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## At A Glance

### Watershed Center to hold grand opening in East Jordan

The Friends of the Jordan River Watershed invite the public to celebrate the grand opening of the Watershed Center on Sunday, Aug. 22, from 1-3 p.m.

The center, located at Bridge and Union streets in East Jordan, directly west of Sportsman Park, will serve the community in developing an understanding of the local natural area, with special emphasis towards environmental education programs for students and their families.

Highlights of the grand opening will include guided tours of the nature trails, the eagle platform viewing area, and the newly refurbished Watershed Center building.

Entertainment will be provided by Dr. Good Heart's Home Remedy Band, and free refreshments will be served.

For more information, call Friends of the Jordan River Watershed vice president Joe Nerone, (231) 544-6386.

### Lady bikers in East Jordan this weekend

More than 130 riders are expected to take part in the fourth annual Lady Biker Day weekend, set for Friday, Aug. 20, and Saturday, Aug. 21, in downtown East Jordan.

The weekend includes a poker run, bike show, and barbecue, as well as safety presentations, a fashion show, and a "blessing of the bikes."

Also featured is a silent auction, the culmination of a year-long fund-raising effort by participants, with proceeds to benefit Camp Quality.

Spectators are welcome. For more information, or to register to participate, call Dawn Johnson at 536-0558.

### Food pantry accepting donations of fresh produce

Farmers and home gardeners are invited to donate their goods to a good cause. The Boyne City Food Pantry is seeking donations of fresh produce for distribution to area residents in need.

Anyone with produce to donate can call Jerry Kelts at 582-7727, to make arrangements for pick-up or drop-off.

The Boyne City Food Pantry is open on the first and third Mondays of the month, at 10 a.m. on the first Monday, and 5 p.m. on the third Monday.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT, THE BOYNE VALLEY GARDEN CLUB AND INMATES AT THE KINROSS CORRECTIONAL FACILITY HAVE BUILT A RELATIONSHIP ON

## Common ground

It was a striking mingling of worlds, as a handful of members from the Boyne Valley Garden Club crossed the asphalt and concrete of "the yard" at the upper peninsula's Kinross Correctional Facility to visit the garden, and the gardeners, created by the prison's progressive Master Gardener program.

The garden itself is a wonder; a carefully plotted sea of flowers and vegetables, it is an unexpected oasis in an otherwise sterile setting.

More unexpected is to find the unassuming members of the garden club mingling comfortably with the enthusiastic gardeners of the Kinross — with their coils of razor wire glinting in the afternoon sun, and you'd imagine it to be just an everyday meeting of neighbors talking over the fence, the buzz of gardeners amidst the buzz of bees.

This was no everyday meeting, however; it is the latest visit of what has become an annual excursion of the Boyne Valley Garden Club, led by past president and Kinross supporter Betty Shaver, to meet with the prison gardeners with whom they correspond regularly, sharing both materials and ideas.

It's a reciprocal relationship that began about five years ago, with something as simple as a water trough. When a former regional garden club director heard, incidentally, about Kinross' Master Gardener Program, she put the word out to area garden clubs regarding the program's need for water holding tanks. Shaver, then president of the Boyne Valley Garden Club, posed the question to members, who elected to donate one of the \$100 tanks. The next summer, the presidents of garden clubs who had donated were invited to visit Kinross. That visit was all it took to make Shaver, and by extension the garden club, a believer.

Knowing that the program operates on a shoestring budget, Shaver took it upon herself to enlist the help of fellow Boyne gardeners to collect items such as plastic pots, plant markers, seeds, and gardening magazines to donate to Kinross gardeners; she's enlisted, as well, the help of area merchants, like Ace Hardware and Boyne Co-op, to donate other needed items like hoses and watering cans. The annual trip north, then, often becomes a delivery run as well.

The relationship, however, is far from one-sided; emptying truck beds and trunks of collected items, garden club members often return home with seeds and plants of their own, and mouth-watering produce to donate to area residents, such as the senior citizens at Litzenburger Place, as was the case after the visit in 2003. On this trip, several garden club ladies returned home with garlic to plant, and others with the promise that a particular request, carefully recorded by one inmate in a small spiral notebook, would be fulfilled by mail or at a future visit.

Beyond the exchange of goods, however, is a much deeper bond — the exchange of ideas, and the sharing of a love for the garden.

THE KINROSS MASTER GARDENER program, known officially as the Horticulture Organic Gardeners, or HOGs, was founded in 1994, as

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A master gardener inmate at Kinross Correctional Facility points out some unique plantings to garden club members Ann Eagle, Barbara Mathers, and Judy Shlotells.



## Exploring options

### Attainability study will take a look at wetland discharge method of river outfall in wastewater system update

Having approved a river discharge method earlier this year in the ongoing wastewater system upgrade project, the City of Boyne City is moving forward to explore options as to exactly what type of outfall will be utilized.

At last week's regular meeting, the Boyne City City Commission approved a recommendation from water/wastewater department head Dan Meads to move forward with a Use Attainability Study, to explore the possibility of a wetland discharge alternative. The study, to be conducted as a combined effort by Capital Consultants, Aquatic Ecology Associates, Soils and Material Engineers, and Wetland Management Services, will be utilized to help determine whether a wetlands discharge is a viable option.

"When we selected the river discharge option, that was a discharge point," Meads said. "The method of doing it was never determined." The City has, in recent months, come under fire from area environmental organizations, including the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council and the Friends of the Boyne River, who have spoken out against the approval of the river discharge option.

According to a memo from Meads to the City Commission recommending the study, the City has put the pro-

cessing of its discharge permit application on hold to allow for a review of what would be needed to implement a wetlands discharge option. It's a move that Meads maintains is consistent with the City's decision to make looking at land-based alternatives to a direct pipe to the river part of the plan since the river discharge was approved in March of this year. Prior to the approval of the river outfall, the City commissioned a study on the viability of a rapid infiltration groundwater discharge option; results, however, indicated that the groundwater discharge was not an possibility.

The Department of Environmental Quality has a lengthy set of requirements for a wetlands discharge option, but has not had many opportunities to put those requirements into practice. Said city manager Michael Cain, "We are breaking new ground. The state is kind of learning on us."

The study, according to Larry Fox of Capital Consultants, will include the collection of data in a number of areas, including the current characteristics of the wetland area in question as well as a study of effluent characteristics. Those conducting the study will be creating baseline data, and then making a "better-than-educated"

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Proponents of the planned Boyne Area Senior Center, shown here in an artists' rendering, are seeking a millage from area voters to make the structure a reality.

## Going to the voters

What started out as a grassroots fund-raising effort will now become a grassroots campaign effort, as the Boyne Area Seniors, Inc. move forward with a millage proposal for a new senior center.

The ballot language was approved by the Boyne City City Commission at last week's regular meeting, with the intention of putting the issue before voters at the Nov. 2 regular election.

Boyne City city manager Mike Cain recommended that the commission approve the ballot language, but suggested that they take no action on accompanying documentation regarding the logistics of arrangements involving municipalities in the event that the millage does pass. Cain voiced concerns, supported in a letter from city attorney Jim Murray, regarding the protection afforded to the City and other municipalities should financial shortages occur during construction or in the future, or in the event of "a major liability."

Cain said that he has suggested that the Boyne Area

Seniors, Inc. consider the creation of a multijurisdictional authority, similar to that of the Boyne District Library, to "ultimately own and be responsible for all aspects of the senior citizen center," Cain said.

The commission agreed that no action should be taken at this time regarding such agreements, pending further discussions, and moved forward with approval of the ballot language, by a vote of 5-0.

The millage proposal seeks to levy up to .35 mills for three years, to provide the funds needed for "planning, coordinating, evaluating and providing services to older persons, including the construction of a senior citizen center."

"It's taken a lot of baby steps to get us where we're at," said Boyne Area Seniors, Inc. board member and city commissioner Ron Grunch. "It's been a four-year

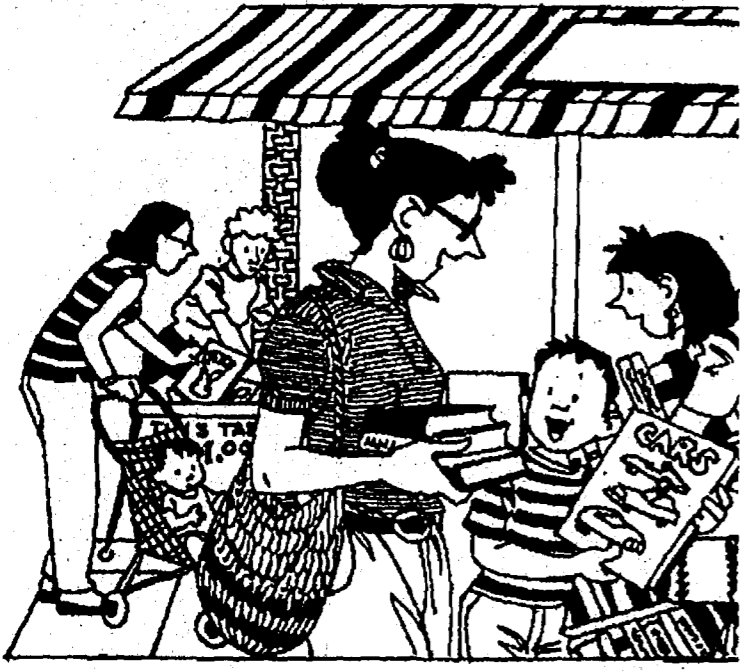
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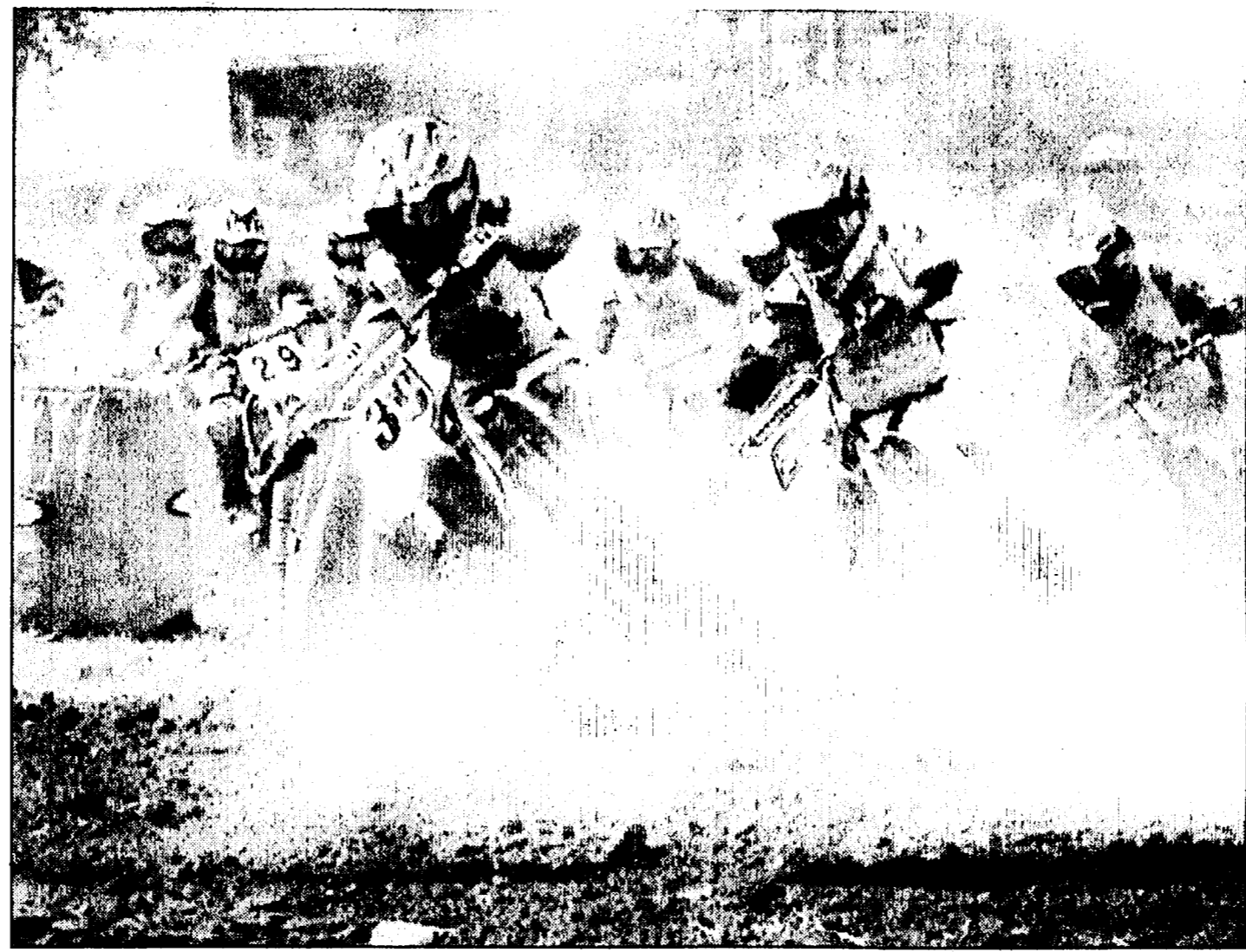
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# Racing to the top

As a motocross racer, East Jordan's Nate Ciszewski had a slow start, pulling out last place finishes as a grade-schooler in the sport, riding purely for the love of it. For the last couple of years, however, the 14-year-old East Jordan High School student has more than made up for lost time, moving from a state champion finish in the 65cc class in 2002 to, most recently, a national seventh place finish at the largest amateur motocross race in the world, the 23rd annual AMA/Air Nautiques Amateur National Motocross Championship at Loretta Lynn's ranch in Hurricane Mills, Tenn. It's an enviable position to be in, in the world of amateur motocross.



East Jordan High School sophomore Nate Ciszewski, number 39, above and left, takes the lead in a race at the 23rd annual Air Nautiques Amateur National Motocross Championship, held at Loretta Lynn's ranch in Hurricane Mills, Tenn. each year.



"Every motocross racer in the country wants to compete in the Amateur Nationals," said event director Tim Cotter. "A win there can serve as a springboard to a lucrative professional motocross career." Indeed, most of America's top professional motocross riders, including Jeremy McGrath and Ricky Carmichael, have claimed AMA Amateur National Championships early in their careers.

For Ciszewski, and his mom and stepdad Chris and Dan Brooks, the thrill of the seventh place win is enough, for now. "[Motocross] is very, very competitive," Chris said. "We're not in it for that, we're in it for the family fun." Ciszewski is one of the 20,000 racers who spent the last four months qualifying for the Loretta Lynn race. That meant undertaking a two step process, which includes placing top seven in area qualifiers, then top seven in regional qualifiers. "He rides in two classes, so he had to [go through the process] twice," Chris said of Ciszewski, who rides both 85cc (ages 14-15) and 105cc, or "Super Mini." For the family, that translates into racing every

weekend, traveling together in the family motor home, both within Michigan and to far-flung destinations like Texas, Oklahoma, Tennessee and Las Vegas. "We have a lot of time to talk," Chris said, noting that the long hours on the road are a perfect time for family bonding and communication.

"He'll race as long as he can," Chris said of Ciszewski's future in the sport. "Turning pro is a tough business. We took seventh, and [recruiters] are looking at one, two and three." An honor roll student, Ciszewski has managed to balance school and riding, a priority for all involved. His racing schedule diminishes some through the winter, giving Ciszewski time to focus on his schoolwork, and another love — snowmobiling.

Nothing, however, is likely to hold the young rider back from his first love, a fact that the Brooks continue to encourage and support, viewing motocross as a valuable tool for character building. "That's what's cool, he can set goals and go for them," Chris said.

## BC school board seeks candidates to fill open seat

The Boyne City Board of Education is seeking candidates to fill the trustee position vacated by board member Scott Hausler earlier this month. Hausler resigned from his position on the board in order to avoid a conflict of interest as he participates in coaching activities in the basketball program.

The candidate appointed to the seat will hold the post from Sept. 13, 2004 until the June 13, 2005 annual school election.

Anyone interested in be-

ing considered for the seat can send letters of application to: Ed Vondra, Board of Education President, Boyne City Public Schools, P.O. Box 289, Boyne City, MI 49712. Each applicant's letter should contain an explanation of why they are interested in serving on the Board of Education and a description of skills and/or experiences that could contribute toward achieving the district's goals.

The board will accept applications through Friday, Aug. 27.

## Jake's Place to host 7th annual pig roast/auction

In a continual effort to raise funds to support the Special Olympics through Wertz Warriors, Jake's Place in Boyne Falls will host the seventh annual Pig Roast/Auction on Saturday, Aug. 21.

The event will be held from noon-8 p.m. at Jake's Place, located at 2670 US 131 in Boyne Falls, and will include a new addition this year, the first ever Benefit Car Show. According to organizer Kim Rotermund, the car show is expected to become an annual event. Entertainment for the day

will be provided by local favorites Northern Nites and Johnny Johnson.

The event will also feature a raffle drawing for a Honda Rancher 350 4x4 ES, courtesy of Galmore's of East Jordan. All 1,500 tickets for the raffle have already been sold; the drawing will take place between 5-6 p.m. The winner need not be present.

Cost of the pig roast is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors, and \$5 for kids ages 12 and under.

For more information, call 549-3346.

## Sheriff offers tips to stay safe after teens injured by rip currents

Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater is offering potentially life-saving tips for area water enthusiasts, in the wake of a swimming accident on Lake Michigan last week in which two teens were injured after being caught in rip currents in the heavy surf off the Pine River Channel Pier in Charlevoix.

Both had to be rescued by Charlevoix lifeguards, and were transported to

Charlevoix Area Hospital, where they were treated for hypothermia, cuts and abrasions.

According to Lasater, safety tips to follow when at the beach include: swim at a lifeguard-protected beach whenever possible; never swim alone; and stay at least 100 feet away from piers and jetties.

If caught in a rip current, remain calm to conserve energy and think clearly; never fight against the cur-

rent; think of it as a treadmill that cannot be turned off, which you need to step to the side of; swim out of the current in a direction following the shoreline.

If unable to swim out of the rip current, float or calmly tread water; when out of the current swim towards shore.

If unable to reach shore, draw attention by waving

your arms and yelling for help.

In you see someone in trouble, Lasater added, don't become a victim, too; get help from a lifeguard; have someone call 911; throw the rip current victim something that floats, like a lifejacket, a cooler, or an inflatable ball; and/or yell instructions on how to escape.

## Boyne District Library book sale to be held during sidewalk sales

The Friends of the Boyne District Library will hold a book sale during Sidewalk Sales, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 20 and 21, in the library community room. The sale will run on Friday from noon-5 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Friends' efforts to enhance library services. Donations are now being accepted of new or gently used books to be sold; donations will be accepted during regular library hours. The library will not accept textbooks, collections of condensed books, encyclopedias, or magazines. For more information or for large donations, call the library at 582-7861.

The mission of the Friends of the Boyne District Library is to facilitate communication between the library and the community, to enhance services offered by the library, and to encourage the volunteering of time, resources and talents of patrons to support the library.

This year, the Friends supported the effort leading to the library's successful millage proposal, and have made recent grants to the library totaling \$3,000 for concrete work and bicycle racks.

For more information, or to join the Friends of the Boyne District Library, call John McClorey at 582-6622.

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# OPINION

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## Check It Out

### Passed millage means hours, services will be restored

By NANNETTE MILLER

Good fortune is smiling on the library. Most importantly, voters overwhelmingly supported our request for increased operating millage, allowing us to be fiscally secure for many years to come. Many thanks to Kathleen Ruhs and

Michael Sehr for conducting a low-key, yet highly effective campaign.

Even though the money from the increased millage will not be received until early in 2005, the board took action on two important issues at their regular meeting last week. First, they voted to restore most of the library hours that were cut in March. Beginning Sept. 7, the hours will be:

Monday through Thursday: 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Friday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The board will continue to explore other options over the next few months, including the possibility of being open on Sunday afternoon. If you have any preferences for library hours, please call me at 582-7861 and let me know.

The other action that was made possible by the passage of the millage is we are taking advantage of a grant opportunity to upgrade our circulation system. Work will begin immediately on the preparation to change to the Sirsi system, which is being used in many area libraries. It offers a Web based catalog, allowing patrons to view their library accounts, renew their books, and place reserves from any computer. This new system will also allow us to participate fully in MelCat, the statewide library catalog that is being developed.

Exciting things are happening in the library world. Many library proposals for new buildings and millages have passed in recent months. This tells me that people do value libraries, and we must be doing something right. Thank you to all of our supporters here in Boyne. We are here to serve the community, and your votes have shown us that you appreciate our service, and want us to continue to grow and improve. We will do our best.

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

## WE WELCOME YOUR LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

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

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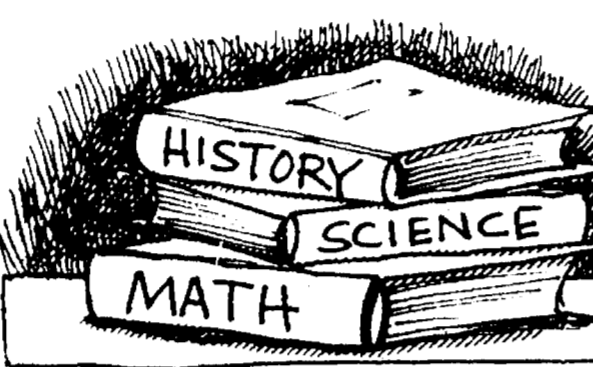
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## LETTERS

### Letter gave example of attitudes reader will vote against

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to personally thank Jerry Evans for giving me the heartiest, Wilford Brimley-esque laugh to have hit me in ages. It came after reading his letter to the editor entitled "Americans should vote based on morals" in which he encourages young people to vote while simultaneously bashing the "anti-God Left." The letter was particularly amusing to me because I admittedly consider myself to be (gasp!) a Democrat. What a shock it was to find out that not only am I "anti-God," "anti-Christian," and "anti-Family," but yes folks, I am out to "destroy great organizations like the Boy Scouts." Apparently, America should be more concerned that their president conserves the singing of "Kumbaya" and the tying of fishermen's knots than to whether or not he leads us into unjust wars, or better yet, leaves behind a trillion dollar deficit. And Jerry, if you're so concerned about the protection of the Boy Scout organization, why not try that "anti-God zealot" John Kerry for president? As I recall, he said at the Democratic National Convention that he was a Cub Scout and his mother was a Girl Scout leader for 50 "proud" years — hmmm, doesn't sound like a Boy Scout destroyer to

me!

As for labeling the Left as "anti-God," (which Mr. Evans does numerous times in the letter) I would like to know what he feels is so holy about our Right Wing government. After all, I'm a practicing Roman Catholic and I don't recall Jesus Christ having any special affinity for oil motivated carpet bombings. Maybe I missed that gospel. Maybe it was covered during the sermon where God tells President Bush to execute more inmates than any governor in the history of the United States.

Mr. Evans' letter showcases many wonderful quotes, all of which can be shared around the breakfast table or campfire for a light chuckle. I strongly recommend picking up last week's Citizen-Journal for the letter in its entirety as mine has already earned a coveted spot on the refrigerator.

As one of the young 18-year-olds who Evans is so strongly encouraging to vote, I will look at it on a daily basis as a reminder to the kind of attitudes that I would like to vote against in this coming election. God bless America.

Jacob Warstler

### Hospice thanks all for support

TO THE EDITOR:

On July 30 the Hospice of Northwest Michigan (formerly Charlevoix County Hospice, Inc.) sponsored another successful benefit auction using the theme "Ye Lords and Ladies for Hospice."

A sincere thank you to all the artists, crafters and businesses in Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet counties who donated to the auction. With deep appreciation we thank Linda and Richard Mueller of Castle Farms for donating the facility for the evening and their staff for being so accommodating.

The music was provided by Margaret Thomson, who gave a special sound to the evening. Thank you Carol Ross and Chris Fall Knight for your artists' hands, and Hank Ross for the wonderful publicity. Those who so very generously provided hors d'oeuvres for the evening were: Charly's Seafood Grill; The Grey Gables Inn; Terry's Place, Charlevoix; Backwoods Party Store and Deli, Ironton; Sayre's Catering, Mancelona; Kilwin's of Boyne City; Bear River Brewery, Boyne City; B.C. Pizza, Indian River; Darlene's Restaurant, East Jordan; and Sister's Catering, Bay City.

I want to thank all of the volunteers, especially Jeanie's Bar and Wait Service, Charlevoix; Light-house Missionary Church, East Jordan; and RSVP of Charlevoix and Emmet counties. The volunteers of Hospice of Northwest Michigan and its board of directors also deserve many thanks.

Thank you to auctioneers Scott Mackenzie and Rip Hayes, who kept the verbal portion of the evening moving along.

This is our major fundraising event and many others should be thanked personally for their generosity. Thank you to all who attended and made generous bids! Your support allows us to continue to provide volunteer and grief and bereavement services to those in our communities.

Hospice of Northwest Michigan, in partnership with Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency, provides a comprehensive hospice program to those with a life-limiting illness. We are very grateful to all of the people who supported us, in any way, that evening!

Patricia A. Johnson,  
Volunteer Administrator

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## A happy occasion

Boyer City mayor Eleanor Stackus, left, and new city clerk Rebecca Haynes share a laugh as Stackus bestows a City pin on Haynes during her official swearing-in ceremony, held at City Hall on Monday. Haynes was hired last month to fill the clerk's position, and recently relocated to the area from Lake Tahoe, Calif.

photo by Angela Shuttles

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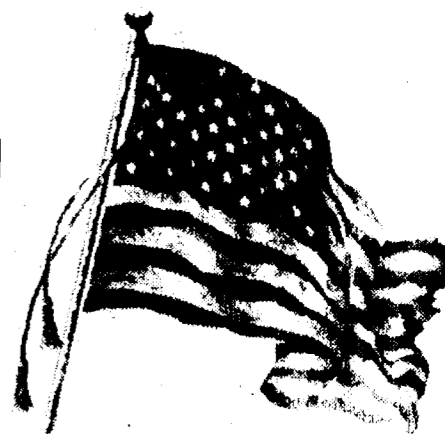
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# A PRESIDENTIAL VISIT



## ■ On the campaign trail, President Bush pays his first visit to "cherry country"

The air was hot and dry, and full of anticipation as thousands gathered Monday to officially welcome President George W. Bush to northern Michigan.

Bush's campaign stop in Traverse City was the first visit to the area by a sitting president since Gerald Ford rode down Front Street during the July 1975 Cherry Royale Parade.

"It's good to be here in cherry country," Bush told the crowd of close to 12,000 gathered at the civic center. "I've heard a lot about northern Michigan, and I'm glad to finally be here."

Prior to the main event, supporters showed up hours in advance of Bush's 4:05 p.m. scheduled speech to file through tight security, and secure a coveted seat in the VIP bleachers or a standing position in front of the podium. A mix of pop and country music, played at top volume, served to warm up the crowd and overcome chants from protestors outside the gates.

According to Boyne City's Sara McRae, the experience was nothing short of "spectacular."

After arriving at about 2:30 p.m., McRae and her brother found the lines moving relatively quickly, and were inside the gates by around 3 p.m., finding themselves nicely situated a "couple hundred feet" from the podium.

"It was exciting for me," she said. "I went because it was a history-maker, and I wanted to educate myself before I go to vote. I just wanted to see and hear it for myself."

"It's something I'll remember my whole life," McRae concluded.

Following preliminary speeches from area politicians and state party leaders, local singer Chelsea Oaks, and country band "Trick Pony" kept the crowd going, though festivities peaked when Bush took the stage under the banner "Heart and Soul Moving America Forward" — amidst cheers, a swaying mass of patriotic signs, and even louder music.

After complimenting the people and atmosphere of northern Michigan, Bush got down to business, reviewing the last four years in office and his plans for the future.

"Vice president Dick Cheney and I appreciate your support up here," Bush said. "I didn't pick Dick Cheney because he's the best-looking candidate on the ticket. I picked him to do a job, and together we are getting that job done."

"We have made much progress, but there's much more to do."

Besides "raising the bar on education" and working to improve health care for seniors, Bush said America has "overcome obstacles" and came through them together.

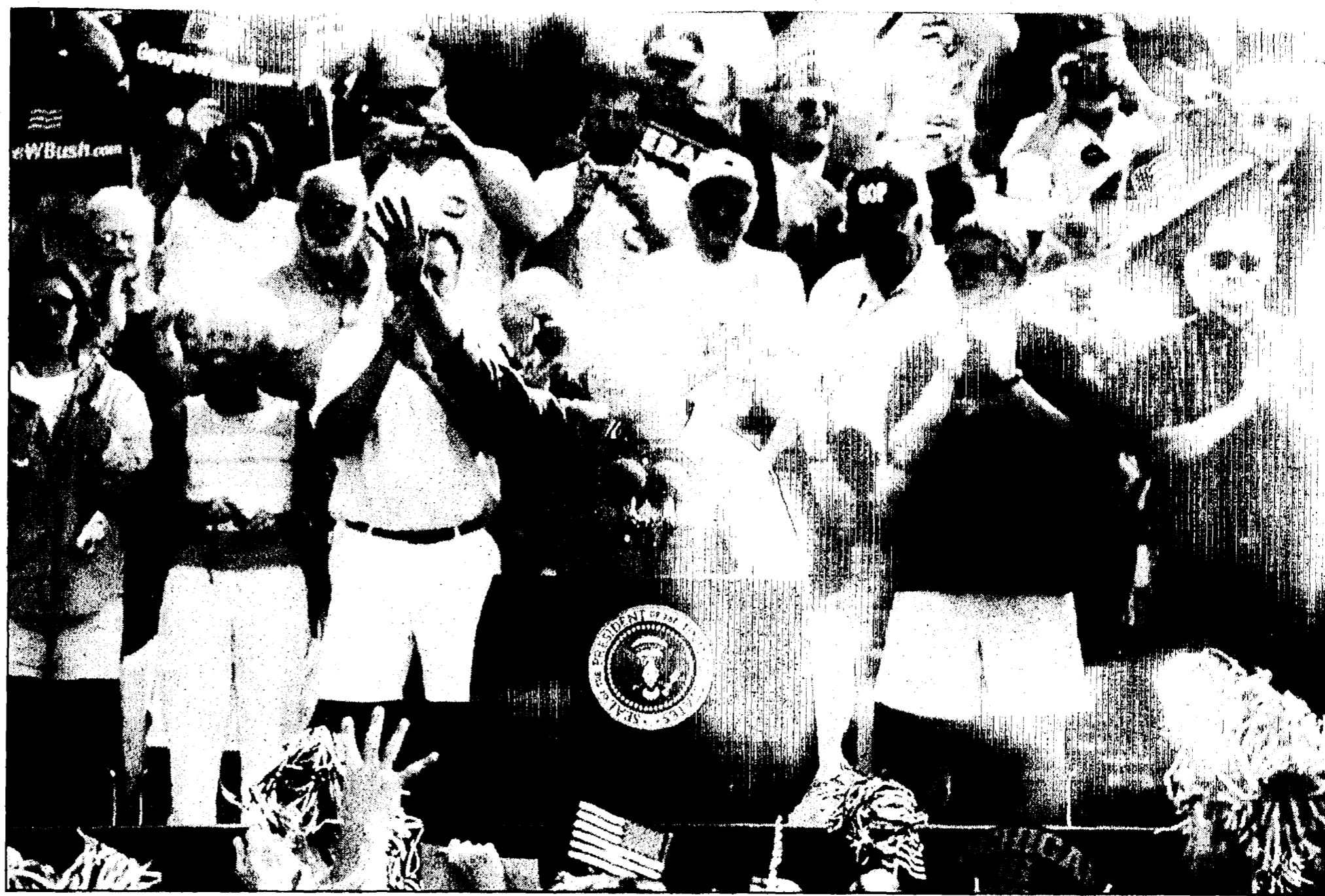
In addition to highlighting his two tax cuts for middle class Americans, Bush said 1.5 million new jobs have been created nationwide since last August, and that the unemployment rate is "holding steady" at 5.5 percent.

"I know some areas are worse off in Michigan, but we're here to help, and we have a strategy to help. That strategy includes keeping jobs in America, tort reform, less dependency on foreign sources of energy, and keeping taxes low."

Hitting home, Bush said he is also committed to "keeping Great Lakes' water in the Great Lakes' basin."

Addressing the current war in Iraq, the president said his administration has always believed that "it is always better to engage the enemy abroad, so we don't have to face them at home." In a direct reference to the United Nations, he said, "I will never turn over decisions on American's security to other nations. Free countries believe in peace, and peace will prevail. You can't abdicate reform."

"We are getting the job done — here and abroad," he concluded, "and come November I would ask for your support in electing someone who can get the job done."



The President spent time both visiting with folks in the crowd, above, and getting down to business, speaking for nearly an hour and touching on topics ranging from the economy to the war in Iraq to the issue of water in the Great Lakes basin.

PHOTOS BY DAVE LEIN AND JONIE MOORE



It was standing room only, both inside the gates and out, as an estimated 12,000 spectators turned out to get a glimpse of President Bush on his first-ever visit to Traverse City.

## Options

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guess as to what the impact of the effluent discharge might be on the area.

If its viable, a wetland discharge can offer the additional benefit of further "polishing" the already-

treated effluent by its passage through a natural filtration system, leaving it cleaner than it was at the point of discharge.

This is not to say, Cain emphasizes, that the effluent isn't already acceptable at the discharge point.

"The effluent coming from the river discharge will already meet and exceed state standards for river discharges," Cain said.

The cost of the study is \$69,000, which was not budgeted as part of the original project cost, and

so will not be covered under monies secured for the project from the State Revolving Fund.

Commissioners voiced strong support for the study.

"This is exactly one of the main reasons I sup-

ported a river discharge option to begin with — options," said commissioner Jerry Douglas.

"We're willing to spend the extra money to make sure we're doing what's best," added commissioner Chuck Vondra.

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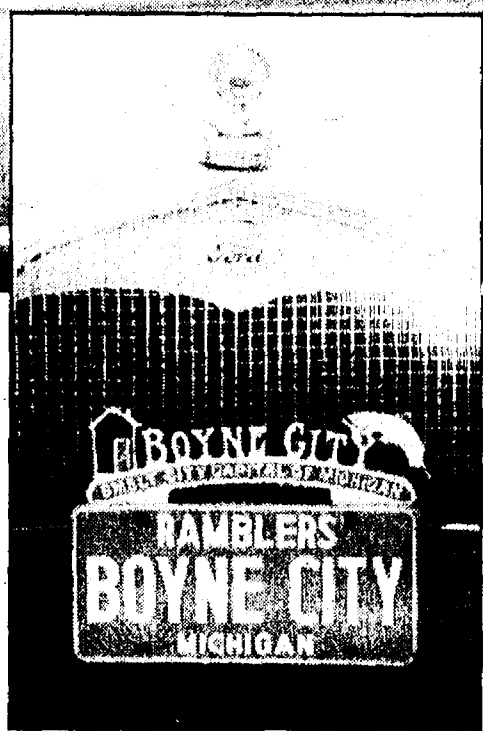
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### Remember when?

It was the perfect day for a walk down memory lane, as the 31st annual Antique Auto Show and Flea Market took place under sunny skies in Boyne City's Veterans Memorial Park. The yearly event features only stock vehicles 25 years or older, and includes entries both local and from around the country. The show is sponsored by the Boyne Country Region of the Antique Auto Club of America.

photos by Vic Ruggles



## Northern Nites to close out season at Old City Park

The Evenings at the Gazebo summer concert series will close its 15th season with a longtime favorite, Northern Nites, on Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 7 p.m. The band will fill Boyne City's Old City Park with the sounds of traditional country music for the final show

of the year. Sponsors for the evening are Boyne Country Books/The Daily Cup, Korthase Insurance and Financial Services, and Harborage Real Estate.

The concert is free to the public. Those attending are invited to bring lawn chairs and a picnic to enjoy with

the performance. In case of rain, the show will be held at St. Matthew Fellowship Hall, 1303 Boyne Ave., Boyne City.

For more information, or to make a donation to the non-profit concert series, call Cindy Kujawski at 582-7573.

## Methodist church to hold annual pasty and bake sale

The Pasty Sale is back! On Friday, Aug. 20, the Boyne City United Methodist Church will host its annual Pasty and Bake Sale during sidewalk sales, on the corner of Water and Lake Streets near the Boyne

Area Chamber.

The bake sale will start at 9 a.m., with the pasty luncheon to begin at 11 a.m.

For more information, call the church at 582-9776.

## Open house set at East Jordan Co-op Nursery

The East Jordan Cooperative Nursery School will hold an open house on Wednesday, Sept. 8, from 6-7:30 p.m. at the school, located at 207 Williams St., East Jordan.

Families of children ages three to four are invited to explore a co-operative

tion of early learning.

For more information,

call 536-2392 or Kim Piechan at 536-0775.

## "Escanaba in Da Moonlight" will shine at Aten Place

Armadillo Productions and Aten Place brings to the barn stage a hunting story to beat all hunting stories, with members of the Marshall Civic Theatre set to give two performances of "Escanaba in Da Moonlight," Aug. 20 and 21, at 8 p.m. each evening. The original play, written by Jeff Daniels, has been performed by numerous acting companies and sold-out audiences state-wide.

Escanaba in Da Moonlight revolves around the events associated with the Soady clan and the opening day for deer season at the family's Upper Peninsula camp — it's hunting season and there's no better place to spend it than at the world famous Soady deer camp. Forty-three year old Reuben Soady brings with him the infamous reputation of being the oldest Soady in the history of all Soadys to have never bagged a buck. Albert Soady and his sons Reuben and Remnar go to the Soady family deer camp every year the day before hunting season opens. Reuben, at 43, is determined to remove himself from the wrong end of the Soady log book as the oldest Soady to never bag a



Members of the Marshall Civic Theater in Marshall, Mich. will appear in two performances of 'Escanaba in Da Moonlight' at Aten Place.

buck. Reuben's family suspects that he might be cursed, and they have every reason to believe it, as mysterious things happen at the camp, including all the whiskey turning into sap. No whiskey at deer camp is bad enough, but being in a camp with a UFO abductee and a singing DNR ranger will surely put even the hardest Yoopers off their

pasties! Aten Place is located one half-mile south of Cherry Hill Road on Old Mackinaw Trail. The venue is an 80-year-old frame barn with seating for 200, overlooking the Boyne River valley, in the shadow of Boyne Mountain.

Tickets are \$8 at the door, reserve seating only for this production. Aten Place is a

non-profit endeavor, and no food or beverage is sold on the premises. Many patrons still bring snacks and desserts to share at intermission. Special 'yooper' treats will be prepared for this occasion.

For more information on this summer's schedule go to [www.atenplace.com](http://www.atenplace.com) or call Bill or Maxine Aten at 549-2076.

### COLLEGE NEWS

GREGG KOTESKEY of Boyne City was among the graduates at Ferris State University in May 2004. Koteskey received an Associate of Applied Science degree in automotive service technology and certificate in performance machining.

KYRIA J. OSTERHOUSE of Boyne City is the recipient of a Calvin Faculty Honors Scholarship in the amount of \$2,500 at Calvin College.

She is the daughter of Mark and Sharon Osterhouse of Boyne City.

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# SUPPORTING THE SOLDIERS

## Local soldier sends 'thank you' for donations

From Boyne City's American Legion Post #228. We have just received the following letter from CWO2 Kevin L. Crandell, USMC (postmarked June 25)

Hello everyone,

I just wanted to drop a line to say thanks for all the support from back home. I did get the two packages from the post and everything was great. I have shared with some of the other guys because my mom is sending about the same stuff from her church. She should be moving closer to Boyne City before too long. Her and Elmer did put the house up for sale.

All is going well for me over here. Things

have kind of slowed down with the transfer of authority coming soon. It will be interesting to see what does happen once that is completed. I have been out to a couple different places seeing what there is to see. Of course every time I go out I do forget the camera.

Shiela and the kids are doing just fine. Shiela is still working at the Child Development Center on base five days a week. She has been doing that for almost five years now. She likes doing the job she has now. The kids are keeping her busy with soccer and trying to get Kyle to get his drivers permit to help out a little with me being gone. It is hard to believe that he only has one more

year of school and is done. This next year will be the first time that they have been in the same school. Breanne goes in the ninth grade already.

Please give a special thanks to our friends at Century 21 Realtors and those at the library. Let everyone know that I really do appreciate the support and taking care of the troops the way that you have for many years. I know from experience that you all will go out of your way to do what needs to be done. When I do retire in five more years I will be able to spend more time around some really great people. Thanks again and take care.

From Iraq  
Kevin

## Treats for Troops program gets off to a good start

Two dozen boxes of Kilwin's fudge are being shipped this week to members of American Legion Post #228 who are in Iraq, thanks to the enthusiastic response of people in the community to our program announced in The Citizen-Journal last week.

Kilwin's is offering a special price of just \$4 for a half-pound of fudge when the customer asks it be designated to go to one of our troops. A Legion member picks up the boxes, makes a list of contributors, and adds the fudge to packages getting ready to be mailed.

The American Legion Post #228 thanks the following who participated in our Treats for Troops program this week: Phyllis Thomas, Ruth Looze, Elmer Daniels, Ila Legue, Pat Spence, Don and Hanna Cunningham, Lori Sevanski, Mary Baker, Rose McKenney, Kathy Coonrod, The Sifrin Family, Jean and Grant Ohlson, Judy Bow, a 2004 graduate of Boyne City High School and Rita LaVictoire. "Thanks, too, to Gayle and her efficient staff at Kilwin's," said American Legion member and project coordinator Maxine Hough.

## Auxiliary seeking trees for troops

The VFW Auxiliary in Boyne City is seeking artificial Christmas trees up to two feet in height, with decorations, to be sent to soldiers in Iraq.

Trees must be shipped by mid-Octo-

ber to reach troops in time for the holidays.

For more information, or to donate a tree, call auxiliary president Darlene Manary at 582-0131.

## Book donations are appreciated

The following letter was sent to Boyne District Library staff member Dava Maat, an organizer of the "Books From Home" effort. For information, call 582-7861.

"Hello and how are you doing today? I wanted to write you on behalf of my medical platoon for sending us this box of books. Thank you very much! We don't get a lot of free time unfortunately, being medics we stay a little too busy. But we all like to read when we get the chance. So it means a lot to receive things like this.

Maybe you would like to know a little about the soldiers you sent the books to. There are 38 of us including one doctor, two physicians assistants, one medical officer, and 34 enlisted soldiers. We run a Battalion Aid Station and take care of over 800 soldiers, as well as dozens of civilian nationals/American contractors. Our days never end, we have continuous operations 24/7 that we run in shifts. So our doors are always open. The next time I come home to visit my family there in Boyne I'll have to stop by. Not sure if one of them gave you my name and address or the VFW but I'm from Boyne also. My grandparents are Woody and Marie Everest, my sister is Chris Adkinson, and my brother is Rob Jensen. Well thank you so much again. Take care."

SSG Russell Gilmore

## Guest column — More on mailing to Iraq from the American Legion

By MAXINE HOUGH

A letter to my Postmaster (with apologies to Cindy, in the East Jordan Post Office):

I'll try to fill out these Customs Forms, but do you really want to know the ENTIRE contents of these boxes being shipped to our Legionnaires in Iraq? Okay, if it's the "law," I'll try to remember.

The Boyne Valley Lions Club donated dozens of their signature rolls of candies and mints, envelopes, paper plates, tea bags, clothes pins, writing tablets, popcorn, deodorant, cameras, and bars of soap and sunscreen. Pat Hayden, American Legion Auxiliary, brought some "collector's items" from hotels/motels—soaps, shampoo, conditioners, etc. Peg Crozier, the "Avon Lady", also American Legion Auxiliary, brought in bags and bags of hand and face moisturizers and lotions, shampoo and conditioners, bars of soap, raisins, peanuts, flea collars, sunscreen/bug guard lotions and spray bottles, coffee singles, mouthwash and deodorant.

Gleaned from the wonderful "catch all" table in the Advance Store were deer hunting guides, hunting and trapping guides, fishing guides, recent Charlevoix/Petoskey Star papers and, weighing it all down, dear Postmaster, can't you smell it -- boxes and boxes of Kilwin's FUDGE.. Can't I just write: "Gifts to our troops" in Iraq with a thank you from your friends, neighbors and family in your home town of Boyne City?

PS—no aerosol or alcohol (at least not the drinkable kind.)

Thanks to Frank Roselli/Thick 'n' Juicy for paying for the postage on a package to Kelli Howard last week, and the American Legion Auxiliary has pledged \$20 toward the postage on the six packages being mailed this week.

## VETERAN OF THE MONTH

### Ronald John Leist



Ronald John Leist

The Veteran of the Month for August is Ronald John Leist. Born April 4, 1936 in Bay Township, Charlevoix County. Leist left school in October of 1952 and worked the family farm until Oct. 27, 1954, when he enlisted in the U.S. Navy in Detroit, Mich.

Following basic training at the U.S. Navy Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill., Leist completed the following Navy training courses and schools: May 13, 1955 Boilerman School Class "A"; Sept. 29, 1955 Seaman and Practical Factor Seaman; Aug. 30, 1956 Boiler Technician 2nd Class; June 3, 1957 training for Petty Officer.

Leist received the following advancements in rating: Jan. 20, 1955 Seaman Recruit to Seaman Apprentice and Fireman Apprentice; May 13, 1955 Boiler Technician/Fireman Apprentice; Oct. 16, 1955 Boiler Technician/Fireman; April 16, 1956 Boiler Technician 3rd class; Dec. 1, 1957 Boiler Technician 2nd class.

Leist served three years at sea with his last duty assignment aboard the aircraft carrier USS Essex and on Oct. 29, 1958, at the U.S. Naval Receiving Station, Treasure Island, San Francisco, Calif., he was trans-

ferred to the Naval Reserve. Leist received his Honorable Discharge on Oct. 26, 1962 and was awarded the Good Conduct Medal.

Following his release from active duty in 1958, Leist held several jobs and on Jan. 9, 1960 Leist married Judith Ann Stowe in Petoskey.

In the early 1960s Leist went to work for Northern Michigan Electric REA Co. (later called Wolverine Power Supply) as a journeyman lineman where he worked until his retirement on April 4, 1998.

Leist enjoyed collecting and repairing old John Deere tractors and dancing, until he answered the final call Jan. 7, 1999. He is being honored by his wife Judy and family.

The Veteran of the Month program is available for any deceased veteran who served honorably in the United States military. To honor a veteran call (231) 588-6067 or Tuesdays (231) 582-7811 between 4-6 p.m.

The ceremony may be witnessed the first Thursday of each month in front of the American Legion Post, located at the corner of Lake and Main in Boyne City at 6:15 p.m.

## Going to the voters

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journey. It's time."

Though a millage wasn't originally in the fund-raising plan, the group began to pursue the possibility last winter, faced with the reality that the fund-raising, though steady, wasn't accumulating funds quickly enough to make the senior center a reality anytime soon. In four years, the effort has raised about \$260,000 in donations and grants, a substantial amount but still far short of the total project goal of \$725,000.

In January, the effort began in earnest to put the word out to the community that a millage might be sought. Since then, volunteers and board members have attended meetings of local government, clubs, and service organizations, in order to provide information and garner support for the project. Plans for a new senior center include a 5,400 square foot building to be constructed on property adjacent to Deer Mead-

ows and Litzenburger senior apartment complexes, on Division Street in Boyne City. The land has already been donated for the purpose by the Boyne City Housing Commission, which oversees Deer Meadows and Litzenburger Place.

More space, Grunch said, will allow not only for meal preparation on site at the center, nor is there an area for food storage. Supply and equipment storage is also an issue.

At present, the operation of the senior center and the services it facilitates are funded through the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging, by a renewable .40 county millage for senior citizens services, an arrangement that would continue even if the senior center millage were to pass. Voters in this month's primary election overwhelmingly approved the renewal of the county millage. And if the measure doesn't pass muster with voters? According to Grunch, the project will be put on hold and re-evaluated.

moves to the 15-foot by 20-foot senior center office.

According to a fact sheet distributed by the Boyne Area Seniors Inc., the current center is further restricted by the fact that meals are shipped in from East Jordan due to the fact that there are no facilities for meal preparation on site at the center, nor is there an area for food storage. Supply and equipment storage is also an issue.

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## ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

### Allen-Leist

Theresa Allen and Scott Leist of East Jordan announce their engagement for an Aug. 14 wedding at the Old City Park in Boyne City.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Colleen and Erik West of Boyne City and is currently working at Lester's in Boyne City.

Her fiancé is the son of Kathleen Leist of Boyne City and Milo Leist of Fallon, Nev. Scott is in the Army National Guard and is employed at the East Jordan Iron Works.

Theresa Allen and Scott Leist



## WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

### Eastwood-Berlanga

Shawn Rose Eastwood and Antonio Luis Berlanga exchanged marriage vows at 1 p.m. July 6 at the Terrace Inn in Bay View. The Rev. Carl Litchfield performed the double ring rites in the presence of 38 wedding guests.

The bride is the daughter of Earl and Linda Eastwood of Boyne Falls. The groom's parents are Stephen and Pamela Ciarkowski of Gaylord.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father. She wore a floor length white satin gown with a lace and brocade bodice. The bride's veil was imported from Ireland and was white with silver shamrocks embroidered along edges. She carried a bouquet of white roses and wore a garter that was hand made Irish lace with a silver Celtic Claddagh pendant.

Solo violinist was Robert Dudd. Kirtland Brown served as maid of honor wearing a hunter green and silver satin gown.

Audrie Fournier was the flower girl and wore a floor length white gown. Best man was Robert Britz and John Eastwood was an usher.

A reception, hosted by the couples parents, was held at the Terrace Inn in Bay View. The rehearsal dinner was held at the Terrace Inn, also hosted by the parents of



Antonio and Shawn Berlanga

the couple.

Shawn and Antonio honeymooned at the Aventura Spa Palace Resort on The Riviera Maya. Shawn is attending Paradise Valley College in Phoenix and will earn a degree in dance education. She is currently employed at Sprouts Whole Foods Market in Phoenix. Antonio is a graduate of United States Marine Corps and served two years at Camp Pendleton in Calif. He is currently employed in Phoenix as a consultant at Paradise Valley Health Club. The couple will make their home in Phoenix, Az.

## POLICE REPORTS

### Boyne City Police Department

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

**Monday, Aug. 9:** three arrested on minor in possession of alcohol; officer assisted ambulance crew on East Main Street; trespassing complaint on Lincoln Street; larceny of Wave Runner jet ski from Front Street; larceny of speakers from First Street; suspicious people on East Division Street.

**Tuesday, Aug. 10:** Speed

citation issued; assist on South Lake Street; minor property damage accident at Water and East Street; unlock in Glen's parking lot; assisted ambulance at Litzenger; private property damage accident on Pleasant Avenue; suspicious group at Parkview Apartments.

**Wednesday, Aug. 11:** One arrested on warrant; unlock on North East Street; malicious destruction of property to vehicle parked on North Lake Street.

**Thursday, Aug. 12:** Family dispute reported; runaway was located and transported to Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department; one arrested for domestic assault; officer assisted with kids at Cedar and South Street; littering complaint at Parkview Apartments; criminal sexual conduct is under investigation; disorderly call from Union Street.

**Friday, Aug. 13:** Shoplifting complaint under investigation; speed citation

issued; citation for expired trailer plate; one arrested for operating while intoxicated-second.

**Saturday, Aug. 14:** One arrested for warrant - transported to Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department; called to Jefferson Street - kids starting fire in woods; parking citation issued and one towed from Fire Department zone; property damage accident from Lexamar parking lot reported; property damage accident in Glen's parking lot; noise complaint at the

Tannery; assisted Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department with minor in possession party on Glenwood Beach; noise complaint at Sportsman's Bar.

**Sunday, Aug. 15:** Assisted Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department with foot chase on M-75; assault complaint from Tannery under investigation; assisted County with warrant arrest from Adams Street; malicious destruction of property at American Legion Hall.

## Golf season begins for East Jordan, Boyne City

By PHIL TROMBLEY Sports Writer

The local high school golf season got underway last week as both the East Jordan and Boyne City varsity squads traveled to the Ross Harvey Golf Invitational.

Twenty-five schools took part in the event that saw Alpena capture the Division I and II competition with 377 points, while Grayling topped the Division III and IV standings with 321 points.

More than 125 golfers hit the course in conditions that were less than ideal on a windy day with the temperature in the 50's.

For Boyne City Drew

Mittig led the Ramblers with a round of 86 followed by Ryan Hennessy (87), Josh Awan (114), Chris Munk (116), Tyler Price (121) and Dan Robinson (128).

For East Jordan Jamisen Both was the low man for the Red Devils with a round of 96 followed by Kyle Carson (97), Kaleb Brown (105), Mike Johnson (106) and Neil Brewer (133).

Traverse City St. Francis (322) placed second in the Division III and IV standings followed by Rudyard (340), Charlevoix (358), Harbor Springs (364), Tawas (370), Inland Lakes (372), Kalkaska (381), Mt. Pleasant (391), Boyne City (403), East Jordan (404)

and Alanson (445).

Collin Casciano of TCSF earned the overall medalist honors with his round of 76 edging out Rudyard's Brian Norton by just a single stroke.

LATER IN THE WEEK, the Mallard Golf Course was the site when the East Jordan varsity golf team took on Ski Valley Confer-

ence foe Pellston for a head-to-head match up on Friday, Aug. 13.

Pellston's Nick Burkhart posted the low round of the match with a nine hole total of 39, but the Red Devils put together four rounds under 50 to gain a 177-184 victory.

Kaleb Brown (40) led the East Jordan scoring with

Kyle Carson (41), Jamesen Both (48) and David Mellios (48) rounding out the score card.

In junior varsity action Ryan Gettel had the low round of 57 followed by Sarah Lome (64), Christine Vincent (68), Ben Archer (71) and Sean Brennan (74). Pellston won the match by a 236-260 score.

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**SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING - HELD ON JULY 27, 2004**  
Appointed James G. Vanek to the Office of Bay Township Clerk. Authorized the payment of Township obligations totaling \$40,400 of which \$34,000 was to be paid from the Road Fund and the remainder from the General Fund. Authorized Huntington Banks to accept the signatures of the Bay Township Clerk and Bay Township Treasurer as authorized signatories on Township's deposit accounts. Next regular meeting to be held on Sept. 9, 2004 at 7 p.m.

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The approximate quantities of major items of work are as follows:

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Plans, Specifications, and Bidding Documents will be issued only to Bidders who have been prequalified by City of East Jordan in accordance with the information for Bidders. Plans and Specifications may be obtained after August 19, 2004, at the office of Moore & Bruggink, Inc., upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$25.00. An additional non-refundable fee of \$15.00 will be charged if the Contractor requests these Documents be mailed.

This project will be entirely funded by City of East Jordan; no Federal or State grants are involved.

All Proposals shall be made in accordance with Bidding Documents.

A Proposal Guarantee payable to City of East Jordan, in the sum of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, must accompany the Proposal in accordance with the Information for Bidders.

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## Area watershed council marks 25th anniversary

Celebrating its 25th Anniversary, Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council staff and 165 members and friends recently enjoyed an evening cruise on the Straits of Mackinac. Calm waters and the majestic Mackinac Bridge towering above provided an appropriate setting for the Watershed Council's Annual Meeting held on July 19.

After conducting a short business meeting, special recognition was given to long-term and charter members. Awards for Volunteers of the Year were given to Marge May and Kenyon and Sally Stebbins, honored for their extensive time and effort in helping

the Watershed Council with its many projects and activities aimed at protecting the waters of northern Michigan.

"It was great to celebrate our accomplishments with our members, many of whom have been supporters of the Watershed Council for over 20 years," said Gail Gruenwald, Executive Director of the Watershed Council. "It was a beautiful evening and I was honored to be a part of it."

"It was wonderful to meet so many long-term supporters and founders of the Watershed Council," said board president Denise Simon. "What struck me was the genuine delight in

the gathering, not only in celebrating the success of the organization, but in visiting with friends and colleagues who have contributed to that success."

The Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council, founded in 1979, is celebrating its 25th year as the lead organization for water resources protection in Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, and Emmet Counties.

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# Common ground

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an inmate-organized and -operated venture dedicated to education and feeding the hungry. Through the guidance of staff coordinator Jim Couling and then-MSU County Extension Agent Steve Fouch, the program established a 62,000 square foot vegetable and herb garden, complemented by a 7,500 square foot flower garden.

The inmate gardeners who choose to participate in the program do so as volunteers, on their own free time, in addition to the assigned jobs they hold within the prison work structure. More than 90 master gardeners have graduated through the program, as well as 60 advanced master gardeners. Others are still in the process of achieving master gardener status.

The certifications are almost secondary, however, to the practical and life skills imparted to inmates who participate. "It teaches other things like social skills, teamwork," said a master gardener inmate, a program past president, accompanying the tour of garden club members. "A lot of us in prison have never given. We learn how to give unselfishly, and that's worked pretty good."

Though many inmates who participate enter the program with the right attitude, others have to be brought up to speed. One gardener tells the story of an inmate who came to the garden to work, but with less-than-pure motives. "He came out to see what he could eat," he said, noting that more than one inmate has sought out work in the garden having been tempted by the fresh produce. This particular inmate, in fact, had been caught jumping the fence, to get in to the garden. "He kept stealing the peppers," the master gardener inmate said. "So we gave him a squash bed [to tend]." Over time, the inmate was won over by the hard work of growing the produce. "Some of [the gardeners] start off with selfish reasons, but usually by the end of the season they change their thinking a little bit."

To others, the garden represents an opportunity to use their time engaged in something productive, rather than just passing the time. It's also a lesson in commitment, made by choice rather than by being compelled by some higher authority. "We do this because we want to do it," the master gardener inmate said simply.

Those who choose to participate are assigned an area, whether it be squash, strawberries, herbs, or any of a multitude of other crops. It becomes that inmate's job to do the research, to come up with a plan, including the number of plants needed, when and how to plant, and how to care for them.

Touring the gardens, it's clear that the inmates have taken their individual jobs to heart. One kneels amid the rows of strawberry plants, whose berry production by this time has waned, and speaks enthusiastically and at length about the plants in his charge, how well they produced this season and how they will be utilized to propagate more of the same. Another passes around samples of the herbs laid out in a traditional bed, looking on as gardeners sample lemon grass and leaves of chocolate mint. Still another tends to the compost pile, which other inmates joke, is "hands-off" to anyone else who might happen by and get the notion to put in his own two cents.

It's not a garden of convenience, by any means. Until this year, when water lines were made possible through outside monetary donations, the gardeners watered nearly 70,000 square feet of plantings by hand with sprinkling buckets. There are no electric gadgets, no rototillers or other work-saving devices. It's all shovels and hoes and weeding by hand.

The Kinross gardeners, through necessity, have become masters of innovation, or, at the very least, creative problem solvers. Touring their gardens, one finds plant markers created out of strips cut from cottage cheese cartons, or paper in a clear plastic sleeve, stapled to a tongue depressor.

In a small greenhouse, thriving luffa plants grow in pots suspended as close to the ceiling as possible, taking advantage of the most sunlight and warmth that one might find in any given summer in the upper peninsula. Their success is a testament, Shaver notes, to one master gardener inmate's answer to a challenge. The luffa seeds were sent by Shaver herself a couple years prior; the first year, she said, the



The Boyne Valley Garden Club recently visited the Kinross Correctional Facility's master gardeners. Pictured here are, back row from left: Bill Frykberg, Nancy Cunningham, an inmate master gardener, Cydney Steeb, Billie Stanley, an inmate master gardener, Betty Shaver, Ann Eagle, Irene Brannon, and Judy Shlotels. Front row: Barbara Mathers and Lois Dulven.



The Kinross master gardeners grow flowers and vegetables on a 70,000 square foot piece of land within the prison fences. At left, a water can "tree" stands at a central point in the garden for easy access. Until recently, all watering of the garden was done by hand with such cans. Above, brilliant yellow Asiatic lilies are just one example of the vivid plantings the inmates have cultivated.

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gardeners tried to grow the plants, but outside of the greenhouse, exposed to the elements. They didn't do well. Rather than give up, the next year, gardeners gave the loofahs their cozy new home at the peak of the greenhouse. Voila — success.

The program itself is a success story, indeed, on many levels. It's a success for the surrounding community, which benefits from the bounty that the Kinross gardeners produce within. All of the fresh vegetables are donated to charities, including food banks, Meals on Wheels, the Salvation Army, nursing homes, and centers for victims of domestic violence. The garden program has participated in the "Plant a Row for the Hungry"

food program, donating 12,238 pounds of fresh produce to feed the hungry in the first year alone. Area schoolchildren benefit from the gardeners' pumpkin patch, which supplies students each Halloween with pumpkins galore to decorate and enjoy. Two years ago, the program was approached by the WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) food program to supply fresh vegetables for clients to complement the program's traditional supplies of milk and cheese. The vegetables donated by the HOGs are utilized to not only feed WIC clients but also teach them about food preparation and proper nutrition. The program also commits space to support the National Tree Trust, donating the young trees

they grow to help beautify and preserve the landscape of the surrounding communities.

And the list goes on. It's a success for the correctional facility, too, in that it has created something positive both within the prison walls and the community without. The inmates, in fact, give much credit to the administration at Kinross for allowing them to take part in such a progressive program.

"This is a unique prison," one inmate said. "The administration has tried to give inmates the leeway to grow their talents. Here, we can do something positive [in the master gardener program], and that's something you don't see at other prisons." The prison has benefitted, too, from the interest of community groups and organizations, as well as the Kinross DPW, a neighbor, which has donated plenty of labor and materials to the program.

THE BOYNE VALLEY Garden Club, for one, immediately saw the benefits of such a program, and has long sung its praises. "The program is such a win-win situation," said past president Shaver. "It teaches these guys responsibility, teamwork, integrity, cooperation. And they learn a skill, how to grow things." It's become a passion for Shaver, who has championed the cause and been the driving force behind the garden club's continued interest in the program. This year, nine fellow garden members joined Shaver on her trip north, and it was clear, as they oohed and ahhed over the gardens, asking questions and making observations, that they, too, had become true believers.

The inmates, with whom Shaver has become familiar having not only made the trip to Kinross every year but also through correspondence with the HOGs group and Kinross administrators, have become nothing more and nothing less than fellow gardeners. "They want to be an active, productive part of the community," she said.

It's just one more thing the Kinross gardeners have in common with the garden club members. When it comes right down to it, both groups are using the beauty and bounty of the earth to make their worlds, and the world around them, a better place to be.



Members of the Boyne Valley Garden Club share a laugh, above, as a master gardener inmate provides them with information about a cluster of fragrant trumpet lilies. At right, club members find themselves in close quarters in the garden's smaller greenhouse, admiring the thriving luffa vines at the peak of the structure.

