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AT A GLANCE

Fiddlers will take the stage in EJ on Saturday

Music lovers of all ages will have a chance to take part in some old-fashioned fun at the Jordan Valley Fiddler's Jamboree, set for Saturday, March 6, at noon, at the Harvest Barn Church (formerly the Jordan Valley Express) o M66 in East Jordan.

Fiddlers will register as they arrive, and will be assigned time slots in the order they register. Each fiddler plays three songs of his or her choice. Other types of musicians are also welcome to take part; the only requirement is that instruments are not electrified.

Performances will run through the afternoon, with an open mike time set for 5-7 p.m., in which participants and attendees may sing or play any instrument they choose. From 7-10 p.m., everyone's invited to kick up their heels with a good old-fashioned square

There is no cost for admission, but at will donations will be accepted. Proceeds will benefit are music students through scholarships.

For more information, call Bill Stevens at 547-9153 or Rod Stevens at 5475757.

Main Street Program to host 'round table' meeting in BC

The Boyne City Main Street Program is hosting a round table meeting on Monday, March 8, for volunteers and interested individuals. The meeting will provide an opportunity to udpate committees on current and future projects, as well as review accomplishments of the program.

The meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. at Boyne City City Hall.

Refreshments will be served, and the meeting is open to the public.

For more information, call Main Street Program manager Kelly Larson at 582-9009, or e-mail her at bemainst@ localnet.com.

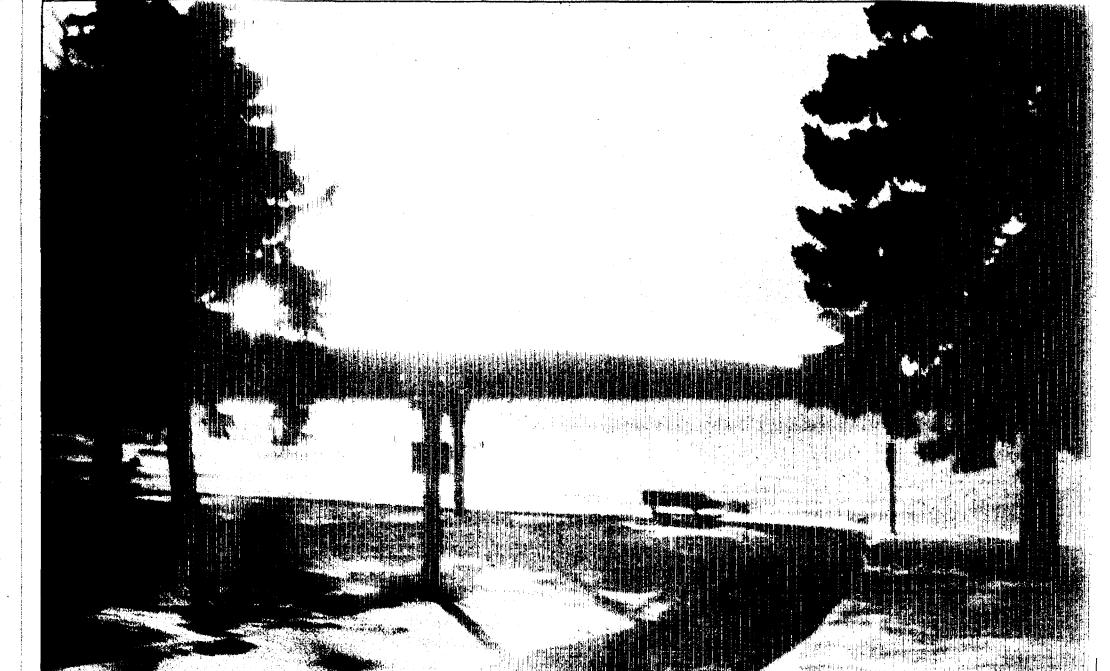
Outfall location will be topic at meeting on March 9

The City of Boyne City is notifying residents that the outfall discharge location for the wastewater plant expansion project will be discussed at the city commission's next regular meeting, set for Tuesday, March 9, at 7 p.m.

Action may be taken on the issue at that evening's meeting which is, as always, open to the

The meeting will be held in the commission chambers at Boyne City City Hall, 319 N. Lake St.

For more information, call city hall at 582-6597.



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photo by Laura Cassidy

Community auditorium set to open in East Jordan May 7

East Jordan Thespians will christen the stage with the magic of Rogers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella"

By LAURA CASSIDY Contributing Writer

The magic of Rogers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella" will christen the stage of the new community auditorium at East Jordan High School this spring, with the East Jordan Thespians' spring musical set for the May 7 grand opening performance. Construction on the addition, part of a major construction project involving all three school buildings in the East Jordan School District, began in May 2003, and the musical's opening, normally scheduled for March, was pushed back to May so the auditorium will be ready.

In addition to the May 7 opening, performances are set for May 8, 9, 14 and 15. The new facility seats 500 in comparison to the cafetorium, which seated only 225; the expanded seating capacity will allow 1,375 additional tickets to be sold, and those who have not had a chance to attend one of the performances in the past will have the opportunity this year

(each of the previous five years, tick-structed and stored. The band room, ets for all five nights of the performances have sold out within an hour of their release). According to director Paula Vollbach, ticket prices are being rolled-back because of the increased number of seats available. Student and senior tickets will cost \$2 and adult tickets will cost \$3 — "Much cheaper than seeing a movie," Vollbach said, and much more memorable.

As construction continues in earnest, the form of the structure is rapidly filling out. A tour of the new complex begins in the pillared lobby, which is large enough for art displays to be held. From there two entrances wrap into the auditorium, while an elevator to the upper level can also be accessed from the lobby. In the rear of the auditorium, a sound box overlooks the entire house. Overhead is a catwalk that will facilitate improved lighting. The new stage will have flown rigging and acoustic ceiling clouds. To one side of the stage is a set room, where sets will be con-

with an exit leading directly to the football field, is on the other side of the stage, and a large room for costume storage is located on the second

The East Jordan Thespians includes students in sixth through twelfth grades, and has performed under Vollbach's direction for 13 years, during which time she's directed thirteen musicals. During her career she has directed a total of 55 productions, 19 of which have been musicals. This, however, is her first attempt at Cinderella, a show she chose because she had a vision for the stage-set: it will be a giant storybook and each scene will be a page. The choice is especially suited to the opening of the new community auditorium, which, to her, is like a "dream come true" in a fairy tale. "It is beyond my wildest dreams," Vollbach said. "This town is my giant fairy godmother." Recalling the excitement of watching

see AUDITORIUM on pg. 3

Small turnout for town meeting in Boyne Falls

Only a handful of folks attended last week's Town Meeting at Boyne Falls Public School, seeking to learn more about the school's upcoming bond proposal, set to go before voters on Tuesday, April 20.

With 28 in attendance, school superintendent Mark Parsons indicated that though he had hoped for a larger turnout, he was encouraged that more than half of the attendees had not been present at the first town meeting, held in January.

The information presented was much the same as that first meeting, detailing plans for additions to the school carrying a price tag of \$2.65 million. Additions include two new rooms on the elementary wing, two new rooms on the middle school wing, a new science lab and computer lab on the high school wing, and a cafeteria expansion. Technical upgrades, including additional computers for the high school lab and a new server, as well as acoustics work to the gym and stage, are also part of the plan. The proposed projects were reluctantly cut from the original building plan based on the state's square footage regulations for bonding issues.

New information included an update on school board action regarding the proposal, including the adoption of a resolution at the board's Feb. 16 meeting, reducing the current 6 mill bond levy by 1.99 mils to 4.01. By doing so, the board set the stage so that the bond proposal currently on the table is not asking for a mill increase, but for a return to the 2003 level. The proposal, if passed on April 20, will increase the bond levy by 1.99 mills to return to the 6 mill level. With the current

see TOWN MEETING on pg. 12



First-grader Samuel Browning poses with his grandparents, Mark and Teresa Lambert, and Jim Jordan of the East Jordan Ambulance Service, after being honored for placing a 911 call that saved his grandfather's life.

Making the right call when it counts the most

■ EJES student Samuel Browning is honored by his school, East Jordan EMS after making crucial 911 call

It's not often that a first grader gets to be a bonafide hero, but for East Jordan Elementary student Samuel Browning, that's exactly what hap-

On Feb. 3, at 6:53 p.m., Browning placed a call to 911 that saved the life of his grandfather, Mark Lambert.

"The grandfather was not doing well," said East Jordan EMS director

"The child placed a phone call to 911, and because he placed that phone

call, it made the ultimate difference ing was recognized with a full assembetween life and death."

"If he didn't make that call, the results would have been most likely ex-

tremely different." memory, that the service had re- Peck said. sponded to a call placed by someone

so young.

It was an act that, Peck said, the EMS service, 911, and the East Jordan Public Schools didn't want to let pass unrewarded. Last week, Brown-

bly attended by his fellow students. honoring his actions.

"It's the first time I've seen anything like this in quite some time, and It was the first time, in Peck's we've never done an award like this."

The assembly, he hopes, not only served to recognize Browning, but also as an educational opportunity for other kids. "Hopefully, it will raise an awareness in other kids to do the things he did," Peck said.

■ Cast, crew, and volunteers are hard at work on BCHS spring musical production

By LAURA CASSIDY **Contributing Writer**

The curtain will rise on Saturday, March 20, for "Footloose," the Boyne City High School Drama Department's 2004 spring musical production.

Director Bob Wollenberg chose the rock musical this year for variety. "We did Peter Pan last year for the grand opening of the auditorium," he said. "We wanted to change the venue this year so it's not just like last year."

"After losing a lot of last year's talent, the young group came together and took it up a notch," he added, noting that this year's cast is "as good as any. Last year was the grand opening, so it was a huge year."

"We have a lot of fun things planned," said Wollenberg, who, since coming to Boyne City in 1972, has directed 31 productions.

"Footloose" is set in a small Oklahoma town, where the main character Ren, played by Jon Hoaglund, moved from Chicago with his mother after his parents' divorce. A city boy, Ren has trouble fitting in in the small town. He is hassled by his peers, teachers, coaches and principal. In addition to the hardship associated with being the new kid in town, Ren finds that his love of dance brings him trouble.

The town's officials, advised by a local minister, imposed a dancing ban after the minister's son was killed in an accident involving alcohol; the minister, played by Taylor Carlston, believed dancing caused the illicit behavior that led to his son's death. Ren decides to fight the ban.

At the same time, he falls for the minister's daughter, Adelaide, played by Amanda Westrick. More problems are created by Chuck, Adelaide's boyfriend, who realizes he is losing her to the "city kid." Comic relief is provided by Trevor Mapes as Willard, and his girlfriend, Rusty, played by Emily McLane.

Wollenberg stresses that this version of "Footloose" is not like the movie. "It's a fun show for the whole family," he said. "We altered it from PG-13 to G."

The production will not only bring the well-known chorale excellence to the stage; dance and comedy will be highlights of the show as well. "The show features a lot of funsongs that everyone in town will recognize," Wollenberg said. The musical score includes such songs as "Let's Hear it for the Boys," "Footloose" and "Almost Paradise" from the early 1980s. Dee Kelly is the department's music solo and chorale director. Her husband Bill is the "sound guy," responsible for the technical side of the music. Dancing, constructs life-size replications of Britton's models. Minchoreographed by student Hannah Decker, will comple- iatures of past productions are on display in cases our ide



The folks behind BCHS productions like Footloose become like one big family, with crew, cast, and volunteers taking meals together during brief breaks in the long days they put in prior to the show's debut.

ment vocal music in the production. According to Wollenberg, "the music is fun to dance to; it gets the kids fired up."

Accenting the performances of Boyne City drama department are the superior sets and costuming, created by a dedicated group of volunteers. The drama season begins for Chuck Britton before Christmas each year, when he creates scale-models of the all of the sets. Britton, a retired art teacher, has been designing sets for 36 years, 26 of them in Boyne City. Beginning in January, he works as many as six days a week to have the sets ready for March. By his side the entire time is "head builder" Bob Harmeling, who

the auditorium.

Costume design is headed by Wollenberg's wife and assistant director, Jackie. Although she has assisted with 30 of the shows Wollenberg has directed, this year's costuming is quite different. "We've never done anything this contemporary," Jackie said. It has been challenging because the fashion of the 1980s was "nebulous," as she described it. "No one I talked to could pinpoint what the style was like." Fortunately, Kecia Freed, one of the many who assist with costuming, dug up a 1986 hardbound Sears Catalog, which has served as their style bible.

Another challenge has been costuming the actors in a way that the audience will be able to distinguish the older characters from the younger. In order to make the difference pronounced, cast members playing roles of students will pull on leg warmers, lycra, scrunchie socks and wear crazy hair -- an opportunity that, according to Jackie, they are very excited about. She adds, "We're fortunate to have all the community help we do. It's what makes this program a success."

This year's cast has approximately 50 members, including eight students who are part of the tech crew. The techies are essential to the success of each performance. Beforehand they assist with set construction, and they work behind-the-scenes to facilitate the movement of sets during each show.

The curtain goes up on Saturday, March 20, at 8 p.m. Subsequent performances are scheduled for Sunday, March 21, at 2 p.m., Friday, March 26, at 8 p.m. and Saturday, March 27, at 2 p.m. The final show will be an 8 p.m. performance Saturday evening.

Tickets are available by calling the high school office at 439-8100, or Sue Breidenstein's office at 439-8127 during school hours. They can also be purchased from cast members. Tickets are \$5. Patron seating is available for \$10, which includes a donation to the drama department and ensures ticket holders one of the 200 best seats in the house.

Austrian brass band plans visit

In an effort to bring a little musical variety to Boyne City, the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce has announced plans to bring the Brassimus & Ensemble Montfort, an Austrian brass band, to the community this

The only catch is, they'll need a few beds.

The group consists of 26 musicians, including 19 high school students, who will be brought to the area as part of the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp's International Exchange Program. The group comes to give performances, but also to soak up a little local culture. And that's where host families come in.

"We're working now with them to find host families," said Boyne Area Chamber director Scott MacKenzie. "We want to see if there are families in the community willing to put them up for two nights."

In return for the board, the community will benefit with at least one, and maybe more than one, performance for the public. MacKenzie is working on the possibility of including the group in the "Evenings at the Gazebo" summer concert series held in Old City Park, as well as a possible performance in the bandshell in Veteran's Memorial

Dates for the group's stay are tentatively set for July 27-29. The key to making it happen, MacKenzie emphasizes, is lining up host families. Anyone interested in hosting, or who would like more information, can call the chamber at 582-6222.

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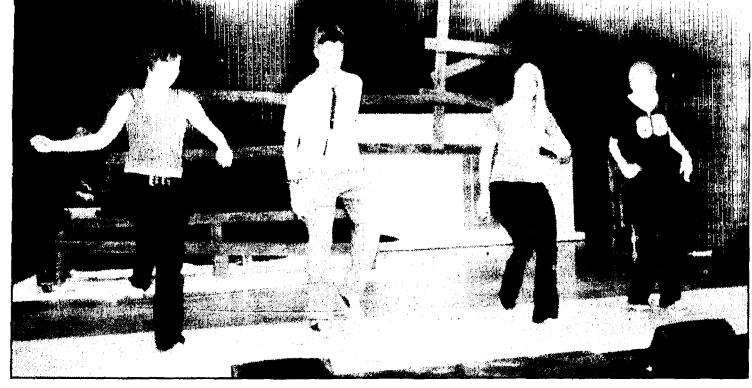
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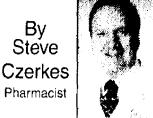
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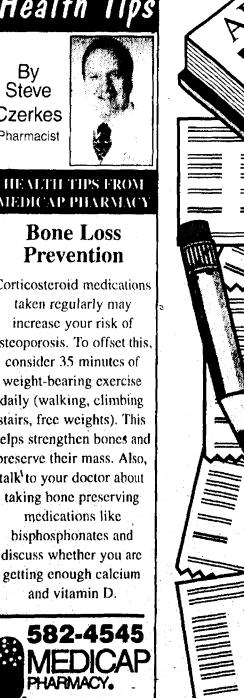
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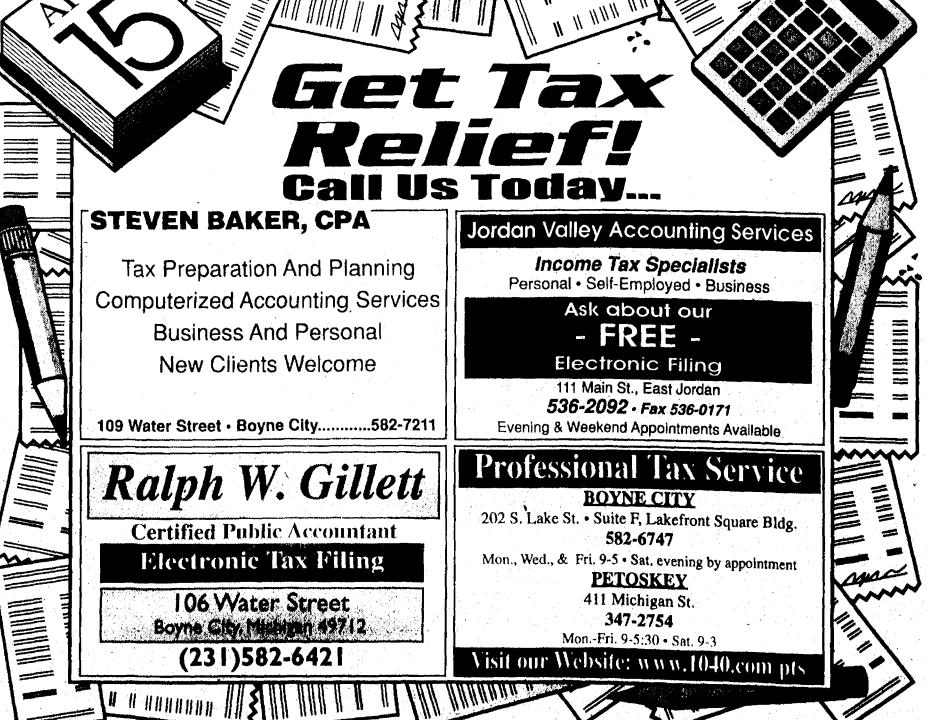
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A special night

■ East Jordan's very best honored at chamber's annual meeting and dinner

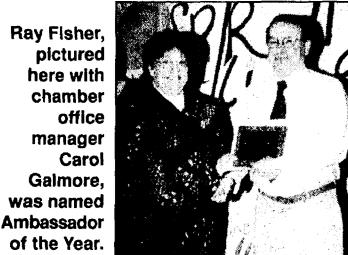
On Saturday, members of the East Jordan business community turned out for the Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting, dinner and auction, held at the Civic Center, to honor the community's "cream of the crop."

The recipient of the night's most prestigious award was Pastor Kimon Criner of the Harvest Barn Church. Former chamber president Mary Faculak called Criner "an individual with an unbelievable drive and inner strength, who even in times of adversity or challenge never gives up." Criner's accomplishments include the founding of the popular Hallelujah Night as well as involvement with the annual East Jordan Community Picnic, the East Jordan Food Pantry, East Jordan Sidewalk Sales, the Jordan Valley Freedom Festival, and "countless other educational and spiritual events over the years." Faculak also noted Criner's "energy, motivation, and

conviction." Criner was unable to attend the dinner, and his award was accepted in his absence by Harvest Barn Church

members Janenne and Herman Pung.

Ray Fisher, pictured here with chamber office manager Carol



Other award winners for the night included David Schweer, recipient of the President's Award, and Ray Fisher, recipient of the Ambassador of the Year hon-

Schweer was honored for his commitment to "keeping the downtown business district shoveled in the winter, swept in the spring, summer and fall, ready for the many business and property owners to welcome customers and guests," Faculak said. "While he is employed by several businesses, this individual goes above and beyond his job description making sure the sidewalks

and entrances . . . are always in top notch condition."

Fisher was noted for his work assisting at Methodist Church functions, Little League games, school events, the Community Picnic, and the annual meeting. He is, Faculak said, "always willing to lend a hand with a smile."

Also honored were the owners and developers of the Main Street Center, Todd and Floyd Wright, and Charlevoix State Bank, with the newly-established Renaissance Award. "This building and renovation, besides its visual impact, is even more than about bricks and mortar," Faculak said in presenting the award. "It is about vision, commitment, teamwork, and reinvestment. It is about



Harvest Barn Church members Janenne and Herman Pung were on hand to accept Pastor Kimon Criner's Citizen of the Year Award. Criner was unable to attend the ceremony.

spirit, pride, and goals."

The 2004 chamber board of directors was also introduced at the meeting. The board includes chairman Bill Himmelspach; vice chairman Teresa Stanek; treasurer Richard Hodgson; and board members Peggy Beck, Michael Haynes, Christine Swenor, Sarah Hodges and Fred Murray. Outgoing board members include Larry Oliver, Karen Walker, Sara Schroeder, and Barb Worgess.

Raffle winners for the night included Scott Fisher, \$1,000; Phyllis Lilak, \$500; Cathi Haney, \$250; Bill Himmelspach, \$100; Nathan Richards, \$50.

NEWS BRIEFS

Dates set for preschool recruitment sessions

In March, Northwest Michigan Human Services Head Start, CharlevoixEmmet Intermediate School District Early Education Be-Four Programs, East Jordan PREP Program, Little Traverse Bay Bands Head Start and the Women's Resource Center Project Free will be holding joint recruitment activities for free preschool programs in the Char-Em ISD service area.

In Boyne City, sessions will be held at the Boyne City Early Childhood Education Center in Room 10 on Tuesday, March 9, from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. and on Wednesday, March 10, from 1-7 p.m. In East Jordan, sessions will be held in the small gym at East Jordan Elementary School on Tuesday, March 16, from 1:30-6 p.m.; Wednesday March 17, from 1:30-8 p.m.; and Thursday, March 18, from 1:30-6 p.m. Sessions in Boyne Falls are to be announced.

The basic goal of the preschool programs featured is to encourage well-rounded development through teaching health, language, self-help and socialization skills, large and small muscle movement, and cognitive skills. The focus is on center and home-based activities involving teachers, community professionals, family service staff, and parents.

Preschool programs are available to families residing in Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties, for children ages 3 to 4. Those interested in applying can make an appointment through the Stepping Stones to School Network at (231) 547-6217 or toll free at 1-877-866-3714.

Worship schedule changes at East Jordan church

The Evangelical Lutheran Church, located at 7855 Rogers Rd., East Jordan recently changed its worship schedule. Sunday School classes for both children and adults begins at 9 a.m. and the worship service is at 10 a.m. During Lent the church is holding services on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Pastor Bob Carter at 536-7566.

Boyne City High School to hold orientation sessions

Boyne City High School students and their parents are invited to attend grade-specific orientations in the high school auditorium in March. During the events, in addition to registering for next year's classes, students will learn about course offerings, career pathways, graduation requirements and other educational opportunities.

The orientation nights are scheduled as follows: Class of 2005 (next year's Seniors) Tuesday, March 9, 7 p.m.-8 p.m.; Class of 2006 (next year's Juniors) Wednesday, March 10, 7 p.m.-8 p.m.; Class of 2007 (next year's Sophomores) Thursday, March 11, 7 p.m.-8 p.m.; Class of 2008 (next year's Freshmen) Thursday, March 18, 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

For more information, call Kevin King, 439-8129, or send e-mail to king@boyne.k12.mi.us.

Auditorium

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Cinderella as one of the two major television events of the year when she was a child, Vollbach hopes to notes, mysteriously, "I Constantine will be played have a couple surprises by Whitney Hershberger; planned."

The cast for this year's show was posted last Thursday, and is 57 members strong. Liz Hasseld will star as Cinderella; the Stepmother will be played

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by Margaux Rowley. Carol Elliott and Melody Bishop will play Joy and Portia, Cinderella's stepsisters; the Fairy Godmother will be and King Maximillian will be performed by Devin Brown. Vollbach casts her actors based on their audition performances. The first call was Sunday after-

As in the past, a host of volunteers will be key to the success of the production. The same committee has been working with played by Kim Beauvais; Paula since she began di-Dipzinski, who also choreographs the dancing. Brian Olszewsky is the associate producer and plays in the orchestra pit. The five to ten member pit is directed by elementary school music teacher, Donald Neidert, who also

directs the vocal music. Vollbach's mother, Shirley, is the costume director, and has been costuming for Vollbach's productions since Vollbach was an acthrill the audience with this Peter Sladick will act as recting in East Jordan. The tress in high school. Inyear's production. She Prince Charming: Queen show's producer is Ruby stead of making costumes. Brooks and her daughter. Community participation, from scratch, she "constructs" her costumes by finding appropriate pieces and building on them so they look like actual period clothing. Nancy Brooks assists Shirley with cos-

Technical director for

Vollbach's productions is Richard Brooks, who builds the stage sets that Vollbach designs. Barb Worgess of Jordan Valley Accounting subsidizes the Missy are the makeup and hair stylists, and Dawn Zimmer also works with hair and makeup as well as filling in wherever help is needed.

Rosie Chevez is another all-around assistant, and attends to details right down

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is put on by Marilyn and Sue Goebel. Student eligibility is tracked by Jean Schneider, the president of printing of tickets. Barb the Learning Alliance. to be sure, is integral to the success of Vollbach's productions, "The community support is huge," Vollbach asserts. "The people are what keep me here. If you believe in something for

our children, the commu-

nity gets behind you."

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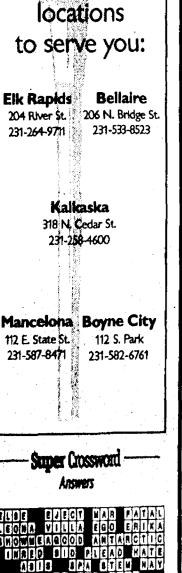
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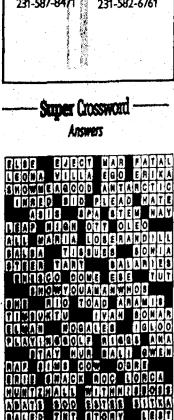
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OPINION

LETTERS

Information is critical to water stewardship

TO THE EDITOR:

Elected county drain commissioners in Michigan have had written rules for drainage since the late 1960s. The Drain Code of 1956 did not require drain commissioners to write down their rules. The exodus from the cities to rural areas necessitated clearer guidelines for development. The Land Division Act (Act 288 of 1967 as amended) provided for the establishment of written drainage rules by drain commissioners. The act required that drainage rules be available in order to provide developers with clear guidelines and to ensure that requirements were the same for everyone. It is the drain commissioner's responsibility to update these rules as law and technologies change.

The Charlevoix County Drain Commissioner's rules had not been updated since the 1970s. The Stormwater Runoff Control Design Guidelines of the Charlevoix County Drain Commissioner today reflect mainstream, best management practices that protect Charlevoix County's natural resources, the quality of life and the economy of Charlevoix County.

As the Charlevoix County Drain Commissioner, I have responsibility for two county drains, three historic county drains, twelve subdivision drains, lake levels, hundreds of plats and other duties. My greatest responsibility is to be informed on the best practices that will protect our water resources and to share that information with our citizens.

The quality of our lives is dependant on clean beaches, clear lakes and healthy fisheries. The old ways of drainage, which ran the water from the land to the sea as quickly as possible, were expensive and are now beginning to fail. Beach closings, eroded stream banks, loss of fisheries, pollution of groundwater and failed infrastructure have pointed drain commissioners in new directions.

Ultimately, the protection of our resources is dependent on citizens being informed and involved in watershed stewardship.

Jo Anne Bier Beemon Charlevoix County Drain Commissioner

New twist on identify theft scams in area

TO THE EDITOR:

It seems identity theft has taken a new twist. Recently a Charlevoix County resident received an e-mail advising them that a "hold" had been placed on their bank accounts because of alleged illegal account activity by unauthorized individuals, and the Charlevoix County resident had to supply immediate verification of their identity before the "hold" could be lifted.

The e-mail was intended to frighten the recipient into providing confidential information concerning their identity, which once given cannot be retrieved.

I recommend that all residents be more vigilant than ever when asked to provide personal information to unknown or unsecured sources.

This might include information such as driver's license number, social security number, account numbers (banking/credit cards/debit cards, etc.), date of birth, full name and/or address, etc.

Should you receive unsolicited correspondence that you consider suspicious in any way, which could include computer generated, U.S. mail or phone, be sure to contact your local law enforcement agency immediately.

George T. Lasater, Charlevoix County Sheriff

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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.



CHECK IT OUT

State provides little income for libraries

By NANNETTE MILLER

While talking with people about the library's current financial situation, it became clear that most people do not have any idea how libraries are funded. Therefore, this will be the first installment in a series of columns dealing with the question, "Where do libraries get their money?"

There are three possible sources for income for public libraries – the federal government, the state government, and the local community. The statewide average income from these sources for fiscal year 2001 breaks down as 0.2 percent federal income, 4.9 percent state income, and 94.9 percent local income. Boyne District Library receives no federal dollars, so the first topic is state income, known as State Aid to Public Libraries.

In 1937 the Michigan Library Association recommended to the Legislature that state funding be provided to public libraries and that a state board for libraries be appointed. A total of \$367,566 was appropriated and disbursed in fiscal year 1938/39. Midway through the 1939 legislative session, a bill was introduced to suspend the state aid appropriation for the following two years in order to balance the state's budget. This trend of shorting aid to libraries has continued through two successive Pub-

lic Acts that provide funding.

The current law governing state aid for libraries is PA 89 of 1977, which states that legally established public libraries that meet minimum standards can apply for state aid grants in the amount of \$.50 per capita.

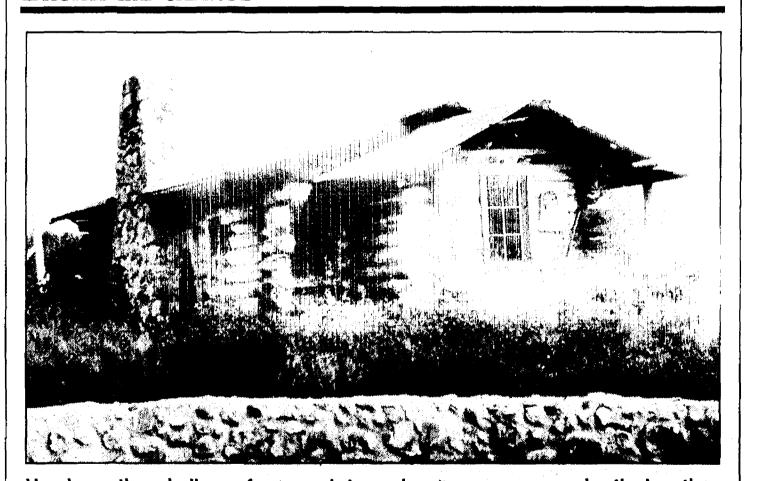
For 20 years the annual state appropriations did not include sufficient money to fully fund PA 89, so the grant distributions were prorated each year. On July 27, 1998, the Governor signed the appropriation bill that provided full funding to eligible public libraries for the first time. It was also the last time libraries received the full \$.50 per capita.

As interesting as this history might be, what does it mean in actual dollars to Boyne District Library? With a service population of 7,173, full funding at .50 would mean \$3,586.50 in state income per year. This year we actually received \$2,977.17. As one of the library board members likes to say, "That's a heck of a way to run a railroad."

Be sure to read next week's column, when I will explain "Penal Fines, why more crime is good for the community."

(Nannette Miller is the director of the Boyne District Library.)

BACKWARD GLANCE



Here's another challenge for our astute readers — anyone recognize the location of this historic photo from somewhere in the coverage area of The Citizen-Journal? If you think you know, send us an e-mail at citizen@voyager.net, or send a postcard to P.O. Box A, Boyne City, MI 49712. We'll print the name of the first correct respondant, as well as any interesting tidbits we receive about the location. Good luck!

'Paralympics' seton for March 6 at Challenge Mtn

Challenge Mountain will be hosting a Paralympics on Saturday, March 6, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. An opening ski will begin at 10 a.m., followed by ski and snowboarding exhibitions at 11 a.m. Actual competitions will follow.

Other features of the day will include hayrides, music, games, such as snowman building contests, snowball tosses, snow fort building, food booth, memorabilia, and more.

The cost of admission is \$5 for adults, and \$3 for kids under 12. The event is open to the public.

"It is a great chance for people to support these athletes as all use some type of adaptive equipment and there is someone from all your areas that are competing," said Challenge Mountain director Sue Moody. "Many people are unaware what it is like to ski in adaptive equipment and we will be offering bi-ski rides for \$1 as well. There will be places to sled if someone wants to and it promises to be a really fun day for everyone involved."

For more information, call Challenge Mountain at 535-2141.

On-line watercraft registration now available to boaters

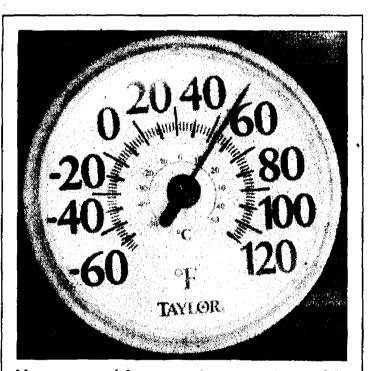
Boat owners can renew their watercraft registrations on-line beginning March 1 at www.Michigan.gov/sos.

Residents can also renew watercraft registrations by touch-tone telephone or mail, or at a Secretary of State branch office. On-line and touch-tone renewal options end Aug. 31.

"It may be winter now, but warmer weather and the boating season will be here before you know it," said Michigan Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land. "I encourage all boat owners to take advantage of renewing online. It's easy and quick, and the registration decals are mailed within seven to 10 days."

All watercraft on Michigan waters, including privately owned lakes and waterways, must be registered except: watercraft 16 feet or less, propelled by oars or paddles, and not used for rental or commercial purposes; nonmotorized canoes and kayaks not used for rental or commercial purposes; rafts, surfboards, sailboards, and swim floats, regardless of length; watercraft registered in another state and used only temporarily in Michigan.

For most watercraft the registration fee is based on length. Registrations expire on March 31 in the third year of issuance.



Unseasonably warm temperatures hit the area over the weekend, but there's more cold to come.

It's not over yet

The temperature Sunday afternoon reached into the 50s, and the sun will not set until after 6:30 this week, evidence that winter days are retreating – but not without having dumped on us better-than-average snowfall.

According to Jim Keysor of the Gaylord branch National Weather Service, Boyne Falls has had 130.2 inches of snow, 37.7 of which have fallen during February. The historical average for Boyne Falls is 116.2 inches, setting this winter above-average already. Comparatively, Petoskey has had 104 inches and Charlevoix 113.5 inches this season. Since records began in 1961, the most snow was recorded during the winter of 1970-1971, when Boyne Falls received 181.8 inches.

According to Keysor, we're not out of the woods yet: more snow is predicted for the weekend. With roadside snow piles making crossroad viewing hazardous, the road commission and the sun have a lot of work ahead of themselves before grass appears again.

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NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

BETTY SHAVER has returned home after spending the past month in California. She spent two weeks in Fresno visiting her son and family and two weeks in Yreka with a life-long friend. The weather in Fresno was mild and flowers were in bloom. However, further north in Yreka there were considerable heavy rainstorms, snow and freezing temperatures at night. Betty's glad to be back in Michigan.

City turned 50 on Feb. 19. On Saturday night, her family, co-workers, friends and relatives surprised her with a big party at Lakeview Village Hall. Her son Derrick Lamy and finance Erika drove from Muskegon in the snowstorm on Friday night and she had no idea they were even here in town. Rose Shovey kept Sandy busy during the day and led her to believe that she, Rose, had to stop by a baby shower and drop off a gift. And, boy, was Sandy surprised! There was plenty of food and she really enjoyed all the gag gifts and wonderful cards! All attending will have to really remember that moment because her sister Theresa's camera broke after taking all the photos for the event! Sandy truly enjoyed her 50th and could not believe that no one at work let out the secret.

THE BOYNE CITY Senior Center group

will play cards following the noon lunch on Wednesday, March 3, and then on Friday, March 5, the highlight will be the great music of The Cousins Band from 11 a.m to noon.

A WARM, "Welcome Neighbor" goes out to Florence (Washburn) Burns, who moved into the Litzenburger Place Apartments this past week.

HEARTFELT SYMPATHIES go out to the friends and family of Virginia Rasch of Boyne City, Jerry Moyer of Boyne City, and SANDY (JAREMA) LAMY of Boyne Clarence Tornga of the East Jordan-Ellsworth

> PHYLLIS SHEEHY has returned from an eight-day trip to Battle Creek, where she enjoyed getting acquainted with her newest great-grandson, Jacob James, born on Jan. 24, 2004, and visiting with family and friends

> META ZINCK spent the past week and a half down in Grand Rapids. While there she stayed with her daughter Brenda Sagorski and family, sister Maxine Fewless and hubby Arnie and her son Mark Zinck and his family. Other highlights were attending a Grand Rapids Rampage Arena football game and going to the Frederick Meijer Gardens to see the butterflies.

Council, upon the recommendation of friend and neighbor, Joan Giem, recognized Rose Reinhardt at their regular meeting this past month. Rose, who has resided here since its opening in 1970, will be 94 in June, is most certainly appreciated for over 30 years of service, in baking and cooking, contributing much in however she could. Many who know Rose, also admire her dedication, in conjunction with the Baptist Church efforts in sending cookies to our U.S. Service men and women for many years. In speaking with her, she said, "I'll never forget my son, Loren (now deceased), who served in the U.S. Navy, and how good it made me feel when he told me it always seemed like the most wonderful day ever, when those cookies arrived!" "Hats off" to you everyday Rose!

GRANDDAUGHTER Heather and Kurt Hutchinson of Ypsilanti and also grandson Brent Garvin of Grand Rapids were here over the weekend visiting grandparents Bob and Shirley Mathers.

LIKE THE old TV show catchphrase, "calling all cars," I am calling on all of you. As many remember her, the 45th Boyne City High School class of '59 reunion committee would more than appreciate an address or contacts leading to the where-abouts of Harriet DeBeaudry. Please respond by calling 582-9174.

(To submit an item, call Nancy at 582-9174 THE LITZENBURGER Place Resident or e-mail her at neighbors @gtlakes.com)

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

NMHSA FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Thursday, March 4 Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency (NMHSA) in Petoskey will hold a March food distribution under the monthly Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) from 8:30-10 a.m. at the Boyne City Senior Center. For more information, call NMHSA (800) 443-5518.

> SPANISH CLUB **FUNDRAISER** Friday, March 5

The East Jordan High School Spanish Club will hold a cultural dinner and silent auction at the East Jordan Snowmobile Club from 6-8 p.m. Dinner will include chicken enchiladas, beef tamales, spanish rice, flan, Mexican hot chocolate and coffee. Cost is \$8 for adults; \$5 for students. Children 5 and under are free. The Snowmobile Club is located on Mt. Bliss Road in East Jordan.

EJ PAC STEAK SALE Delivery, March 6

The EJ PAC is taking orders for a Steak Sale Fundraiser, with proceeds to benefit the 2004 Senior All

Night Party at East Jordan High School. A variety of steak cuts, as well as hamburgers and pork chops are offered. Pickup will be between 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on March 6 at the Dura parking lot on M-66. To place an order, call Debbie Grutsch,

BLOOD DRIVE Wednesday, March 10

536-7509.

The Boyne Falls High School National Honor Society will sponsor an American Red Cross Blood Drive at the high school from 8:30 a.m.-2:15

> FISH FRY Friday, March 12

The Boyne City First Presbyterian Church is hosting a fish fry from 4-8 p.m.to benefit the youth group. The church is located at 301 South Park St., Boyne City. Cost is by donation. All are welcome. For more information, call 582-7983.

> **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.-

> **OES CHAPTER 95** First Monday

The OES Evangline Chapter 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.

> **SCRAPBOOKING** First Tuesday

Come join the scrapbooking group at the Boyne District Library in the community room from 5-10 p.m. Everyone is welcome to bring any projects you are working on.

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 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.

KIWANIS OF BOYNE Thursdays

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

VETERAN ASSISTANCE Thursdays

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

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

> **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 noon, 8 p.m.; Tuesday noon: Wednesday noon (Big Book Study); Thursday noon, 6:30 p.m. (Big Book/ Step Study), 8 p.m.; Friday noon, 8 p.m.

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

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Boyne City

NAME: Alex Welborn PARENTS: Kevin and Susan Welborn **GRADE:** Freshman

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Ski Team, volleyball HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Horseback riding, spending

time with friends, skiing FUTURE PLANS OR GOALS: "I plan to graduate and go to a good college in Michigan. As of right now I think that I want to keep up my grades and continue doing the activities that I enjoy."

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Alex is doing an exceptional iob in US History," said Mrs. Deming. "She truly is a pleasure to have in class. Excellent job Alexandra!"



Alex Welborn

Boyne Falls

NAME: Michael Butler PARENTS: Jessica Butler and Jeff Newcom **GRADE:** Kindergarten

FAVORITE CLASS: Gym HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Play video games **FAVORITE SPORT:** Football

FAVORITE CARTOON: Dexter **FAVORITE MOVIE:** Iron Giant

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Michael and his family joined our community in December and have really proven to be an outstanding addition," said Mrs. Collins and Mrs.

Morey, "Michael has made friends very quickly in Boyne Falls. He is always very polite to others and willing to lend a helping hand. He is also a very hard worker. We are

proud to have Michael and his family as a part of our Logger family!"



Michael Butler

East Jordan

NAME: Amber Gettel PARENTS: Glendora Clary and Jeff Gettel **GRADE**: Sophomore

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball and softball

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Scrapbooking, and read-FUTURE PLANS: Attend college and go into teaching

FAVORITE CLASS: MST NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Amber is a pleasure to have

in class," said Mrs. Moeke. "She works diligently on each assignment until she gets it just right. She is always willing to put in the time and effort needed to learn new topics."



Amber Gettel

"Amber is attentive to detail; this is so important in her accounting class," said Mrs. Sitkins. "Her work is always neat, and very well done. She's a real joy to have in class.'

"Amber is a creative student," said Mrs. McPherson, "Her written work is always well done and thoughtful. Amber approaches each assignment with a positive attitude, and I appreciate that. Although she is extremely quiet, she is emerging as a true classroom leader."

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

American Legion Post #228

At the regular meeting of Jan. 10, honoring his unful-Ernest Peterson Post 228, held Feb. 5, a thank you card was read from the Tims family for honoring James Tims for his military service. A letter from BacPac requesting a donation was honored in the amount of \$50.

The Honor Guard conducted Veteran of the Month ceremonies for James Tims and Cadwell Glaza and conducted a graveside service for Ernest Brasgalla, in Cheboygan filled request, at the time of his death in 1997, that he receive military honors.

The Service Officer assisted veterans needing hearing aids and replacing lost medals. The Chaplains reported on area veterans who are sick, disabled, shut-in or have answered the final call. They have acquired birth dates of the 12 veterans in Grandvue and will send cards.

The adjutant reported we are near 100 percent in membership and that bingo still could use more community support on Tuesday evenings, but we thank all who are attending.

The "Deck of Cards" project is near completion and will be worked on before the next regular meeting, March 4, which will be preceded by the Veteran of the Month ceremony at 6:15 p.m. followed by a potluck supper and guest speaker Sheriff George T. Lasater. All area veterans are welcome to attend.

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- SIMON SLEET: A freed slave who died on his 104th birthday

AremarkableLIFE

By ROBERT MORGRIDGE

imon Sleet answered his call on his 104th birthday. He was born on March 15, 1836, served three masters and 27 years in slavery and came to live in Boyne City, Michigan, in 1906. "When informed on a Friday morning on March 15, 1940, that he was celebrating his 104th birthday, Simon Sleet said, 'I guess I've been a nuisance on this earth long enough.' He went back to sleep and within an hour was dead."

This is a remarkable story. A man born and died on his birthday 104 years apart. I cannot think of a less likely event in American history other than the deaths of Thomas Jefferson and John Adams - both signers of the Declaration of Independence – who passed away on the same day – July 4, 1826.

Simon Sleet was born in 1836 in Boone County, Kentucky. His father was John Simon Sleet and his mother was Lavina. He lived with his mother and eight brothers and sisters in a small log cabin. When he was about three or four years old the family woke up to an "unusual commotion." They were captured by strangers and taken to "an auction sale." Simon was ripped from his mother's arms and sold for \$500. The other eight children were auctioned off the same day. The oldest boy and girl were purchased by the same buyer. The rest of the children "were scattered out and never again to be all together."

An article in the "Boyne Citizen" in 1929 stated that Simon "was taken to a plantation about nine miles from his home.... Although his master was kind, his mistress was very hard, and when the little boy cried from homesickness and loneliness for his mother, his mistress applied the rod vigorously.... When bedtime came the first night in the new home his mistress spread a sheepskin on the hearthstone and this was his bed for several years."

Simon, who grew to be a tall, slim, and strong young man, lived with this master until he was about 22. Eventually he was sold for \$1,440.10. Three years later he was sold "on the block" to Morris Lesson for \$1,150.05.

In a 1939 article about Sleet's 103rd birthday, the "Boyne Citizen" stated that "after he had been sold the third time, Sleet was set free when President Lincoln signed the Proclamation of Emancipation. He then took arms with the army of the North and remained on duty until the end of the war. He also took part in the battle of Gettysburg." However, in an article about Simon Sleet's death in 1940, the "Boyne Citizen" stated that "at the outbreak of the Civil War, Sleet enlisted in the 2nd Kentucky infantry on the promise of his freedom in case of victory for the South. He remained in the Confederate service until the end of the war."

If one knew where Morris Lesson took Simon after purchasing him, it might help answer the contradiction between the above statements. Articles from the "Boyne Citizen" in 1929, 1936 and 1939 all state that Simon Sleet was freed upon President Lincoln's signing of the Emancipation Proclamation and that he was with the army of the North. Also these articles were written while Mr. Sleet was alive. Certainly people talked with him about how he gained his freedom. If there were any discrepancies in his story, it seems logical that it would have been corrected in the 1936 and 1939 articles. Only the article announcing his death in 1940 stated that he fought for the South.

The Emancipation Proclamation only freed the slaves held in rebellious states. The Proclamation did not actually emancipate the slaves, "since it was obviously inoperative in states controlled by the Confederacy and it did not apply to areas loyal to the



Freed slave Simon Sleet was born in 1836 in Kentucky, and moved to Boyne City in 1906.

union." Kentucky was a slave state that did not secede from the Union. Consequently, it is very unlikely that President Lincoln emancipated Simon Sleet. One might assume that Simon Sleet had a very honest and moral master who freed him because it was the right thing to do.

On April 27, 1879, he married Pauline in Sharpsville, Penn. They had 11 children, but three died in infancy and are buried in Mercer County, Pennsylvania. They moved to many places, including Ohio, over the years, and finally settled in Remus, Michigan. Pauline died on Nov. 2, 1906.

After his wife's death, the 70-year-old man moved to Boyne City. After he lived in Boyne City just a few weeks, he was hired to manage the farm for Mary Morgan. She and her husband, Zachariah, both African Americans, came to Boyne City in 1871 and settled on a homestead near the comer of Boyne Avenue and Division Street. Zachariah died in 1894.

employed him.

Maxine Collins, the granddaughter of Mary Morgan, thought that from 1894 to 1906 the Morgan children apparently managed the farm. Maxine said that Mary Morgan had a large farmhouse and she took in boarders to supplement her income. Most of the boarders earned their living by cutting wood. Simon Sleet was boarding at the Morgan home when Mary

For 34 years – until his death – Simon managed the farm and was a member of the Morgan household. We know that he worked to keep the piped water flowing

to the farmhouse from a spring. It was located at the base of the hills south of the house. The water flowed into a big tub inside the house for family use, and was also used to irrigate the crops. Simon's beloved team of

horses - Bess and Dinkum plowed the fields and he planted the crops. Bess and Dinkum pulled the wagon to town for supplies and took Mary to church or to visit her neighbors. During the winter Simon loaded the wagon with blocks of ice that he chopped from Lake Charlevoix and Bess and Dinkum pulled the load of ice to the barn. To preserve the ice, it was packed in sawdust. Maxine Collins remembers her grandmother using the ice during the summer to make ice cream in the old-fashioned ice cream freezer,

According to Maxine, Simon couldn't read and Mary read him stories on the porch in the evening and told him about the Bible while he smoked his corncob pipe. She said everyone always called him "Mr. Sleet."

He was a gentle man who spoke

with the Kentucky accent acquired in his younger days.

Maxine's final comment about Simon Sleet was that he was a "wonderful old guy."

When Simon Sleet was 93 years old he said that, "he attributes his long life ... to the fact that his food during his young life was very simple and plain... [and] that he spent virtually all of his time during childhood and youth in the outdoors and was well employed."

On Sunday, March 15, 1936, Mary Morgan held an

open house for Simon Sleet to celebrate his 100th birthday "and 109 of his friends called and shook hands with the good old man and left gifts which told of the high esteem in which he was held in this community. One of the gifts was a large birthday cake presented by Raymond Paulus. It was beautifully decorated with roses and on one comer there was a log cabin made of chocolate which Mr. Sleet said was a good representation of the cabin in which he was bom and it brought tears to the old man's eyes." At this time it was reported that "during the 27 years he was in slavery he was treated with a fair degree of kindness, receiving no whippings except during his childhood from his first mistress. He says he was always strong and well and always able and willing to work, always obeyed to the best of his ability and there was really no cause of harshness."

When Mr. Sleet was in his 80s or 90s he applied for Old Age Assistance. The day before his 100th birthday, "he was presented with his first check of \$15."

For one hundred years the "Farmer Sleet" was never sick nor confined to his bed. In September 1937, at the age of 101, Sleet was operated upon for a hernia at the (hospital in) Petoskey." It is said that the doctor told him to take it easy and not to work which he tried to do. But, it was not easy. The late Loton Wilson said that "Sleet was a very neat and orderly person who kept everything in its proper place. Shortly after his surgery and arriving home he noticed a wagon box that was being buried with snow.... The wagon box bothered him for about a week until he couldn't take it any longer. He finally went out into the yard and being a very powerful man picked up the wagon box setting it upon a pair of sawhorses."

On celebrating his 103rd birthday, the "Boyne Citizen" reported that Simon Sleet had "four children, two sons and two daughters, who are all living."

Simon Sleet died on March 15,1940. According to Dr. Litzenburger, he died of myocardial degeneration and senility.

On Thursday, March 21, 1940, the "Boyne Citizen" reported that, "among out of state relatives and friends who attended the funeral which was held at the Stackus Funeral Home on Sunday were grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Woods and Eddie Guy came from Detroit. Mrs. Allee Sawyer and son from Blanchard, John Sleet, Mrs. Etha Henderson and Mrs. Martha Fletcher from Lansing, Mrs. Edith Greenway from Mecosta, Mr. and Mrs. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Green from Remus, Mr. and Mrs. James Bannister and son from Mt. Pleasant and Joseph and Arlen and family from Elmira."

It is simply amazing that a man lives 104 years and dies on his birthday. He is buried in lot 121 in the Maple Lawn Cemetery. Sadly, there is not a gravestone to mark his existence.

Author's note: The purpose of this article is to give all the known facts that I have about Simon Sleet to some future researcher and hope they will carry on the research about him. One hopes that some organization in Boyne City will raise the money to put a proper headstone marking his gravesite. The most knowledgeable people about the Morgan family are Maxine Collins and Eula Martin. Mary Morgan was a remarkable human being and she lived to be 106 years old. If anyone wants to know more about the Morgan family, please read Eula Martin's article in "Settlers to Sidewalks: A History of Boyne City."

About the author: Robert Morgridge is a former Boyne City High School history teacher, and is the author of the book "Settlers to Sidewalks: A History of Boyne City."



Simon Sleet



East Jordan prom style

The East Jordan High School Girl Scouts will host a prom fashion show at the East Jordan Middle School Gym on Sunday, March 7, starting at 4:30 p.m. The cost is \$5, which includes refreshments, door prizes and a silent auction. Door prizes include a \$100 gift certificate for a prom dress, an \$80 gift certificate for a tux rental, or a \$20 cash prize. Prizes were donated by and are only redeemable at The Formal Affair in East Jordan. The fashion show is to raise money for the Girl Scouts for future activities. Models for the fashion show are, back row from left: Amber Gettel, Nicole Carter, Missy Huver, Brooke Sheridan, and Sierra Roberts. Middle row: Amanda Thomas, Sienna Richards, Kelsey Poineau and Amber Wiser. Front row: Matt Huver, Nick Timmons, Patrick Teske, and Tyler Cutier. For ticket information, call Connie Roberts at 536-7195, Pat Poineau at 536-2725, or Lois Huver at 536-2637.

COLLEGE NEWS

LINDA SLOUGH of Ellsworth and RUTH **HOWELL** of Boyne Falls were named to the Dean's List at Alma College for the 2003 fall term. Slough is a 2001 graduate of East Jordan High School and Howell is a 2001 graduate of Boyne Falls High School.

ROBERT STEED and CHRISTINE WEST, both of Boyne City, HEATHER JONES, NICOLE KURTZ, TERESA MICHANOWICZ, SUSAN MILLS, and JULIA SCHULTZ, all of East Jordan, and ANNETTE LONGCORE of Walloon Lake, were named to the Dean's List for the 2003 fall semester at Grand Valley State University.

JOSEPH LACOMBE and LINDA SIMPSON, both of Boyne City, were among the graduates at Ferris State University for the fall semester 2003.

LaCombe received an Associates of Applied Science in heavy equipment technology, while Simpson received a Certificate in restaurant and food industry management.

MATTHEW GUSMANO, GREGG KOTESKEY and LINDA SIMPSON, all of Boyne City, were named to the academic honors list at Ferris State University for the semester ending December of 2003.

JULIE FRALEY of Boyne Falls and ERIKA SCHWARTZFISHER of Walloon Lake were among the graduates of Northern Michigan University in December 2003. Both received Bachelor of Science degrees in biology/ecology.

ALISON WARSTLER of Boyne City was named to the fall 2003 academic honors list at Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Ind. A student must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.4 on a 4.0 scale to earn academic honors at Saint Mary's.

Warstler, a first year student, is a graduate of Boyne City High School and the daughter of John and Christine Warstler of Boyne City.

MELISSA ANTHONY of Boyne Falls has been awarded the Board of Trustees Academic Honors Scholarship at Lake Superior State University commencing fall semester, 2004. She is the daughter of Steven R. and Pamela K. Anthony, and is a senior at Boyne Falls School.



Book fun

Students at Boyne City Elementary enjoyed a day of reading fun with a camp theme recently, as they celebrated their final RIF (Reading Is Fundamental) event of the season during the school day, followed by the PTO's annual Snuggle Up and Read family literacy night that evening. Above, first graders sit around a "campfire" with their free books. At right, guest reader Scott MacKenzie gave young "campers" "thrills and chills" with spooky campfire stories.



She will major in zoology.

Author, author

Johnathan Rand, author of the popular Michigan Chillers and American Chillers series for children, captivated the second through eighth grade audience at Boyne Falls School last week, during his 60-minute presentation in the school gym. The author's visit was made possible by an Educational Alliance Grant from the Boyne Falls E-Z Mart and Exxon Mobile Corporation, and the students, staff and parents who purchase books at the Boyne Falls School book fairs. Rand, a Michigan native, shared his "secrets" about reading, and encouraged students to write, or "create magic." More photos of Rand's visit to Boyne Falls can be found in the "Author Journal" feature at www.americanchillers.com.

Boating safety classes set for March

A boating safety course burst on March 23, from 6will be held at Sunburst Marine in Boyne City on March 16 and 18, from 6-10 p.m. each night.

A four hour charting class will be held at Sun- 25, again at Sunburst Ma-

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Associate Pastor: Bryan Shook

Everyone is Welcome!

9:30 am

10:30 am

7:00 pm

582-2551

Pastor: Paul Wise

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Sunday School

Wed. Family Night

10 p.m. Because of the increase in use of GPS units for navigation, a four hour Global Positioning System class will be held on March rine in Boyne City from 6-10 p.m.

For registration information and information concerning classes in April, May, and June call 536-





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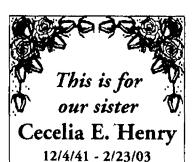
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I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow My life's been full, I Savored much. Good friends, good times, A loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief. Don't lengthen it now with unduc grief. Lift up your hearts and peace with thee.

He set me free! Cecelia E. Henry 12/4/41-2/23/03 The Henry Family Doris, Virginia, Ed and Charles

BCHS class of '59 planning reunion

The Boyne City Class of 1959 is planning a 45th class reunion to be held this summer, and needs help locating classmates. Current addresses can be e-mailed to Mary (Bean) Carson at

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mm2@gtlakes.com, or can be mailed to 1316 Tomkins Rd., Boyne City, MI 49712.

Anyone interested in helping plan the reunion can call Carson at 582-2934.

Take a lesson from the pros when it comes to fitness

By Ernie Harwell

on that the overall physical fitness day's athletes far exceed that of nerations, physical fitness in professional exactly the opposite of what has

n Main Street. What I mean is this:

o the contained physical fitness in sports has increased the quality of games and players' careers, the fans just seem to be getting fatter and fatter. There's no question that poor fitness is hurting the quality of life of a growing number of everyday Americans.

Let's start making fitness a priority. I don't mean that everyone should start heavy exercise routines. Fitness begins with doing the little things. Instead of sitting in a movie, go to the zoo or one of our parks, where you'll be sure to get some exercise. Next time you think about eating out, plan a night at home with a light, balanced meal. And as much as the kids love their computers, video games and TV, get them to turn it off and get outside in the fresh air - and go play with them.

We can improve the quality of our lives by doing the little things we enjoy and getting our hearts pumping at the same time.

And please remember to take care of your health before it's lonngggg gone!

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life After Baseball," is available in bookstores beginning April 2004.

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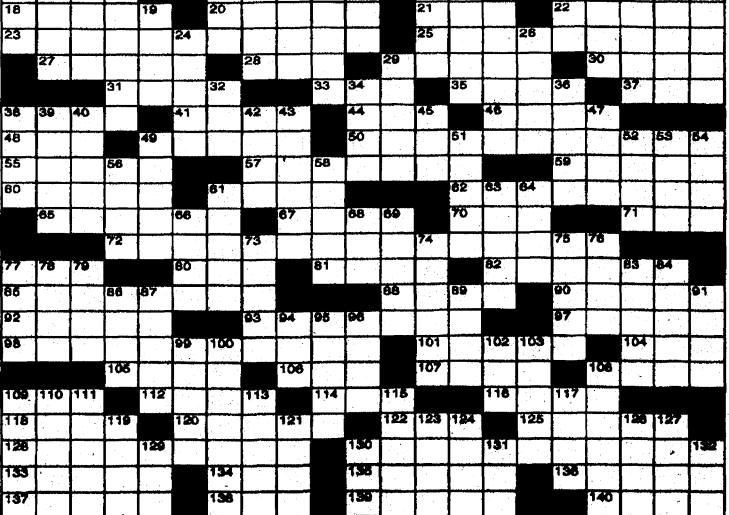
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SPORTS

Volunteers play a key part in state ski meet's success

By PHIL TROMBLEY Sports writer

A crowd of some 400 fans, teams from 18 schools and 8 to 10 inches of snow all converged on Boyne Mountain last Monday as the top 150 skiers in Class B, C and D gathered to compete at the state ski meet (for individual results, see page 9). Snow fell throughout the competition, which began at 9:30 a.m. and did not conclude until 5:30 p.m., creating some challenging conditions. Course maintenance workers took to the hill following every other flight of racing in order to groom the course and keep up with the wear and tear.

"I am extremely pleased with the way it went and it's due to the tremendous amount of effort put in by all the people that support skiing and support high school athletics," said Boyne City High School athletic director Kirk Kujawski.

"A lot of parents follow their kids all year long and they are out there to help to make things operate smoothly," he added. "I would also like to commend the head of our parents group, Michelle Hewitt. Every week she helps get the course workers, the gate keepers and the

"I am extremely pleased with the way it went and it's due to the tremendous amount of effort put in by all the people that support skiing and support high school athletics."

- BCHS athletic director Kirk Kujawski

timers organized."

The less-than-ideal conditions did not prevent the Harbor Springs girls team from edging Traverse City St. Francis 63-68.5 to capture its fifth straight state champi-

Glen Lake won the boys state title with 63 points to beat out Harbor Springs by 5.5 points.

The Rambler boys posted scores of 78.5 in the slalom and 77 in the GS for a fourth place total of 155.5 points, while the girls earned 80 slalom points and 82 in the GS for a sixth place total of 162.

The four individual state champions were Kevin Fisher (Glen Lake, slalom), John Ramer (Harbor Springs, GS), Vanessa Ransom (Houghton, slalom) and Katie Grambeau (Harbor Springs, GS).

Four local skiers earned top-10 finishes in front of the home crowd as Boyne City's Riley O'Brien (second GS, third, slalom) and Kyle Barden (third GS, ninth, slalom) as well as Charlevoix/East Jordan's

York Smith (sixth GS, seventh slalom) and Margaux Rowley (fifth slalom, eighth GS), all took home medals.

"I was real happy with both teams," said Boyne City coach Bob Simpson. "We had a second and a third with Riley and Kyle and the boys finished their senior year real well. Last year they were third in the state and this year they were fourth, so that's pretty darned good."

Simpson, who also coordinated the outside workers at the meet, commented on the weather saying, "It was terrible. It was a long hard day with wet, cold, slick snow. It was as hard a race day as you could have."

Skiers earn allstate honors

Four local skiers have been named Class B-C-D All-State by the Michigan High School Ski Coaches Association. Boyne City's Kyle Barden and Riley O'Brien, along with Charlevoix/East Jordan's Margaux Rowley made the girls first team, while Charlevoix/East Jordan's York Smith made the boys first team.

All-state honors also went to Matt Mercier (Boyne City, second team), Bryce Endline (Boyne City, third team), Taylor Fisher (Charlevoix/East Jordan, third team), Kevin Coon (Boyne City, honorable mention), and Savannah Hartwick (Boyne City, honorable mention). O'Brien and Mercier have also qualified for the Central United States Ski Association Regional Championship Team, to compete in Aspen, Colo. March 13-16.

Ramblers can't shake their cold shooting woes

By PHIL TROMBLEY Sports writer

Boyne City's Reed Ameel led all scorers with 24 points on Friday night, but the Ramblers could not hold off Lake Michigan Conference rival Kalkaska as the Blazers took a 70-55 victory.

"They shot 58 percent on the night and we shot 17 percent with six for 38 from inside the three point line," said Boyne City coach Tim Smith. "We are just struggling to make open shots and everybody we play just seems to shoot the ball well."

Dillon Olmstead netted 12 points and Jordan Voice grabbed five rebounds for the Ramblers.

Kalkaska's Cory Heier scored 19 points and David Rios added 14 points as Kalkaska led the game 16-11, 38-26 and 50-41 at the end of the first three quarters.

Harbor Springs 64, Boyne City 46

Greg Oldman tossed in 22 points and Mark Morse netted 20 to lead Harbor Springs to a 64-46 win at Boyne City last Tuesday.

The Rams held a slim 11-9 lead after one quarter, but they took a 34-16 margin at half time and stretched it out to 54-27 after three periods.

"They shot over 70 percent in the first half. It was one of the better shooting performances against me as a coach," Smith said.

"We shot just over 35 percent. It was a matter of them making their shots and us missing ours."

Voice and Tylor Daniels led the Ramblers with 12 points each, while Reed Ameel added six rebounds and four assists. Voice grabbed six boards.

The Ramblers (3-11 overall, 2-8 LMC) will play host to Gaylord on Friday night and then open district tournament play next Wednesday at Harbor Springs.

The junior varsity team gained a split in its games last week falling to Harbor Springs 55-42 and then defeating Kalkaska 46-44.

Scott Morrow got the double-double against Kalkaska with 21 points and 13 rebounds, while Taylor Voice added 10 points and Evan Conklin netted nine points and grabbed 12 rebounds.

Kalkaska held a 7-5 lead after one quarter and the contest was tied at 22-22 at the half before Boyne City outscored Kalkaska 17-9 in the third period and held on for the two point victory.

"It was a nice win for us because they beat us by 17 last time. We played a box and one and took them out of their game," said coach Dale Thomason.

Morrow scored 17 points and grabbed 14 boards on Tuesday when Harbor Springs gained a 55-42 win over



Rambler Jordan Voice tallled 12 points against the Rams in their matchup last week.

let the madness begin

■ Second season

starts for area teams **BOYNE CITY-EAST JORDAN BASKETBALL**

The Boyne City Ramblers will take advantage of a first-round bye at the Harbor Springs Class C Basketball District Tournament, which begins Monday, March 8.

Boyne City will meet the winner of Monday's Elk Rapids-Pellston game in the semi finals set for Wednesday at 7 p.m.

In the bottom half of the draw, Harbor Springs faces Charlevoix on Tuesday at 6 p.m. with East Jordan taking on Mancelona in the 8 p.m. game.

The semi-final round will pit Boyne City against the Monday night winners on Wednesday at 7 p.m., while Tuesday's winners will meet on Thursday at 7 p.m.

The championship game is Saturday, with the tipoff at 7 p.m.

East Jordan falls to Grayling, but gives Kalkaska a run

Three Grayling players reached double figures as the high scoring Vikings topped the 20-point mark in each of the first three quarters to hand East Jordan a 93-55 loss at Grayling last Friday.

The Vikings jumped to a 27-18 lead after one quarter and poured in 31 points in the second to take a 58-31 margin into the locker room.

Roy Czapek tossed in 25 points, Josh Hinkle netted 14 points and Joe Lange added 13 to lead Gray-

"We started out pretty well and

we were able to handle their press until foul trouble forced our guys to play in positions that they weren't comfortable with," said East Jordan coach Lance Bailey. "The kids persevered until the very end. It was a tough game for us."

Kyle Daneff scored 23 points and had nine rebounds to lead East Jordan, while Tyler Spence netted 14 points and Chad Derenzy and Rhett Malpass each scored six.

Malpass scored 17 points, while Spence and Daneff each contributed 13 points last Tuesday when the Red

Devils fell to Kalkaska by a 65-49

"This was the last home game for our seniors and the kids played extremely well and we were competitive throughout the game," Bailey said.

"We struggled to put the ball in the basket in the fourth quarter and ultimately that cost us."

Kalkaska held leads of 18-10, 30-27 and 46-41 at the end of the first three quarters and then outscored East Jordan 19-8 down the stretch to seal the 16-point win.

Cory Heier scored 24 points and Streufert had 11 points in a 76-65 Daryl Dimon added 15 points to lead the Blazers.

East Jordan will close out the regular season this Friday at Central Lake and will open district tournament play with an 8 p.m. game against

Brandon LaCount scored 13 points and Alex Lorne added 12 points on Friday as the junior varsity team lost to Grayling 71-52.

Mancelona at Harbor Springs.

LaCount tossed in 19 points, Lorne scored 16 points, Justin Wilson added 12 points and Andrew

loss to Traverse City St. Francis on Monday, Feb. 24.

Streufert tossed in 12 points on Tuesday, Feb. 25, when Kalkaska prevailed over East Jordan by a 63-41 score.

The JVs (10-8 overall) will close the season against Central Lake this Friday and next week Wilson, LaCount, Streufert and Chad Kraemer will move up to the varsity squad for the district tournament.

BOYNE FALLS BASKETBALL

The Boyne Falls varsity basketball team will open the post-season tournament with a first-round game against Wolverine at the Vanderbilt Class D district tournament, which begins Monday, March 8.

Vanderbilt will play Gaylord St. Mary on Monday at 6:30 p.m., while the Loggers hit the court against Wolverine on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m..

The championship game will tip off at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday.

EAST JORDAN VOLLEYBALL

The East Jordan varsity volleyball team has drawn a bye into the semifinal round at the Class C district tournament to be held at Mancelona on Saturday, March 6.

The tournament gets started at 10 a.m. with Mancelona against Elk Rapids in the first quarterfinal game followed by Traverse St. Francis vs. Charlevoix.

In the semis East Jordan will face the Mancelona/Elk Rapids winner and Suttons Bay will face the TCSF/ Charlevoix winner.

The championship match is set to begin 20 minutes following the conclusion of the semi final round.

BOYNE CITY VOLLEYBALL

The Boyne City varsity volleyball team has drawn a bye into the semi final round of Saturday's Class C District Tournament at Harbor Springs on Saturday,

The tournament gets started at 10 a.m. with Harbor Springs playing Rogers City in the first quarter-final game, while Pellston goes against Inland Lakes at 11 a.m..

In the semis Onaway will face the Harbor Springs/Rogers City winner at noon and Boyne City will face the Pellston/Inland Lakes winner at 1

The championship match is set to begin at 2 p.m.



Brittany Kennedy a double winner at college ski/snowboard event

Brittany Kennedy, competing for the University of Michigan, took first place in both the slalom and giant slalom at the Regional United States Collegiate Ski and Snowboard Association event.

The sweep qualified her for this week's National Ski and Snowboard race in Sugarloaf, Maine.

The USCSS competition consisted of 19 college teams from the midwest including the University of Michigan, Western Michigan University, Michigan State University, Northern Michigan University, Notre Dame, and St. Olaf, Wis.

Almost 200 college students competed in skiing and snowboarding events. At nationals, Kennedy is competing against other top qualifiers from throughout the United States.

Kennedy, the daughter of Sandra Kennedy of Gaylord and Adam and Sheri Kennedy of Boyne City, has been on the University of Michigan Ski Team for four years. Michigan's men's team finished sixth overall, while the women's team finished ninth.

Kennedy will graduate on May 2 with a Bachelor of Science degree in architecture from the University of Michigan, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning. She has been working for Christian Tennant Custom Homes, a residential contracting company in Ann Arbor, for three years and will continue full time for a year after graduation. She then plans to attend graduate school to complete her master's degree in Architecture.

The USCSA National Event will be televised, and information is available on the website at www.uscsa.com. UM's ski team home page is www.umich.edu/-skirace.



left, has qualified for the National Ski and Snowboard race in Sugarloaf, Maine.

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Loggers are 14-4 overall By ROLLY GASCO

Student Writer

The Boyne Falls Loggers added another win to the record for their parent's night game against the Central Lake Trojans, 66-46.

The Loggers' top scorer for the night was Josh Jarema with 32 points, followed by Demetrius Burks with 10 points, and A.J. Hawkins with 6 points.

The Loggers were 8 for 27 from the line.

"The game was a great way to end the home part of the season," said Logger coach Frank Hamilla.

"We had a great defensive intensity effort, that is what won us the game. We got ourselves in the right direction heading into dis-

"But first we must get ready for Harbor Light on Friday."

In junior varsity action, the Loggers went into overtime against the Trojans and won the game by one point, with a final score of 63-62.

EARLIER IN THE WEEK the Loggers hosted

a non-conference game against the Northport Wildcats, with Boyne Falls taking the win 85-59.

The top scorer for the night was again Jarema with 26 points, followed by Josh Gasco with 14 points, and Burks with 12 points. The Loggers were 16 for 26 from the free throw line.

won their game against the Wildcats with the final score of 78-59.

The Junior Varsity also

The Varsity Loggers are now 8-2 in conference and 14-4 overall.

The next game for the 6 p.m.

School Boosters Loggers is against Harbor Light at Harbor Light on Friday, March 5.

The following week they

are on to districts in the

Vanderbilt gym, where the

Boyne Falls will play

against the Wolverine

Wildcats on Tuesday,

will play the winner of the

Monday game between the

Gaylord St. Mary's Snow-

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Boyne netters close out regular season

The Boyne City varsity volleyball team closed out the conference schedule against Kalkaska on Monday night when the Lady Blazers defeated the Lady Ramblers by a 17-15, 15-10 score at Boyne City.

East Jordan's varsity vol-

leyball squad dropped a

Lake Michigan Conference

matches on the road when

Kalkaska defeated East Jor-

dan 15-8, 15-7 on Thursday.

down four kills against the

Amanda Arreguin put

Lyndsey Tomkins led the two kills. Lady Ramblers with six points, two kills and one block, while Jess Nichols contributed six points.

Jess Clark had five points with one ace, and Connie Britton had three points and

Bingham had three kills and

added some excellent net

and that took us out our

game," coach Paul

Nachazel said. "Sam

Bingham played an out-

"They dominated the net

East Jordan remains winless in conference

passing."

Tomkins had four blocks and three kills against Harbor Springs Thursday, Feb. 26, when the Lady Rams gained a 15-8, 15-4 win at home over Boyne City.

Tori Crum, Nichols, and ment.

Derenzy had a great game

in the Class C district tour-

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urday. East Jordan will play

the Mancelona/Elk Rapids

winner in the first semi-fi-

East Jordan will compete

Emma Persons chipped in with two kills each and Clark earned five points. The Lady Ramblers will

compete in the districts this Saturday at the Harbor Springs Class C tourna-

The junior varsity team

"Stephanie Olsewski and

Megan Wamos were the

best offensive players, and

Sam Duffey was the top

defensive player," said

coach Lisa Greenier.

fell to Kalkaska in straight

games 4-15, 2-15, 12-15.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

BOYNE CITY

March 3: Freshman basketball, Bellaire, home 4:15 p.m.

March 5: JV/Varsity basketball, Gaylord, home, 6 p.m. March 6: Varsity volleyball, districts, 6 p.m.; cheer team, MCCA Regional,

Petoskey, 10 a.m. March 10: Varsity basketball, districts, Harbor Springs, 7 p.m.

BOYNE FALLS

March 3: JV/Varsity basketball, at Ellsworth, 6 p.m. March 5: JV/Varsity basketball, at Harbor Light, 6 p.m.

EAST JORDAN

March 4: Freshman volleyball, Harbor Springs, 4:30 p.m.; JV/Varsity vol-

leyball, Harbor Springs, home, 6 p.m. March 5: JV/Varsity basketball, at Central Lake, 6 p.m.

March 6: JV/Varsity volleyball, districts, Mancelona, 10 a.m.

March 9: Varsity basketball, districts, Harbor Springs, 8 p.m.

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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 Joseph A Platte, a married man and Billie Jo Platte, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated Dec.13, 2002, and recorded on Dec. 19, 2002 in Liber 506 on Page 276, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighteen Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Nine 89/100 Dollars (\$118,729.89), including interest at 7.125% 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 vendue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix at 11a.m., on March 19, 2004.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel D: Commencing at a 1/2" pipe at the Southwest corner of Section 20, Township 32 North, Range 7 West; thence along the South line of said section, also being the centerline of Nelson Road North 89 degrees, 27 minutes, 07 seconds East 970.27 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence North 0 degrees, 08 minutes, 57 seconds West 33.00 feet to a 1/2" rod on the North line of said road; thence continuing North 0 degrees, 08 minutes, 57 seconds West 624.67 feet to a 1/2" rod on the North line of the South half of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of said Section; thence along the aforementioned line North 89 degrees, 29 minutes, 17 seconds East 314.19 feet to a 1/2" rod; thence South 0 degrees, 08 minutes, 45 seconds East 624.47 feet to a 1/2" rod on the North line of said road: thence continuing South 0 degrees, 08 minutes, 45 seconds East 33.00 feet to the South line of said section; thence along said section line, and the centerline of said road, South 89 degrees, 27 minutes, 07 seconds West 314.16 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the South 1/2 of the Southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 32 North,

Range 7 West. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: Feb.18, 2004 For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, 30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200

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LECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY IN-FORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CON-TACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - De-

fault has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John M. Miller and Dawn Miller, husband and wife, to Old Kent Bank (now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Mortgage Company), mortgagee, dated Dec. 8, 1998 and recorded Dec. 10, 1998 in Liber 353, Page 86, Charlevolx County Records. Said Mortgage is now held by Old Kent Mortgage Company, a Michigan Corporation (now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Mortgage Company) by assignment dated Dec. 8, 1998 and Recorded Dec. 10, 1998 in Liber 353 on Page 94. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand

Nine Hundred Eighty-Six and 11/100 Dollars (\$62,986.11) including interest at the rate of 6.625% 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 Charlevolx in Charlevoix County, Michigan at 11 a.m. on March 26, 2004.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4, section 31, town 33 north, range 6 west; thence North along East 1/8 line of said section 66.00 feet, being the Point of beginning of this description: thence West, parallel with the North 1/8 line of said section, 208.75 feet; thence North, parallel with said East 1/8 line, 208.75 feet; thence East, parallel with said North 1/8 line, 200.75 feet to said East 1/8 line; thence South 200.78 feet along said East 1/8 line to the pont of beginning; being of part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of section 31, town 33 North,

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: 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. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: Feb. 25, 2004 ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for Old Kent Bank (now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Mortgage Company), As As-

P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 200.0483

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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 Timothy Fred Downing and Andrea L Downing, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Client Mortgage Incorporated, Mortgagee, dated May 21, 2002, and recorded on May 28, 2002 in Liber 471 on Page 866, and assigned by mesne assignments to Washington Mutual Bank F.A. as assignee by an assignment dated May 29, 2002 recorded on Feb. 5, 2004 in Liber 596 on Page 763, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Seven And 53/100 Dollars (\$86,867.53), including inter-

est at 8.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevolx County Courthouse in

Charlevoix at 11a.m., on March 19, 2004. Said premises are situated in Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 36, Town 32 North, Range 7 West; thence North along the East line of said Section 260 feet for the point of beginning; thence West parallel with the South line of said Section 437 feet; thence North parallel with the East line of said Section 200 feet; thence East parallel with the South line of said Section 437 feet to the East line of said Section; thence South along said East line 200 feet to the point of

beginning

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: Feb. 18, 2004 For more information, please

FC J 248.593.1311 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Washington Mutual Bank F.A. 30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822

File #012074F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - De-

fault has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ray Whitley and Virginia Whitley, husband and wife and Ray C. Whitley Jr., to Old Kent Bank, mortgagee, dated July 15, 1995 and recorded July 21, 1995 in Liber 287, Page 350, Charlevoix County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Old Kent Mortgage Company (now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Mortgage Company) by assignment recorded on July 21, 1995 in Liber 287, Page 356, Charlevoix County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Two and 97/100 Dollars (\$51,442.97) including interest at the rate of 7.875% per an-

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 Courthouse in Charlevoix in Charlevoix County, Michigan at 11 a.m. on March 26, 2004.

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

Lot 227 of Upright and Hurlbut's Addition, according to the plat thereof in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 29 and 30, Charlevoix County Records.

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. TO ALL PURCHASERS: 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. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at

Dated: Feb. 25, 2004 ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for Old Kent Bank now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Mortgage Company, As Mortgagee P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 200.1076

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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.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Eric R. Force and Michelle S. Force, husband original and wife, mortgagor(s), to American Loan Centers, Mortgagee, dated Sept. 14, 1999, and recorded on Oct. 1, 1999 in Liber 373 on Page 336, and assigned by mesne assignments to Beal Bank, S.S.B. as assignee by an assignment dated Dec. 13, 2002 recorded on May 27, 2003 in Liber 542 on Page 607, in Charlevolx county records, Mich., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Two And 51/ 100 Dollars (\$94,492.51), in-

cluding interest at 8.6% 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 vendue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix at 11a.m., on

March 19, 2004. Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 1/2 of Lots 5 and 6, Block 10, Nicholl's First Addition to the Village of South Lake, now City of East Jordan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

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 Dated: Feb.18, 2004

For more information, please FC X 248.593.1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Beal Bank, S.S.B. 30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822

File #013891F01

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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 - De-

fault has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Barbara J. Evans, Married joined by her spouse Leon R. Evans, original mortgagor(s), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated Jan. 28, 2003, and recorded on May 20, 2003 in Liber 540 on Page 833, in Charlevoix county records, Mich., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Nine And 28/100 Dollars (\$126,659.28), including inter-

est at 6.5% 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 vendue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix at 11a.m., on March 26, 2004.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Arm, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 360 feet of the South 1/2 of the North 3/8 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 29, Township 32 North, Range 7 West.

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: Feb. 25, 2004 For more information, please

FC C 248.593.1301 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. 30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #015876F01

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be fimited 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 Sarah Rocheleau, a married woman and Derek Woodgate, a married man. husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 24, 2000. and recorded on May 24, 2000 in Liber 388 on Page 973, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-

Five And 73/100 Dollars

(\$103,665.73), including in-

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terest at 8.5% 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 vendue, at the Main

lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix at 11a.m., on March 19, 2004. Said premises are situated in Township of Marion, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 4, Phelps Valley, according to the Master Deed as recorded in Liber 370, Page 0947 through Liber 371, Page 0015, inclusive, Charlevoix County Records, and the subsequent First Amendment to Master Deed recorded in

Liber 377, Page 218, Charlevoix County Records and further amended by the Second Amendment to Master Deed recorded in Liber 382, Pages 556 through 561, inclusive, Charlevoix County Records, and designated as Charlevoix County Condominium Plan No. 90. Together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and amendments thereto, and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of

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.

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Dated: Feb.18, 2004 For more information, please FC C 248,593,1301

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., a Delaware Corporation 30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #014898F01 (2/18)(3/10)

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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 - De-**

fault has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Charles K. Hooper and Nancy Ellen Hooper aka Nancy E. Hooper, husband wife, original and mortgagor(s), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., a corporation, Mortgagee, dated Oct. 23, 2000, and recorded on Dec. 29, 2000 in Liber 404 on Page 178, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Thirty-Five And 01/100 Dollars (\$366,035.01), including interest at 8.125% per an-

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 vendue, at the Main lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix at 11a.m., on April 2, 2004. Said premises are situ-

ated in Township of Evangeline, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 6 and the East 1/2 of Lot 7 of Glenwood Beach Resort, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 85 of Charlevolx 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: March 3, 2004 For more information, please

FC C 248.593.1301 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., a corporation 30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #016258F01

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Michael Genson, a single man to Old Kent Mortgage Company, a Michigan Corporation Mortgagee, dated Nov. 9, 1999

and recorded Nov. 22, 1999 in Liber 377 Page 514 Charlevoix County Records, Michigan said mortgage was assigned to: Bank One, National Association, as Trustee, by assignment recorded Dec. 2, 2002 in Liber 502, Page 360, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-

Four Dollars and Seventy-

One Cents (\$29,274.71) in-

cluding interest 11.375% 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, in the main lobby of the Charlevoix Courthouse, County Charlevoix, Michigan, at

ated in City of Boyne,

2004.

Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 39, 40 and 41, Block

5 of Collings and Cranes Addition to the Village of Boyne (now City of Boyne City) according to the Plat Recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 77, Charlevoix County Records. Commonly known as 709

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

Dated: Feb. 27, 2004 Bank One, National Association, as Trustee. Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 36150 Dequindre Rd. Ste 810

11a.m. on Friday, April 2, Sterling Heights, MI 48310 (586) 795-4400 Ext 129 Said premises are situ-Our File No: 04-21871

BOYNE CITY HOUSING COMMISSION BIDS WANTED

Sealed bids are now being accepted by the Boyne City Housing Commission for the following CONTRACTUAL WORK:

Corridors Lights at Litzenburger Place at 829 South Park Street, Boyne City, MI 49712. Specifications for work to be performed and proposal sheets may be obtained at the Boyne City Housing Commission Office, 829 South Park Street, Boyne City, MI.

All bids must be received no later than 3 p.m. on March 18, 2004, at which time the bids shall be publicly opened and read. Bids shall be contained in a sealed envelope identified as Corridor Lighting Bid.

The Housing Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities or errors in the bidding process and to accept any bid deemed in the best interest of the Boyne City Housing Commission.

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BOYNE CITY HOUSING COMMISSION BIDS WANTED

Sealed bids are now being accepted by the Boyne City Housing Commission for the following CONTRACTUAL WORK: Suspended Ceilings for Corridors at Litzenburger Place at 829 South Park Street,

Boyne City, MI 49712. Specifications for work to be performed and proposal sheets may be obtained at the Boyne City Housing Commission Office, 829 South Park Street, Boyne City, MI.

All bids must be received no later than 3:30 p.m. on March 18, 2004, at which time the bids shall be publicly opened and read. Bids shall be contained in a sealed envelope identified as Suspended Ceiling Bid.

The Housing Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities or errors in the bidding process and to accept any bid deemed in the best interest of the Boyne City Housing Commission.

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met at 7 p.m. on Feb. 25, 2004 in Charlevoix. All Commissioners were present. Minutes of the Feb. 11, 2004 meeting stood approved as presented.

Motion approved Resolution #04-012, Resolution of Intent, application for state financial assistance under provisions of Act 51 and appointed Eugene F. Beer as Transportation Coordinator.

Motion approved Resolution #04-013, Create New Fund for grants obtained through the GIS Department.

Larry Sullivan, Planning Director presented the 2004 Recreation Plan. Motion approved Resolution #04-014, Revised 2004 Recreation Plan. Larry Sullivan, Planning Director presented copies of the 2003 Annual

Report of the Planning Commission and their 2004 Work Program. Motion adjourned the meeting.

Jane E. Brannon, County Clerk

CITY OF BOYNE CITY **COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX** SECOND READING AND CONSIDERATION TO AMEND the Boyne City Zoning ORDINANCE map (A-80).

At a regular Boyne City City Commission meeting held at City Hall on Jan. 13, 2004 at 7 p.m., an amendment to the Boyne City Zoning map was presented. Following is a synopsis of the proposed amendment:

The purpose of the amendment is to rezone 0.279 acres of land, located at 302 Front Street, from Community Service District (CSD) to Central Business District (CBD) (Property I.D. #15-051-452-011-15).

Notice is hereby given that a second reading and consideration of the amendment of the Zoning map will be held at the City Commission meeting on Tuesday, March 9, 2004 at 7 p.m. in the Commission Chambers located at 319 N. Lake Street in Boyne City. This amendment shall take effect fifteen (15) days following enactment. The public is invited to attend this meeting and give input into the amendment of the ordinance.

First Reading: Jan.13, 2004. Second Reading: March 9, 2004. Proposed Effective Date: March 24, 2004.

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF BOYNE CITY

The Board of Review for the City of Boyne City will meet at City Hall, 319 North Lake Street, as follows:

Wednesday, March 3, 2004

1 p.m. (organizational meeting only)

Monday, March 15, 2004

Noon- 3 p.m. (by appointment only) 6-9 p.m. (by appointment only)

9 a.m.-Noon (by appointment only) Wednesday, March 17, 2004 1-4 p.m. (by appointment only)

The City of Boyne City tentative ratios and multipliers, subject to change by the Assessing Officer, Board of Review, County Equalization and State Equalization are as follows:

	Tentative		
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You may call City Hall at 582-6597 between the hours of 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday to schedule a 10 minute appointment with the Board of Review for the March 15 or March 17 meeting.

Sara McRae, Deputy City Clerk

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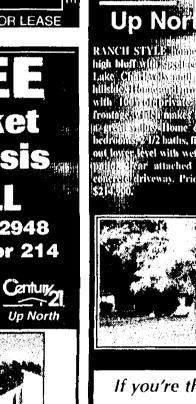
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BV Township fire dept. seeking input on local ambulance service

Boyne Valley Township Fire and Rescue is seeking input regarding the startup of a transporting Basic Life Support (BLS) ambulance service in Boyne Valley Township.

"We feel the need to enhance our service to our community members by upgrading our service from the current non-transporting Medical First Responder level to a BLS transporting service," said Michael Richards, Boyne Valley Township Fire Chief.

Several benefits will be immediately recognized through the upgrade:

Patients will be enroute to a hospital sooner. There will not be a need to wait for an ambulance from another town to arrive. Pa-

tients will receive definitive care sooner which improves the recovery rate. The ambulance crew will be familiar to township residents making a difficult time easier to cope with. Upgrading the service will not come without a higher

This is where your input is critical," said Richards. "We have members within our fire department that are interested in furthering their education and training and are willing to take the Emergency Medical Technician course to make the upgrade a reality, but we need to have your support." The department is asking township residents to support a millage to cover the startup and operational

costs of the service upgrade.

Details of the millage needed and the costs associated with the service upgrade will be discussed at a town meeting on Wednesday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Boyne Valley Township Fire Hall, located at 2286 Railroad St. in Boyne

"Please mark this date and time on your calendar and plan to attend this meeting to have your questions regarding this service upgrade answered," Richards said. "We need to gather your opinions in order to make an informed decision on the implementation of the ambulance service to Boyne Valley Township residents."

POLICE REPORT

Boyne City Police Department

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

Monday, Feb. 23: Property damage accident reported in Carter's lot; personal protection order violation at Parkview Apartments; assisted Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department with domestic call; 911 hang-up at high school; assisted on North Park Street with Boyne City Ambulance Department; suspicious calls received on East Main Street; barking dog complaint on Jefferson and Clark Street.

Tuesday, Feb. 24: Property damage accident at Shell Station; property damage accident at Jersey and Vogel Street; motorist assist on Boyne Avenue; unlock of vehicle on Boyne Avenue; abandoned vehicle on Trent Street towed; unlock at Parkview Apartunlock at ments; Litzenburger Apartments; one arrested for operating while intoxicated - lodged at Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department.

Wednesday, Feb. 25: 911 hang-up from Boyne Area Medical; assisted fallen subject on Silver Street; property damage accidents at North Park Street and Vogel Street; parking violation on Water Street; 911 hang-up at high school; property damage accident on North East Street; hit and run to vehicle parked in Glen's.

Thursday, Feb. 26: Assisted Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department at Boyne Mountain; called for another assist at Boyne Mountain; parking violation on North Park Street; assisted on East Main Street; parking violation on Water Street; two non-sufficient fund checks turned in by Boyne Mobil; unlock at S&K Foods; family dispute on State Street; dog running at large on tery. Wenonah Street.

Friday, Feb. 27: Arrested one for operating while intoxicated; hit and run at Lake and Water

ported to hospital; minor in possession of tobacco at middle school; property damage accident behind Robert's; disorderly person on Water Street; two speeding citation issued; larceny of license plate from South Lake Street; 911 hang-up check in trailer park.

> Saturday, Feb. 28: Two operating while intoxicated arrest - lodged at Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department; larceny of purse reported; 911 hang-up at elementary school; unlock of vehicle on Pleasant Avenue; assist at Humane Society; expired plate citation; speed citation; damage to gas line reported; operating while intoxicated; arrest lodged; one arrested for operating while intoxicated, resisting and obstructing, assault and bat-

Sunday, Feb. 29: Two truck property damage accidents at Park and Water Street; unlock at Deer Meadows; citation for

Street; car/deer accident at speed; noise complaint at Park and Groveland Street; Parkview Apartments; aspersonal injury accident on sisted county on locating State Street - one trans-

service to be held in East Jordan the Future," is this year's World Day of Prayer theme. The WDP Committee of Panama invites people to share in a day of prayer with other women and families around the

world. A local, communitywide service will be held March 5, at 1 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church in East Jordan.

All families and communities of faith are welcome Panama in prayer and song to support women's ecumenical ministries.

Community "World Day of Prayer"

The event is sponsored States and Puerto Rico.

"In Faith, Women Shape to join the women of by Church Women United, founded in 1941, with a mission to work for peace and justice in the United

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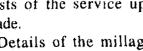




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Lifesaving donation

Boyne City Fire Chief Dennis Amesbury, left, presented a certificate of appreciation to Jim and Barb Hornbeck, for their donation to the Boyne City Fire Department of a special piece of equipment to be used in ice rescue situations. The two were recognized at a recent Boyne City Commission meeting.

Town meeting

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property growth in the school district, the board anticipates that they would be able to significantly reduce the 6 mill levy over the next few

At the meeting, Parsons noted that the additions to the school are being sought out of necessity, with all of the rooms in the school currently being used every hour of the

day. In order to facilitate the special education programs, distance learning and community rooms are being used; middle school science classes are being held in the vocational education room, and the stage is not only being used for music, but also art and middle school reading classes.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to finish the project here, to return the school's special rooms to

their intended uses and allow for the growth that is obviously happening," Parsons said. The number of students enrolled in the Boyne Falls Public School System has increased by 48 since 1999. Furthermore, the state-projected student population for 2008 is 378, an expected 13 percent increase over the next four years.

The bond election is set for Tuesday, April 20. Absentee ballots will be

available two weeks prior, and on the Saturday before the election, April 17, absentee ballots will be available for pick-up at the Boyne Falls School. Parsons is available to speak to community groups about the proposal Supporters of the

campaign are asked to take part in the BEE (Building Educational Excellence) Proud organization, which is seeking volunteers to

make pre-election phone calls, to prepare mailings, etc. "If they have one hour to spare that's fine; if they have 24 hours a day to spare that's fine too," said school board president Mary Schwem. For more information or to volunteer, call Schwem at 549-3180.

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