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AT A GLANCE

Boyne City and East Jordan offering fall fun this weekend

This weekend, Boyne City and East Jordan will celebrate the season with the Boyne City Fall Harvest Festival and East Jordan's Leaf Peekers.

For details on these events and much more, see our special "Celebrating Fall" section, in this week's edition of The Citizen-Journal.

Rally will kick off East Jordan Homecomina

East Jordan High School will host Homecoming festivities this week, including a Community Rally on Wednesday, Oct. 2, at 6:30 p.m., with pizza being served at 5:30 p.m. The public is invited to at-

Homecoming will officially take place on Saturday, Oct. 5., beginning with the traditional

parade at 12:45 p.m., followed

by a community tail-gate party. The Red Devils will host Harbor Springs in football with kick-off at 3 p.m. At halftime, the student body will crown the king and queen. For a look at the Homecoming Court, see page 3.

JRAC to host East Jordan **Business After** Hours event

On Wednesday, Oct. 9, the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Business After Hours hosted by the Jordan River Arts Council Board of Directors. The event will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Jordan River Art Center, 301 Main St., East Jordan.

Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served. The cost is \$3 for chamber members and \$5 for non-members.

The event coincides with the art center's "Illuminated Manuscript" exhibit.

For more information, call the chamber at 536-7351.

BCPS Night School now registering students for fall

The Boyne City Public Schools' Night School Program is currently registering for first semester offerings for those who didn't finish high school or who need additional credits. Classes are held every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from Oct. 7-Jan. 24 at Boyne City High School.

The deadline to register for classes is Friday, Oct. 4. For more information, call 439-



Making it official

Community members gathered at the new **Boyne City High School** on Sept. 28 for an open house and ribbon cutting. Student Mallory O'Brien and school board president Ed Vondra did the honors, above. Earlier in the ceremony, O'Brien and Betsy Weber led the National Anthem.



lt's a go

■ East Jordan voters approve \$7.92 million school bond issue

what lighter than expected, those who cast their ballots in East Jordan did so decisively, passing the school district's \$7.92 million bond issue by a 706-320 vote.

The news of the victory was not altogether a surprise to a delighted East Jordan schools superintendent Chip Hansen. "We're thrilled with the results," Hansen said after the results were announced. "East Jordan has traditionally been a very supportive community when it comes to the schools, and today's election was no exception.

Proposed plans outlined in the bond issue include expansions and improvements at the three existing school buildings, including additional classroom space at the elementary, middle, and high schools, extensive reconfiguration of the media center. cafeteria, and main offices at the high school, and the addition of a 500-seat auditorium meant for both school and community use.

With a total of 1,026 voters making it to the polls, the election turnout falls short by 332 voters in comparison to the district's last bond issue in 1995, at which time voters passed a bond to build a new middle school. Despite the "relatively light turnout," though, the end result was "very positive," Hansen said. And the

sance" of Boyne Mountain.

"Bluegreen is an organization with a

very successful track record of creat-

ing quality accommodations and tre-

mendous economic impact to the des-

Though voter turnout was some- district is still pleased with the support they've received on the project. There are so many positive things about East Jordan," he said. "The efforts of the City, the Chamber of Commerce, the DDA, and local business and industry have contributed so much to the appeal of the community. Their efforts are reflected in our school's growth, and the election affirms that the community and school district will continue to grow in a planned, positive manner."

Initiated in the wake of continual record enrollment growth, the project was carefully conceived through more than a year's worth of planning, including extensive research conducted by a Facilities Review Committee comprised of members from all facets of the community.

Though going into the election it was thought possible that the current economic climate might have hurt the effort, ultimately, Hansen said, "the general feeling is that the economy worked for us" in terms of offering low interest rates.

"The good news is that since the election, we now know the day that bonds will be sold [Oct. 24]," Hansen said, a timeframe which means that the district will not need to levy the full .99 mills as proposed; instead, the

see EJ ELECTION on pg. 10

Plans for development growing at Boyne Mountain

Shrugging off the occasional rumor of financial discord at Boyne USA. Stephen Kircher, president of Boyne's Eastern Operations, assures that there's nothing to whispers of doom and gloom.

The rumors, fueled by the suspension of construction last year at Boyne Mountain's new Mountain Grand Lodge and Spa, are nothing new for Kircher, or Boyne Mountain general manager Ed Grice, who've learned to take the talk with a grain of salt.

things at Boyne USA have never been ceremonies that took place in 2000.

Mountain Grand Lodge was the re- on, with the biggest being the finalsult of a need to rework financing with ization of an agreement between Bank One who, in late 2000, who had Boyne USA and Bluegreen Develop-

worked with the Mountain on a "syndication" financing situation. Unfortunately, shortly thereafter the syndication markets "eroded and collapsed," Kircher said, requiring the construction of the project to be suspended until financing details could be reworked.

Which, according to Kircher, they essentially have.

Though Kircher wouldn't commit to just exactly when construction will resume, he did say the goal is this fall, The real story, Kircher said, is that two years after the groundbreaking

In the meantime, Boyne Mountain The pause in construction at the has no lack of projects to concentrate

ment expected to produce an increase of up to 80,000 visitors annually to northern Michigan.

Construction will begin this fall on a 64-unit condominium development offering accommodations with a three-bedroom/two-bath floor plan. A Bluegreen sales office will likewise open at Boyne Mountain this fall, housing a team of more than 40 employees and seeking vacation/interval ownership sales reaching \$15-20 million following an 18-month launch

The initial land purchase by Bluegreen includes a parcel at the base of Boyne Mountain, near the ski run known as Superbowl.

The venture, said Kircher, will accelerate progress toward the "renais-

tinations near their operations," Kircher said. "We fully expect to help them build on that reputation." In addition to the Bluegreen

project, plans are in the works to finalize a deal with Mariott, who has worked with Boyne USA in Bay Harbor and Big Sky in Montana. Once finalized, the deal will mean that the Grand Lodge, once opened, will be a Mariott hotel, giving Boyne Mountain the benefit of the marketing and name recognition Mariott offers.

Plans are also in the works to partner with Water Technologies on an

indoor water park to be located on the Boyne Mountain grounds. In the preliminary stages. Boyne USA is working to finalize the partnership deal and begin the design phase of the project.

Ongoing projects include continued construction of the Disciples condominium village, which currently consists of 104 privately owned units, the sales-driven construction of the Mountain Cabins, as well as an entrance road off of M-75, a new chair lift and 10 new runs, due to be open this season. "We have a beautiful gift in this land," Grice said, adding that much of the development taking place is well back into the property, out of the eye of passers-bys. For anyone

see BOYNE MTN on pg. 3

Shulick will face three felony charges

resident John Shulick, 44, faces three felony charges stemming from an alleged assault that culminated in a twoday stand-off with police.

Last week, Shulick was charged in the 90th District Court with assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, resisting and ohstructing an officer causing injury requiring medical treatment, and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony. If found guilty, Shulick could spend more than 20 years behind bars.

The charges stem from an incident that began on Monday, Sept. 23, when Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater arrived at Shulick's Boyne Falls-area home around 7 a.m., with three other officers, attempting to serve a court order relating to Shulick's divorce proceedings.

Upon confronting Shulick, Lasater was allegedly struck by the suspect in the face with the barrel of a shotgun, sustaining serious injuries to his mouth and face. Lasater, who suffered from a broken jaw, lacerations, broken teeth, and knee and neck injuries, was transported to Charlevoix

With bond set at \$500,000, local Area Hospital, where he was treated and released.

> In the meantime, other law enforcement was called to assist at the scene, at which time, according to Undersheriff Don Schneider, Shulick was believed to be barracaded in his home, located at the corner of Korthase and Rogers roads. Roadblocks were set up over a half-mile from the scene, and a multicounty Emergency Response Team (ERT) was called in to assist at. the scene.

According to the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, during the course of the stand-off, the ERT dispensed tear gas into the residence on all four levels. Though at that time, no one exited the residence, bad weather forced officers to hold the scene until first light on Tuesday, Sept. 24, when an added third team was activated to respond to the scene. Later that morning, ERT members enetered the home and completed a search of the residence and outbuildings with no sign of Shulick.

Shulick turned himself in to officers near his residence at approximately 5:45 p.m. on Tuesday.



Winding down

An autumn sunset illuminates the increasingly-still waters of Walloon Lake, after a summer of bustling activity. Many of our area's popular waterways are finding their visitors declining as the season winds down, clearing the way for an unobstructed view of the spectacular colors of fall.

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Getting acquainted

Community members turned out on a beautiful Saturday afternoon for the Boyne City High School Open House event, taking advantage of the opportunity to get a closer look at the building they'd watch grow from the ground up over the last two years. A flood of well-wishers came through the main entrance of the school following an official ribboncutting ceremony. Inside, the Boyne City Alumni Hall of Fame has found an appropriate place of honor on a broad wall in the "commons" area (top right). Many residents made a bee-line for the auditorium, which has been a focal point of the high school construction project (bottom right).





photos by Angela Shultis

Annual clean-up a success for Friends of the Jordan

By LINDA GALLAGHER **Contributing Writer**

More than 20 bags of garbage were collected by volunteers along M-66 and the Jordan River during the Friends of the Jordan River Watershed's annual river cleanup on Sept. 21.

"It was a beautiful day for canoeing, a beautiful day for hiking, and a beautiful day for doing something positive for the Jordan River," said John Richter, president of FOJ. "It was a good day, all in all."

According to Richter, 19 people participated in the cleanup, which included 2 miles of M-66 near Graves Crossing, and 15 miles of riverbank.

"Participation for the event this year was very good," he said. "We had a great turnout. We had a number of folks walking the highway, several more cleaning up six different access points along the river, and three boats that floated the river downstream from Graves Crossing, which is the primary access point for canoers, tubers, and kayakers."

Several of the people helping out weren't even members of Friends of the Jordan, but just caring individuals who are concerned about the health and beauty of the watershed, Richter said.

The type of garbage collected was "an interesting study in human nature," Richter said. "Along the highway, we picked up mostly cigarette butts, candy wrappers and food wrappers and bags that people just tossed out the window of their vehicles. In the river, we collected fishing line, bait containers, and 153 bottles and cans, many of which were returnables. We'll be returning those for the deposit money, and contributing that money to future projects of the Friends of the Jordan.

According to Richter, a large amount of bottles and cans collected were containers with no deposits on them, including iced tea, water and designer drinks. If they were returnable, Richter said he doubts there would be so many dumped in the

"There are a lot of people out there who are missing sandals after enjoying the cool waters of the Jordan this summer, if the numbers of single sandals found are any indication," said Richter with a grin. "I lined them all up, but never did put a complete pair

Richter said he especially enjoyed the enthusiasm of two little girls participating in their first river clean up

"Those kids were excited to do something positive for the river. Their excitement rubbed off on everyone,'

This year, no household appliances, furniture or vehicle tires were found. "That's encouraging to us," Rich-

ter said. "People are becoming more aware of what this sort of trash does to the natural environment, and it looks as if more and more of us are disposing of these types of things in the proper

manner, at a landfill through a waste

After the morning cleanup, the volunteers enjoyed a barbecue of brats, vegetables and desserts provided by the Friends of the Jordan at

Sportsmans Park in East Jordan. Said John Richter with a smile,

ing our annual cleanup. We'll be out there next year, too, I'm sure. Keeping the Jordan River Valley the beautiful place that it is for the future enjoyment of people like the two little girls that were with us this year is what it's all about.



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JRAC to host two exhibits

Opening Oct. 6 and running through Oct. 22, an exhibit entitled "Illuminated Manuscripts" by renowned Gaylord calligrapher John Fraleigh will be featured at the Jordan River Art Center in East Jordan.

The exhibit will also feature the more contemporary works of Millie Janka of Boyne Falls; Mary Ann Zako and Julie Urban of Petoskey; and icon paintings by Diana Hamel of Grand

Calligraphy tools and materials, and other examples of handwriting, will be on exhibition in the lower gallery.

During the opening on Oct. 6, Fraleigh will present a calligraphy demonstration, and will conduct a beginning day-long calligraphy workshop on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the art center. More advanced workshops can be arranged.

Later this month, the "International Book Arts Exhibit," curated by Chad Pastotnik, will run from Oct. 27 through Nov. 24. The exhibit will include works representing at least 30 artists with a special emphasis on Michigan book artists.

A demonstration/lecture by Pastotnik is scheduled for the exhibit opening on Oct. 27, with book-binding workshops scheduled throughout the month.

The art center is located at 301 Main St., East Jordan. For more information, call the center at 536-3385 or Jane Diller at 582-6399



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Holding court

Last week, the student body at East Jordan High School chose the members of the 2002 Homecoming Court. They are, front row, from left: Josephine Cook, Marcie Taylor, Julia Schultz, Sara Miller, Cayla Tinney, and Krystal Birgy. Back row, from left: Matthew Malpass, Jon Reese, Dustin Sadowski, Chris Murray, Robert Grover, and Kevin Roberts. The king and queen will be crowned during Saturday's game against Harbor Springs.

FBI arrests EJ man on drug charges

any trouble with the Outlaws Motorcycle Club, located on the corner of U.S. 131 and Alba Highway. But when federal investigators swarmed the nondescript clubhouse around 6 a.m. last Wednesday, Donna LaPratt said she knew something was terribly wrong.

"Obviously it was alarming to see a bunch of guys with guns next door to where you work," said LaPratt, who was working at the Green Lantern Restaurant at the time. "We've never had any trouble with them before. They pretty much kept to themselves over there.'

But apparently, there was a lot going on at the clubhouse, and a some of it was illegal.

Federal agents, following a 10-year investigation, raided the building and arrested club member Dennis Pellegrini at his home in East Jordan last Wednesday on federal charges of conspiracy to distribute cocaine, methamphetamine and marijuana.

Pellegrini, who the FBI lists as the national vice president of the Outlaws organization, could face 10 years to life in prison if found guilty, according to FBI special agent Richard Licht

Pellegrini is currently being held in Grand Rapids awaiting extradition to Florida, where he is expected to be tried in Jacksonville or Tampa. According to Licht, additional criminal charges could be lodged against Pellegrini, given the ongoing nature of the investigation.

"Pellegrini was one of the organization's national leaders. The investigation hasn't ended with his

Neighbors say they have never had hopeful that we will uncover other criminal activities," Licht said.

> Licht said the FBI was also looking for guns and drugs at the club-

"The Outlaws Motorcycle Club is a criminal enterprise as far as I'm concerned." Licht said from his office in Lansing. "We're not investigating them because they're really nice guys. These are bad people."

Licht said the arrest and raid was a part of larger international investigation into the Outlaw Motorcycle Club, in coordination with numerous Canadian law enforcement agencies.

The club's international president Frank Wheeler was also arrested on Wednesday in Indianapolis, Ind., on racketeering, murder, extortion, stolen motorcycles and drug distribution charges.

Along with the arrests of Pellegrini and Wheeler, Canadian law enforcement officials rounded up and arrested five associates and 45 members of the Outlaws Motorcycle Club. They were charged with various offenses including participation in a criminal organization, drug, auto theft and weapons charges. In addition, 47

search warrants were executed in Ontario. No other local club members were arrested.

The FBI has been investigating motorcycle gangs, which gained footing in Chicago around 1935, for quite some time, according to Licht. The Outlaws gained notoriety and a criminal reputation in the 1960s when drugs, raucous behavior and gang activities were publicized in the me-

"Quite frankly, it's been a good case for the FBI and for Antrim County. The sheriff and his officers did a good job," Licht said.

The arrests created quite a buzz in Alba and on the Outlaws Web site. Messages have poured in encouraging the brotherhood "to stay strong and united."

"They may have taken our property. but they will not take our Outlaw pride," wrote Geoff from Canada, in an e-mail message.

The Outlaws Motorcycle Club claims to have chapters in 17 states and three countries. Michigan has clubs in Alba, Bay City, Detroit, Detroit Westside, Down River and Grand

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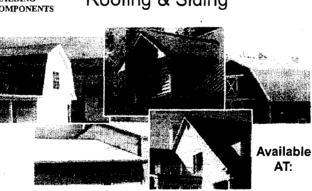
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who "thinks there's no progress, all they have to do is drive [through the property)

All in all, Boyne Mountain, the oldest of the Boyne USA holdings, is poised to come into its own. With an arrest or the raid. It's ongoing. We're already solid base the projects cur-

rently underway will, collectively, make Boyne Mountain a "critical piece" of the overall Boyne USA pic-





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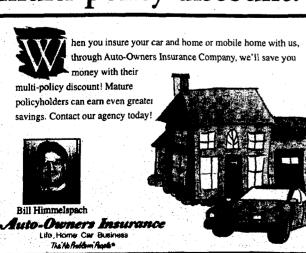
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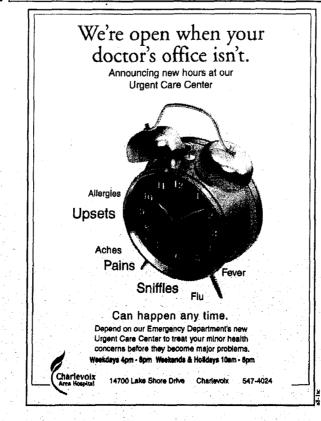
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Boyne Falls student making his mark with Logger news program

BY MANDA SEWEJKIS Student Writer

(Editor's note: Manda Sewejkis is a student at Boyne Falls School. She will be contributing occassionally to The Citizen-Journal.)

A local student is getting steps closer to pursuing a career in multimedia productions. He is currently attending Boyne Falls Public School this year as a senior. Although he hasn't gone to school there all his life, he is well known, and is none other than Nate Burks.

Even though Nate had a busy summer he made sure to leave open two weeks that would prove to help him in the pursuit of his career. Those two weeks were well spent at Alma College in a program known as the Summer Institute. Many classes were offered, but Nate focused his time in his main class of multimedia productions. Nate was one of about 100 students that attended the summer program, one of twelve that attended the multimedia class, and one of very few that were from northern Michigan.

The class touched on many different areas of multimedia productions. Nate was involved in production, acting, filming, and editing. While working on those aspects he also learned a lot from the program. The thing that he was most grateful for learning was the use of a program called I-movie. As an end result of the class, Nate and his classmates created a movie.

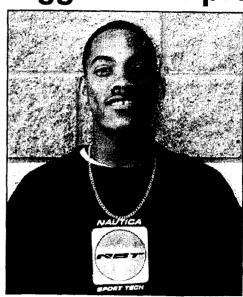
"I would definitely do it again, and I recommend others try it as well," said Nate. "It is a great way to meet and interact with new people."

Nate went into the summer institute program with knowledge from classes such as BST and BST II. which are taught by Laurie Howell at Boyne Falls Public School. That allowed Nate to have knowledge going into the program, and in the end he came out with knowledge that would help him in his idea for a school news

Judging from the responses and reactions of the students, the Logger News Show is something at Boyne Falls that the kids really appreciate and enjoy. "It is going great," said Nate. He thought of the idea for the Logger News Show, and before long was putting his ideas and thoughts to work. Nate produces, edits, and is very active in the filming of the show.

VICWEST

STEEL



Student Nate Burks is using his multimedia skills to keep kids informed at Boyne Falls School.

courtesy

Nate not only works on the show in school, but he also takes time out of school to work on it, which isn't always easy since he plays varsity football for Boyne City as well. He does most of the filming outside of school hours, consisting mainly of girls basketball games.

Nate sees the show as another way to inform students about what is going on in the school and how sports are going. Also, "kids like seeing themselves on the show," said Nate. The show combines music with video, which is something that Nate truly enjoys doing, and it also makes the show more interesting to watch. It was a great idea that ended up with great results.

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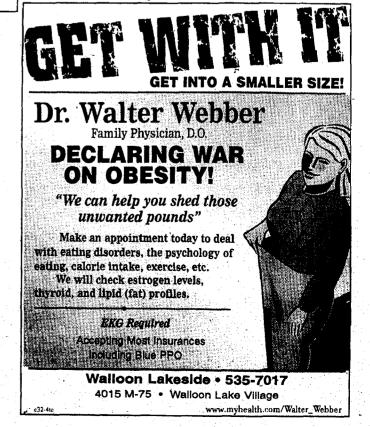
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vanced BST and also acts as a student aid for Howell. He also has more ideas that he would like to put into play such as making a type of advertisement video about the school to show to students that may be interested in attending Boyne Falls Public School. Nate also plans to attend Ferris State, and sees his future heading towards the possibility of pursuing the dream of being a director, and getting involved in the making of music videos as well. Through his work at Boyne Falls School, Nate is on his way to making that dream come true.





UPINION

A Mom's Life

A parent by any other name...

By CINDI PLACE

As parents, we find ourselves being addressed by others in many, many different ways. When our children are infants, the identification is usually being done by ourselves: mommy, baby's mama, dada...all affectionate terms for this new state of parenthood in which we have found ourselves. And as our babies learn to speak, they usually find cute, unidentifiable ways in which to get our attention: ma ma, mum, or daaaaa are a few which we've experienced.

I do remember when my husband called me mommy once, just trying to get my attention he pleaded. It didn't go over well...the man has a mommy and I'm not it!

When our kids reached school age, mommy became mom and daddy, dad or pops. Except, of course, when the daughter wanted to twist her little pinky a bit and referred to her dad as daddy (a trick she uses to this day quite effectively). "Daddy" will open the world up for almost any little girl, even when she's out of her teens. Especially when she's out of her teens, actually.

Of course, once our children each reached that lovely age called adolescence, "mother" and "father" would be the general address of choice, when we were being talked to at all that is. You know how our children know that they're in trouble when we use their entire given name? Goes the same whenever my kids call me "mother." "Father" on the other hand, generally means the child in question is trying to act more grownup. That's been my experience anyway.

Then there are the times when you lose your identity entirely as an individual. This is when you become simply "Sally's mom" or "Eric's dad." Like, without our children, we would be nothing. Okay, I guess there is a time when I buy that. But I'm kind of glad to be entering the time of parenting when I'm also a person again. Not just

Until recently, I thought I'd heard myself called just about every kind of name for my status as a mom. And I also thought I was doing quite well handling the fact that our children were growing up and becoming adults. But this new label gave me great pause.

Mother-of-the-bride.

LETTERS

9/11 gathering meaningful in **Boyne City**

TO THE EDITOR:

The Boyne area Sept. 11, 2002 Community Gathering turned out to be a very meaningful event for the people of our community. The attendance numbers were very gratifying to those of us who planned the event. It truly was an important service of remembrance, prayer and thanksgiving. The offering for the Living Memorial Scholarship totaled almost \$1,000. Most generous of those who attended.

The offering was taken to show appreciation to our Boyne area police, firefighters and EMS who provide public safety and protection. The scholarship is a onetime educational/vocational scholarship given to a qualified child/children of these personnel. Contributions to this scholarship may still be given by sending a check made out to Boyne City Ministerial Association and can be sent to BCMA, Rev. Paul Wise, Treasurer, P.O. Box 218, Boyne City, MI 49712 or to your local church noted for BCMA 911 Scholarship.

Thank you to those who participated musically and as speakers, military color guard and pastors. Thank you to all those young and old alike who gathered in unity and with a deep sense of community and patriotism. Our thanks to Karen Jarema, principal, and to the staff of the new Boyne City High School for making this event pos-

> The Boyne City Ministerial Association Pastor Bob Faulman First Presbyterian Church, Boyne City



LETTERS

Former Boyne City manager responds to public

TO THE EDITOR:

My reputation in northern Michigan has been totally destroyed, as I have been unfairly attacked without a decent chance to respond. I am writing this open letter to the residents of Boyne City, not out of revenge but to set the record straight.

My wife and I came here five years ago because we thought this would be a wonderful place to raise our twins. When I came here, the city had a number of outstanding problems, financial and otherwise, caused by previous mismanagement. I dealt with each mess, one step at a time, without blowing my own horn. In the past two years alone I have been a part of or solely responsible for over 60 projects that benefitted this city. I am proud of my accomplishments and leave this job with a clear con-

There have always been a number of very serious issues with the staff. Before I came, the city had asked a Michigan Municipal League personnel consultant to help straighten out these problems. She gave up after two ses-

I am the first professional city manager the city has ever had. I have a master's degree in public, administration and 25 years experience. Sue Hobbs' formal training consists of a two-vear associate's degree.

I have done nothing wrong and have been unfairly treated by two power-hungry commissioners and a disgruntled employee who will stop at nothing to get her job back. I was unfairly attacked by an orchestrated mob without a chance to defend myself. As bad as this is, it is nothing compared to the problems the city will face if these people are allowed to continue

Many people do not understand the city manager's job responsibilities. One of my duties is to tell city commissioners when I feel a project they want to undertake would be detrimental to the city, both financially and operationally. This is not an easy part of my job, for I know it angers some of them to the point that they want to get rid of me, but my biggest responsibility is to the city, its welfare, and its residents.

I will file a Freedom of Information Act request to have the written materials involved in my demotion of Sue Hobbs publicly released. This is not out of vengeance, but because it is only the tip of the iceberg, and I want to see these problems exposed and fairly dealt with before this city is destroyed. Residents of Boyne City should have the opportunity to judge for themselves based upon all of the information, not just one side of the story. I would like you to consider the timing issue in the Hobbs' matter: when I provided Sue Hobbs with the written reasons for the demotion and when certain city commissioners went into a frenzy to get rid of me.

There is no "smoking gun" in my conduct over the past five years. For each action that I took, I have adequate reasons to substantiate it. The problem is that some individuals are not even interested in knowing and understanding those reasons.

My contract with the city was a contract for at-will employment, which means that the city commission could

terminate my employment at any time without any meaningful reason.

How interesting it is that, even though every one of the city commissioners knew that what was said about me was filled with untruths, not one of them ever stood up publicly and came to my defense. Perhaps this was a blood sacrifice for some of them to save their own positions, while for others it was a convenient way to eliminate someone who stood in their way.

Other hardworking city employees, who have contributed much to this community over the years, are also on the hit list. I only hope you do not allow these people to do the same thing to them that they have done to me. This vigilante mob that attacked me so viciously was right, however, on one point: the motives of two city commissioners should be evaluated.

If all of this angers you, start attending city commission meetings and make your voice heard. Don't let your

People throughout town have been asking just what the city manager did that caused the city commission to renew his employment agreement for only six months. I have been hesitant to discuss this, for my evaluation was conducted in two executive sessions, and discussions in executive session are to remain confidential. Since these executive sessions were about me, however. I do have the legal right to share some basic information about them. I would indeed like to respond to the residents of Boyne City, for the commissioners did not allow adequate time for me to respond to them.

(1) My desk and office were messy and I should clean them up. I readily admit that they were messy, but busy, effective people have messy desks. I function better in clutter and knew where things were. With my workload, I often had to make a choice between a clean office/desk and dealing with issues and problems. I chose to concentrate on the latter

(2) I needed to share more information with the front office staff and city commissioners. City commissioners, overall, were better informed than previous commissioners prior to my arrival. In my memos to them on major issues, they received alternative solutions and an evalua-

As far as front office staff is concerned, my management style is not to discuss everything with everybody. When working on a project, I shared information with those working on that project. If others have questions, they should simply ask someone working on the project.

There are three other primary reasons why all information was not shared with the entire staff. (1) Some information must remain confidential due to the subject matter, i.e. personnel issues, economic development negotiations, collective bargaining negotiations, etc. (2) City hall has a very active gossip network. (3) Some staff are eager to tear apart good ideas if they do not fit their precon-

(3) Performance evaluations should be started on all employees. I established a process, started it with the Ambulance Director's position, and had plans to continue with each department head. Other employees, both union

and non-union, were a much more complex issue. To evaluate them, one needs specific job standards, which do not exist. For unionized employees, evaluations are even subject to the grievance process. The city's two labor attorneys even cautioned against evaluating unionized employees. To be fair, I did not believe one group of employees should be evaluated unless all employees could be evaluated in a fair manner that would stand up to eventual challenges.

(4) Commissioners were upset about not receiving enough timely information on two subjects. The first was a tenant in the Fochtman building who had fallen considerably behind in monthly rental payments. After numerous attempts to collect the back rent, I had started the eviction process, and then the tenant went to city commissioners. Commissioners ended up reducing the monthly rent and extending the lease for an additional 24 months. Despite this, we are now talking about eviction

The idea to purchase this property was commissioner Standen's. While the idea has merit, my recommendation was to develop a plan for the property and sell it as soon as possible, thus putting it back on the tax rolls with development by a private developer. This is significantly different from extending existing leases.

The second subject was the federal grant from the Economic Development Administration (EDA) to expand the industrial park. This was one of two grants, the other, larger one being from the state Economic Development Corpo-

As plans and funding for the expansion were being finalized, the city was approached by Federal Screw Works about constructing an \$11 million factory. To secure this factory, the city has to meet very tight deadlines for providing utilities and streets.

To meet these deadlines, I had to start the project with state funds. When EDA officials were informed the project was underway, they indicated their grant took top priority and that the city could lose its funds because construction had started before all federal reviews of grant materials were completed. They said the EDA had special procedures for dealing with fast-track projects, but nowhere in the one-inch thick stack of EDA rules and regulations are such procedures discussed.

I completed the project using state and city funds and the Federal Screw Works plant was built and is now operating. Six of the 16 lots in the new park have, in fact, been sold during a less than robust economic climate. In doing this, however, the city's general fund balance was reduced to a very low level until September's property tax payments were received, something I anticipated could happen. These local funds used will be reimbursed by EDA grant funds.

The problems with the EDA grant are now resolved, and the city will be receiving its grant funds. I made a conscious decision not to inform City Commissioners about all of this for two, very sound reasons. First of all, putting all of this out in the public and facing the prospect

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<u>Neighbors</u>

By NANCY NORTHUP

SARA AND JERRY DAVIS of Durango, Colo. arrived in Boyne this week to celebrate Mom, Flo Davis, for her 93rd birthday of Sept. 30. " It is remarkable that she still drives every day and that she is still so active in the church and in the community. We have been very lucky, indeed," said Jerry. They have been looking forward to this special visit in Boyne and are hoping that there may be some fall colors some-

AN ITEM TOO late for last week was that The Boyne City Friendship Club had their annual luncheon at the Petoskey Friendship Club Monday, Sept. 23. The 19 ladies present were served a nice chicken breast meal with a special dessert. A reading and jokes, an interesting entertainment, was greatly enjoyed.

MARVEL AND NYLE GOULD enjoyed the company of Wilda Miel from Muskegon, Darlene Olen from Gaylord, and Shirley Aittama from Cheboygan on Sept. 18. The ladies spent the day with the Gould family, with Wilda spending the night too. The friends had a great time

THORNETA ROWE and John Clark, of Anderson Road home of his mother, Edna May. Boyne City, recently returned from a trip to Flint, where they attended a Clark family wedding and visited area families. They also went to John's City just returned from a vacation. They visited e-mail her at neighbors @gtlakes.com)

ticed medicine there for 45 years.

MICHELLE (FELTON) GORNEY has recently received her Master's degree in education from Grand Valley State University. She is currently teaching in Harbor Springs at Shay Elementary School.

item concerning Anne Jenkins. It was her grandson Lance Lewis (not Barry) who was here from

BETTY KELTS of Boyne City has been transferred from Northern Michigan Hospital to Grandvue for continued physical therapy.

CLARENCE AND SUE MILLER of Boyne City and Gerry and Maxine Argetsinger of East Jordan just got home from a trip to North Carolina and to the outer banks, where they visited Clarence's son Dave Miller and family and Jack and Jane Myers.

JOYCE AND MIKE NORTHUP of Eastpointe spent Sunday and Monday here at the

MERLE AND MARY CARSON of Boyne

hometown of Bellville. There, they attended the her brother, Bob Bean and family in Chicago, then historical museum and its society meeting, fea- toured Wisconsin and Minnesota and then visited turing guest speaker, Dr. Robb, who has prac-daughters, Karen and Sandy in the Flint area for a couple days.

> WELL-ATTENDED on Saturday night was the annual Harvest Dinner at the Greensky Church.

LORI AND BILL BAILEY of Alto spent several days at the family home in Deer Lake and also visited her dad, Nels and Louisa Northup in A CORRECTION is needed for last week's Boyne Falls and other relatives before returning home on Wednesday.

> JENNY HARDY of Rudyard was home over the weekend, to join the host of others attending Saturday's open house of the beautiful new Boyne City High School.

> MIKE AND PAM SMITH of Redford were here over the weekend visiting her mother, Gen. Varnum, and to take a tour at Saturday's open house at Boyne City High School.

> PAT KUJAWSKI returned to Boyne City late Sunday evening after spending two weeks in Europe. She met her daughter Nancy, who lives in Scotland, and they toured many points of interest, including the infamous St. Andrews.

(To submit an item call Nancy at 582-9174 or

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

East Jordan

NAME: Beau Anderson

PARENTS: Julie Stevens and John Anderson HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Watching anime, and playing video games
FUTURE PLANS: Attend college
FAVORITE CLASSES: U.S. History, and Draft-

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Beau is on time, works hard, and is willing to help others," said

Mike Gee. "He is very personable and respect-

"Beau is doing an excellent job in science," said

"Beau really works hard and does a quality job," said Jennifer Richardson.

"Beau always works hard and puts in the extra time needed to get the job done," said John Cross.

Boyne City

NAME: Beau Detcher PARENTS: Ray and Judi Detcher

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: National Honor Society, football, basketball, baseball

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Sports, hunting, snowmobiling
FUTURE PLANS/GOALS: "I plan on going to

college and majoring in some kind of business career that deals with money."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Beau is my first

hour student assistant, said Ms. Adkison. "He has taken the initiative to perform Media Workroom activities. This demonstrates personal manage

ment skills that will enable him to be successful in whatever he chooses to do. Congratulations, Beau!"



Beau Detcher

Colin Bearss

UBITUARIES

Greg Boswell

Greg Boswell, 92, one of East Jordan's most active and involved citizens and native son passed away on Sunday, Sept. 29, 2002 at his home in East Jordan.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 2, at 11 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in East Jor-

The Rev. Mark A. Medina will officiate. Interment will be in Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan.

He was born on Aug. 13, 1910 in East Jordan, the son of William and Grace (Gregory) Boswell. His father had been a professional photographer and his mother operated a millinery shop and was later the city treasurer for East Jordan.

Greg graduated from East Jordan in 1927 and attended Ferris Banking School, graduating in 1928.

After graduation, he went to work in the Union Industrial Trust and Savings Bank in Flint. He returned to East Jordan to work in the State Bank of East Jordan in July of 1934.

Greg worked his way up from teller in 1935 to assistant cashier in 1936. On Jan. 25, 1938 in Boyne City, he

married Betty Newville. She survives. He worked his way up from cashier in 1951 to vice-president in 1962 and then president in 1965. Greg furthered his education by attending the School of Banking at Madison, Wis., graduating in 1953.

In 1944, the bank opened another office in Boyne City, and in 1956, the State Bank of East Jordan moved to a East Jordan

In 1968, the bank joined with banks Charlevoix, Petoskey, Cheboygan, Gaylord, Alpena and Roscommon to form the Central Computer Corp., in Gaylord. Greg served as president of this association

In January of 1969, the bank stockholders authorized changing the name of the bank from State Bank of East by each respective East Jordan Board Jordan to Northwestern State Bank. Progress continued as an addition was added to the East Jordan office and a drive-in window was installed. The bank expanded its service area further, opening a branch office in Boyne Falls in July 1971, and a branch office at Boyne City B&C Family Cen-

ter in August 1974. When Greg retired from banking on Dec. 31, 1975, Northwestern State Bank reported total assets of \$40,910,616.42. Altogether, Mr. Boswell had been in banking for 47 years, 41 of them in East Jordan. Northwestern State Bank is now part of Huntington Bank.

Greg had taken an active part in community activities throughout the years. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in East Jordan, the East Jordan Rotary Club and the Charlevoix Masonic Lodge No. 282

He was secretary for the local bowling leagues for many years. He was treasurer of the local chapter of the Polio National Foundation for 20

He had served as president of the Industrial Development Corporation and was past secretary-treasurer.

Greg is perhaps best known for his dedication to local educational endeavors. He served as secretary of the East Jordan School Board for more than 20 years.

He was also a member of the Intermediate School Board and before that new building, its present location, in he served on the Northern Michigan County School Board.

> His service to education and interest in sports was commemorated in 1962, when the East Jordan High School athletic field, the land which was formerly the Charlevoix County Fairgrounds, was named Boswell Field and later in 1992 the football stadium near the East Jordan High School was named Boswell Stadium

of Education.

Greg spent many hours keeping the football field in shape for games. He had taken care of the field since work began there following its acquisition from the county.

Greg also enjoyed bowling and fishing. He loved his cabin on the Au

Greg is survived by his wife. Betty Boswell of East Jordan: three children, Sandy (Richard Eaton) Johnson of Clawson, Sue (Charles) Kamradt

of Sparta and Bill Boswell of Rochester Hills; seven grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; two great-greatgrandchildren; and one sister Blanche Dedoes of Peoria, Ariz.

He was preceded in death by his father, William Boswell and his mother, Grace Gregory Boswell Frieberg.

Memorials may be given to Grandvue Medical Care Facility or the First Presbyterian Church, Arrangements were made by Penzien Funeral Homes Inc., in East Jordan.

Boyne Falls

NAME: Colin Bearss PARENTS: Steve and Linda Bearss GRADE: Seventh **FAVORITE CLASS: Science**

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Wrestling and foot FAVORITE PROFESSIONAL TEAM: Tennessee

FAVORITE COLOR: Blue FAVORITE FOOD: Pizza

FAVORITE MOVIE: Triple X FAVORITE TV SHOW: Friends

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Colin is a new stu-

dent to Boyne Falls, yet he has already made many new friends," said Mrs. Kloss. "He is participating in sports and is a member of the basketball team. He is very helpful in class and even before school. Colin is the kind of student that teachers love to have in class.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

NMHSA FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

Thursday, Oct. 3 Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency (NMHSA) in Petoskey will hold an October food distribution under the monthly Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) at the Boyne City Senior Center from 8:30-10 a.m. The Commodity Supplemental Food Program targets nutritionally at risk mothers, infants, children and senior citizens. For more information call 231-347-9070 or 800-443-5518.

> **ROAST BEEF DINNER** Saturday, Oct. 5

The Boyne City Masonic Lodge and O.E.S. will host a roast beef dinner from 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. The lodge is located at 212 N. Lake Street in Boyne City.

EAST JORDAN FOOD PANTRY Every Monday & Thursday
The East Jordan Food Pantry is lo-

cated at 601 Bridge St., in the base ment of Health Center. Pickup or do-nation hours are Monday and Thursday from 9 a.m.-12 noon

> BOYNE FOOD PANTRY First & third Mondays

Food pick-up hours are on the first Monday of the month from 10 a.m.noon and third Monday from 5-7 p.m., or on Tuesday if a holiday falls on

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BOYNE FOOTBALL GRIDIRON CLUB **Every Monday**

The Boyne Football Gridiron Club meets every Monday at 6 p.m. at the Boyne City High School through the football season. For more information, call Steve Ryder at 582-9656.

BOYNE CITY SCRAPBOOKING Second Monday

A Boyne City Scrapbooking Night will be held on the second Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 11 p.m. at the Boyne District Library Community Room. Participants should bring own supplies. Meet new friends and learn new techniques. All skill levels are welcome. There is no fee to attend, For more information, call Becky Brand at 582-1853.

> **LALECHE LEAGUE** Second Wednesday

Mothers who wish to breastfeed their babies are invited to attend Petoskey Area LaLeche League meetings: in fants and young children are welcome. The group meets the second Wednesday of each month, 10 a.m. to 12 noon at Northern Michigan Hospital's Community Health Education Center in Petoskey. For more information or for breastfeeding help, call 348-7976.

> TOPS MEETING Wednesdays

The TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Successfully) club will meet on Wednesdays from 9:30-11 a.m. at the Friendship Center in Petoskey. The first meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 18. The cost to join is \$20 per year, or \$5 per month. For more information, call Val at 526-3226.

KIWANIS OF BOYNE

Thursdays Interested persons are invited to join the Kiwanis of Boyne for coffee, camaraderie, and community service every Thursday morning at 7 a.m. at Robert's Restaurant in Boyne City.

VETERAN ASSISTANCE

Thursdays A Service Officer will be at the American Legion Post #228 of Boyne City every Thursday from 4-6 p.m. Any veteran seeking assistance may visit the Post at the corner of Lake and Main streets in Boyne City or call 582-7811 at that time

> **AL-ANON** Thursday nights

Al-Anon meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Church, 1303 Boyne Ave., Boyne City.

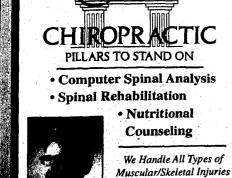
AA MEETINGS Weekly

The Boyne Valley Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets in the basement of St. Matthew's, 1303 Boyne Ave., Boyne City. Times: Sunday 1 p.m.; Monday 12 noon, 8 p.m.; Tuesday 12 noon; Wednesday 12 noon (Big Book Study); Thursday 12 noon. 6:30 p.m. (Big Book/Step Study), 8 p.m.; Friday 12 noon, 8 p.m. The first Friday of each month, an "Open Speaker" meeting is open to family and friends.

CRADLE CALL

A daughter, TEGAN ELIZABETH, was born to Gregg and Janice Swanson of East Jordan on Sept. 28, 2002 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. Her siblings are Weston, 6, and Bailey, 20 months.

Grandparents are Ray and Beth Prebble of East Jordan, Verna and the late Larry Swanson of Charlevoix and great-great grandparents are Tom and Annabell Galmore of East Jordan.



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SPORTS



It was a game Ben Hausler won't soon forget as he rushed for 132 yards, scored one touchdown and had an interception in the Ramblers' 28-0 win.



Emotions always run high when Boyne City and East Jordan meet. How high? Anthony DeNike's leap as he flies through the Rambler banner is a pretty good indication.

HOMECOMING HAPPINESS

Boyne City takes advantage of opportunties to earn big win over East Jordan

The Boyne City Ramblers have a list of goals they hope to accomplish this season, none of which they have yet to achieve.

But after their 28-0 win over East Jordan last Friday, they are getting awfully close to being able to check off one of them.

The Ramblers are now 4-1 on the season, 2-0 in the Lake Michigan Conference and tied with St. Francis for first place, and they need just two wins to earn a berth in the playoffs. While no victory is ever guaranteed, the Ramblers visit Elk Rapids this Friday to play the 0-5 Elks. Even though Elk Rapids is celebrating its homecoming this week, the Ramblers should dominate the home team, which lost last week to Kalkaska 38-0.

East Jordan, meanwhile, will be looking to get back on track after its two disappointing losses following a 3-0 start. The Red Devils are celebrating homecoming, hosting Harbor Springs Saturday afternoon.

WHILE THE FINAL SCORE last Friday indicated a relatively easy game for the Ramblers, early in the game it was more a battle of who was going to give it away. Neither team could get untracked and penalties and turnovers were abundant.

For the game, East Jordan had five turnovers and the Ramblers two. East Jordan, in the second period alone, ran four offensive plays, three of which ended with a turnover.

The Ramblers also were mistake-prone. After a scoreless first quarter, they took possession on their own 20 to start the second period. Mixing the passing game nicely with the running game, the Ramblers moved down the field and with a first and goal on East Jordan's five-yard line, seemed certain to score.

Then the wheels started to come loose.

The first play, the Ramblers were penalized five yards for illegal motion. The second play was a pass incompletion. On the third play Boyne was called again for a five-yard penalty. Then on fourth down, a touchdown pass was called back because of holding. On the next play, there was another motion penalty, moving the Ramblers all the way back to Fast lordan's 28.

The series culminated when East Jordan's Robert Grover intercepted a Beau Detcher pass.

It wasn't long, however, before East Jordan handed the ball right back to the Ramblers. East Jordan mishandled a handoff and there to pounce on it for Boyne City was Mike Mercier, who was starting his first game.

The Ramblers took over at East Jordan's 32 and seemed to be knocking on the door once again.

The offense struggled, however, failing to move the ball and the Ramblers decided to punt to force East Jordan to drive the entire length of the field as time was winding down in the first half.

The strategy worked as Chris Grice punted the ball down inside East Jordan's five-yard line.

On East Jordan's first play of the drive, bad luck struck again as the Red Devils fumbled which was recovered by the Ramblers' Brenton Rozycki with only 2:48 remaining in the half.

only 2:48 remaining in the half.

This time the Ramblers were not going to be denied. While it took three



The Rambler defense was swarming around East Jordan quarterback Tom Krause all night long.

plays. Grice took it in from one yard out to give the Ramblers their first score.

With Grice also kicking the extra point, Boyne led 7-0.

While there would be no more points in the half, there were two more turnovers – interceptions by Boyne's Anthony DeNike and East Jordan's Reece Bartlett.

After the halftime festivities, it didn't take Boyne City long to score in the third quarter as the Ramblers drove the ball 70 yards. Carrying the bulk of the load was running back Ben Hausler, who culminated the drive with a 33-yard touchdown run. With the failed extra point attempt, the Ramblers were up 13-0 and siezing control of the game.

Boyne City took complete control after East Jordan fumbled on its ensuing drive and Rambler linebacker Paul Simeri recovered on the Red Devils' 29.

Boyne took advantage of the miscue when Detcher connected with Nate Burks for a 23-yard touchdown pass. Detcher connected with Grice for the two-point conversion to give Boyne a 21-0 lead.

The Ramblers' final score came midway through the fourth quarter when Grice scored on a one-yard run, capping off a 66-yard drive that consumed more than five minutes.

"We shot ourselves in the foot and turned the ball over too many times," said East Jordan head coach Greg Bowden.

"Boyne is a well-coached team. They came out and played very well." For the Ramblers, Hausler led a balanced offensive attack, rushing for 132 yards on 21 carries. He had one touchdown and one interception.

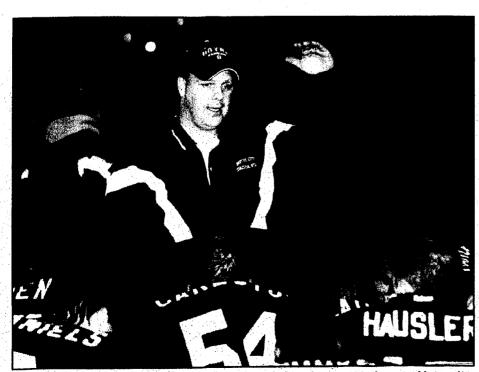
Grice carried the ball 21 times for 62 yards and two touchdowns. Reed Ameel gained 34 yards on six carries. Detcher connected on seven of 19 passes for 92 yards and one touch-

down. Burks had four catches, including the one TD reception, for 41 yards. Tight end Jordan Voice had two catches for 29 yards.

Defensively, Simeri and Rozycki each had seven tackles and one

fumble recovery. David Austin had six tackles.

For East Jordan, quarterback Tom Krause completed 3 of 6 passes for 70 yards and had two interceptions. Alan Arnott led the rushing game with 26 yards on four carries.



As the season progresses and the games get tougher, the expectations and intensity for the Boyne City Rambiers gets higher and higher, was the message head coach David Hills was communicating to his team after their win Friday night. Next up for the Rambiers, who are 4-1 overall and 2-0 in the conference, is a visit to Elk Rapids.



With a stiff arm to the helmet, East Jordan's Kevin Roberts tries to shake free from Rambler Don Peters.

Photos by Vic Ruggles



Crowning glory

Boyne City's homecoming royalty was decked out for the crowing of the queen, Samantha Bricker. during Friday's home football game. Later, Bricker was joined at the Homecoming Dance by king Zach Slate (right). Other members of the 2002 **Homecoming Court were Nicole** Buffa, Crystal Laurie, Brie Van Dam, Molly Babb, Ben Hausler, Joel Denison, Mike Grobaski, and Anthony DeNike.

The Boyne City Cross Country

teams competed in the Wolverine In-

vitational held at the Moxie Farm in

Wolverine on Saturday. Ten teams

participated in the races over the hilly

course. The Boyne City boys team

finished fifth overall with 124 points

and Boyne Falls was fourth with 111

points. The meet was won by Gaylord St. Mary's with 67 points.

Ian Smith and Randall Sutton con-

tinued to lead the Ramblers with sev-

enth and 13th place finishes, respect-

fully. Both of them earned medals

by finishing in the top 25 runners.

Smith and Sutton were followed by

David Burns 26th, Sam McVannel

34th, Ben Place 44th, Aaron Harbaugh

53rd, Bill Kurtz 55th, Justin Weisler

57th, and Rob Noeske 60th. Weisler

and Noeske were both running with

"We are starting to see some con-

sistency in our top four or five run-

ners," said Boyne City coach Andy

Place. "We need to get faster and

close the gaps between our runners. Overall, it was a good day."

photos by Vic Ruggles



Boyne City runners have 'good day' at Wolverine

EJ wins two, Hammond hits 1,000

After a sizzling 6-1 start to the sea- 15 rebounds, six assists and seven a total of 21 field goals including oneson, Ellsworth was primed and ready for a visit to its rival and neighbor, the East Jordan Red Devils, last

But East Jordan proved not to be a very kind host as it handed Ellsworth a 58-32 defeat.

After matching the Red Devils basket for basket in the first quarter, Ellsworth's offense struggled in the second period as East Jordan outscored the Lancers 12-3 and enjoyed a 24-15 lead at the half.

The second half was more of the same as East Jordan's defensive pressure was stifling and its offense bal-

anced. Ellsworth also witnessed the skills of East Jordan's Courtney Hammond who finished the game with 24 points,

DOING HER part to contribute to

the East Jordan win over host Boyne City earlier in the week, 65-58, Red Devil Courtney Hammond achieved a highlight all her own, scoring her 1,000th career point.

game with 39 points and 11 rebounds. Also contributing to the Red Devil win were Jessica Skop and Amy Schroeder with eight points apiece and Sierra Roberts with 14 rebounds.

A junior, Hammond ended the

East Jordan was six for 11 from the

Top scorers for Boyne City were Kim Foster and Hannah Decker, with 16 points each. Boyne went 15 for 29 from the free throw line, and made

three-pointer.

Later in the week, though the teams were matched shot for shot through the first half, a sluggish offensive third quarter proved to be the difference in Boyne City's 59-44 loss to Rogers City later in the week.

"We seem to always have brief period of breakdowns," said Boyne City head coach Maury Tomkins.

"We just have to eliminate that." Leading the Ramblers were Lyndsay Tomkins with 12 points and

Hannah Decker with eight. The Ramblers played Kalkaska Tuesday night and then are off until next Tuesday when they play Harbor

Although they picked up their game

in the end, it wasn't soon enough and

Harbor Light also won the JV game

lost with ascore of 57-46.

The team is 2-5 overall.

Lady Loggers fall short against Harbor Light

ended at half time with a 37-22 defi-

cit. They got back into the game af-

ter half time and both teams scored

The Loggers worked even harder

in the fourth quarter scoring ten by a score of 42-32.

14 points in the third quarter.

BY MANDA SEWEJKIS Student Writer

The Boyne Falls Lady Loggers were defeated on early last week by Harbor Light. This leaves the Loggers with a 2-5 overall record, and a 1-2 league record.

The Loggers were led in scoring by Megan Pernicano who had 14 points, four of which were from free throws Pernicano also lead in rebounds with

Kayla Reynolds added 11 points to the scoreboard. Reynolds also had six

The Loggers started out tough in

the first quarter, which ended with Boyne Falls only being down by one.

Mansfield 11:55, and Alyssa Burns

12:02. Jesse Place finished fourth in

the boys race with a time of 10:34.

Place competes as a member of the

Boyne Valley Track Club. Also run-

ning for the Boyne Valley Track Club

was Shawn Eastwood, who placed

The Rambler Cross Country teams

will be racing again on Thursday, Oct.

sixth in the girls race.

SOCCER ROUND-UP

EJ takes loss to Forest Area

Then they lost their composure, and points, while Harbor Light only

scored six.

The East Jordan boys varsity soccer team lost to Forest Area on Monday, Sept. 30. Forest Area opened the scoring shortly into the game, then scored again in quick succession to make the lead 2 to 0. East Jordan then scored twice to bring the score even at the half 2-2.

In the second half, Forest Area scored twice and held East Jordan scoreless, making the final score 4-2.

Red Devil freshman Mike Meads made 23 saves in goal, and sophomores Justin Fazio and Dustin Hartsough tallied East Jordan's two goals. Freshman Brandon La Count picked up the assist on Hartsough's goal.

East Jordan's overall record stands at 3-9. They will travel to Burt6 Lake NMCA on Thursday, Oct. 3. Game time is 5 p.m.

Boyne has busy week on the field

.Te week started with the Boyne City Boys Soccer Team defeating Traverse City Central JV Gold Team 2-0 on Tuesday at the Boyne Valley Lodge. Nick Follette scored the first goal 32 minutes into the game on a nice pass from Justin Conklin.

Tyler Barsy scored seven minutes later with the assist from Charlie Bonneville.

Joe Hauser got his first shut-out in goal with the help of the defensive unit of Jeff Bonneville, Skylar MacNaughton, Corey Ance, Brandan MacNamara and Keith Defoe.

On Thursday, the team traveled to Harbor Springs where the Harbor Light squad defeated the Ramblers 5-3. Follete scored all the goals for Bovne an assists from Conklin and Jon Hoagland.

Chippewa Hills came to town on Saturday to face the Ramblers. The result was a 5-1 victory for the team from Boyne as Follete scored his second consecutive hat-trick on assists from Barsy and Isacc Hoagland. Barsy scored unassisted from 25 yards out and Cory Ance closed the scoring with a nice header of a defensive clearing attempt. Pat Cassidy held Chippewa Hills to one goal as keeper.

The Ramblers are 3-7 on the season with home games this Thursday and Friday at 5 p.m. at the Boyne Valley Lodge.

three as Amy Anderson ran the mile VanDam 22:20, in third and fourth and a half race in 11:43, Lindsey 3, at the Mancelona Invitational.

places. French exchange student

Marion Sposito won her first medal

of the season by finishing 24th. The

team did not have a fifth runner to

score and therefore could not place

as a team. Pickford won the girls team

very well. The girls finished one-two-

The Middle School runners fared

EJ teams make progress at Carson City East Jordan runners participated in the Carson City Invitational last week, with the girls placing 10th over-

"Carly Stieber gained some valu-

able experience," Place said. "She led

the race at the start and she was stride

for stride with the Pickford girl for

Stieber had her best finish in her

She was followed by teammates

Hannah Decker 22:04 and Brie

and Amanda Evans, 64th, 27:42.

career as she finished second with a

the rest of the race.

time of 21:36.

all out of 20 teams, and the boys placing 14th out of 24. Top placer for the girls was Chelsey Poindexter in ninth place with a time of 20:40. Tiffanie Bearden placed 28th with a time of 21:43, followed by Amanda Thomas, 58th, 22:44; Amanda McMichael, 64th, 23:04;

"All five of our girls had their season's best," said East Jordan cocoach Dennis Snarey. "We might surprise some people."

"Chelsey is going to be a top runner for us," said cocoach Matt Peterson. "It's hard to believe that a 13vear-old can run so well."

Top finisher for the boys was Garrett Romero in sixth with a time of 16:46, followed by Nick Hansen in 29th with a time of 17:36; Chris Duff, 82nd, 18:49; Paul Brusse, 116th, 19:45; Jason Palmrose, 121st; 19:54; Josh Pung, 127th, 20:05; and Andrew Crumbaugh. 132nd, 20:18.

"Garrett ran a very smart race," Peterson said. "He showed lots of patience while maintaining his pace."

LETTERS

injuries.

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of having everybody and his brother involved would have made it much more difficult to resolve the issue with the EDA. I know this from experience, having worked with numerous federal and state agencies. I did work closely with the two, best agencies for resolving this matter, Northern Lakes Economic Alliance and Congressman Stupak's office.

Secondly, I took complete responsibility for the problem when dealing with the EDA officials. My position was, if you want to punish someone, punish me and not the community. If I had involved the city commission, it would indeed have been easier for the EDA officials to justify punishing the entire community.

There were three entities involved in this EDA grant: the city, which I represented, the grant administration agency, and the project engineer, only one of whom had previous experience working with the EDA. Of the three, I was the only one who stepped forward and took responsibility for the problem, and I did so at considerable, personal risk. This is a quality of leadership. Taking responsibility for one's actions and doing what is ethically right was something you did not see on the part of many individuals involved in the recent tornado/log incident. In this case most, if not all, individuals were concerned about "saving their own hides" and obscuring the central issue.

It is more than appropriate to focus on the results of this industrial park project: (1) Money to purchase the land for the project came from an interest-free loan from the state. (2) The city will receive approximately \$600,000 in EDA grant funds to construct the project. (3) The city has received approximately \$1,030,000 in the form of a low-interest loan from the state to construct this project, the LexaMar expansion project, and the North Boyne Water Transmission Main Project.

Since new job creation quotas in the loan agreement have been met, the city will not have to repay half of this loan. (4) The Federal Screw Works plant and the expansion at LexaMar have added approximately 120 new, high-paying jobs to the community. (5) If done properly, the city can secure unused state loan funds to help finance an upcoming project, the East Main Street Water Transmission Main Replacement Project, and half of these funds will again be forgiven. All of this work brought federal, state, and private funds into the community and completed important projects that otherwise would have required taxpayers' funding to

There are no "sure things" in the area of economic development; it is a risky business. I am proud to have accomplished the above, at considerable risk to myself and after much hard work. Over the past two years, I have been involved in over 60, major projects and undertakings that will benefit the community. That is a large number for a community of this size.

City commissioners also asked me to establish more accountability in city government. In many cases, such accountability cannot be achieved without at least some staffing changes, and I am sure commissioners understood this. Such changes are standard practice

In conclusion, I have indeed filed a Freedom of Information Act request with the city to have the written materials involved in my demotion of Sue Hobbs publicly released. When these materials are available to the public, people will have access to the other side of the story and can judge for themselves the reasons for my action.

> Eric A. Strahl Former Boyne City city manager

Raphael leading Boyne Falls cross country

BY MANDA SEWEJKIS Student Writer

Boyne Falls School's cross-counbusy this past week, and they have been bringing great results back with

Boyne Falls ran at the Petoskey invitational on Saturday, Sept. 21. Adam Raphael was the top runner for Boyne Falls in the ninth and tenth grade group.

Raphael placed 21st and finished

with a time of 18:47. He was followed by; A.J. Hawkins, 19:03; Shawn Kilmer, 20:03; Darryl a time of 18:41. Kowalski, 22:04; Matt Matelski, 22-13. and Nathan Wasylewski 22:14.

Seth Zimmerman was the only runner for Boyne Falls in the 11th and 12th grade group.

He placed 69th and ended with a time of 20:15.

The Loggers also competed at the Wolverine Jamboree last week Tuesday, Sept. 25.

runner, placing fourth and ending with Not too far behind in ninth place

Raphael was again Boyne Falls, top

as Seth Zimmerman w 19:30, and A.J. Hawkins in 11th with a time of 19:59.

They were followed by Shawn Kilmer, 20:30; Darryl Kowalski, 22:09: Matt Matelski, 23:14: Nathan Wasylewski, 23:34; Mark Dunlop, 24:38; and Chris Zimmerman, 28:47. Boyne Falls placed third out of five eligible teams with a score of 63.



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Under the power of sale contained in

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Said premises are situated in CITY

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OF BOYNE CITY, Charlevoix County, Michigan, and are described as:

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BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING - Sept. 12, 2002

Acceptance of Treasurer's report. Approval to pay Township obligations totaling \$25,000. Received report on Zoning Permits issued. Next regular Planning Commission meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2002 at 7 p.m. Next Board of Trustees regular meeting to be held on Thursday, Oct. 10, 2002 at 7 p.m.

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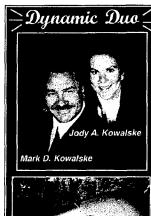
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Electors who wish to vote in the general election must be registered to vote no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 7, 2002. If you are not currently registered to vote or have changed your address in the city or township in which you live you may do so at the following locations listed in this notice.

At your city or township clerk's office where your residence is located or at the office of the Charlevoix County Clerk during normal business hours.

At any of the Secretary of State Branch offices located throughout the state during normal business hours

At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some office of the Commission for the Blind.

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By Mail:

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NOTE: A person who registers to vote by mail is required to vote in person unless they have previously voted in person in the city/township where they live or are at least 60 years of age or are handicapped.

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East Jordan voters pass bond issue

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total debt retirement millage for taxpayers will be 3.5 mills rather than the expected 4.14 mills. "That millage rate is nearly two-tenths less [than proposed], and I expect it to drop again in 2003 when the interest rate is finalized," he said.

Now that the issue has passed, Hansen said, work is already beginning on the "design and programming" phases of the project, during which time the process will actively involve faculty and staff members in pinning down design element details that will best serve the needs and goals of the schools. "We've allocated the square footage and dollars to provide quality facilities," Hansen said.

Hansen said the project will likely be bid in two packages, with the elementary school work out to bid in February and work starting in April, followed by the middle and high school improvements bid out in May and beginning as soon as possible.

Because of the complexity of the work at the high school, Hansen said, the project is expected to span two years, particularly when considering that the extensive interior renovations planned will require that some of the new classrooms and the auditorium will need to be completed prior to the work on the existing interior.

"The work will be done in stages in a two-year period," Hansen said: "We hope to occupy everything in September of '04."

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Full service floral business opens in Boyne City

Since Accents by Pamelanies in Boyne City opened at the end of August, manager Melanie Gibbons hasn't had time to catch her breath. Working from a customer base purchased from the now-defunct Heidi's Hollyhocks, Gibbons and owners Pam and Tim Hartwick were spared some of the work that comes with starting from scratch.

A full-service flower shop, Pamelanies specializes in traditional floral needs such as weddings and funerals, and is working on building a clientele for holiday decorating for both businesses and private homes. The shop is located at 1111 Boyne Ave., next to McDonald's.

For Gibbons, working with the Hartwicks in getting Pamelanies on its feet has been a natural progression from her previous experience as an employee at Heidi's. "I worked at

Heidi's for quite some time, and Pam was a customer for quite some time," Gibbons said. When Heidi Held-Hinckly opted to close her business, Gibbons and Hartwick jumped at the chance to secure the customer base and get moving with a business of

Offering not only retail flowers and

manager
Melanie
Gibbons,
right,
pose with
Hartwick's
daughter
Sophie at
their new
shop in
Boyne City.

Owner Pam

center, and

Hartwick,

plants, utilizing the Teleflora Wire Service, Pamelanie's also offers garden service and maintenance.

The business is planning a grand opening celebration, which they hope to hold around Sweetest Day, Oct. 19.

Accents by Pamelanies is open

Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 10 a.m.-3

p.m. Hours can be extended when necessary, and services are available during off hours for events. Delivery service is available.

They accept all major credit cards. For more information, call the shop at 582-0972.

Housing coalition has new director

The Board of Directors for the Charlevoix Emmet Housing Coalition (CEHC) has announced the appointment of George Booth as the new Executive Director for the coalition.

"George brings extensive financial background to the coalition along with the maturity and experience we believe necessary for this position," said board chair Kathy Johnson.

Booth, who has been with the coalition since the fall of 2000 as Financial Manager, spent more than 30 years with General Motors where he worked in various financial positions. In additional to his position with CEHC, Booth serves on the board of the Cheboygan County Housing and Homeless Coalition.

The Charlevoix Emmet Housing Coalition owns and manages transitional housing units in Charlevoix, Emmet and Cheboygan counties and provides Links to Home Ownership education classes in those counties and in Antrim County.

CEHC, a nonprofit organization, is celebrating its 10th year of operation and works to provide, develop and advocate adequate and affordable housing for low and moderate income households.

STUDENT NEWS

AURORA RYAN of Boyne City recently attended the Summer Youth Program (SYP) at Michigan Tech University.

Students taking part in SYP can choose to attend one of over sixty different weeklong explorations.

Ryan is a junior at Boyne City High School where she is active in soccer. She is the daughter of Amelia and Michael Ryan.



Old-time lessons

More than 1,200 area kids, like these East Jordan students, had the chance to check out the way things used to be done at the Northern Michigan Flywheeler's annual "Kids Day" event last week. photos by Vic Ruggles



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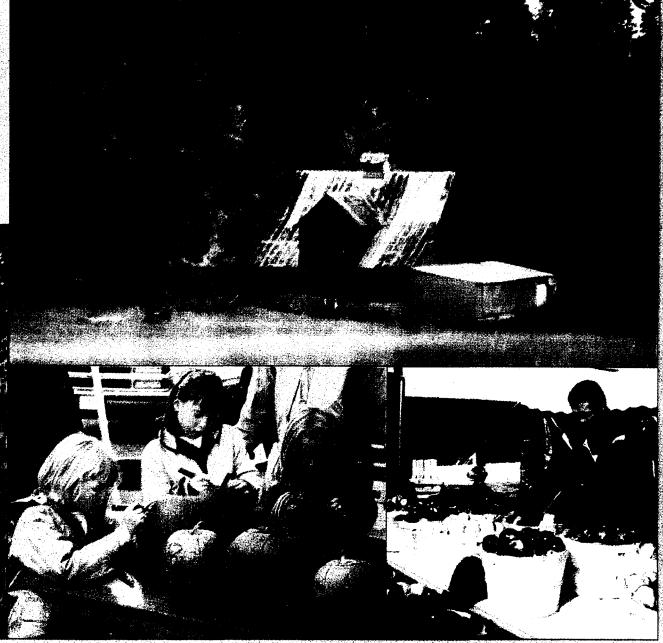
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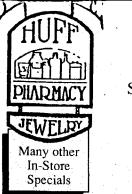
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Welcome to FALL Up North

Like many other areas in northern Michigan, fall in the Boyne City/East Jordan area means vivid color and harvest celebrations. It is a time to enjoy both the bounty of the harvest and the bounty of nature, in the kitchen and in the countryside. Locally, the communities of Boyne City and East Jordan are busy planning the traditional events that signal the official be-

Harvest Festival **Boyne City**

"Always the first weekend in October," Boyne City's annual harvest festival will offer the bounty of the season, along with fun events and activities for every member of the family to celebrate the arrival of autumn.

Scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 5, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 6. from 12 noon-4 p.m., the festival will feature such favorites as a juried arts and crafts show, pumpkin painting, and a petting zoo.

Area producers will be on hand selling the bountiful harvest of the season, including apples, pumpkins, honey, jam, and other fresh produce and products.

In addition, local groups and organizations will offer hot dogs, chili, baked goods, and other treats.

On Saturday, from 9-11 a.m., or until supplies run out, Northern Michigan Hospital Foundation will offer blood pressure testing and flu shots, asking a \$5 donation for the immunization.

The Boyne City Fire Department will also be on hand to mark Fire Prevention Week, selling smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors at affordable prices.

In addition to the activities in the park, fun and frightening scarecrows will be on display in downtown Boyne City, where local shops and restaurants will be open to welcome visitors.

A few spaces are still available for those wishing to participate in the arts

To register or receive additional information about any of the planned events, call the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce at 582-6222.

Trolley color tours in and around the Boyne City-East Jordan area will also be offered, giving those taking the tour a chance to enjoy shopping and dining opportunities in both cities. Tours leave Boyne City at 11 a.m.



Fall fun-seekers of all ages will find something to suit their tastes at Boyne City's Harvest Festival (pictured here) and at East Jordan's Leaf Peekers events.

and 2 p.m., and East Jordan at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Trolley color tours are sponsored by Kothase Insurance and the Boyne and East Jordan cham-

Leaf Peekers East Jordan

Fall is in the air, and East Jordan is marking the season with plenty of autumn fun for the whole family, with events scheduled throughout the month of October.

On Saturday, Oct. 5, the Leaf Peeker Open House kicks off the season, giving color-seekers a chance to visit East Jordan merchants for fun open houses and great deals. Besides special fall sales, merchants will be serving refreshments, and the town will be decked out with straw-stuffed creations for the annual Scarecrow Contest.

Judging for the contest takes place on Friday, Oct. 4, with East Jordan High School cheerleaders serving once again as jurors.

ALSO ON Oct. 5, the second annual Harvest Moon Dinner Dance will be held at the East Jordan Civic Center, with proceeds to benefit the Jordan Valley Freedom Festival 2003.

Scheduled from 7 p.m.-midnight, the event will feature a candlelit dinner buffet and an evening of dancing. The event will be catered by the Round Table Restaurant.

Tickets, available at the East Jordan Chamber office, the Round Table, or Mary's of Boyne, are \$25 per person, which includes two complimentary drinks; a cash bar (with beer or wine) will also be available.

Music will be provided by DJ-Music Master.

On Thursday, Oct. 17, area merchants will again be in the fall spirit with a special Moonlight Madness event, followed on Saturday, Oct. 19, by the eighth annual Leaf Peeker Craft Show at its new home, the East Jordan Elementary School, 304 Fourth St., in East Jordan. The show features arts, crafts, and gifts, along with the popular Leaf Peeker Cafe. Admission is \$1 for spectators.

And finally, with Halloween just around the corner, East Jordan will top off the month with "Screams From the Dark," a haunted house at the East Jordan Civic Center, on Friday, Oct. 25, and Saturday, Oct. 26, from 7-10 p.m. each night.

Younger children are encouraged to visit from 7-8 p.m.; after 8 p.m., all the ghouls will be out for the big kids to enjoy.

The cost is \$2 per person, with proceeds to benefit the Jordan Valley

For more information on any of these events, call the chamber at 536-

More information about area fall fun is available by calling the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce at 582-6222 or the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at 536-7351.

FALL color

Whether you're a visitor or resident, fall color in northern Michigan is always something to celebrate. This year, conditions were prime for a good growing season, making the potential for brilliant colors excellent.

"It's been a pretty good growing year, although a bit drier, but not dry to the point where it's causing leaf mortality or losses," said Michigan State University Forestry Professor Mel

Koelling. The potential, though, has been a little slow in being realized, due most likely to the cloudy, wet weather the area has experienced on and off through September.

Ideal weather for color development, according to Koelling, means sunny days and cool nights, and relatively dry conditions.

Daylight length is also a determinant, Koelling said, but temperature is one of the most significant factors. The Great Lakes, for example, delay peak color on shoreline areas compared to inland areas because of lake-effect warmth. Trees in valleys, on hilltops, and along roads often turn color earlier because they are less protected from cool temperatures.

At present, fall's annual color show has barely begun, with the peak not expected in most areas for at least a couple of weeks, giving us all something to

For updates of fall color conditions, call (888) 78-GREAT (784-7328) or visit www.aaamich.com.

Making your fall color tour a safe and enjoyable one

Wherever your fall color tours take you, be sure to stay alert. According to AAA Michigan, most car-deer grashes occur in fall, near dawn and dusk on two-lane roads where the best color can often be

Tips to stay safe on your northern Michigan color tour include: Never take photos while driving. They'll inevitably be blurred, and doing so could cause you to lose control of your vehicle.

Pull well off the road. Stop occassionally to let faster moving

• Switch drivers often so everyone can see the show, and take advantage of scenic turnouts.

Wear safety belts and avoid alcohol.

FALL weather

Fall in northern Michigan. Crisp, erate "El Niño" effect. clear air; brilliant white autumn sunlight; leaves in a multitude of rich,

And though that captures the best of the season, in northern Michigan. residents and regular visitors have pretty much come to expect the unexpected, weatherwise. This fall however, according to the National Weather Service in Gaylord, the weather is shaping up to be near "nor-

According to meteorologist Brian Adam, the outlook for the month of October indicates no significant departure from average temperatures for the month, which range from highs in the mid-60s and lows in the mid-40s early in the month, to highs in the low-50s and lows in the mid-30s as Halloween approaches.

Through November and December, the area may experience increasingly above normal temperatures and precipitation, thanks to an expected mod-

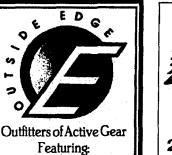
The last two weeks of September enjoyed what was considered in the long run to be "normal" but really amounted to a lot of see-sawing in terms of temperature, with days both above and below the long-term aver-



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age, a trend that is also likely for the month of October.





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Experiencing FALL color in the Jordan Valley

A fall experience in northern Michigan wouldn't be complete without a leisurely tour of the glorious colors of the Jordan Valley. The following tour routes (approximate travel time: three hours to all day!) have been provided by the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce.

The drive begins on M-32 highway which will take you past the new East Jordan Community Park, airport and City of East Jordan's Industrial Park.

Continue on M-32 until you reach the Charlevoix/Antrim County line; turn left onto Pesek Road. You will pass one of the historic farmsteads built by the Pesek family which is now the Stonehedge Fiber Mill. Just past Stonehedge, you will come up on the St. John Nepomucene Pioneer Cemetery on your right. If you choose to stop and visit the cemetery, see if vou can find the tomb of the unknown pioneer. At the Pesek and Bergmann Road intersection, follow pavement to the right. At the end of Bergmann Road, cross M-32 to St. Johns Road. Stop and view the magnificent Bohe-

After a stop at St. John's, back in the vehicle and out to M-32, turn right (east) on to M-32 to continue your tour. On your left you will see the St. John's Praha Cemetery.

For a shorter tour, turn right on to Adams Road approximately one mile from St. John's Church, This road will take you over rolling hills and past farms, fields and forests for a scenic glimpse of vestervear. Adams Road will bring you to Old State Road which crosses the Jordan River and then M-66 highway. You can return to East Jordan turning right (north) on M-66 or continue on Old State Road. *

Driving on, no tour of the Jordan Valley would be complete without a tour and trip to Deadman's Hill (where restrooms are available). Deadman's Hill is the trailhead for several hiking paths into Jordan Valley. You'll drive by the El-jireh farm's beautiful stone barn where lambs and emu are seen grazing in the sloping pastures. The Warner Creek Pathway (maps at Chamber office) is also off M-32 on the right. The pathway features great hiking, and cross country skiing opportunities.

The countryside is full of color on all sides of varying shades and depth. At the M-32 and US-131 intersection, turn right onto US-131.

optional Just past the turn to Gaylord, you will turn right onto the Jordan River Road (dirt road), The trip on this road is a great way to see the Jordan River if you don't mind

traveling on a narrow, dirt road with unpredictable road conditions. This road gets you into the Jordan Valley, but will not take you to Deadman's Hill. It is suggested that you have a Jordan River Pathway map for this trip, available at the Chamber office.

If you do not head into the Valley, proceed on US-131 to Deadman's Hill Road (on the right). Watch for signs. Park your vehicle and prepare for one of the most beautiful sights in the Midwest; a short hike down the marked pathway will have you viewing Deadman's Hill and the breathtaking Jordan Valley.

Once back on the road and out to US-131, turn right and proceed down the highway to Turner Road. Turn right off 131 onto Turner Road to visit the Jordan River Fish Hatchery (handicap accessible). Turner Road is a dead-end, winding, paved road featuring plenty of color. The Fish Hatchery hours are 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily, and the visitor information center is open 24 hours, seven days a week. Restrooms, coffee, and hot chocolate are available. If you choose, you can go into the Jordan Valley here (dirtroad-see Pathway Map if you choose this option).

If not, travel out to US-131, and turn right. At the US-131 and C-42 junction, turn right off 131 at the

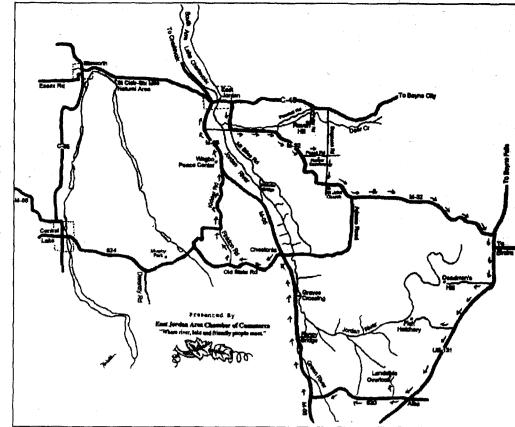
blinker light. Head down C-42 to Alba Road. Turn right onto Alba Road. Another breathtaking sight is right off of the Alba Road on Harvey Road, known as "Landslide Overlook." The overlook is approximately one and a half miles down Harvey Road. An absolutely spectacular view of the valley awaits you after parking your vehicle and walking a short distance.

to Alba Road, turn right onto Alba Road. Follow until M-66, and turn right. Travel down M-66, turn left onto Old State Road for the rolling hills and curvy road full of beautiful overlooks. Turn right onto Finkton Road, which will run into Kidder Road where you will come up to another beautiful overlook. The sight is across from a farm, features a beautiful gully, rolling hills, breathtaking colors. Be cautious of traffic, as there is no designated spot to turn off or to

After visiting the overlook, head back

From there, continue on past the historic Bennett School on your left, and the back side of the Hughs Trout Farm. At the end of the road, turn left onto M-66. Travel past the Cosner Nature Preserve on your right, and on your left is the Wagbo Peace Center, then on to East Jordan.

option Instead of turning off Old State Road onto Finkton Road, follow Old State Road into Central Lake to Ellsworth and back to East Jordan. (See an Antrim County map, available at East Jordan Chamber office.)



Creating great FALL

With a little planning and patience, conditions also make great shots, inphotographing great fall color could be as easy as going out your back door or heading to your favorite scenic northern Michigan overlook, according to award winning AAA Michigan photographer Robert Brodbeck.

Brodbeck, whose work has appeared worldwide, said that great fall color photos can be enhanced by proper composition and the use of basic accessories.

- · For best results Brodbeck suggests using 100- to 200-speed film for better color, or use a digital camera set to 100 ISO and "fine" mode.
- Mornings and late afternoons are

cluding bright leaves against dark clouds. Experiment with a flash to reduce shadows in strong sunlight and overcast conditions.

- Use contrasting subjects. "Don't use a road as the main photo subject. but you can use it as a composition point," Brodbeck said. "Place it in the picture on the left and position it winding off to the right under the color for a stronger photograph."
- · If photographing a colorshrouded waterfall, use a tripod and slow your shutter speed to one-half or one second. "Use a potarizing filter," Brodbeck said. "A long expooften the best time to shoot, but other sure will streak the water and give the

illusion of movement.'

· Don't ignore the trees for the forest. "An individual tree or group of trees against a backdrop of blue sky or evergreen forest often makes a better photo than an entire woods." Brodbeck said. "Try zooming in on just a few branches with blue sky be-



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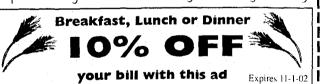
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Topping:

1/4 tsp. cinnamon 2 Tbsp. sugar

Combine flour, baking powder, salt, and spices. Set aside. In large mixing bowl, combine granola, brown sugar, milk, and applesauce. Add egg whites, oil, and vanilla to cereal mixture.

Mix well. Add flour mixture, stirring only until combined. Spoon batter evenly into 12 (2 1/2 inch) muffin cups. Sprinkle with cinnamon mixture. Bake at 400 degrees about 20 minutes.

If you still have more harvest bounty than you can use, remember that some local food pantries accept fresh produce. Call your local food pantry for details.

SUGARLESS APPLE PIE

Pastry for 2 crust pie

1 (6 oz.) can frozen apple juice concentrate, thawed

2 Tbsp. cornstarch

1 Tosp. butter or margarine

1 tsp. cinnamon 1/4 tsp. nutmeg

6 c. sliced apples (Golden Delicious or other pie apples)

Roll pastry to 1/8 inch thick. Place in a 9 inch pie plate; set aside. Combine apple juice (undiluted) and cornstarch in saucepan; bring to a boil, stirring frequently. Add butter, cinnamon, and nutmeg, mixing well. Stir in apples. Spoon mixture into pastry shell. Roll remaining pastry to 1/8 inch thickness; transfer to top of pie. Trim edges, fold under, and flute edges. Bake at 425° for 30 minutes. Reduce heat to 375° and bake an additional 30 minutes. Yields one (9 inch) pie.

PORK CHOPS WITH ZUCCHINI AND PARMESAN

4 to 6 pork chops (lean)

3 zucchini, small sliced (unpeeled)

2 onions, medium sliced

3 Tosp. flour

1 mixing bag (plastic gal.)

2 Tbsp. oil

4 1/2 Tbsp. Parmesan cheese, divided

1 1/2 tsp. salt 1/2 tsp. dill weed

1/4 tsp. pepper

1/3 c. water

1/2 tsp. paprika

Into plastic mixing bag, place pork chops, flour, 1 1/2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese, salt, dill weed, and pepper. Mix will and shake. Remove pork chops and place in a large hot frying pan and brown in oil. When brown, spread onions on top of chops and add water. Cover and simmer for 15 minutes. Add zucchini and sprinkle the remaining flour, 3 tablespoons Parmesan, and paprika all over the top. Do not stir. Cover and simmer 25 minutes. Serves 4.

DELICIOUS PUMPKIN BREAD

1 1/4 c. vegetable oil

1 (15 oz.) can solid-pack pumpkin

2 c. all-purpose flour

2 c. sugar

2 (3 oz.) pkg. cook-and-serve vanilla pudding mix

1 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. ground cinnamon

1/2 tsp. salt

In a mixing bowl, beat the eggs. Add oil and pumpkin; beat until smooth. Combine remaining ingredients; gradually beat into pumpkin mixture. Pour batter into 5 greased 5 x 2 1/2 x 2 inch loaf pans. Bake at 325° F. for 50 to 55 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool on a wire rack. Yield: 5 miniature loaves. Also, may be baked in 8 x 4 x 2 inch loaf pans for 75 to 80

ACORN SOUASH BOATS

2 acorn squash

2/3 c. orange juice

1 lb. ground beef

1 tsp. salt

1 egg

2 Tbsp. molasses (optional)

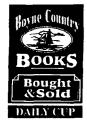
1/2 tsp. parsley flakes

1/4 c. milk

1 tsp. finely grated orange peel

Pierce squash with fork. Bake in microwave 5 minutes. Cut squash in halves lengthwise; discard seeds, Place, cut side down, in a shallow baking dish; add orange juice. Bake 1 1/2 minutes. combine remaining ingredients and fill squash cavities (right side up) with mixture. Bake 12 minutes. If no revolving tray, turn every 3 minutes. garnish with grated orange peel.

Recipes courtesy of the 'Taste of Boyne' cookbook, compiled by the Boyne Valley Garden Club. For information on how topurchase the book, call Betty Shaver at 582-5545.



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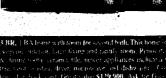






















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