

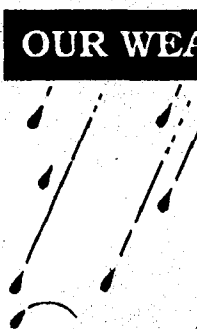
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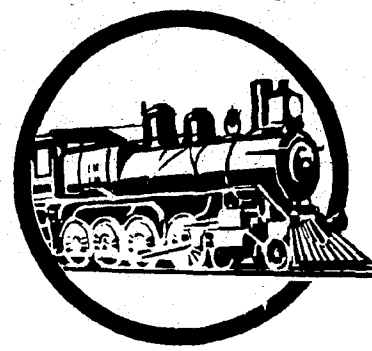
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OUR WEATHER



A very small amount of snow Saturday morning, melting by noon, with temperature highs in the 40s. Sunday, the mercury hit 60 degrees with lots of sunshine, a surprise, temps were predicted to be at 48. Monday a.m., 35 degrees and rain, with cool and rainy conditions forecast for the rest of the week.

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Photo by Deb Saygers Hobbs
THE 1993 FATHER of the Year is pictured here with the family that helped him earn that distinction (back, from left): Pat, 17; Becki, 14; honoree John Whiteford; wife Sandi; Dan, 15; Margaret, 13; (middle) Mike, 12; Matt, 12; (front) Kevin, 7.

Expanded coverage in this issue!

There were more exciting East Jordan events than we could accommodate within the normal body of our paper this week, so East Jordan area readers will find a special extra-page insert featuring exclusively East Jordan news inside the issue.

If advertising support and subscriptions for the *East Jordan Journal* continue to grow, readers can expect to find such additional pages as a frequent feature in future issues - starting with next week's Salute to Spring Sports!

Whiteford named Father of the Year

BY MARY FREY
 Editorial Director

"Every year, someone just seems to stand out from the rest," said East Jordan Rotary President Dick Wheeler after the organization's 73rd Annual Father-Son Banquet.

This year, the "stand-out" was John Whiteford, named the Rotary's 1993 Father of the Year at the

April 17 banquet. The announcement was made to an overflow crowd at the Saturday evening event.

Whiteford, a 1976 East Jordan High School graduate, said the recognition came as "a total surprise." The father of seven, including three adopted children, he received a personalized plaque commemorating the honor.

continued inside



PRESENTING THE North Central Accreditation Plaque to East Jordan School Board President Mary Jason (left) is EJHS teacher Roxanne Sell.

E.J. schools earn accreditation

BY DEB SAYGERS HOBBS
 Contributing Writer

A special reception was held following the April 12 meeting of the East Jordan School Board. Cake and punch were served to celebrate the district's attainment of North Central Association accreditation.

The North Central Association of Schools and Colleges is the largest and most prestigious of six regional accrediting associations recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Earning the honor is a "real feather in our cap," according to East Jordan Superintendent of Schools Chip Hanson. "We believed collectively that NCA accreditation is worthwhile," he said in his opening remarks at the presentation.

The administrative and teaching staff have been working for over two years to secure accreditation at all levels under NCA's outcomes-based model.

The district received the recognition at the

association conference in Chicago recently. Three teachers represented East Jordan: Jamie Smith, elementary; Kay Holley, middle school; and Roxanne Zell, high school.

The three teachers presented board president Mary Jason with certificates from the association.

East Jordan is one of only seven Class C schools in Michigan to have earned the full K-12 accreditation. Only 27 schools statewide have gained this designation.

"We are in pretty select company," said Hanson. The accreditation means that East Jordan will embark on a systematic school improvement process. Hanson considers the support of the community instrumental in the continuing progress of East Jordan Schools.

"Whether you are a school board member, a school employee, a parent, student or citizen, you've played a major role in supporting quality education in East Jordan," Hanson stated. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts!"

The action happened here: the old Central Lake diving dock and sun shade roof, pictured about 1952.



Photo courtesy
Floyd Churchill

Where the big one got away

BY FLOYD CHURCHILL

I grew up in Pleasant Valley. The One Room School always closed May 1, the opening of fishing season.

I learned to fish with a bent pin and grocery twine at the age of 3 from a small bridge over the stream next to our farm home. It seemed we could never afford decent fishing tackle.

In East Jordan as a teenager I fished from the docks with cane pole, line, sinker and hook. Oh, how I longed for a casting rod and reel.

In 1924, we moved to suburban Detroit and by 1934, I had gotten decent employment, purchased a used Chevrolet, and a beautiful stainless steel casting rod with a Shakespeare level wind reel and nylon line, tackle box and plenty of lures.

After marriage in 1937, we bought a new Chevy and headed north to spend a vacation with various relatives. By then, I had practiced many times with my casting equipment on Oakland County lakes and on the small lawn behind our new home.

The second day north we headed for lunch in Central Lake and then drove down to the diving board area shown in the accompanying picture. My cousin Wilson and wife were with me.

As they sat in the shade, read and conversed, I strung up my casting outfit and started casting to the left of the dock along the shore in shallow water.

I was using a large 6-inch plastic artificial called a pinkie minnow. I had become quite proficient by then and had no trouble laying the plug out there about 100 feet.

By now, I was getting plenty of kidding. "What you doing? Don't you know there are no fish this close to shore?"

"I guess you are right but I can really use a little practice."

This went on as I threw out a few more casts. A big noisy splash out at the end of my line drew the attention of all. A big muskie was standing on his tail down there about even with Rushton Road.

With all the shouting and hollering, I calmly said, "Guess I better set my hook."

I gave a sharp jerk on the pole and the line broke out there aways and came back and wrapped around my body. Experts have told me that a smoker had probably flicked a bit of hot ash on my line accidentally and weakened it.

The big one went down the east side of the lake standing on his tail trying to shake the lure. Several of us walked the beach the next day hoping the Muskie had thrown the bait.

I can give that crowd credit, I was never kidded again about fishing there. They were more disappointed than I was.

[EDITOR'S NOTE: A former area resident, Floyd Churchill shares his memories from his current residence in Gaylord.]

TO THE EDITOR . . .

Cherish bygone gumball days

SORRY I HAVEN'T written lately, but my 82 years caught up with me for a few weeks, health wise. I have had the best of several worlds in my lifetime. One I cherish, is the two years I spent in East Jordan in my early teens.

I wonder if anyone over there remembers the Gum Ball Factory on the South Arm Side, near the former Railroad Depot. It was a large gray building on the M-66 side of the bridge.

It seems the owners went bankrupt in about 1921, before our arrival in East Jordan. It didn't take the kids long to gain access through a small trap door near the ground on lake side of the building.

As to the interior, I can only go by hearsay as my parents would have punished me severely

had I been caught inside. That didn't keep me from enjoying the consumption of the goodies brought out by the town rascals.

It seems that production had been cut off in a hurry and their were gum balls on the production line in various stages of manufacture. Bushels of big three-quarter-inch balls of various colors, down to the rolled balls of gum, some with clove centers, were there for the taking.

They were so plentiful, we began using them for sling shot ammunition.

Sorry I got carried away, but thought someone over there might remember.

Sincerely, Floyd N. Churchill

P.S. Does anyone know where you can purchase any good gum balls these days?

Artrain in Petoskey

America's fascination with travel and technology will be the theme when Artrain brings *The Romance of Transportation* exhibition to Petoskey, April 28 through May 2.

The nation's only traveling museum in a train, Artrain is comprised of converted rail cars housing exhibition galleries and an artists' studio. It annually visits approximately 25 communities.

Petoskey is one of only 50 towns and cities that will host *The Romance of Transportation* during 1993 and 1994.

The Romance of Transportation: Vehicle and Voyage in North American Art features approximately 60 works from Michigan and regional collections. Included will be paintings, sculptures, photographs, and prints depicting transportation forms ranging from bicycles to space ships.

Hands-on displays, music, and audio-visual programs offer innovative means of experiencing the exhibition that will appeal to art lovers of all ages.


For example, visitors can explore that vast expanse of the West through the same stereoview images that fired the imaginations of their ancestors; and relive the "Wreck of the Ol' 97" through a recording of a once-popular song commemorating that railroad disaster, as well as viewing a photograph of the actual wreck and artwork created by Thomas Hart Benton.

While in Petoskey, Artrain will be located in Pennsylvania Park and open to the public Sat., May 1, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sun., May 2, from noon to 8 p.m. For more information, contact the Crooked Tree Arts Council at 347-4337.

Carburetor stolen from pickup north of Bellaire

The Antrim County Sheriff Department received a complaint of a stolen carburetor April 15 from Jamie Johnston of Central Lake. Johnston said the carburetor was taken from his 1981 Toyota pickup while it was parked at a friend's house on M-88 just north of Bellaire.


The incident remains under investigation by the sheriff department.



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Memories

by Pam Kirts

TAKEN FROM THE TORCH

April 12, 1955

■ The junior play *Taming the Brat* will be presented April 22 and 23 in the Central Lake Gym.

Cast members include Janet Shooks, Sue Smith, Ron James, Jim Spence, Sonya Scott, Leon Kennedy, Carolyn Conant, Freda Carpenter, Ruth Hite and Morris Burnett.

■ Robert Holliday 17, of South Arm Township, Charlevoix County was apprehended by Deputy Sheriff Levi Donaldson of Ellsworth and brought before Justice Robert Clark. He pled guilty to charge of using indecent language in the Don Marsh home. Holliday was given 10 days in jail, a \$25 fine and costs of \$7.70. If not paid within 10 days, he will receive additional jail time.

■ The C.&O Railroad will change the schedule of its northbound train commencing April 15, and will

be here 25 minutes earlier than usual. Southbound time is unchanged.

Central Lake: Northbound 12:42 p.m., Southbound 3:40 p.m.; Ellsworth: Northbound 12:52 p.m., Southbound 3:30 p.m.

■ Mrs. Grant Hastings has been appointed Chairman of the Ellsworth cancer fund drive. No house to house canvassing. Contributions will be collected in boxes placed in business places.

■ Arthur "Grandpa" Ruis died at the home of a son, James after an illness of two months with a heart ailment. Born Feb. 12, 1870, in the Netherlands. He came to the United States at the age of 2 1/2.

■ The Salk anti-polio vaccine will be administered to Antrim County's 467 first and second-graders whose parents or guardians have given written ap-

proval, according to Dr. A.F. Litzenburger, director of District Health Unit No. 3.

The program will be repeated within a month when all participating youngsters will receive the second of three shots. The third or booster shot will be given seven months from the latter date.

■ The 62-voice a capella choir of Calvin College, Grand Rapids, will present a concert of sacred music Friday at Ellsworth Christian Reformed Church.

■ Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Lively celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary April 15, at the Orson Barber home, Central Lake, where they have resided the past year.

■ Individual Easter baskets were given to each patient at Meadow Brook by the American Legion Jr. Auxiliary. Their efforts and kind thoughts are appreciated more than we can express.

■ "Watch out for school children—especially if they're driving cars."

■ The Atwood Farm Bureau meeting will be held Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Burns.

■ Mrs. Frank Schultz spent the past week in Detroit and attended the opening game of the Tigers.

■ The next meeting of the Pink and Green Circle will be held May 3 at the home of Mrs. Belle Cook. On this day her mother, Mrs. Martha Smith, who has been a member of the circle for many years, will observe her 100th birthday.

■ The J. Rathburn home in Pleasant Valley was destroyed by fire when struck by lightning Thursday afternoon. The Schultz home was also damaged at the same time.

■ Mr. and Mrs. James H. Elzinga will observe their 53rd wedding anniversary Sunday at their home in Ellsworth.

■ Two hundred thirty people took advantage of free chest x-rays when the mobile unit of Michigan Department of Health stopped last week.

McPherson on dean's list

John M. McPherson, a 1990 graduate of Elk Rapids High School, was named to the dean's list at Michigan State University for fall semester 1992.

McPherson, a junior majoring in Wildlife Management, attained a 3.83 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

He is the son of Charles and Shirley

McPherson of Kewadin and the grandson of Mrs. John Dawson of Central Lake.

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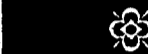


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Auditions announced for A.R.T. murder mystery production

Antrim Regional Theatre has been busy making plans for their late June production, the murder mystery "Murder by Natural Causes."

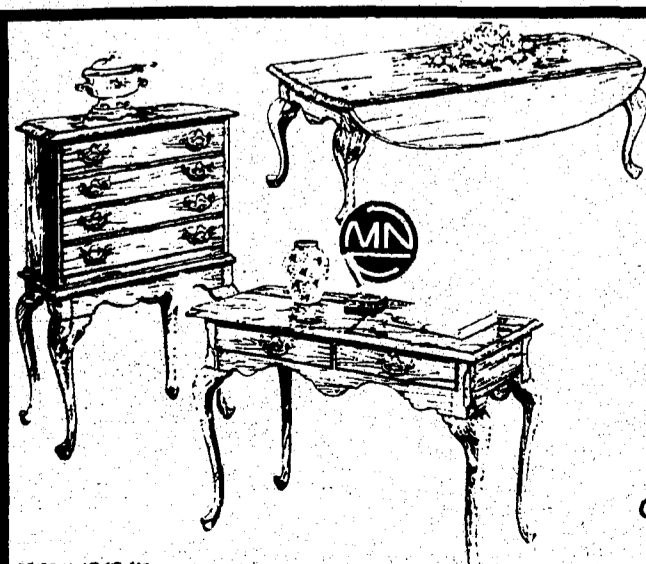
The presentation will be done as an audience participation with the audience testing their detective skills and helping solve the mys-

tery. Performance dates are June 25, 26 and 27 at Bellaire High School at 8 p.m.

Auditions will be held Tues. and Wed., April 27 and 28, at the John Rodger Elementary school gym. The cast calls for four men and women of various ages.

Anyone who is inter-

ested in getting a script before auditions can call Barb Smith at 533-6938. Smith, who is making her directing debut, is looking for anyone who has ever had an inkling to get on stage to try out either for a role or to volunteer for many of the jobs that will be available to make this production a success.

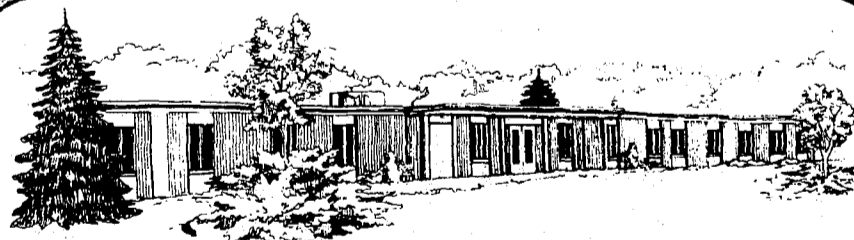


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SIDEROADS

Hats off to the first two area residents to respond to our Writers Wanted plea last week. As we go to press, we are saving the pleasure of reading the work submitted by **Judy Light** and **Irean Byard** for the calmer hours that come late Tuesday. Our thirst for local writers hasn't been entirely satisfied in any event, so take a moment to review the special box outlining our needs elsewhere in this paper and remember - it's important for the editor's sanity that you **double-space** any good stuff you send our way.

Isn't there one organized individual out there with a flair for writing and photography who's looking for a part-time job in this area? Well, why haven't you responded to our ad?

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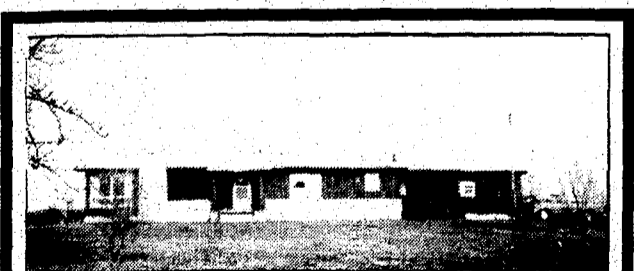
If you fit that description and would like a job that is both exciting and satisfying, call Mary Frey at 544-2345 to discuss the possibilities.

If you are among the many fans of **Jo Somerville's** popular weekly column *Jo's News*, don't be alarmed at the absence of her byline for this and the next few issues. Jo is taking a well-deserved vacation and is expected to pick up her pen again about mid-May.

If you are a parent of a member of the **Central Lake, East Jordan or Ellsworth spring sports teams** - hats off to you! Photographers met your offspring during team photo time last week, and the report is that those high-spirited young athletes were a pleasure to work with - miserable weather conditions notwithstanding.

P.S: To see the results of those photo sessions, don't miss our April 28 edition, when those 100-plus high school heroes will be featured in our salute to spring sports!

Among the humorous photo-copies that have come our way in recent months is one that shows a snarling cat glaring balefully at the reader. The caption says it all: "I have PMS and a hand-gun. Any questions?"



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Received on a different day is one that reads, "God put me on this earth to accomplish a certain number of things. Right now, I am so far behind, I will never die."

There are many more that we can't reprint here due to the scandalous content, all of which leads

us to wonder: How much of our gross national product goes into writing and printing America's office humor?

Scholarships available

The W.R. Angell Biology Scholarships for biology students are available at Northwestern Michigan College for the 1993-94 academic year.

Students who have demonstrated both scholastic ability and an interest in the field of biology are eligible for the scholarships, each in the amount of \$1,200. The scholarship is merit-based and renewable for a second year of college study.

The deadline for applying is Mon., May

10, 1993. For more information, contact Fred Tank, NMC Biology Department, 922-1278.

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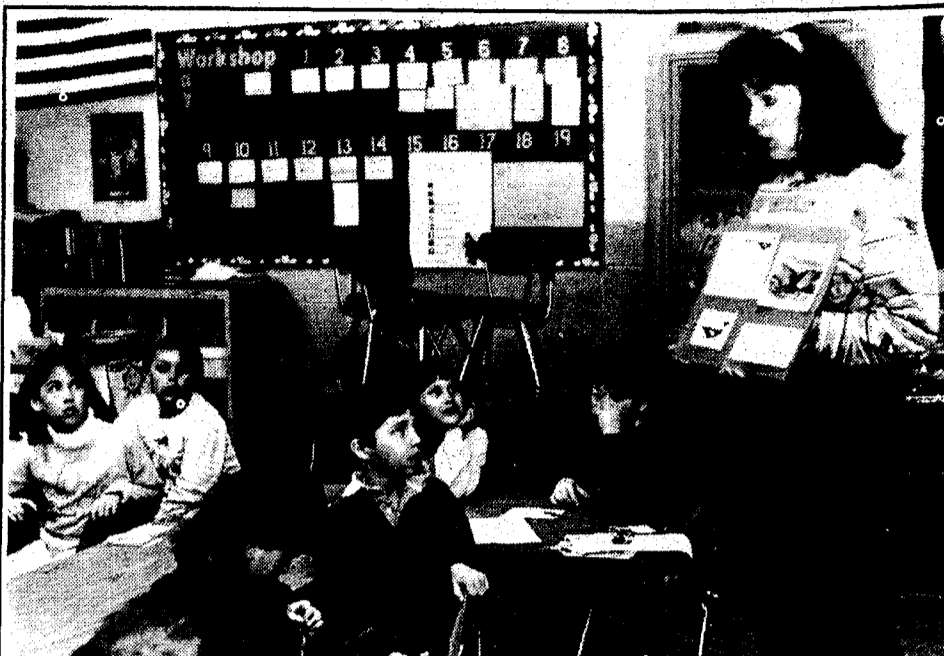
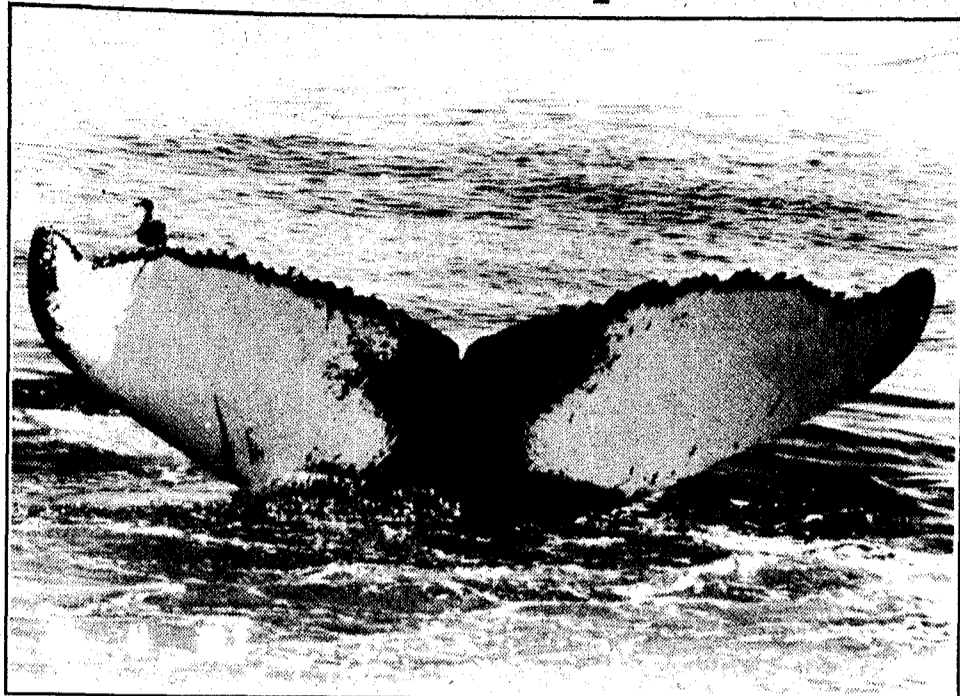
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Wild about whales

Second-graders adopt old "Salt"



SHARING THE FIRST information on their new "child" with her students is second grade teacher Kelly Barry. Salt's official portrait is at left.

BY MARY FREY
Editorial Director

Children have an instinctive love of animals - the bigger the better.

In one Central Lake Elementary classroom, that love has taken unusual expression - the "adoption" of a huge humpback whale named Salt.

Although official papers didn't arrive until April 9, participation in the Whale Adoption Project started last fall. That's when students in Kelly Barry's second-grade classroom began to collect pop cans to finance the project.

Some months (and 150 pop cans) later, the \$15 goal was reached and application papers were submitted.

Last week, Barry was able to show her proud students the results of their efforts on a poster she created from the materials sent by the Whale Adoption Project.

Included is a docu-

ment declaring the class "Official Protectors of the Humpback Whale called Salt."

Also in the packet was a photograph of Salt (or at least her distinctive tail) and a description of the giant mammal.

"Photographed every year since 1975, Salt is truly one of the grand dames of Stellwagen bank, a very productive fishing ledge off the coast of Cape Cod, Massachusetts," the summary reads.

"Named after a white, granular ridge on her dorsal fin, this well-traveled whale has been photographed as far south as Silver Bank (off the coast of the Dominican Republic).

"Salt returned to Stellwagen in 1980 with her first calf, a male named Crystal; in 1983 with a male named Halos; a female named Thalassa in 1985; in 1987 with a calf named Brine; in 1989 with a male named Bittern; and in

1991 with a calf named Salsa."

The adoption will be just the start of expanding her students' knowledge of whales, Barry said. The class will now begin a unit of study on the giant leviathans, sparked by their personal investment in one whale's welfare.

In addition, monthly publications and bulletins on new Salt sightings from the Whale Adoption project will arrive throughout the school year.

All this could lead to even bigger things, if results from Barry's 1992 class (her first to participate in the Whale Adoption Project) are any indication. Those students wrote to then-President George Bush about whale conservation and received a signed response!

But even without presidential input, Salt's new "parents" already have a broader insight into the wonders of their expanding world and the positive role they can play in it.

"I think adopting this whale is good because humpbacks are endangered and by doing this, we're helping them stay alive," said Rob Moffat.

Michelle Mullens echoed his thought, adding, "Since we adopted our whale, now we want to take care of it, because with

our love it can still live

and not be extinct." But Danielle La-Pointe may have summed it up best. "It's nice to have something

bigger than we are to take care of," she noted thoughtfully. "And maybe one day, we can even go down and see her for ourself."

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William "Jack" Marshall Sr.

Major William "Jack" Marshall Sr., retired United States Air Force, 74, of Central Lake, died Wednesday morning April 14, 1993, at home. Major Marshall had retired in 1961 after serving the U.S. Air Force during WWII and the Korean Conflict. He moved to Central Lake from Middletown, Va. in 1985.

He was born January 18, 1919 in Lagrange County, Ind., the son of William and Lena (Holtzinger) Marshall. In 1943 he married Wilma D. Latimer, who preceded him in death in 1986. Also preceding him in death was a sister, Mary Heeter, in 1993 and a brother, Rosco Marshall, in 1989.

On May 12, 1990, in Central Lake he married Mildred (Cook) Martin, who survives. Also surviving are three sons: William J. "Will" Jr. of Dickson, Tenn.; Gregory S. (Norma) of South Hill, Va.; Douglas G. of Huntsville, Texas, five step-daughters: Judy (William) Daniels of Okemos; Mary (Dale) VanHouten of Brunswick, Ohio; Linda (Randy) Wideman of Minneapolis, Minn.; Patricia (Jack) Righter of Grand Ledge; Susan (Glen) Gordon of Battle Creek; 10 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, 10 step-grandchildren, one step-great-grandson.

Funeral services were held April 17 at the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. The Rev. Mike Allen officiated. Committal services followed under the auspices of the Torch Post VFW 6985. Interment was in the Chapel of Chimes Cemetery, Meridian, Idaho.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Antrim County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

OBITUARIES & DEATH NOTICES

Cynthia Johnson Gober

Cynthia Johnson Gober of Fort Worth, Texas, died Sunday, April 4, 1993 at her home. She was 40.

Memorial services were held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Hurst, Texas.

Mrs. Gober was born in Grand Rapids and had lived in Fort Worth since 1962. Preceding her in death was her parents Versile and Sandra (Smith) Johnson.

Survivors were three sons, three sisters and two brothers, all of Fort Worth; her aunts Ardith Spoelman, Esther Dewey an uncle Elmer Johnson and grandmother Corene Empey, all of this area.

Ruth E. McPherson

Ruth E. McPherson, 80, of Ellsworth, died April 16, 1993, at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. Funeral services were held Wed., April 21, at the Central Lake Lighthouse Pentecostal Tabernacle. Burial was in Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan. Arrangements were made by the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Veleta G. Vance

Veleta G. Vance, 92, of East Jordan died April 10 at her home.

She was born on July 27, 1900.

Funeral service was April 13, at the Paullin Funeral Home in East Jordan. Interment was in Eveline Township Cemetery.

Robert A. Daniels

Robert A. Daniels, 48, of East Jordan died Sunday, April 11, 1993, at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

He was born on Marh 12, 1945.

Funeral services were held April 14 at the Paullin Funeral Home with interment in Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan.

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Elks hold off Trojans in opener

BY S.F. PUCKETT
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Trojan baseball got off to a mildly rocky start Tuesday when the tough Elk Rapids Elks brought their road show into Central Lake and wrestled away a pair of wins.

Elk Rapids, behind the pitching of Jason Lawes, racked up a 15-3 win, using a seven-run fourth and 14 walks to their benefit.

Chris Eldrington paced Central Lake with two hits, while Jeff Budzynski turned a suicide squeeze into three runs for Central Lake. Tom Ernst and Brad Klooster added hits to the Trojan pile.

Game two began with Eldrington collecting a single, stealing second, then coming home on Mike Aenis' grounder. That was it for offense on the Trojan side as Elk Rapids took over, winning 13-1.

Jason Lawes, M. Steadfast and Kranz all had two hits, with B. Steadfast getting the win.

Central Lake visited non-league foe Ellsworth Monday, then play a Ski Valley opener Thursday at Johannesburg-Lewiston.

Trojan tracksters open at home

BY S.F. PUCKETT
Sports Writer

Central Lake picked a cool, calm night to open its 1993 track season, hosting Ski Valley compatriots Pellston, Johannesburg-Lewiston and Inland Lakes Tuesday.

The Trojan ladies, behind firsts by Allison Greenman, Amie Shay and Jennifer Terpstra, picked up a third place finish, well behind the multiple entered ability of Joberg, which topped Inland Lakes by a 113-80.5 margin.

On the boys side, Paul Bunker continued to be a name to be reckoned with, posting three of the Trojan boys four wins on the day. The boys were fourth as Inland Lakes scored 100 to perfect the win.

Central Lake hosted Bellaire, Pellston and Inland Lakes Tuesday, then sends runners to Central Michigan University to run in the Chippewa Relays Saturday.

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Trojan ladies sweep doubleheader

BY S.F. PUCKETT
Sports Writer

The Lady Trojans and their power pitching Lockhart duo put their first test behind them by outlasting Elk Rapids, sweeping the doubleheader non-conference games.

A 14-run inning put Central Lake up to stay in game one, 20-5, despite a Cheryl McDaniel home run by the Elks and hits by Janine Breznau and Tammy Gallagher.

Dhana Lockhart picked up the win with Kallie Breithaup, Dhana and Julie Aenis each plunking down two hits.

Game two was more of a duel, as the teams traded leads. Central Lake led 2-0, trailed 4-2, led 6-4, then 6-5, then fell behind the Elks whom took an 8-6 lead in the bottom of the seventh. A

pop up and one hopper to the mound forced extra innings tied at 8-8.

Two walks and an error loaded the Trojan bases with one out, Elissa Wagner drawing an RBI walk. With a full count on her, Sara Roach walked in a run, then Dhana Lockhart hit a grounder that the second basewomen made a great stop on, flipped to first - and watched in horror as the ball fell out of the glove, Central Lake winning 11-10.

Shana Lockhart got the victory, Julie Aenis with four walks for the Trojans and Roach two big hits.

The Elks got a four hit game from McDaniel and two hits from Angie Shino.

Central Lake went to Ellsworth Monday, then travels to Johannesburg-Lewiston to begin league play Thursday.

County begins spring soccer play

Soccer was the topic of conversation Tues., April 6 as Bellaire hosted a meeting of area soccer representatives in the Media Center of Bellaire High School. represented were the Bellaire, Charlevoix, Elk Rapids and Petoskey soccer programs.

David Cooper of Spring Lake was the main speaker. Director for the Northwestern Michigan Area of the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO), Cooper gave a brief history of AYSO which was started in 1964 in California with nine teams. Today there are more than 30,000 teams in 40 states, with 400,000 girls and boys from 5 to 18 years of age involved in AYSO.

Cooper stated that northern lower Michigan is the fastest growing area for AYSO soccer in the United States. Volunteerism is highly stressed, with AYSO soccer being a family commitment.

AYSO operates soccer programs where young people can learn to develop a positive self-image, self confidence, and other positive character traits through their interest and participation in soccer. Good sportsmanship is emphasized, with the creation of a positive environment based on mutual respect, rather than a win-at-all costs attitude.

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Missionary will speak

Sunday, April 25 at the 11 a.m. service a missionary, Courtney Cooley, will be speaking on Zimbabwe, Africa.

Wednesday, April 28 there will be a potluck dinner at 6:30. Missionary William Bauer will talk on India.

You are welcome to join us and hear these interesting missionaries.

Free relationships lecture

A free lecture, Healthy Relationships, is set for Wed., April 28, at 7 p.m. Larry Warner, M.A., will help you discover more about your relationship, and what it takes to make it healthier. Warner is a therapist at Woodland Counseling Center, an affiliate of Burns Clinic.

This lecture and three others have been planned to celebrate May as Mental Health Month. Other topics include women and stress on May 5; anger on May 12; and assertive action on May 19.

GRNA plans spring clean-up

The annual spring clean-up at Grass River Natural Area will be Sat., April 24, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Interpretive Center on Grass River Natural Area Road, off Alden Highway.

Each year, this general cleaning is done by volunteers who are asked to bring their own rakes, clippers, weed whips and bow saws. They should also bring their own picnic lunch.

Don Denison, GRNA executive director, said the work doesn't take long if enough volunteers sign up. Afterward, they can enjoy lunch together.

The clean-up session precedes and prepares for the first of the spring walks which begin Sat., May 1. Denison recently said the four Saturday walks are already filling up, and reservations should be made soon since group capacity is limited.

To help on clean-up day, call Denison at 533-8314. The same number can be used for spring walk reservations.

PTO presents Summer Showcase

The Bellaire PTO is pleased to announce this year's Summer Showcase will be held on Mon., May 3 at 7 p.m. in the Rodger Elementary School gym.

The Summer Showcase provides parents with an opportunity to see what is available for summer entertainment for their children. Booths are set up with representatives from various programs in the area who provide in-

formation on their program and are available to answer any questions parents might have.

At this time, presenters from area camps, dance schools, museums, youth athletic leagues, church, library and community swim programs have registered to have booths set up in the gym.

The PTO will sponsor their Voting Booth and encourages all parents of Bellaire school-

age children, grades K-6, to vote for their new officers for 1993-94. Refreshments will be served.

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A good representation of people from all parts of Antrim County toured the center and expressed amazement at how much had been accomplished through the generous donations from businesses in Alden, Bellaire and Mancelona and the volunteer workers who spent hours painting and cleaning the center.

The new House Committee served a luncheon of ribbon sandwiches, cheeses, meats, finger vegetables and coffee.

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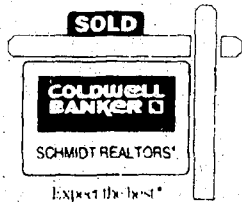
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Soccer play begins

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Teams are set up as evenly balanced as possible, since it is more fun to play when teams are of equal ability. Positive coaching is emphasized. Coaches are trained to make the extra effort to understand and offer positive help to the players, rather than negative criticism. In AYSO soccer, kids having fun learning soccer is the

highest priority. Both Bellaire and Elk Rapids have established pilot AYSO regions. Charlevoix and Petoskey have existing programs but have expressed an interest in converting those programs to the AYSO program.

Elk Rapids will be playing their first season with AYSO this spring, with their region including kids from Elk Rapids, Rapid City, and Williamsburg.

The Bellaire region started their season last

fall with 135 players from Alden, Bellaire, Central Lake, Eastport, Ellsworth and Mancelona. The second half of their season begins April 24.

Anyone interested in getting involved in this program, or with questions should contact an area representative: Elk Rapids, Cheryl Holst, 267-5431; Bellaire, Doug Bedell, 533-6960; Central Lake, Wendy Dawson, 544-8080; Mancelona, Denise Plakmeyer, 587-5431.




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■ Dave and Jeanie Kops and family of Springlake were Easter weekend guests of John and Eloise Litwaitis. They got to help with the last making of maple syrup.

■ Treter Johnson of Grand Haven and Mark and Wendy Guyette from Alma were Easter visitors of Gary and Jan Johnson.

■ Eileen and Kay Sage were in Belding over Easter weekend to visit Randy and Lee Sage and children Jennie and John Randolph.

■ When the Bluebirds come the weather is sure to get warmer. Saw 5 of them the first of the week.

■ Avabelle Carpenter returned home from Florida after spending a few months visiting her sister Lula Asquith.

■ Anita Peebles of Ellsworth is a patient at Northern Michigan Hospital, Petoskey. Having the misfortune to fall and break a bone.

CENTRAL LAKE VILLAGE

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The regular meeting of the Council, Monday, April 12, 1993, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Seifried at the Governmental Center. Present: Seifried, H. Smith, R. Guild, H. Pletcher, M. Kemnitzer, R. Donaldson, J. Sharp, A. Lessard. Absent: D. Richardson and D. Smith. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Blackwell.

Minutes from the March 8th meeting were read and approved as printed in the Torch.

Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell spoke to the Council with a request for village water. President Seifried explained water main extensions, costs, and State permits. There was a lengthy discussion, with more follow-up to be done.

Also discussed was the possibility of the Village being eligible for State grants. Mr. Donaldson informed the Council that a date has been set up for further discussion with a state member of the Grant Committee.

A motion was made by Pletcher, supported by Harry Smith to pay the bills in the amount of \$17,036.41. Motion carried.

Cash flow was discussed and transfer of \$7,000.00 from Major Sts. to Local Sts. was made.

President Seifried told the Council that he had received a letter from Shanty Creek-Schuss Mountain Resort requesting resolution of support for the 131 freeway. A motion was made by Pletcher, supported by Guild to grand request. Motion carried.

The Council discussed the Ad in the Chamber of Commerce Centurion and agreed to go with the same ad this year.

A building permit was issued to Thomas Youman for an addition. A motion made by Pletcher, supported by Harry Smith to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held May 10th, 1993, at the Governmental Center at 7:00 p.m.

Ann Lessard, Village Clerk

c17-11c

NOTICE LAST DAY TO REGISTER

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF ALL TOWNSHIPS ANTRIM COUNTY, MICHIGAN

All electors are hereby given notice that a Special Election will be held in **All Townships** of Antrim County, Michigan as listed below on Wednesday, June 2, 1993.

Electors who wish to vote in the Special Election must be registered to vote no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 3, 1993. To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office, the County Clerk's office in Bellaire or the Township Clerk's office.

Electors who wish to register with the county or township clerk are advised to call ahead for office hours.

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Nancy Shepard, Chestonia Township Clerk
Elizabeth Morgan, Custer Township Clerk
Shirley Folsom, Echo Township Clerk
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Audrey Glander, Kearney Township Clerk
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Merris Fox, Milton Township Clerk
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Elva Cowell, Torch Lake Township Clerk
Peggy Nowak, Warner Township Clerk
Laura Sexton, Antrim County Clerk

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TORCH LAKE TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 13, 1993 - 7:30 P.M.

TOWNSHIP HALL - EASTPORT

Present: Schmidt, Cowell, Smedley, Hubbell, Dawson.
Audience 20.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. and pledge given to flag.

2. Minutes of March 9th Board Meeting, March 23rd Budget Hearing were approved as published. J. Hubbell made a motion, supported by Cowell, the second paragraph of the Special Meeting (3/24/93) minutes be corrected to read the Board adopts the 1993-94 fiscal year budget by activity account. Carried. Cowell made a motion, supported by Hubbell, the Liquor Fund Budget for the fiscal year 1993-94 be accepted as submitted, in the amount of \$1,441.71. Carried.

3. There were no checks written this month.

4. Reports:

a) No constable report.

b) M. Velding reported for Fire District and they had 3 calls - 2 chimney fires and 1 smoke call. Three firemen have taken classes for hazardous material, and four more will do so in three weeks.

c) No Planning comm. report. A Public Hearing will be held re zoning revisions on Tuesday, April 20, 1993.

d) No ZBA report.

e) Zoning Administrator reported 3 permits have been issued since last month. His report reminded Board of "Clean-up Proposal."

5. Supervisor stated working committees will be listed at end of minutes with name and phone number of Chairmen for interested parties.

6. Mr. Lonsway attended the meeting to solve a problem re a zoning violation that has been ongoing for some time. After considerable discussion, motion was made by K. Schmidt the Township agree to allow the split as requested by Lonsway due to the history of this situation. Supported by Cowell - Carried by unanimous roll call vote. Mr. Lonsway stated he would have the value of the property determined as soon as possible, put it on the market, and leave this area forever.

7. Advisory Resolutions discussed as result of Annual Meeting:

Supervisor stated he was writing a letter to MTA to clarify approval and writing of minutes for Annual Meeting.

a) Budget Hearing to be held at Annual Meeting - All Board Members in favor of this.

b) Prior to Township buying, leasing, or accepting gifts of property, the Township would need to have a ballot issue --- As a whole, for various reasons, the Board did not agree with this resolution.

Hubbell - feels this takes power away from the Township Board, therefore, why elect people to represent you.

Smedley - rather exclusionary as it only mentions buying or receiving and not selling.

Cowell - very expensive unless for a very large expenditure.

Dawson - PA 16 allows Board to purchase property.

Schmidt - As resolution stands he did not agree, however, for large ticket items a good idea.

Carl Martel stated he did not feel people were trying to nickel and dime the Board, however, the message was to keep people informed.

c) All Boards/Commissions and advisory Committees conform to the Open Meetings Act.

Schmidt - A public body is a piece of government that has specific power - Township Board - ZBA - Plan. Comm - Bd. of Review, and must conform to Open Meetings Act. Advisory groups, per Supreme Court, do not have to conform to Open Meetings Act. township has only a few Advisory Groups - Road Comm. & Recreation Comm. After considerable discussion, consensus, at this time, will be to have Chairmen of these groups listed so citizens can contact re specific problem or for information.

The Road & Access Comm. is working on having the last of the accesses surveyed, updating the road policy - and has been requested to submit a priority list for upgrading roads.

d) It was agreed the Annual Meeting would be held on a Saturday in March.

e) Motion by Cowell, supported by Smedley, the election inspectors by paid \$4.50/hour and the Chairman \$5.50/hour for the ensuing fiscal year. Carried.

8. Ideas presented at Annual Meeting ---

a) Have an elected park Commission - Board does not feel we are ready for this at this time.

b) Need a clean-up day - Committee working on this.

c) More people need to get involved with the School Board. This is where most of your tax dollars are being spent.

9. Motion by Cowell, supported by Smedley to appoint Joan Heizer to Zoning Board of Appeals to fill vacancy created by resignation of Ed Poniatowski. Carried.

10. Motion by Schmidt the Township hold a Special Election on Tuesday, July 13th, 1993, to have a vote re the Township borrowing money to purchase the Day park. Supported by Cowell. Carried by a unanimous roll call vote. Details will be forthcoming in a May Newsletter.

11. Discussion took place with regard to Cable TV and the fact that Village Cable has not completed work according to their contract. Motion by Hubbell, supported by Dawson that Attorney Derman contact Village Cable to commence landlord/tenant action. Carried.

Zoning violation with Brownes in San Marione Shores is scheduled to go to court, however, they would like to meet with a Township representative.

Township is waiting to hear from one landowner to try and complete work on Krueger Road. Supervisor will be attending Road Commission meeting April 20, at 11:30 a.m.

Supervisor requested Board members visit the access abutting the Rauch property so a decision could be made regarding encroachments.

Supervisor, in an attempt to reduce budget expenses, made a motion to lower Planning commission and ZBA members salary to \$10.00/mtg. attended rather than \$15.00; to reduce Plan. Comm. Chairman from \$75.00 to \$30.00 and ZBA Chairman from \$50.00 to \$30.00; Plan. Comm. secretary to remain at \$30.00 and ZBA secretary reduced from \$75.00 to \$30.00. Hubbell supported. After considerable discussion, Hubbell withdrew his support and requested this matter be tabled until next meeting.

A discussion ensued with regard to the Planner requesting an increase. It was stated he was requesting \$28.00/hr. instead of \$24.00. However, in checking the former payment has always been \$22.00/hr. Supervisor will contact Larry Sullivan and put this on agenda next month.

12. M. Conroy mentioned he felt fee charged for Zoning Permits was too low.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.
Elva Cowell, Clerk

c/17-35-11c

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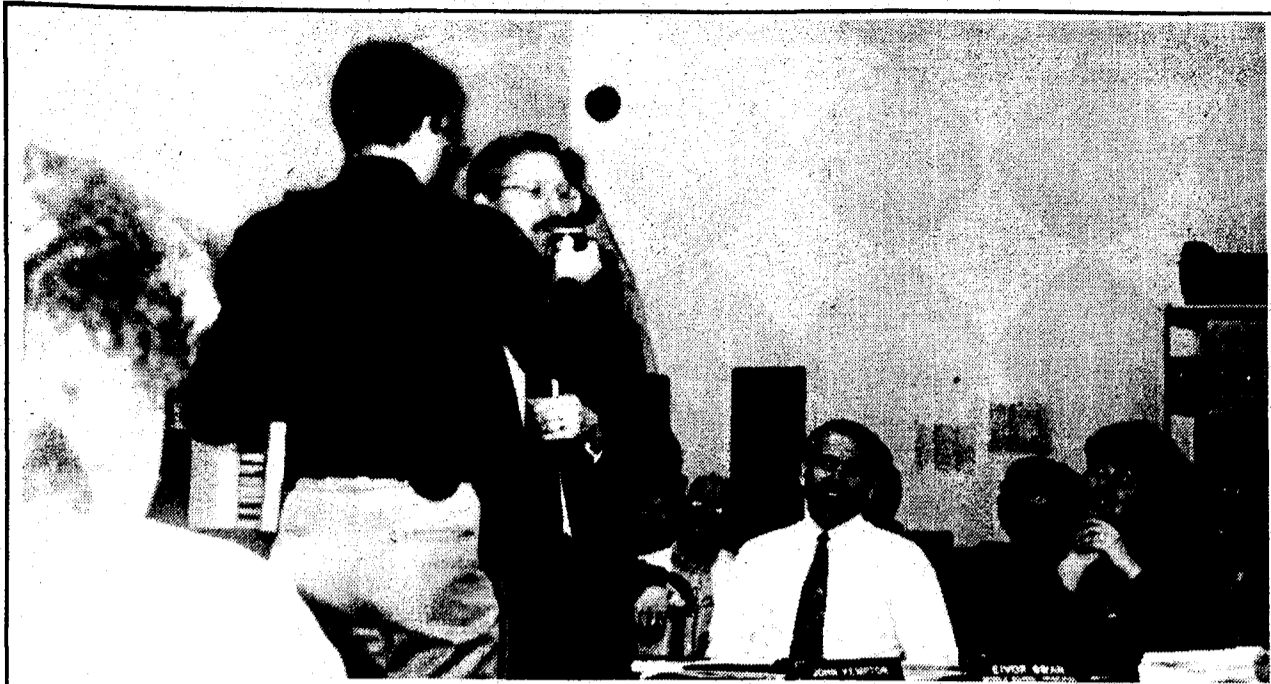
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Breathalyzer guidelines set

BY DEB SAYGERS HOBBS
Contributing Writer

East Jordan High School Principal Kenny Kent submitted to a breathalyzer test at the April 12 school board meeting.

The demonstration was part of a review of the new breath-testing procedure added to the high school student handbook.

Kent said the addendum clarifies the school's position in the case of suspected alcohol use at any school function.

It outlines procedures for preliminary breath-testing, consequences and parent notification. There are guidelines for chaperones, staff and disc jockeys or bands.

The guidelines were assembled by a committee that included Kent, Police Chief John Imeson, board members, parents, teachers and students.

The school board praised the efforts of the committee. President Mary Jason expressed her support of the guidelines because they are written "not from a punitive point of view, but as a clarification. No accusations are being made."

"The test will not be administered to everyone walking through the door," Kent stated. Only a reasonable suspicion of impaired behavior will prompt use of the breathalyzer unit.

The board heard a report from Superintendent Chip Hanson about the latest proposal approved by the Michigan legislature. The property tax cut/sales tax proposal benefits East Jordan Schools in the present form.

However, many details are still in the legislative network, so East Jordan and all districts must

remain cautiously optimistic.

Property owners would benefit variously, according to their spending habits. The proposal would reduce East Jordan school operations millage from the current 37.5 to a foundation millage of 18.

The plan constitutionally guarantees state lottery revenues and sales tax revenues to schools. This is the first reform plan to gain the support of both the education community and the state Chamber of Commerce.

Elementary Principal Charles Hershberger gave a brief overview of the kindergarten all-day, alternative-day committee research. The committee was ready to recommend the new schedule to the board.

However, the decision was made to postpone the recommendation until after Kindergarten Round-up. Typically, 85 to 90 percent of families register their children at the round-up. The administration will survey parents unable to attend the April information forum.

Several audience members took advantage of the community comments portion of the board meeting. Each spoke their support of the work of Concerned Parents of East Jordan.

Concerned Parents was organized to oppose the outcomes of the Human Development Committee. The group disagrees with outcomes-based education and questions the appropriateness of state directives.

The meeting adjourned with an invitation for the community to join in a celebration of North Central Association accreditation of East Jordan Schools.

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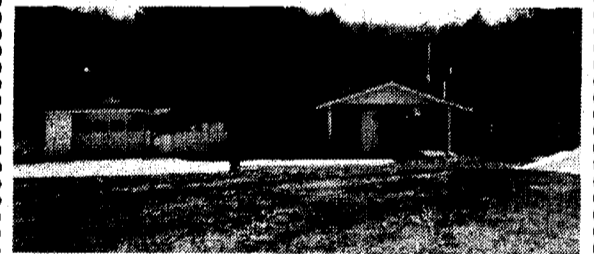
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Welcome Spring

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A special dancing day at E.J. Elementary

BY DEB SAYGERS HOBBS
Contributing Writer

"Swing your partner and promenade home!" Tapping toes tripped through the *Virginia Reel* while laughing partners strutted their best chicken cha-cha.

It was a day of dance and movement at East Jordan Elementary School. Thanks to a Malpass Mini-Grant, the children were visited by dance specialist Carole Howard on April 16.

Howard, along with physical education teacher Jamie Smith and music teacher Don Niedert, worked with dancing children all day long. Each age group learned several styles of dance.

In a special afternoon performance, many of the dancers got to show off their new moves. With the help of specially trained and costumed fifth graders, Howard presented Kids Salute American Dance.

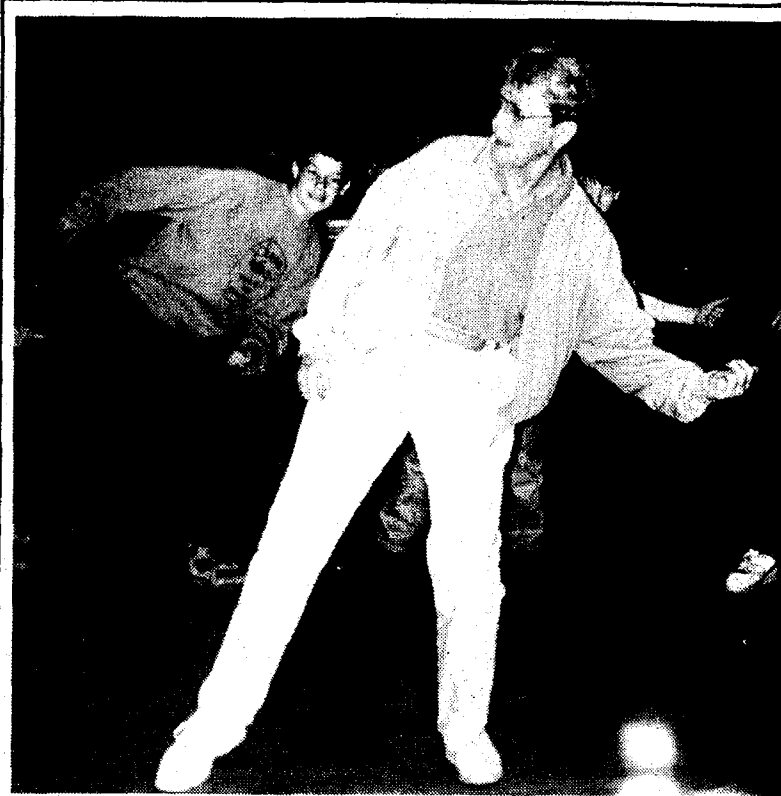
Howard is a professor emeritus of Physical Education and Dance at Central Michigan University. Before her 20-year stint at CMU she was an elementary teacher.

She developed her program as a tool to help teachers present dance to students. Her hope is that the dance experiences will continue long after the clinic is over.

Howard travels around the state with her program. She was very impressed with the cooperation between the staff at East Jordan.

"The MAPEX program here is something really special," she said.

In the evening, children shared their new dance steps with Mom and Dad, Grandma and Grandpa and the rest of the community.



Photos by
Deb Saygers Hobbs

Rock and roll is here to stay!

SHARING A HISTORY of America through dance, Master of Ceremonies Carole Howard shows a medley of rock and roll moves to eager fifth-grade participants in her dance workshop.

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Whiteford '93 Father of the Year

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The selection process began weeks earlier, as Rotary members solicited nominations for the prestigious title. A three-man committee reviewed the accomplishments and gathered input on each nominee before making their selection.

According to committee head Bill Lorne, the activities that resulted in Whiteford's award included his work as a Little League and East Jordan Junior Varsity baseball coach. The devoted family man also serves as a 4-H archery instructor and is a certified Hunter Safety instructor.

An extruder operator for East Jordan Plastics, Whiteford enjoys fishing, hunting, snowmobiling and baseball in his spare time.



COMPETITION WAS FIERCE in the 15-to-17-year-old heat of the Derby.

Money rich, Oscar poor

Top box office grosses do not necessarily mean an Oscar nomination. Of 1992's top 10 winners at the box office, only four received nominations.

In millions of dollars

"Batman Returns" (2 nominations)
\$163.7

"Home Alone 2: Lost in New York"
145.8

"Lethal Weapon 3"
144.7

"Sister Act"
139.6

"Wayne's World"
121.6

"Basic Instinct" (2 nominations)
117.2

"Aladdin" (5 nominations)
114.8

"A League of Their Own"
107.4

"The Bodyguard" (2 nominations)
86.2

"The Hand That Rocks the Cradle"
87.5

SOURCE: News stories; Research by
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SPELLBINDER

SCORE 10 points for using all the letters in the word below to form two complete words:

OUTBREAK

THEN score 2 points each for all words of four letters or more found among the letters.

Try to score at least 50 points.

Possible two-letter words: Fake, bout.



EDUCATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT was provided at the April 17 banquet by naturalists from the Fieldstone Wildlife Rehabilitation Center. Here, a snowy owl perches on Cindy McCune's arm. A peregrine falcon was also on display.



THESE TODDLERS show you're never too young to take part in the popular Kentucky Derby Races.



EGGED ON BY cheering crowds, these grown-up (but still game) jockeys would stop at nothing in their "Run for the Roses."