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## BC skier earns top award

Boyne USA Resorts has announced the results of two Sports Illustrated KIDS Next Snow SEARCH qualifier events held Jan. 20 and 21. See page 10.

## Winter safety tips

Winter snows and ice can prove treacherous. See page 3 for some tips.

## WEATHER

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31

Hi: 21 Lo: 18

CONDITION:

SNOW SHOWER

THURSDAY, FEB. 1

Hi: 27 Lo: 19

CONDITION:

FEW SNOW SHOWERS

FRIDAY, FEB. 2

Hi: 23 Lo: 9

CONDITION:

SNOW

SATURDAY, FEB. 3

Hi: 12 Lo: 6

CONDITION:

SNOW

SUNDAY, FEB. 4

Hi: 12 Lo: 5

CONDITION:

SNOW

MONDAY, FEB. 5

Hi: 16 Lo: 10

CONDITION:

SNOW SHOWERS

TUESDAY, FEB. 6

Hi: 19 Lo: 13

CONDITION:

SCATTERED SNOW SHOWERS

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7

Hi: 23 Lo: 16

CONDITION:

CLOUDY

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## Boyne commissioners review street inventory

BOYNE CITY - City commissioners were presented with an inventory of city streets at their Jan. 23 meeting. The inventory was prepared to inform commissioners of the condition, services, repair priority and estimated repair

costs of the streets.

The preliminary, but detailed, report was prepared by Capital Consultants Design Works. South Park and South East streets were among the high priority streets listed. The inventory report doesn't in-

clude alleys or state of Michigan streets. Commissioners will review the findings and submit comments to Capital Consultants.

Also at the meeting, Main Street manager, Hugh Conklin, reported

Boyne City is one of 10 communities statewide chosen to participate in a pilot program. Michigan State University is offering the program known as "Creating Entrepreneurial Communities."

Charlevoix and East Jordan were also chosen.

The program's goal is to improve the state's economy by encouraging entrepreneurship within communities. Conklin will attend a four-day workshop and bring back knowledge and resources

needed to encourage businesses. The commissioners approved \$1,000 to help fund the program's education.

The next regular city commission meeting is 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 13 at City Hall.

## EJ chamber award prompts standing ovation

BY B. J. HETLER  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

MARION TWP. - The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce presented a full evening of events at its annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 27, at Castle Farms.

A full course dinner catered by Grey Gables Restaurant followed a social hour when chamber members and friends mingled.

A highlight of the evening was presentation of awards for Citizen of the Year, Ambassador of the Year, the Renaissance and the President's awards.

East Jordan EMS director Jay Peck, made his way to the podium through a standing ovation following the announcement he was chosen Citizen of the Year.

"It's a joy and a blessing to serve in the community that I grew up in," Peck said. He credited volunteers and staff for helping him to do his job.

Chamber president Mary Faculak, described Peck as compassionate, professional and a "true leader in the community and on a regional basis." Peck was instrumental in coordinating efforts to aid Hurricane Katrina victims. He regu-



East Jordan EMS director Jay Peck was presented the Citizen of the Year award at the Chamber dinner. Peck said it was a joy and a blessing to receive the honor.  
Photo by B.J. Hetler

larly volunteers time at the schools and is a Strive program mentor. Peck is greatly respected in Charlevoix and Antrim counties, Faculak

said. Mike Burr was presented with the Ambassador of the Year award.

Faculak described Burr as

having "boundless energy" who through "countless volunteer hours has helped make East Jordan an even better place to live."

Burr said he was honored and responded: "I do it because I love this community."

The Renaissance Award

went to Crossroads Resale Shop and was accepted by co-directors Linda Chase and Terri Warnos. Crossroads Resale Shop is the result of efforts by five area churches and is a non-profit organization.

The President's Award was given to Marge Teske for her volunteer work in planning and coordinating activities, Jordan River Arts Center benefits from Teske's talents, as well as the chamber, Faculak said.

The crowning of the 2007 Sno-Blast Belle Kathy Froysaao, and Winter Knight Don Masseyk, took place at the chamber event. The annual Sno-Blast was cancelled this year because the area had no snow at the time. The results of another Sno-Blast event, the soup cook-off, were announced. Jordan Inn won first place for the third year in a row.

Second place went to the Grey Gables Restaurant and Murray's Bar and Grill took third place.

More than 100 auction items were on display throughout the evening for a silent and live auction. Donations included a five-day stay at a Lake Charlevoix cottage from Jordan Valley  
See AWARD, page 2

## Energy use education is focus of group

BY B. J. HETLER  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BOYNE CITY — Education is a life-long process, the saying goes, and for a recently retired Boyne City teacher, a new environmental committee gives her an education and provides an opportunity for her to educate others.

Susan Vrondran of Eveline Twp. is a member and committee secretary of C.A.R.E., or Conservation And Renewable Energy. C.A.R.E. is dedicated to the education and promotion of conservation and clean energy within Charlevoix County.

Those on the committee research environmentally sound methods to use in daily life. The research is used to educate people in energy conservation and in the use of renewable energy. C.A.R.E. is part of the established Charlevoix County organization, WATCH, or Water and Air Team Charlevoix.

One of the committee goals is to coordinate efforts regionally with other environmental groups.

"All of the different groups should work together and communicate with each other," Vrondran said. "We all need to be concerned about the big picture."



Retired Boyne City school teacher, Susan Vrondran, discussed C.A.R.E., the Conservation And Renewable Energy committee at the Boyne waterfront recently. The committee was formed to educate and promote sound environmental practices. It is part of Charlevoix County's WATCH, or Water and Air Team Charlevoix.

The C.A.R.E. committee and WATCH have published a pamphlet entitled "Help Our Environment." Some of the suggestions offered are:

- Turn off everything not in use including computers, lights, TV and other electronics. Use the "sleep"

function on computers when practicable.

- Change light bulbs with compact fluorescent lighting. It uses up to 75 percent less energy, saving money also. The light bulbs are sold at hardware and other retail stores.

- Check the furnace and

air conditioner filters frequently. Dirty filters block airflow increasing energy bills.

- Seal windows and doors with caulking and weatherstripping.

For more information write to P.O. Box 615, Charlevoix, Mich., 49720.

## Nominating petitions available

EAST JORDAN — East Jordan Public Schools announce that candidate nominating petitions for persons interested in serving on the Board of Education are available.

Petitions, and required affidavits of identity, are available at the district office, 304 Fourth Street, or from the Charlevoix County Clerk, 203 Antrim Street, Charlevoix, Mich. The deadline for filing petitions and affidavits is 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13.

## 'Great start' slated

BOYNE FALLS — Business leaders from throughout Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties are invited to explore how reaching out to the youngest among us can lead to a top-notch workforce.

Bill Millett, President of Scope View Strategic Advantage, of Charlotte, N. C., will discuss "Quality Early Education: A Competitive Necessity in a Global Economy," on Friday, Feb. 9, in Vienna Room A, Boyne Mountain Lodge in Boyne Falls. A light lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., followed by Millett's presentation from noon to 1 p.m.

The presentation is sponsored by the Boyne Area, Charlevoix, East Jordan, Harbor Springs, and Petoskey Regional Chambers of Commerce, in partnerships with the Great Start Collaborative of Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties.

Millett cites that the business community needs to lead in building bonds with early childhood initiatives. "Building strong preschool programs (is a) better tactic to boost the economy and create jobs then territorially competitive incentive packages such as tax deferrals," he notes.

Great Start is a collaborative working to promote and develop a comprehensive system of support, education, and wellness for children ages 0-5 and their families. The bottom line of the collaborative - a network of agencies throughout the three county area - is to strengthen the human and economic assets of our region now and into the future.

Business leaders and other interested guests are encouraged to reserve their seat or ask questions by calling 231-582-8070 by Feb. 4.



The East Jordan Sno-Blast Winter Knight and Royal Belle are adorned in their royal finery. Belle Kathy Froysaao and Winter Knight Don Masseyk were honored at the Chamber dinner.

Photo by B.J. Hettler

## Award

*Continued from 1*  
Accounting and Swan Valley Marina, breakfast for two from Darlene's Restaurant, a glass hand-blown bowl from Jordan Valley Glassworks and a cedar bench glider from Alden Lumber.

The 2007 East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors are Chairman Mike Haynes, Vice Chair-

woman Emily Welsh, Treasurer Donald Dakoske, Jennifer Aenis, Kathy Moblo, Susan Moreau and Amy Sherman.

Chamber staff includes Carol Galmore and Phyllis Lilak.

This year's chamber annual meeting was sponsored by Castle Farms, East Jordan Iron Works, Inc., East Jordan Plastics, Inc., South

Point Collision, Korthase Flinn Insurance & Financial Service, Inc., Charlevoix State Bank, Burnett Foods, Inc. and 3J's Electric.

This year's event had record-breaking attendance, Faculak said. The annual meeting is the chamber's second largest fund raiser, with the largest being membership dues.

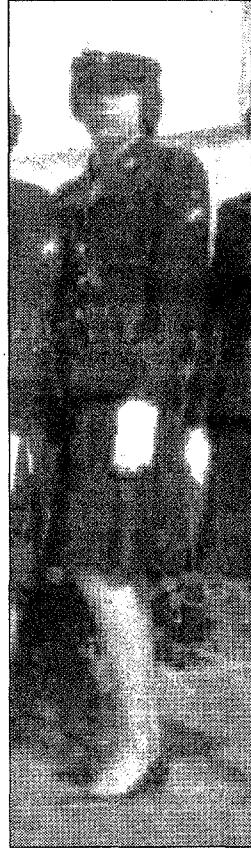
## VETERAN OF THE MONTH

**BOYNE CITY** — The Veteran of the Month for January 2007 is Norma Mae (Gasco) Kolodgy.

Born Feb. 9, 1945, in Petoskey, and following graduation from Harbor Springs High School in 1963, Kolodgy enlisted in the U.S. Navy in Jan. 1964.

After completing basic training and specialty schools, she was assigned to the Naval Counter Intelligence Service and was stationed in Washington, D.C.

On April 16, 1966, in Arlington, VA, she married Dwight Allen Kolodgy, who was also serving in the Navy. In July of 1966 Kolodgy received an honorable discharge, having attained the rank of Petty Officer Third Class, and was awarded the National Defense Service Medal and the Vietnam Service Medal.



Norma Mae Kolodgy

Returning to civilian life, she made her home in northern

Michigan until 1973, when her family moved to Florida, and in 1977, settled in Margate, Fla, where her husband was employed as a paramedic with the Broward County EMS/Fire Rescue Department. Norma Mae Kolodgy was a dedicated mother, wife and homemaker and following a long illness, answered the final call on Feb. 8, 1989, and is being honored by her sister, Gina Bentley, and family.

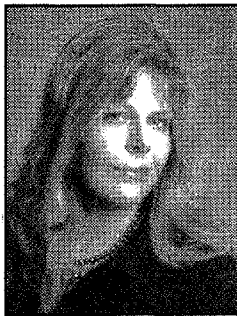
To honor a veteran, call the program chairman at 231-588-6067 or on Saturdays call 231-582-7811 between 3 and 8 p.m. The ceremony may be witnessed on the first Thursday of each month in front of the American Legion Post located on the corner of Lake and Main in Boyne City at 6:15 p.m.

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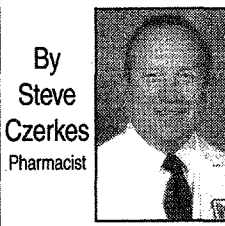
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## WEEKLY Health Tips



By Steve Czerkes  
Pharmacist

### Be Active & Live Longer

According to a study from the National Institute on Aging, if you keep moving it may help you live longer. Researchers tracked 300 healthy seniors ages 70-82 for six years and measured how many calories they burned each day. The most active third of the group were 70% less likely to die during the six years than the least active participants. Just an extra 287 calories burned daily was enough to reduce mortality rates by 32%. Interestingly, most of these additional calories were expended doing "non-exercise" activities such as walking around the house, shopping for groceries, washing dishes by hand and even fidgeting.

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# Candy sale profits disbursed



The Boyne Valley Knights of Columbus Council #6314 donates all the profits from their annual Tootsie Roll sale to organizations in the local community that serve the needs of the mentally disadvantaged. As in the past, the funds were divided between Bergmann Center and the Walloon Developmental Workshop. Event chairman, Randy Frykberg, (l) presents a check to Donna Robison, workshop supervisor.

Courtesy photo

## BCPD NEWS

Monday, Jan. 22 - Officers conducted a well-being check on Deer Run Drive; received a fraud complaint at BRI; issued a speed citation; received a larceny complaint - under investigation; received a report of stolen cell phone from Alltel; investigated a suspicious person near E. Main and S. Park Streets; unlocked a vehicle on N. Lake Street; received a report of malicious destruction of property in Glen's parking lot.

Tuesday, Jan. 23 - Police responded to a property damage accident at the corner of E. Water and East streets; received a report of a hit and run to a vehicle parked in the lot behind Subway; received a non-sufficient funds check turned in from Boyne Marathon; assisted on county complaint.

Wednesday, Jan. 24 - Police received a report of malicious destruction of property to ice rink; civil standby on Jersey Street; arrested one for operating while intoxicated; unlocked a vehicle in McDonald's lot.

Thursday, Jan. 25 - Officers arrested one for operating while intoxicated; responded to a family dispute on Pleasant Avenue; received a report of disorderly person from Lincoln Street; assisted Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department on assault complaint; issued citation for expired registration.

Friday, Jan. 26 - Officers assisted at high school; received a report of a hit and run to a vehicle at Glen's lot;

issued citation for no operators license on person and no proof of insurance; arrested one for minor in possession and driving while license suspended.

Saturday, Jan. 27 - Police issued two speed citations; unlocked a vehicle on Leroy Street; received a report of malicious destruction of property at Parkview Apartments; responded to a property damage accident at Boyne Avenue and Lincoln Street; re-

sponded to an assault complaint at BC Pizza.

Sunday, Jan. 28 - Officers received report of harassing phone calls received on N. Lake Street; have a domestic dispute under investigation; received a report of a property damage accident at Court Street and Boyne City Charlevoix Road; assisted on North Street; parking violation on Water Street; have a breaking and entering under investigation from E. Main Street.

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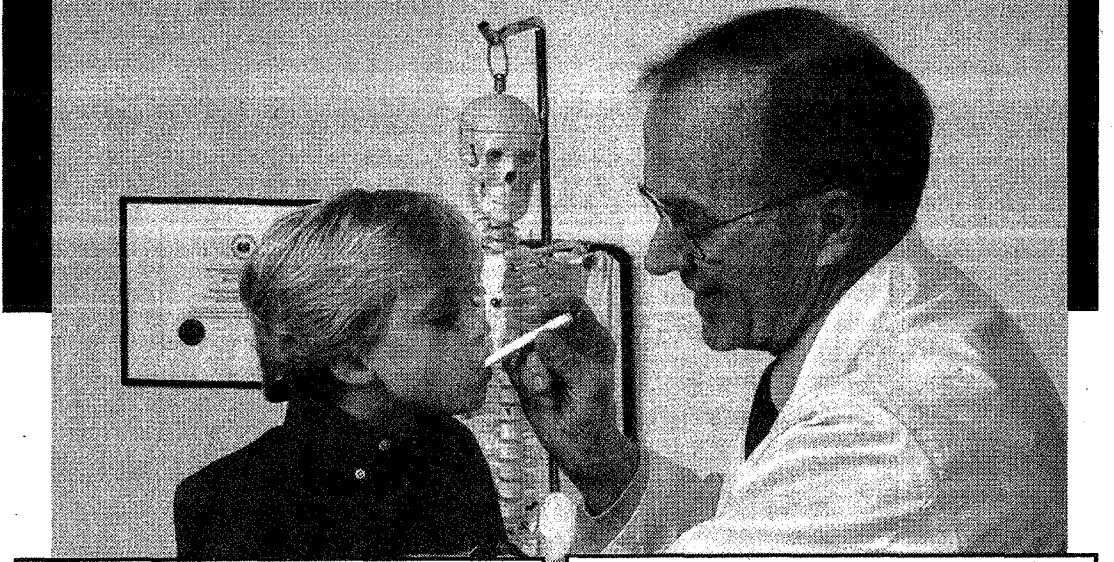
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**WORD ON THE STREET**

"What are your favorite and least favorite winter sports, and why?"



"**ICE SKATING** is my favorite sport. The best thing about skating is when there's a blizzard and I'm flying around on the rink. My least favorite is ice fishing."  
— Anthony DeRosia, Boyne City



"**DOWNHILL SKIING** is my favorite. The worst is snow shoveling."  
— Daryl Gillespie, Boyne City



"**MY FAVORITE** is ice skating. My least favorite is being out in the cold."  
— Char Buckles, Grayling Twp.



"**I ENJOYED** ice skating until I fell and smashed my face. My least favorite is shoveling snow."  
— Marge Wojciechowski, Frederick



"**SNUGGLING.** WINTER'S a time to get close to your hubby. My least favorite winter 'sport' is scraping the car, but I do get exercise doing it."  
— Deb Gamelin, Elk Rapids



"**I LIKE** hockey and watching the Red Wings play. I do not like ice fishing. It's too cold!"  
— Julie Pons, Elk Rapids



"**I LIKE** ice fishing, as I can spend time wit my family and friends, and I dislike shoveling snow. I would rather plow it or not deal with it at all."  
— Josh Haller, Rapid City



"**I LIKE** ice skating just because I enjoy doing it, and I dislike downhill skiing because I hurt myself one time and that was enough."  
— Peggy Kole, Bellaire



**LEGION NEWS**

**BOYNE CITY** - At the regular meeting of Ernest Peterson Post 228, held on Jan. 4, and conducted by Vice Commander Brian Morrison, the following communications, reports, discussions and actions were presented or acted upon: a donation was received from Otto Binggeser for the Troop Support Program; a card of thanks from Janet Meldrum to the honor guard who served as pallbearers, stood guard, folded and presented the flag at Legionnaire Clarence Meldrum's funeral; a card of thanks from Judy Byrant for the military honors presented at the Louis Robert Bryant memorial service; a letter from SFC David C. LeCroy, Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Tex., thanking the

post and Murdick's Famous Fudge (Charlevoix) for the donation of 84 pounds of fudge received by our recovering military in their burn and amputee wards; membership stands at 147 and includes new members Robert Taylor, Robert Speigl, Louis Speigl, Jason Cherry and Mary Legg. Legionnaire Dean Winegarden requested a membership for his grandson now in service on active duty and it was moved, seconded and passed the post present a one year gift membership to his grandson; bingo attendance has improved since moving to Saturdays at 5 p.m.; 10 Christmas packages were sent to our troops in Iraq and followed up by e-mails from the troop support officer and Commander Hough; the honor guard conducted military funeral ser-

VICES for Clarence Bernard Meldrum, Leroy A. McLalin, Harold Wayne Kleinschrodt and Veteran of the Month ceremonies for Richard LaVern Buckmaster and Norma Mae Kolodgy; The Citizen published the December Legion News and Veteran of the Month for Richard LaVern Buckmaster that also appeared in the Petoskey News Generations; Kellie Howard volunteered to be Americanism chairman and will contact the schools regarding the Legion programs; Chaplain Dean Kleinschrodt thanked the honor guard for their participation at his brother Wayne's funeral; the WWII memorial committee presented two designs for post approval but it was decided the committee of Kellie Howard, Joe Gerant, Mary Legg and Jerry

Evans would represent the post concerning future decisions; Commander Hough requested the 2007 nominating committee be appointed and John Mathers and Dean Kleinschrodt volunteered; the Veterans Appreciation Day will be held May 9 at the post. The commander said we are still accepting items to be sent to our troops overseas at the post on Saturdays between 3 and 10 p.m., and Blue Star Banners and troop support ribbons are available to the public. The next regular meeting will be held Feb. 1, at 7:30 p.m., in the post home and will be preceded by the Veteran of the Month ceremonies at 6:15 p.m., to be followed by a potluck supper in their honor. Area veterans are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**NEIGHBORS**

In spite of Monday morning's cold, nasty weather, there was nearly a full house in attendance at the Stackus Funeral Home for the very nice memorial service of Mrs. Arnie (Virginia Schaub) Hegerberg. Her son, Thad Hegerberg of Honolulu, and sister Pam and husband, the Rev. Richard H. Schmidt Ph.D., of Ohio, and family was pleased and comforted with so many friends, former co-workers of their mother, former neighbors and other relatives including nephews, Gary Hegerberg of Jackson and Bob Hegerberg of Battle Creek, gathered there. It was a beautiful service led by son-in-law Richard, with scripture given by her three grandsons, Arnie, Craig, and Andy Schmidt, here from Cincinnati, Chicago and New York.



By Nancy Northup

The East Jordan Senior Center and Adult Day Services have some new faces in their staff. Center coordinator is Leigh Reiskurchinski, and day services coordinator and assessment nurse is R.N., Jayne Gilbert. There are new programs in the works, as well as local entertainment coming on a regular basis.

On Wednesday, Jan. 31, Roger Hartson will perform on the keyboard, at 11 a.m. The public is welcome to attend. Lunch will be served at noon, costing \$2 for seniors over 60, and \$4 for adults under 60.

Beginning the first week of February, on Mondays, at 10 a.m., will be a stamping class. On Tuesdays at 10 a.m. will be a walking class. On Thursdays at 11 a.m. will be movies and popcorn.

Lorie and Bill Bailey of Grand Rapids were here visiting her folks, Nels and Louisa Northup, on Saturday and Sunday.

The Boyne City High School Marching Band and the Jazz Band and director, Mr. Brandon Ivie left on Friday for Orlando, Fla. They will join in the Disney World parade.

Sorry for the shortest column ever. I have made numerous phone calls and internet calls too. Either there were no responses at all or no news at all.

I was quite surprised, as I tried making new contacts at random out of the phone book, to hear so many recordings of disconnected phones — must mean that cell phones are the number one choice of communicating nowadays. The biggest news this week seems to be the weather — the frigid temps and falling snow — and that head of maintenance at Litzenburger Place, Ray Detcher, is retiring, as of Jan. 31. After 25 years on the job, maintaining not only Litzenburger Place, but Deer Meadows, as well as the numerous city owned homes throughout town, his efficient and kind presence will sorely be missed by residents and staff as well. Congratulations, Ray, for the many years of doing a great job, including the many times of "walking the extra mile" in meeting people's needs.

Items of interest for the Neighbors Column may be called into Nancy's home phone, 231-582-9174, or e-mailed to neighbors@gtlakes.com before the noon deadline on Friday.



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**HAPPENINGS**

**Boyer library to host book sale**

The Friends of the Boyne District Library will hold a book sale in the community room of the library Friday, Feb. 2, from noon to 5 p.m., and Saturday, Feb. 3, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The proceeds will further the Friends efforts to enhance the library services for the community. Members of the Friends are invited to attend a special Friends preview sale on Friday, Feb. 2, from 10 a.m. until noon. Anyone interested in joining the group may pick up a membership form at the library.

If you are interested in donating books contact either the library, 231-582-7861, or Shirley Howie, 231-582-7087.

**Ice golf tourney set**

The 2007 Ice Bowl Disc Golf Tournament will Saturday, Feb. 3 at Avalanche Park in Boyne City. Registration is at 10 a.m., with tee-off at 11 a.m. The tournament is to benefit the Boyne City Food Pantry,

and the entry fee is \$25 or 40 pounds of food. Lunch will be provided.

**History society to meet**

The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society invites members and guests to their meeting on Saturday, Feb. 3, at 1 p.m., at the Jordan Valley District Library community room. The program will be "Everything you wanted to know about CCHPS." Time will be set aside to review accomplishments of the organization and to set future goals. This meeting will also include the winter board meeting. Anyone is interested in preserving the history of Charlevoix County is invited to attend meetings are always open to the public. For information, contact Carol Goodenough, at 231-582-7042.

**Freedom fest seeks volunteers**

The East Jordan Freedom Festival is looking for people who would

like to be part of this year's festival, June 21 - 24. Please call Gretchen at 231-350-0760.

**Home-buying workshop planned**

Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency is offering a free pre-purchase home buyer education workshop in two parts, on Tuesday, Feb. 6, and on Thursday, Feb. 8, from 6 to 9 p.m. at their office located at 2202 Mitchell Park Dr. Suite #4, Petoskey. Call 231-347-9070 or 1-800-443-5518 for information and to sign up.

**Watercolor workshop in EJ**

The Jordan River Arts Council is sponsoring a watercolor workshop by Pat Tinney. The workshops will be held Feb. 8, 15, 22, and March 8, from 3:15 to 5:15 p.m. at the East Jordan High School art room.

Weekly painting sessions will focus on techniques and composition as well as developing a unique style. Cost for all four sessions is \$80 for

members; \$100 for non-members. Call Pat, 231-536-3447, for supply list and details.

**Local singer to mark birthday**

To celebrate the 80th birthday (Feb. 6) of Betty Kelts, her family has invited Chris Dominic, a local singer, to provide music for the service on Sunday, Feb. 4, at the Boyne City United Methodist Church. The service begins at 11 a.m. at 324 S. Park Street.

**Cherry recipes being sought**

Friske's Farm Market announces their fourth annual cherry recipe contest. The recipe categories this year will be soups, and cakes or tortes. Anyone may enter, except professional chefs, Friske employees and their families.

Entries must be in by Monday, Feb. 12. Six finalists will be named in each category, and final judging will take place on Saturday, Feb. 24 at 10:30 a.m., at Friske's

Farm Market, 10 miles south of Charlevoix, on U.S.-31.

Registration forms are available, by calling 231-599-2604, or on line at info@friske.com.

**Explore the sciences**

Boyne District Library offers a science program to home-schooled children to be held in the community room at the library on Mondays beginning Feb. 5, at 2 p.m. Participate in various science experiments, fill out reading logs for prizes, and participate in a science fair to be displayed at the library. For information, contact CharLynn Dole at 231-582-7861.

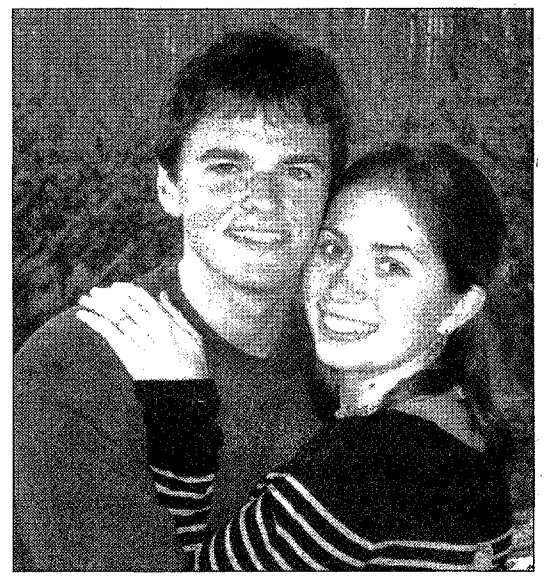
**Story time at Boyne library**

Boyne District Library offers story time to children ages 3 to 5, Tuesdays, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Area preschoolers are invited to the library to hear stories, do a craft, and take home coloring pages and worksheets.

**ENGAGEMENT**

**Jenny Kuhn and Patrick Shea**

Dan and Debbie Kuhn, of Boyne Falls, and Daniel and Meredith Shea, of Big Rapids, announce the engagement of their children, Jenny Kuhn and Patrick Shea.



The bride is a 2002 graduate of Boyne Falls Public Schools, has an associates degree from North Central Michigan College, and will graduate from Western Michigan University in June with a degree in elementary education.

The groom is a 2003 graduate of Big Rapids High School and will graduate from

Western Michigan University in April with a degree in aviation maintenance

technology. The wedding is planned for July 15 in Big Rapids.

**SENIOR MENU**

Join your friends at the Boyne Area Senior Center at 411 E. Division St. in Boyne City for a hot cup of your favorite beverage and a roll. Stay for lunch at noon. Wednesday, Jan. 31, the menu will be a beef pastie. Line dancing will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

Thursday, Feb. 1, is soup, salad and sandwiches. Thursday activities begin at 10:30 a.m. with Sit & Be Fit Exercise. Bingo will follow lunch at 12:45 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 2, a beef patty with a bun will be served. Join the entertainment with the Cousins music group at 11 a.m.

Monday, Feb. 5, chicken and gravy will be served. Bingo will begin about 12:45 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 6, butter

crumb cod is planned. At 10:30 a.m., Sit & Be Fit Exercise will begin. From 11 a.m. to noon enjoy the keyboard music.

Following lunch on Tuesday join us for a movie. Wednesday, Feb. 7, stuffed peppers will be served with mashed potatoes. Line dancing will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

**STUDENT NEWS**



**Boyer Falls Public School**

NAME: Samantha Cole  
 PARENTS: Lisa Dole, David Cole  
 GRADE: 10th  
 FAVORITE CLASS: Science  
 HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Ice Skating, bowling, and running.  
 FAVORITE SPORT: Basketball  
 FAVORITE COLOR: Blue  
 FAVORITE FOOD: Pizza  
 FAVORITE BOOK: Send Me a Miracle  
 FAVORITE MOVIE: Forrest Gump  
 FAVORITE TV SHOW: The Simpsons  
 STAFF COMMENTS: "Over the past weeks, Sammy Cole has

been producing work that I think has been outstanding. In addition to her work, Sammy has shown a very pleasant affect during class and has been a strong supporter with her classmates in two recent projects. Her most recent group project was very well done. I am very appreciative of Sammy's improvement in biology." Mrs. Raddatz



**East Jordan High School**

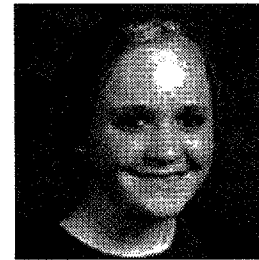
NAME: Krystal Shomin  
 PARENTS: Christine and Alberto Loredo  
 GRADE: 9th  
 FAVORITE CLASS(ES): Art  
 FUTURE PLANS:

Uncertain STAFF COMMENTS: "Krystal Shomin has shown the responsibility it takes to keep track of assignments, and meet deadlines to earn above average grades.

She is very nice and considerate of others. Krystal is a positive influence setting the example by making good choices." Mrs. Goebel.

"Krystal is a joy to have in class. Krystal is a very sweet and kind student. She works hard in class every day and comes to school with a positive attitude." Mrs. Stangis.  
 "Krystal Shomin is a quiet, hard working and very intelligent young woman.

Her work is always above average and she is very creative and talented in the arts. She is such a pleasure to teach and a pleasure to know." Mrs. Tinney.



**East Jordan Middle School**

NAME: Jessica Kinner  
 PARENTS: Debbie Derenzy and Chris Martin  
 GRADE: 8th  
 FAVORITE CLASS: Math  
 FAVORITE ACTIVITIES: All sports, talking to friends, playing with 3 dogs  
 STAFF COMMENTS: "Jessica excels in all her classes at EJMS. She surpasses the teacher's classroom exceptions in all areas. Jessica always has a cheerful disposition and continually perseveres to do her best. She is an absolute pleasure to have in class. The 8th

grade team.



**Boyer City High School**

NAME: Tyler Clute  
 PARENTS: Art Clute and Teresa Carlson  
 GRADE: 10th  
 HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: I like paintball, archery, hunting, skiing, video games, and board games.  
 FUTURE PLANS: I would like to be a history teacher or any job that deals with the past.  
 STAFF COMMENTS: "I have enjoyed having Tyler in Sophomore English this year.  
 He is a very motivated, serious student and his creative writing assignments in this class are fabulous."

**STUDENT NEWS**

Ryan Patrick Butler, Beth M. Barnadyn and Martha E. Precup, of Boyne City, and Chelsey J. Poindexter, of East Jordan, have been named to the dean's list for the first semester of the 2006/07 school year at Hope College.

To be named to the dean's list a student must have a minimum 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Calvin College has announced its fall 2007 Dean's List. Among the students qualifying for the Dean's List is Kyria J. Osterhouse, of Boyne City. Kyria is the daughter of Mark and Sharon Osterhouse, and a graduate of Concord Academy Boyne.

To earn a spot on the Dean's List at Calvin requires that a student maintains at least a 3.5 grade point average for the semester and has at least a 3.3 cumulative grade point average at one of the country's top Christian, liberal arts colleges.

North Central Michigan College has announced the president's and dean's lists for the Fall 2006 semester. The president's list requires a 4.0 grade point average (GPA); the dean's list requires a 3.5 GPA.

- President's List  
 Boyne City  
 Kathleen Margaret Adkison, Ashleigh Dawn Wiltjer  
 East Jordan  
 Michael Joseph Anderson, Maya Tihomirova Davidova  
 Walloon Lake  
 Jillian Rae Vratianina  
 Dean's List  
 Boyne City  
 Jodi Marie Beebe, Lydia Cosier, Christine Devoy, Kimberly Jennifer Drury, Raymond Jacob Greensky, Ronald Dwight Hancock, Molly Katherine Hausler, Oksana Marchenko, Ashley R. Mauchmar, Whitney Rose Spaay  
 Boyne Falls  
 Annie Renee Pernicano  
 East Jordan  
 Christine Ann

Brooks, Brandon James Folsom, Amber Nicole Gettel, Tabitha Marie Grover, Hamilton Burns Hansma, Keith Anthony Rebec, William Martin Sanderson, Victoria Lynn Sevigny,

Leslie Sheridan.  
 Walloon Lake  
 Jessica L Crozier.

Amanda Ann Dixon of Boyne City and Nickolas Le Moes of East Jordan have earned

the distinction of being included on the Lake Superior State University Dean's List for the Fall Semester 2006. To make the list, students must achieve a 3.5 grade point average for the semester on a 4.0 scale.

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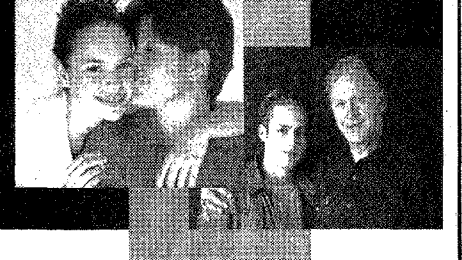
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**OBITUARIES**

**Thomas Matelski Jr**

Thomas "Tommy" Edward Matelski Jr., age 82, of Boyne Falls was taken to meet his maker, His Lord, on Jan. 21, 2007, at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix.

Tommy was born on March 9, 1924, in Boyne Falls, the son of Thomas E. Sr. and Jennie (Votruba) Matelski.

He was unique in so many ways; he was cranky, but oh so kind, too. Tommy was born to be a dairy farmer. He loved his cows and called them by name. There were cats and chickens everywhere and at times it was hard to even walk across the yard. Tommy farmed the land that was left to him by his father.

"Blow sand" is what everyone called the fields, but Tommy made them eat their words as his crops of corn and hay were amazing. He had several helpers on the farm, starting out with his two special nephews, Billy and Jerry, but there were many more to come as the years went by. This was especially true when it came time to bale hay. Tommy was so visible and everyone from the area knew him as he rode his John Deere tractor down the middle of the road to get to the fields to work.

Reading was a huge part of his life and he had a memory like a steel trap.

He used it to make conversation with whoever happened to stop by. Boy, the stories that he could tell you. In his spare time, he was sexton for the St. Augustine Church Cemetery while also selling and placing headstone. The highlight of his later years was being "honored citizen" in the Polish Festival's parade. He even hosted several rodeos on his property for the festival. Although illness slowed him a little the past few years, God sent him a doctor named "Cathy," to give him some renewed spirit. He still had more than 50 head of cattle to attend to with the help of his friend, Keith, till just a month ago. Working hard came easy to him, but Tommy always made time for church on Sundays.

God blessed us with his presence and he will be greatly missed. We will always love you, Tommy. God speed.

He is survived by his brother, William J. (Verna) Matelski Sr.; sister, Grace (Bob) Wride; nephews, William J. Matelski Jr., Gerald (Brenda) Matelski and Ronald (Carol) Kaminski; nieces, Eileen Heible and Karen Lynn; greatnephews, Nathan Matelski, Adam Matelski, Brent Matelski, Mike Heible, Mark Heible; Avon Lynn and Joey Kaminski; great-nieces Nicole Matelski, Christy Heible, Kassie Matelski, Kim Kaminski and Emily Lynn; greatgreat-nieces, Emma and Lily Matelski.

Tommy is preceded in death by his parents and great nephew, Gerald Matelski.

A vigil service was held Wednesday, Jan. 24, at St. Augustine Church in Boyne Falls, and a funeral mass was held Thursday, Jan. 25, at the church.

Fr. Duane Wachowiak served as celebrant. The family suggests memorial contributions be directed a scholarship fund to be established in Tommy's name, c/o William Matelski, Sr. Burial will take place at St. Augustine Catholic Cemetery in Boyne Falls.

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

**Frank Crompt**

Frank E. Crompt, 82, of Lakeland, Fla., and formerly of Boyne City, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007, at the home of his daughter in Petoskey. Frank was born July 12, 1924, in Detroit, the son of the late Frank and Josie (Mack) Crompt. He attended Michigan State University and was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army Air Corps as an airplane radio operator in the European Theater. He was employed by Fisher Body as a cost estimator, retiring in 1981. After his retirement, Frank and his wife moved to Boyne City until 1999 when they moved to Lakeland, Fla.

On June 21, 1947, in Detroit, Frank was united in marriage to Dorothy Jean Tubbs, who preceded him in death Dec. 13, 2003.

Surviving are two daughters, Vicki Roberts of Paw Paw, and Merry Jo (Gary) Baxter of Petoskey; four grandchildren, Stephanie and David Baxter, Rachel and Merry Roberts; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife and four sisters. Services were held Tuesday, Jan. 30, at the Adams Funeral Home, Paw Paw, with Rev. Buddy Turner officiating. Interment of cremains will be in Tampa, Fla.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of choice. Share a memory or condolence on line at [www.timeformemory.com/adams](http://www.timeformemory.com/adams).

**Roderick Meads**

Roderick D. Meads, 44, died Friday, Jan. 26, 2007, at his home in Jordan Twp.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Jan. 30, at the Lighthouse Missionary Church in East Jordan. The Rev. James Jordan officiated. Interment will be in Maple Hill Cemetery, Elmira, Mich.

He was born on Nov. 9, 1962, in Flint, the son of Raymond E. and Sally (Stewart) Meads. He graduated from Flushing High School in 1980. In 1984, Roderick received his Associate of Applied Science Degree in electronics engineering from ITT Technical Institute, Fort Wayne, Ind.

On Feb. 18, 1984, he married Lynn Olney. In 1986, they made their home in East Jordan. Roderick owned and operated Quest Electric in East Jordan. He enjoyed watching NASCAR racing. He was also an avid fan of the Detroit Red Wings and Detroit Pistons. He was the pit crew member for his sons snowmobile racing. He loved playing basketball with his daughter.

Roderick is survived by his wife, Lynn Meads of East Jordan; two children, Michael T. Meads and Andrea L. Meads, both at home; his parents, Raymond and Sally Meads of East Jordan; two brothers, Brian (Susan) Meads of East Jordan and Daniel (Karen) Meads of Boyne City; one sister-in-law, Debbie Meads of East Jordan; as well as several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one brother, David Meads, in 1988.

The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

**Alice Gregson**

Alice (Stanek) Gregson, formerly of Davison, and daughter of Albert and Clara (Divis) Stanek, went home to the Lord on Jan. 18, 2007. Alice was born in East Jordan in 1926.

She graduated from the Hurley Hospital School of Nursing in 1947 and was a former president of the Michigan Industrial Nurses Association. Alice retired from AC Spark Plugs as compensation adjuster in 1981.

Alice enjoyed painting, golfing, traveling and attending to her flowers. She is survived by: husband Bruce Gregson of Fountain Hills, Ariz.; son, Winchester Eldred of Marietta, GA; daughter Cathy Turner of Ypsilanti; daughter Jane Brinkley of Lawrenceville, GA; grandson Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Joel Bair Turner and wife Vanessa of Groton, Conn.; grandson Jeffrey Turner of Ypsilanti; sisters Frances Vert, Emelia Perket, Helen Anzell and brother Edward Stanek; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Alice was preceded in death by her sisters, Clara Jaronski, Bertha Stanek and brothers, Albert and Clement Stanek.

Cremation has taken place. Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association

**DEATH NOTICE**

**Jayden Christopher Morse**, infant son of Jenny Kraemer and Daniel Morse, Jr. of East Jordan, died Friday, Jan. 26, 2007, in DeVos Children's Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Jan. 30, at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

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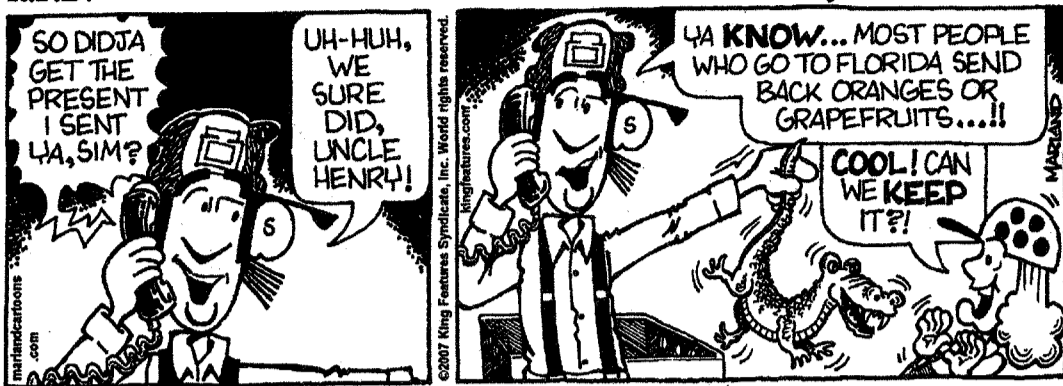




# COMICS & CONUNDRUMS

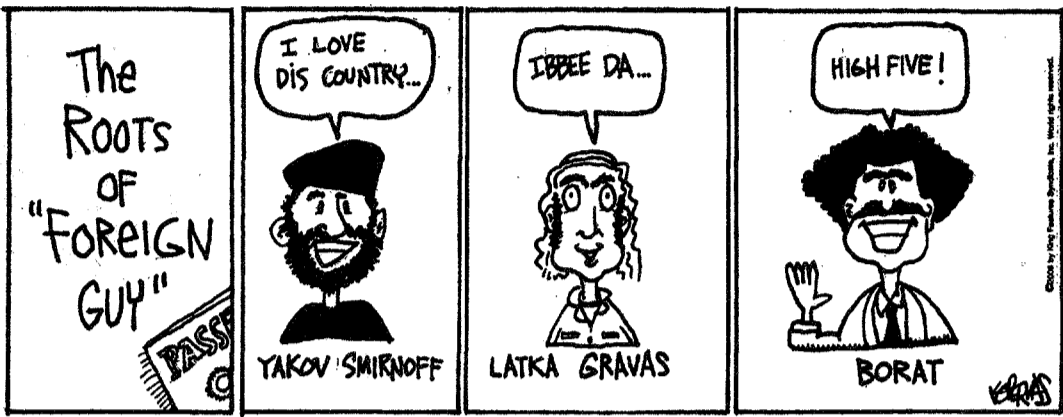
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by Mike Marland



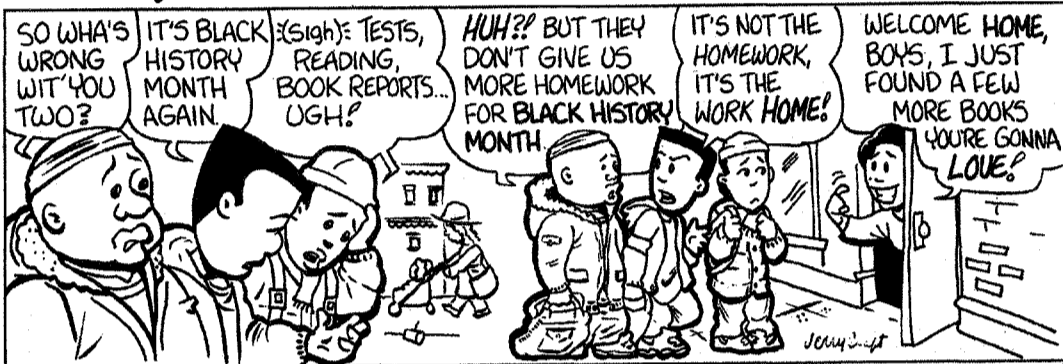
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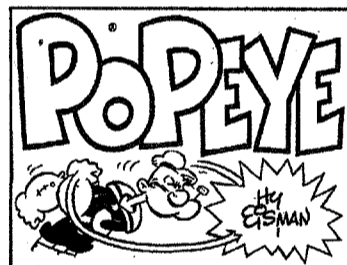
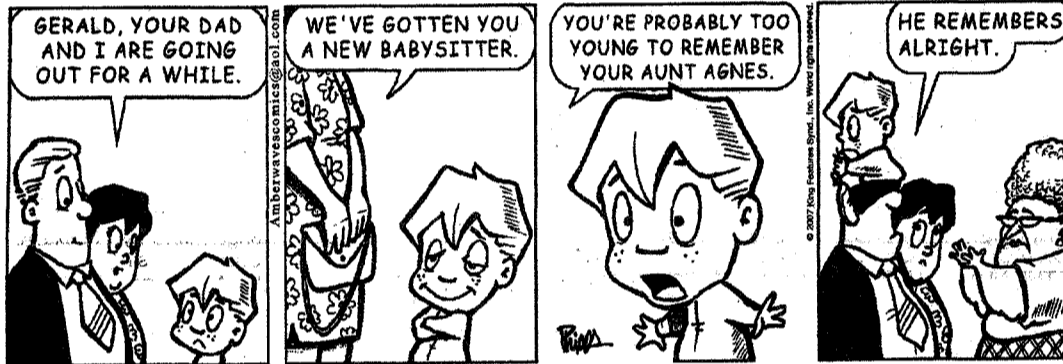
Mama's Boyz

by Jerry Craft



Amber Waves

by Dave Phipps



## Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• Bet you didn't realize that artillery and lightning have a patron saint, but they do: It's Saint Barbara. Now we just need someone to explain why artillery and lightning need a patron saint.

• It was humorist Bill Vaughan who made the following observation: "A 3-year-old child is a being who gets almost as much fun out of a \$56 set of swings as it does out of finding a small green worm." Obviously, he said that quite some time ago; who could find a

swing set these days for just \$56?

• Those who fish and hunt should always remember that their prey might fight back. For instance, a man fishing off the coast of Mexico was seriously injured when the 10-foot marlin he'd just caught stabbed its spear completely through him.

• What do postcards, fiberglass, the zipper, the ice-cream cone, Cracker Jacks, Quaker Oats, Shredded Wheat, belly dancing, spray paint, the Pledge of Allegiance and the Ferris Wheel have in common? They were all introduced at the World's Columbian Exposition, the most successful world's fair ever held in the United States. During the fair's six months of operation in 1893, 27 million people came to Chicago to see the wonders on display — that's nearly half of the

population of the entire country at the time. One of the visitors was L. Frank Baum, author of "The Wizard of Oz," who reportedly used the fair's classical architecture as his inspiration for the Emerald City.

• When the movie "Babe" was released in China, its title was translated as "Happy Dumping-to-Be Who Talks and Solves Agricultural Problems."

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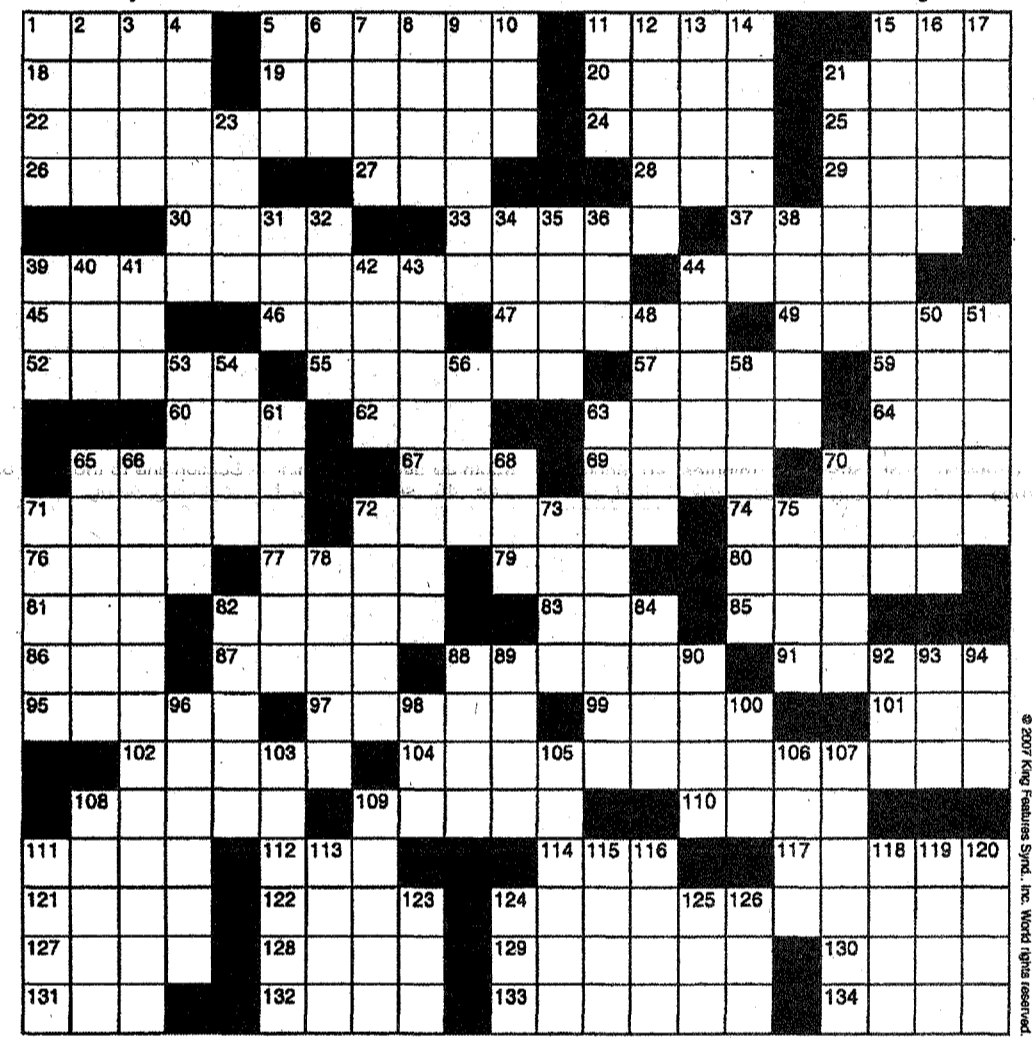
**Thought for the Day:** "What you have when everyone wears the same clothes for all occasions, is addressed by nickname, expected to participate in Show and Tell, and bullied out of any desire for privacy is not democracy; it is Kindergarten." — Judith Martin (better known as Miss Manners)

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## Super Crossword

OUT-OF-IT AFRICA

- ACROSS**
- 1 "Lil Abner" cartoonist
  - 5 Mann or Greeley
  - 11 Lloyd Webber musical
  - 15 Owns
  - 18 Fragrance
  - 19 Military helicopter
  - 20 Tigris-Euphrates land
  - 21 Convent cubicle
  - 22 African Revolutionary War heroine?
  - 24 Hunts "Ben Adhem"
  - 25 Wells' creatures
  - 26 Stun
  - 27 Author Follett
  - 28 Actress Massen
  - 29 Primer pooch
  - 30 Nobelist Wiesell
  - 33 Operetta composer
  - 37 — out (eradicate)
  - 39 African sitcom?
  - 44 Actress Talia
  - 45 Relished a roast
  - 46 King of comedy
  - 47 Grind
  - 49 — cotta
  - 52 "America's Most Wanted" host
  - 55 Jubilant
  - 57 Belfry sound
  - 59 Marry
  - 60 Roller-coaster unit
  - 62 LAX letters
  - 63 Desire
  - 64 Botanist Gray
  - 65 Frighten
  - 67 — Magnon
  - 69 Roll-call reply
  - 70 Cozy
  - 71 Swiss sight
  - 72 African appetizer?
  - 74 Crewel tool
  - 76 European capital
  - 77 Memo start
  - 79 "Agnus —"
  - 80 Wonderful
  - 81 Conductor Queler
  - 82 Like a raisin
  - 83 — deco
  - 85 Lodge brother
  - 86 Part of MPH
  - 87 Stalk
  - 88 Infantry action
  - 91 Cosmetician Lauder
  - 95 Take the honey and run
  - 97 Walker's "The Purple"
  - 99 Pat on the buns?
  - 101 Sign a contract
  - 102 Declaim
  - 104 Start of an African anthem?
  - 108 Nasty
  - 109 Puccini's "— Lescaut"
  - 110 Secure the ship
  - 111 Scoundrels
  - 112 Cow's cry
  - 114 LP successors
  - 117 Most minute
  - 121 Potpourri
  - 122 British buggy
  - 124 African movie theme song?
  - 127 Wise — owl
  - 128 Turner or Wood
  - 129 Aromatic plant
  - 130 Mrs. Charlie Chaplin
  - 131 Looney Tunes critter
  - 132 In addition
  - 133 Salem's state
  - 134 Manipulates
  - 2 Smith or Sandler
  - 3 Actress Negri
  - 4 Much valued
  - 5 "Bali —"
  - 6 Select, with "for"
  - 7 Pinion's partner
  - 8 Flu symptom
  - 9 Chinese Olympic skater
  - 10 Charlot follower
  - 11 Security grp.
  - 12 Ann —, MI
  - 13 New Mexico resort
  - 14 Court sport
  - 15 Beach Boys' African hit?
  - 16 Knock for — (astonish)
  - 17 Skirt feature
  - 21 One of the Borgias
  - 23 Soccer superstar
  - 31 Teapop —
  - 32 Parisian pronoun
  - 34 TV's "The — of Night"
  - 35 Card collection
  - 36 Actress Alicia
  - 38 Deed
  - 39 Shorten a slat
  - 40 Actress Hagen
  - 41 Tierra —
  - 42 Connecticut campus
  - 43 Grabbed
  - 44 Start wool gathering
  - 48 Mail madness
  - 50 Uphost
  - 51 Proverb
  - 53 It'll give you a weigh
  - 54 Jackrabbit, for one
  - 56 O'Hara homestead
  - 58 Settle a score
  - 61 Go to bed
  - 63 Certain singer
  - 65 Make a pile
  - 66 African actress?
  - 68 Peculiar
  - 70 Pursues
  - 71 — suzette
  - 72 Philosophy
  - 73 Paper quantity
  - 75 Perry's creator
  - 78 Sib's kid
  - 82 Trepidation
  - 84 It may be small
  - 88 Mindy of "The Facts of Life"
  - 89 Approximately
  - 90 Abound (with)
  - 92 Archaic contraction
  - 93 Compass pt.
  - 94 Scrape by, with "out"
  - 96 Bastille, e.g.
  - 98 Mauna —
  - 100 Yoko —
  - 103 Curly Shirley
  - 105 Stick-in-the-mud?
  - 106 Cry of distress
  - 107 —
  - 108 Lonesome Tonight? ("60 hit)
  - 109 Haunted-house sounds
  - 111 Paint layer
  - 113 Spoken
  - 115 Barry or Brubeck
  - 116 Stocking mishap
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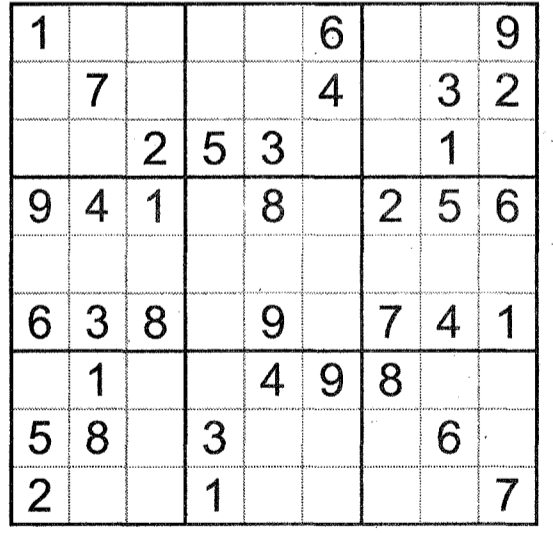


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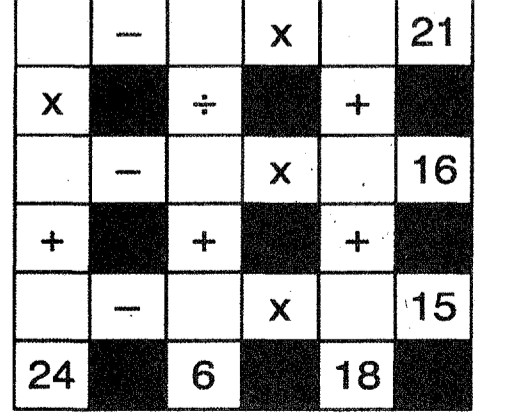
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## GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.



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### Sudoku Answers

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### Go Figure! answers

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SUPPEN	LYSUDAR	SHIRE	
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# THE CITIZEN-JOURNAL SPORTS

COMPLETE COVERAGE OF THE  
BOYNE CITY RAMBLERS, BOYNE FALLS LOGGERS AND THE EAST JORDAN RED DEVILS

## St. Francis too much for EJ

**By PHIL TROMBLEY**  
SPORTS WRITER

TRaverse City — The East Jordan boys varsity basketball team utilized a slow down game, and the strategy worked for one quarter, but the Lake Michigan Conference-leading Traverse City St. Francis team had too much firepower at home on Friday, Jan. 26.

Three Gladiators tossed in ten points each to lead St. Francis (7-1 LMC) to a 56-32 win over the Red Devils.

East Jordan kept close for eight minutes as Traverse City led the game 10-4 after one

quarter, but the Gladiators stretched it out to a 27-9 advantage at the end of the first half.

"We went into the game to take the air out of the ball game plan and everything was great, it was 1-0 after four minutes. We missed some easy shots around the basket in the second quarter and that hurt us. We couldn't make a basket," said East Jordan coach Darrin Weber.

Jeff Keyser scored 14 points to lead East Jordan (3-5 LMC).

East Jordan (5-6 overall) will travel to Kalkaska on Friday, Feb. 2, and host Mancelona Tuesday, Feb. 6.

## Middle schoolers perform well at ski meet

BOYNE CITY — The host school Traverse City St. Elizabeth won the 7th and 8th grade boys race and Petoskey captured the 7th and 8th grade girls race at the middle school ski meet at Boyne Mountain Thursday, Jan. 25.

Results for the East Jordan middle school included Emily Crick (4th), Brooklyn

Richards (8th), Shelby Elzinga (12th), Ellen Boyer (14th), Danny Bryant (14th), Alyshia Healey (15th), Sarah DeHann (18th) and Lissa Vincent (19th).

East Jordan 5th and 6th grade results included Casey Keane (2nd) and Jenaye Baier (9th).

- Story contributed by sports writer Phil Trombley.

## East Jordan netters lose to Blazers

**By PHIL TROMBLEY**  
SPORTS WRITER

KALKASKA — The East Jordan girls varsity volleyball team earned a 25-11 win in the third game Thursday, Jan. 25, but the Lady Devils dropped the fourth and deciding game to Kalkaska 25-20 and lost the match 24-26, 19-25, 25-11, 20-25.

"It was four tough games for us. We struggled in our service receive, but we played defense on the net well," said East Jordan coach Jackie Haley.

Kayla Windish led the

East Jordan stats with five kills, four digs and one block. Windish also served 100 percent with two aces. Jill Drenth chipped in with five kills and five blocks and served 100 percent. Sarah Kupovitz contributed with five kills and Jessica Roberts had 18 assists and two aces.

East Jordan (5-5 overall, 4-5 Lake Michigan Conference) will travel to Harbor Springs on Thursday, Feb. 1, compete at the Grayling Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 3, and play host to Elk Rapids on Monday, Feb. 5.

## Senglaub 14th at Dayton Moto

BOYNE CITY — Boyne City motocyclist Steve Senglaub qualified for the super mini race and took 14th place overall at the Toyota Amateur Motocross Association race in Dayton, Ohio, on Sunday, Jan. 21, putting him in 12th place overall in the indoor motocross racing series.

Senglaub will race this Thursday at the Prairie Capital Convention Center in Springfield, Ill.

If the 15 year old Boyne City student can qualify among the top nine riders in the next

two events, in Springfield and Saginaw, Mich. on Feb. 11, he'll have a chance to finish in the top five qualifying spots for the Toyota AMA world amateur finals, which will be held in Las Vegas in mid-October.

The Toyota Amateur Motocross Association is the nation's #1 indoor arena-based off road motorcycle series and sponsors four preliminary races leading up to the Las Vegas final.

- Story contributed by sports writer Phil Trombley.

## Ramblers win tourney

**By PHIL TROMBLEY**  
SPORTS WRITER

ONAWAY — The Boyne City girls varsity volleyball team defeated Hillman 25-20, 19-25, 15-11 in the semi final round and topped Pickford 25-20, 26-24 in the championship match to win the ten-team Onaway Invitational on Saturday, Jan. 27.

The Lady Ramblers, who competed throughout the day without two regular starters, captured first place in their pool with two wins and two splits.

Boyne City split with

Harbor Springs (23-25, 25-6) beat Mancelona (25-19, 25-21), split with Gaylord St. Mary (25-20, 22-25) and beat the Onaway junior varsity (25-14, 25-17).

"We were a little nervous because we were missing two starters, but our bench played strong," said Boyne City coach Casey Parker. "Amber Kotalik played a very strong game for us in the middle and Heidi Olsen did a great job as setter, setting up the other girls."

Jessica Nichols (38 digs, 30 kills, nine aces) was named the team's most valuable player.

Kotalik had 35 kills and nine aces, while Olsen contributed with 90% serving and 77 assists.

Adding to the effort were: Trisha Tomkins (94 percent serving, 20 aces, 30 digs, 11 kills), Stacie Spaniak (40 digs), Mallory Slate (20 digs), Perry Fish (100 percent serving) and Ashley Juday (100 percent serving).

**Boyne City 3, Harbor Springs 2**

Boyne City took a two point win in the final game to pull out a marathon, fivegame,

17-25, 21-25, 25-22, 17-25, 15-13 Lake Michigan Conference victory over Harbor Springs on Wednesday, Jan. 24.

Nichols led the Lady Ramblers with 24 kills and 20 digs, while Lindsay Baic added 16 digs and 12 kills. Spaniak (100 percent serving, ten digs), Lindsay Clemens (42 assists), Jessica Kynsz (15 kills) and Tomkins (11 digs, four aces) all contributed to the win.

Boyne City (20-7-3) will compete at the Rogers City Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 3, and host Charlevoix

## Writing time

I had a conversation with fellow sports writer Paul Donathan last week and as we do every week we were taking stock of our effort to cover all of the area sports teams in the Up North Publication's chain of four newspapers.

Donathan related to me how he had written a column the preceding week that was meant to go into the Antrim County News, which it did, but the staff at the Leader and Kalkaska also blocked out some space in that paper thinking to include his column.

As a result Paul found himself with about 25 minutes in which to think of a pertinent topic for that paper, while also writing the piece and contacting some coaches in order to add their input and interesting quotes to round out the column.

This lack of time tried Paul's writing skills as well as his typing speed, but this young man came through with a story and a style that certainly seemed to read like he spent hours putting it together. It seems that Donathan can crank out a column in less time than I take to think of a topic to write about. I must say that I am somewhat envious.

It is obvious he is a gifted wordsmith with a bright future in front of him. The editors he works for are lucky to have him contributing to their papers with the articles he pens.

As I sit at my computer to write a column I find myself struggling to get over the stumbling blocks that pop up as I try to get every word to sound and read just right. I have to work hard to get my thoughts across in a way that reflects just what I want to say to the readers, while trying to be informative as well as entertaining.

What a crazy business we are in. Week in and week out we rush to get our stories submitted, for as many of the high school sports teams as we are charged to write about, and week in and week out we always run into that dreaded of situations known as the "deadline."

And a deadline it is because if the story is not submitted in time it is truly dead. You might as well dig a hole and bury the copy.

The very thought of a deadline affects me. The nearer the drop dead time is — the higher my blood pressure goes. I get edgy and I jump like a scared cat when the phone rings. It always seems there is one or two more reports that I have to track down in order to finish up a week of full coverage. I strive to get as many teams in the paper and I get upset when I miss some, while catching others.

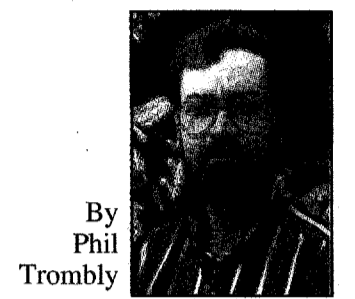
Some weeks it all works out for me. Some weeks it all works out for Paul. Some weeks it all comes together for the both of us.

After all is done and Paul and I have our phone chat I usually try to sound cheerful when I ask him, "How ya'll doing?"

"Stellar," he is apt to reply with one of his favorite words.

Me. I'm usually a wreck.

### BEYOND THE STATS



By Phil Trombley



**Tyler Wellman, 13, from Boyne City displays his style during the recent Kids Next Snow qualifier program. He moves on to compete at the nationals in Vermont.**

Courtesy photo

## BC skier captures event

BOYNE FALLS — Boyne USA Resorts has announced the results of two Sports Illustrated KIDS Next Snow SEARCH qualifier events held Jan. 20 and 21. The competitors were a commendable mix of local and state-wide talent.

In total, nearly 30 kids between the ages of 9-13 competed head-to-head in a combined division of boys and girls, skiers and snowboarders. The competitions were made up of one run through a downhill race course, one run of freestyle skiing/riding, one run through the terrain park and one big air jump. The athletes were judged on their ability, style, attitude and sportsmanship.

The top finisher on Jan. 20 was Tyler Wellman, a 13-year-old skier from Boyne City. Second place went to Hunter Arbaugh from Harbor Springs, and third place was awarded to Brian VanderBaan from Highland.

The top finisher on Jan. 21 was Jack McKeough, a 12-year-old skier from Spring Lake. Second place went to Carson Covell from Okemos and third place was awarded to Johnny Johnson from Ostego.

Wellman will represent Boyne Highlands

and McKeough will represent Boyne Mountain at the Sports Illustrated KIDS Next Snow Search Finals, held at Killington Resort, Vermont, March 2 through the 4.

The winner's package, courtesy of Boyne USA Resorts, Wellman and McKeough were awarded includes lodging for four nights at Killington Resort, four days of lift tickets for the athlete and one parent, entry fees, as well as admission to all activities and celebrations related to the finals. Discounted lift tickets and event access is also extended to additional family members. The finals event will include race course, big mountain free skiing/riding, halfpipe, slopestyle and big air competition. This is a national talent search to find young athletes who best represent the next generation of extreme skiers and snowboarders. Now in its fourth season, the Sports Illustrated KIDS Next Snow SEARCH consists of 70 qualifying freeride competitions at resorts in the United States and Canada scheduled between December and February. The competition seeks out skiers and riders who are skilled in a variety of terrain including moguls,

jumps, rails and race courses. The top 25 finishers at the 2007 national championship will earn a spot on the 2007

Sports Illustrated KIDS "Next Snow Team."

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