

COMING EVENTS

Evenings at the Gazebo schedule

- July 20 – Judy Harrison and High Impact: *country music with an attitude.*
- July 27 – Floodgate: *Christian, folk and bluegrass sound.*
- Aug. 3 – Cow Cow Boogie: *country, swing, and a real good time.*
- Aug. 10 – Calamity Jane: *folk ballads, blues and bluegrass*
- Aug. 17 – Northwind Brass: *old-time favorites.*
- Aug. 24 – Steven Wood: *country, classic rock and blues*
- Aug. 31 – Nelson Olstrom: *original and favorites.*

Judy Harrison and High Impact

Judy Harrison and High Impact will be performing for the "Evenings at the Gazebo" concert series in Boyne City on Wednesday, July 20, at 7 p.m. Judy Harrison and High Impact are returning to Boyne City to provide an evening of upbeat, contemporary, country music. They are well-known, experienced professionals who have performed with such acts as Alan Jackson, Juice Newton, Jessica Andrews, and Sammy Kershaw. Based in the Traverse City area, they travel throughout the state playing for large fairs and festivals, as well as local venues. Their mix of music, song, dance, and high energy is a welcome experience for the entire family.

Aten Place presents ...

The Concerts in the Barn at Bill and Maxine's Aten's farm in Boyne Falls are in their 11th year, and have become a summer entertainment staple for many. The concerts began on Saturday, July 2, and will run all summer, with a final concert on Saturday, Sept. 3.

All the concerts begin at 7:30 p.m.. These are non-profit productions, with a \$10 donation at the door provided as compensation to the entertainers.

Concert Schedule:

- July 20 (Wednesday): Josh White, Jr.: 2 p.m.: Children's concert; 7:30 p.m.: Adult/Family concert
- July 23: MANX
- July 30: The Milroys (formerly Tangerine Trousers)
- Aug. 13: Barbara Bailey Hutchison
- Aug. 20: Louise Taylor
- Aug. 27: David Massengill
- Sept. 3: Grit Laskin

Aten Place is located 1/2 mile south of Cherry Hill Road on Old Mackinaw Trail in Boyne Falls. For more information, visit www.atenplace.com, or call (231) 549-2076.

Jordan Valley Band concert

The Jordan Valley Band will be performing a series of concerts at the new bandshell in the Memorial Park in East Jordan.

The "Concert in the Park" performances will be each Thursday evening at 7 p.m. The band will rehearse prior to the concerts at 6:30 p.m., in the same location, and is looking for anyone in the area with a horn that would like to be musically active this summer. Everyone and anyone who wants to play — young and mature alike — is welcome. They simply need to show up at rehearsal.

Boating Safety classes

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's office will be offering

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NFS truck total loss

A Northern Food Service truck and trailer was destroyed by a fire on July 14, while it was parked in the Amerihost Inn in Walker.

The fire is still under investigation by the Michigan State Police and the Walker Fire Department and no charges have been filed. According to NFS the truck, trailer and contents were a total loss.

At the time of the fire, the truck was parked outside a motel in Walker, a suburb of Grand Rapids, during a two-day delivery route.

"This was the first time the truck was unattended or not on our lot since it returned from the sign shop on July 11," said John Paulsen, general man-

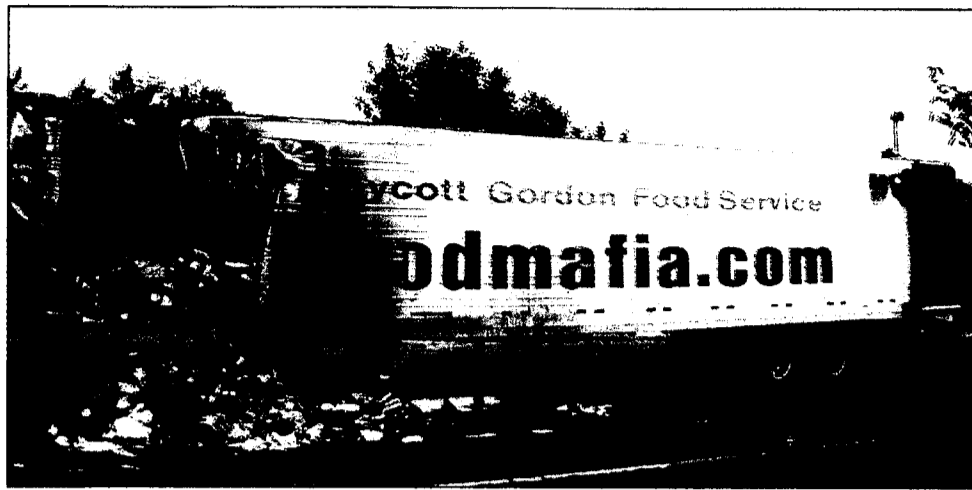
ager of NFS. "We have never, in 50 years, had a similar fire."

The truck fire just adds to the troubles NFS has been experiencing lately.

NFS, an Antrim County business based in Elmira, earned a contract with the state to provide commodity foods to school districts in 76 counties across Michigan in 2002. Over the next two years, the state redirected nearly 200 districts to a cooperative food pilot, whose commodities were distributed by Gordon Food Service, eroding the contract with NFS.

NFS filed a breach of contract law-

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A Northern Food Service trucks sits outside the Amerihost Inn near Grand Rapids. The truck was burned out last week while it was parked at the hotel, halfway through a two-day delivery route.

Kid rocks



Kid Rock drew a summertime crowd to Boyne Mountain last Sunday, making the Mountain the site of the largest concert in northern Michigan in 12 years. The event ran smoothly, increasing the likelihood that open air concerts on the Mountain will become a regular part of summer entertainment.

Commission approves purchase of business, site

The East Jordan city attorney and city manager Dave White recently negotiated the arrangement for the purchase of the property located at 102 Water Street in East Jordan.

At a special meeting of the board last week, the commission unanimously approved a resolution to authorize White and city clerk, Lori Campbell, to execute "any and all documents to effect the anticipated transaction," and to authorize the use of the available Harbor Fund fund balance for the down payment on the property.

The purchase has excited some controversy, and the meeting was attended by several East Jordan citizens, who raised questions about the cost of demolition, should the city opt to raze the building on the property; the loss of tax revenue from a business on that site; and the possibility of taxpayers being left with a bill should the Harbor Fund not support future payments.

"If the Harbor Fund runs out of money, who is going to pay for it?" said East Jordan resident and business-owner, Mike Burr. "Who will say, 'I made a mistake?'"

Mayor Mark Postma said that he and the other commission members would be the responsible party, but also said that the Harbor Fund, which is maintained through user fees, not tax revenue, has historically always been a good budget.

Commissioner Dan Bennett said that the purchase of the property on Water Street is only part of a larger plan to improve the harbor and waterways in East Jordan, as well as provide a climate for business and tourism.

"The future of East Jordan is what I am looking at. We need to look at what kind of businesses we can bring in — draw is what I am looking for," Bennett said.

He also said that status quo isn't "going to cut it," and that the city needs to continue to find ways to make improvements.

BoyneThunder on a sunny day

Once again, Boyne City was the site of summertime festivities last weekend, when BoyneThunder roared back into town, bringing with it another carnival and a classic wooden boat show, as well as shoppers and pub crawlers galore.

The proceeds of the weekend event will be divided 70/30 between Camp Quality and the Boyne City Main Street Program, which has provided many volunteer hours to getting BoyneThunder off the ground. An estimated 50 volunteers put in as many as 2,000 hours in preparing for the event.

Saturday morning, the beach and marinas were lined with viewers who came to watch as the powerful boats took a lap around Lake Charlevoix before setting off at speed on the Poker Run. The morning was hot, with a haze over the lake, as two airplanes flew low overhead with camera crews filming the BoyneThunder

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BoyneThunder participants prepare their boats before Saturday morning's Poker Run. The day was hot, the wind was calm, and there was still a haze over Lake Charlevoix when the big boats blew out of Boyne.

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boating safety classes at the following dates and times.

July 30, 9 a.m. at Charlevoix Middle School, and August 6, 9 a.m. at Walloon Lake Country Club (Grandma's).

Minimum age for the classes is 12 years. Students should bring date of birth information with them for registration purposes.

This course is mandatory for some ages to engage in certain boating activities. For more information, call the Sheriff's office at (231) 5474461, ext. 320.

4-H Red Cross babysitting classes

Red Cross babysitting training will be offered in East Jordan on Tuesday, July 26, at the Jordan Valley District Library from 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. This course prepares youth ages 11 - 15 with the training every parent wants in a babysitter, including safety, basic child care, safe play, first aid and critical emergency skills.

The cost is \$20 for the class and includes a babysitter's kit that contains many of the items needed to feel confident and skilled as a baby sitter. Snacks and lunch will also be provided. Costs are kept to a minimum thanks to a grant received through the Charlevoix Community Foundation. Scholarship money is also available for low income eligible students.

For more information or to receive a registration brochure contact the Charlevoix County MSU Extension office at (231) 582-6232.

Bay View theater schedule

The following is the summer theater program for the Bay View Music Festival.

- July 28 - 30 at 8 p.m. in the John M. Hall Auditorium: "The Secret Garden"
- Aug. 6 - at 8 p.m., in the John M. Hall Auditorium: A dance concert
- Aug. 11 - 12, at 8 p.m. in the Voorheis Hall:

"La Boheme"

For more information, visit www.bayviewfestival.org, or call the box office at (231) 348-9551.

CAH Freedom from Smoking classes

Are you ready to kick the cigarette habit? Charlevoix Area Hospital's Freedom from Smoking program can give you the tools, techniques, and motivation to quit for good.

Offered in cooperation with the American Lung Association, Freedom from Smoking is a lively, interactive, step-by-step program with a proven track record. A new, eight-week series of classes will begin Thursday, August 2, at 3:30 p.m. at the hospital. There is no charge for this clinic.

Each week participants will learn how to break the nicotine habit; get practical tips for handling stress, maintaining weight, and making changes in daily routines; and receive plenty of encouragement and support as they adjust to their post-smoking life.

Space in the classes is limited. To register, call Charlevoix Area Hospital's Freedom from Smoking coordinator, Michelle Potter, at (231) 547-8672.

St. Matthew's summer festival

Each summer, St. Matthew's Church in Boyne City has a summer festival as a fundraiser to help pay off the parish hall mortgage. This hall touches everyone's lives in the community — funeral luncheons, meetings and community music functions when the Evenings at the Gazebo are rained out.

The year, the event will take place on Sunday, August 21, from noon to 4 p.m. They will be having their famous "Ma's Polish dinner" starting at noon, a huge tent sale, a money raffle and an outdoor children's playhouse raffle, with drawings at 4 p.m. In addition there

will be a live auction with Sam Kosci from 1-3:30 p.m.

For more information, call (231) 582-7718.

Hymn sing at Holiness Camp

A hymn sing, sponsored by the Northern Michigan Holiness Camp Association, will be held August 28, 6 p.m. at the Northern Michigan Holiness Camp building located on North Park St., Boyne City, Michigan.

All are welcome to attend.

JRAC Stratford theatre trip

The Jordan River Arts Council is pleased to announce details of its annual motor coach trip to Stratford, Ontario. This year's trip will be the weekend of September 23 - 25.

The trip departs East Jordan at noon on Friday and includes a box lunch, Patrons can choose from a list of 10 plays over three days. Stratford also offers unique shopping and dining opportunities.

Seating for all of the plays are located in A or A+ areas, and include the musicals "Hello, Dolly" and "Into the Woods"; Shakespeare productions "The Tempest," "Measure for Measure," and "Edward II"; the comedy "Fallen Angels" by Noel Coward; and dramas, "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof," "The Brothers Karamazov," "The Lark," (the story of Joan of Arc), and "Orpheus Descending."

For the seventh year, the accommodations will be at the Festival Inn, with restaurant and pool facilities on the premises.

Pricing for the trip is as follows:

Bus trip: \$60
Hotel: \$60 per person, per night, based on double occupancy

Plays: \$58 each, no minimum required


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Charlevoix County COA packs them in

The annual Charlevoix County Commission on Aging picnic was held at the Harvest Barn church in East Jordan last week, and seniors in attendance were treated to a chicken barbecue and live music by Bill Stevens and his band.

The church, in the building which previously housed the East Jordan Express, has a huge capacity, but the tables and chairs that packed it were filled, and the cavernous room was rich with the smell of home cooking.

Among the picnickers (being waited on by state senator Jason Allen), was the oldest guest, Bellaire resident Floyd Liskum, an East Jordan native.

Liskum, at 102, is able to get around well, and was out

with friends to enjoy the barbecue. When asked his secret for longevity, he got a laugh out of his tablemates.

"I didn't drink, I didn't smoke, and I didn't fool with bad women," he said with a smile, but added in a confidential tone, "I was afraid of getting shot."

Liskum has been to nine countries, he said, but has never been to any of the islands in the Great Lakes. Last winter was the first winter in 35 years that he was in Michigan for the whole year; he usually spends the winter in Texas.

The guests included many area seniors who also attended the groundbreaking ceremonies for the Boyne City senior center, slated to open in time for Thanksgiving.



Senator Jason Allen, left, serves lemonade to seniors at last week's Charlevoix County Commission on Aging picnic at the Harvest Barn church in East Jordan. Guests enjoyed the Lions' barbecued chicken and the music of Bill Stevens' band.

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The children of Eugeno and Ruby Belford are hosting an Open House in honor of their parents sixty-fifth wedding anniversary on Sunday, the thirty-first of July, two thousand and five from one o'clock until four o'clock

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Their children and spouses are: Bob and Marylu Fitzpatrick of Washington, Penn.; Jerry and Vivian Belford of Boyne City, Dale and Charlotte Looze of East Jordan, Allie and Colleen Ingalls of Ellsworth, Terry and Penny Belford of Boyne City, Earl and Claudette Elder, Littleton, Colo.; Jeff and Nancy Belford of Boyne City, Tony and Cindy Lamacchia, Signal Mountain, Tenn.; Larry and Bridget Peck of Boyne City. Another son, Collins Belford, is deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Belford have 33 grandchildren, 36 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild due in July.

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Bringing the Pacific to the Great Lakes

There are, living among the houli (caucasians) in the frozen north, a scattered remnant of Polynesians who long for the aloha spirit. For the fifth year in a row, they are coming together to find it at a luau, the brainchild of Andrew Kipapa of Boyne City.

The "Kahui O Polynesia," or Gathering of Polynesians, was created to bring the Islands to Boyne City. Andrew and his daughter Lei Nahuni did not want to limit their guests to Hawaiians, but included transplanted Samoans, Tongans and Filipinos, as well as caucasians who have lived on the islands.

The first year, the luau was held at Lei's house in Boyne, and the traditional pulled pork was cooked in her oven. The food preparations were taking place in households with Pacific islanders all over the area, and Leis' luau hosted about 40 homesick Polynesians.

Since then the luau has grown, and by last year there were more than 100 celebrants, and a whole pig was being cooked in traditional style — in a pit underground all night. People come from all over to enjoy traditional foods, to sing to the ukelele and to fashion haku (headwear wreaths) from Michigan plants.

"My dad," Lei said, laughing, "just made the idea — and then he relaxed!" Lei and her friend, Angie Kamalii, of Walloon Lake, did not.

"It is a potluck of local food, hula dancers, chants, and the aloha spirit is the best part of all," Nahuni said. "It is like you are back home again."

For Nahuni, who returned briefly to Hawaii with her husband and children, Boyne City is home. But she believes that everyone is drawn

to others with similar backgrounds and cultural experiences, and that the luau has an important function in bringing people together.

The cultural experience is largely defined by the food, Lei thinks.

"When we get together, we eat," she said. "I love this food, and I like to share it with people, but I won't give people my recipes — all of my things are by taste."

A pig is killed on Friday afternoon and prepared for its oven burial by the men. The women prepare food in advance and during the luau, and on Saturday, when the pork is removed from the pit, the women shred it to eat with other traditional foods, including mango, raw fish and squid.

Each guest also brings a dish to pass. "We sing, play, party," Lei said. "But the best part is the food."

Last year, a "halau" — a group — of hula dancers came from Grand Rapids to perform.

The luau is currently held at a private home in Charlevoix, but Lei and her right-hand-gal, Angie Kamalii, are hoping to expand it to a regular Polynesian Festival in Boyne City, and invite everyone to taste authentic home-made foods from the Islands. They envision a festival in the park, surrounded by booths with a variety of ready-made and packaged foods and spices, as well as arts and crafts. In the park festival goers will be able to participate in ethnic games, dancing and singing with the traditional ukelele.

In the meantime, they are reaching out and inviting any and all of the Polynesians they can

find: they like to make a trip to Lansing, to visit L and L's Hawaiian Barbecue, where Nahuni said they can get "real" Hawaiian food. On one visit they overheard a customer ask for "mala sadas," she said. Mala sadas are like a deep-fried, sugar-covered doughnut, and are a very traditional Hawaiian food.

Only a Hawaiian would ask for that, Nahuni and Kamalii agreed, and so they invited him. He's coming, as is an L and L's employee.

They have also created a Website — or Kamalii has, she is "the biggest help," according to Nahuni, doing all the book work and "computer things" — called frozenahona.com. It means frozen family, and it has attracted dozens of hits, and not a few registrants.

The party is still Polynesians and former islanders only this year, and there is no cost to attend, other than a dish to pass and a voluntary donation. But the ladies have their sights on making it bigger, getting everyone involved, and hopefully getting some fund-raising and additional volunteer efforts going. This year, for the first time, they have local sponsors to help put the luau on: Carters, Country Now and Then, B.C. Pizza and Ace Hardware are all lending a hand.

But right now Nahuni and Kamalii have their own hands full.

"Now we're just busy, trying to make sure we got everything put together," Nahuni said. "But we're going to have fun."

For more information, E-mail Nahuni at pakimomi@hotmail.com, or Kamalii at lampandangie@msn.com.

Capturing the watershed

The Friends of the Jordan are introducing their first annual photo contest, in a continuing celebration of the natural wonders of the Jordan River watershed.

The competition is open to all photographers, amateur and professional, young and old. Brand new photos are eligible for entry, but so are pictures contestants have taken in the fairly recent past. The only stipulation is that they must be images of and from the Jordan River watershed. They may be of any aspect of the watershed: plant, animal, landscape or activity, and may be of any season.

The photos may be film or digital 8 x 10 prints, taken by the entrant. A \$5 entry fee and form must accompany each entry, but there is no limit to the number of entries a photographer may submit.

Contest details and entry forms are available online at friendsofthejordan.org/photo_contest; at the Jordan Valley Animal Clinic; or at the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce.

All the prints and entries are due by Aug. 27, and may be submitted by mail to Friends of the Jordan Photo Contest, c/o M. Moran, 2131 M-66 S., East Jordan, MI. 49727.

The top 13 photographs will be published in a calendar, which will then be sold to support activities by the Friends of the Jordan River Watershed, Inc. However, there will be individual prizes in several categories as well.

There will be the President's Choice award of \$100, sponsored by the Jordan Valley Animal Clinic; the People's Choice award of \$100, sponsored by East Jordan Plastics; the Youth award, sponsored by the East Jordan Iron Works, and \$500 in additional prizes, sponsored by Bay Winds Federal Credit Union, The Competitive Edge Salon, and Gregory Klinker, DDS.

All these awards will be presented on Saturday, Sept. 17 at the Jordan River Watershed Center, and guests will be able to enjoy the celebration with food, music, and the fellowship of friends.

"We want to have a fun event, where (FOJ) members and like-minded folks can gather and meet each other, and not have to do much except enjoy the event," said FOJ president, John Richter.

Advance sales of the calendar will also be available at the ceremony, and those proceeds will help offset printing costs.

For more information, call Richter at (231) 536-3132, or visit the Website at friendsofthejordan.org.

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Casey and Bill Eckles — 50 YRS
Casey and Bill Eckles are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They were married at St. Paul's Cathedral on June 8, 1955 in Pittsburgh, PA. Within those years, they were blessed with 6 children and 13 grandchildren. They continue to enjoy life with family and friends while spending time in both Toledo, Ohio and Lakes Wales, Florida homes. Bill and Casey will celebrate this special occasion this summer surrounded by family and friends. We all wish them continued love and happiness. **WITH LOVE THE ECKLES FAMILY**

EJ prepares for Portside

The beach and picnic areas at the city of East Jordan's historic Elm Pointe estate are always a popular family destination in the summer months, but never so much so as on the first full weekend in August, when the Portside Art Fair pitches its tents on the green Elm Pointe grounds.

The yard slopes gently down from the house and Portside Art and Historical Museum, and as many as 85 artists are arrayed from the parking lot to the Lake Charlevoix waterfront.

The show, now in its 43rd year, is a juried art show. The juring process is intended to provide the highest quality, one-of-a-kind

and limited edition work to its patrons. Each artist is required to submit four slides: three of individual pieces of art and one of the display booth. The slides are viewed anonymously by the six-member art fair committee, who judge the entries on workmanship, creativity and originality.

Once an artist has exhibited, the jury process is waived, unless that artist changes his or her medium or booth set-up, or has not exhibited for consecutive years. Some of the returning artists have been exhibiting in this venue for more than 15 years.

The art show was started in 1962 by Cygred and Bret Riley, East Jordan residents

and historians, who were also instrumental in the creation of the historical society and museum. The proceeds from the fair go to the historical society and museum, and is the society's only fund-raiser. The proceeds are generated by the booth fees and the "gate," which is by donation only.

It is an all-volunteer fair. Approximately 60 people regularly join forces in the summer to make it come together, including members of the historical society and others who make sure the weekend runs smoothly and that patrons and artists have a good time.

For families with children, Bay Winds Federal Credit

Union sponsors a Children's Activity Booth, where young ones who are more hands-on than shoppers can make their own take-home projects, free of charge. Past years, children have made origami, puppets, rain sticks, pottery, suncatchers, wind chimes and more.

Artists may enter items to be considered for the purchase prize, where the committee will purchase one two-dimensional, and one three-dimensional piece of artwork for display at the art

gallery next to the museum. The two-dimensional prize is \$500, and the three-dimensional prize is \$250. The entered pieces are reviewed by a single judge — usually someone from the art field, such as an art museum curator, an art instructor at a university or a gallery owner.

In addition to the art fair, the Portside Historical Museum will be open to the public, with docents from the East Jordan Elementary School on site and in costume from 2 - 3 p.m.

Ride The Train!

August 6 ~ Boyne Falls to Elmira and return during the Boyne Falls Polish Festival. Train departs at: 1:45pm, 2:45pm & 3:45pm. **Tickets: \$15.00**
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OPINION

Letters from home

My sister Sally gave me a gift several years ago, which I have ignored until these last few days, when I opened it and began to slip backward into another life.

The gift was a decade's worth of letters from me. When my daughter Kate was born, Sally was in college in Grand Rapids. When my son Sam came along a year and a half later, Sally was in Papua New Guinea in the Peace Corps. When her own first two arrived, Daniel first and then beautiful Betsy, she lived in Sugarland, TX. And for that first decade of Katie's life, I was a pretty faithful correspondent.

LAST CALL



Jane Booze

Thank goodness. What an immeasurable loss E-mail has wrought. I dash off quick notes, but if there is anything profound in them we will never know. I don't keep them; I don't imagine anyone else does.

As a result, certain things once accounted for in ink on paper are lost forever to a cyberspace black hole.

But thanks to the power of the pen, I am reliving my adult children's babyhoods.

Little Katie, whilst passing by a dairy farm in summer, with the windows down: "Ew, I have a cow in my nose, and he's a stinker."

Sam, at five, announcing, "Mom, you probably think I don't know what dog food tastes like, but I do," and following that up with a critique. "It isn't very tastifying," he mused.

I wrote things phonetically, apparently to get the full impact across (I did Kate's baby book that way, too). As a result, the not-so-interesting comment, "My hair smells great," is a humorous, "My hair smells drate." I can hear Katie saying that.

"Papa, are I toot?" she asked her father, hoping for a compliment. "You're a little toot," he responded. It made her mad.

"Papa say I are a little toot. I a big toot!" she tattled to me. Of course I agreed with her.

"Mon, boys!" she used to yell over her shoulder at lagging me, carrying Sam, who, in spite of his tall slenderness now, was a chunky little baby. The contraction of "come on, boys" stuck with me. Years later I still encourage my kids to move it by saying, "Mon, boys," something Katie resented for awhile when she was particularly defensive of her gender. Now she takes me with an indulgent grain of salt.

I recorded potty training events and drawing accomplishments — baby Katie drawing "ducks" on babier Sam's bald head with a blue marker, for instance. And culinary moments: Sam arising early at about a year and a half, getting a bread knife and a bunch of bananas, and making himself breakfast. I did wake up in time to catch him at it — and this event I recorded on film. I am crushingly aware of my own dismal *laissez-faire* as a parent, when I see paper proof that rather than rescuing my son from the knife, I left him in possession of it and ran for my camera!

Sam was always independent: he released himself from his crib and fed himself from an early age. I once woke up to find him on the table with soft butter spread all over his body and head. He may have attempted to satisfy his hunger with it first, but apparently it wasn't tastifying. Doesn't mean it wasn't fun.

As a baby, Sam was a biter. So when the kids had been given a snack and sent off to play in Kate's room, I was genuinely worried at her bloodcurdling scream, "Sam bite me!" I rushed in, looking for broken skin, for blood. Where did he bite you? "Sam bite me on the cookie," Katie wept, holding up a cookie from which a healthy bite had indeed been robbed.

Man, I miss these things.

But I would be such a watchful mother now. I would be there, making sure they were safe, making sure they were sharing, that no one choked, that no one got a knife and some bananas, that no one bit or hit the other. I wouldn't sit writing letters while they played out of sight. I would put their cribs in my room so that I would be wakened by early morning forages.

I think it is better the way it was, you know.

I read a later letter that closed this way, "Sam is asking reproduction questions. I'd better pay attention."

I was young, but I didn't get it all wrong. They survived their childhoods, and they came to me when it was really important, and I stopped what I was doing to listen, it seems. I hope it is always that way.



LETTERS

Bad behavior can happen at any campground

TO THE EDITOR:

In response to Mr. Farrow's scathing letter about Whiting Park, I am not defending bad behavior, but it can happen at any campground during the July 4th week.

We just spent 10 days at the park, and considering how many people were there, the manager did a fair job of keeping people under control. I have personally heard him tell people, "Settle down or you will have to leave." I don't believe he told the party people who complained. They usually know who complained without being told. It was very unfortunate Mr. Farrow was camped next to people this inconsiderate, but not everyone is to blame.

This is the first year dogs have been allowed at Whit-

ing Park. My thanks to the park manager (Ross Maxwell) for bringing this about. It makes camping easier for us, and probably for other campers.

I personally picked up three piles of dog feces from someone else's dog. This made me angry, but I am not going to blame everyone in the park with a dog. I hope a few lazy people are not going to ruin this for everyone.

Just a question for Mr. Farrow. How would you (one person) control a park full of people intent on celebrating? Think about it.

Thanks again, Ross.

Carole Adams
Boyer City

Whiting Park is a great place to visit

TO THE EDITOR:

Do you think baseball stadiums should have warning signs at the entrance saying "Families Beware" because of drunken vulgarity? Well, I think Dan Farrow of Boyne City does, according to his letter to the paper this past week. I have been to baseball games where the swearing and drinking have been offensive. I have also been to campgrounds that have been loud with inebriated people. And this week, vacationing from Illinois, I have been camping at Whiting Park. It is full of families and friends having a wonderful time in the beautiful outdoors. I was afraid it was going to be loud with partying people at night, but when my two children and I returned to our campsite after dark, we were the ones who had to whisper and gently shut our car doors because everyone else was either asleep or calmly sitting around their campfire.

Furthermore, Ross Maxwell, the park manager is an amiable, but strict and hard working man who wants to

have happy campers but also for them to be law abiding and respectful. He's very proud of this park and excited about the changes that have been made in the last 3 years and he hopefully anticipates positive changes for the future. I have personally seen him attending to bathroom cleanliness at midnight, and know he makes rounds of the campground in the wee hours of the morning.

Everywhere you go you can find people who are rude and offensive. You can find them at baseball games, campgrounds, grocery stores and even in church, but that doesn't mean all the people who attend these are like that.

I think Whiting Park is a great place to visit. I have been here twice and I'll be back again! Keep up the good work Charlevoix County and Ross!

Marcia Robbins
Crystal Lake, Ill.

Serving as Grand Marshall a great tribute

TO THE EDITOR:

Our family has always looked forward to the Fourth of July with great anticipation, as we have been involved in every parade since we opened our business here in town (Boyer City) 43 years ago. For more than 35 years Bob set up the air hoses on the eve of the 4th, so that thousands of balloons could be blown up to be sold at the parades as a fund-raiser for the fireworks.

Everyone always knew that he would be sure to have several antique cars in the parade, that he had restored with great pride.

Bob was born in Boyne City, graduated from Boyne City High School and went to the Korean War from

Boyer City, and returned to do the work he loved here in Boyne. His love of people and the enjoyment he received from being able to help and please others was his greatest joy.

It was a great tribute to his memory to have our family represent him as Grand Marshall for this year's Fourth of July parade. He would have been so pleased and humbled. Thank you, Fourth of July Committee for once again putting together an outstanding parade and fireworks display and allowing our family to be part of it.

Shirley Mathers; Cheri and Dave; Patti and Dave; Wendy and Dave; Bob and Heidi and Grandchildren

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. We will only print letters that are signed or give the sender's full name and provide a daytime telephone number. Comments can be sent to Jane Booze at editor@vooyager.net.

Phase 2 Treats for Troops

BY MAXINE HOUGH

Each of our troops who served overseas last year received two boxes of fudge by the end of phase one of Kilwin's and the veterans of American Legion Post #228 program "Treats for Troops". Thanks to the following who made this goal possible: the Vaughn family, Brent and Karen Holmes, Austin and Brock Wright; Linda, Lauren and Larry Bernhardt, the Texans; 12 boxes from frequent customer "anonymous"; second week campers at Camp Michigan; a family from Washington State; the Luke family; the Rohen family; and April Schneider.

Two boxes each were delivered to SSgt. Scott Sinclair, SPC Jesse Belford, and SSgt. Sean Hagerty who were home for the 4th. Sgt. Troy Drebenstedt had two boxes awaiting him when he returned from a trip out west. Sgt. Scott Leist, who is currently serving in Iraq, had 10 boxes mailed to him: two for himself and eight to give to soldiers in his unit who don't ordinarily get boxes from home. Each box contained a special note sending greetings and thanks from the people of Boyne. In the mail were two boxes each to Sgt. Edward Hayden at Ft. Drum, NY, Airman 1st Class Carrie Belford, at Seymour Johnson AFB, NC, PFC Matt Brong at Ft. Bragg, NC, Jeff Wicker in Aurora, CO and Lt. "A.J." Alfred Brong, Jr. who just returned from Iraq and is stationed at Ft. Drum, NY.

Thanks to all who made these special treats for our troops possible. And thanks to the "lunch bunch" at the B.C. Senior Center for paying for the postage for the boxes to Jeff Wicker and Matt Brong.

The second phase of the Treats for Troops program, which is a goal to send boxes to all our troops before the Polish Festival in August, began immediately with the Manning family, Kurn family, Ziembra/Tucker family from central Michigan, and the Coys designating their free boxes to our troops.

Boxes were hand delivered to Jennifer Lehto, Kelli Howard and Troy Drebenstedt. On behalf of the veterans at American Legion Post #228, Boyne City, and the men and women receiving these special treats, we say THANK YOU! Boyne Area residents and visitors.

Editor's Note: Maxine Hough of Boyne City is Troop Support Officer 2 at the American Legion Post #228, and a regular contributor to the Citizen-Journal on behalf of our enlisted men and women and their families.

MANY THANKS

Local businesses deeply appreciated

TO THE EDITOR:

The 3rd Annual Charlevoix/Emmet County Pink Ribbon Ride, held on June 18, at Veteran's Park in Boyne City, was once again a huge success. This year we were able to raise more than \$20,000, surpassing last year by \$4,000. This allows us to provide nearly \$7,500 to both the Charlevoix Area Hospital and Northern Michigan Hospital Foundations to be used for programs in breast cancer awareness, detection, education and prevention, as well as provide funding for mammograms and diagnostic testing for women in need.

This year we nearly doubled our participants, going from 98 last year to 179 this year. We owe a tremendous thank you to all the riders, as it was their personal fundraising efforts that brought in more than half of our proceeds. Three riders, Beth Carrington, Jamie Jandasek and Cathy Pumford, raised more than \$1,000 each.

I want to extend my deepest appreciation to the many local small businesses in Boyne City, East Jordan, Charlevoix and Petoskey, without whom we could not have put together this ride. Their donations of funds, goods and services made it possible for us to have another successful event. Corporate sponsorships were down this year, but I am hoping that through program ads and team sponsorships we might be able to lure some of the larger industries in the area to lend a hand as well next year.

Congratulations to Lori Cheadle of Boyne City for winning the bike that was donated by North County Cycle Sports. Also to Cathy Pumford of Boyne City and Wayne Lindstrom of Harbor Springs, as they were the highest fund-raisers and received prizes that included a gift certificate to the Solace Spa at the Mountain Grand Lodge, and four adult lift tickets, both donated by Boyne USA.

I extend a very special thank you to Kathy Johnson and Patti Barrow at CAH Foundation, along with the volunteers who put together our program; Therese Green and Lynda Bartosh from NMH Foundation; Scott and Kathy from the Boyne City Chamber of Commerce; Bo Mayfield, Craig Reynolds, Candy Greene, Joe Abdella, Sandy Cooke, Helen Truchan, Sue Huston, Glenda and Norma for manning our SAG vehicles and water stops; Kim Stevens and Diane Gorkiewicz from the Circle of Strength; Gay Pung and Linda Hoffman for being at the park so early and doing whatever needed to be done; Cheryl Hofwebber and Terri Reynolds for marking the route; the rest of my committee, Bonnie Brunett, Dean Lucier and Kim Westrick; and lastly my wonderful family, without whom none of this would get done.

Please join us for next year's ride on Saturday, June 17, 2006.

Sue Morris
Event Chairperson

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NEIGHBORS

THE CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN PICNIC, the Commission On Aging's way of honoring their seniors, drew in a crowd of 400 plus on Wednesday's hot day. This year's event was held at the enormous and beautiful, air-conditioned Harvest Barn Church in East Jordan. There were many smiling faces, hugs, handshakes and "glad you could make it!" among all attending and it was a great time — being entertained with all-time favorite music performed by the Stevens Band, eating delicious chicken prepared by the joint efforts of the Boyne City, Charlevoix, and East Jordan Lions Clubs, and other picnic trimmings, all on placemats detailing the building schedule, with the groundbreaking ceremonies on Monday, July 18, for the long awaited new Boyne City Senior Center. Thanks to donations from area businesses as well as supportive individuals, there was more fun for those winning very nice door prizes. Also, a big thanks goes out to the Charlevoix County Transit for providing a free ride to those needing transportation.

• **"CRAZY RICHARD – THE MAD JUGGLER"** was among the highlight performances on Friday night's Stroll the Streets of Boyne. The turbaned, long-bearded juggler of flaming torches awed crowds. Well known throughout the United States and other parts of the world, needing nothing but his wit and juggling equipment, he is the best in his profession and takes great pleasure on entertaining. It was whispered that he is a recent newlywed and that he and his lovely bride are now living in East Jordan. Other greatly enjoyed performances were peppy band music and singing on every corner of Water Street, including the multi-talented Dan Farrow on the guitar and singing accompanied by BCHS 2005 graduate, Amanda Westridge, an accomplished violinist. At wind-up time, many of the visitors and local folks, too, of our beautiful city gathered in Sunset Park, baby strollers and all, filling the benches, with many sitting along the water's edge, and one free-spirited teen couple dancing. Picture it: upward, the faint etchings of the moon, and out across the water, the slowly descending sun and its colorful streaks lingering in the sky, and then, to the right, the twinkling lights and laughter of Arnold's Carnival, here for Saturday's Boat Show. Bet everyone went home — maybe a bit tired — but happy for time well spent and looking for another great time at Saturday's Poker Run Boat Show and the farmer and flea market activities.



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• **MORRIE AND SUE HOBBS** hosted Sophia and Barnard Thomeret and their son Joris and Nicolas and Ludivine Lapiere, who were traveling with the Swing Band from France. It was a great experience and they really enjoyed getting to know them. They arrived on Friday, July 8, and left on Monday, July 11, to play in Bay City.

• **A NOTE FROM MAXINE HOUGH** said she finally got "A.J." Alfred, Jr. Brong's address at Ft. Drum — he's just back from Iraq. He's living off base with his family at: Lt. Alfred J. Brong, Jr., 537 Gotham, Watertown, NY, 13601. Also, every time she called his mother about his address, Mrs. Brong told her that Matt made "soldier of the month" — she is so proud of that. Matt is PFC Matthew Brong, stationed at Ft. Bragg, NC. Thank you, Maxine, for doing such a great job with updates on our troops!

• **ON JULY 6-7**, Morrie and Sue Hobbs traveled to Frankfort, visiting the town where Morrie lived before he moved to Boyne City in 1952. From there they went to Manistee where Sue did some genealogy research. She was very lucky to find a lot of information on her maternal grandmother's family, the Holdens. After that, it was on to Baldwin to spend the night at the family's "MacDougall cottage" and then home again on the July 7.

• **BINGO IS THE ACTIVITY** of the day on Thursday, July 21, at the Boyne Area Senior Center. Lunch will be served at noon. Cod Almandine will be on the menu. Come and join bingo — everyone wins! Friday, July 22 is music day. The Boyne River Boys will be playing at 11 a.m. Lunch at noon will be Lemon Pepper Chicken and red skin potatoes. Monday, July 25, they will be serving beef stew. Lunch will be served at Litzbenburger Building in the community room. Bingo will follow lunch. Also a 50/50 drawing and bake sale will be held with all profits going to the building fund for the new senior center. Tuesday, July 26, Lemon Pepper Cod will be on the menu for lunch. July 27, Wednesday, they will serve meatloaf. Dessert will be pumpkin pie. Cards will follow lunch.

• **PAM SCHMIDT** of St. Louis, MO spent a few days here this past week visiting her mother, Virginia Hegerberg, at Grandvue.

• **JAMES AND LISA BAUER** and 17-year-old daughter Allison of Kentucky spent a few days here with his cousin, Irene (Dana) Williams and her husband, Larry. James, the son of the late Alice Bauer, had not been in this area for a long time and he and his family were impressed by its growth and beautiful sunsets, lakes and real estate values in the Boyne area, as they all had a great time visiting, eating out and driving around here, Petoskey, Charlevoix, and Traverse City. They took lots of pic-

tures to show folks back home.

• **ANNE JENKINS OF IONIA** spent a pleasurable long weekend here, visiting familiar faces and places; She had lots to share as she'd recently returned from a Calif. visit with her daughter, Julie and Wayne Nadon, also attending the high school graduation there of granddaughter, Chelsea Belle Nadon. Over the Fourth of July, she had visited son, Gary Wade and family in Reno, and joined a family reunion going on there.

• **TOM GARLOCK JR. AND FAMILY** of Pottsboro, Texas were here recently, visiting Mom, Bunny Garlock and sisters for a week. All were glad they could be here for the watermelon "cake" birthday celebration for sister Connie. All savored a trip to Indian River to see the Cross-in-the-Woods and good visits, shopping in Mackinaw and trips to the beach before Tom and Diana and daughter Julia left to join Diana's family reunion in Holland.

• **"HOW SWEET IT IS"**... and that's the way it was on Saturday morning, for Linda Black and Phyllis Sheehy of Boyne City. Linda, the daughter of the late Bill and Virginia Burns, and Phyllis, raised by her late grandparents, Moses and Lilly Cooper, had both ridden the same school bus in elementary school days in Walloon Lake. A laughable but touching memory it was, for both of them, as Phyllis recognized Linda, who was having a yard sale, as a crying kindergartner who didn't want to ride the bus. Phyllis, only a couple of years older, had the heart of a mother way back then, as she had comforted Linda and told her everything was going to be all right. Another precious moment for Phyllis this past week was when she and sister-in-law, Eloise Cooper, had taken Phyllis's door prize from Wednesday's Senior Picnic — a beautiful large plant collage — and placed it on her brother Bruce Cooper's grave at the Clarion Cemetery.

Chamber presents Northwind Brass

On Aug. 17, 7 p.m., the Chamber's Concert Series in the Park features *The Northwind Brass*, a group which has been entertaining Boyne City music lovers for several years. This year the group is presenting a program dedicated to the music and history of the Civil War. The musicians will dress in Civil War uniforms and play music that entertained the troops of the North and South. The audience will also hear a narration by a Civil war historian describing the role of music and musicians in the war. This show is a MUST for Civil War buffs. The show will be performed in Petoskey on Aug. 2.

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By **Steve Czerkes** Pharmacist

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OBITUARY

Fern Virginia Bennett

Fern Virginia Bennett, 88, died Sunday, July 10, surrounded by her loving family at her home in East Jordan. Funeral services were held on Thursday, July 14, at 2 p.m. at the Lighthouse Missionary Church in East Jordan. Rev. Bart Adams and Rev. James Jordan officiated. The interment followed in Sunset Hill Cemetery.

Fern was born on June 20, 1917 and raised in East Jordan, the daughter of Ray and Nora (Hayes) Gee. She graduated from East Jordan High School in 1935. On Sept. 18, 1937, she married James P. Bennett.

Fern worked at the East Jordan Canning Factory and then later at the Ellsworth Canning Factory until her retirement. She was a member of the Jassamine Rebekah Lodge No. 365 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Post No. 7580 in East Jordan. She also attended the Lighthouse Missionary Church. Fern enjoyed traveling, collecting bells, collecting dolls and flower gardening.

Fern is survived by her husband of 67 years, James P. Bennett; six children: Janet Olson; Fay (Harold) Barrow; Perry (Kaaren) Bennett; Nancy (Jim) LaBeau; Sally (Ed) Kotalik; and Linda (Frank) Ballentine, all of East Jordan; fifteen grandchildren; twenty-seven great grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; two brothers: Glenn (Lillian) Gee and Vale (Vera) Gee, both of East Jordan, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by three grandchildren, Linda Sue, Leeann Francis and Tara Sue; one son-in-law, Harold Olson; her parents; three sisters, Ilean Gee, Beulah Gee and Evelyn Neumann; and one brother, Earl Gee.

The family received friends on Wednesday, July 13, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

Memorials may be given to Lighthouse Missionary Church or the Northwest Michigan Community Health-Hospice.



and the winner is...

This year's winner of the Charlevoix Area Garden Club Quilt Raffle is Jamie Holmes from Traverse City. The lucky ticket was drawn by Pat and Jeff Roski's granddaughter, Dominique, at the afterglow following the Garden Walk. Tickets were sold at Boyne Country Books in Boyne City. Holding the quilt are Jim Ledahl and Dominique.

WEDDING BELLS



Rebecca Johanna Schwartz and Schuyler Kevin Gahn Stackus

Schwartz - Stackus

Rebecca Johanna Schwartz and Schuyler Kevin Gahn Stackus, both of Big Sky Montana, would like to announce their wedding, which took place June 24 at the Moonlight Lodge in Big Sky, Montana. The bride is the daughter of Ms. Jeanne Weinraub of Amhurst, Massachusetts and was given away in marriage by her brother, Mark Schwartz. The groom is the son of Mr. Kevin and Mrs. Dawn Stackus of Boyne City, Michigan.

The ceremony was performed by Lisa Schwartz, the cousin of the bride, and attended by 100 guests from Michigan, Massachusetts, Arizona, New Jersey, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Montana.

The ceremony took place in front of windows overlooking Lone Mt. Peak and flanked by four foot pillars topped by urns filled with hydrangea, cala lilies, and bear grass. The lodge was decorated with hundreds of flickering white candles and the tables were adorned with centerpieces made of river rock, white candles, and fishing flies hand-tied by the groom's father.

The bride wore a Grecian style gown and wild flowers in her hair, and she and her attendants carried bouquets of cala lilies and bear grass.

The couple plan to honeymoon in Thailand. Photo taken by groomsman Frank Shaler.

Grant received by drama group

"Who's In Charge?" is a teen drama group that lives and promotes a lifestyle of abstinence from drugs, alcohol and premarital sexual relations. They deliver their message in schools and churches through skits developed and performed by more than 30 teen members in Charlevoix and Emmet counties. This school year they reached more than 1,000 students with this message. Thanks to a \$2,500 dollar grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, "Who's In Charge?" is on their way to fund a promotional DVD video.

Founded in 1993, this grassroots organization has relied on many volunteer hours and outdated office equipment to communicate their message.

"Who's In Charge?" is motivated to reach teens across northern Michigan with a message that will encourage and inspire them to make a commitment to be abstinent from drugs, alcohol and premarital sex. This video will be one of the major tools we'll use to communicate our mission," said program director Dan Thompson.

For more information about the program or to make a donation toward the video project, call Thompson at (231) 348-3387.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in Charlevoix County by building a permanent community endowment, addressing needs through grant-making, and providing leadership on matters of local concern.

STUDENT NEWS

◆ Michele Hewitt, deputy treasurer for the City of Boyne City, graduated from the Michigan Municipal Treasurers Institute on May 6.

The Institute is a three-year training program, which provides intense instruction expressly designed for treasurers and other finance administrators. The program consists of more than 100 hours of intense instruction in the duties and responsibilities of a municipal treasurer. The complete course meets the educational requirements toward earning the Certified Public Finance Administrator as prescribed by the Public Treasurers Association of the United States and Canada.

The Michigan Municipal Treasurers Association sponsors the Institute that is offered through Central Michigan University.

◆ Spring Arbor University announces it's graduates for the Spring 2005 semester. Students graduating Cum Laude graduate with a GPA of 3.5-3.69, Magna Cum Laude with a GPA of 3.7-3.89, and Summa Cum Laude with a GPA of 3.9-4.0.

Tracy Deering, Boyne City - majoring in English, graduated Cum Laude

◆ Alma College announces it's graduates with honors for the Spring 2005 semester. Students graduating Cum Laude graduate with a CPA (cumulative point average) of 3.4, Magna Cum Laude with a CPA of 3.6, and Summa Cum Laude with a CPA of 3.8.

Linda Slough, daughter of James and Kathryn Slough, Ellsworth 2001 graduate East Jordan High School - Bachelor of Science, cum laude in exercise and health science and Spanish.

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suit against the state, and which it won in a Bench Ruling by the 30th Circuit Court on January 21. The ruling ordered that districts directed to the co-op be restored to NFS, as per the original contract, within 15 working days.

The day before those districts, within 15 working days by NFS, a stay was put on that decision, pending an appeal by the state.

In the face of economic disaster, NFS began a publicity campaign to inform the public about what it considers a "classic David and Goliath story," according to its Website, foodmafia.com.

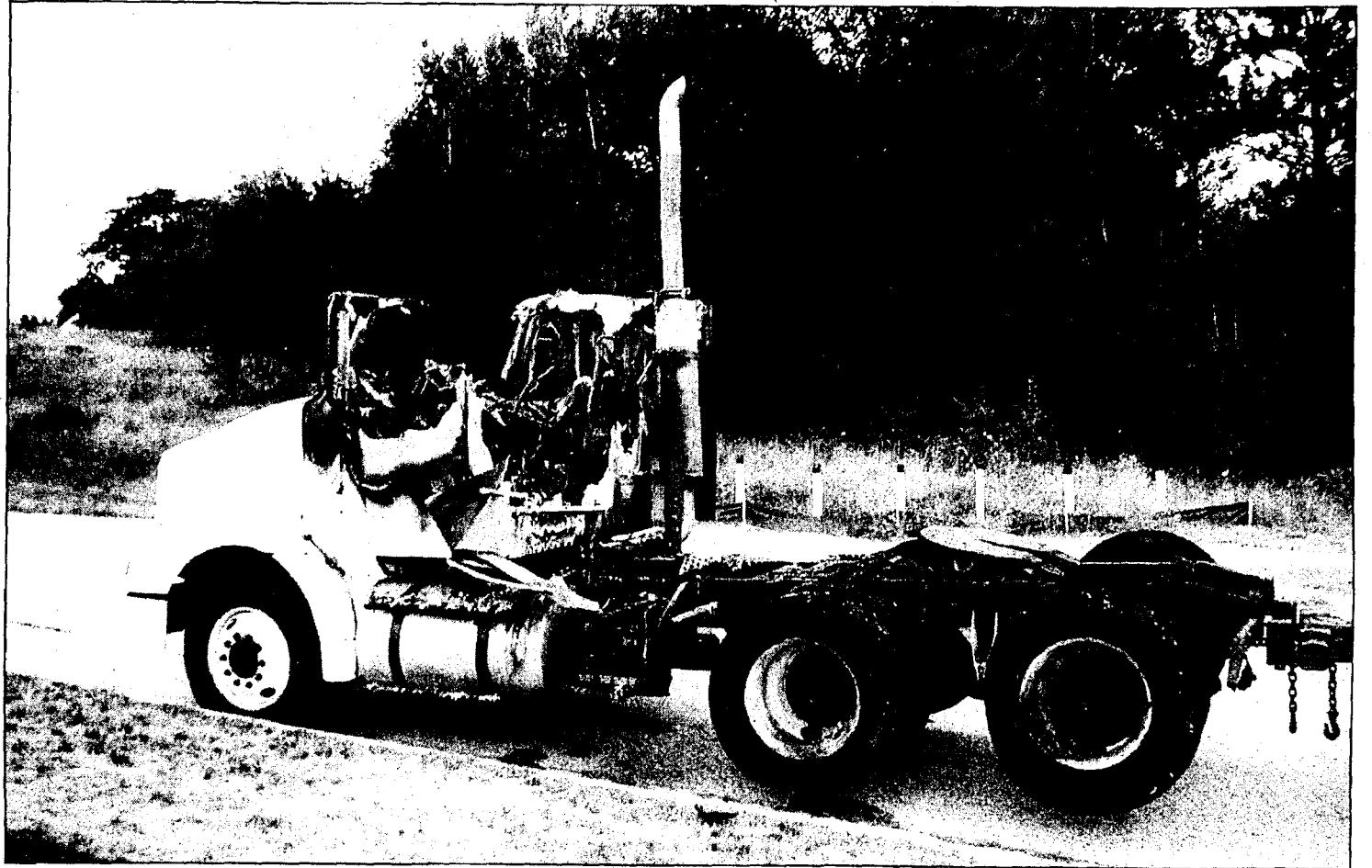
In addition to putting the chain of events and the names of key players on its website, NFS also put the Website on the sides of several of its trailers, and on one trailer the words, "Boycott Gordon Food Service."

On July 12, NFS received a letter from GFS attorneys.

"Northern Service must cease and desist from interfering with GFS's business relationships and expectancies, and must further immediately remove Gordon Food Service's name and the message above from its trucks, vans or other vehicles. ... if Northern Food Service and its officers choose not to immediately retract and remove the 'Boycott Gordon Food Service' statement now on its vehicles, GFS will be forced to explore all of its legal remedies."

Battiste responded to the letter in the negative, asserting the right of NFS to free speech, as long as that speech was confined to that which is legal, "honest, accurate and defensible if necessary." In addition, NFS said that its employees would be "peacefully and legally pamphleteering to get the word out. ..."

The destroyed truck was pulling the single trailer with the "Boycott Gordon Food Service" slogan on its side.



The burned-out remains of a Northern Food Service truck that was destroyed when it was parked outside an Amerihost Inn last week, near Grand Rapids. The truck was on a two-day food delivery route when the fire occurred.

YAC grants

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation's Youth Advisory Committee recommended awards totaling nearly \$25,500 to benefit young people, from a reading readiness program for preschoolers to a crisis intervention hot-line for teens and their families. Support for a variety of enrichment opportunities were also funded including equipment to expand a summer adventure camping experience, transportation for young children to visit a fine arts gallery, and assistance for youth golf, swimming and table tennis programming.

There were 11 non-profit organizations receiving YAC monies for 15 programs within this funding cycle. The organizations, the successful projects and amount of the grant awards are as follows:

- American Red Cross - \$600 to provide baby doll manikins used in baby-sitting classes for Charlevoix County teens to be held once a month for one year.
- B.A.S.E.S. Teen Center - \$5,000 to continue to provide support for the Recovery High Program addressing teen substance abuse.
- Camp Daggett - \$5,000 towards the construction of a classroom and equipment storage building.
- Challenge Mountain - \$2,000 for equipment to expand the summer wilderness camping adventure program for physically and mentally challenged youth.
- Child and Family Services - \$950 towards child care services for foster care parents to enjoy an occasional evening away from home without children.
- Crooked Tree Arts Center - \$2,500 to provide bus transportation for elementary school children to visit up to 12 different fine art exhibits at the gallery.
- Crooked Tree Arts Center - \$2,000 to support the VSA barrier-free Spring Arts Festival for special needs students.
- M.S.U. Extension, Charlevoix County - \$500 towards scholarships for the golf program.
- M.S.U. Extension, Charlevoix County - \$1,250 for equipment including buoy lines, beach tent and swim raft for the Boyne City Swim Program.
- M.S.U. Extension, Charlevoix County - \$1,000 for equipment and marketing for the pilot table tennis program held at Whiting Park in Boyne City.
- Northern Community Mediation - \$520 to print brochures for the Victim Offender Reconciliation Program, a joint effort between probate court and NCM helping young offenders to realize the consequences they have created beyond financial hardships.
- NW Michigan Human Services - \$425 to provide local matching support for the Head Start "Reading is Fundamental" program.
- NW Michigan Community Health - \$2,000 to support the Stepping Stones to School program providing resources, education and services to parents regarding healthy development of preschool children.
- Third Level Crisis Center - \$2,000 to support of a 24-hour crisis intervention hot-line service for teens and their families.
- Who's In Charge - \$2,500 to create a promotional video with an abstinence message regarding drugs, alcohol and pre-marital sex for teens in Charlevoix County.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation's Youth Advisory Committee has now distributed more than \$480,000 to programs benefiting young people since the group started making grants in 1994. Money for grant making comes from a special endowment called the Charlevoix County Youth Fund held by the community foundation. The fund was spearheaded with financial support from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and has assets of more than \$1 million.

Members of the Community Foundation Youth Advisory Committee are Brittany Crandall, Danielle Cary, and Brenna Green from Beaver Island; Erin Moriarity, Reed Ameel, and Cory Mills from Boyne City; Terra Wasylewski, Ashley Mauchmar, and Darryl Kowalski from Boyne Falls; Zita Anderson, Dustin Dibble, and Matt Teuscher from Charlevoix; and Paul Schneider, Tabitha Grover and Sierra Roberts from East Jordan.

Since it was founded by a group of local citizens in 1992, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation's net assets have grown to more than \$15 million and grant making amounts to over \$5 million. The next deadline for submitting a grant request to the Foundation for youth related projects is Oct. 1. For more information about grant making opportunities, or the Community Foundation, call (231) 536-2440.

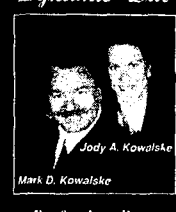


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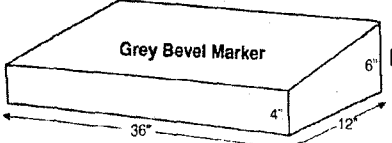
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Proceeds from the benefit will enable the economic Alliance to continue providing community and economic development services in Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet Counties. The mission of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance is to enhance the economy in the region by acting as a resource to retain and create quality jobs.

Registration for the four-person scramble begins at noon, with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Cocktails and dinner follow golf, with a short awards program and prizes for everyone at 7 p.m.

Prizes will be awarded to men and women for longest and shortest drives, longest putts and closest to the pin on numerous holes. A grand prize will be given for a hole-in-one. Many other fun awards and door prizes will also be distributed. Golfers can also purchase mulligans, participate in a skins game and enter a 50/50 raffle.

Sponsorships are available for dinner (\$1,000), registration table (\$500), beverage cart (\$250), and holes (\$100). Registration deadline is August 15.

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A boat-load of spectators watch the BoyneThunder boats from the shore. Many others were in Lake Charlevoix to watch the Poker Runners leave from Young State Park Saturday morning.

Thunder

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action. Rescue personnel were standing by in marked boats.

Within half an hour of the boat parade, the waters were again quiet, but not empty, as dozens of boaters out on the lake to watch the procession continued their own cruises.

Kelly Larson of Boyne City Main Street said it is too early to tell what revenue was generated by the weekend's events, except that she said it "looks good," but they are not going to try and guess on numbers until they have completed the.

In addition, Larson said that she got reports that Friday night's Stroll the Streets event was packed with people and things to do on every corner.

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