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At a glance Election year reminder about political signs

The City of Boyne City Planning Department would like to remind city residents that political signs relating to the upcoming election may be placed in your yard, but not the right-of-way, such as between the sidewalk and street. If there is no sidewalk, please be sure the sign is behind the property line. Also, such signs may not exceed eight square feet in size, and must be removed within ten days after the applicable election.

For additional information, contact Shannon McMaster at 231-582-0337 or smcmaster@boynecity.gov.

Book signing

Anne Thurston of Boyne City will be signing copies of her book, "The Book of Anne," Friday, July 18, during "Stroll the Streets" from 6 to 9 p.m., at Boyne Country Books. "The Book of Anne" recounts the Thurstons' years raising their orphaned grandchildren and her frustrations with the government's bureaucracy.

Mark your calendars

At 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 30, the Citizen-Journal presents an evening with the candidates for Charlevoix County sheriff and county commission seats for District 4 and District 5. Please plan to attend for an opportunity to ask questions of those who wish to represent you in Charlevoix county.

WEATHER

Wednesday, July 16

Hi: 87 Lo: 61

Condition:

Isolated T-Storms

Thursday, July 17

Hi: 85 Lo: 65

Condition:

Isolated T-Storms

Friday, July 18

Hi: 82 Lo: 62

Condition:

Scattered T-Storms

Saturday, July 19

Hi: 76 Lo: 57

Condition:

Isolated T-Storms

Sunday, July 20

Hi: 80 Lo: 57

Condition:

Scattered T-Storms

Monday, July 21

Hi: 76 Lo: 57

Condition: Showers

Tuesday, July 22

Hi: 78 Lo: 59

Condition: Partly Cloudy

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BoyneThunder draws 40 boat entries



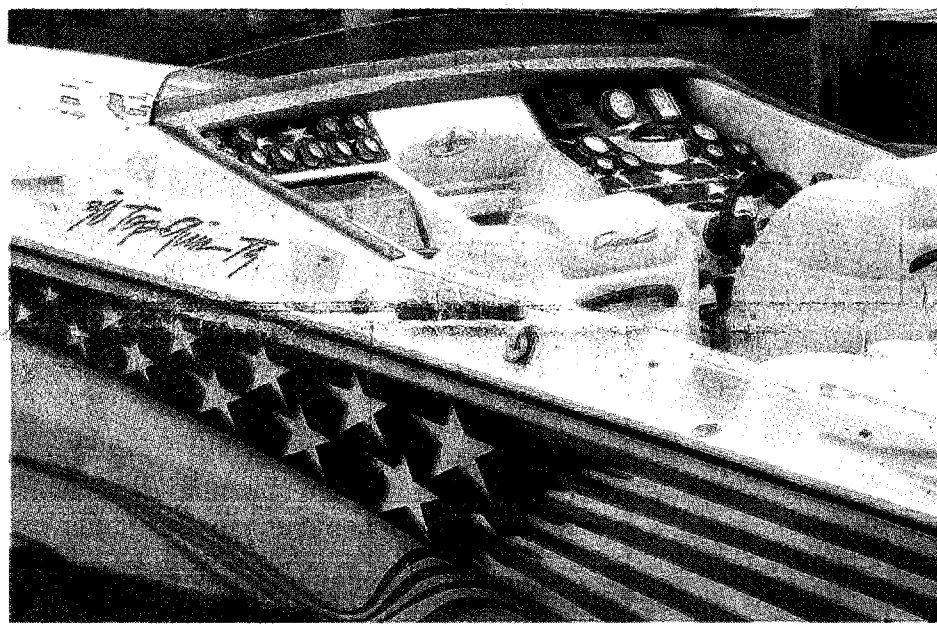
It was a bumpy but fun ride on Lake Charlevoix, Saturday, July 12, during the 5th annual BoyneThunder Poker Run that began on July 11. One of the boaters who participated was Mike Sinacola and his family who hail from Dallas, Texas. Sinacola buffed up his high-performance boat after the run. This is the Sinacolas' fourth year in BoyneThunder.

The boats traveled 120-miles from Boyne City to Charlevoix then on to Beaver Island, Harbor Springs, Bay Harbor and ended back in Boyne City where a dinner was held in Veterans' Memorial Park.

Forty boats were in this year's event that benefits the local Camp Quality, a program that helps children living with cancer. Boyne City's Main Street Program hosted the event.

Photos by B. J. Hetler

One of the 40 high-performance off-shore boats that entered the 5th annual BoyneThunder Poker Run was this red-white-and-blue custom boat.



Contracts should be bid

By B. J. HETLER
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BOYNE CITY — City commissioners voted to approve two contracts with the engineering firm of C2AE. One contract is for \$15,700 for C2AE to develop a sanitary sewer master plan. The other contract is for \$3,500 for a street rating and routine maintenance recommendations.

City commissioner Mike Cummings objected to the contracts automatically going to C2AE of Gaylord without bids being sought by the city.

Cummings said he would like local companies to have an opportunity to bid for projects.

City manager Michael Cain said that C2AE prices were checked and found to be "very competitive."

The two contracts approved at the meeting on July 8 were part of a comprehensive project that C2AE is working on for the city, said Michael Wiesner of the department of public works.

Mayor Eleanor Stackus said she was happy with C2AE.

"If we switch back and forth it takes longer and costs more," Stackus said.

But Cummings was not swayed and voted not to award the two contracts to C2AE.

"People in town would like to see open bidding," he said.

City Commissioner Dan

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Grant benefits area schools

CHARLEVOIX — Boyne City and East Jordan public schools will benefit from a grant that is designated for after-school programs and for increasing parents' involvement in their child's schooling.

The 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant was awarded to the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District on behalf of five area schools. Besides Boyne City and East Jordan, the school districts of Ellsworth, Littlefield and Pellston will also benefit.

"We are honored to be awarded the 21st Century Grant on behalf of the five school districts," said Gus Bishop, Director of Instructional Services with Char-Em ISD.

The \$749,909 one-year grant is renewable annually for five years, provided that the goals of the competitive grant process are met.

Boyne City Public School District hopes to achieve a more comprehensive after-school program with a broad range of learning opportunities.

"There are so many things we would like to add to our curriculum, but with the time constraints of a regular school day and the breadth of curriculum expectations we need to teach, it is difficult to offer extended learning opportunities," said Fred Sitkins, Boyne City Elementary School principal. "This grant will allow us to extend the school day and provide these additional opportunities."

East Jordan Public Schools will partner with parents to increase learning opportunities for students.

"We want to use the grant to help us attract more parents and community members as partners, and we hope to provide a wide range of learning opportunities for our students that they otherwise would be unable to experience," said Chip Hansen, superintendent of East Jordan schools.

The primary focus of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant is to provide expanded academic enrichment opportunities for children. Activities are designed to help students meet local and state academic standards in subjects such as reading and math.

In addition, programs will focus on drug and violence prevention programs, technology education, art, music and recreation and counseling.

Targeted instruction for low performing students is assured through the use of an individualized learning plan. The Latch Key Care Service provides a safe, supervised out-of-school environment for students.

The 21st Century Grant, the ISD and local school districts are partnering with several community organizations. For example, Crooked Tree Arts Center will offer visual and performing arts programs at the schools. The Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan will offer programs that focus on self-esteem, violence prevention and healthy relationships. Raven Hill Discovery Center in East Jordan will focus on science and math opportunities, while the MSU Extension will provide Junior Master Gardeners and Lego League opportunities.

Two run for county clerk

By B. J. HETLER
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

CHARLEVOIX — Two Republican candidates are running for Charlevoix County Clerk in the Aug. 5 primary election.

Cheryl Potter Browe has worked as the chief deputy clerk for Charlevoix county for 20 years.

She said she learned from her mother, former county treasurer Anah H. Potter, that the public should be treated with respect and dignity.

"The public is most important and it's our responsibility to provide people with knowledge and service quickly and efficiently," Browe said. "If



Cheryl Potter Browe



James E. Easley

we don't have an answer, we'll get one. No one will be turned away."

Browe helps run elections for the county, which includes following election and campaign finance laws, training inspectors and troubleshooting at polling

locations. The office also coordinates school elections for the county.

The county clerk's office manages records and performs services ranging from processing passports to providing applications for marriage licenses and

the recording of births and deaths.

"I've learned how important the job is," Browe said. "It's basically the history of the county."

Browe's experience includes researching information to provide to the board of commissioners, preparation of minutes from meetings, management of financial matters such as budgets, processing military discharges and grant reporting.

The clerk's office keeps circuit court filings and records and manages jury matters for three courts.

"A lot of law is required and it's critical that the

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Boards meet to review COA organization

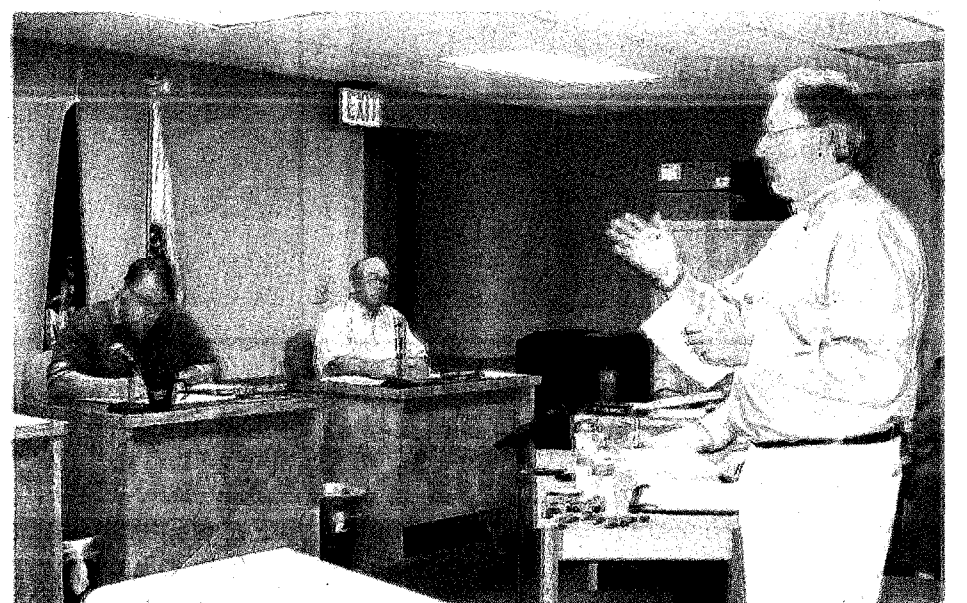
By B. J. HETLER
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

CHARLEVOIX — The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met with Commission on Aging consultant David Emmel on Friday, July 11, to begin mapping out the roles and responsibilities for the Commission on Aging.

County board chairman, Chris Christensen, called for the meeting to review the organization of the COA and to discuss the county commissioners' expectations of the COA.

Funding sources were discussed, especially millages that are voted on by taxpayers. The COA has a millage request on the ballot this election year.

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David Emmel, consultant for the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging, discussed the expectations of the county board of commissioners at a meeting on Friday, July 11, at the county building.

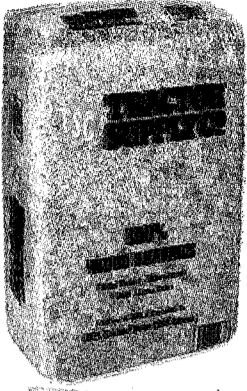
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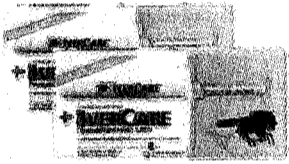
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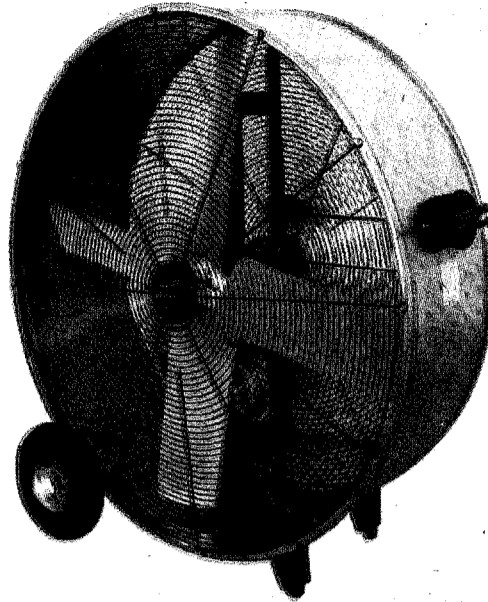
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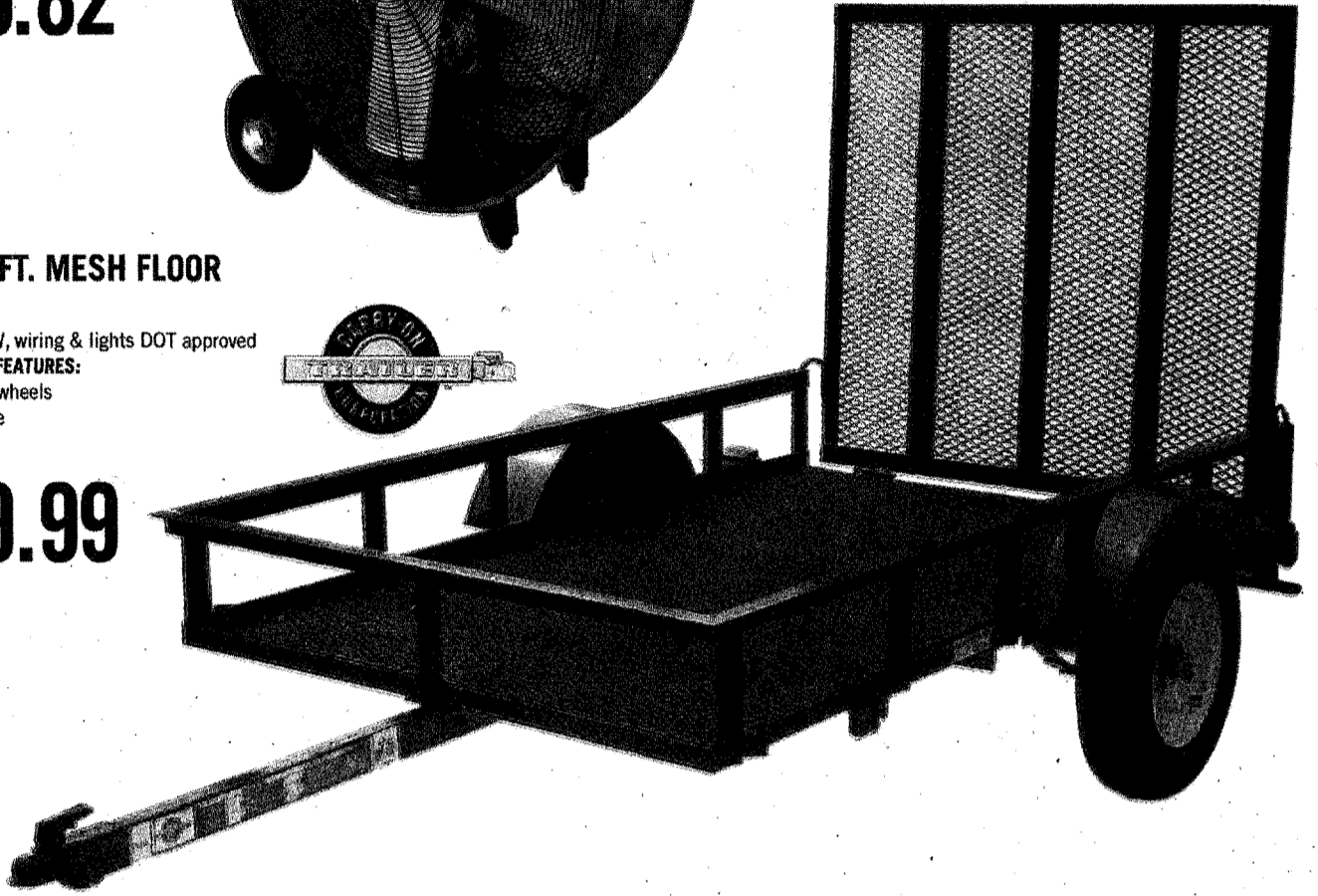
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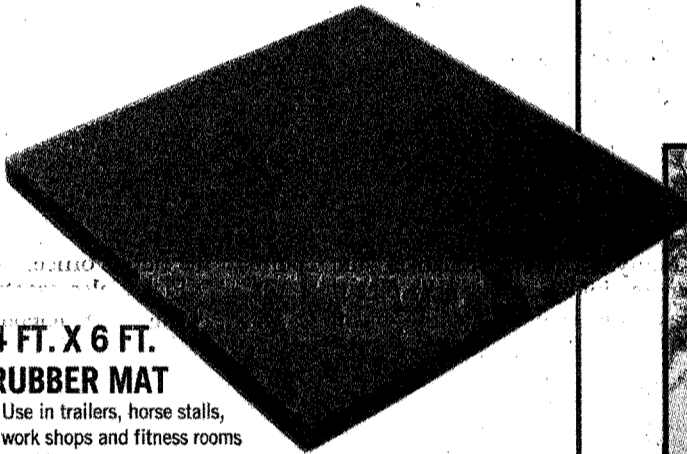
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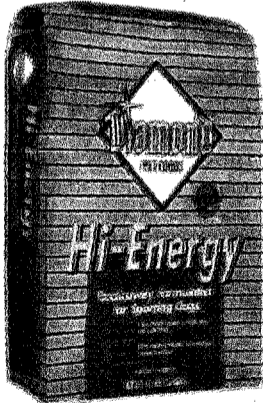
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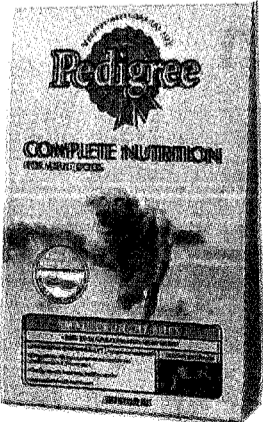
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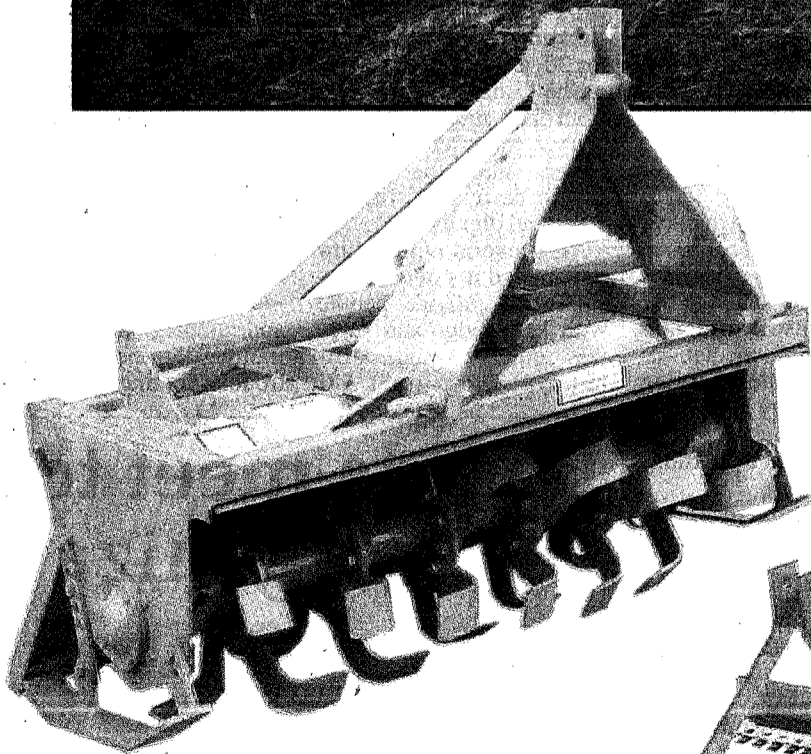
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Malicious Destruction Of Property	3
Traffic Stop	175
Verbal Warning	69
Citations Issued	44
Assist Motorist	9
Hit and Run	4
Private Property Property Damage Accident	1
Property Damage Accident	5
Personal Injury Accident	3
Car Deer Accident	8
Assist Other Agency	21
Civil Complaint	10
911 Hang up Check	10
Larceny	5
Paper Service	16
Keys Locked in Vehicle	17
Fireworks Complaint	7
Suspicious Vehicle	19
Breaking and Entering	2
Warrant Service Attempt	14
Panic/Intrusion Alarm	3
Attempt to locate	9
Noise Complaint	6
Road Hazard	3
Driving Violation	3
Disturbance	5
Trespass	4
Annoying/Harassing	3
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1
Boating Violation	9
Boating Accident	3
Marine Patrol	30
Found Property	2
Violation of Controlled Substance	1
K-9	1
Lost/Stolen Property	2
Mental Subject	1
Minor in Possession	3
Attempted Suicide	2
Intoxicated Subject	2

COUNTY RECORDS

District Court

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

Edward Miles Waldron, 20, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol, 2nd offense. Sentenced to pay \$250 in fines and costs and to perform 40 hours of community service work.

Garrett James-Gordon Brandt, 21, Boyne City. Drunk and disorderly. Sentenced to pay \$150 in fines and costs.

Jarod William Kirby, 20, Charlevoix. Minor in possession of alcohol. Sentenced to pay \$200 in fines and costs and to perform 30 hours of community service work.

Nicholas Alexander Mijak, 36, Sterling Heights. Driving while license suspended. Sentenced to pay \$260 in fines and costs.

Martin Michael Stowe, 46, Boyne City. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$830 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.

Carrie Lynn Bellant, 37, Charlevoix. Drunk and disorderly. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs.

Tobiah Pflug, 25, Pellston. 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.

Jeffery Lynn Speer Jr., 41, Manistee. Drunk and disorderly. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 30 days in jail with credit for one day, serve 29 days.

Shawna Nicole Andersen, 18, Boyne City. No operator's license on person. Sentenced to pay \$100 in fines and costs.

Sing along



Gary Puckett

When Gary Puckett takes the stage at Crooked Tree Arts Center on Monday, July 21, the audience will be ready to sing along to the very appealing songs of Gary Puckett. No longer using the moniker "and the Union Gap," Puckett still has the vocal appeal of his youth, and his youthful charm is apparent on and off the stage.

As Puckett fans take their seats, they will be filled with fans of his greatest hits, like "Young Girl," "Woman, Woman," "Lady Willpower," and "This Girl Is a Woman Now." These titles, and many others are sure to make the crowd go wild in Petoskey for the one-night-only performance.

The 65 year-old rocker, who prefers to say he's "50/15," still is able to draw a crowd and by the time the year is out, he'll have played 45 dates in twenty five states.

Formed as the Outcasts in 1967 Gary Puckett served as lead singer and played the guitar. The band began as a bar band in San

Diego, mostly playing covers of the popular songs of the day. They became popular very quickly and, late in 1967, made some changes just before hitting the big time.

They changed the name of the group to The Union Gap featuring Gary Puckett, a name they had taken from the town of Union Gap, Wash. They started to dress in Civil War

outfits when performing, and signed a contract with Columbia records. A short time later they had their first hit song, "Woman, Woman," which reached the top ten early in 1968. Puckett exuded a boyish charm and could sing very well. The group's producer, Jerry Fuller, wrote some songs for them that became very popular, including their

next two big hits, "Young Girl" and "Lady Willpower." By the time the latter song was released, they had altered the name of the band once again, this time to Gary Puckett & the Union Gap.

More hits followed, including "Over You," "Don't Give In To Him," and their final top ten entry: "This Girl Is a Woman Now," which was a hit in the fall of 1969. Although the group disbanded in 1971, Puckett continues to have his share of accomplishments as a solo performer, and his records continue to sell today.

Tickets are available now for the Monday, July 21, performance. Prices are \$68 Gold, includes premium seating and an opportunity to meet Gary and the band at a private reception; \$50 patron seating; \$35 non-members of Crooked Tree Arts Center; and \$30 for Crooked Tree Arts Center Members. All seats are reserved. To purchase tickets, call 231-347-4337 or visit www.crookedtree.org.

Crooked Tree Arts Center's Paint-Out

There will be artists painting all around the Petoskey area on Aug. 2, for Crooked Tree Arts Center's third annual Paint-Out. The "paint-out" will begin at 8 a.m. where artists will gather at CTAC in Petoskey or at the parking lot of the Pier Restaurant in Harbor Springs to have their canvases (or paper) stamped to verify that the material they will be painting on was blank in the morning of the paint-out. After the sign in, artists venture anywhere in the area to begin a day of plain air painting. The complet-

ed artwork must be returned framed and ready to hang between 4-6 p.m. that same day.

At 6 p.m. there will be a wine and cheese reception celebrating all of the work created that day. All work will be for sale and work will be on display until Aug. 30 in the lower level of CTAC. "The day of the Paint-Out is always exciting and very spontaneous," explains Gail DeMeyer, Visual Arts/Education Director at CTAC. "There is certain energy in the air as artists challenge themselves to go out

and capture a moment in time in the company of fellow artists. The energy builds until the opening when everyone stands around in amazement at what was accomplished in a single day. I can remember last year when we stood back and said "None of these paintings existed this morning" but we looked in awe at the beauty of what was created in a single day and the sheer talent of the of the artists in this and surrounding communities." This paint-out hopes to be a great way to join artists with

the community and celebrate the beauty and talent of this region. Artist and art patrons are encouraged to mark their calendars and be a part of this event that celebrates the wonderful area we call home. The paint-out is open to all artists over the age of 18 and at all levels of artistic ability.

For more information please contact the Crooked Tree Arts Center at 461 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey, Michigan 49770, call 231-347-4337, or go online at: www.crookedtree.org.

Bid

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Adkison said he would like to see more bidding in the future, but voted for the contracts saying they tied in

with the overall project.

In other matters, the city commission approved construction to begin on the new Veterans Memorial in

Veterans Memorial Park.

Organizer Ron Crozier reported to city commissioners that of the \$122,700 total cost of the project,

\$120,550 has been donated or pledged by businesses and individuals. The remaining \$2,150 is still needed.

COA

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Christensen told the board of commissioners that they are the leading force for any millage activities as far as the public is concerned.

"We are ultimately responsible. It is our responsibility to make sure the COA runs as it should," Christensen said. "If we falter in that charge, the senior citizens lose a millage and we lose as a board of commissioners."

Board of Commission member Bob Drenstedt said he sees the chain of responsibilities as the COA executive director preparing information to bring to the COA board. The COA board's role is to review and approve the matters brought to them and

subsequently bring them before the county board of commissioners for their approval. Once that approval is obtained, the matter goes back to the executive director for execution.

Other discussion at the meeting included possible bylaws revision and the composition of the COA board.

Emmel will report on the findings from the meeting at a future county board of commissioners meeting.

Christensen said the discussion was beneficial.

"I think we gleaned a lot from the discussion and that we're all on the same page," he said.

B. J. Hetler may be contacted at 231-622-2645 or at citizen@voyager.net.

Clerk

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county clerk is knowledgeable about constitutional law and state statutes and regulations," Browe said.

One of her goals is to change the telephone system so that the public speaks directly to a person when they call.

Browe said she is fascinated by technology and uses it to make research more efficient for the public. One of her projects is to post marriage and death indexes on the county website to assist in genealogy research.

Republican candidate James E. Easley said his 18 years of experience with owning his own business provides him with the knowledge of serving the public with professionalism and courtesy. His electrical contracting business was based near Ann Arbor and he eventually sold it to his employees and moved to Northern Michigan.

"Being in business isn't easy and I've

learned to treat people the way they should be," Easley said.

Currently, Easley is the chief electrical inspector for the county building department and has been in that position for 12 years. As such, he is familiar with the electrical laws and regulations of the state.

He is also the education director for the Northern Michigan Electrical Inspectors Association.

Easley said that he would bring innovation to the job as county clerk if he were elected on Aug. 5. He said he was instrumental in the development of the computer system for the county building department. One of his goals is to use his knowledge and experience in computerizing the clerk's office.

Easley also wants to change the telephone system so that the public talks with a person when they call.

"Your (the public's) issue is just as important to us as it is to you," he said.

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THE CITIZEN-JOURNAL OPINION

EDITORIAL

Let your voice be heard

On Wednesday, July 30, the Citizen-Journal is proud to present "Meet the Candidates Night" for Districts 4 and 5 of the Charlevoix County Commission. The Primary Election 2008 is Aug 5.

The event will be held at the Boyne District Library, Main and Park streets at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room (street level). The audience will have an opportunity to ask questions of the candidates.

The candidates participating are: For Charlevoix County Sheriff: Don Schneider and Don Sproul; For County Commission, District 4: Republicans Joel Evans (incumbent) and Victor Patrick; For County Commission, District 5: Republicans Bob Drebenstedt (incumbent), Dennis Jason and Jerry Meggison.

District 4 includes the city of East Jordan and South Arm Township and District 5 includes the townships of Eveline, Marion and Wilson (north of the BC/EJ Road).

If you have any questions please call the Citizen-Journal office at 231-582-6761 for additional information. We hope this event draws a large audience so that we can continue to host similar forums in the future.

The Citizen-Journal presents the forum to provide the information that citizens need to make an informed choice when voting for candidates to represent you and your family.

In with the old

Once I was the proprietor of an antique store, and it was a lot of fun, right up until the day when it wasn't.

My obsession with vintage paraphernalia began in my early twenties when I decorated my fleabag flat with purchases from the local thrift store. Long before "Shabby Chic" became a catchphrase, a Victorian end table cost less than a cheeseburger. I found fringed floor lamps, Oriental rugs and bric-a-brac that fit neatly into my budget and inspired me to float languidly about the rooms like the ghostly embodiment of Zelda Fitzgerald. An antique piano shawl was my tablecloth and the dishes were a disparate medley of decades-old patterned china. I discovered that I thoroughly enjoyed being surrounded by the frills of another era.

The romance has lasted. While other interests have flared and then waned, my affinity for the trappings of the past has flourished. My heart lurches at the sight of an Aunt Jemima cookie jar or a cream and green enamel breadbox. And so, when presented with the opportunity to preside over an antique emporium, I snapped at the hook like a flounder.

The premise was simple and, in theory, viable. I would rent a large storefront and then sublet space to others of my ilk who were neck-deep in their own collections and in need of a venue for recycling their goods. I was guaranteed the support of these vendors for one simple reason: We are addicted. The search for and procurement of antiques is a disease, and for those afflicted, there is no known cure. Like a thirsty soul, powerless to pass a tavern, the antique enthusiast will not - cannot - forego the temptation to seek and accumulate. The result is inventory that requires a periodic purging to support the cycle.

MORE OR LESS



By Christine Gwidt

What I had neglected to factor in was the reality of my situation. Someone had to be there behind the counter, and I was that someone. This precluded any significant time for hunting and gathering of my own, and ultimately acquainted me with:

The Picker: This aptly named denizen of the antique underworld makes his/her rounds, offering their sometimes nefariously obtained loot at a price that allows perhaps a three-percent markup. Although this may seem like a ludicrously bad deal, they know what will make their clients break a sweat, wiggle their fingers and chant "Gimme, gimme, gimme," and they keep it coming. Some are ultimately forced into retirement or set on the lam by savvy relatives who notice that Aunt Beezie's farmhouse is being systematically stripped of heirlooms. And apparently by that nice man with the lovely manners who fixed the toilet and brought Aunt Bee tomatoes from his own garden.

Another dizzying affront proved to be:

The Landlord: Initially friendly and accommodating, the landlord will eventually start doing the math and discover that the shopkeeper may be turning a profit. This will prompt a rent increase in direct proportion to what they perceive as the excess revenue. If they are particularly sensitive or shrewd, they will refrain from referring to the building as a "cash cow" in conversation with their tenant. But this is unlikely, as their superior business acumen is a source of irrepressible satisfaction.

The Customers: These angels of retail are the reason for it all. And though I loved most of them with the devotion of a family pet, I occasionally curled my lip and growled. Inevitably, someone would approach behind an armload of their selections, totaling perhaps \$200, and shamelessly inquire, "Will you take \$60 for this?"

I look back on my three-year stint with a combination of nostalgia and relief. The happiest day of my life was when I opened my little shop. The second happiest day was when I handed the keys to my innocent and eager successor. I hear from her often and it is my fervent hope that she will one day forgive me.

Christine Gwidt welcomes reader's comments. Email her at moreorlesschristine@gmail.com.

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If you have questions on the letter policy, contact the editor at 231-582-6761 or via e-mail at citizen@voyager.net.



YOUR VOICE

Support

To the editor:

As chairman of the Charlevoix County Republican party for the past 24 years, I am endorsing William Donald Schneider, candidate for Charlevoix County Sheriff. He has been a supportive, active and registered member of the Charlevoix County Republicans for 11 years, currently serving as vice-chair. He supports our party by making our

local events a priority and always attends our Lincoln Day Dinner each spring and our annual picnic each summer, as well as other events we hold throughout the year. Please join me in voting for William Donald Schneider, a tried and true Republican, on Tuesday, August 5, 2008.

John E. Haggard
Charlevoix

Everyone wins

To the editor:

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Boyne City Song Contest. The community support for this has been tremendous.

It was a difficult decision by the two panels of judges to pick out just one song as there were so many great entries. The judging was based on lyrics, music, style, key words and over all impact so that this song could be used to promote Boyne City.

We had seventy-one songs submitted and each and every person who was involved with writing and/or singing these songs should be proud of their accomplishments as we are proud of all of them. Entrants ranged from a nine-year-old girl to senior citizens, from first time song writers to entrants who have written several songs. We are truly amazed at the response that was received and feel that they are all winners.

Thank you to the following people for their time and talent in writing, singing/producing and submitting their song:

Craig Adaline, Andy Barger, Mark Blaauw-Hara, Kathleen Bowman, Sue Brooks and Matt Rasch, Joseph Buck, Randy Cain, John Chaput, Sandra Cook and Jon Hoaglund, Charles Curry, Adolph

Cwik, Paul Eckhout, Tom Eggers, Daniel Donovan Farrow, Robert Fawcett, Tami Frampus, Kristin Glasgow and Rich Vagellehner, Josh Hall, Mary Haller, Andrea Harmeling and Mike Harmeling, Jinny Heck, Caromia Humphrey, Tyler Kalbfleisch, Eric Daniel Kessler, Nickolas Allen Koteskey, Mike Lange, Jeremy Manthei, Dwain Martin, Charles Mathers, Gregg Mattson, Nik McLane, Ernie Mindel, Tom Monley (Winner "Our Home Town"), Dale Owens, Becky Palmiter, Scott Paquette, James H. Pickrell, Ted Polleys, John Povolo and Angela Kuhn, Christy Rounds, Marleen Schraw and Andy Stefanic, Jason Scott, Michael Lee Seiler, Judith Slocum and Chuck Smith, Kirby Snively, Jory Stanley, Megan Toyos, Connie Vellenga, Emma Vondra, Sam Warwick, Patti Daniel Weinert, Brian Williams, Vasco Zucchiatti.

Thank you also to our two panels of judges, to Dave Hernly for the Disney World accommodations, the Boyne City Main Street Board and the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce for their sponsorship and continued support.

Karen Guzniczak, Boyne City Main Street Promotions Chairperson
Mark Kowalske, Boyne City Main Street Design Committee Chairperson
Boyne City Main Street Promotions Committee

Wow, what a celebration

To the editor:

Boyne City's Fourth of July Festival committee would like to give a heartfelt thanks to all those who have made this year's festival so spectacular.

First of all, to Boyne City's fire and ambulance crews, city workers, police department and Charlevoix County Sheriff Department, and their families who graciously gave up their Fourth of July together, because these devoted people work from 5 a.m. to midnight so that everyone is assured a safe and fun festival.

A thank you to all those who donated to the various fund-raisers...those that "Adopted their favorite fireworks," the Fireman's Auxiliary Canister, and to the sponsors: Great Lakes Energy for their Gold Sponsorship of the Grand Parade, and to ETA NU Sorority and Red Mesa for being Silver Sponsors, and to Boyne City's Rotary Club, the Carroll Family, Citizen's Bank, Boyne Area Medical, The Harborage Association and Boyne Falls Polish Festival for their gracious Bronze Sponsorships.

A kind appreciation to businesses that have donated various acts of kindness, supplies, and services: Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce, Frank's Towing, Boyne USA, Great Lakes Motor Works, American Waste, At Your Service, Litzenberger Place, Mather's Ford and Dairy Queen.

For the cute playhouse that was built by Tom Neidhammer's Boyne City's High School Building Trades Class, materials donated by Woodland Finishing Systems and F.O. Barden and Sons and Matelski Lumber. The raffle was a great success. Congratulations to Stephanie Kornorley for winning this special prize. (Her two girls are going to love it.)

To all of the participants in the Grand Parade, the Independence Day race, the decorated bike contest, the soap box derby and the raft race a special thank you because without your participation and hard work, our festival would be very dull.

Finally, but most importantly, thank you to every single volunteer. There are close to 10 unselfish fun-seekers that meet four months a year, to plan and execute the best festival that Northern Michigan can be very proud of. There's an additional 60 other people that fill in where needed.

To Gene Farley, who will be retiring from our committee, a very special thank you for your many, many years of being our treasurer and for doing a lot of other jobs too. Your humor and dedication will be missed.

We do desperately need volunteers, so for those that feel that they can help, or want to know all the facts as they happen, or want to complain, please join us. For this festival to continue it is essential to recruit new volunteers for 2008, so step up, and be involved in a fun committee that brings so much pleasure to people of all ages.

It's been estimated that close to 18,000 people came to Boyne City to see what can be done by a small community of 3,500 full time residents. All the volunteers deserve every "oohh and ahhh" that is heartfelt by all the spectators of Boyne City's Fourth of July Festival. You are the ones that make our job so very easy and so much fun.

If you enjoyed yourself and would like to help plan and initiate the fun, then please call Liz at 231-582-9701. Help us start 2008 off with a bang.

Ann Parks and Liz Kroondyk
Co-chairs of Boyne City's Fourth of July Festival



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To the editor:
Looking back upon the July 4th festivities with its parades, picnics and fireworks celebrating the birth of our nation, with all its liberties and freedoms, we often fail to fully acknowledge that these liberties and freedoms are not free. Looking back five weeks further to the ceremonies of Memorial Day with the processions, prayers, rifle salutes and buglers sounding taps, the reality of the cost of our liberties and freedoms were solemnly made visible in cemeteries across our nation by the American flags waving above the graves of our veterans who all gave some and some gave all to ensure our way of life, liberties and freedoms. When our men and women entered the military service, took the oath and donned a uniform, they entered into a contract with the people of the United States, through our representative form of govern-

ment, and agreed to defend our Constitution, giving their lives if necessary, that our nation would remain free as the founding fathers intended. In return, the people, through our government, agreed to ensure that all veterans would be afforded an opportunity to receive a higher education, buy a home, find employment, be cared for medically and receive a dignified funeral when answering the final call. The Veterans Administration has long been reputed to not be user friendly as veterans are often flooded with paperwork, given excuses and, at times, forced to wait years to receive benefits to which they are entitled. The VA offers very little information on the benefits available to veterans and usually only after contacting a county veterans counsellor, or a service officer of a veteran's organization, will the veterans receive the benefits they are entitled

to. One of those little known benefits is end of life care authorized by the Veterans Eligibility Act of 1998. Any eligible veteran, who is enrolled in the VA healthcare system, may receive hospice care at a VA hospital, a community hospice or at home through a community hospice agency and the VA is obligated to pay the entire bill. Period. No means test. The requirement to qualify for hospice is that a doctor has to attest that the patient is likely to die within six months. But know this: an enrolled veteran is entitled to end of life care at VA expense. Electing to get some of the end of life care through Medicare does not change the veteran's right to get care from the VA when that is what the veteran wants. The nation that forgets its defenders will itself be forgotten.
Duty & Honor For God & Country.
Jerry Evans
Ellsworth

Former deputies need to get their facts straight

To the editor:
On July 3, an article published in the Petoskey News-Review containing ill-considered, inaccurate and potentially slanderous statements by two Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office former deputies, Bill Cousineau and Rex Behling, regarding Sheriff George Lasater. These two former deputies, whose only apparent credentials to offer a legal opinion on the interpretation and application of the Hatch Act, a complex federal statute, is they were former law en-

forcement officers. Their statements stating Sheriff George Lasater was "...not abiding by the law, monkeying around, and underhanded to find a loop hole in the Hatch Act" are without basis. Cousineau and Behling not only invalidate the statement that Sheriff Lasater was "...not abiding by the law," it demonstrates the reckless and malicious nature of these statements of "underhanded, monkeying around and looking for a loop hole."
If these individuals

oppose former Undersheriff Schneider's candidacy they should do so in the form of public debate of the law enforcement issues facing the County, not by slandering Sheriff Lasater's lawful operation of the Sheriff's Office in service to the citizens of Charlevoix County for 32 years. The Sheriff and former Undersheriff are complying with any and all directions of the Office of Special Council regarding the Hatch Act.
George T. Lasater
Sheriff

Parade

To the editor:
I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the supporters of Don Schneider, candidate for Charlevoix County Sheriff, who walked in the Boyne City Fourth of

July Parade on Friday, July 4. Seeing over 110 people, from all over Charlevoix County, come to support Don and walk in the parade was wonderful. We all know what a busy time summer

is in Northern Michigan. Thank you to everyone who made the time to be there for Don: you are all very much appreciated.
Joanie Balch
Campaign Manager for Donald Schneider

Dixieland worship and concert series

The First Presbyterian Church of Petoskey begins the 25th year of their annual Dixieland worship and concert services on Thursdays in July and August at 7 p.m. each Thursday night through Aug. 28. The evening begins with an ecumenical-type service led by Dr. Robert Lueck, followed by music by the Epsilon Jass Band, primarily New Orleans Dixieland style prior to 1931, and the Petoskey Second Liners in their colorful costumes. Their masks and umbrellas are made especially for them in New Orleans and they like to have people in the congregation join them as they are struttin' in the aisles. People are encouraged to dress casually. The church is air-conditioned. A collection will be taken which the deacons donate to charities in the area.

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
Episcopal Church of the Nativity holds their Eucharist service at 9 a.m. A coffee hour immediately follows the service in the church undercroft. Church of the Nativity is located at 209 Main Street, Boyne City. To obtain information about the church, please call 231-582-5045, leaving your name and telephone number. A member of the church will return your phone 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 231-582-7440.

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 Fel-

CHURCH EVENTS

lowship Hall. Vacation Bible School is July 13-17. The church building is accessible and is located at 207 Williams St. in East Jordan (corner of Third and Williams). 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.boynecity-naz.org. The church is located at 225 W. Morgan Street, on the corner of West and Morgan.

Walloon Lake Community Church
Saturday, July 19, there will be a Men's Ministry breakfast at 8 a.m. Sunday, July 20, Word and Worship start at 9 and 10:45 a.m. Infant and toddler nursery is available. Junior and senior high youth will attend Worship and Word at 9 and then meet at the youth center from 10:30 to noon. This is Miracle Sunday when the new Discipleship Building will be

dedicated at 10:25 a.m. Senior high youth meet on Sunday evening, please contact Pastor Jason for more information at 231-535-2288.

The newsletter deadline will be at noon on Monday, July 21. On Wednesday, July 23, there will be Food Pantry from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. On Thursday, July 24, the Men's Bible Study will meet at 6:30 a.m. with the Cozy Quilters meeting at 9 a.m. On Friday, July 25, the Young at Heart will have a potluck at 6 p.m. For more information, please call Warren at 231-582-9983.

For more information, contact the church office at 231-535-2288 or visit the website at www.walloon-church.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.

First Presbyterian
"Psalm 33 New Song Summer" continues at

First Presbyterian Church, 401 South Park Street, Boyne City, with two "come as you are" services each Sunday at 9 and 10:30 a.m. Children, 4-11 years old, have quiet Bible activities in the loft during this service.

"Psalm 33 New Song Summer" features guest artists, eclectic styles of music, learning new songs, and a focus on God's call to love and justice for all. All are invited to Bible Study, 9 a.m. Tuesdays, in the Hill House and to Prayer and Fellowship (bring a lunch), noon Wednesdays, in Faulman Hall. The Lord's Supper is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month, at the 10:30 a.m. service.

Christ Lutheran Church
Sunday services start at 8 a.m. for early service, and late service starts at 10:30 a.m., with a Bible school for all ages at 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Bible study is held in the parish hall every Sunday at 9:30 a.m., if you would like to learn about Genesis, Bible studies may answer questions you have thought about for a long time. We have other study groups as well.

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Schneider for Sheriff
Tuesday August 5, 2008

My platform is simple, but expected by the community:

I will continue to maintain the professionalism of the Sheriff's Office, using a pro-active and innovative approach to protect and serve the citizens of Charlevoix County.

I will continue to be fiscally responsible ensuring the safety of our fellow citizens is first and foremost by continuing to seek all available resources to supplement the Sheriff's Office budget.

Professionalism- Sheriff George T. Lasater has instilled a solid foundation in his 32 years as Sheriff. I intend to expand on Sheriff Lasater's commitment to the citizens of this County by demanding the utmost courtesy, ethical and moral behavior of this department at every level. Every citizen, including those that break the law, deserves to be treated with respect.

Pro-active/Innovation- I have been instrumental in obtaining funding (through community donations and grants along with the Commissioners) so that the Sheriff's Office can have a deputy trained as a forensic computer analyst. This pro-active approach has significantly increased the speed in which cases can come to court, thus ensuring that the victims of sexual crimes and pornography crimes can see swift justice.

I have been instrumental in implementing "Project Lifesaver", a program used to locate adults suffering from Alzheimer's or dementia and autistic children who wander from home.

I have instituted the Prescription Drug Disposal Program so people can responsibly dispose of their prescription drugs so they will not end up on the street.

I have sought community donations so the Sheriff's Office can offer free DNA kits for parents. The children are swabbed for their DNA and the kits are given to the parents for safekeeping just in case such identification is needed in case there is an unfortunate incident. These are just a few examples of the many pro-active programs already in place and I intend to continue to implement any programs that ensure the safety of our citizens and seek swift justice for the victims of crimes.

Fiscally responsible- I will continue to seek all available resources to provide the best service for the citizens of Charlevoix County. I will continue the bike patrol as it is the most effective way to police large events such as the many parades and festivals in this county. Equipment for the bike patrol was donated by a community member. I will continue our water recovery team as the law mandates it. Currently, members use their own personal equipment, as well as equipment donated by the community. I will work with all other agencies, but will rely on the Sheriff's Office to ensure that the job is done right.

I will ensure that the Sheriff's Office is staffed appropriately so that the community is the safest possible. This staffing will be directly reflective of the needs of the community and the safety of our dedicated personnel.

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NEIGHBORS

Charlevoix County's 20th annual Senior Picnic was a huge success on Wednesday. With the chicken prepared by the Rotarians, and the great music of the Cousin's Music Group at its best as usual, the beautiful day, the huge Harvest Barn in East Jordan, and the many nice door prizes, I am hearing this one was the best ever. Thanks to the Commission On Aging and local senior centers for providing transportation, almost all of the 500 or so attending rode on the Charlevoix County Transit, which eliminated parking problems.

Howard and Peg Crozier of Boyne City were honored at their home with a 60th anniversary party on June 29. Between 80 and 90 friends and family members were there to share this special time of congratulating with cards and gifts and a beautiful buffet lunch. The celebrated couple have four children, six granddaughters, one grandson, and seven great-grandchildren. Their children and spouses, Bob and Pat Tanis, of Ludington, Howard and Phyllis Crozier, Ron and Patti Crozier, and Terry and Brenda Urman, all of Boyne City, hosted the wonderful party, and mom said, "Thanks for doing a great job."

"Hats Off" to Bunny Garlock and her helpers for doing a great job of making Boyne's annual all school reunion a great success on Thursday. It was a beautiful day and in spite of the art display and flea market activity, a colorfully decorated - balloons and all - reserved pavilion drew in anywhere from 40 to 50 alumni. Many more unregistered alumni were milling around too. Next year, be sure to get registered so there can be a more completed headcount.

The oldest one there was Evelyn Gould, 90, from the class of 1936. The class of 1954 had the most people and the class of 1999 was the youngest attending. Friendship and shared memories from former classmates just can't be beat.

Belated "Happy Anniversary" goes out to Scott (Charles) and Annette Mariner of Boyne City, who celebrated their 25th on June 28. Family and friends surrounded the couple at a happy party at their home. Their sons, Scott and Carl of Ypsilanti, were able to join their sister Casey here as well as other guests who had come from Indiana and the local area to share the well wishes, food and fun of this very special occasion.

July 4 was celebrated watching the annual Boyne City parade and then gathering at the public beach, with lots of food and cool drinks for Harold and Lucy Price, Mark and Penny Petrusky, Ryan and Alison Petrusky, Hal Price, Brian and Pam Price and sons, Rick and Rita Simon, with sons and guests Todd and Cinda Shumaker and family. All relaxed, played games of Cornhole and had lots of laughs. They wound up the evening with the traditional fireworks and a bonfire at the home of Brian and Pam.

Heartfelt sympathy goes out to the family and friends of former Boyne City resident Forbes Tompkins, age 96, who passed away in California on July 3. The same sentiments go out for Cora Brooks, 93, also of Boyne City, who died at her home on July 5.

Christina Brown of Kincheloe has been here this past week enjoying church and Boyne's community activities while visiting her grandmother Leona Bur-

rows at Deer Meadows apartments. Over the weekend of the Fourth, Jill (Froats) and husband, Stan Nickaba of Orange Park, Fla., were in the area to visit Jill's family and friends. Jill and Stan visited grandmother, Phyllis Tison at Grandvue. They truly enjoyed the Farmer's Market and just walking along the local beaches. Jamie and Joan Shepherd hosted a July Fourth afternoon picnic for all of the extended family members.

Friends might like to know and be praying for former Boyne resident John Holowasko. As his friend, you know he has bravely battled with Parkinson's Disease for quite some time now. In an effort to slow down the progression of the Parkinson's, he will be undergoing a series of three surgeries on his brain. The major one will be on Sept. 2. After having researched the procedure, he is confident that this will help him. If you'd like to drop him a note, I am sure he'd like hearing from you. Send to John Holowasko, 201 Country Club Drive, # 3413, Rio Rancho, NM 87124.



By Nancy Northup

Congratulations go out to Eugene and Ruby Belford of Boyne City who enjoyed a combined 68th wedding anniversary and a 90th birthday party for each of them. Doubly blessed they are. The great event held at their home on Saturday, July 5, was well attended by family members and friends sharing in the celebrations with lots of good food, cards and flowers. The family hosted the special gathering.

BCHS class of '47 will meet at 11:30 a.m., at BC Pizza in Boyne City on July 17 for their monthly gathering.

Another great Fourth it was at the home of Edna May. Not everyone could make it in person this year but their warm well wishing phone calls were appreciated. The July birthdays of twins, Murray and Nels Northup and Nels's son-in-law, Denny Wakley, were observed. Other meaningful moments were congratulations to the college grads, Sean and Ryan Northup, sons of Kevin and Debbie, and also more congrats to Sean and his September bride-to-be, Hannah. Also included in a really good family time of togetherness with great food and fun was the entertainment of the sweet voices in acappella of Marie, Jessie, Lizzy, Alli and Faith Witer, the beautiful daughters of Tony and Jenni Witer. The newest family member, two-week-old AnnaRae Lee Bailey, daughter of Justin and Lacey Bailey, was a star attraction also. The annual fireworks display was enjoyed from the deck. For me, it was a really neat surprise to meet my great nephews, Sean and Ryan, riding their bikes on the bike trail. Was surprised too, that it had only taken them 20 minutes to ride into Boyne from Boyne Mt. All these wonderful families came from Clare, Alto, Marshall, Midland, Sterling Heights, Indiana, Ohio, Boyne Falls and Boyne City.

The Charlevoix County Seniors will be taking a trip aboard the County Transit to the Music House in Acme on July 17. Be sure not to miss it. Check out details at your senior center.

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

Classes offered at the American Red Cross

PETOSKEY — The American Red Cross of Northern Lower Michigan, based out of Petoskey, but covering Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet Counties, will be offering a number of health and safety and preparedness classes.

CPR Skills for Adults, Children and Infants: Participants will learn how to perform life saving CPR skills for infants, children, and adults. Class will be held on Tuesday, July 22, from 6 to 10 p.m.

First Aid Skills: Lay responders will obtain the knowledge and skills necessary to give care in an emergency situation, help sustain life and minimize the consequences of injury or sudden illness until medical help arrives. Class will be held on Thursday, July 24, from 6 to 8 p.m.

If you have been previously certified in any of the above skills, but need to recertify your skills, you may be eligible to show your skills in a challenge and recertify without taking a class. Call Tom Ritchie at 231-348-7666 or tomr@arcnlm.org to arrange an appointment for a challenge and allow a 2 hour block of time for completing the appropriate skills.

Blood-borne Pathogens - Preventing Disease Transmission: The class will provide individuals with an understanding of the blood-borne pathogens regulations issued by OSHA, how blood-borne pathogens are spread and how to help prevent exposure incidents by following work practice controls. Classes are offered on Thursday, July 24, from 8 to 10 p.m.

Safe Baby Presentation: This class is intended for parents, grandparents and

friends of the family who have a new family member and wish to learn life-saving skills in case of an emergency. Information will be provided about the type of objects infants choke on and how to prevent the situations from developing among other safety tips. This presentation is free and may be scheduled for a family and friends at their home or at the American Red Cross. The class takes approximately one hour. To arrange a Safe Baby Presentation, please contact Tom Ritchie at 231-348-7666.

Instructor Training Class Scheduled: There will be classes for people who wish to become Red Cross Instructors for CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer and Lay Responder First Aid/CPR/AED Instructor. There are three class meeting dates and one self-study to be completed over the three week period. The class dates are as follows:

• Thursday, July 31, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 • Thursday, August 7, from 1 to 4 p.m.
 • Thursday, August 14, from 1 to 5 p.m.
 Health and Safety classes described above are conducted at the

For classified rates and information call the Citizen Journal at 231-582-6761

GOLF DIRECTORY
DID YOU KNOW?
 (MS) -- One of the primary benefits of golf is the fact that if you forego the golf cart to travel from hole to hole, you're actually walking several miles around the course. Playing 18 holes of golf can involve traversing 3 to 5 miles. And as any avid golfer knows, most courses have a varied topography, meaning you could be climbing uphill and downhill, working several muscles in the process.
 Walking is a low-impact cardiovascular activity that gets the heart pumping. Many doctors advise walking over jogging because it isn't jarring on the knees and feet.
 Some estimates suggest that playing a round of golf and carrying your clubs can burn over 400 calories, while walking with a pull cart can burn over 300 calories. Golf also helps to strengthen hand-eye coordination and balance. It can be a great way for older players to remain spry and active in a low-impact way.

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This summer's Vacation Bible School Theme is "Jerusalem Marketplace" and will be held Aug. 25-29, from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information on our activities and upcoming retreats, visit: www.BoyneCity-CofChrist.com.

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HAPPENINGS

Summer Read at Boyne library

Summer Read is in full swing at the Boyne District Library. For a complete schedule of Summer Read activities check out our website at www.boynelibrary.org. For questions or to register call Stacey Harms at the Boyne District Library at 231-582-7861.

This year's summer reading program "Catch The Reading Bug" will be on Tuesdays from July 8 through Aug. 12.

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The Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District Adult Education Program is now enrolling adults at the Michigan Works! Learning Labs who would like to finish their high school diploma, prepare for the GED, improve basic job skills or learn basic computer and keyboarding skills. Instruction is free of charge. Labs are located in Cadillac, Kalkaska, East Jordan, Petoskey, Traverse City and Manistee. For information about the lab nearest you, call 1-800-442-1074.

Community Band concerts

The Jordan Valley Community Band will present concerts in the park in East Jordan on Thursday nights in July at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 17, the theme will be Sounds of Sousa.

Attention entrepreneurs

Thinking about starting your own business? This two hour "How to Start a New Business" orientation session presented by Wendy Wieland, NLEA/SBTD Business Consultant, will acquaint you with the process and the tools needed to help you begin developing your new business. The session will take place Wednesday, July 23, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the NLEA office in Boyne City.

Library Fun Fair

The third annual

Friends & Family Fun Fair at the Boyne District Library will be Friday, July 25, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Events include a bake sale, used book sale, games and prizes. At 7:30 p.m., the "Up North Fashion Show" begins, with local celebrities and models - a most unique experience. At 8 p.m. the drawing for the winner of the Blue Floral quilt raffle will take place.

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All proceeds benefit "One Book, One Community - Boyne Reads."

Dancin' in the Streets returns

It's that time of year again for Dancin' in the Streets - Boyne's best dance party. Join us July 25 and Aug. 28, from 6 to 8 p.m., and boogie to the sounds of Boyne's own Sun Dogs. Put on your dancing shoes and come on down to South Lake and Main to be part of the fun.

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Garage sale benefit

KorthaseFlinn Insurance & Financial Services will be holding their second annual garage sale Saturday, July 26, with all proceeds going to the Charlevoix County Relay for Life. The sale will be held at the KorthaseFlinn's Boyne City location parking lot, 1150 Boyne Avenue, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a large selection of items to choose from, including clothes, books, videos, toys, household items, and much more.

The 2008 Charlevoix County Relay for Life will be held on Aug. 16 and 17 at Boyne Mountain this year. As a proud corporate team sponsor, KorthaseFlinn will be accepting donations for the Relay on the day of the sale and will be matching all sale monies that are taken in.

For more information regarding the Charlevoix County Relay for Life feel free to contact KorthaseFlinn's Team Captain, Leader Lindsey Malpass-Skop at 231-582 6512.

New-rider bicycle group

Bicycle safety, ride etiquette and experience riding on the road and the Little

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Ride Schedules are posted at the Chamber of Commerce, Bike Fix Cycling Center and North Country Cycle Sport for both this starter group and for more advanced rides on Tuesday and Thursday. For more information call Donna at 231-582-7242.

Backyard wildlife

The Friends of the Jordan presents "Backyard Wildlife" almost every Thursday through the summer. Shirley Vollbach will bring some of the critters who live in the farms and fields around us and let children learn about these animals through stories, facts and hands-on contact. She is a naturalist who has done wildlife rescue and operated a nature center in Tennessee for years. Join her on the porch of the Watershed Center at 11 a.m. to see who she brings with her.

Civil Air Patrol meets

The Gaylord Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol meets every Thursday at 7 p.m., at the Otsego County Airport Terminal Bldg. Inquirees welcome.

Overeaters Anonymous meet

Overeaters Anonymous meets Monday evenings, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the new Alano Club, 509 N. East St. in Boyne City. For information, call Maggie at 231-582-2360.

Food pantry hours

Boyne City Seventh-day Adventist Community Services Center/Food Pantry is open every Monday from 10 a.m. until noon. Call 231-582-0151 for additional information. Emergency service is available.

WEEKLY Health Tips



Biking Safety

Even a low speed fall on a bike can cause serious trauma to the head. Wearing a proper fitting helmet can help prevent injury. Look for a seal of approval from either the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) or the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). The helmet should fit snugly and flat on the head, not tilting forward or backward. Foam sizing pads that come with most helmets can help customize a secure fit. Make sure straps don't block your vision. A white or brightly colored helmet is best. Children should remove helmets when they stop to play as the straps could snag and pose a choking hazard.

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Footloose

The live music at the Charlevoix County senior citizens luncheon on July 9 brought Gordon and Naomi Capelin (foreground) and Dick Dunsmore and Dee McCary (background) onto the dance floor. The music group, The Cousins, performed again this year at the event held at the Harvest Barn church in East Jordan. A large crowd enjoyed socializing while county staff and others served them lunch. Prizes were donated by businesses. The luncheon is an annual event held by the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging.



Photo by B. J. Heltter

The Mickeys to play at Aten Place

Amy and Julie Mickey, born and raised in East Jordan and known from Nashville to Michigan as The Mickeys, will be appearing on stage at Aten Place on Saturday, July 19, at 7:30 p.m. This will be their first engagement at Aten Place, and promises to be a great evening of "up-north" entertainment.

Meeting the Mickeys for the first time is like heading into a 90-mph wind. Passionate, driven and vibrant, Amy and Julie are a compelling musical force. Identical twins, this striking twosome blends Americana, country and folk music, creating a unique acoustic sound with unbeatable vocals.

The Mickeys have accomplished some amazing feats in their career.

They formed the record label (RiverBeat Music), co-produced and recorded two CDs, Finding Our Way and Walk Along, and secured nationwide distribution (Select-O-Hits) for the first record - without any assistance. The sisters co-wrote five of the eleven tracks and performed all vocals on Finding Our Way. Moreover, it's the vocals that shine on this freshman offering; bell-like clarity weaves with shimmering harmonies, creating a magic that is palpable. Finding Our Way was chapter one in the book of dreams for Amy and Julie (maiden name: Mickey). "We both love our music and we love each other," says Amy. "We believe we can do this and do it with integrity."

As with their first CD, Walk Along showcases a wide variety of musical styles from a Celtic

flair to the blues. The first chapter in the Mickeys' book of dreams included a global press and radio campaign in support of Finding Our Way - which resulted in two European tours. Chapter two unfolds with the release of their follow-up album Walk Along. The whirlwind that is the Mickeys rolls on.

Aten Place is located 1/2 mile south of Cherry Hill Road on Old Mackinaw Trail in Boyne Falls. The venue is a ninety-year old oak frame barn with seating for 180, overlooking the Boyne River valley, in the shadow of Boyne

Mountain. All tickets are \$10 at the door. Tickets go on sale at 5 p.m. the day of the concert, with performances beginning at 7:30 p.m. Aten Place is a non-profit endeavor, and no food or beverage is sold on the premises. Many patrons bring snacks and desserts to share at intermission. There is also a new covered picnic pavilion for those who wish to come early and enjoy the grounds and peaceful setting.

For more information on this summer's schedule go to www.atenplace.com or call Bill or Maxine Aten at 231-549-2076.

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OBITUARIES

Forbes Tompkins

Forbes Tompkins, 96, formerly of Traverse City, Boyne City, and Saginaw, passed away at his home in Carlsbad, Calif., on July 3, 2008.

Forbes was born the only child of Benjamin James and Lura (Forbes) Tompkins on August 4, 1911, in Detroit. He grew up in Saginaw and attended Michigan State University. On July 25, 1931, he married his high-school sweetheart, Rosemary Davitt.



While growing up, Forbes was attracted to all things motorized: streetcars, motorbikes, automobiles, airplanes, and ships. Years later, he would relate stories to his grandchildren, with a twinkle in his eye, about running a streetcar himself (under the watchful eye of

the operator) and taking a ride in a biplane without his mother's permission. He knew how to start up a Smith Motor Wheel on a cold winter morning. He often drove his Ford Model-T between Saginaw and Detroit, seeming to delight in the challenges of all kinds of weather and road conditions. He would say, "I remember the time that ..." He also recalled the glory days of an evening spent strolling along blocks of (silent) movie theaters in downtown Detroit.

Forbes' first career was in coal company management in the southeastern Michigan and Toledo areas. Then, in 1949, he moved his family to Traverse City and opened the Western Auto Store at 220 E. Front Street. The store was well known around the local area in the era before "big box" stores. He operated the Western Auto with his wife Rosemary, sons Jim and Pete, and family friend, Adaline Wollam, until selling the store in 1963.

In 1963, Forbes and Rosemary moved to Boyne City. Together, they operated the airport there and Forbes worked as a contract pilot for regional businesses, while he also filled the job of Boyne City's Assessor. Forbes became the City Manager of Boyne City in 1965 and continued in that position for the next twelve years until his retirement in 1977. During his tenure as City Manager, he instituted many major civic improvements, including road paving, removing derelict buildings, establishing a zoning ordinance, a new city dump, a local teen center, a city pension system, upgrading the airport, and tackling the need for a new city water system and an improved sewer system. Forbes Tompkins will be remembered as a decisive leader with a no-nonsense approach to solving problems.

Forbes was preceded in death by his parents and Rosemary, his wife of 58 years. He is survived by his second wife Ruth of Carlsbad, Calif.; his two sons Jim (Ida) Tompkins of Traverse City and Pete (Pat) Tompkins of Burkburnett, Texas; three grandchildren, Mary Ann (George) Galic of Traverse City, John (Barbara) Tompkins of Bangor, Penn., and David Tompkins of Amarillo, Texas; and five great-grandchildren, Cory, Tyler, Jonathan, Ashlyn, and Bay Tompkins. Forbes always fondly remembered his long-time flying buddies George Wollam, Ralph Samuelson, Gene Bailey, Al Lockman, and Joe MacPhillips.

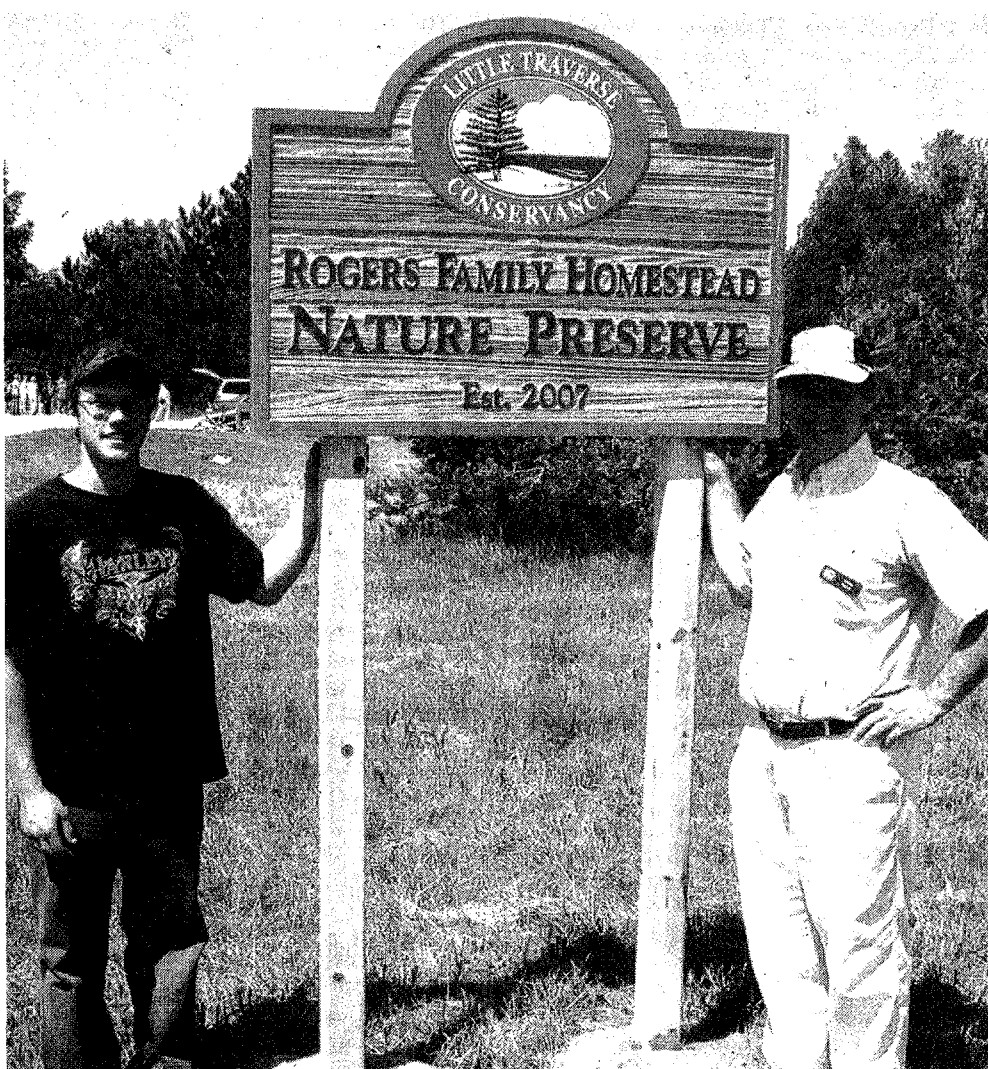
Interment will be with Rosemary at Oakwood Mausoleum in Saginaw.

Rogers Family Homestead Preserve dedicated

With a ribbon-cutting ceremony organized by the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce, Little Traverse Conservancy's new Rogers Family Homestead Nature Preserve near East Jordan was formally dedicated and opened on Thursday, June 26. Fittingly, the ribbon was cut by the matriarch of the Rogers family, 98-year-old Marguerite Stokes. Mrs. Stokes is the granddaughter of Samuel G. Rogers, who homesteaded the property in 1869. Also on hand were Mrs. Stokes' daughter, granddaughter, great-grandchildren, and other relatives representing seven generations of Rogers' descendants associated with the land.

Eighty-six acres of the original homestead with 1.2 miles of Jordan River frontage were generously made available for protection as a Nature Preserve by Marguerite's children, Carolyn (Bill) Ashley and Roger Stokes. LTC acquired the land last fall after a successful fundraising campaign.

This spring, Isaac Lambert, 18, of Ellsworth, approached LTC about completing the requirements of his Eagle Scout project at the Rogers Family Homestead Preserve. The arrangement worked out for both parties and, earlier this week, Isaac put the finishing touches on the construction of a four-car parking lot; fence installation, landscaping and plantings; sign installation; and trail mowing. "Isaac did a



Isaac Lambert of Ellsworth is shown with the Little Traverse Conservancy's Director of Stewardship, Doug Fuller. As part of his Eagle Scout requirements, Isaac made several improvements to the new Rogers Family Homestead Nature Preserve located near East Jordan.

great job on his project, which included design de-

tails, material acquisition (including soliciting donated items) and actual construction which included coordi-

nating troop-mates, friends, relatives, and other community members to help with the work," said Doug Fuller, Director of Stewardship with LTC. "As a result, the Preserve and its trail system are now easily accessible and user-friendly much sooner than we could ever have accomplished on our own." Following the ceremony, attendees hiked on some of the Preserve's trails. The trails access the Jordan River and Bennet Creek, traverse a variety of habitats, and provide a multitude of scenic views of water, forests, hills, and meadows. The preserve is open for public use, except for prohibitions on vehicles, fires, camping, hunting, and vegetation removal. It can be accessed on the south end off of Rogers Road, where the parking lot is located, and at the north end at the intersection of Erie and Echo Streets in the residential neighborhood of East Jordan.

"The Rogers Preserve will be a great asset to the City of East Jordan," stated Mary Faculak, Director of the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce. "It preserves a beautiful natural area on the doorstep of our community and provides a wonderful recreation opportunity within walking distance for East Jordan residents."

For more information about the Rogers Family Homestead Preserve or other nature preserves, please contact LTC at 347-0991 or visit their website at www.land-trust.org.

Charlevoix County future land use plan and recreation plan

Residents, property owners, and other interested individuals are being given the opportunity to comment on components of two plans, the County Future Land Use Plan and the County Recreation Plan, currently under development by the Charlevoix County Planning Commission.

The sections of the Future Land Use Plan on which we are seeking comments are the Vision Statement, the Goals, Objectives and Policies, and the Future Land Use Map.

The sections of the Recreation Plan for which we are seeking input are the Roles of Recreation Providers, and Potential Acqui-

sition and Development of Recreation Facilities by the County.

All of these items can be viewed and commented on by accessing the Charlevoix County website at www.charlevoix-county.org.

The County Planning Commission hopes that the Future Land Use Plan and the Recreation Plan will prove to be useful guides for directing the actions, expenditures and investments by the County, the other governmental entities within the County, as well as private citizens and businesses. Input from a broad spectrum of the public will help ensure that the Future Land Use Plan and the

Recreation Plan represent what is desired for Charlevoix County in the future.

While this is not the only opportunity for public input on the Future Land Use Plan or the Recreation Plan, it gives the County Plan-

ning Commission the opportunity to incorporate thoughts, ideas and concepts put forth by the public early in the process. Our timetable for placing these materials on the website for review and comment are as follows:

Vision Statement and Goals, Objectives & Policies July 10 - July 24;
Future Land Use Map July 14 - July 28;
Recreation Roles, Land Acquisitions and Development July 7 - August 15.

Please take this opportunity to review these items and provide us with your thoughts and ideas. Your input will help ensure that these plans truly reflect the needs and desires of the residents of Charlevoix County.

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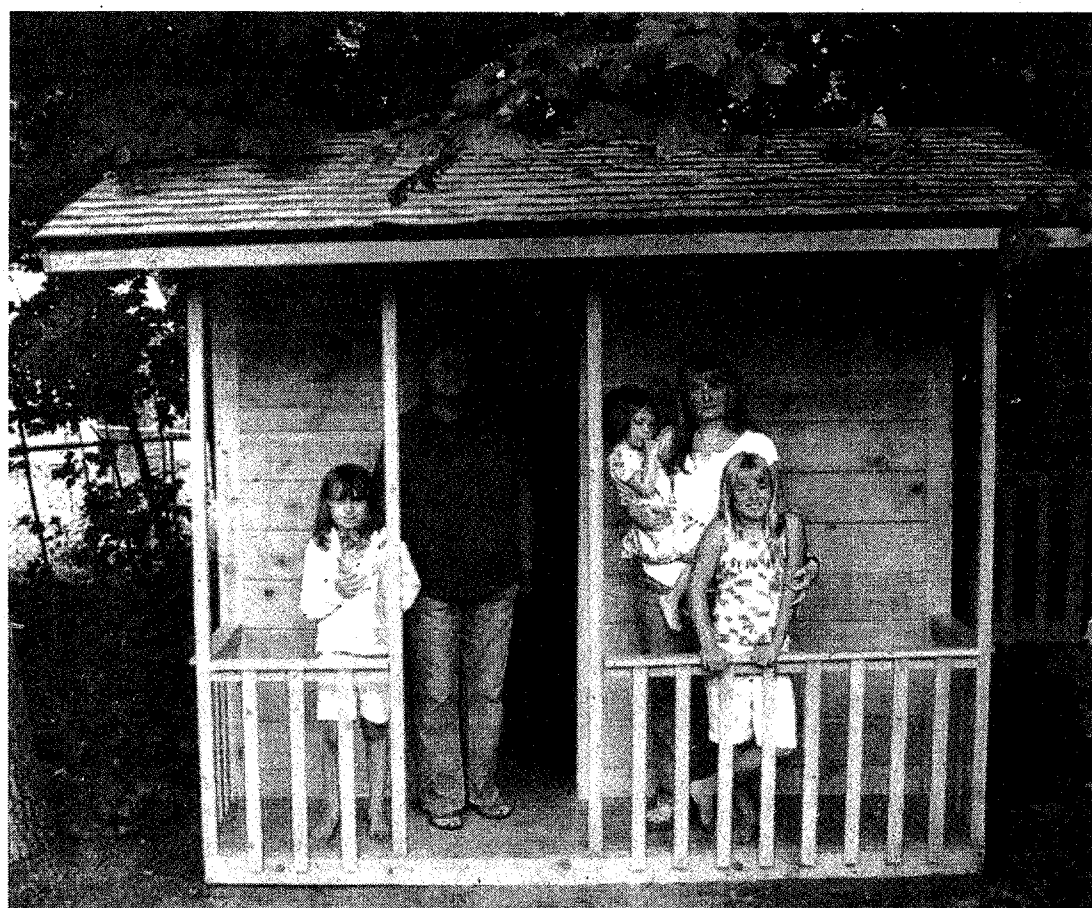
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Playhouse



Winners of the Boyne City Fourth of July playhouse raffle were the Kornoely family. Admiring the new addition to their backyard are (l-r) friend Savannah McGeorge, raffle chairperson Pam Fox, and Anais, Stephanie and Basia Kornoely. The playhouse was constructed with the help of the BCHS Building Trades Class, F.O. Barden, Matelski Lumber, and Woodland Finishing Systems.

Weather brings swimmer's itch to some area lakes

While water quality is generally very good at northern Michigan lakes, local public health officials remind beach goers to protect themselves against contracting swimmer's itch. Swimmer's itch has been reported recently to Health Department offices in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties. Swimmer's itch is caused by a naturally occurring parasite that is carried from lake to lake by droppings from ducks, geese, or other waterfowl. The organisms then move into snails where they mature, eventually coming out to re-infect more waterfowl.

When human swimmers leave the water, any parasites on their skin may burrow into the skin in an effort to survive. The parasites die quickly, but they can trigger an irritating rash, said Joshua Meyerson, MD, Medical Director of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. "Your body reacts to the parasite by forming itchy, red bumps," he said. "Swimmer's itch isn't contagious, but it is very annoying."

To reduce the chances of developing swimmer's itch, briskly dry off with a towel as soon as you come out of the water, including under swimsuits. Where facilities are available, shower immediately after swimming. Swimmer's itch symptoms can appear within minutes or up to a week after swimming in lake water. A small, reddened bump will develop at the entrance site of each parasite,

causing periods of itching that can last for several days. Using calamine lotion, an antihistamine such as Benadryl or corticosteroid cream, cool compresses, baths with baking soda or colloidal oatmeal, such as Aveeno, may control itching.

"The most important thing to do if you do contract swimmer's itch is to try not to scratch. Scratching may cause the rash to become infected. If itching is severe, your health care provider may prescribe lotion or creams to lessen your symptoms," Meyerson said.

Not everyone who is exposed to the parasite will necessarily develop swimmer's itch. "Repeated exposure increases sensitivity to the parasite

and increases the likelihood of swimmer's itch," Meyerson said. Children are often infected with swimmer's itch since they typically wade in and out of the water and play on the beach as water evaporates on their skin.

Most cases of swimmer's itch do not require medical attention. Contact your health care provider when the diagnosis is unclear, complications such as infection are present, or the reaction is intolerable.

Instrumental music returns to Boyne Falls School

After a long hiatus, instrumental music is returning to the Boyne Falls School District. At the June Board of Education meeting, the Board approved the addition of a 6th/7th-grade beginning band to the curriculum.

"The plan for the future is to add a beginning band class each year until there is a full offering of band in grades 6-12," said

newly assigned band director, Lynette Grams. Mrs. Grams' vision for the future of the group includes concerts, community service projects and integrating instrumental music with the math and language arts programs.

Anyone interested in supporting the program by donating a used instrument in good condition is en-

couraged to call the school at 231-549-2211.

Dr. McMillian's Mental Health Corner



Caring About Childhood Obesity: Many reasons. Widespread consensus finds adverse physical and psychological outcomes. In the United States 15.3% of children, meet the criterion for obesity. In Rimm's book, *Rescuing the Emotional Lives of Overweight Children: What Our Kids Go Through—And How we Can Help you will find out about 5,400 middle-grade students who were asked to rate their experiences as an obese youth. The youth told Rimm that they are sad, alone, fearful, and different, or not found cool, happy, funny, or confident by peers. They perceive themselves as less popular, or attractive, worry over everything, less smart, talented, or gifted. They spend more time alone without peers, and have stressful interactions with family and teachers. Rimm's offers "The Six-Step Healthy Rescue Plan" for parents. Try not to judge, set goals, recruit additional support (professional), design a nutritional plan (NOT A DIET), organize an exercise effort (FUN) and celebrate strengths (ALL not just body change results).*

Dr. McMillian 582-0553

Library names new director

The Boyne District Library has selected Cliff Carey as its new Director. Cliff has served as the library's assistant director for the past two years. He came to the Boyne District Library from his position as Director of the Alanson Area Public Library.

Cliff has lived and worked in northern Michigan for 20 years, and is a former radio

personality and business owner. He says that he has always loved books and technology, and that is what contemporary libraries are all about. "Libraries are a community resource now more than ever before," he says. "With the current state of the economy, libraries are able to provide resources for job seekers, up-to-date information for decision-

making, meeting rooms, and a haven where community members can relax." Cliff finds it rewarding to see the amount of use that the library gets on a day-to-day basis. "The citizens of our coverage area have provided us the tools to give them a first-class library experience, and our staff strives to maintain that experience every day," he says.

The Boyne District Library serves Bay, Evangeline, Eveline, and Wilson townships, as well as Boyne City. The library building was constructed in 1918 with funds from Andrew Carnegie, and was expanded and renovated in 2001 with a gift from the Mary Peabody foundation.

The library is open seven days a week.

Governor signs Allen's food bank donation tax credit bill

LANSING – To help stimulate donations to food banks across the state, the governor has signed legislation, sponsored by Sen. Jason Allen, that grants tax credits to individuals making food donations.

"It shouldn't matter if you are writing a check to a food bank or donating food directly to them," said Allen, R-Traverse City. "You should receive a tax credit regardless, just as you do for donations

to other charitable organizations." Michigan taxpayers have been able to receive a credit of up to \$100 (or \$200 for married couples filing joint returns) for cash contributions made to homeless shelters, food kitchens and food banks. Until the Allen reform measure, donations of food items were not tax deductible.

Senate Bill 150, now Public Act 207 of 2008, expands the credit to

include the value of food items donated to these organizations. This option will be available in 2009 when individuals begin filing their returns for the 2008 tax year.

Allen said he was prompted to introduce the measure by a district resident.

"When a constituent brought this matter to my attention, I was quite surprised to learn of this discrepancy in state law," Allen said. "Food banks and

other charitable organizations play an important role, and now we are giving individuals yet another incentive to help their neighbors. I thank the governor for signing a measure that has the potential to help many people."

STUDENT NEWS

Michigan Career and Technical Institute graduates 175 students

The Michigan Career and Technical Institute in Barry County graduated 175 students from throughout the state on Saturday, July 12. Operated by the Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth, MCTI provides vocational training in 12 different career areas for adults with disabilities.

Andrew S. Levin,

deputy director of the Michigan Department of Labor & Growth will be the commencement speaker.

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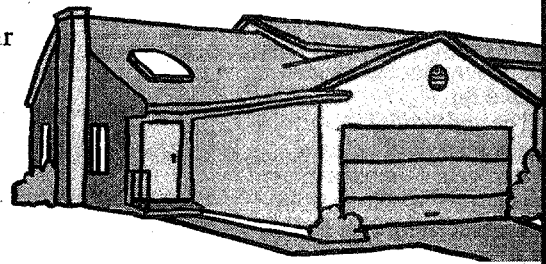
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CHIP SHOT



By Chip Corwin

You can't beat the local beat

I recently read an online article by Pat Jordan on Slate (slate.com) about the trouble with sports journalism today.

Jordan has been a sports writer for over 40 years and has spent much of his career writing for *Sports Illustrated* and other national magazines, where he often did athlete profiles.

Back in the day, as Jordan explained, he could call up any athlete no matter how famous (Mets Hall of Fame pitcher Tom Seaver is the prime example) and the athlete would be happy to talk with Jordan and get the publicity. Seaver even had Jordan over to his house and grilled him steaks.

Back then the writers and athletes realized that sports writing was a two-way street. Writers needed the athletes to talk to them to get stories for their editors, and athletes needed the free publicity to get sponsorship deals and heighten their popularity. And, accordingly, each treated the other with dignity and respect.

Fast forward to 2008 and Jordan is denied an interview with Red Sox All-Star pitcher Josh Beckett. But not by Beckett himself. No, first Jordan has to talk with an agent, who has to talk with a publicist, who wants to know if it's going to be a cover story, who then has to talk to another agent, and on and on.

The end result is that Jordan, a respected veteran writer, gets a one-sentence denial from someone somehow associated with Beckett.

That's a big difference from showing up at the team hotel, going down to the pool and setting up an interview with Oakland A's pitcher Catfish Hunter in person on the spot, as Jordan once did in the '70s. The problem now, as Jordan sees it, is that professional athletes are celebrities with the huge bankrolls to prove it. (Back in Jordan's heyday, athletes and writers made comparable salaries. With Tiger Woods worth nearly a billion dollars, I can safely say that's no longer the case.)

Today, athletes not only don't need magazine writers for publicity (who needs magazines when there's ESPN?), many athletes also don't feel the need to treat writers with any respect.

Thus, writers are reduced to writing, as Jordan puts it, "inconsequential puff pieces to satisfy those stars' publicists, or else the publicists will withhold their other clients from that magazine."

This, in turn, breeds contempt among writers and leads them to publish "gotcha" moments or to cherry-pick quotes that might embarrass the athletes. It's kind of how political campaigns treat one another.

Luckily, I really don't have any of these problems covering high school sports.

Sure, sometimes I experience a bit of a trickle-down effect of the kind of media culture that Jordan describes. But on the

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Hertel building balance of experience, youth with Ramblers

By GREG GIELCZYK
SPORTS WRITER

BOYNE CITY — More emphasis has been placed on working with the Boyne City freshmen boys basketball players this summer.

It's been the most comprehensive summer ever for the younger players in coach John Hertel's third season.

"This has definitely been our most extensive (summer) program we've had since I've been here," Hertel said.

"Basically, the last two years we have done a really good job with our varsity and junior varsity."

"We had a more extensive program this summer, doing more things, which I think will help us."

Hertel expects to have seven players who'll be seniors this season coming back.

Developing that mix of experienced and younger players has been Hertel's goal since he took over the reins of the program.

"You want to have a solid senior class, but you don't want to lose everything coming back," Hertel said.

"That's a big reason we wanted to do more with the freshmen this summer. We want to get better."

"We want to be one of the top teams in our league (Lake Michigan Conference), and we've prepared to do that."

"I'm really happy with the turnout we had overall. The biggest thing is we really one of the most comprehensive freshmen camps ever this year."



Freshman coach Tom Neidhamer (left) and varsity player Tom Halstead, along with other high school players, demonstrate shooting technique.

Hertel took the players down to Albion College for a team camp.

"It's nice for the kids to be exposed to a college environment," Hertel said. "To be on a college

campus I think was a neat experience." Responding to concerns about

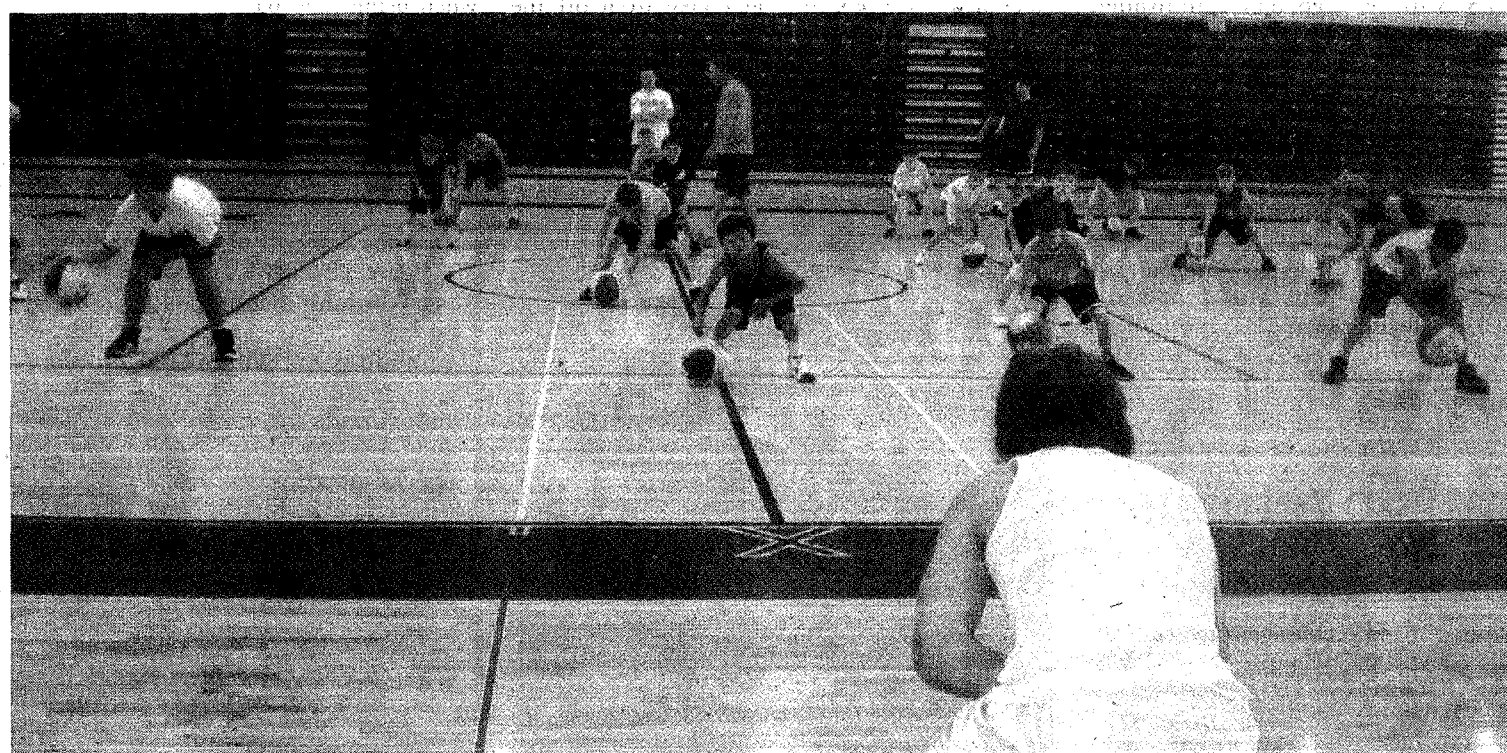
too much emphasis being placed on summer basketball scrimmages, the Michigan High School Athletic Association instituted a "dead period" for the summer when coaches can not have any contact with their players.

That goes for ALL sports. Each individual coach can determine that period, but has to be strictly observed.

Some coaches have already completed their summer activities, and won't meet with their players as a group until practice officially begins.

Others haven't had their summer camps, preferring to schedule them as close to the start of school as possible.

Boyne City is especially excited about this coming season because the Ramblers are hosting the district tournament this year.



Varsity player Nick Young leads the campers in the Rambler ball handling workout.

5k fight and flight

Distance runners are quite nuts in the minds of most sprinters, who see the world in lanes and left turns instead of mile markers and wrist watches. There is common ground, of course, where those who run half-miles live a confused existence. Running the line between distance and sprints has caused such versatile athletes to form their own group at track practice.

The mid-distance group trains for battle in both worlds, forming a curious club of distance runners with speed, or sprinters with endurance.

Perhaps a veteran of the 800 meters would be in better shape to write this column, voicing a balanced point of view between those who maneuver for minutes and those who scrap for seconds.

My gas tank hits empty after 400 meters, however, so please excuse my ignorance to the strange and frightening world of five-kilometer foot races.

Though very aware of my genetic limitations, I was recently coaxed into competing in the Meijer Festival of Races' 5K during the National Cherry Festival. I saw the 3.1-mile run as an opportunity to experience another culture, like traveling to a foreign country where nothing makes sense. Sort of like France.

Before I knew it, I found myself surrounded by a mob of oddly-dressed runners crammed behind the start

line at Northwestern Michigan College. All the old pre-race habits — warm-up routines and nervous twitches that developed during a 10-year career in track and field — returned to me in the moments before the start.

And for a brief moment as I closed my eyes, I deceived myself into thinking I could win, visualizing the final dash for the finish line as I powered past the lead runner in perfect sprinting form.

What follows is a brief conversation between the body and mind of a sprinter as he wakes up in the strange foreign land of distance.

"Wait, what's going on?" Mind said. "You can't start a race with an air horn!"

"I don't know, but these people are starting to move forward and nobody's stopping them," said Body as he began taking small steps, following the herd. "You're usually a bit more on top of things when it comes to the start of races. What gives?"

"Just move!" yelled Mind. "There's a hole opening on the left and we need to catch up with the lead runners if we're going to have a shot at this thing."

"Are you sure you're up for this?" questioned Body. "You're the one that always thinks too much and slows us down. It's a long time for you to stay quiet and let me work."

"I'm up for anything!" mind

shouted back. "Haven't you heard that saying, 'The mind is willing but the flesh is weak'?"

"Very clever," Body said, accelerating through an opening in the crowd.

Hundreds of rhythmic beats filled the air as shoes hit the asphalt during a crowded first mile. My starting line vision of victory was quickly abandoned as the lead pack disappeared and the field spread out as it snaked through city streets.

"Are we planning to run on our toes the entire three miles?" Mind asked, with two miles to go.

"We've always run on our toes," Body said. "I'm not going to change the way I run just because you sold out and entered us in a distance race."

"Somebody's getting tired," Mind said. "You better have an astonishing last mile because this pace just won't do."

"I'm on it," Body said. "A little quiet support wouldn't hurt."

By the time I reached Front Street in the final mile, my mind and body were shouting profanities back and forth, but managed to pull things together as a crowd of spectators lined the course and cheered.

"What if the girl we like is somewhere in that crowd?" Mind said. "Quit letting spit fly out when you breathe and get the arms under control!"

"Are you suffering from oxygen deprivation?" shouted Body, doing his best to surge forward. "We're so

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SLOW PITCH

Monday, July 7

Game 1: Main St. Hair Cottage vs Murrays. Main St. won 20-5, mercy in the 4th. From Main St. was Shaina Peters with an in-the-park home run and a triple. Cassy Crick had a triple.

Game 2: Marty's vs. Lester's. Lester's won 14-1, mercy in the 5th.

From Lester's was Jamie Shiers with two triples and a single. Amanda Bargas with an in-the-park home run, 2 singles, and 3 RBIs. Treana Fiel had 2 singles. Claudie Baugh had 3 singles and 2 RBIs. Amy Smith had a double, single, and 3 RBIs. Ashley Mauchmar had 2 singles. From Marty's Laurie Graham had a double.

Game 3: Boh Welding vs Leposkey Builders. Boh won 24-11, mercy in the 6th.

From Boh was Shannon Crawford with 2 singles and 3 RBIs. Dawn Bess had 2 singles and 3 RBIs. Robin Sommer had 2 in-the-park home runs and a single. Michele Hinkle had 2 singles. Amy Speagle hit an in-the-park home run. Jen Aenis had 2 dou-

bles, 2 singles, and 6 RBIs. Vikki Seger had 3 singles, a double, and 3 RBIs. Rachael Smith had 2 singles. Mary Johnson had a triple, single and an in-the-park home run and 3 RBIs. Jessica Nagel had 3 singles.

From Leposkey was Melissa Sheldon with 2 singles. Melinda Potter had an in-the-park grand slam.

Thursday, July 10

Game 1: Main Street Hair Cottage vs. Hellebuyck. Main St won 10-0, mercy in the 5th.

From Main St. was Heather Rubin with a triple.

Game 2: Lesters vs Ralph Laposkey Builders. Lesters won 16-3, mercy in the 6th.

From Lesters was Amelia Nicolson with 2 singles. Kelly Woodard with 2 singles and a double. Amanda Bargas with 3 singles. Trena Fiel had a triple, an in-the-park home run, and 4 RBIs. Charina Norton had 2 singles and an in-the-park home run. Ashley Mauchmar had 2 singles.

From Ralph Laposkey was Robyn Bruce with a double and a single.

Favre and Barry don't know how to quit

By PAT CAPUTO
OF THE OAKLAND PRESS

Brett Favre and Barry Sanders handled retirement from football much differently.

Sanders faxed an ambiguous statement to a Wichita newspaper before boarding a plane bound for London. The next few days, he was only seen in far away pictures wheeling a suitcase behind him at the airport, expressionless look upon his face.

Favre held a lengthy press conference as crocodile tears streamed down his mug. He claimed he had nothing more to give.

Sanders left after a frustrating 5-11 season with the Lions' future appearing as bleak as their dismal past.

Favre departed after coming one game shy of reaching the Super Bowl for the third time, and following a season reminiscent of the Packers' glorious history.

Sanders wouldn't return messages left by his own father, the irascible William, let alone then-Lions coach Bobby Ross.

General manager Ted Thompson reportedly returned a text message from Favre saying he was "on vacation" and to "call him next week."

Sanders' retirement announcement — if it can be called that — came on the eve of training camp, leaving the Lions high and dry.

Favre's announcement he is unretiring — if it can be called that — came within a few weeks of the start of training camp, leaving the team in a quandary because the Packers have made it clear they want Aaron Rodgers — not Favre — to be their starting quarterback for the 2008 season.

The only thing Sanders and Favre have in common when it comes to retirement is that neither knows how or when to leave without soiling their reputations.

Sanders was adored in Detroit. Nearly a decade later, he isn't necessarily anymore,

despite some effort on his behalf since to mend fences. He never really paid the price to be a champion, nor returned the love to fans in a tangible way. It's become as much a part of his legacy as spellbinding runs.

In the end, Barry was all about Barry — and everyone knew it. He was exposed.

Favre is adored in Green Bay. He was willing to pay the price to be a champion and has returned the love to the fans.

In the end, though, Brett was all about Brett — just like Sanders. He, too, has been exposed.

So Favre's legacy has been tarnished. He's not aloof like Sanders. He wears his emotions on his sleeve. As such, Favre cuts a more sympathetic figure — kind of like football's version of Joan Of Arc at the stake. He has, nonetheless, left the Packers in a difficult situation.

Favre's retirement just didn't make sense. He has had a career that rivals any quarterback to ever play in the NFL, yet he was walking away after a disappointing NFC championship game with the Packers as a prohibitive favorite to return this season.

There was no sign Favre is slowing down. Last season, if anything, jump-started what had been a flagging career.

It makes you wonder if Favre just craves attention. He has been down this road many times before, annually leaving the Packers in the lurch about whether he was going to return.

The difference this time is he made it official.

Then it became a nationwide Brett Favre festival. On ESPN. On The NFL Network. All they did for a week or so were retrospectives on his career.

Once that was over, it was done. Favre was gone. And quickly forgotten. By fans. Certainly by the Packers, who drafted Rodgers No. 1 a few years back, and were impressed by how he played last season in relief of Favre at Dallas, which happened to be

Favre's personal house of pain.

It's as if Favre's ego couldn't take it. When Favre started making noise again last week that he is "itching" to return three months after retiring, he was back in the spotlight again.

He reportedly is insulted the Packers haven't welcomed him with open arms. He was story No. 1 again on SportsCenter.

It's difficult to tell who Favre most resembles, soap opera actress Susan Lucci or former Pistons coach Larry Brown. The likely answer is a combination of both. He certainly seems to enjoy melodrama, doesn't he? Obviously, he prefers that to offseason workouts.

The Packers won't release him. They might trade him. Of course, the Bears and Vikings — the Packers' real NFC North rivals — are mentioned as teams that might be interested in Favre, not Detroit, which tells you exactly how little respect the Lions get when it comes to being a real player in the NFL.

Favre would be perfect for the Lions. Selling season tickets would no longer be a problem. The Lions would have a face for the franchise. They might even win more games. Instead, they are saddled with Jon Kitna, who is the ultimate Brett Favre wannabe.

Then again, it might serve Favre right to spend his final year or years with the Lions. If the Packers really want to get back at The Drama King, all Thompson has to do is call Matt Millen in Allen Park. He just has to make sure it is between Monday and the Thursday night flight to Philly.

Then Brett might understand why Barry retired the way he did.

And just how good he's had it all those years in Green Bay.

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Chip Shot

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whole, my experiences as a sports writer and editor are a lot similar to Jordan's in the '70s and not of his today.

Most coaches and school athletic departments are proactive and work to develop good relationships with the paper and our writers, which generally leads to better coverage. That's not because we favor a team, but simply because the coach is great at communicating with the

paper, and as a result we actually have the information to print.

And as far as athletes go, I've yet to run into a high school athlete who told me to talk to his or her agent or publicist.

If you ask me, that's the way it should be. Hopefully, it stays that way.

Contact Chip Corwin at ccorwin@michigan-newspapers.com with comments that may be used in an upcoming column.

Rhyme

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far back from the lead that we could start walking and nobody would care."

"These people have been yelling that we're almost done for the past five minutes," Mind said. "They lie, all of them!"

As the course took its final turn and the finish line banner came into view, everything went blank inside. The crowd, the brick street and other runners became blurry as I picked up speed over the last 150 meters, returning to the familiar world of sprinting I should have never left.

"Where did that come from?" Mind asked, surprised and angry. "You've been throwing a fit, saying

you're too tired, and now you're able to sprint?"

"Well, you finally shut your mouth so I could get to work," Body answered. "Thought kills action, you know."

My brief visit to the world of distance was enlightening (humbling), and I can sympathize with those who endure miles for a sense of accomplishment, but I must remain in the sprinters' camp. However, as there are no sprint competitions in the area, and the lure of competition is enough, I'm headed for Alden's 5K July 26. At least the last 150 meters will be fun.

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DNR WEEKLY FISHING REPORT

Northwest Lower Peninsula

Elk Lake - Boat anglers are trolling for trout from the Narrows to north of the Whitewater Park and over to Spencer Bay. Try 60 to 140 feet of water while using spoons or rapalas. For bass, try the backwaters near Kewadin, where all the stumps are and the shoreline between Kewadin and Spencer Bay. Try tube baits, crank baits or spinners in 5 to 25 feet of water. A few perch were taken in 8 to 12 feet of water south of the Whitewater County Park.

Skegemog Lake

The bass are still hitting on the east side of the lake near the mouth of the Torch River and on the west side between the public access site and the Narrows. A few pike were also caught. Rock bass have been caught all over the lake when using spinners or crawlers in 5 to 20 feet of water and bluegills are hitting on crawlers. **Big Glen Lake** - Perch are still the favorite and can be found on the east end of the lake near the ski area. The mayflies are finally gone and the trout are hungry. Anglers have once again

caught several lake trout and rainbow trout when trolling in 50 to 100 feet of water. The lake trout are hitting on green and black spoons and the rainbow trout on silver rapalas.

Little Glen Lake - Perch anglers are doing well on the west end of the lake.

Fisher Lake - Has good bluegill fishing.

Frankfort - Fish have been caught from the pier heads to Point Betsie and down near the Herring Hole. Some nice chinook salmon have come from waters 30 feet deep to waters over 200 feet deep. Those trolling 12 to 17 miles

out have caught steelhead. A couple small salmon were caught off the pier. Blue and orange have been good colors.

Onkama - Fishing was decent off the Shelf and up near the Barrel. Chinook, lake trout, brown trout and steelhead have been caught in 130 to 200 feet of water. Look for the temperature breaks. Good colors have been blue and orange spoons and a white on white flasher/fly combination.

Portage Lake - Bass anglers are catching good numbers of fish along the south shore. Big bluegills can be

found in waters 15 to 20 feet deep. Boat anglers trolling in the afternoon have caught small walleye and those trolling after dark are catching a mix of walleye and pike. Lots of small perch and rock bass have also been caught.

Manistee - Anglers are catching chinook and lake trout off the Shelf in 100 to 175 feet of water. Good colors are green and blue.

Hamlin Lake - Fishing has slowed due to the mayfly hatch. Anglers targeting bluegills are having a tough time finding fish willing to bite. Those fishing the North, Middle

and South Bayou's have caught some fish using wax worms or a piece of crawler but the better action seems to be up around Wilson Hill Park and the Boy Scout Camp in 8 to 12 feet of water. Small-mouth bass were caught in 10 to 15 feet of water on Lower Hamlin's east side when using tube baits near the bottom.

Ludington - Good catches of chinook and lake trout have come in 80 to 160 feet of water off the Point. Some bigger salmon in the 15 to 20 pound class have also been caught. An 18 pound steelhead also came in.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS:

This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tyson Potter, A Single Person and Brittny Hanson, A Single Person, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 28, 2004, and recorded on November 2, 2004 in Liber 647 on Page 417, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Two And 96/100 Dollars (\$87,272.96), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on August 15, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix

County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning on the South line of Section 36, Town 32 North, Range 6 West, 1650.80 feet West of the Southeast corner of said Section; Thence West along said section line 330.16 feet; Thence North 0 degrees 44 minutes East 1321.00 feet; Thence East 329.78 feet; Thence South 0 degrees 43 minutes West 1321.00 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 36.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 16, 2008

For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1309 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #211331F01

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by ANDREA M. SMITH and LUKE W. SMITH, WIFE AND HUSBAND, to Mortgage Electronic Registration

Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns., Mortgagee, dated March 19, 2004, and recorded on March 29, 2004, in Liber 604, on Page 829, and assigned by said mortgage to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, as assigned, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Nine Thousand Twelve Dollars and Five Cents (\$99,012.05), including interest at 6.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on August 8, 2008. Said premises are located in Charlevoix County, Michigan and are described as: TOWNSHIP OF HUDSON, COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX, STATE OF MICHIGAN, THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE EAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 2, 2008

THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450 Southfield, MI 48075

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by KELLY JO SMITH f/k/a KELLY JO DRAPEAU, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 9, 2007, and recorded on July 20, 2007, in Liber 811, on Page 723, and assigned by said mortgage to US BANK, NA, as assigned, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars and Nineteen Cents (\$155,427.19), including interest at 7.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Main Lobby of the

Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix, Michigan at 11:00 AM o'clock, on August 1, 2008

Said premises are situated in Charlevoix County, Michigan and described as:

LOTS 10 AND 11, BLOCK 1, BOWEN'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH LAKE, NOW CITY OF EAST JORDAN, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF; SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS, RESERVATIONS AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD OR PRESENTLY IN USE UPON SAID PROPERTY.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 25, 2008

US BANK, NA Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C. 23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450 Southfield, MI 48075

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be

limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James W Stradling III, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 14, 2006, and recorded on June 27, 2006 in Liber 753 on Page 415, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Four And 21/100 Dollars (\$14,704.21), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 25, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 36, 37 and 38- Collins and Cranes Addition to the City of Boyne City according to the plat thereof as recorded in liber 1, page 77 of plats, Charlevoix County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the

date of such sale.

Dated: June 25, 2008

For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #209087F01

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Victor Willis Wiser, Married, Julie Wiser, Married, original mortgagor(s), to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 23, 2003, and recorded on September 8, 2003 in Liber 569 on Page 717, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Six Hundred Six And 96/100 Dollars (\$51,606.96), including interest at 4.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mort-

gage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on August 1, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing on the South line of State Street 308 Feet Northwesterly from where the South line of State Street intersects the East line of Section 23, Thence Northwesterly along State Street 70 Feet, Thence Northwesterly at Right Angles to State Street 143 Feet, Thence Southeasterly parallel to State Street 70 Feet, Thence Northeasterly at right angles to State Street 143 feet to Place of Beginning, being a Part of Government Lot 3, Section 23, Township 32 North, Range 7 West. Subject to Easements, Restrictions and Reservations of Record, if any

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 2, 2008

For more information, please call: FC S 248.593.1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #209369F01

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Home Finance LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Two and 90/100 Dollars (\$112,472.90) including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the main lobby of Charlevoix County Courthouse in Charlevoix in Charlevoix County, Michigan at 11:00 a.m. on JULY 25, 2008.

Said premises are located in the City of Boyne

City, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning 22 rods East of the Southeast corner of Lot 44 of Beardsley's Second Addition to the Village of Boyne; thence East, parallel with the North line of street or State Road, 3 rods; thence North 8 rods; thence West 3 rods; thence South 8 rods to the place of beginning; being a part of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 35, Town 33 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: June 25, 2008

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 File No. 310.2860

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Basil Kehoe and Therese S. Kehoe, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 23, 2004, and recorded on October 28, 2004 in Liber 646 on Page 127, and assigned by said Mortgagee to LaSalle Bank National Association, trustee for LEHMAN BROTHERS-STRUCTURED ASSET INVESTMENT LOAN TRUST SAIL 2004-11 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Nineteen And 14/100 Dollars (\$251,919.14), including interest at 9.99% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 25, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 50 Feet of Lot 7, J. Milo Eaton's Addition to the City of Charlevoix, According to the Plat as Recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Charlevoix County

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 25, 2008

For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #162035F02

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ralph D Lemieur, and Bonnie L Lemieur, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 26, 2004, and recorded on July 9, 2004 in Liber 625 on Page 014, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mort-

gage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Four And 64/100 Dollars (\$86,204.64), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on August 8, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 10 and 11, Block 4, Nettleton's Addition to the Village of South Arm, Now City of East Jordan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 9, 2008

For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #210276F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Patricia A. Lounsbury and Kevin J. Lounsbury, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated January 14, 2005, and recorded on January 21, 2005 in Liber 663 on Page 812, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Nine And 94/100 Dollars (\$242,839.94), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on August 15, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: That part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 lying Southeasterly of Pleasant Valley Road, Section 15, Township 32 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 16, 2008

For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1309 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #210775F01

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael T. McGeorge, a single man, to Homestead Mortgage Company, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 24, 1998 and recorded March 31, 1998 in Liber 334, Page 550, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-One and 82/100 Dollars (\$57,481.82) including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on August 8, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 10 and 11, Block 4, Nettleton's Addition to the Village of South Arm, Now City of East Jordan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 2, 2008

For more information, please call: FC C 248.593.1301 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #199075F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael T. McGeorge, a single man, to Homestead Mortgage Company, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 24, 1998 and recorded March 31, 1998 in Liber 334, Page 550, Charlevoix County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-One and 82/100 Dollars (\$57,481.82) including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on August 15, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wilson, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: That part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 lying Southeasterly of Pleasant Valley Road, Section 15, Township 32 North, Range 6 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 16, 2008

For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1309 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #211101F01

Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the intersection of the East and West quarter line with the West eighth line of Section 24, Town 32 North, Range 7 West; thence running West 440 feet to intersection of Elm Street and Mill Street so called in the incorporated City of East Jordan; thence running South along the center line of Elm Street so called 673 feet; thence running East 33 feet to place of beginning, the same being the Northwest corner of Lot Number 28 of the unrecorded plat of Bowns Third Addition to the City of East Jordan, Michigan; thence running East 120 feet; thence South 100 feet; thence West 120 feet; thence North 100 feet to place of beginning. Also, a part of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 24, Town 32 North, Range 7 West, described as follows: commencing at a point 160 feet North of the intersection of the East line of Elm Street with the North line of State Street; thence East 120 feet; thence South 120 feet; thence North 120 feet parallel with the North line of State Street 100 feet; thence North 160 feet; thence Northwesterly parallel with the North line of State Street 60 feet to the place of beginning; being known as Lots 28 and 29 of Block B of unrecorded Bowns Third Addition to the Village of East Jordan. Also, a part of the Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter of Section 24, Town 32 North, Range 7 West described as follows: commencing at a point 160 feet North of the intersection of the East line of Elm Street with the North line of State Street; thence in a Southeasterly direction parallel with the North line of State Street 60 feet; thence South 160 feet; thence in a Northwesterly direction parallel with the North line of State Street 60 feet; thence North 160 feet to place of beginning; being known as Lot 30 of Block B of the unrecorded plat of Bowns Third Addition to the City of East Jordan. Also being described as: commencing at a point on the East line of Elm Street 260 feet North of the intersection of the East line of Elm Street with the Northernly line of State Street; East 120 feet; thence South 370 feet; thence Northwesterly parallel with the Northernly line of State Street 160 feet; thence North 260 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 24, Town 32 North, Range 7 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 16, 2008

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 280.5403

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James W. Ploe, A Single Person and Stacy M. Legato, A Single Person, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated September 3, 2004, and recorded on September 16, 2004 in Liber 636 on Page 745, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Two And 95/100 Dollars (\$97,762.95), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on August 15, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of East Jordan, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 10, Block 20, Nicholl's Second Addition to the Village of South Lake, Now City of East Jordan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 43, Charlevoix County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 16, 2008

For more information, please call: FC D 248.593.1309 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #211101F01

WILSON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW

The Wilson Township Board of Review will meet on Tuesday, July 22, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. to correct clerical errors and mutual mistakes of fact, also principal residence and qualified agricultural exemptions. Written requests should be addressed to the Wilson Township Assessor, 03060 North BC-EJ Road, Boyne City, MI 49712, and must be received prior to July 18, 2008.

Marilyn L. Beebe
Wilson Township Clerk

COMBINED NOTICE NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

Date published: July 16, 2008

Applicant: Boyne City
319 N. Lake St.
Boyne City MI 49712
231-582-6597

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS: On or about August 1, 2008, the above named City will request the State of Michigan to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for the following project:

Title: Boyne City Vibrant Small Cities Initiative Project
Projects: Downtown facade improvements (8)
Blight removal at 17 N. Park St.
Purpose: To stimulate private investments, encourage new businesses to open, eliminate blight, create an energized community
Location: City of Boyne City, Charlevoix County, Michigan
Estimated Cost of Downtown facade improvements:
CDBG funding: \$167,464
Private: \$170,000
Estimated Cost of blight removal:
CDBG funding \$24,667
City's match: \$25,333

Finding of No Significant Impact
It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly, the above-named City has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190).

The reason for such decision not to prepare an EIS is as follows:
1.) The project is consistent with local zoning and master plan.
2.) The project will benefit the overall quality of the human and natural environment.
3.) The project will be consistent with all federal, state and local regulations.

An Environmental Review Record respecting the proposed project has been made by the above-named City which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why an EIS is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file and is available for public examination and copying. Contact City Clerk Cindy Grice (231-582-6597). No further environmental review of such project is proposed to be conducted prior to the request for release of federal funds.

Public Comments of Findings
All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City to the office of the City Manager on or before July 31, 2008. All comments so received will be considered and the City will not request the release of federal funds or take any administrative action on the proposed project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

Release of Funds
The City of Boyne City will undertake the project described above with Community Development Block Funds from the State of Michigan under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Boyne City is certifying to the State of Michigan that the City of Boyne City and Michael Cain, Certifying Officer, in his capacity as City Manager, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Boyne City may use the Block Grant funds and the State will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Objections to the State Release of Funds
The State of Michigan will accept an objection to its approval only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the certifying officer or other officer of applicant approved by the State of Michigan; or (b) that applicant's environmental review record for the project indicated omission of a required decision, finding or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process. Objections must be prepared and submitted to the State of Michigan, Michigan State Housing Development Authority, CAtTeam, 735 E. Michigan Ave., PO Box 30044, Lansing MI 48909.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the state. No objection received after August 19, 2008, will be considered by the state.

Michael Cain, City Manager
Certifying Officer
319 N. Lake St.
Boyne City MI 49712

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Christopher F. Bidigare, married, original mortgagor(s), to First Franklin a division of Nat. City Bank of IN, Mortgagee, dated April 6, 2005, and recorded on April 14, 2005 in Liber 676 on Page 720, in Charlevoix county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, in trust for the benefit of the certificateholders, Mortgage Asset Securitization Transactions, Inc., First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-FF7 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twelve And 35/100 Dollars (\$138,512.35), including interest at 10.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Charlevoix County, at 11:00 AM, on July 25, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Eveline, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9 of Heinenman's Addition to the Village of Ironton, Charlevoix County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, Charlevoix County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 25, 2008

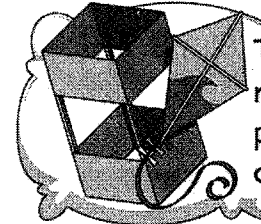
For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #140409F03

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Women On Wheels



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Over 350 female motorcyclists visited northern Michigan last week. The group, named Women On Wheels, was founded in California in 1982 with the purpose of uniting all women motorcycle enthusiasts, whether they ride their own machine, are motorcycle passengers, enthusiasts or future motorcyclists. A police escort led the ride from Boyne Mountain Resort to East Jordan, where they attended a Welcome Reception.

Hands-on learning

EAST JORDAN — A summer evening of celebration is being planned to honor Raven Hill Discovery Center. For the past seventeen years Raven Hill Discovery Center has been providing life-long connections for children and adults that link science, history and the arts in a hands-on learning environment.

Summer Magic 2008: "Special Places" will take place on the grounds of Raven Hill on Friday, July 18. At 7 p.m. the festivities begin (\$20 per person - reservations encouraged) in air-conditioned comfort. Guests are invited to explore indoor and outdoor exhibits and enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres, demonstrations of hot

glass beads, live music with the Sweetwoods Recorder Ensemble, a silent auction and after dark, a viewing of Jupiter and its moons.

For those who want a more family oriented event, the Earth Journey Walk will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, July 18. This fund-raising walk will allow participants to journey through all the

exhibits at Raven Hill at their leisure and raise money to support Raven Hill at the same time.

Of special interest will be the newly expanding outdoor exhibits, including the Alternative Energy House and the Tree House. The Energy House is totally off-grid and illustrates alternative energy and

energy conservation, including ways to make everyone's home more energy efficient. The Tree House perches in the woods and is eight feet above the ground. Six panels have been designed by area schools and artists to connect science and art.

Guests are also invited to Explore Jurassic Park, wander through

six civilizations of the Ancient World, go back in time to the one-room schoolhouse, quiet minds in the Labyrinth, discover nature's creations in the trees along the Taxi Trail, interact with hundreds of hands-on museum exhibits and pet or hold exotic animals. More than 120,000 visitors have experienced the mu-

seum and outdoor exhibits on the grounds at Raven Hill Discovery Center since 1992.

Located between East Jordan and Boyne City, Raven Hill Discovery Center is surrounded by forests, fields, swamps and ponds in a rural setting of more than 150 acres. It is adjacent to Little Traverse Conservancy's Raven Ridge Na-

ture Preserve. Open seven days a week from Memorial Day through Labor Day, Raven Hill Discovery Center is also open all year on weekends and always by appointment.

For additional information or to purchase tickets contact: 231-536-3369 or www.ravenhilldiscovery-center.org.

DC SENIOR CENTER

Join the Boyne Area Senior Center this week for activities and lunch, served at noon.

Wednesday, July 16, line dancing will begin at 10 a.m. The lunch menu is corn dogs, chili, corn and applesauce.

Thursday, July 17, it is birthday day at the BASC. Roger will setup with his keyboard about 11 a.m. Crunchy drummies, cheesy potato, broccoli salad and pears will be served. Bingo will follow lunch.

Friday, July 18, music with the Tag-a-longs will begin at 11 a.m. Cod amandine, potato salad, winter-blend vegetables and bananas is the planned menu.

Monday, July 21, Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, Capri-blend vegetables and lemon pudding with a cookie will be served. Bingo follows lunch on Monday.

Tuesday, July 22, the computer class starts at 11 a.m. A full salad bar, homemade soup and make our own sandwich is planned for noon. If you receive a home delivered meal enjoy baked chicken sandwich, Brussels sprouts, bean salad and fresh fruit.

Wednesday, July 23, line dancing at the senior center begins at 10 a.m. Planned for lunch is cheese meatball, squash, European-blend vegetables and mandarin oranges.

The suggested donation for lunch if you are 60 or over is \$2, or \$4 if you are under 60. For more information regarding the senior center call 231-582-6682. The contact number for the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging is 231-237-0103. If you live out of the calling area call the toll free number 866-428-5185.

EJ SENIOR CENTER

The East Jordan Senior Center reopened on Monday, July 7. Music was provided by the Jordan Valley Duo, and there were about 50 people for lunch. There were many comments on how nice the building looked and how good the food was.

Monday, July 14, The Merry Musicals will be singing at 11 a.m. Lunch will be veal with stuffing, green bean casserole, tossed salad and apricots.

Tuesday, July 15, line dancing begins the day at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be soup and salad bar, followed by bingo after lunch. A paint class begins at 1 p.m.

Wednesday, July 16, there will be a meal certificate drawing. Corn dogs, chili, corn and applesauce are on the lunch menu.

Thursday, July 17, crunchy drummies, cheesy potato, broccoli salad and pears will be served.

Friday, July 18, bingo follows lunch. The menu is cod amandine, potato salad, winter-blend vegetables and bananas.

Monday, July 21, Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, Capri-blend vegetables, lemon pudding with a cookie will be served.

Tuesday, July 22, soup and salad bar are on the menu.

Wednesday, July 23, the menu includes cheesy meatball, squash, European-blend vegetables, and mandarin oranges.

Everyone is welcome to the East Jordan Senior Center. Enjoy lunch for a \$2 donation if you are age 60 or over; \$4 if you are under age 60. The menu is subject to change so please feel free to call the center at 231-536-7831 with any questions. Adult Day Center is located at the East Jordan Senior Center, is open Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., or by appointment. The Charlevoix Commission on Aging can be reached at 231-237-0103 or toll free at 1-866-428-5185.

Volunteers needed to reach out to breast cancer patients

CHARLEVOIX — The American Cancer Society's volunteer based Reach to Recovery program has been helping breast cancer patients cope with their breast cancer experience for more than 30 years. This experience begins when someone is faced with the possibility of a breast cancer diagnosis and continues throughout the entire period that breast cancer remains a personal concern.

"When someone first finds out they have breast cancer, they may feel overwhelmed, vulnerable and alone," says Sandy Grushesky, Community Program Representative, American Cancer Society. "This is where Reach to Recovery volunteers play such an important role in helping newly diagnosed patients. Talking with a Reach to Recovery volunteer can give a measure of comfort and an opportunity for emotional grounding and informed decision-making."

The American Cancer Society's Reach to Recovery program's specially trained volunteers are breast cancer survivors that have already gone through the disease and are willing to share their experiences with recently diagnosed breast cancer patients.

Donna Kowalski has been a local Reach to Recovery volunteer for over 5 years. "By using our own experiences with breast cancer, Reach to Recovery volunteers are able to give patients an opportunity to express feelings, talk about fears and concerns and ask questions of someone who is impartial and objective," said Donna Kowalski. "Most importantly, Reach to Recovery volunteers offer understanding, support and hope because we have not only survived breast cancer, but gone on to live normal, productive lives."

Reach to Recovery volunteers are trained to provide support and up-

to-date information, including literature for spouses, children, friends and other loved ones. When appropriate, volunteers can provide breast cancer patients with a temporary breast form and information on local wig banks.

Right now, the American Cancer Society is recruiting Reach to Recovery volunteers from Charlevoix, Emmet, Cheboygan and Otsego County to speak with newly diagnosed patients. To become an American Cancer Society Reach to Recovery volunteer, plan on attending the upcoming training being held on Thursday, July 17, at Charlevoix Area Hospital, Lower Level Classroom, 14700 Lake Shore Drive, Charlevoix. The training will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. To register for the training session or for more information on the Reach to Recovery program please contact Sandy Grushesky at 1-800-723-0370.

Venetian Festival

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SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2008

6:00 - 9:00 at East Park
PETOSKEY HIGH SCHOOL STEEL DRUM BAND (Student Musicians, Petoskey, MI)
STARFARM (1980's Retro, East Lansing, MI)

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2008

5:00-9:00 at Bridge Park
BATTLE OF THE BANDS (Rock/Blues Student Musician Competition)
8:00 - 9:00 at East Park
CHARLEVOIX CITY BAND (Charlevoix, MI)

WEDNESDAY JULY 23, 2008

CARNIVAL - Downtown
5:00 - 8:30 at East Park
ULTIMATE AIR DOGS
6:00-10:00 at East Park
PUB RUNNERS (Irish/American Folk, Gaylord, MI)
THE OUTER VIBE (Pop Rock, East Lansing, MI)
STARSHIP STARRING MICKEY THOMAS (Original Vintage Era Rock & Roll)

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2008

10:00-3:00 at Lake Michigan Beach
KIDS' DAY
CARNIVAL - Downtown
5:00 - 8:30 at East Park
ULTIMATE AIR DOGS
6:00-10:00 at East Park
RAYDER JAZZ BAND (Student Musicians, Charlevoix High School)
DUTCH HENRY (Alt - Country/Rock, Fremont, MI)
EMERSON DRIVE (Contemporary Country, Canada/Nashville)

FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2008

CARNIVAL - Downtown
5:00 - 8:30 at East Park
ULTIMATE AIR DOGS
6:00-10:00 at East Park
JILL JACK (Rock, Detroit, MI)
VENETIAN QUEEN CORONATION CEREMONY
HORTON CREEK (Bluegrass, Charlevoix & Emmet Co., MI)
8:00-10:00 at Ferry Beach
UP NORTH BIG BAND (Swing/Jazz, Charlevoix, MI)
NIGHT SKY FIREWORKS (Dusk on Lake Charlevoix)

SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2008

11:00-12:30
STREET PARADE - Bridge Street
12:30-2:30 at East Park
ZION LION (Reggae/Calyso, Kalamazoo, MI)
CARNIVAL - Downtown
6:00-11:00 at East Park
NORTHWEST ACADEMY JAZZ ALL STARS (Student Musicians, Northwest Academy of Charlevoix)
CHRIS DOMINIC (Country, Charlevoix, MI)
KIDS FROM WISCONSIN (Student Performers, WI)
Dusk
VENETIAN BOAT PARADE on Round Lake Harbor
HARBOR FIREWORKS on Round Lake Harbor

Venetian Games

Please contact event managers for further information (Listed Below):

Friday, July 18 - Wed July 23

*Tennis Tournament: All ages - Stroud Park Courts

Sunday, July 20

*Beach Bash: 3 on 3 Basketball - Hotline 231-675-4561
*Keith Carey Cup: Junior Golf Tournament - Belvedere Golf Course

Tuesday, July 22

*Cottage Croquet: East Park
*Keith Carey Cup: Adult Golf Tournament - Municipal Golf Course
*Soccer Tournament 3 on 3: Shanahan Field

Wednesday, July 23

*Bingo Seniors: Bridge Park
*Youth Swim Championships: Registration 231-547-0982
*Sailing Regatta
*3 on 3 Soccer Finals: Shanahan Field
*Co-Ed Volleyball: Register at Recreation Dept./on site

Thursday, July 24

*Tennis Finals: All ages - Stroud Park Courts

Friday, July 25

*Detroit Pistons & Shock Basketball Clinic: All ages - On site registration, Charlevoix Middle School

Saturday, July 26

*Drenth Memorial Footrace: 10k, 5k, 1 mile - Downtown

Please contact event managers for further information:

GOLF: Tom Bennett (547-3268) & Dean Davenport (547-6433)
BASKETBALL: Lisa Carlson (675-4561) & Brett Erskine (590-0224)
BINGO: Earl Muma (547-5361)
CROQUET: Dave Fowler (547-9314)
SWIMMING: Al Gooch (547-0982)
SOCCER: Carol Madison (348-3317) & Tom Conlan

TENNIS: Karen Peters (547-4368)
DRENTH MEMORIAL FOOTRACE: Matt Peterson (547-3407)
VOLLEYBALL: Chris Seymour (547-6513), Kent Seymour (675-1127) & Carolyn Loper

SAILING: Rod Tinney (536-3447)
Commissioner of Games - Dean Davenport
Assistant Commissioner - Ike Boss

Festival President - Dan Barron

* Further information & registration forms are available at the City Recreation Department, 231-547-3253.

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