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## At a glance

### Teacher Inservice

Boyne City Public Schools will be holding a Teacher Inservice in the afternoon on Friday, Jan. 18. There will be a half day of school and all students will be dismissed at 11:13 a.m. Breakfast will be available for all students.

### Meeting

The next meeting of the Boyne City Commission will be Tuesday, Jan. 22, at noon at City Hall.

### Christensen elected chair

County commissioner Chris Christensen from Boyne City was elected chairman of the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners at the commission meeting on Jan. 9. He was elected to the position by the other commissioners. Shirleen Tripp is the vice chair. Christensen was elected by voters as a county commissioner in Nov. 2006 for the first time.

### Filing deadline for Board of Education petitions

Two four-year terms on the Boyne Falls Public School Board of Education will be contested by election on May 6. A candidate must file a nominating petition with an Affidavit of Identity by Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 4 p.m., with the Charlevoix County Clerk. Petition and affidavit forms may be obtained at the Superintendent's Office or from the Charlevoix County Clerk County Clerk. A candidate can avoid filing a petition by paying a filing fee of \$100 with the County Clerk by Feb. 13, at 4 p.m.

## WEATHER

**Wednesday, January 16**  
 Hi: 31 Lo: 20  
**Condition:** Partly Cloudy

**Thursday, January 17**  
 Hi: 22 Lo: 12  
**Condition:** Snow Shower

**Friday, January 18**  
 Hi: 15 Lo: 7  
**Condition:** Snow Shower

**Saturday, January 19**  
 Hi: 10 Lo: 6  
**Condition:** Snow Shower

**Sunday, January 20**  
 Hi: 12 Lo: 12  
**Condition:** Snow Shower

**Monday, January 21**  
 Hi: 20 Lo: 10  
**Condition:** Cloudy

**Tuesday, January 22**  
 Hi: 17 Lo: 8  
**Condition:** Snow Shower

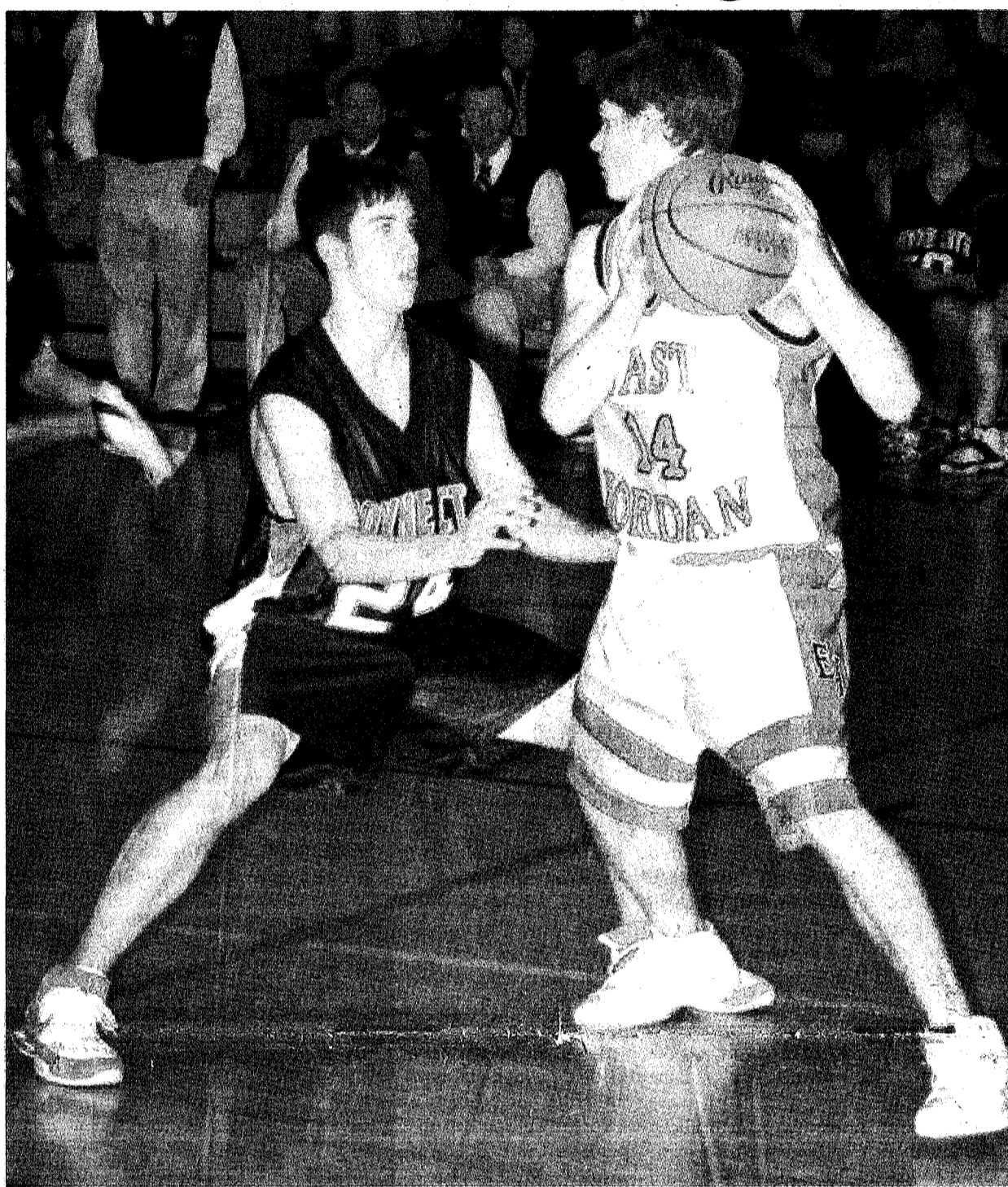
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## Ramblers reign



Boyne City's Ethan Mapes plays tough defense on East Jordan's Teddy Snowden.

Photo by Vic Ruggles

## Sno-Blast has something for everyone

By: JEFF BERGREN  
 EDITOR

EAST JORDAN — If you have enjoyed the East Jordan Sno-Blast Winter Festival in the past, the 27th Annual event should be even more exciting this year with new activities to go along with the popular events in recent years.

The parade's theme is "Landmarked Treasures of the Area" and instead of having the parade downtown it will be held at the racetrack. The snowmobile drag races on Saturday will be at the E.J. Sno-Mobilers Club grounds with the parade taking place at intermission at the same location at 1 p.m. There will be mini-floats that can be pulled behind snowmobiles and yours truly will be a judge for the contest.

The Sno-Blast event is a day for both members of the community along with outsiders to come out and enjoy a great day of activities and fun. They include roller skating for the kids, softball in the snow, river rafting rides, snowmen contests, cross country ski instruction classes, snow shoe demo's and an auction to name a few.

At the end of the day, patrons of the event will be treated to a free movie at the library.

"It helps to bring in a lot of outsiders. The snow really helps this year," Connie Massey, the Secretary at the Sno-

Mobilers Club said. "It starts pretty early in the morning, this year there is something for everybody."

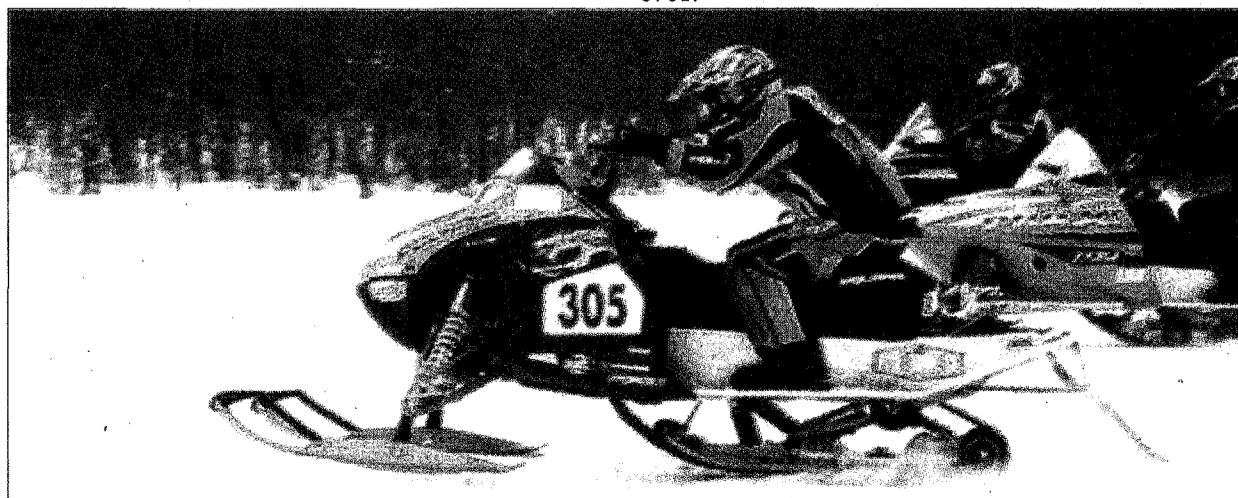
"If you don't like to go outside there are many events for people to stay inside. We have a lot of things going on this year, we have antique and vintage snowmobiles on display, and we have the radar runs and the drag races."

The Sno-Blast festival is the weekend of Jan. 18 through the 20 and will take place regardless of the weather. Some of the popular events like the Belle of the Blizzard and Winter Knight contests will be crowned on Friday afternoon at 4:30 p.m., at the chili supper.

The Sno-Sculpture Contest will also see some changes with all civic, business and residents to compete for cash prizes and school groups from both East Jordan and Ellsworth competing in the elementary, middle and high school divisions. The sculptures will have the same theme as the parade.

You can access a complete schedule of the event from the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce, festival sponsors or at the Chamber's website at www.ejchamber.org. And remember, the festival will go on no matter the conditions.

"The whole day is so packed with fun, there really is something for everyone," Massey added. "We will do this if we have snow or not." Jeff Bergren can be reached at jbergren@michigannewsletters.com or by calling 231-582-6761.



Sno-Blast participants enjoy the race.

File photo

## Citizens take action on road funding

By B. J. HETLER  
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY — A group of citizens that is growing in numbers by the week has taken on the daunting task of finding funds to reconstruct a road that is a main artery in the county.

The Concerned Citizens of Charlevoix County was formed recently with the goal of finding a way to fix the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road, a 17-mile stretch that runs from Boyne City to U.S. 31 at the north end of Charlevoix.

The countryside road bends and curves, up hills and down, passing through historic Horton Bay, once a playground for young

Ernest Hemmingway, and past the Greensky Indian Church. Glimpses of beautiful Lake Charlevoix may be seen along the way, but drivers dare not take their eyes off the road these days.

With potholes, ragged edges and uneven pavement, the condition of the road is known to be dangerous because it is in such a state of disrepair.

"There is no room for mistakes on that road," said county sheriff George T. Lasater.

The Boyne City-Charlevoix Road, also known as C-56, is traveled by approximately 3,000 cars and trucks a day, according to the Charlevoix County Road Commission.

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## Board approves handicap parking downtown

By: JEFF BERGREN  
 EDITOR

BOYNE CITY — In an effort to improve the accessibility for handicap and senior citizens in the downtown area, the City Commission approved the installation of two handicap parking spaces at the intersection of Park and Water streets on Jan. 8.

City Commissioner Mike Cummings, 62, led the charge, which is his first motion to pass since his election on Nov. 8. The project is scheduled for completion on Apr. 30, 2008. The city will utilize the angle parking spots at the Park and Water streets location.

Currently, the closest

handicap parking resides at the library and City Park, a block and a half away from the downtown area.

"While campaigning, I ran into two people who were handicapped. Both of them said they would love to come downtown but there was no handicapped parking," Cummings said. "When I approached City Hall before I was elected I was told it was not in the plans."

"It hadn't even been considered. Once I got elected to the commission I saw there was a need and the accessibility points that we had were at Ace Hardware and Boyne Country Provisions."

Cummings approached  
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## City asks court to decide employee dilemma

By B. J. HETLER  
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

EAST JORDAN — The city has filed an action with the circuit court that requests that the judge declare city commissioners employees of the city. If the judge determines that they are city employees, a recently elected commissioner will be in violation of a retirement agreement he signed with the city.

The case was filed with the Charlevoix County Circuit Court on Friday, Jan. 11. It revolves around a former city police officer, Paul Timmons, who was elected city commissioner in November 2007. The city also asks the court to declare that Timmons has breached

an October 2006 Resignation and Retirement Agreement between the city and himself, and to declare the agreement void.

Timmons was employed by the city of East Jordan from April 20, 1980, to Oct. 1, 2006. In 2005 and 2006, the city police department disciplined him for an unsatisfactory job performance. In order to secure his resignation and a resolution of the pending grievances and disciplinary actions, the city, Timmons and his union, the Police Officers Labor Council, entered into the agreement, according to the court file.

When Timmons left his employment with the city in October 2006, he signed the  
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## Decision

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Resignation and Retirement Agreement that stated, in part, that he permanently relinquished all claims to further employment with the city in any capacity.

For its part in the agreement, the city

agreed to purchase an enhanced pension benefit for Timmons that allowed him to retire by Oct. 31, 2006, with a minimum of 25 years. In addition, the city agreed to continue his health care insurance for family coverage through Sept. 30, 2008.

The city claims that Timmons is in violation of the Resignation and Retirement Agreement, because he became a city employee when he was elected to the commission.

Timmons disagrees and has presented his fellow commissioners

with research citing several opinions from other cases by the Michigan Attorney General stating that elected officials are not employees. The city charter separates elected commissioners from employees as well, Timmons said.

At a Dec. 18 board of commissioners' meeting, the commissioners discussed the issue, but could not reach a consensus. Commissioners then voted to have the court declare the rights, obligations and legal relations of the city and Timmons.

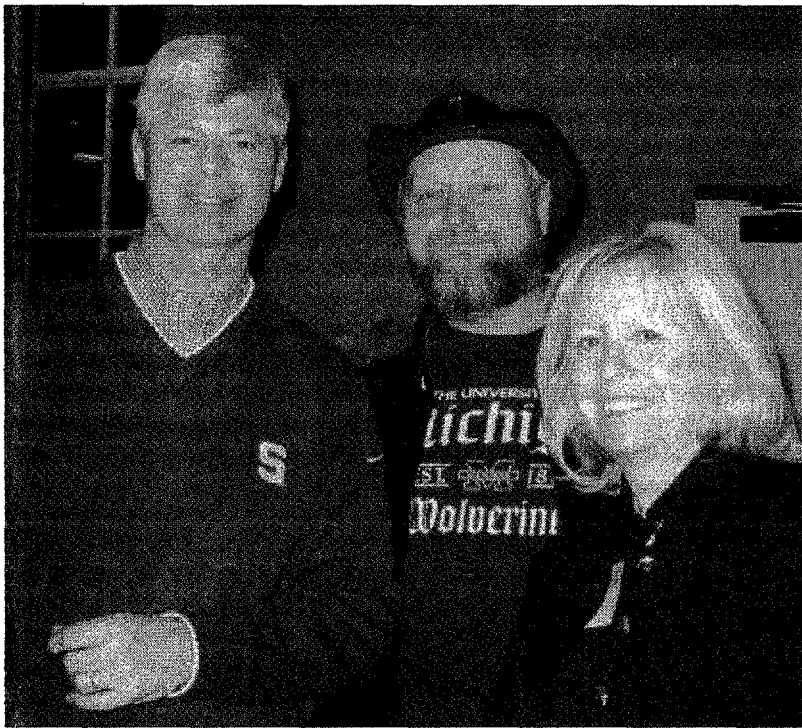


Photo by B. J. Helfer

Members of the Concerned Citizens of Charlevoix County, Chairman Jerry Matelski (center) and Connie Saltonstall (right) met with U.S. Rep. Bart Stupak (left) at a town meeting on Thursday, Jan. 10 at the Charlevoix Public Library. They discussed the possibility of obtaining federal funding to repair the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road.



New handi-cap parking in downtown

Photo by Jeannie Stetz

## Road

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It has not had major reconstruction since 1958. Road commission crews can be seen routinely patching the edges of the road, but the solution is a \$5 million reconstruction.

Bay Township resident, Jerry Matelski, took up the cause when the Charlevoix County Road Commission depleted its funds on other county roads that commissioners determined took precedence. The commissioners say it will be 2012 before they will have the money to fix the road.

Matelski caught the ear of state Rep. Kevin Elsenheimer (R-Bellaire) who has met with him and other Concerned Citizen members several times. The most recent meeting was Tuesday, Jan. 8, held at Charlevoix City Hall.

"There's a lot of miles in my territory and never have I heard so many comments and so many concerns about an issue," Elsenheimer told the roomful of people at

the meeting.

"We're here tonight to discuss how we get the road addressed before 2012. To find out what can be done on the state, federal and local levels. This is not intended to be a 'bash the road commission,' but let's hope we get to a point when we have some concrete suggestions," said Elsenheimer.

Matelski said that Rep. Elsenheimer is very concerned and interested in the plight of those who travel the road. He arranged for representatives of the Michigan Department of Transportation to attend the Jan. 8 meeting.

Concerned Citizens also met with U.S. Rep. Bart Stupak on Thursday, Jan. 10. Rep. Stupak gave a few suggestions, for obtaining funds for the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road, said Matelski.

"He told me that the road's lack of safety is our best approach with the federal government," said Matelski. The Michigan State

Police will do an assessment on the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road within the next week or two. The assessment may help determine if the road will qualify for public safety funds.

Concerned Citizens has received a pile of written comments from the public about the danger of the road's condition. In addition, residents have voiced their opinions at the meetings.

One resident asked if some of the worst parts of the road could be fixed until more money was available.

"That's a cheap fix," road commission manager Pat Harmon said. "I'd rather see the road built to Class 'A' standards. Fix it so it's something we can be proud of."

The Concerned Citizens of Charlevoix County plan to meet monthly and are working on a newsletter. The next meeting is 9-11 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 2, at the Boyne District Library.

## Parking

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Cummings approached business owners Jim White of Ace Hardware and Melissa Miner of Boyne Country Provisions with his idea and both quickly offered up their parking spots for the project.

"The only thing I did was to bring it up to the merchants and they said yes that they would go for it. It's their parking spots right by their stores," added Cummings. "Jim's is the most logical place in town, its level ground and it's accessible to the sidewalks for the handicapped."

"Ms. Miner's spot is going to take a cut in the sidewalk but it's still the best spot. Both were anxious to see handicap and senior citizen parking and literally said take this spot. Again, it's because of the accessibility factors the new sidewalks have." Cummings consid-

ered other spots such as Lake street but wasn't comfortable asking the Commission given the issues with the angled parking between Lake and Water streets on the south end. The spots were marked incorrectly from the beginning and the use of handicapped spaces won't work in parallel parking spots without giving extra room.

The new spots will not be accessible for handicap vans but nonetheless will be an upgrade from a community standpoint for more citizens to come downtown that haven't been able to in the past.

"We have issues with people parking and not utilizing our business. People would park there and be there all day long," Miner commented. "I'm all for somebody who needs a

parking spot to make it more accessible to any of the businesses downtown. I think it's a plus and good for us to have it there."

Cummings, who spent 22 years in government service and another 16 in private industry, moved to Boyne City in 1999 from Minnesota. He was approached by several people in the community to run for election into the City Commission to be a voice of the



Mike Cummings

people.

With his first motion passing, Cummings has enjoyed his time on the Commission and credits

their good working relationship. As far as completing the project, Cummings mission was clear from the beginning.

"I wanted to make sure we had two spaces for handicap parking in the middle of downtown and a due date to have it completed. I felt those were reasonable goals."

Jeff Bergren can be reached at jbergren@michigannewspapers.com or by calling 231-582-6761.

## COURT RECORDS

### District Court

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

Gerald Russell Sevenski, 53, Elmira. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$1,200 in fines and costs.

Martin Leroy Hittle, 35, Petoskey. Non-sufficient funds. Sentenced to pay \$200 in fines and costs and \$51.88 in restitution. Sentenced to 19 days in jail with credit for 15 days.

Kristine Rose Grice, 46, Boyne City. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$730 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 34 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, perform three days of community service work; six months on probation.

Corey Robert Eaton, 27, Boyne City. Use of morphine. Sentenced to pay \$855 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 365 days in jail with credit for one day, serve 10 days, 339 days held in abeyance, perform 15 days of community service work; nine months on probation.

Kimberly Renee Vos, 36, Boyne City. Larceny. Sentenced to pay \$950 in fines and costs and \$84 in restitution. Sentenced to 365 days in jail with credit for one day, serve 20 days, 329 days held in abeyance, perform 15 days of community service work; one year on probation.

Kimberly Renee Vos, 36, Boyne City. Disturbing the peace. Sentenced to pay \$116 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 20 days in jail.

Jerry Lee Duhart, 30, Detroit. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$800 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 93 days in jail with credit for 31 days, serve 62 days.

Tina Louise Krukowski, 39, Muskegon. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$830 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 36 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, perform five days of community service work; six months on probation.

Traci Annette Potter, 24, Traverse City. Non-sufficient funds. Sentenced to pay \$400 in fines and costs and \$564.16 in restitution.

Robin Ronald Clark, 63, East Jordan. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$780 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 36 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, perform five days of community service work; six months on probation.

Corianne Louise Gokee, 23, Harbor Springs. Non-sufficient funds. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs and \$107.18 in restitution.

Christine Ann Knight, 60, East Jordan. Driving while license suspended. Sentenced to pay \$400 in fines and costs. Sentenced to six days in jail with credit for six days.

Holly Ashley Dustin, 18, Central Lake. Retail fraud 3rd degree. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs and to perform five days of community service work.

Pauline Maxine Hickok, 18, Charlevoix. Retail fraud 3rd degree. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 93 days in jail with credit for two days, serve five days, 76 days held in abeyance, perform 10 days of community service work; nine months on probation.

Danielle Lee Newlin, 20, Charlevoix. Driving without security. Sentenced to pay \$315 in fines and costs.

## DEATH NOTICES

Jo Walker, 64, of Charlevoix died Saturday, Jan. 12, 2008, at Charlevoix Area Hospital. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 16, at 2 p.m. at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Interment will be in Dunsmore Cemetery, Echo Township, Antrim County. The family will receive friends on Tuesday at the Penzien Funeral Homes,

Inc. in East Jordan.

Douglas F. Laisure, 52, died Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008, at his home in East Jordan.

Funeral Services were held on Sunday, Jan. 13, at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Interment will follow at Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan.

**ALL AREA LISTINGS!**

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## HEALTHY WEIGHT WEEK JANUARY 20-26, 2008

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# Teen homework center

**EAST JORDAN** — A daily homework tutoring center will enhance the Jordan Valley District Library's after school teen program. Students in grades 6 - 12 will receive help with their homework by

their own peers beginning Monday, Jan. 7. National Honor Society students will be available for teens needing help with homework Monday through Thursday, from 3 to 5 p.m., helping them to earn

community service hours which are required as part of National Honor Society. Partitions will be used for an area in the community room to block out visual distractions when doing homework.

Calculators will also be available to use in the library. Students needing homework help should contact Library Assistants Becky Voss or Sara Beck. National Honor Society High School students inter-

ested in tutoring should contact Courtney Jackson, president of the high school National Honor Society. This enhancement to the Jordan Valley District Library teen after school program was made available from a Charlevoix County Community Foundation grant.

Contests, game tournaments, daily trivia contests, movies and activities are part of a weekly themed calendar. New activities beginning in January include monthly book talks, gaming with a Nintendo Wii and weekly art projects. Snacks are provided for the teens. The calendar of monthly events is available on the library's homepage at [jvdl.info](http://jvdl.info).



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Tutors help students with their homework: (l-r) Heather Andor, Kayla Mousseau (tutor), Kim Elzinga (tutor) and Chandler Roberts are using the teen program after school homework center.



Photo by B. J. Hetler

**Helen English** arranges children's crafts at her **Create Your Own** retail store in Boyne City in the Water Street Mall, next to Rennie's Restaurant. English sells knitting, quilting, needlepoint, scrap book and many other craft supplies for her customers' artistic enjoyment. Create Your Own can be reached at 231-459-1041.

## Create Your Own is crafters haven

By B. J. HETLER  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

**BOYNE CITY** — At Create Your Own there is something for everyone who enjoys crafts - scrap booking, knitting, sewing, quilting, beading and painting are among the choices.

If owner Helen English doesn't stock something that a customer desires, she will order it and have it within a few days.

"I enjoy having the items people want so they have a chance to get them in Boyne City," English said. "I have customers that can shop elsewhere, but they prefer to shop locally and I appreciate that."

Her customers are teens who like the glitter, paint and beads, mothers and grandmothers who like to knit, quilt and crochet, kids who enjoy the animal-print needlepoint kits and men.

"Guys come in here to buy. The first time a guy came in I thought he

meant to go into the flower store next door," English said. "But, whether it's for Velcro for their dashboard or whatever, they do shop here."

English has worked in retail management for more than 15 years. She opened the Boyne City Dollar General store and manages that store as well as Create Your Own. She and her husband, Ed, have four children, including twins.

When she decided to open her own business, making it a craft store was a natural choice because crafts are a tradition among several members of her family.

"My mother, grandmother and aunt are very 'crafty' people," she said with a smile.

English plans to hold classes in crocheting, knitting and other crafts at the store in the future.

Create Your Own is located at Water Street Mall, next to Rennie's Restaurant. The tele-

phone number is: 231-459-1041. Winter hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday.

B.J. Hetler can be reached at 231-582-6761.

## Radon testing results

Results of residential radon testing in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties indicated many homes in the region are affected by the odorless, tasteless gas that is the second leading cause of lung cancer, after tobacco. For the period of Sept. 1993 through Aug. 2007, the proportion of homes tested and recommended for action ranged from nearly 4% in Antrim County to over 40% in Otsego County; health officials recommended action for 12.3% of Charlevoix County homes tested and 8.1% of Emmet County homes tested. When homes' radon gas levels require action, Health Department land use sanitarians can help homeowners identify mitigation techniques.

"There are no warning signs for radon, and the only way to know if your family is being exposed is to test your homes," said Scott Kendzierski,

The United States Environmental Protection Agency has declared January "National Radon Action Month." In conjunction with this, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality has requested that all communities in the state of Michigan take part in some way to promote taking action and protecting our homes against radon, a colorless, odorless gas and one of the leading causes of lung cancer. The City of Boyne City has adopted the resolution proclaiming the month of January "National Radon Action Month." The city has pamphlets and brochures available at City Hall for the general public and can also promote the event on the city's website by providing a link to the national site.

Director of Environmental Health Services for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. "When homeowners test for radon, they can identify problems early and take steps to reduce elevated levels. It's quick, easy, and inexpensive to do."

Homeowners should hang the radon tester in the lowest livable level of the home during the cooler months of the year. Radon, a radioactive gas, comes from soil and en-

ters homes through openings in the foundation floor or walls. If the test kit indicates an elevated radon level, additional testing should be done to confirm the problem and appropriate actions taken to reduce the levels when needed, such as sealing the foundation or installing exhaust fans.

When results are at or above the "action level", Health Department staff can help homeowners identify mitigation techniques.

## Clay exhibit at JRAC

The Jordan River Arts Council is presenting an exhibit, "Clay Artists and Friends" opening Sunday, Jan. 20, and running through Friday, Feb. 15. The show features the work of 14 ceramic artists from the Charlevoix - Emmet county area. In addition, each of them has invited another artist whose work they admire to join in the exhibit. The Jordan River Arts Center is at 301 Main St. in East Jordan. The center is open daily 1-4 p.m. Other times for viewing

can be arranged by calling Dick Cunningham at 231-582-9373.

In conjunction to the exhibit, JRAC, in cooperation with North Central Michigan College, is also presenting two hands-on workshops. Doug DeLind is giving a two-day Raku workshop on Jan. 19 and 26. Mr. DeLind is a noted raku artist and sculptor from Mason, Mich.

Dana Shearin is presenting a glaze development workshop Feb. 1 and 2. Ms. Shearin holds an MFA from Cranbrook and a BFA

from Alfred University. She is a builder of kilns, a teacher and a working studio artist from Evanston, Ill. For workshop information and registration, call North Central Michigan College at 231-348-6705.

### ELSENIOR CENTER

Join us at the Charlevoix County Senior Center in East Jordan for lunch and fun activities. On Tuesdays and Thursdays we play bingo after lunch. At 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays there is line dancing and our soup and salad bar.

Wednesday, Jan. 16, we will be serving baked chicken enchiladas.

At 11:15 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 17, join us for an American Red Cross General Emergency Preparedness presentation. We will be having Salisbury steak.

Join us on Friday, Jan. 18, for music provided by The Cousins Music Group. Polish sausage is on the menu.

Monday, Jan. 21, we will be serving beef stew. Tuesday, Jan. 22, we will have a "double trouble challenge;" baked fish is on the menu.

Join us on Wednesday, Jan. 23, for meatloaf. Thursday, Jan. 24, we will be serving chicken parmesan.

Friday, Jan. 25, pork chops are on the menu. Everyone is welcome. Enjoy lunch for a \$2 donation if you are 60 or over; \$4 if you are under age 60. Our menu is subject to change so please feel free to call the East Jordan Senior Center at 231-536-7831 with any questions. The Charlevoix County Commission on Aging can be reached at 231-237-0103 or toll-free at 1-866-4285185.

### BC SENIOR CENTER

Come join us at the Boyne Area Senior Center. Thursday, Jan. 17, Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green beans with almonds and pumpkin pie. Music from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. with Roger on the keyboard.

Friday, Jan. 18, Polish sausage, sauerkraut, potatoes, ice cream sundae. Music from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. with the Tag-A-Longs.

Monday, Jan. 21, Beef stew, cabbage, cranberry juice, and fresh fruit. Bingo at 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 22, baked fish, winter blend, potato salad, and a banana. Craft class from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 23, meat loaf, potatoes, capri blend, and tropical fruit. Line dance from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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### WEEKLY Health Tips

By **Steve Czerkes**  
Pharmacist

### Obesity Contagious?

You cannot catch obesity like you would catch a cold virus, but your weight may be influenced by the weight of family members or friends around you. Researchers say that you are 60% more likely to be overweight or obese if you have a spouse, sibling or friend that's obese. Women are more impacted by other women if they have a mutual friendship. Men, on the other hand, are influenced by other men even if the relationship is one-sided. Study authors attribute this influence to the idea that people may think it's alright to be heavy since those around them are heavy.

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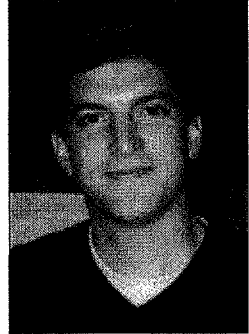
## Your community is our priority

By JEFF BERGREN  
EDITOR

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the valued readers of the Citizen-Journal. My name is Jeff Bergren and I am the new editor of your community newspaper.

I am well aware of the strong and rich tradition of the Citizen-Journal and what it means to the surrounding communities. My first priority is to maintain and uphold this history along with adding in some of my own visions and ideas to continuously improve the paper.

I want to work in conjunction with the community to make our paper the number one source for local news and events in the area. This will be our focus. I am always accessible to our readers and welcome your feedback. This is your paper so don't hesitate to let us know your thoughts as we move forward together.



Jeff Bergren

I am originally from South Windsor, Connecticut, a small town outside of Hartford. I worked in marketing for eight years at MassMutual insurance company after graduating in 1996 from Southern Connecticut State University with a degree in journalism.

I worked in public relations as a director at a law firm following my time at MassMutual before relocating to West

Virginia to go back to my roots as a writer. It's a long story how I ended up in the Mountain State but needless to say it was a new experience.

For the past two years I have worked in radio and print covering news and sports around the state of West Virginia, including Marshall and West Virginia University. I decided to relocate to Michigan for this opportunity with the Citizen-Journal and I am very excited to work for you in Boyne City, Boyne Falls, East Jordan and the surrounding areas.

I have lived in small communities and understand the importance of local news to the citizens. I have grown up relying on local papers as my news source and will strive to give you, our readers the same coverage I valued so much in my small town.

Again, I really want to stress how much we value your opinions and feedback and all of us at the paper will continue to bring you the best community newspaper in the region.

As your editor, I want to be here for our readers so let us know what is important to you. My contact information is below so feel free to send me an email, call my office or simply stop by with any issues you want to share. Jeff Bergren can be reached at jbergren@michigannewspapers.com or by calling 231-582-6761.



## Breaking up is hard to do

I was a serial monogamist. Before meeting and marrying my husband in 1995, I diligently dissected a string of relationships spanning two decades. Each one lasted for years before the curtain inevitably fell on the flotsam of our love. Our little flame was guttered and spent and the end was usually long overdue by the time we finally called it a day. In some cases, years passed in the certainty that this wasn't really working out. Denial and inertia preserved our veneer beyond its natural shelf life.

### MORE OR LESS

By  
Christine  
Gwidt



By the time I celebrated my 40th birthday, my family had long since stopped asking me if there was anyone special. There had been veiled references to "settling" and "adjusting my expectations" to accommodate a wider spectrum. I wasn't sure exactly how wide they meant, or why they thought that this adjustment was necessary. It wasn't as if I had been exclusively trolling a lake of Rhodes scholars or genetic supermen. My boyfriend pool was filled with nice guys whom I found interesting, funny and creative and who enjoyed my particular brand of arrested development. How wide should I be casting my net? Were they intimating that I should include the aberrant and the emotionally impaired?

Of course, I ignored this well-intentioned bit of advice, as children have been ignoring their elders from time immemorial. I would check my pulse occasionally to ascertain the odd lack of a ticking biological clock or a clamoring for the nuptials to com-

mence. Nothing. I took this as a sign that I should proceed with business as usual.

And business as usual inexorably led to a fork in the road for my sweetie-pie and me. It broke my heart every time. We had things in common and we enjoyed each other's company. We collected the accoutrements of married life; cars and houses and pets. At least initially, we were always certain that This Was It. And it wasn't a case of anything really going wrong. There was just a growing awareness that it wasn't right. When the fissures began to appear, there was always a sad reluctance to address the issue and let go. We were just too comfortable.

Guilt and regret played havoc with my thought process and presented me with a roster of "what-if" scenarios: What if I realize too late that this really isn't what I want? What if he falls into a coma of grief from which he will never recover? What if this really is as good as it gets?

I can honestly say that in every case, my fears were unfounded. It was what I wanted. No boyfriends were harmed in the making of our demise. In fact, they seemed to recover in record time, and went on to live full, productive lives with beautiful and fascinating partners whom they adore. I know this because, after a surprisingly brief period of adjustment, they became my friends. They call or write or stop by occasionally to tell me how much they love my husband and how I'd better not blow it this time.

So I didn't lose them after all. Even if they no longer leave the cap off my toothpaste or prop their feet on my coffee table while balancing a can of beer on their stomach, they are still there to bear witness to our shared history. And that is as good as it gets.

### YOUR VOICE

## Community Christmas a success

To the editor:

Once again this year, the efforts of the Boyne Area Community Christmas committee to fulfill their motto, "That no child or family in the Boyne Area be without a Christmas," has been a great success.

In truth, this season's success

goes out to all the volunteers, donors and organizations. It really is everyone working together to make this government sanctioned charity the great success that it is.

This 2007 season the charity serviced over 1,000 citizens of the area. The directors and committees

love doing the work and the planning, but we are forced to depend upon the generosity, care and interest of many in order to finance such a large project.

Members are already busy gathering toys, clothing and commitments from our area for Christmas

2008.

Our sincere thank you goes out to everyone and our wish for a sincerely Happy New Year.

We need and appreciate you.

— Boyne Area  
Community Christmas

### LETTER POLICY

The Citizen-Journal encourages and welcomes its readers to submit letters or emails expressing their opinions.

Letters should be limited to 350 words and must contain the author's name and daytime phone number, which will be used for verification purposes only and will not be published. Photocopied submissions are not acceptable.

Letters will be published on a space available basis and will receive priority according to potential interest, timeliness in connection with other events, or whether similar letters from other authors have been published previously.

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Deadline for letters to the editor, as well as other community news items, is each Friday at noon.

If you have questions on the letter policy, contact the editor at 231-582-6761 or via e-mail at jbergren@michigannewspapers.com.

### NEIGHBORS

Litzenburger Place residents surprised their council president, Bonnie Hiller, with an early birthday cake that was baked and decorated by Judy Owen. A treasure chest of gold presidential dollar coins was donated by the residents and compiled by Mary Ellen Colyer, to help her with her trip to Alaska this next summer to see her daughter. This was presented following the monthly resident council meeting thanking her for all of her hard work as president.

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The James Felton families, including son Mark, children Logan and Morgyn and Michelle, her husband Todd Gurney and their daughter Savannah, all enjoyed a mini winter getaway by spending a wonderful weekend of family time around the pool at the Holiday Inn in Mackinaw City.

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By  
Nancy Northup

A "better late than never" item is what Lillian Cikalo and her daughter, Sue Hamilton of Boyne City, flew out to Chicago in November, landing in Boise, Idaho. The trip was a long overdue visit with Sue's daughters and families. Happy to see them were daughter Keren and husband Tim Elrod, who recently moved there. Tim was formerly the youth pastor at the First Baptist Church here in Boyne. Highlighting mom,

grandmother and great-grandmother's visit with daughter Rebekah Ballard was that it was the first time they'd seen their twin daughters since their birth last January. Lillian and Sue spent a month visiting both families and getting acquainted with little Liberty Sue and her sister Serenity River.

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The Charlevoix County Transit shopping trips for seniors over the holidays were a great success, according to the people at Deer Meadows. Having the opportunity to get out and go to Petoskey, Gaylord and Traverse City was greatly appreciated. Traverse City runs are scheduled for every third Thursday of the month. Checking in at the transit office revealed that no one had signed up for the last scheduled Petoskey run. Trips to Gaylord for veterans to keep their appointments at the VA facility are also available to the public. Our transit service is willing to work with us and for us but common sense tells anybody that they can't tie up a bus nor pay the

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# Neighbors

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the driver for longer trips of a distance if only one or two sign up, so it really is up to us. Bottom line is - use it or lose it.

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Sharon Stewart of Boyne City has returned from Kodiak, Alaska, after having spent a month visiting friends and relatives. She was glad to get back to her chickens, some which are multi-colored. She gets about 60 eggs a day - some plain, some of many colors.

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Louisa Northup spent a few days in Grand Rapids with her daughter, Kim Martin and

grandchildren, Madeline and Ben. While there, she helped celebrate granddaughter Madeline's 12th birthday. Belated congratulations to Nels and Louisa for their ninth (I think) wedding anniversary on Jan. 8.

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Happy Birthday goes out to Paul Erno on Jan. 16 and also Ed Meads on Jan. 28.

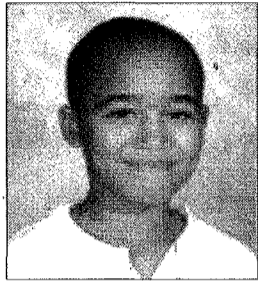
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Items of interest for the Neighbors Column may be called into Nancy's home phone, 231-582-9174, or send e-mail to neighbors@gtlakes.com before the Friday noon deadline.

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

### Boyne Falls Public School

NAME: Marcus Groh  
PARENTS: Jill Groh  
GRADE: 4th  
FAVORITE CLASS: Science and math  
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Playing video games  
FAVORITE SPORT: Basketball



FAVORITE COLOR: Blue  
FAVORITE FOOD: Goulash  
FAVORITE BOOK: Eragon  
FAVORITE MOVIE: Spiderman III  
FAVORITE TV SHOW: Futurama  
STAFF COMMENTS: "For each specials class that Marcus comes to, he enters my room with a smile and a positive attitude which is appreciated by all. He can see when there is a student that might need an extra hand or a boost of confidence and will go out of his way to be sure that those things happen. I truly enjoy having Marcus and feel lucky to have him as a student. Keep up the great work Marcus, you are appreciated." Mrs. Held-Hinkley

### GRADE: 6

FAVORITE CLASS: Math

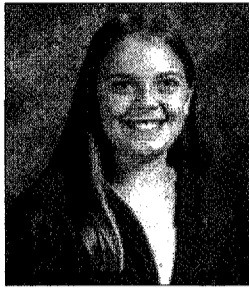
FAVORITE ACTIVITIES: Drawing, basketball, and tennis

STAFF COMMENTS: "Savannah is one of our most conscientious students. She is a true pleasure to have in class and is always ready to volunteer when work needs to be done." Mr. Keyser

"Savannah is a hard working and kind young lady. She strives to do her best at all times and is willing to help others. Savannah is a pleasure to have in class and a wonderful role model for others." Mrs. Crick

"Savannah is very respectful young lady who is always on task and trying her best on whatever she does. She is a pleasure to have in class." Mrs. Petrie

"She is a thoughtful and kind student. She is a very respectful and responsible. She is a pleasure to have in class." Mr. Nachazel



### Boyne City High School

NAME: Danielle Zatkoff  
PARENTS: Kristina Zatkoff  
GRADE: 12th

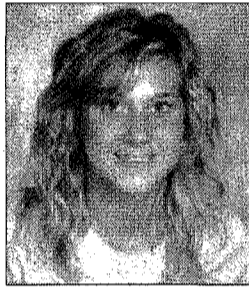
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: I like to dance, and hang out with my friends and family when I have the spare time.

FUTURE PLANS: I am planning to attend Northern Michigan University in the fall to go into nursing

STAFF COMMENTS: "Danielle spent quite a bit of time in the media center as an independent study student last term, and I was extremely pleased with her work ethic as well as her friendliness and pleasant personality. Danielle has a ready smile for everyone, students and staff alike, and helps make BCHS a great place to be." Cindi Place, Media Center Director

"Danielle seems to have a great work ethic. Whenever she is in the media center, she works quietly at her table, she also is a pleasant and polite young lady." Chris Adkison, Media Center Supervisor

"Danielle is doing a great job with her independent study government course. She is self-motivated to do the best that she can do. Keep up the good work Danielle." Michelle Deming, History and Government



### East Jordan High School

NAME: Hannah David  
PARENTS: Lori and Scott David  
GRADE: 10th  
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Student Council and DECA  
FAVORITE CLASS(ES): Marketing  
FUTURE PLANS: Attend Michigan State University for Business



STAFF COMMENTS: "Hannah plays an important roll in Student Council. She attends weekly morning meetings, gives valuable input for student events and takes on a leadership role in the organizing of these events. She is dependable, creative and hard working." Mrs. Stangis

"Hannah David is a wonderful student in marketing. She turns in quality work and seems to grasp the material well. Hannah recently competed in DECA at Ferris State University and received a medal for her performance on the District Sales and Service Test." Mrs. Sitkins

### East Jordan Middle School

NAME: Savannah Drew  
PARENTS: Debbie and Gary Drew

## HAPPENINGS

### Financial aid workshop

Financial aid for college will be the topic of a free program at North Central Michigan College on Thursday, Jan. 17. North Central's financial aid office is hosting the program as a community service for parents and students attending or planning to attend any college or university. The program will take place from 7 until 8:30 p.m. in the college library on the Petoskey campus.

The program will include an explanation of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, scholarship searches, and resources for students offered by the State of Michigan.

For more information on the program, contact Virginia Panoff, North Central's director of financial aid, at 231-348-6698.

### Twelfth Night

SEE-North is having their annual Twelfth Night event on Friday, Jan. 18. The event includes a horse-drawn sleigh ride, a candlelit trail hike in the woods, and stories and folklore told by "animals" who can magically speak on this special "Twelfth Night," as the legend

goes. Tickets are \$8 per person and children under 3 are free. Ticket price includes refreshments, crafts, face painting, sleigh ride, and time with the animals in the woods. You must sign up and purchase tickets ahead of time. Space is limited. For reservations, call SEE-North at 231-348-9700.

### Youth theatre to open

Northern Michigan Youth Theatre in Petoskey is starting classes for students, K through 12. Students will discover the creative world of theater including stage movement, voice, improvisation and technical skills. Classes begin Saturday, Jan. 19, at the Northern Lights Gymnastics Center at the corner of Cedar Valley and Atkins Road. For more information, please call Karen Mazzoline at 231-838-6320, or go to nmyouth@yahoo.com

### Winterfest at Grass River Natural Area

Grass River Natural Area will host its fifth annual Winterfest on Saturday, Jan. 19, from 12:30 to 3 p.m. Food, games and snowshoe hikes will be featured at this family event.

Sample delicious soups and vote for your favorite.

Brick Wheels of Traverse City will be on hand with snowshoes. Maybe your child will be the lucky winner in the drawing for a free pair.

Plus, roast marshmallows over a roaring fire, play winter games, go on a naturalist guided hike, build a "snow" man - with or without snow. It's all fun and all free.

Winterfest will take place at the Big Green Barn at Grass River Natural Area, 6500 Alden Highway. Parking is available adjacent to the site.

Please register for this event by calling the GRNA office at 231-533-8314.

### NMRH offers arthritis program

Northern Michigan Regional Hospital is offering the "Arthritis Foundation Self-Help Program" a free, six-week course, on Wednesdays beginning Jan. 23 from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Community Health Education Center, 360 Connable Ave. The course is designed for people with arthritis and related diseases and caregivers. Space is limited. For

registration and more information, call Northern Michigan Regional Hospital HealthAccess at 800-248-6777.

### 4-H offers babysitting class

Charlevoix County 4-H will be offering a Certified Red Cross Babysitting Class at Concord Academy Boyne in Boyne City on Wednesday Jan. 23 and Thursday, Jan. 24, from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. The babysitter's training course will teach students everything they need to know to be a great babysitter. Preferred ages: 11-14. Cost \$26. Class size is limited to 20.

Registration materials are available through the Charlevoix County MSU Extension office in Boyne City. Contact the Charlevoix County MSU Extension office at 231-582-6232.

### Winter nature class

Come to Grass River Natural Area and discover how animals survive northern Michigan winters. Search for clues of their presence and habits. Learn to recognize their tracks. This class will be held on Saturday, Jan. 26, at 10 a.m. To register, please contact the GRNA office at 231-533-8314.

# Church events

### Horton Bay United Methodist Church

Sunday School classes will be held at 9:15 a.m. for all ages. Worship service will be held at 10:30 a.m., with children's church available during the service. After the service there will be a time of fellowship. Everyone is invited to the Horton Bay United Methodist Church.

### Church of the Nativity

Reverend Peggy Nattermann will celebrate the Eucharist for Jan. 20 at Episcopal Church of the Nativity at 10 a.m. A special offering will be collected to assist in the expense of theological education.

A full breakfast will follow the service in the church undercroft. Also, Nativity church members will conduct their annual meeting, approve a 2008 budget, and appoint delegates to the diocesan convention.

The January movies continue on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the church undercroft. The Jan. 22 selection will feature Christian comedians. The event is open to the public, no admission charge, and free popcorn will be served. In case of winter weather warnings, the movie will be re-scheduled to another evening.

Church of the Nativity can be found at 209 Main St. in Boyne City. Please call the church answering machine at 231-582-5045 to obtain information about any events, leaving your name and telephone number. A member of the church will return your call.

### Lakeshore Community Church

Lakeshore Community Church is located at 624 State St. in Boyne City. It is a charismatic congregation and a 'Resurrection Life' Affiliate.

Services are Sunday morning at 10 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Children's church is available for ages 2 through 12. For more information, you can call Pastor Dave Crumbaugh at 231-582-5294.

Lakeshore Community Free Clinic is a ministry of Lakeshore Community Church and is open every Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Anyone who does not have insurance, or is underinsured is welcome to utilize this service. Dr. Richard Mansfield and Kathy Helsley, along with many volunteers from the community, continue to help make this possible. The clinic is run strictly on donations. If you are interested in donating to the Free Clinic, send your donation to PO Box 933, Boyne City, MI, 49712, or call 231-582-6828 Tuesday through Friday.

### First Presbyterian Church

First Presbyterian Church of East Jordan worships at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. A time of refreshment and friendship is held at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The church is located at 207 Williams Street in East Jordan, 231-536-2941.

### Church of the Nazarene

We invite you to visit our weekly Sunday morning services. The service time is Sunday at 11 a.m. Children's church is provided for children ages 4-12. For more information call the office, 231-582-9611, from 10 a.m. to noon, or the pastor, 231-582-2635, or visit our website at www.boynecitynaz.org

The church is located at 225 W. Morgan Street, on the corner of West and Morgan.

### Walloon Lake Community Church

Thursday, Jan. 17, Men's Fraternity will meet at 6 a.m. and

MOPS will meet at 10 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 20, Word and Worship start at 9 and 10:45 a.m. Worship will be led by the Worship Team. KidConnection will run from 9 a.m. to noon with a break from 10:15 to 10:45. Junior and senior high youth will attend Worship and Word at 9 and then meet at the youth center from 10:30 to noon.

Monday, Jan. 21, at 7 p.m., the annual business meeting will start. Tuesday, Jan. 22, the Women's Bible Study will start at 9:15 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, the food pantry will be open from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. The family meal starts at 5:30 with classes at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, please contact the church office at 231-535-2288 or visit the website at www.walloonchurch.com. Sermons are available online.

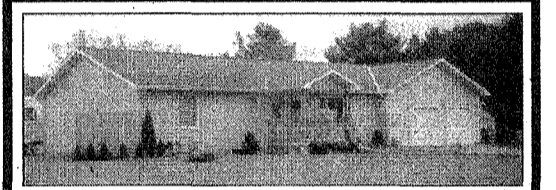
### Boyne City, Boyne Falls United Methodist Church

Services in Boyne Falls are at 9:15 a.m. at 3057 Mill Street. Children's programming is held during the service. In Boyne City, worship is at 11 a.m. at 324 S. Park St., with Sunday School during the service.

The Boyne Falls Church is holding F.R.O.G. Club on Tuesdays, twice a month, after school, from 3:15 until 4:30 p.m.

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**BOYNE CITY RAMBLERS, BOYNE FALLS LOGGERS AND THE EAST JORDAN RED DEVILS**

**CHIP SHOT**



By Chip Corwin

**Devils winning, having fun**

A win is a win. But a win over an undefeated team from the Big North Conference feels like a little more. So does a 29-point home court victory over a big conference rival.

With wins over Petoskey and Boyne City last week, the East Jordan girls basketball team got to soak in all that excitement.

After starting out the season a bit sluggish, the Red Devils are now on a six-game winning streak. They're sharing the ball extremely well, playing aggressive defense and crashing the boards. In short, they're finding ways to utilize the best talents of each player on the roster.

They're also having a lot of fun and feeding off the energy of the home crowd, as was evident during Friday night's game against Boyne.

But, they're not resting on their laurels, either.

What they'd really like is a win over Charlevoix, who they play tomorrow (Thursday) away, a team that has stymied the current Red Devil seniors their entire high school careers.

"We're looking for revenge," senior guard Meghan Thomas said after Friday's game. "We haven't beat Charlevoix since middle school."

The last installment of that losing streak came at home on Dec. 12, a 57-41 drubbing in which the Red Devils had only 12 points at halftime.

East Jordan seems like a different team now, however, but the key is going to be breaking the vaunted Charlevoix press.

Of course, one way to avoid the Charlevoix press is to not allow the Rayders to score, which would prevent them from setting it up.

That's easier said than done, but as Thomas explained, it's the formula the Red Devils have used for their recent success.

"Our offense is coming from our defense," she said. "We have to play intense and make smart decisions and we'll be able to handle it."

If nothing else, East Jordan definitely has momentum on their side, and with their win over Petoskey, they should have the confidence they need to go into Charlevoix and get a win in what could be their last

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Boyne City's Natasha Bell hurdles past Meghan Thomas (40) and Katherine Rowley in last Friday night's game. East Jordan won, 62-33.

Photo by Vic Ruggles

**Red Devils beat Boyne, Petoskey**

By CHIP CORWIN  
SPORTS EDITOR

**EAST JORDAN** — What a week for the East Jordan girls basketball team.

On Wednesday, they battled back from an 11-4 first quarter deficit to give Petoskey their first loss of the season, 36-33. And then on Friday, they defeated rival Boyne City by a score of 62-33, largely thanks to their tenacity on defense and efficiency rebounding the ball.

"I'm really proud of our defense," East Jordan head coach Sean Ferguson said after the game. "We're working hard and getting rebounds. 'Everyone played well.'"

"It's a big win for us," Red Devil senior guard Meghan Thomas said. "Boyne City was above us in the conference, and now we're tied."

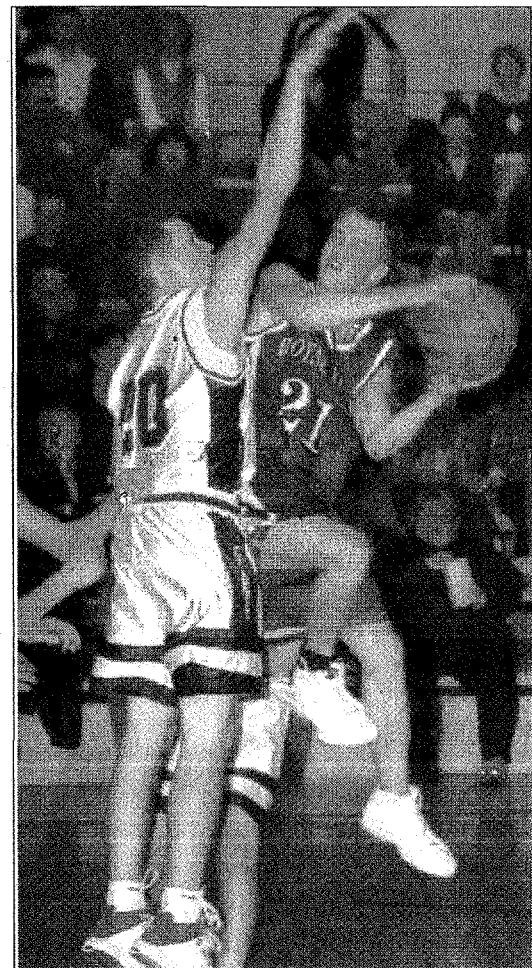
The Ramblers kept the game close through much of the first quarter, with East Jordan holding a slim 6-5 advantage with 3:00 left. Two baskets by Katherine Rowley and one by Treasure Timmons pushed that lead to 12-7 before Boyne's Caitlyn Wonski added a basket to cut the Rambler deficit to 12-9, which is where it would stay at the end of the first quarter.

In the second quarter, however, the Red Devils' offense exploded and their defense held Boyne to only four points.

Cassie Crick got things going in the second with a free throw. She missed her second attempt, but teammate Isabelle Conzen scooped up the rebound and scored.

Then East Jordan pulled back the curtain on the Sarah Kupovits show. The senior forward scored the next six points for the Red Devils and had eight total in the quarter. First she scored an inside layup off a nifty pass from Andrea Chew. Then she missed from the left block but grabbed her own rebound and put it in for the score. Her next basket was another layup off an assist from Crick that pushed the East Jordan lead to 21-10 with 4:30 left.

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Boyne Falls' Chad Deming leaps toward the basket against Mackinaw City.

Photo by Vic Ruggles

**Loggers lose in last second to Ellsworth**

By PHIL TROMBLEY  
SPORTS WRITER

**BOYNE FALLS** — Ellsworth's Jared Danbert hit a shot from the baseline with one and one half seconds remaining to give his team a 45-43 Northern Lakes Conference win over the Boyne Falls boys varsity basketball team on Thursday, Jan. 10.

The last second shot off of an inbounds pass came after Logger Chad Deming tied the score 43-43. Deming sank a lay up with 50 seconds on the clock.

Following Deming's bucket Ellsworth held the ball for a final shot, but the attempt missed and the rebound went to Boyne Falls' Josh Haskin. Haskin fell out of bounds, however, and the ball went over to the Lancers for one more chance at the win.

"We thought that they

were going to go to the (Nathan) Peterson kid, so we collapsed on him," said Boyne Falls coach Frank Hamilla, "but they went to their next option (Danbert) and he hit it."

Danbert led all scorers in the game with 18 points.

Boyne Falls started well and led the game 16-15 after one quarter and 29-26 at the end of the first half. Cold shooting after the intermission hurt the home team as Ellsworth took a seven point lead. The Loggers could not hit a basket in the third quarter when the Lancers shut out the Loggers 10-0.

Deming led the Loggers with 11 points, while Haskin had eight points and 14 rebounds. David Gross chipped in with eight points and three steals.

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**Ramblers win thriller over EJ**

By GREG GIELCZYK  
SPORTS WRITER

**EAST JORDAN** — Robby Jensen drilled six shots from 3-point range and scored 24 points for the game as Boyne City knocked off East Jordan, 56-53, in boys basketball action last Thursday.

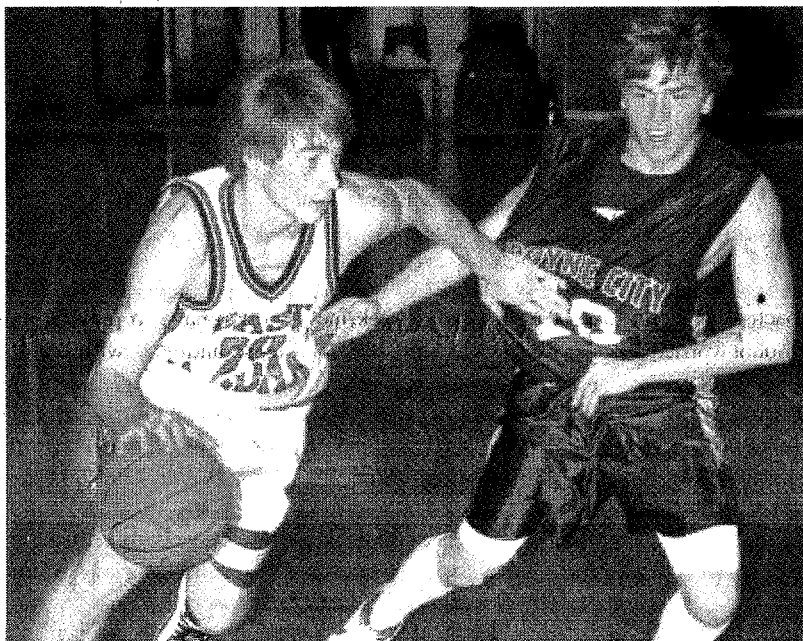
Just two days before, the Red Devils had won an 87-86 double overtime thriller against Cheboygan in a non-conference contest.

"Live by the three, and die by the three," East Jordan head coach Darrin Weber said of the Boyne City game.

The Red Devils made only 4-of-18 attempts from 3-point range against the Ramblers, and were just 14-of-45 overall for a chilly 33 percent.

East Jordan went wild early in the game, opening up a 13-0 lead. The Red Devils finished the first quarter with a 19-10 advantage.

But they cooled off after that.



East Jordan's Adam Daneff is chased by Boyne City's Robby Jensen in last Thursday night's game. Boyne City came from behind to win, 56-53.

Photo by Vic Ruggles

"We pretty much flatlined until we had a little run in the third quarter," Weber said. "We had two good looks for a three at the buzzer that didn't drop."

It was the Ramblers who took charge in the second quarter, bouncing back for a 19-11 advan-

tage to shave East Jordan's lead down to one, 30-29 at the half.

East Jordan regained control in the third period, outscoring Boyne City, 15-9 to extend its lead to seven, 48-35 heading into the fourth quarter.

The Ramblers didn't blink, however, rallying

once more to outscore East Jordan, 18-8 in the last quarter to win the game.

Adam Daneff scored 14 points to lead the Red Devils.

"I'm very proud of how our kids stuck with it," Boyne coach John Hertel said. "We were

very patient, we made some nice adjustments and we had some nice minutes off the bench from guys who normally don't play that much.

"It was a great win, and hopefully something we can build from."

Against Cheboygan, East Jordan let a 16-point lead slip away in the fourth quarter, and the Chiefs closed the deficit to send the game into overtime tied at 79-79.

Cheboygan hit a shot at the end of the first overtime to force second extra four-minute period.

Beau Fuller penetrated inside for a shot underneath and was fouled, sinking a free throw to give the Red Devils a one-point lead.

East Jordan dodged a bullet when Cheboygan had a shot rim out at the buzzer.

"It was a great high school basketball game," Weber said.

Scott Hansen set a school record for East

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**Wellman wins Rail Jam**

By CHIP CORWIN  
SPORTS EDITOR

**BOYNE FALLS** — Freestyle skiers from across the state of Michigan competed on Jan. 5 at Boyne Mountain in the Smith-Optics Limo Rail Jam, with Boyne City local Tyler (Ty) Wellman, 14, capturing the grand prize with a 1080 on the rail.

"It was an awesome and fun day for me," Wellman said. "Maybe even close to the best day of my life."

Smith has a specially-designed limousine that they move around the country allowing anyone brave enough to perform freestyle ski and snowboard tricks on a rail mounted on top of the limousine.

Event organizers drive the limousine half-way up the ski slope and then build a jump in



A snowboarder rides the rail at the Smith-Optics Limo Rail Jam held at Boyne Mountain on Jan. 5. Boyne City local Tyler Wellman, 14, won the grand prize.

Photo courtesy Boyne Mountain

front of the vehicle to allow participants to hit the jump and land on top of the limousine while performing their best rail tricks.

For his winning trick, Wellman went off the jump, landed on top of the rail mounted on top of the vehicle eight feet

above the ground, spun in three complete revolutions and jumped off the back end of the limousine.

"I was just completely overwhelmed," Wellman said about winning the competition, "especially afterwards when the Smith-

Optics representative offered me a full sponsorship."

Boyne Mountain hosted the only competition in the state, and an estimated one hundred spectators gathered to gape in amazement as skiers and snowboarders alike

tested their skill and courage sliding across the top of the limo.

The Smith-Optics limousine's next scheduled stops are in Wisconsin and Minnesota before heading to Colorado, where it will stay for the Winter X-Games.

# Boyer Rambler wrestlers lose to Blazers

By GREG GIELCZYK  
SPORTS WRITER

**BOYNE CITY** — With only three experienced wrestlers, Boyne City knew it would be a rebuilding season. And that certainly has proven true.

Adam Brown, Cody Wilmot and Drew Nohel performed up to their usual standards in the Ramblers' dual match with Lake Michigan Conference rival Kalkaska last week. They defeated some

quality competition. But not much else went right for the Ramblers, who dropped a 42-21 decision to the Blazers. "Our newer wrestlers did some nice things, and gained some valuable mat time," Ramblers head coach Don

Nohel said. "We look forward to their continued improvement." Brown fought off James Boyce to win by a fall in 3 minutes, 8 seconds at 112 pounds. Wilmot (145) also recorded a pin for the Ramblers, taking Wes

McFadden down in 5:30. Nohel decisioned Dave Chalker, 9-4 at 152. The Ramblers picked up another victory at 119 pounds, where Nate Haley won by forfeit when Kalkaska left the weight class void.

Both teams voided three weight classes ... 103, 130 and 171. Chris Kirkby lost via pin in 1:04 at 160 pounds. Nate Texidor was pinned in 1:19 at 215 and Jose Hernandez lost by a fall in 1:30 at 285.

# Boyer City boys win LMC meet

By GREG GIELCZYK  
SPORTS WRITER

**HARBOR SPRINGS** — Boyne City defeated Harbor Springs, 47-75, in the boys race while Charlevoix-East Jordan's girls took the top spot at the Lake Michigan Conference meet last Thursday.

The Ramblers won the giant slalom portion of the race with 23 points, while Harbor Springs

finished second with 40. Kaleb McNamara took first overall in the giant slalom with a combined time of 52.95 seconds. He was third on his first run (26.85) but took first on his second (26.10).

Mike Cortwright finished third overall (53.54). Joe Shear was ninth (57.45) and Tom Hague 10th (58.48).

Sterling Adgate came in 12th (58.58), and Nick

Simeri was 12th in the first run but did not finish the second.

Zach Smith paced Charlevoix-East Jordan with an 11th place in 58.51. Nic Williams was 21st in 1:02.68.

Joe Hidakastu finished 25th in 1:05.23, Neil Salisbury was 28th in 1:07.13, Tanner Fisher and Michael Cardwell had some trouble on their second runs and did not finish.

In the girls race, Charlevoix-East Jordan breezed to a 61-81 victory over Harbor Springs.

Katherine Rowley led the way, winning the slalom in a combined time of 54.40 seconds.

"I felt really solid," Rowley said. "(The team) is doing really awesome. Everybody's been putting in a great effort."

Lizzy Hofweber fin-

ished sixth (58.93), Mary Gocha was 10th (1:00.93), Emily Bajko was 11th (1:00.98), Elizabeth Hasseld placed 16th in 1:01.98 and Stephanie Poindexter was 24th. Christian Roland topped the Ramblers' effort in the slalom with a second place in a combined time of 1:02.73.

Kelsey Kruzal finished seventh (1:08.15), Kaitlyn Bohnet was ninth (1:08.66), Brenna

Cheadie was 20th (1:23.03), Megan Cytecki was 21st (1:24.31) and Sarah Hufford took 24th (1:29.35).

Kruzal paced the Ramblers' girls team in the giant slalom with a ninth place finish in a combined time of 1:00.17.

Bohnet was 14th (1:01.53), Cheadie placed 25th in 1:06.40 and Amber Stone was 28th in 1:14.38.

# Logger girls drop game to Alanson

By PHIL TROMBLEY  
SPORTS WRITER

**BOYNE FALLS** — The Boyne Falls girls varsity basketball team had a difficult time getting its good shots to drop through the hoop on Wednesday, Jan 9, when Alanson visited Boyne Falls and went home with a 42-28 Northern Lakes Conference victory over the Loggers.

The loss left Boyne Falls (1-9 overall) with a 1-5 record in the conference, while still working hard to put a second win in the plus column.

"It was one of our best games defensively, but we had some trouble shooting. We were able to get off our shots, but they just wouldn't fall for us," said Boyne Falls coach Lisa Carlson.

The Lady Loggers fought hard in the opening two quarters and trailed by just three points as the Lady Vikings took a 21-18 lead into the halftime break. Alanson upped its lead to 29-24 at the end of the third before outscoring Boyne Falls 13-4 down the stretch to pull away with the 14 point victory.

Boyne Falls put on a defensive press in an attempt to close the gap in the final period, but the Lady Vikings were able to convert on numerous lay up opportunities in the final minutes.

On the score sheet Jennifer Hufbauer led Alanson with 13 points, while Samantha Keller and Megan Yamuni chipped in with nine points each.

Eighth grader Kristen Matelski led the Boyne Falls stats with 13 points and eight rebounds. Rebeca Featherly contributed with six boards and Katie Fraser added six points.

Carlson also cited Sharmai Wheaton for her strong defensive effort.

Boyne Falls will travel to Vanderbilt on Thursday, Jan. 17.

Alanson won the junior varsity game by a 37-24 score.

Kayla Hausler led Boyne Falls with 14 points and Rianne Coale added eight points.

# Loggers

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Despite the loss, which left the Loggers at 3-3 in the league,

Hamilla saw some reason to look forward. "We talked about taking our time on of-

fense and making the other team's defense work. We did that," said Hamilla. "I'm

very happy with our effort. I hope we can build on that." **Mackinaw City 56 -**

**Boyer Falls 44** Mackinaw City downed Boyer Falls 56-44 in Mackinaw

City on Tuesday, Jan. 8. No statistics were available for the game.

# EJ Girls

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A minute later, Crick buried a 3-pointer from the left corner to extend the lead even more. At the end of the first half, East Jordan led 31-13 having limited the Boyne scoring to just four free throws in

the second quarter. The third quarter was more of the same, with East Jordan outscoring the Ramblers 18-5. Boyne finally came alive in the fourth to outscore the Red Devils 15-13 and bring the final tally to 62-33.

"It's really exciting," Crick said after the game about the win. "I'm glad we stepped it up." Jessica Knysz led Boyne City with 10 points. Crick led East Jordan with 12. Kupovits had 11, and Chew and

Rowley each added 10. Rowley also had 11 rebounds to give her a double-double. Meghan Thomas had a great all-around game with 7 points, 7 assists and 7 steals. Boyne City beat East

Jordan 41-39 in the JV game. Shaina Peters had 12 points, and Maribeth Poindexter had 11 for East Jordan. Against Petoskey, Rowley led with 12 points

and Thomas had 9. Timmons, Rowley and Thomas each had 9 rebounds. Petoskey won the JV game, 56-37. Peters had 18 points.

# Chip Shot

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asked about their earlier defeat this season at the hands of the Rayders. Coach Sean Ferguson is no doubt worried about that confidence turning into over-confidence ... and about his team giving the Rayders some "bulletin-board material."

But, it's a coach's job to worry. And, anyway, despite the big wins last week, the Red Devils still seem to be quite self-aware and grounded in what they have to do to back up those words. Senior sharpshooter

Cassie Crick's comments Friday night are a good example. "We have to play defense and play with our heart," she said. Crick paused and then added: "...and listen to our coach." Coach Ferguson can rest easy tonight.

Jensen paced the Ramblers with 18 points and 7 rebounds, while Trevor Kruzal contributed 16 points and 7 rebounds. The Ramblers are 2-7 overall, while the Red Devils are 5-3 overall, 3-2 in the Lake Michigan Conference.

# Devils

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Jordan by making 11-of-15 shots from 3-point range, which is fourth in the state all-time for 3-point shots made in a single game. He finished with 36 points. Daneff added 30. The two teams com-

bined to hit 23 shots from the arc, which is fourth in the state all-time as well. East Jordan made 33-of-56 shots from the floor for 58 percent. The Chiefs led 15-13 at the end of the first quarter, but the Red Devils came back to take a 32-31 lead at the half. It

was tied 69-69 after three periods. Rob Wolf paced Cheboygan with 29 points and 14 rebounds. The Chiefs had five players in double figures. Boyne City lost to Gaylord, 69-55, last Tuesday night.


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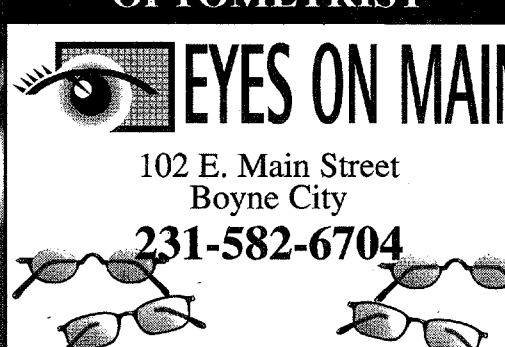
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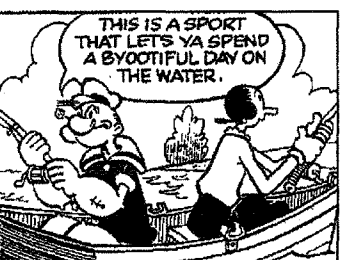
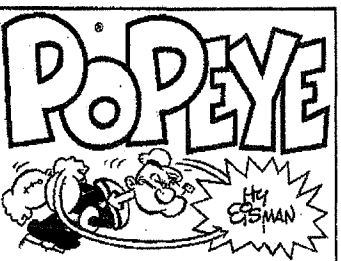
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## Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• Do you get annoyed at your mate's bathroom habits? Well, you're not the only one. A survey was conducted in 2006 to determine exactly what it is we do to drive each other nuts there. The No. 1 complaint was leaving an empty roll of toilet paper on the spool instead of replacing it with a new roll. The second most common pet peeve was finding gooey globs of toothpaste in the sink.

• It was American columnist and author Bill Vaughan who made the following sage observation: "Suburbia is where the developer bulldozes out the trees, then names the streets

after them."

• The country of Canada gets its name from a Native American word meaning "big village."

• Butchers in Germany recently decided to spice up their trade with some new sausage flavors, including kiwi, maraschino cherry, lemon and aloe vera. You've got to wonder, though: Did that actually help or hurt their business?

• The Disney complex in Florida employs 350 chefs and 300 sommeliers, serving more wine than any other site in the entire U.S.

• Chicago may not deserve the title "Windy City" after all. Those who study such things say that the wind there averages only 10.3 mph. In contrast, 13.9 mph is the average wind speed in Dodge City, Kansas, making it the windiest city in the United States.

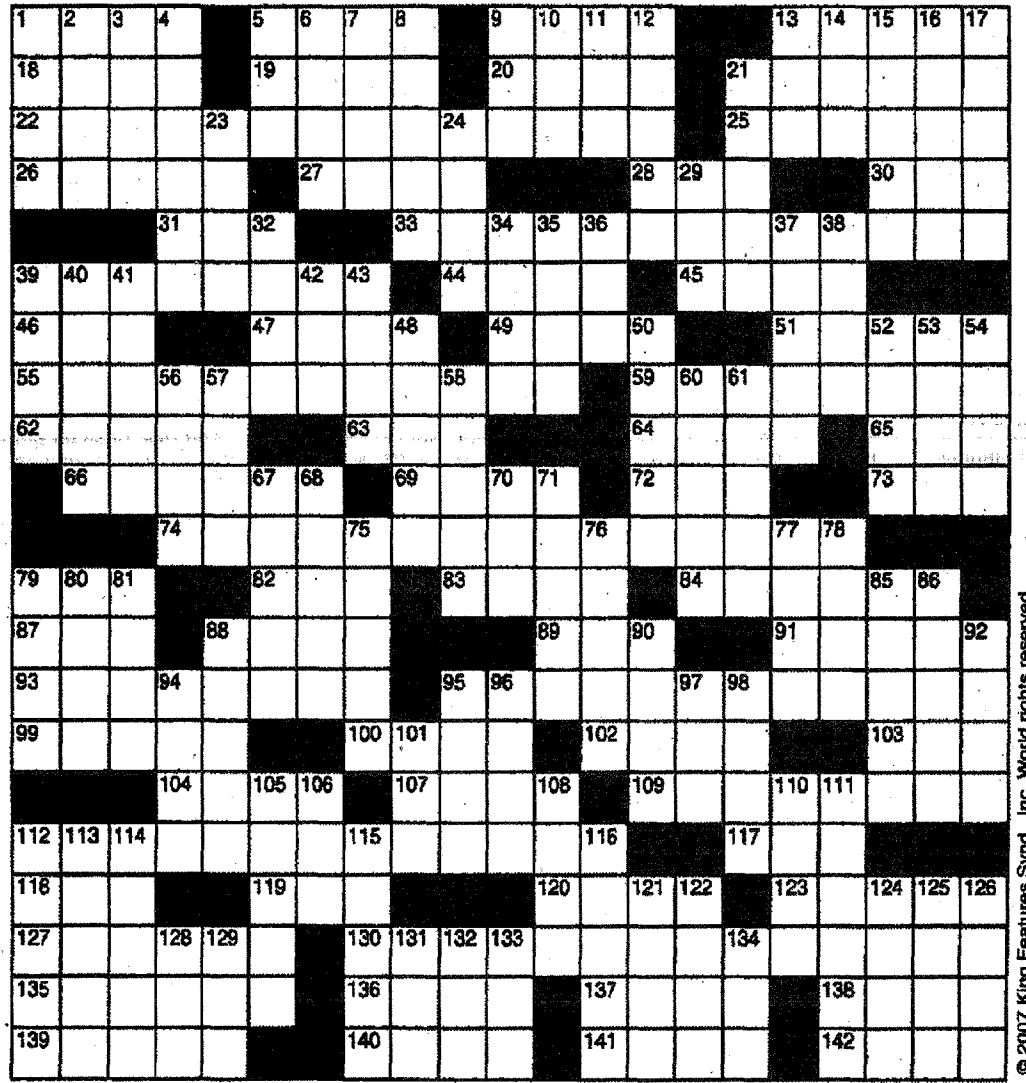
• Childhood obesity has become a well-publicized problem in this country, and much debate has gone into deciding how best to tackle the issue. The state of West Virginia is taking a somewhat novel approach: By next year, you'll be able to find the video game "Dance Dance Revolution" in all of its public schools.

Thought for the Day: "You have to know how to accept rejection and reject acceptance." —Ray Bradbury

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Beauty spot
  - 5 Relative of PDC
  - 9 Wattle's partner
  - 13 Grating
  - 18 Schipa solo
  - 19 Actor O'Shea
  - 20 One of "The Three Sisters"
  - 21 Kind of roof
  - 22 Pianist from Maine?
  - 25 Pearl harbor?
  - 26 Assert
  - 27 Lascivious look
  - 28 Leather-worker's tool
  - 30 —Cat (winter wheels)
  - 31 Cover
  - 33 Talk-show host from Colorado?
  - 39 Nineveh native
  - 44 Tibia
  - 45 Miami's county
  - 46 Railroad dep.
  - 47 —rug
  - 48 Verve
  - 51 Kim of "True Grit"
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  - 59 Hamlet's home
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- 63 Smidgen
  - 64 "Heaven's —" ('80 film)
  - 65 Distress
  - 66 Philosopher
  - Blaise
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  - 72 Antipollution grp.
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  - 79 "Pshaw!"
  - 82 Lennon's lady
  - 83 Trifling
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  - 89 Link letters?
  - 91 Western lake
  - 93 Friday's rank
  - 95 Pitcher from Ohio?
  - 99 Crow's toe
  - 100 Sign of sainthood
  - 102 Parent
  - 103 Sundial numeral
  - 104 Eliot's "Bede"
  - 107 Emulates Simon
  - 109 Lost one's balance
  - 112 Drummer
- from Virginia?
- 117 Finished first
  - 118 Mary of "Sons and Lovers"
  - 119 Start to cry?
  - 120 Provokes
  - 123 Specks
  - 127 Theater district
  - 130 Actor from Pennsylvania?
  - 135 Poet Sidney
  - 136 Depend (on)
  - 137 What have you
  - 138 Anita Loos comedy
  - 139 Satin quality
  - 140 Wagon part
  - 141 Say it isn't so
  - 142 RN's workplace
- DOWN**
- 1 Cohn or Connelly
  - 2 Spoken
  - 3 Tenor Luis
  - 4 Far and away
  - 5 Breneman or Linker
  - 6 Doorway part
  - 7 Opposite of aweather
  - 8 Might
  - 9 John —
  - 10 Cockpit fig.
  - 11 Actor
- Tognazzi
- 12 Trite
  - 13 Flicka's food
  - 14 Jarreau and Jolson
  - 15 Role for Dustin
  - 16 Pool person
  - 17 Biblical tyrant.
  - 21 Lively dance
  - 23 Kuwaiti kingpin
  - 24 Author Murdoch
  - 29 Cotton clump
  - 32 Anthropologist
  - Fossey
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  - 35 Metric measure
  - 36 —bind
  - 37 Rocker Van Halen
  - 38 EStrange
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  - 43 Tree house?
  - 48 Embarrass
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  - 52 "... where the buffalo —"
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- 54 Roar
  - 56 Actor Mostel
  - 57 Formerly
  - 58 Abhorrence
  - 60 —lazuli
  - 61 Celery serving
  - 67 Hiio hello
  - 68 Russian revolutionary
  - 70 Vane dir.
  - 71 Get stuck
  - 75 Jay of "Dennis the Menace"
  - 76 Murcia mister
  - 77 "Why don't we?"
  - 79 Express
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  - 81 Hindman or Holliman
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  - 86 Comedian Mandel
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  - 90 Chad and Jeremy song, e.g.
  - 92 "Oyils of the King" character
  - 94 Stimulus
  - 95 Burrowing critter
  - 96 Jerky toy?
  - 97 Angus'
  - 98 Expanded
  - 101 Hibachi residue
  - 105 Shady spot
  - 106 "O Sole —"
  - 108 Cut a cuticle
  - 110 Taj Mahal, for one
  - 111 TV's "Eight is —"
  - 112 Knots
  - 113 Bathsheba's first husband
  - 114 Patriot Silas
  - 115 Mongoose foe
  - 116 Like a prune
  - 121 Kitchen addition
  - 122 Loony Laurel
  - 124 Banana-rama, e.g.
  - 125 Souffle ingredients
  - 126 Freighter or ferry
  - 128 Taradiddle
  - 129 Decimal base
  - 131 King's handle?
  - 132 Herriot title
  - 133 Salon supply
  - 134 Furtive



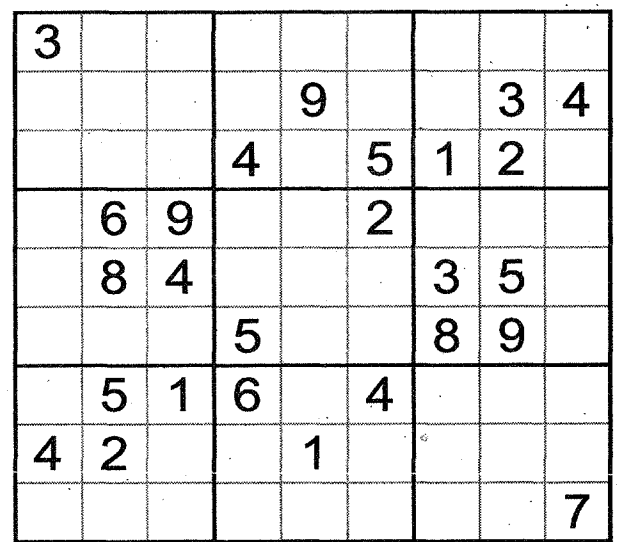
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## su|do|ku

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 grid contains the digits 1 through 9, but only once in each. No number is repeated in any row, column, or box.

Tips and computer program at [www.sudoku.com](http://www.sudoku.com). For solutions check 'JRC Publications' on the solutions page of [www.sudoku.com](http://www.sudoku.com).



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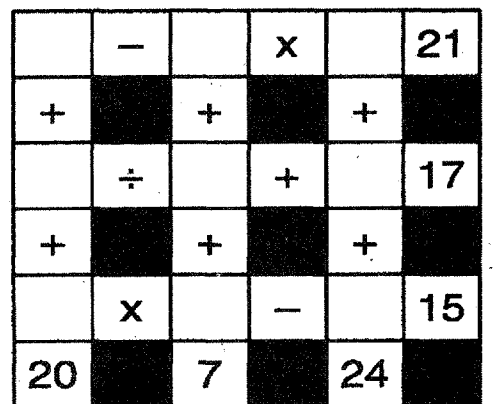
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## GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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.

DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult ★★★ GO FIGURE!



1 2 4 5 6 7 8 9 9

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## Sudoku Answers

3	4	5	1	2	8	6	7	9
8	1	2	7	9	6	5	3	4
7	9	6	4	3	5	1	2	8
5	6	9	3	8	2	7	4	1
1	8	4	9	6	7	3	5	2
2	7	3	5	4	1	8	9	6
9	5	1	6	7	4	2	8	3
4	2	7	8	1	3	9	6	5
6	3	8	2	5	9	4	1	7

## Go Figure! answers

5	-	2	x	7	21
+		+		+	
9	÷	1	+	8	17
+		+		+	
6	x	4	-	9	15
20		7		24	

## Super Crossword Answers

MOLE	ASAP	DAUB	MARSH
ARIA	MILQ	OLGA	PALATE
CLAIM	LEER	AWL	SNQ
LID	RICK	ILAKEWOOD	
ASSYRIAN	ERIN	DADE	
STA	AREA	ELAN	DARBY
TOM	JONES	BORIO	ELSTON
ANDON	TAD	GATE	MAIL
PASCAL	SUNS	EPA	MEL
HELENN	HUNTSVILLE		
FILE	ONO	MERE	SKETCH
ADA	WHIR	AND	TAHOE
SERGEANT	OY	YOUNG	STOWN
TALON	HALO	BEAR	ILLI
ADAM	SAYS	TESTERED	
BUDDY	RICHMOND	WON	
URE	BOO	TRES	MOTES
RIALTO	BRAD	PITTS	BURGH
LANIER	RELY	ETAL	GIGI
SHREEN	AXLE	DEINY	HOISI

## VETERAN OF THE MONTH

The Veteran of the Month for January 2008 is George Thomas Hosler. Born on Nov. 30, 1945, in Charlevoix County, Hosler left school and on Feb. 15, 1963, enlisted in the Army, entering into active duty in Detroit, and was assigned to the Transportation Corps, Aviation Branch. Following basic training he attended the following courses: Code of Conduct, Course B Military Justice, Geneva Convention, Chemical-Biological-Radiation Training.

On May 2, 1963, Hosler was transferred to Fort Eustis, Virginia, attended Transportation School, completed the Aircraft Hydraulics Repairman course and graduated on July 25, 1963. Hosler departed the United States on July 30, 1963, arrived in the European Theater of Operations and was assigned to Company E, 122nd Maintenance Battalion, U. S. Army, Europe. On June 18, 1964, he was promoted to Specialist 4th Class and on Dec. 10, 1965, received an immediate re-enlistment honorable discharge at Drake Kaserne, Frankfurt, Germany.

On March 13, 1966, Hosler was transferred to the Pacific Area Command and was reassigned to a unit stationed in Viet Nam. On Mar. 25, 1967, he left Viet Nam, returning to the United States for

reassignment. On Apr. 16, 1968 Hosler was reassigned to the 591st Transportation Company, U. S. Army Europe and on Jan. 16, 1969, he departed the European Theater of Operations. On Jan 17, 1969, at Fort Dix, N.J., Hosler was transferred to the U. S. Army Reserves Control Group, U. S. Army Area Command, St. Louis, Mo.

On Feb. 14, 1969 he was awarded an honorable discharge, having attained the rank of Specialist 4th Class and received the following decorations and citations: the National Defense Service Medal; the Viet Nam Service Medal; the



Viet Nam Commendation Medal; the Good Conduct Medal; two Overseas Bars.

Returning to civilian life, Hosler went to work for General Motors, V8 Engine Assembly Plant, Flint. On June 13, 1969, Hosler entered into a 4 1/2 year marriage and later on Aug. 30, 1975, he married Jackie Sue Everett in Fennville, Mich.

In May of 1991 Hosler retired from General Motors and pursued his high school education receiving his high school diploma in November of 1993. In December of 1993 Hosler went to work for Equity Transportation Company in Walker, Mich., and drove an over-the-road semi truck until March of 2002 when, due to medical problems, he was forced to retire. He enjoyed hunting, improving his collection of keys and spending quality time with his children, grandchildren and family. On April 20, 2002, Hosler answered the final call and is being honored by his wife Jackie and his family.

To honor a veteran, call the program chairman at 231-536-2447, or on Saturdays call 231-582-7811 between 3-8 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.

## WHAT'S NEW?

- Wedding
- Birth • Anniversary
- Engagement
- Business Change

If you have news you would like to share with the community, contact The Citizen-Journal. We have forms available to assist in your announcement.

For more information, call 231-582-6761, or stop by our office at 112 S. Park St., Boyne City.

# 27th Annual EAST JORDAN SNOBLAST

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#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### Friday, January 18

4:30PM . . . Chili Supper  
EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse

4:30PM . . . Crowning Ceremonies  
EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse • Belle of the Blizzard and Winter Knight are crowned.

#### Saturday, January 19

8:00AM-5:00PM . . . Concessions  
EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse

9:00AM-4:00PM . . . Antique Snowmobile Club of America  
EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse • Vintage machines on display

9:00AM . . . Drag Racing Registration  
EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse

11:00AM-3:00PM .Snowmobile Drags  
EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse • Snow or no...it's a GO!

11:00AM-3:00PM .Yamaha Demo Rides  
EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse

12:00PM . . . Roller Skating  
Harvest Barn Church on M-66 • \$4/person includes rental!

12:00PM-12:30PM Parade Registration  
EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse

1:00PM . . . PARADE  
During Drag Race Intermission

1:00PM . . . Softball in the Snow  
Softball field • \$10/team entry fee • Call Debbie at 536-3400 for info.

1:00PM . . . FREE REFRESHMENTS  
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3:00PM . . . River Rafting Ride  
Leave from EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse • Must Pre-register at 536-0006

3:00PM . . . Build A Snoman Contest  
Harvest Barn Church on M-66 • Prizes awarded.

4:00PM . . . XC and Snoshoe Demo  
Aspen Grove XC Center and Wagbo Peace Center • Call 536-9860 for info and to register.

6:00PM . . . Dinner On The Town  
East Jordan Area Chamber Member Restaurants

7:00PM . . . Dessert And Auction  
E.J. Elementary School cafeteria.

7:00PM . . . Free Movie At The Library  
Jordan Valley library Community Room • "Ice Age, The Meltdown, • Please use back entrance

#### Sunday, January 20

1:00PM . . . Clay Artists And Friends Exhibit  
Jordan River Arts Council

7:00PM . . . Sno-Lover's Breakfast  
EJ Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse • Adults \$5, Children under 10 \$3, Children under 4 free.



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