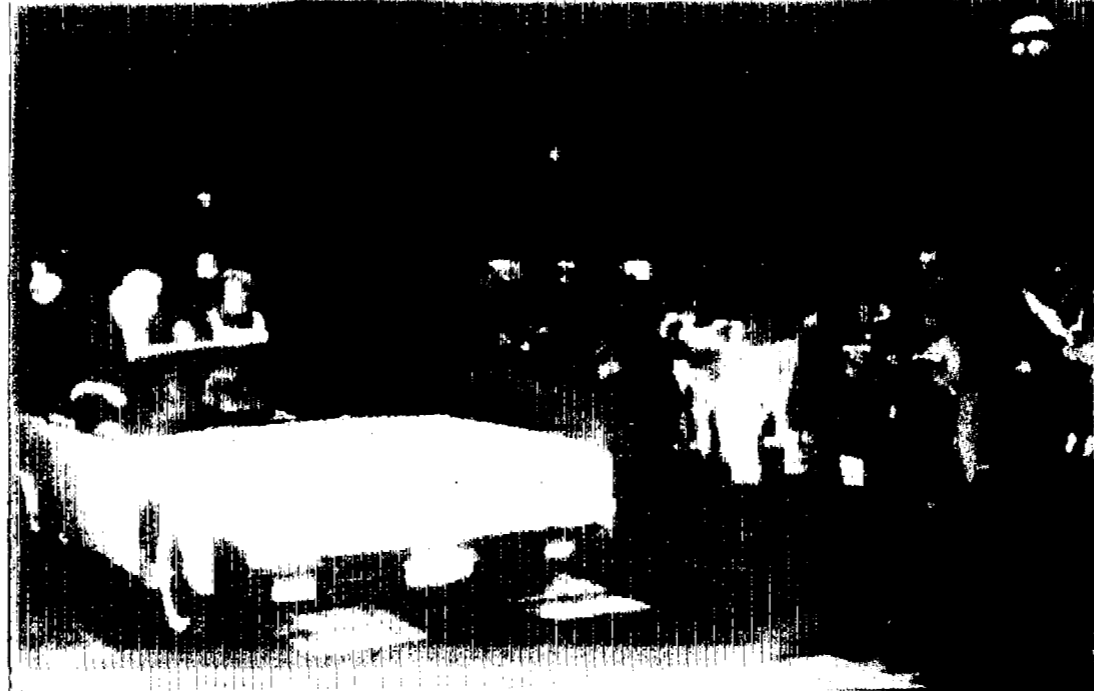
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Holiday cheer

It was a blustery night on the streets of Boyne City last Friday, but that didn't stop crowds of holiday revelers (top right) from taking to the downtown for the annual Santa Parade and Holiday Open House. Santa Claus himself visited with area kids, including Blake Courtright of Boyne City, above, who exchanged a meaningful look with St. Nick at the gazebo in Old City Park.

photos by Vic Ruggles



Keeping kids easy while they waited their turn to sit on Santa's lap wasn't hard, with portable fireplaces set up in Old City Park, complete with the requisite marshmallows, left. The evening also featured a Holiday Open House, with businesses keeping their doors open later and serving up party treats for shoppers. Special "Holiday Cash" coupons handed out throughout the evening are still available at the Main Street Program office at 112 S. Park St., Suite A.

Wreaths & Angels

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miliar with a successful "Wreaths and Trees of Christmas" fund-raiser concept. Here in Boyne City, the wreaths and trees concept worked well, but the event was held far enough in advance of the holiday that, said Kelts, "the trees kept drying out." Instead of abandoning the concept, he simply made the switch from trees to angels, and voila, a winning fundraiser was born.

The event, which has in the last seven years been held in conjunction with the Judy Kuheana Memorial Breakfast, has become a key element in the pantry's most successful fund-raising.

"It's the biggest thing we do all year," Kelts said of the auction and breakfast. "We make close to \$2,000 between the angels and the breakfast."

The breakfast, set for Saturday, Dec. 6, began seven years ago, following the death of Kelts' sister, Judy Kuheana, the founder of the food pantry. "My sister passed away in October [of 1996], and the following year, Red Mesa contacted me [about starting a memorial breakfast]," Kelts said. He liked the idea, and Red Mesa has kept up the tradition ever since. "It's great," he said. "The staff, cooks, wait-

time." As always, this year's breakfast will feature a breakfast buffet of South American-themed breakfast items as well as traditional American fare. The event runs from 8-10:30 a.m. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for kids age 11 and under. The wreaths and angels, donated by local businesses and individuals, up for bid in the silent auction are already on display at Red Mesa. Auction winners will be announced at the Dec. 6 breakfast. All proceeds benefit the Boyne City Food Pantry.

For more information, call Jerry Kelts at 582-7727.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Ernest Peterson Post 228

At the regular meeting of Ernest Peterson Post 228, held Nov. 6, the membership report indicated that dues continue to come in and stands at 121 paid. Chaplains Gondzar and Cosier reported on area veterans who are sick, disabled, shut-in or have answered the final call and reported that Grandvue veterans were moved to newly completed rooms.

The bingo report stated that bingo would be canceled Dec. 23 and 30 and would resume Jan. 6, 2004. The Dec. 16 bingo will be the Christmas bingo where some hams will be given away.

The Tabs For Tots Program plaques have been engraved with the pounds of tabs collected by each school and returned for display.

To have news of your club or organization included in The Citizen-Journal, send items to P.O. Box A, Boyne City, MI 49712, or e-mail to citizen@voyager.net.

The Post birthday dinner was a success with 60 attending.

The Honor Guard conducted the Veteran of the Month ceremony for Robert Stackus and Donald Trojanek.

The post donated \$50 to the Alzheimer's walk-a-thon attended by Peg Crozier.

The Post Christmas party will be Dec. 27 and will include a potluck supper.

The January regular meeting will be the second Thursday, Jan. 8.

The next regular meeting will be Dec. 4 and will be preceded by the Veteran of the month ceremony at 6:15 p.m. followed by a potluck supper and area veterans are welcome to break bread with the Post members.



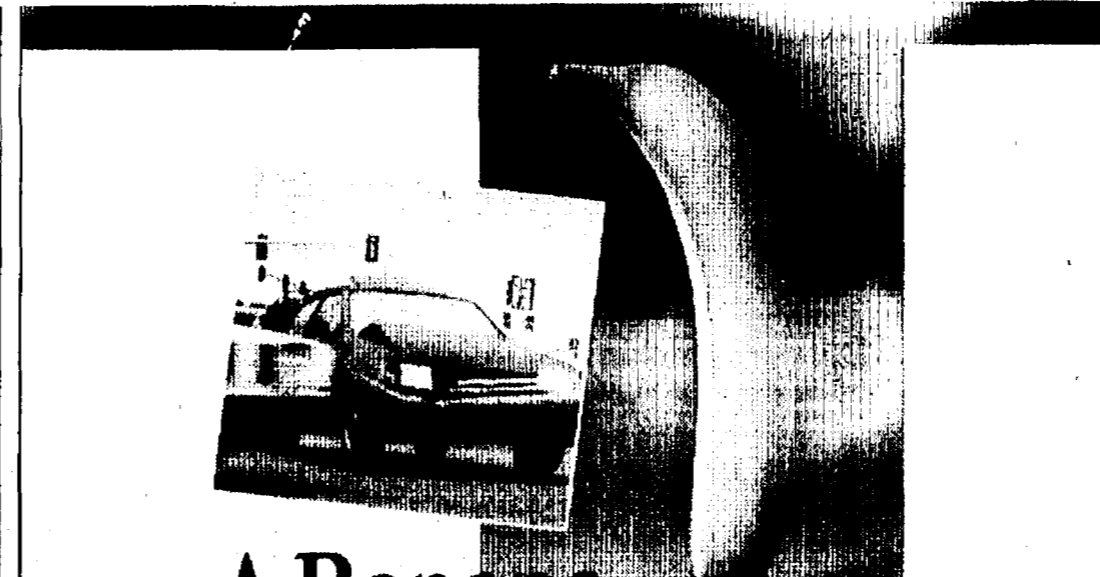
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By Steve Czerkes Pharmacist

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