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Spring break announced

BOYNE CITY — The Boyne City Public Schools will be on spring break from Monday, April 2 through Monday, April 9. School will resume on Tuesday, April 10.



Snow action at Boyne

The Michigan Snow X Racing Association held the US Open Snow X Championships on Saturday, March 24. See more photos on page 14.

WEATHER

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

Hi: 47 Lo: 32
Condition:
Partly Cloudy

THURSDAY, MARCH 29

Hi: 53 Lo: 37
Condition:
Partly Cloudy

FRIDAY, MARCH 30

Hi: 56 Lo: 40
Condition:
Thundershowers

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

Hi: 50 Lo: 34
Condition:
Showers

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

Hi: 47 Lo: 34
Condition:
Few Showers

MONDAY, APRIL 2

Hi: 49 Lo: 32
Condition:
Partly Cloudy

TUESDAY, APRIL 3

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Condition:
Partly Cloudy

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

Hi: 43 Lo: 27
Condition:
Mostly Sunny

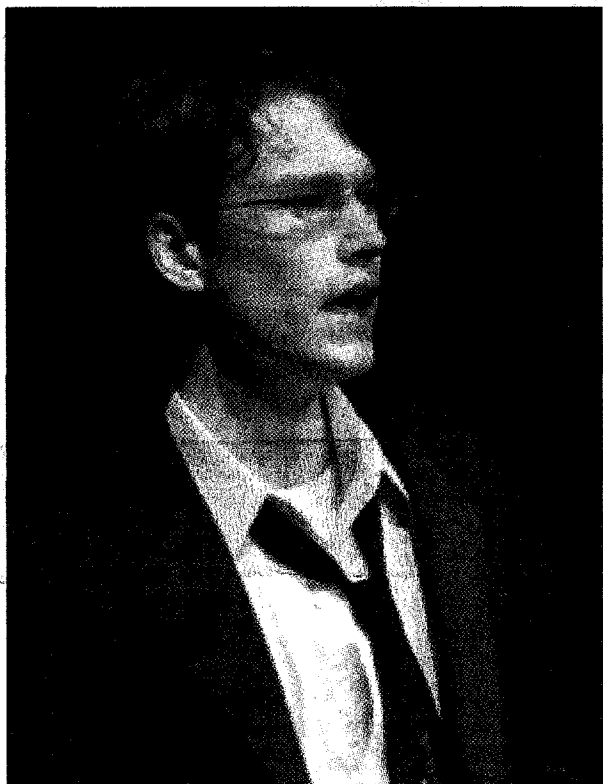
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West Side Story relived



Riff, convincingly played by Paul Beauvais, holds a war council with members of the Jets before the fateful Jets vs. Sharks rumble in West Side Story.

Photos by
Jane Booze



Leads Paul Schneider, as Tony, and Steffie Poindexter, as Maria, profess their love from a tenement balcony on the set of West Side Story, the moving EJHS Spring Musical that closed last weekend.

Cemetery damaged, again

BY B. J. HETLER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BOYNE CITY — Maple Lawn Cemetery was damaged when about 75 headstones were knocked over sometime on Saturday or Sunday, March 24 or 25.

This is the fourth time vandals have invaded the city cemetery within the last 10 years.

Boyne City Police Department Assistant Chief Jeff Gettel said on Monday that similar crimes occurred in the fall of 2006, a couple of years before that, and about 10 years ago.

Numerous pots and plant holders were also dumped over or damaged, according to a police department statement. Evidence was collected at the cemetery and officers canvassed the surrounding neighborhood.

"We are following up on leads," Gettel said. A caller reported the crime to the police.

The city has a set reward of \$200 for information that leads to the identification of those responsible for damage to city property. Some residents are offering to add to that amount.

Anyone with information may contact the Boyne City Police Department at 231-582-6611.

Boyne City's plan for the future

Comprehensive master plan recommended for adoption

BY B. J. HETLER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BOYNE CITY — It's been many months in the making, but the city's comprehensive master plan is complete. The city planning commissioners have recommended that it be adopted by the city board of commissioners.

The city commission will hold a public hearing for

comments from citizens before it votes on whether to adopt the plan. A date for the public hearing will be set soon and posted at City Hall and in the newspaper. The plan may be viewed at City Hall.

The comprehensive master plan is the city's guide for the future in such matters as land use, building of residential and business areas, transportation and en-

ergy use. Downtown should have its own character as a core of the community's educational, economic and cultural center, it states in the plan. Vacant land and buildings have been reused for housing, shops and offices and the plan calls for more of that use. Downtown will be part of the bicycle routes and pedestrian paths and will encourage less use of

the automobile. The comprehensive master plan states that commercial development on the waterfront complements and enhances other commercial districts in the city. But, downtown must also serve as a residential area, it says in the master plan. That will lessen the need for automobiles and parking. Residences downtown also provide security in the eve-

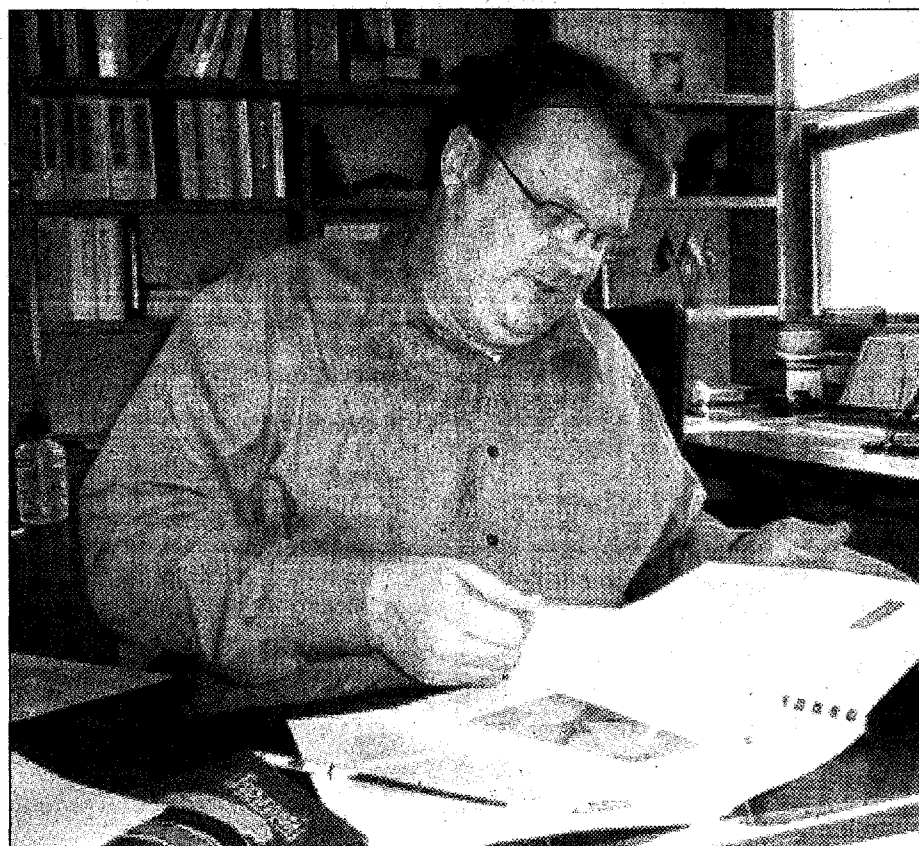
nings. The city will continue to attract a range of retail and office development and the plan states: "Our priority is to serve the needs and interests of Boyne City residents, and we must take care not to make the downtown an exclusive attraction for tourists and visitors." City planners say Boyne City expects and welcomes continued growth and de-

velopment. Along with downtown, existing neighborhoods and M-75 will see growth.

The city's waterfront has its "Waterfront Master Plan" but the comprehensive master plan states: "The waterfront is a public resource, and the public's use and enjoyment of this resource is the city's highest concern. Direct access by the public

See PLAN, page 2

BC Planning Director takes on Daytona Beach



BY B. J. HETLER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BOYNE CITY — City planning director, Dan Reed, is headed south with his family and has resigned his post at City Hall effective April 6.

Reed has accepted a position as planning director for the City of Daytona Beach, Fla. The city "made me an offer I couldn't refuse," Reed said at his office recently. "We will be able to do things as a family we couldn't do before."

Boyne City's new comprehensive and waterfront master plans are completed. The plans were an on-going project for about two of his more than three years with the city, Reed said.

Reed spoke about challenges that Boyne City and the northern Michigan area face.

"The biggest environmental challenge in my opinion is loss of wetlands. The smaller wetland areas keep the lake clean and we're filling them in be-

cause of parcel development."

Reed cautions the city about development on the M-75 stretch, saying sprawl will easily result if development is not carefully planned.

Boyne City was recently named Tree City USA for the third consecutive year, one of Reed's projects.

Reed and his family will miss the city and its residents.

"I've met fantastic people here," Reed said. "And the planning commission has been really great to work with."

"I'll miss my house. I really enjoyed working in my yard, that was my release," he said.

Reed and his wife, Laura, have two children, Lauren and Daniella.

Boyne City Planning Director, Dan Reed, looks over the new city master plan, his biggest project in the more than three years he was with the city of Boyne City. Reed resigned from his post to take a planning director position in Daytona Beach, Florida. He heads south with his family in early April.

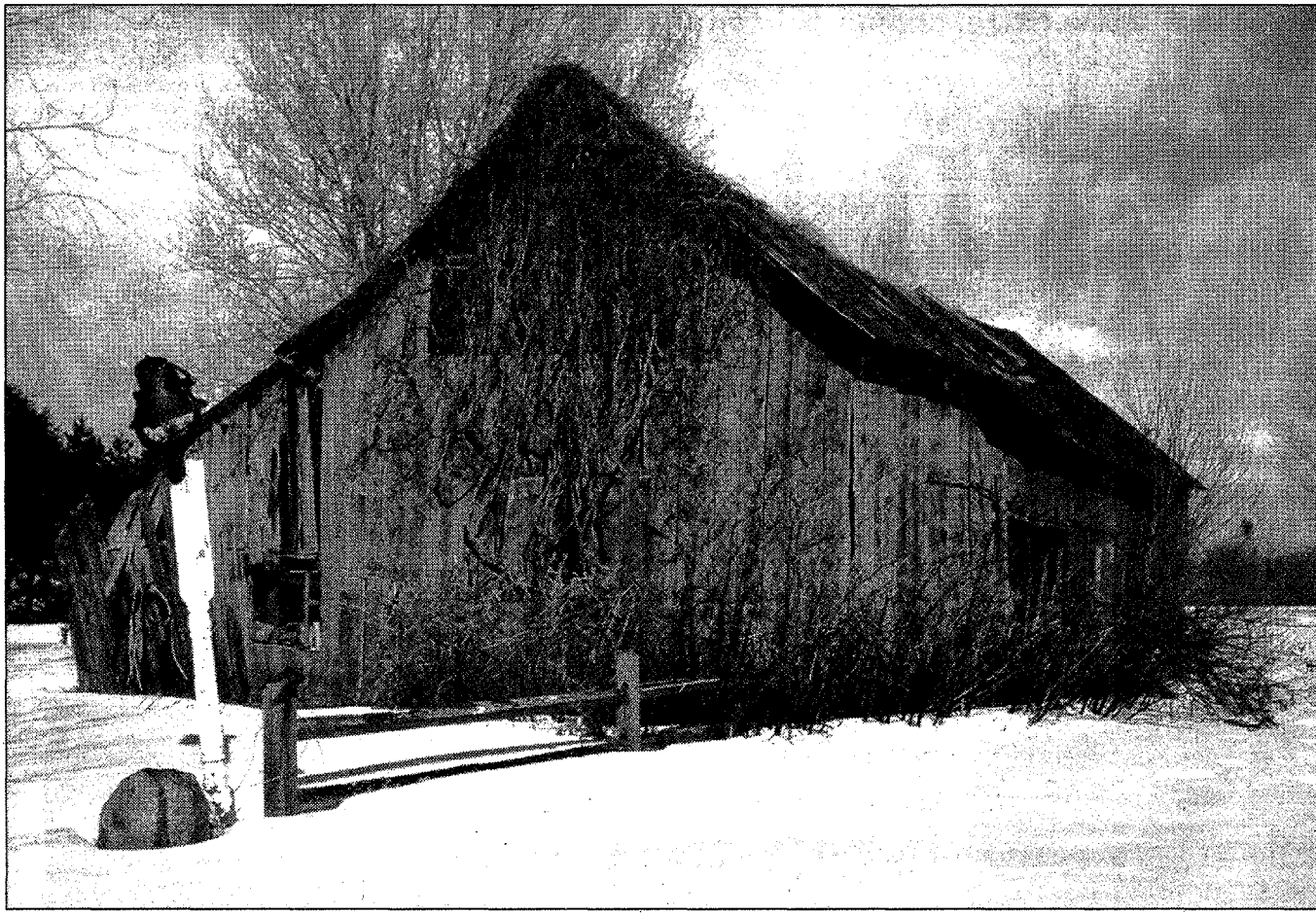
Photo by B. J. Hetler

Plan

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to the water is encouraged to the greatest extent possible."

A map may be obtained from City Hall entitled "Future Land Use Map."

The color-coded map shows the various uses expected for the city. The comprehensive master plan addresses energy techniques for the city to be environmentally responsible. A broad range of energy efficiency programs, public education in resource conservation and energy efficient green building technologies are several of the methods the city may use.



Country view

It may not look like it in this scene, but spring is coming. The barn is one of several along Camp Daggett Road near Boyne City. Temperatures flirted with the 70 degree mark Monday and more spring-like weather is predicted for the rest of the week.

Photo by B. J. Hettler

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Reservations for the event are due April 5. The cost is \$20 per person, which includes a year's membership in the historical society.

To make reservations, or for information, call Dawson at 231-599-2328.

Gauntlet issued to enact tough driving laws

BOYNE CITY — In light of new research released today, AAA has issued a challenge to parents to "keep the keys" from their teen driver until a Parent-Teen Agreement is signed. AAA also challenged state legislators across the country to enact laws to strengthen existing graduated driver licensing (GDL) systems currently in place.

The research, "Nationwide Review of Graduated Driver Licensing," funded by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, shows that states that have GDL systems with five out of seven components included in the study saw a 38 percent decrease in fatal crashes involving 16-year-old drivers. For injury crashes involving 16-year-old drivers, the decrease was 40 percent. Traffic crashes are the number one cause of death for teens in the United States, killing

more than 4,800 teens in 2005, according to NHTSA.

"Through this study, we have seen that the enactment of laws is key to improving teen driver safety," said Robert L. Darbelnet, AAA president and CEO, at a news conference in Washington this morning. "So, today I am challenging legislators throughout the country to strengthen the GDL systems in their states to include the components that this study shows make a substantial difference in saving teen lives and reducing injuries."

The seven components are:

- A minimum age of at least 16 years for receiving a learner's permit.

- A requirement to hold the learner's permit for at least 6 months before receiving a license that allows any unsupervised driving.

- A requirement for certification of at least 30 hours of supervised driving practice during the learner stage.

- An intermediate stage of licensing with a minimum entry age of at least 16 years and 6 months.

- A nighttime driving restriction for intermediate license holders, beginning no later than 10 p.m.

- A passenger restriction for intermediate license holders, allowing no more than one passenger (except family members).

- A minimum age of 17 years for full, unrestricted licensure.

These items were chosen for that research because they were the most common components in GDL systems throughout the country. They should not be considered an exhaustive list of safety provisions for teen drivers.

"This research shows we are definitely on the right track," said Darbelnet.

"Easing teens into licensure by limiting their exposure to risky situations while they are gain-

ing needed experience behind the wheel, saves lives."

Darbelnet also recognized that parents play an important role in keeping teens safe on the road, and challenged parents to have their teens sign a Parent-Teen Agreement that, "spells out the rules for earning the privilege of driving, including components that this study shows work so effectively in GDL systems throughout the country," said Darbelnet.

That agreement can be found online at AAA.com/publicaffairs.

Ticket helps people return to work

By VONDA VAN TIL
SOCIAL SECURITY PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST

BOYNE CITY — Five years ago the Ticket to Work program was launched to help people with disabilities go to work. Since then, more than 150,000 people who get Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) disability benefits have used their tickets to obtain free vocational rehabilitation, job training and other support services.

The Ticket to Work program is voluntary. Social Security and SSI beneficiaries who receive a ticket are not required to work, but may choose to use their tickets to attempt to go to work.

The number of people using their tickets is expected to continue to grow as more Americans with disabilities become familiar with the opportunities the program has to offer.

A disability beneficiary can use the ticket with either a private sector em-

ployment network or a State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency. Together the beneficiary and service provider design an individual employment plan outlining the services to be provided that will help the beneficiary reach his or her job goals.

The program removes many barriers that had previously faced people with disabilities receiving benefits. Social Security disability beneficiaries are eligible for Medicare, and most Social Security disability beneficiaries now are protected by Medicare for up to eight years and six months after they go to work. Medicare coverage continues even if an individual no longer receives a monetary benefit from Social Security.

Vonda VanTil is the public affairs specialist for West Michigan. You can write her c/o Social Security Administration, 50 College SE, Grand Rapids, Mich. 49503.

2007 Father of the Year Nomination

EAST JORDAN ROTARY CLUB

East Jordan Rotary Club is now accepting nominations for the Father of the Year Award.

Nominations should include:

- Nominee's name, address and phone number
- A brief biography of the nominee
- An explanation of why the nominee should be Father of the Year for 2007

Please include your name, address and phone number. Send nominations to the address below on or before April 16, 2007.

Father of the Year Nominations
Steven Voci, O.C.
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Events of interest for county residents

Spring achievement dates slated

The annual 4-H spring achievement is planned for April 20 in Elk Rapids. This is an opportunity for all county 4-H members to show off their talents and display their projects they have been working on for the year. For information on location and time, call the MSU Extension office at 231-533-8818.

Horse registrations due

A reminder that horse registrations are due May 1 at the 4-H office. Forms have been sent to 4-H club leaders, so members are advised to check with them to acquire the form.

Dairy meeting April 11

The northwest Michigan dairy meeting will be held at the Weathervane restaurant, 106 Pine River Lane in Charlevoix from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Topics include a dairy nutrition round table discussion, led by Herb Bucholtz; results of the statewide Johne's testing program, given by Dr. Dan Grooms; on-farm mastitis culturing and mastitis treatment options and using weather station data for improved crop production by Stan Moore and DHIA recognition by Moore and a DHIA representative.

The event is sponsored by the DHIA and GreenStone Farm Credit Services. Those attending must reserve a spot by calling the MSU Extension office at 231-533-8818. Lunch is provided to DHIA member families, but non-members must pay for their own meal.

Want to be a millionaire?

Watch for announcements about a new club starting for teens. The club will be about gaining financial knowledge and learning how to make money work for you. The organization will start this spring and those interested may call the MSU Extension office at 231-533-8818 to get on the list. County 4-H Extension Educator Dee Miller also said she is looking for adults who might like to work with this program in different communities.

4-H meetings planned

The Antrim County 4-H Leaders Council will meet on May 14 in the Spartan Room at the county building in Bellaire. In addition, the Antrim County 4-H horse development committee will meet May 28 in the same location. For information on these meetings, call 231-533-8818.

Early childhood conference planned

Antrim County will host the eighth annual early childhood conference on April 21. The cost is \$20 which includes lunch, educational materials and a tote bag. In addition, a book fair, vendors, door prizes and fun are on the docket during the event. Speakers include Gary Bower and Evie Boss.

Breakout topics include keeping children healthy and safe, healthy eating habits, literacy in the home, fighting obesity, integrating literacy with education and physical activity.

For a brochure or information, contact the MSU Extension office at 231-533-8818 or e-mail msue05@msu.edu. The conference qualifies as five hours of training.



Preventing bullying

Chris Dixon of Pennsylvania brought his "Bully-free Amazing Wonder Show" to Mancelona Elementary and Middle Schools recently to talk to students about bullying and why it is wrong. "Excluding kids from play, and leaving them out is a form of bullying," he explained. "Welcoming new students to your class, including kids in play, sharing and taking turns are the right things to do." Dixon's four-star approach to a bully-free environment includes "S-stick together, T-tell the bully to stop, A-alert an adult at school and home, and R-respect others and be a friend." Using magic tricks and audience participation, Dixon demonstrated several examples of bullying, which gave the children a better understanding of the hurtful impact it leaves.

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Waiting in line at the popular face painting booth were several elementary school students. During the annual spring carnival, students play approximately 40 games, have their hair and faces painted, and visit the mock "hospital" to have broken bones wrapped. The spring carnival is one of the most popular and anticipated events in the elementary school.

Photos by
Joanie Moore

Carnival of fun in Mancelona

High School Junior Alisa Scott paints the face of Allison Meeder, 5, during the elementary school's spring carnival. The youngster also participated in the hair design and several games.



GUEST COLUMN

**Road funding:
Time for a new
direction**

By Dr. John Taylor
SPECIAL TO THE CITIZEN-JOURNAL

Michigan's road network is at a turning point. It can be allowed to deteriorate or it can be revitalized with new reforms. As long as the state stays in the road business, it must make roads a higher priority.

In 2004, Michigan state and local governments spent about \$3.4 billion on road construction and repair. However, money available for new construction and maintenance is decreasing at the very time the need for investment is increasing. Michigan's transportation funding shortfall is hundreds of millions of dollars per year for state, county and city roads. A well-maintained transportation network contributes more to the quality of life than many other state spending programs, including those often touted as promoting "economic development."

One can look at Michigan's road needs in terms of traffic trends, road conditions, congestion and auto damage costs. Vehicle miles traveled increased 58 percent between 1980 and 2000, while lane miles increased just 3 percent. Interstate travel is forecast to increase another 40 percent by 2026. Truck tonnage is forecast to grow by at least 70 percent by 2020. With traffic growth, road conditions will deteriorate. The portion of pavement in "good" condition is forecast to drop from 92 percent now to 68 percent by 2014.

The congestion picture is no brighter. The Michigan Department of Transportation estimates that 15 percent of urban freeway vehicle miles traveled are congested. Absent new funding, this number is expected to reach 43 percent by 2030. Congestion and auto damage from potholes costs the average Michigan motorist more than \$318 per year, a figure likely to grow.

Fuel tax revenues have been flat, pegged to 19 cents per gallon regardless of the price of gasoline, and high prices have reduced consumption. Because of extensive bonding to augment tax revenue in recent years, debt service is climbing rapidly as construction costs soar. Asphalt costs nationally rose 43 percent between 2003 and 2006, and concrete costs rose 34 percent. As a result, Michigan's inflation-adjusted road dollars per million miles of travel dropped 53 percent since 1960.

The needs are especially clear to drivers in congested areas of southeast Michigan and the communities around Grand Rapids. However, more taxes with "business as usual" spending are not good enough. We need a smarter strategy for raising and spending the funds.

Michigan's transportation infrastructure requires at least an additional \$460 million annually. Legislators have a smorgasbord of options for stitching together a package that would meet those needs. They could start by scrapping the gimmicky 21st Century Jobs fund and put the money toward a real economic development program — good roads.

They could also consider raising gasoline and diesel taxes to come up with more, though that solution should be offset with tax and spending cuts elsewhere in state government to avoid further damage to our already fragile economy. Michigan gasoline and diesel taxes together cost the average driver \$107 in 2003, ranking us 42nd as a percentage of personal income. As of late 2005, our 19-cent-per-gallon gasoline tax ranked 31st nationally. Our diesel tax on motor carriers, at 15 cents per gallon, ranked us 45th among all states. So, higher gas taxes, especially if they are sunsetted, are one option that wouldn't put Michigan out of line with other states. Another option is to dedicate up to 2 points of the 6-percent sales tax on gasoline to roads.

Additional road money could also flow from introducing automated express toll lanes for southeast Michigan; implementing impact fees on those benefiting most from new roads; changing current practices that drain money from the Michigan Transportation Fund; and enacting common-sense efficiency reforms like repealing prevailing wage requirements, consolidating the multiplicity of road agencies, and privatizing more maintenance functions through competitive contracting. Whatever money is raised should be targeted to key high priority state, county and city roads that are critical to economic development and mobility.

The best option for finding new road money is for the Legislature and governor to get serious about spending a lot less on things in state government that are far less important.

In light of Michigan's economic plight, meeting critical transportation needs must be a higher priority for state government. Uncommon leadership is required to accomplish this without raising the overall tax burden. Lansing can change its spending priorities, fix the roads and improve our business climate all at the same time.

Dr. John C. Taylor is a senior policy analyst with the Mackinac Center for Public Policy in Midland, Mich., an associate professor of marketing and logistics at Grand Valley State University and author of the Center's forthcoming study on the Michigan transportation system



NEIGHBORS

Saturday was a fairly good day for Sally Pasque and Robin Koteskey of Compassionate Hearts, as they spent the chilly but beautifully sunny day just inside the doors at Boyne City's Glen's selling 50-50 drawing and raffle tickets. But it was worth it, seeing so many people. Next Saturday, the 24th will be your last chance to win the 50-50, which amounted to \$124 just that day!



By Nancy Northup

The raffle items are a blender, a Mickey Mouse watch and two-stuffed wooly white rabbits. Raffle ticket sales raised \$60. Be sure to go next Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and help in a fun way for a worthy cause, as Compassionate Hearts helps throughout the community all year 'round. Hang on to your ticket and be looking for the winning number to be posted at Glen's the 1st week of April.

Monday Study Club met this past week at the Boyne District Library with a great turnout.

All were impressed and enjoyed the Irish solo presentation and beautiful voice of Virginia Kessler. Midge Ackland, Betty Alldred, and Sally Ellington were co-hostesses of the March meeting.

The Boyne Area Senior Center was the place to be last Sunday. A great crowd shared in the annual St. Patrick's Day meal of delicious corn beef and cabbage and other favorites. And the music of the Cousins Music Group was the very best, with Irish tunes and green-hatted dancers and line dancers loving every note. Fitting right in the comfort zone among the 106 familiar faces and families were some new ones too, like Sue Cook. Fairly new to her job as the Commission On Aging's Senior Coordinator of the monthly newsletter, Sue was there helping out, getting to know people and taking pictures.

Got a call on Thursday

morning from Eleanor Sutliff saying she had spotted a couple of fat robins. A sure sign of spring, along with that thunderous rain storm the night before that washed away nearly all the snow but alas, also brought flooding to some areas.

Betty Bradley has returned from the Charlevoix Area Hospital to the Grandvue Medical Care, where she resides full time.

A nice sized group of tenants of Deer Meadows welcomed an introductory visit, upon request, of Wava Dietrich and her bookmobile program on Tuesday afternoon. Wava, who is with the Boyne District Library, passed out reading interests sheets, took names and phone numbers of those newcomers to the library and the bookmobile program, which brings books right to your door or into the community rooms of Litzemberger Place and Deer Meadows once a month. She also passed out brochures of other programs going on at the library and the interesting complimentary April issues of

book page, featuring book reviews from the best seller list to poetry and children's books, a very worthwhile read. For those of you who weren't there, Wava will be coming back on Tuesday, April 17th, from 2 to 4 p.m. — with books and audiotapes.

The week of March 26th will be a busy one for the East Jordan Senior Center. On Tuesdays, there is line dancing in the Civic Center at 10:30 a.m. There is quite a group that enjoys this activity every week. On Wednesday at 11 a.m., Roger Hartson will return to play keyboard. On Thursday, the 29th, Charlevoix County Transit will transport seniors, free of charge to the Charlevoix Cinema for a movie at a senior discounted rate. Those interested call the Center at 231-536-7831. Seniors will be picked up at whichever center they registered.

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

YOUR VOICE

Americans need to let their voices be heard

To the editor; 1.8 billion dollars.

That's how much we spend each year in annual dues payments to the United Nations and there are also the "voluntary payments" which in some years exceed our dues payments. Between 1992 and 1997, we gave the UN an additional \$11 billion and in total, we pay an estimated 25 percent of all UN expenses. And what do we get for these tens of billions of dollars?

Your tax dollars are paying for a rag-tag collection of dictators and socialists to propagandize and work against our security and economic interests. That's the thanks we get for the generations of Americans who fought in the trenches of France during World

War I and stormed the beaches of Normandy, as well as died to defend freedom in countless other places around the world.

The UN's words are meaningless, and as a number of national leaders have now said, they have no credibility. The UN is worse than a wasteful bloated paper tiger intent on biting the hand that feeds it — the United States of America.

The UN employs 56,000 staff with tax-free salaries, rent subsidies, education grants, and former UN Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali said, "perhaps half of the UN workforce does nothing useful." Members of Congress are beginning to understand that the UN is a waste of U.S. tax dollars and there is a swelling an-

ger among Americans toward the UN.

By slashing our UN funding, we could improve America's security, reduce the federal deficit, pay for more tax cuts to keep the economy strong, stop Congress from stealing from the Social Security Trust Fund, and much more. If you agree with the above, your voice urgently needs to be heard in Washington right now by calling, writing, faxing or e-mailing your representatives, because that's exactly the kind of concrete evidence needed to demonstrate to members of Congress that there is a growing anger and a demand for action.

Nationally syndicated columnist George Will posed a critical question for the nation that you

can help answer by letting your voice be heard. He wrote, "The UN, a collection of regimes of less than uniform legitimacy, has anointed itself the sole arbiter of what are legitimate military actions. And it has claimed a duty to leash the only nation that has the power to enforce UN resolutions. How long will that nation's public be willing to pay one-quarter of the UN's bills?" As Americans, "We the People" have the choice to be either part of the problem or part of the solution — if you can't sit on the fence, on which side of the fence will you stand?

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— Gerald E. Evans Ellsworth



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ANNIVERSARY

Dale and Elaine Manning

Dale and Elaine Manning of 16050 M-65-North, Lachine, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 1. During the past 50 years Dale and Elaine (Petrie) have lived in both the Lachine/Alpena area and the East Jordan/Central Lake area. Currently, the couple spends winters in Zephyrhills, Fla.

Dale and Elaine have three children: Diane (James) Boyer of East Jordan, Daniel (Pamela) Manning of Posen, Curt (Nana) Manning of Lachine; eight grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

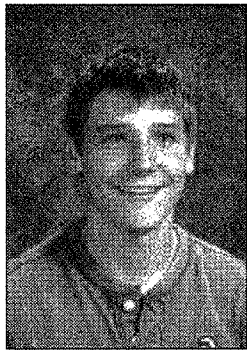
Dale and Elaine are planning an anniversary trip at a later date.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Boyne City High School

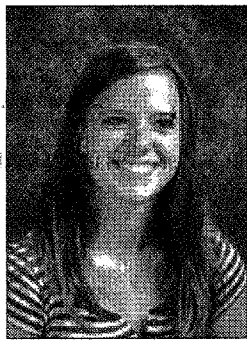
STUDENT: Chase Petroelje
PARENTS' NAMES: Jack and Beth Petroelje
GRADE: 10th
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Drama, Student Council class president, Tennis, Soccer, Band, and Jazz band
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Singing, acting, performing, flying, and being a leader
FUTURE PLANS: To become a pilot for a major airline and to participate in theater productions.
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: I'd like to thank Mrs. Place for nomination me and always being there for student council help.



STAFF COMMENT: "Chase has been an excellent Class of 2009 President this year. He is very conscientious about his responsibilities and makes sure to consider ideas from all class members when making decisions. His help with Snowball 2007 was exceptional. Congratulations Chase!" Cindy Place, Media Center Specialist.

East Jordan High School

STUDENT: Cassy Crick
GRADE: 11th
PARENTS' NAMES: Anne and Dan Crick
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball, Volleyball, Softball, and National Honor Society
FUTURE PLANS: Attend college for nursing or interior design
FAVORITE CLASSES: BMT 2; Functions, Statistics, and Trig; Photography; and Woods
STAFF COMMENTS: "Cassy Crick has been doing great work for me in FST! She's been asking questions and getting her work done on time. I've seen great improvement since first semester." Mrs. Russell
 "Cassy has been doing a great job in government. She works hard to ensure she understands the material and gets her work turned in on time. She is always pleasant and friendly and a pleasure to have in class" Mrs. Greenier
 "Cassy has really proven herself this year. I'm very proud of her achievements including National Honor Society membership. Cassy is also a great athlete, I look forward to watching her play in the year to come." Mrs. Redmer
 "In photography Cassy is a student that expresses a variety of creative aspects through the use of the camera. She is an individual that works with continuous motivation and mature ideas in each photo series. Her work is impressive!" Mr. Podskalny
 "Cassy has been a hard-worker this year. She has really stayed on top of deadlines and given her best effort." Mrs. Cardwell
 "Cassy Crick has done excellent work for me in the wood shop. In addition she as just recently finished her beautiful project. Now she has jumped head first into what will be a very nice looking coffee table." Mr. Nicholson.



Boyne City Middle School

STUDENT: Lissa Vincent
PARENTS: John & Tami Vincent
GRADE: 7th
FAVORITE ACTIVITIES: Playing softball
FAVORITE CLASS: English
STAFF COMMENTS:
 "Lissa is a model student and a great high achiever in English - Great Job Lissa". - Mrs. Bergquist
 "Lissa is thoughtful, kind, and quite thorough in her studies. she has done a fantastic job in social studies." - Mr. Ferguson
 "Lissa is an outstanding young lady both academically as well as personally. Keep up the great work Lissa!" - Mr. Komondy
 "Lissa consistently does quality work in science class." - Mr. Peterson



Chorale seeks scholarship applicants

PETOSKEY — The Northern Michigan Chorale announces their vocal music scholarship auditions. The scholarship is available for anyone of high school age or older. All applicants must be residents of northern Michigan. Letters of application are due by April 23 and must include name, address and phone number.

Please specify the planned use for the grant, such as vocal music lessons or music camp assistance. High school applicants should provide a letter of recommendation from your instructor. Auditions will take place on Monday, May 7.

Applicants will be notified of time and place for the auditions. Successful applicants will be invited to perform in the Northern Michigan Chorale's fall or spring concerts. Send letter of application to: Northern Michigan Chorale, PO Box 51 Petoskey, Mich., 49770.

District Court

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court for the County of Charlevoix:

Tina Marie Jaruzel, 19, Waterford. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$900 in fines and costs and \$80 in other costs. Sentenced to 41 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, perform 10 days of community service work; six months on probation.

Gerald Joseph Levesque, 45, Ellsworth. Driving while intoxicated, 1st offense. Sentenced to pay \$1,000 in fines and costs and \$230 in other costs. Sentenced to 93 days in jail with credit for two days, serve 18 days on work release, 30 days on electronic monitor, 33 days held in abeyance, perform 10 days of community service work; one year on probation.

Ryan David Kneeshaw, 26, Petoskey. Driving with no security and forging

proof of insurance for vehicle. Sentenced to pay \$700 in fines and costs.

Taya Leann Scott, 29, Boyne City. Driving while license suspended. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs.

Marvin Dwight Henry, 37, Detroit. Driving while license suspended. Sentenced to pay \$400 in fines and costs.

Caleb Michael McCary, 19, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs. Perform 10 days of community service work; six months on probation.

John Edward Ariganello, 57, Boyne City. Reckless driving. Sentenced to pay \$700 in fines and costs and \$135 in other costs. Sentenced to 90 days in jail with credit for one day, serve 20 days on work release, 30 days on electronic monitor, 29 days held in abeyance, perform 10 days of community service work;

Stanley Albert Harwood II, 44, Charlevoix. Non-sufficient funds. Sentenced to pay \$400 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 365 days in jail with credit for nine days, serve 30 days, 311 days held in abeyance, perform 15 days of community service work; one year on probation.

Jordan Lee Burke, 24, Charlevoix. Non-sufficient funds. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs and \$157.42 in restitution.

Assumed Names

The following businesses recently filed with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office for an assumed name for doing business:

Great Lakes Quality Roofing, P.O. Box 193, Walloon Lake, by Joe Breidenstein, and 3154 Townhouse Trash, Walloon Lake.

Great Lakes Seamless Gutters, P.O. Box 193, Walloon Lake, by 3154 Townhouse Trail, Walloon Lake. Bear Woods Carpen-

try & Finishing, 40 Manning, East Jordan, by Ryan L. Ennik.

DMH Engineering & Consulting, 626 River Ridge, Boyne City, by David M. Hicks.

Pennington Construction, 206 Nicholls St., East Jordan, by Lucas Pennington.

Clairebear's, 3695 M-66 North, Charlevoix, by Claire Ransom.

Dancing Threads Embroidery and Screen Printing, 211 S. Lake St., Boyne City, by Bethany G. Revoir.

Applegate Stable, 11399 Boyne City Road, by Marcia Pelon.

CT Builders, 906 State St., Boyne City, by Chad Tousley.

Johnecheck Brothers Custom Homes, 03610 Reycraft Road, Boyne City, by Steve Johnecheck Jr.

True Home Solutions, 00322 S. Springbrook Road, Boyne Falls, by Tomislav E. Dimitrijevic.

Bear River Construction & Floor Covering, 1766 Bear River Road, Petoskey, by Daniel H. Wagenschutz.

Neumann's Own Construction, 307 Union St., East Jordan, by Jon Neumann.

True Health and Wellness, 1007 Hull St., Boyne City, by Bridget Foltz.

Create Your Own, 5 W. Main St., Boyne City, by Helen R. English.

The Scented Troll, 5546 Marion Center Road, Charlevoix, by Donald M. Avery.

Paradigm Energy Services, 11195 Essex Road, Ellsworth, by Richard K. Evans.

Marriage Licenses

The following people have recently filed for marriage licenses with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Spencer Mitchell Hankins, 17, Charlevoix and Riki Marie Lent, 17, Charlevoix.

Timothy James Rothenberger, 20, Temple, PA and Amber Lynn Fuller, 20, Charlevoix.

Brian Daniel Gardner, 28, Charlevoix and Jessica Lynn Skop, 22, Charlevoix.

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LEGION NEWS

At the regular meeting of Ernest Peterson Post 228, held on March 1, 2007 and conducted by Vice Commander Brian Morrison, the following communications, reports, discussions and actions were presented or acted upon: A thank you card from BAC-PAC for the \$50 donation to the 2007 graduation party;

It was moved, supported and carried the Post donate \$100 to the American Legion National Emergency Fund; It was moved, supported and carried the Post dues for the 2007-2008 legion year remain at \$30; The Bingo chairman reported many new players and advertising by the Auxiliary has helped attendance; The Adjutant reported membership stands at 150 and four members have achieved 60 continuous years and will be presented with certificates; Commander Hough ap-

pointed an ad hoc committee, to compile a complete list of area active duty military, to work with the troop support program and be chaired by Dean Kleinschrodt; The Chaplain sent get well cards to Dean Winegarden and Gerald Mapes and reported on area veterans who are sick, disabled or shut-in; The "Honor Guard" conducted "Veteran of the Month" ceremonies for Clarence Bernard Meldrum and Harold Wayne Kleinschrodt; The Citizen-Journal published the February Legion News and Veteran of the Month Clarence Bernard Meldrum and the Petoskey News Review-Generations published Veteran of the Month Norma Mae Kolodgy; Mary Legg was appointed chair of the Americanism/Youth committee which includes the "Tabs For

Tots" program; a report was given concerning the "WW II Veterans Memorial" project committee meeting, held earlier, that was well attended and is making progress.

The Troop Support committee said we are accepting items to be sent to our troops over seas at the Post on Saturdays between 3 and 9 p.m., and Blue Star Banners and troop support ribbons are available to the public. Also, we remind the public regardless of our opinion for or against the war, we must always support our troops.

The next regular meeting will be held April 5 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.

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HAPPENINGS

Soccer registrations ongoing
Spring soccer, a new program for K-6th grade, is holding signups now through March at the 4-H office. Call 231-582-6232 for details.

Festival seeks volunteers
The East Jordan Freedom Festival is looking for enthusiastic people who would like to be part of this year's festival, June 21 through 24. Call Gretchen at 231-350-0760.

Food pantry relocates
The East Jordan Care and Share food pantry has moved. Their new location is 205 Water Street, in the Crossroads Resale Shop. New hours of operation are Tuesdays, from 3 to 6 p.m., and Thursdays, from 9 a.m. to noon. Their phone number is 231-536-7423.

Lenten fish dinners slated
St. Matthew Church will hold a series of fish dinners on Fridays during Lent. The menu includes parmesan encrusted tilapia, lightly breaded baked cod, hash browns, cole slaw, rolls, macaroni and cheese and applesauce. The cost is \$6.50 for fish, \$3 for macaroni and cheese and child's portion, 5 and under, free. St. Matthew Church is located at 1303 Boyne

Avenue, Boyne City.

Soup suppers at church
Church of the Nativity invites the public to soup suppers on Thursdays during Lent, featuring homemade soup and discussion of a series entitled "Games People Play." The suppers will start at 6 p.m., with beverage provided. Participants may bring their own sandwich. Church of the Nativity is located at 209 Main Street, Boyne City. Call 231-582-5045 for information.

Senior movies at cinema
The Charlevoix County Commission on Aging sponsors movies for seniors is scheduled for March 29 at Charlevoix Cinema III. The cinema will feature "The Shooters," "Last Mimzy" and "Wild Hogs Movies" for seniors to watch, \$3 for the movie ticket, \$3 for popcorn/soda. If transportation is needed, seniors should call their area senior center.

Fish are fun program March 29
The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Jordan River National Fish Hatchery will host a children's educational event during the winter called "Fish are Fun!" This event is part of a concentrated effort by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to increase

public awareness concerning the Service's mission and programs in the Great Lakes region. The programs scheduled for March "Sea Lamprey, Vampires of the Great Lakes" is Thursday March 29. Refreshments will be available at the program. The hatchery is located at 6623 Turner Road, six miles north of Alba, and two miles west of U.S.-131. Contact Fishery Biologist Tim Smigielski at 231-584-2461 or by e-mail at tim_smigielski@fws.gov for information.

Yu-Gi-Oh at Boyne library
All duelists in the area are invited to attend this event March 30. Bring your deck to find out if you are the champion duelist, or come to cheer on your favorite competitor. Prizes will be awarded in both beginning and advanced divisions. Updated traditional format lists are available and refreshments will be served. Sign up is encouraged at the library. Call 231-582-7861 for information.

History society to meet
The next meeting of the Charlevoix County History Preservation Society will be Saturday, March 31, at 1 p.m., at the Charlevoix Public Library. The program will be "Photographs of Charlevoix County." Members will share

their collection of photos and talk about the best way to catalog and preserve them. We encourage members and guests to bring their own favorite photos and postcards to share. The Charlevoix Library has an excellent genealogy and local history room - plan to come early to the meeting and do some browsing. For information, contact president, Carol Goodenough, at 231-582-7042.

Benefit dinner planned
There will be a benefit dinner for Taylor Carlston on March 31, from 4 to 7 p.m., at the Boyne City Eagles for a donation of \$5. Taylor has been selected to perform with the Young Americans group touring Germany.

Women empowerment sessions
Woman to woman - women empowering women. Boyne City group forming now. Contact Teri at 231-582-9185, or e-mail, tmrounds@charter.net.

Recovery group meets
Troubled by panic attacks, temper, fears, helpless or hopeless feelings? Try Recovery, Inc. which meets to help ourselves and each other Tuesdays, at 7 p.m., at Christ Lutheran Church, 1250 Boyne Avenue, Boyne City, and

Thursdays, at 7 p.m., at the Pregnancy Resource center, 418 Waukazoo, Petoskey. To inquire call 231-582-2699 or 231-347-6474.

Musical group returns to JRAC
Breathe Owl Breathe, Micah Middaugh and Andrea Moreno Beals, returns by popular demand in concert April 7, at 8 p.m. to the Jordan River Arts Council, 301 Main St., East Jordan. This creative duo will present original songs with guitar, banjo, cello, glockenspiel...and thought-provoking lyrics sung with harmonies. For the evening performance Trevor Hobbs will add drums, accordion and vocals. With this array of instrumentation the duo has cultivated a musical landscape that is at once playful and reverent, silly and heartfelt, mysterious and familiar. Featured will be original songs from their latest CD, Canadian Shield, available for sale that evening. Also, special for this concert T-shirts with a new woodcut design of the owl and the moon, has been created by Middaugh. They will also be available for sale. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the suggested donation is \$5. For information call Howard Ellis, at 231-536-2152

open house
East Jordan Cooperative Nursery School will host an open house on Thursday, April 19, from 5 to 7 p.m. and on Friday, April 20, from noon to 2 p.m. Children ages three or older by Dec. 1 are eligible. For information contact Charlotte Diller at 231-536-0601 or Angela Smith at 231-536-2242.

Basketball tourney planned
YMCA of Northern Michigan will host a 3 on 3 youth basketball tournament on Saturday, April 21, at the Petoskey High School gyms. This one-day event is open to all girls and boys in third thru 12th grade. Teams consist of 3 or 4 players, with divisions being determined by grade. Teams must send in registration form and \$100 team fee by April 16. Teams registering by March 30 may take advantage of an early registration discount and team fee of \$80. All players will receive a tournament t-shirt and teams placing first or second in their divisions will receive awards. Proceeds go toward funding the YMCA Y-Center, a fun and active youth center for students in grades 4 thru 12. Information, rules and registration forms are available on the YMCA website at www.ymcanm.org or by contacting the Y at 231348-8393.

HPV vaccines available
HPV vaccine appointments now available for girls and women age 11 through 26 at Health Department offices in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties. HPV vaccine provides lifetime protection against the types of HPV that cause most cases of cervical cancer and genital warts. Call 800-432-4121 for an appointment

Free dinner at UM church
The Boyne City United Methodist Church will hold a free dinner on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m., followed by activities for children. Everyone is welcome. Come with friends, bring your neighbors and bring your children. The church is located at 324 South Park Street in Boyne City.

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SENIOR MENU

BOYNE CITY — On the menu at the Boyne Area Senior Center this week: Wednesday, March 28, pork chop and potato will be served. To start the day line dancing will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, March 29, chicken ala king is planned. Hot home made soup will also be waiting for you on Thursday. Bingo will follow lunch at 12:45 p.m.

Friday, March 30, lemon pepper cod along with carrot and raisin salad will be served.

Monday, April 2, enjoy swiss steak and mashed potatoes for lunch. Bingo will follow lunch.

Tuesday, April 3, is soup, salad and sandwich day at the senior center. If you receive meals on wheels enjoy veal and mushrooms, vegetables and peaches. At the senior center listen to keyboard music from 11 a.m. to noon on Tuesday.

Wednesday, April 4, tuna casserole is planned. Vegetables, apple salad and a muffin. Line dancing will begin at 10:30 a.m. Milk and a bread are served each day.

The donation for lunch is \$2 for those over 60. \$4 for under 60.

For information regarding the senior center call Terri at 231-582-6682. For other information regarding the needs of seniors call the Commission on Aging at 231-237-0103.

Maple syrup festival planned at Wagbo Peace Center

EAST JORDAN — The Wagbo Peace Center will celebrate the 2007 northwest lower Michigan maple syrup season with our fifth annual maple syrup festival and raffle on March 31 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Pancake and sausage breakfast served all day under the tent, sugar shack tours and syrup tasting, horse-drawn sleigh rides to the sugarbush, a maple syrup themed bake sale, children's activities and entertainment for the whole family, plus a gift basket raffle. Member and advance tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for kids, with those five and under free and \$20 for a family. Tickets on the day of event are \$8 for adults, \$6 for kids, five and under free and \$23 for a family. Volunteers stay for free. Ticket price includes the raffle drawing for three gourmet gift baskets and all activities the day of the event. The maple syrup operations are run entirely by volunteers, the Friends of the Wagbo Sugar Bush. You can join the friends and learn as you go about the joys of this time-honored tradition. All proceeds fund programming at the Wagbo Peace Center. Wagbo is a non profit farm and education center whose mission is "bringing the practices of nonviolence, environmental stewardship and sustainable agriculture into everyday life through education and demonstration." The farm is located at 5745 North M-66, three miles south of East Jordan. Call 231-536-0333 or e-mail wagbo@torchlake.com to sponsor or volunteer and for advance tickets.

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By **Steve Czerkes** Pharmacist

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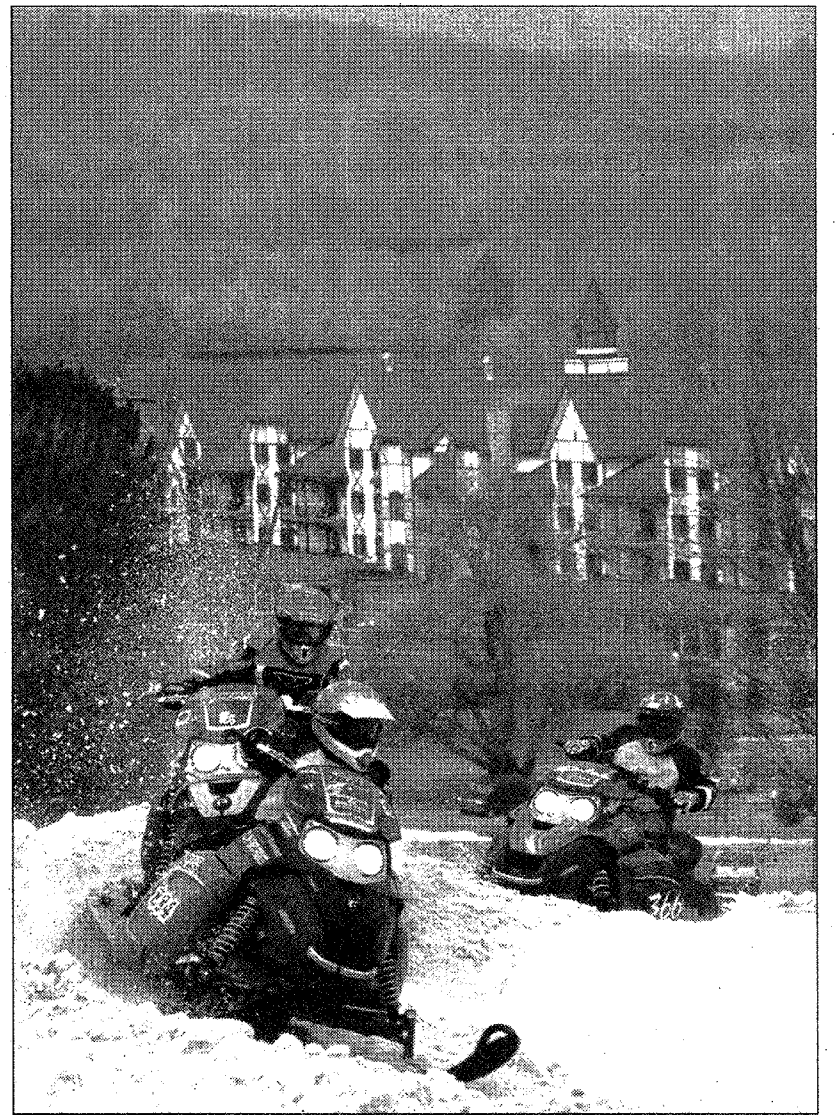
Medical experts offer the following steps to reduce your risk. Avoid tobacco, its use is associated with increased risk of several cancers. Eat a variety of healthy foods because 30% of cancers are related to nutrition issues. Stay active and maintain a healthy weight. Get immunized, certain viruses can increase your risk of some cancers. Avoid risky behaviors, some of the viruses that can lead to cancers are spread by sharing needles or transmitted sexually. Protect yourself from the sun, it's the most common cause of skin cancer. Get screened, this can help detect cancers at an earlier stage when treatment is more likely to work.

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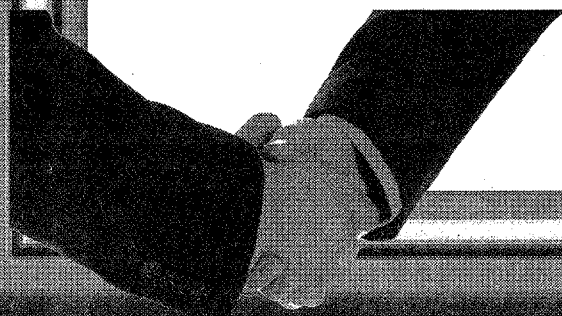


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- East Jordan P.D./Clyde Payton
- Klevorn & Klevorn/Kevin Klevorn
- NMC/Shawn Bauman~Charlie McGuinnis
- MGM Builders/Myron Matz
- District Health Depart./C. Coale/P. Massey
- Boyne Rehab/Cindy Banner
- Dr. Tinney
- The Lure/Rob/Cristy
- Boyne Physical Therapy/Cindy Banner
- H&D/Mike Skop
- Engines by Buster/Buster Fiel
- Boyne City School/Tom Neidhammer
- R.B. Lyons, Inc/Michael Cunningham
- News Review/Steve Bell
- Emphasys Computers/Don Wright
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- Melrose Twp. Fire Department/Kevin Cheadle
- Boyne City Co-op/Deb Matelski
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VOLLEYBALL

Name	School
BECA HOLG	ALBA
ANNA EGGBRECHT	ELLSWORTH
ANNIE DRENTH	ELLSWORTH
Hannah Hewitt	HLCS
Jessica Hass	HLCS
Kaylee Hewitt	HLCS
Bethany Campbell	Mackinaw
Katie Smydra	Vanderbilt
Sam Dudley	Vanderbilt

Honorable Mention

MARIA LALONE	ALBA
Sydney Kleinhenz	HLCS
Torra McCray	HLCS
Angie Foley	Vanderbilt

BASKETBALL

Name	School
MARC LABLANC	ALBA
CODY SISSON	BOYNE FALLS
ISAAC SISSON	BOYNE FALLS
JARED DANBERT	ELLSWORTH
JAROD STEENWYK	ELLSWORTH
David Klevorn	HLCS
Chas Closs	Mackinaw
Trevor Closs	Mackinaw
Sean Webber	Vanderbilt
Trevor Cottrell	Vanderbilt

Honorable Mention

DAVID GROSS	BOYNE FALLS
BEN ERNST	ELLSWORTH
DAN SANCHEZ	ELLSWORTH
DUSTIN FLORY	ELLSWORTH
Barry Paquet	Mackinaw
Logan Paquet	Mackinaw

NORTHERN LAKES CONFERENCE 2006-07 ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM

VOLLEYBALL

Name	School
SARAH BARRAW	ELLSWORTH
SAMANTHA DANBERT	ELLSWORTH
ANNIE DRENTH	ELLSWORTH
AMANDA FISHER	ELLSWORTH
EMILY KEARNEY	ELLSWORTH
MAGGIE PIELLUSCH	ELLSWORTH

Hannah Hewitt	HLCS
Jessica Hass	HLCS
Challen Olson	HLCS
Torie McCray	HLCS
Sydney Kleinhanz	HLCS
Alyssa Burns	HLCS
Angie Foley	Vanderbilt
Alisha Clark	Vanderbilt
Jamie Poalino	Wolverine

BASKETBALL

Name	School
BENJAMIN ERNST	ELLSWORTH
DRAKE NAGEL	ELLSWORTH
DANIEL SANCHEZ	ELLSWORTH
Rob Wendt	HLCS
Andrew Kruzal	HLCS
Chase Closs	Mackinaw
Kevin Darrow	Mackinaw
Cory Runge	Vanderbilt
Travis Szarenski	Wolverine

YOUTH WRESTLING TOURNAMENT K-8

at Gaylord High School
Boyne City 4-H Wrestling Team Results

1st Place	Class
Trey Peterson	Class 24
Jordan Peterson	Class 48
Matthew Robinson	Class 50
Connor Mills	Class 58
Kaycie Overmyer	Class 66

2nd Place	Class
Nick Overmyer	Class 5
Rilen Nickle	Class 12
Steven Schmalzried	Class 31
Andrew Boris	Class 54
Christopher Moore	Class 62
Zach Wandrie	Class 64
Aaron Barkley	Class 65
Brady Calo	Class 74
Jordan Harasewicz	Class 101
Jon Calo	Class 110

3rd Place	Class
Nathan Overmyer	Class 2
Griffin Powers	Class 20
Joshua Ordiway	Class 25
Jacob Stark-Coates	Class 38
Tristan Field	Class 45
Wyatt Crick	Class 47
Connor Beebe	Class 65

Invitational win



Courtesy photo

The East Jordan 8th grade volleyball team holds the trophy it earned, in the Middle School Volleyball Invitational it hosted Saturday, March 10. East Jordan defeated Pellston in the finals.

Persons gets RBI in SVSU win

RENSSELAER, IND. - Boyne City graduate Emma Persons had a hit and an RBI for the Saginaw Valley

State University softball team, in its 11-2 win over Saint Joseph's Sunday.

Persons played shortstop for the Cardinals, who improved to 12-7 on the season with the victory. Her RBI-single was her lone at-bat.



Emma Persons

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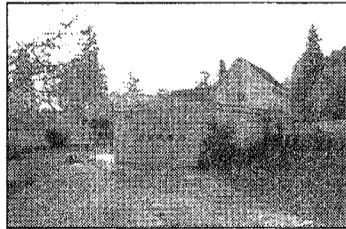
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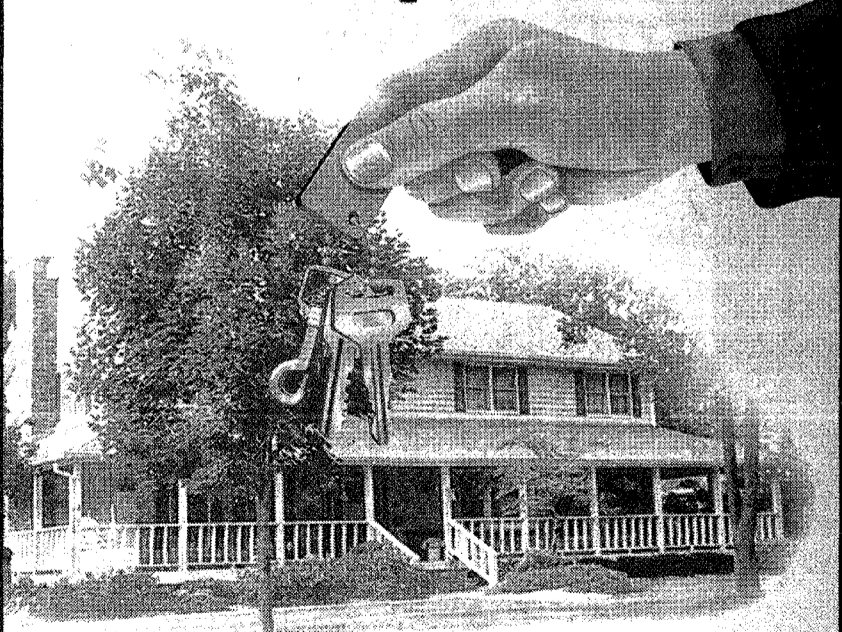
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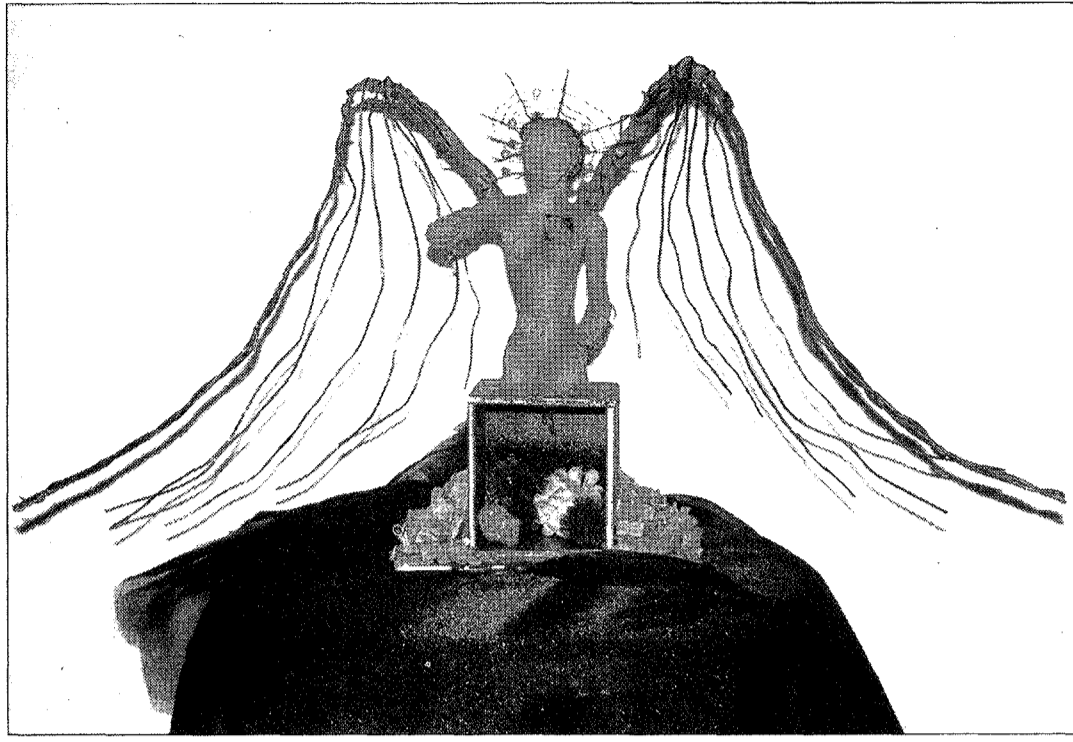


Crooked Tree youth art show features local winners

PETOSKEY — On Saturday March 17 from 2 to 4 p.m., the Crooked Tree Arts Center hosted the opening of the 2007 Youth Art Show. The Youth Art Show showcases the artwork of student's in the Charlevoix/Emmet County school district from kindergarten through high school. The 2007 show was juried by Maggie Van Wagoner, former Petoskey High School Art education instructor.

Awards went to: Frankie Spencer from Boyne City High School the M. Louise Herlocher Award, Anton Merilahti from Pellston High School, first place., Ethan Knott from Boyne City High School, second place, and Derek Keller from Pellston High School, third place.

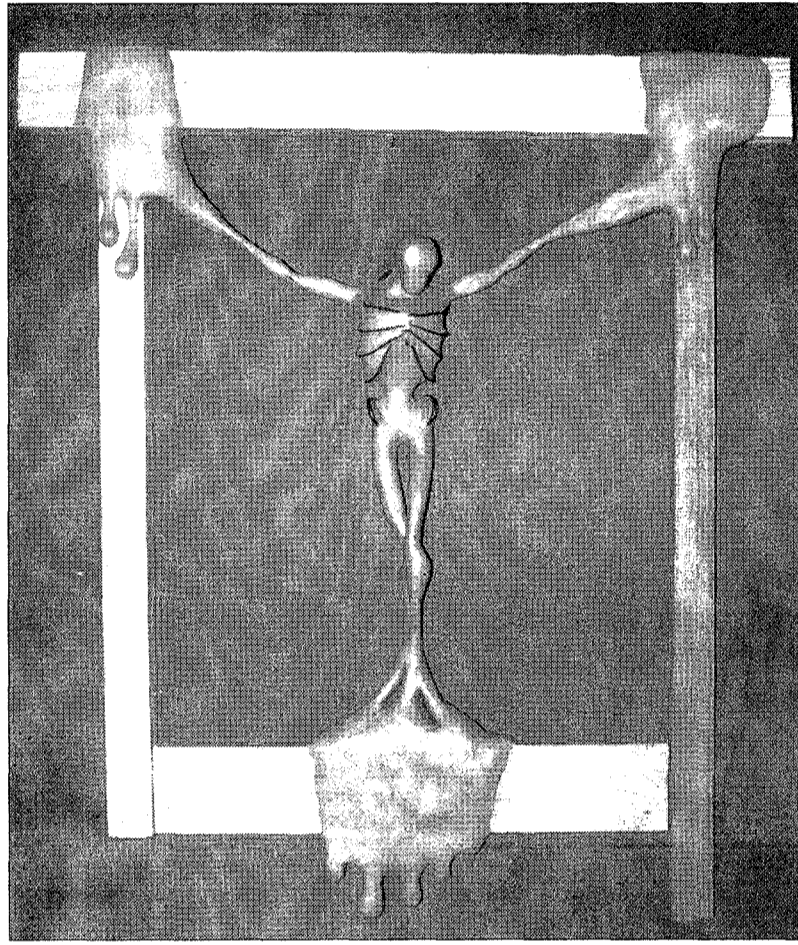
Honorable mention went to Theresa Alker from Harbor Springs High School, Kristin Walker from Harbor Light Christian School, Breanna Londgren from Charlevoix High School, Shelley Kotoskey, Perry Fish and Taylor Swaim from Boyne City High School, Casey Carter and Lindsey Bonter from Pellston High



School, Anakin Chingwa from Petoskey High School, and Mary Boor and Dylan Meeks from Concord Academy Petoskey.

The art show will be on display in both galleries at the Crooked Tree Arts Center through April 12.

The Crooked Tree Arts Center is located downtown Petoskey at 461 E. Mitchell Street. For information call 231-347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org. This program supported in part by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, and the Triford Foundation.



(Above) Ethan Knott from Boyne City High School captured the second place award and (right) Frankie Spencer, also from Boyne City, won the M. Louise Herlocher award at the Crooked Tree Arts Center Youth Art Show recently.

Courtesy photos

Library to host noted author

WALLOON LAKE — Crooked Tree District Library announced Lee Boisvert — editor of "Keewaydinoquay: Stories from My Youth" — will pay a special visit to the Walloon Lake library at 7 p.m., April 17 for an evening of first-rate storytelling, book signing and question-and-answer time with guests.

Boisvert is visiting the Crooked Tree District Library as part of the Library of Michigan's 2007 "Michigan Notable Authors Tour." This year, 18 authors whose engaging works were chosen as 2007 Michigan Notable Books selections will visit nearly 70 libraries throughout the state.

The library is located at 2203 Walloon St. in Walloon Lake. For details about this author event, call 231-535-2111 or visit the Web at www.crookedtreelibrary.org.

"It's a literary treat to have Lee Boisvert in our community, sharing her captivating work with our friends and neighbors in such an open, accessible way," said Susan Conklin, director of the Crooked Tree District Library. "Michigan is home to some of the best stories and storytellers found anywhere in the country. An author of Boisvert's caliber here, in our library, will make it an evening to remember."

"This year's Michigan Notable Books delve into wonderfully diverse topics and offer something of interest for just about everyone," said state librarian Nancy R. Robertson. "The tour

offers the opportunity for book enthusiasts in many corners of the state to join in the conversation about what constitutes 'great writing' and to hear from some of the Great Lakes region's most beloved authors."

Boisvert attended the University of Michigan as a member of the Residential College and was awarded a bachelor of science in sociology with double minors in Native American studies and gerontology by Central Michigan University. As a younger woman, she snapped asparagus, wove baskets, grew organic food, was co-owner/operator of an organic whole grain bakery, trimmed Christmas trees, picked strawberries, made two tipis and many wigwams, and worked and played outdoors as much as possible. She is most proud of her work as wife of Robert Boisvert for 33 years and as mother of Adam. Lee studied with Keewaydinoquay Margaret Peschel from 1987 until Keewaydinoquay walked on in 1999. She is currently working on a book about the adult life of Keewaydinoquay. Both of her books are supported by grants from the Michigan Humanities Council.

"Keewaydinoquay: Stories from My Youth," shed light on the experiences of growing up in an Ojibway community in northern Michigan during the early 1900s. Told in first-person, the book captures stories of a Michigan woman with both Native American and white heritage.

Peschel's stories span several generations, recounting her education in public schools and highlighting the role Christianity played in Native American culture during her youth, and emphasize the importance of maintaining traditional customs while living and functioning in a "white" world.

Michigan Notable Books (which originated as Read Michigan, part of the Michigan Week program in 1991) is designed to promote reading and raise awareness of Michigan's literary heritage. The Michigan Notable Books program annually selects 20 of the most outstanding books published in that year — titles that are reflective of Michigan's diverse ethnic, historical, literary and cultural experience.

The 2007 Michigan Notable Books program and tour are made possible thanks to the generous support of Borders, Cooley Law School, the Michigan Humanities Council, ProQuest, LaSalle Bank, the Library of Michigan, the Library of Michigan Foundation, Michigan Center for the Book and Schuler Books & Music. The program's media partners are the Lansing State Journal and WKAR.

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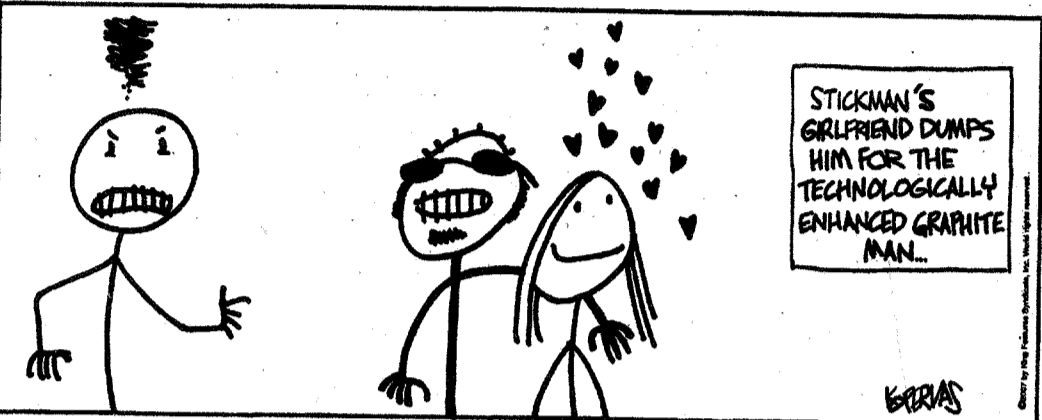
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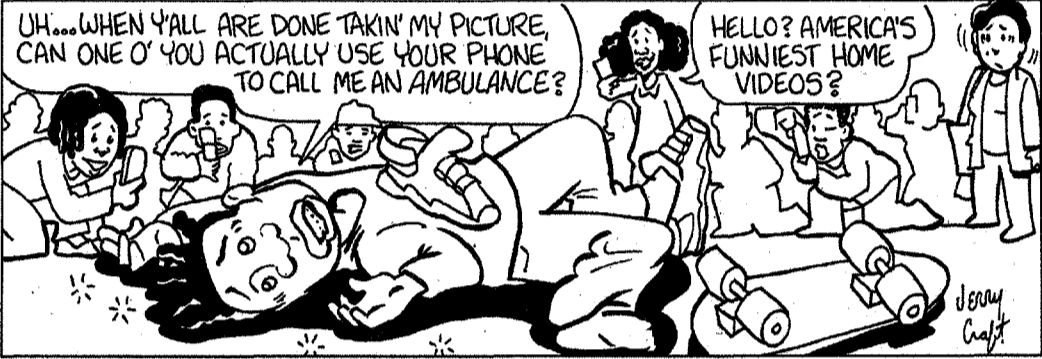
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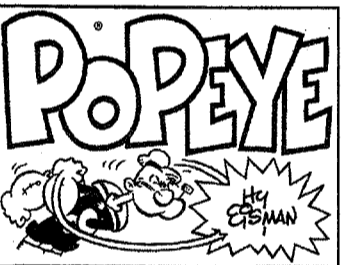
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by Jerry Craft



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by Dave Phipps



Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• If you had been a guest at a banquet in ancient Rome, you might have had the opportunity to sample one of that culture's delicacies: flamingo tongues.

• You probably will not be surprised to learn that the tallest president of the United States was Abraham Lincoln, at 6 feet, 4 inches. You probably didn't know who the shortest president was, though: It was our fourth chief executive, James Madison, who was a full foot shorter than Lincoln.

• It was, of course, Mark Twain who made the following sage observation: "Few things are harder to put up with than a good example."

• There was a time when some Swanson frozen dinners had printed on the label "Serving Suggestion: Defrost."

• Some of the ice in Antarctica is 400,000 years old.

• Anyone who's been on a serious bender probably will not be surprised by the following fact: The English word "intoxicate" comes from the Latin word "toxicum," which, literally translated, means "poison."

• In his will, wealthy Canadian press baron Lord Beaverbrook had a special message for his great-nephew, Jonathan Aitken: "I am going to pay

you the greatest compliment ... I am not going to leave you a cent." I doubt that Aitken much appreciated the sentiment, however.

• In 2000, students in Leicester, England, spent more than 106 hours reading Shakespeare's complete works, setting a world record in the process.

• When chocolate was first introduced to Bayonne, France, officials banned concocting it within city limits. Why they did so — and why they considered the culinary delight that is chocolate to be a "concoction" — is still unknown.

Thought for the Day: "I kissed my first girl and smoked my first cigarette on the same day. I haven't had time for tobacco since." — Arturo Toscanini

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Sudoku Answers

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Go Figure! answers

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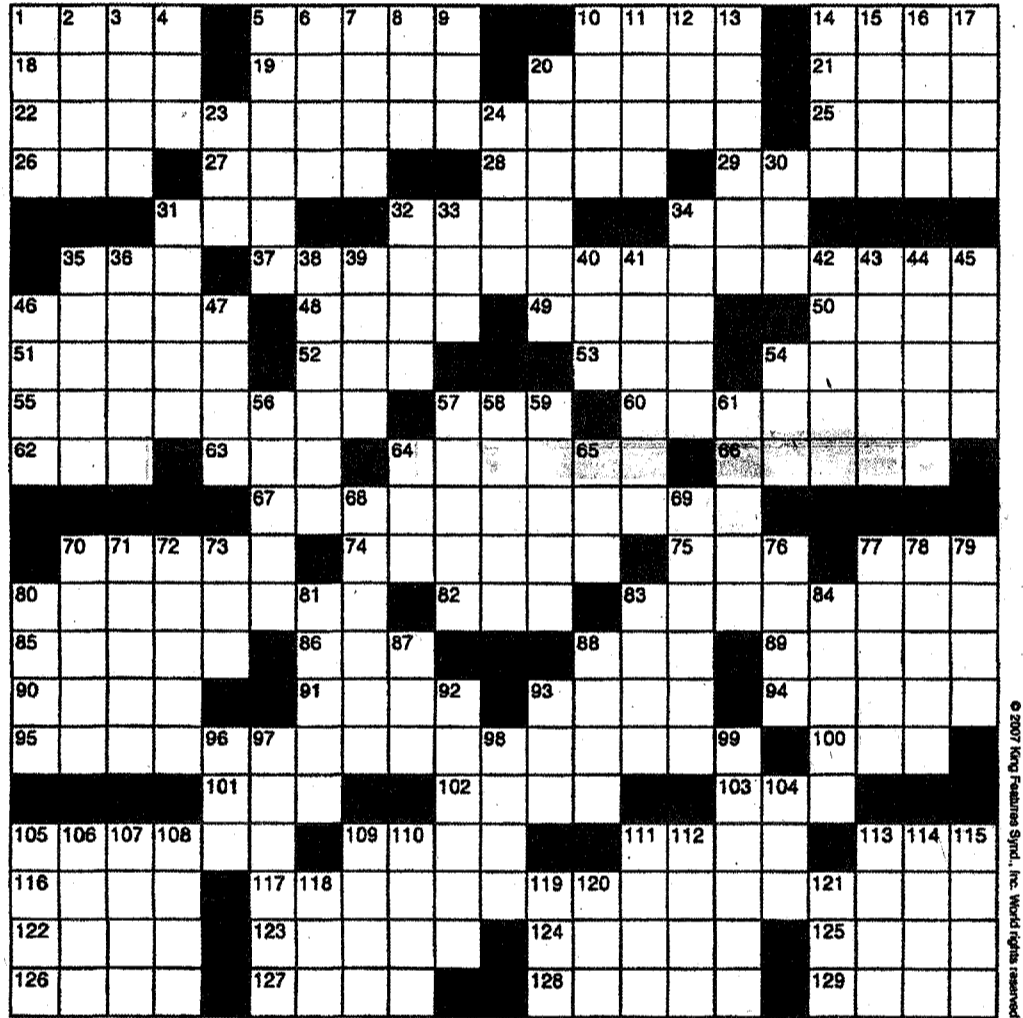
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 - 27 Pump part
 - 28 Pressing need
 - 29 Runny-mede's river
 - 31 Morning moisture
 - 32 Baltic city
 - 34 Sault — Marie, MI
 - 35 Chop
 - 37 Part 2 of remark
 - 46 Silly Soupy
 - 48 Designer Ricci
 - 49 Mrs. Nick Charles
 - 50 Parent figure
 - 52 AAA offering
 - 53 "— the Dog" ('97 film)
 - 54 Ballroom dance
 - 55 Fabric ornament
 - 57 Mil. honor
 - 60 Casanova, for one
 - 62 Caviar
 - 63 Wagner's "— Rheingold"
 - 64 Vaudeville's Tucker
 - 66 Islamic title
 - 67 Part 3 of remark
 - 70 Frank or Dweezil
 - 74 Greet the general
 - 75 Peculiar
 - 77 "A mouse!"
 - 80 Biblical city
 - 82 Nice
 - 83 German shepherd
 - 85 Cropped up
 - 86 Goal
 - 88 Pub order
 - 89 Elbow
 - 90 Quindlen's "One — Thing"
 - 91 Paper quantity
 - 93 Trauma aftermath
 - 94 "Die Fieder-maus" maid
 - 95 Part 4 of remark
 - 100 Prospector's prize
 - 101 Time to evolve?
 - 102 Travel with Tonto
 - 103 "Tell — About It" ('83 hit)
 - 105 Mideastern mall?
 - 109 Singer Lesley
 - 111 Iowa city
 - 113 Task
 - 116 Prayer finale
 - 117 End of remark
 - 122 Tilt
 - 123 Hood's handle
 - 124 "Wait — Dark" ('67 film)
 - 125 Similar
 - 126 Punta del —
 - 127 Neighbor of Ark.
 - 128 Mars has two
 - 129 Gnat or brat
 - 4 Singer Sayer
 - 5 They're kept in a quiver
 - 6 Find
 - 7 Fury
 - 8 Robert of "Quincy, M.E."
 - 9 Chou En—
 - 10 "Beetle Bailey" dog
 - 11 Like — of bricks
 - 12 Rib
 - 13 Diva Renata
 - 14 Base stuff?
 - 15 Final
 - 16 Actor Burns
 - 17 "Oh, woe!"
 - 20 With — of salt
 - 23 Employ
 - 24 Imminent
 - 30 Female fowl
 - 31 Reside
 - 32 Artist Magritte
 - 33 Call — day
 - 34 Play ground?
 - 35 Silent star?
 - 36 Wed in haste
 - 38 Torrent
 - 39 Speck
 - 40 Right away
 - 41 Concrete component
 - 42 Furning
 - 43 Bottled spirit?
 - 44 Cartoon Viking
 - 45 '82 Jeff Bridges film
 - 46 TV's "— Search"
 - 47 Coasted
 - 54 Pro — (for now)
 - 56 Doha's country
 - 57 Holmes' creator
 - 58 Teapot part
 - 59 Coal conveyance
 - 61 Must-haves
 - 64 Police hdqrs.
 - 65 — de France
 - 68 More pallid
 - 69 Jacket type
 - 70 Bernardo's boss
 - 71 Romance
 - 72 Puzzling problem
 - 73 Affix meaning "before"
 - 76 Delany or Wynter
 - 77 Duck down
 - 78 Bald bird
 - 79 Patella's place
 - 80 Gangsters' guns
 - 81 Composer Copland
 - 83 Fruit-tree spray
 - 84 English dynasty
 - 87 Welcome item?
 - 88 Lot size
 - 92 Udall or West
 - 93 Lay down the lawn
 - 96 Nay opponent
 - 97 Setup
 - 98 Appearance
 - 99 Automobile, informally
 - 104 Kreskin's letters
 - 105 Bound bundle
 - 106 Author Kingsley
 - 107 Gusto
 - 108 Relative of type
 - 109 Prepare to bear it
 - 110 — even keel
 - 111 Choir member
 - 112 Chow —
 - 113 Boxer LaMotta
 - 114 Model Carre
 - 115 Crooked
 - 118 Seville shout
 - 119 Chew it!
 - 120 — Cat
 - 121 Peke's perch
- DOWN**
- 1 Place to pontificate
 - 2 —
 - 3 Songwriter Axton



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		4		4
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4	6		1	2

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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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x		+		-	
	x		-		29
32		11		32	

DIFFICULTY: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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Cherry crop, tourism, at risk from climate change

By MICHAEL CARNEY
CAPITAL NEWS SERVICE

LANSING — Unpredictable growing seasons and fewer winter sports are very real possibilities faced by Northern Michigan residents, according to climate experts.

A changing climate could negatively affect Michigan's most famous fruit - the cherry - and its growers, said Phil Korson, president of the Cherry Marketing Institute in Lansing.

"Climate has a huge impact on our crop," he said. "The best weather conditions are for it to stay as cool as possible, as long as possible, in the spring."

While this winter has been decent for cherry growth, past winters have shown what variations can damage the crop.

In 2002, a March warm-up, followed by a drastic cooling, led to the near-destruction of the cherry crop, not just in Michigan, but nationwide.

"It was our worst growing season ever," Korson said. "Trees go dormant in the fall and if there's a warm spell, they think it is spring and wake up. There was almost a total crop failure in 2002."

That year, Gov. Jennifer Granholm requested disaster status for the cherry crops in the state, which the U.S. Department of Agriculture approved, said Bridget Beckman, communications director for the Michigan Department of

Agriculture.

Disaster status makes farmers of crops, in this case cherries, eligible for low-interest federal loans, she added.

"The federal government, our department and the MSU extension offices determine how much loss there is," Eckman said.

Signs point to 2002 not being the only disaster year for cherries as wintertime temperatures continue to rise and become more variable.

"Snow falls, in terms of variability, is increasing," Jeff Andresen, an associate professor of geography at Michigan State University told a climate change forum in Lansing. "It's very alarming."

Temperatures statewide have increased in the last 20 to 30 years, but are still not completely out of the average range of temperatures for the last century.

"Michigan is warming up, the world is warming up, that much is certain," Andresen said. "As far as for the future, nothing is certain."

Julie Winkler, an MSU professor of geography, said the growing season will lengthen as the last spring freeze occurs earlier and temperatures increase.

"That much we are confident of," she said. "Less confident is the question of precipitation. Even if precipitation stays the same and temperatures increase, it's not good for Michigan."

With higher tempera-

tures and the same amount of rainfall, Michigan stands to experience more droughts during the summer months, she said. "Temperature scenarios for Michigan display consistent warming, the number of wet days will decrease and there will be considerable uncertainty surrounding the scenarios of liquid precipitation," Winkler said.

Korson said there is no changing the fickleness of the weather, so growers need to be aware of how it will impact them.

And Andresen said, "Weather will be variable from year to year," regardless of the long-term temperature trend.

For example, the west arm of Grand Traverse Bay near Traverse City regularly froze over in years past, and it wasn't unusual for it to freeze eight, nine or 10 times in a given decade, until the last 20 years, he said. "There has been a very distinct falloff in the last two decades," Andresen said. "It's only frozen over one time in the last decade."

"We are definitely seeing less ice on the Great Lakes," he added.

Less ice on and around the Great Lakes means those who enjoy ice fishing have fewer options, resulting in fewer tourism dollars for communities that depend on out-of-town winter visitors.

Without somewhat predictable weather, businesses that rely on wintertime tourism, such as ski resorts and

nowmobile areas, have more difficulty attracting visitors.

Winter was late to reach Northern Michigan in 2006-07, resulting in nearly a month delay for the full opening of many ski resorts.

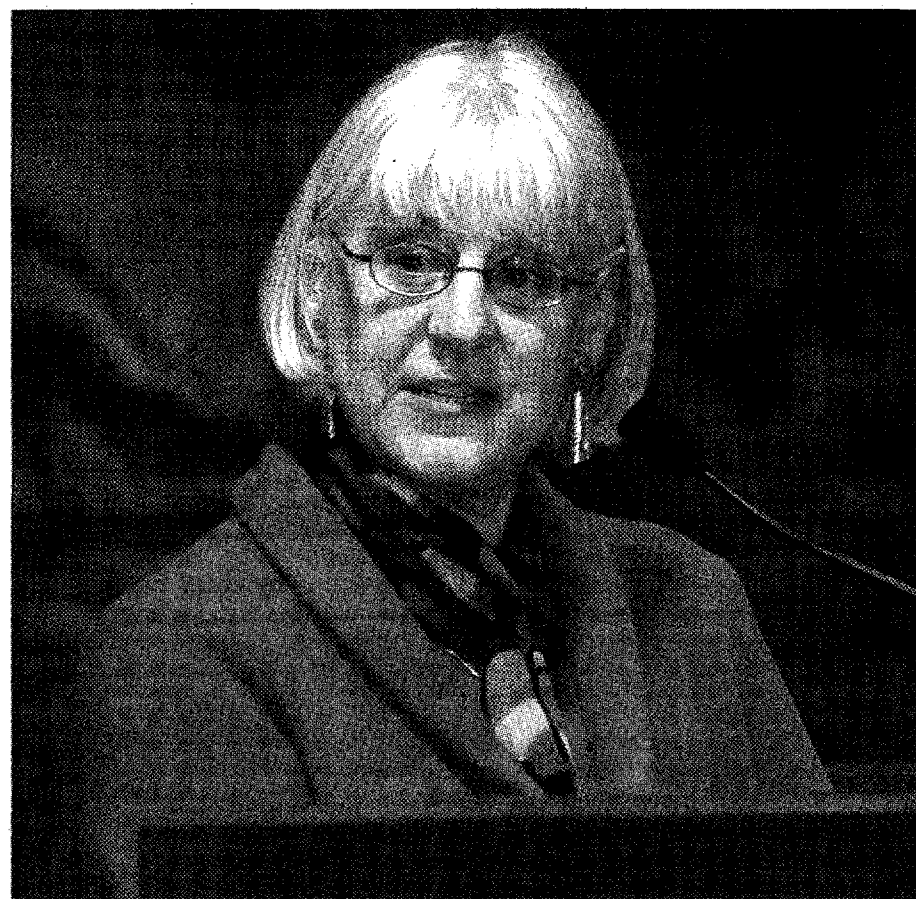
Nubs Nob in Harbor Springs, for example, didn't open completely until mid-January, compared with a Dec. 17, 2005, opening for the 2005-06 season, according to Jim Bartlett, general manager of the ski resort.

While downhill resorts should be able to operate, even with higher temperatures, because of artificial snow technology, other snow-related tourism may suffer, said Don Holecek, director of the Travel, Tourism and Recreation esource Center at MSU.

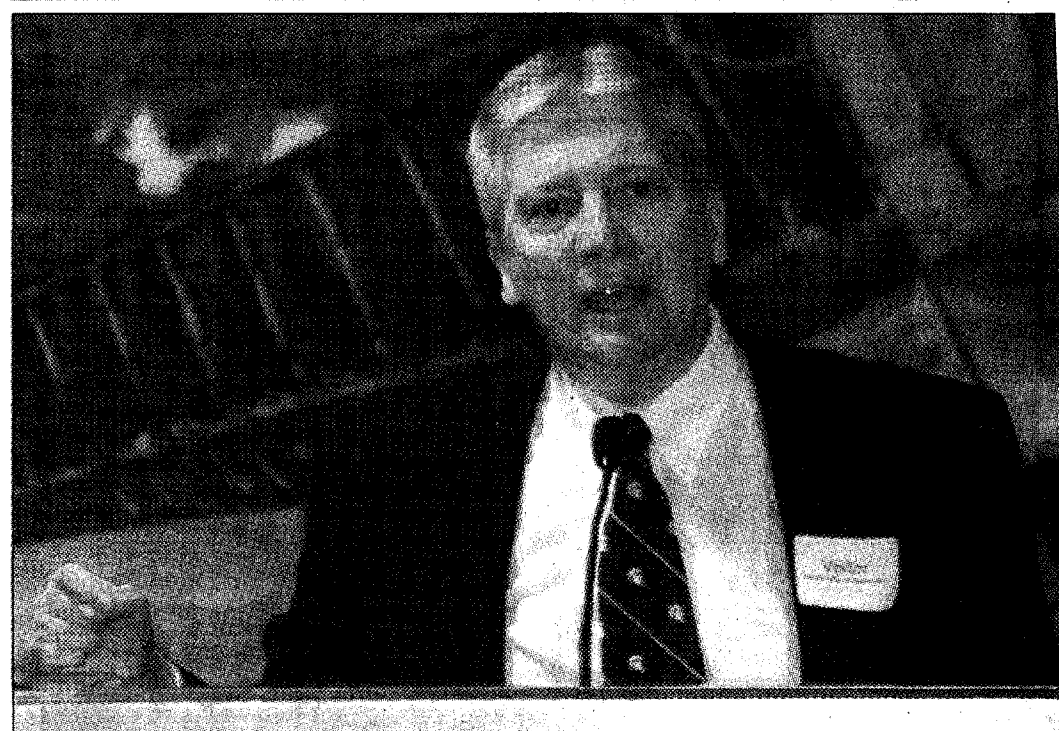
"Most problematic will be the winter season, which will have warmer weather, meaning short ski seasons, a shorter ice fishing season and snowmobiling will be shorter, too," he said.

"Downhill ski resorts will have to make more snow," Holecek added. "Those that need more dispersed snow, like snowmobiling, will have shorter seasons."

Local festivals throughout Northern Michigan were hurt by the late winter this year — including Tip-Up Town USA in Houghton Lake — which canceled some events and revamped others to deal with lack of snow.



Julie Winkler, MSU professor of geography is concerned about the climate change.



Jeff Andresen, an associate professor of geography at MSU, addresses a recent climate change conference in East Lansing.

No clear sailing for public marinas at road ends

By ERIK ADAMS
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LANSING — There are 946,592 registered watercraft in Michigan. That's 36,639 more than 10 years ago.

With an increase in boats comes an increased demand for ways of getting them in the water, and many boaters across the state get access to lakes and streams from road ends, sections of road where the right of way leads to the shore.

Court rulings say that road ends may be used only for putting boats in the water and pulling them out, but a recent

proposal in the House could change that. If passed, the bill would allow local governments to apply for permits from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to build seasonal, public-use marinas at road ends.

Rep. Matt Gillard, D-Alpena, is the chief sponsor. Other sponsors include Joel Shelton, D-West Branch, Barbara Farrah, D-Southgate, and Glenn Steil Jr., R-Grand Rapids.

But David Bertram, legislative liaison for the Michigan Townships Association, said the language of the bill is too precise.

"It goes through how the docks should be set up," he said. "It's very prescriptive as to how local units of government should do it."

"Why can't they just leave it up to the local government to decide how they want to do it?"

Bertram said building such marinas could also involve municipal governments in legal battles over lake access between property owners with lakefront or riparian rights and those who live near the lakes but don't own frontage — so called "backlotter."

"Especially when it's local taxes as resources, you have to be careful

how you get into those cases," he said.

Higgins Lake in Roscommon County has been the focus of much of the debate between waterfront owners and backlotter.

Marvin Bolton of the Higgins Lakefront Property Owners' Association said backlotter have traditionally installed hoists at road ends around the lake on a first come, first served basis.

"So I don't see it so much as a conflict between riparians and backlotter as between the general public — those who want to use these road ends — and those people that tend to

take them over for their own private use," he said.

Bolton suggested people without lakefront access rights should use private facilities for their boats.

"It may not be free, but most people shouldn't expect to have a free resource given to them just

because they happen to get there first with their boat hoist," he said.

Bertram said the Higgins Lake road end fallout isn't just legal — it's political too, as the governments in Gerrish and Lyon townships have seen.

"We've had township officials recalled up there

because they didn't get involved enough or because they were involved too much in the lake and access points," he said.

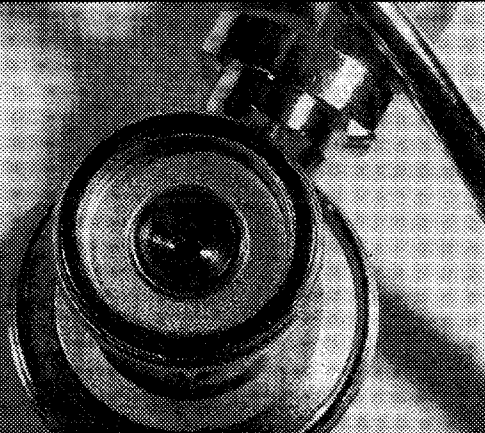
A marina requires two permits from DEQ, one for construction, the other for operation. Joe Haas of DEQ said the marina bill could lead to

"an enforcement nightmare" for the state.

"We don't have any full-time staff in our marina program," he said. "The people who are administering and reviewing marina permits are doing it as only part of their job. It's going to be very difficult if this gets pushed through."

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