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'Quality School' presentation made at McFall Elementary

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

McFall Elementary Principal Bill Rich welcomed 20 parents to a Feb. 10 workshop, led by Dr. Brad Greene, part of the school's effort to include parents in the development of a "Quality School."

Rich opened the workshop by saying that staff at McFall have changed and transformed their relationship with children over the last five years. The training staff has received has allowed them to improve their insights, he said. The entire staff, teachers and support staff had just finished two days of training with Greene, the main trainer with the Glasser Institute.

Greene gave a brief overview of the "Quality School" movement, as developed by Dr. William Glasser, a psychiatrist and author of *The Quality School, The Quality School Teacher and Choice Theory.*

This transformation of schools to allow students to do quality work requires a total staff effort. Greene stressed that schools can build on the natural "yearning for learning" children bring to school at the earliest levels.

While students may start out with joy, discovery and curiosity, some may become disillusioned.

Greene said, "Our experience is that this can work for all schools and even for students who have abandoned learning."

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Greene touched on the multiple intelligences work of Howard Gardiner and then spent the rest of the workshop demonstrating how "choice theory" works in schools and in life.

Using common sense examples, he showed how the effects of criticism, put downs and sarcasm can interfere with children's ability to learn.

Some children are afraid even get sick. By contrast, children want to be around people who encourage them.

Greene led parents through an exercise that detailed the elements of choice theory and made this "inside-out" process understandable.

How can individuals develop the skills that develop responsibility and quality? Using new information on how the brain works, Greene detailed the steps to the creation of the "quality world" each individual creates.

Greene detailed ways to encourage even reluctant students to include school in their quality world. Rich told a story of a student who was having a very bad day and when his teacher was trying to show him his choices, the child said, "I'm taking you out of my quality world!"

Kaye Mentley, principal at Huntington Woods School in Wyoming, will be training McFall staff in March. Her school is the first "Quality School" recognized by the Glasser model.

Huntington Woods has included parents in the process from the beginning. Parents are encouraged to come to school, information is sent home each week and parents are never allowed to feel outside of the education process.

Mentley says, "One of the ways we have made this school a place where parents want to be is making sure the best parking spaces are reserved for parents." The school also "rewards" parent involvement with positive postcards sent home.

Parents who attended the workshop told Greene that they have been impressed with the process at McFall. "But what happens when my child leaves this school?" Staff members from the other schools have taken the Glasser training. Rich suggested requesting a teacher with Glasser experience.

Greene and Superintendent Jay Cason agreed that Glasser training is something teachers must choose to participate in and experience. Cason said he hoped staff at more schools in the district would be excited about the possibility and rewards of this training.

Parents also were concerned about a process that did not seem to have consequences. Greene assured them that students in a Quality School do have to follow the rules. But outside of the hard and fast rules, like no guns and drugs in school, the process is set to show students the right path to choose.

Rich is continuing parental involvement in McFall's "Quality School" journey by starting a book study group for parents. Any parent who would like to be included can call him at 795-3637 to sign up. Dates for discussion have not yet been set.

Being recognized as a quality school on May 6 is not the end of the journey for McFall; it is only one stop along the way.

Caledonia schools to buy property

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Caledonia Schools will exercise an "option to purchase" the Heyboer property on Kraft Avenue north of the transportation and maintenance center, following an agreement approved Jan. 21, 1997.

The board has authorized Superintendent Doug Busman to make the purchase. The cost of the 51.4 acres of property is expected to be around $300,000.

Busman said there are no immediate plans to build on the property, though the northwest sector of Caledonia Township is the fastest growing area according to recent information. He said at present, the school district's population is growing by about 150 students per year.

School officials want to be prepared when the need arises to build another facility. A school committee to study growth in the township was formed about six months ago.

In other business at last week's school board meeting:

• An alternative calendar was approved for Emmons Lake Elementary for the 1999-2000 school year as an intra-district school of choice. The Emmons Lake calendar contains the same number of student instructional days as the rest of the district. All holiday breaks and in-service days will remain the same as well.

• The board awarded a bid for 14 Windows '95 personal computers to replace obsolete equipment in the high school learning lab to Optimal Solutions Inc., in the amount of $14,952.

A contract of employment with Richard Weld, the middle school technology specialist, covering the period July 1, 1998 to June 30,1999, was approved. The move formalizes plans made earlier as part of a larger plan for technology implementation throughout the schools.

• The board approved stipend payments of $4,800 to Nathan Robrahn as compensation for serving as interim athletic director and $2,400 to Dawn Reigler for her additional assistance and increased responsibility in the athletic office during that period.

Quality School Facilita.or Brad Greene directs parents through the Quality School model. He reminded parents that "fun is the genetic reward for learning."

Caledonia Twp. Board Trustee Keller resigns

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Caledonia Township Board Trustee Bonnie Keller has resigned her position.

Keller sent a letter of resignation to Supervisor Bill Johnston, which was accepted, "with our regrets," by the board.

Keller's letter, dated Feb. 11, said, "I'm truly sorry about this, but as you know, I have an extremely busy schedule. I have missed so many meetings already this year. I feel I've not performed my responsibilities as being a trustee, by being 100 percent committed in serving this community. I hope you can replace me with someone who has similar ideas. Again, I'm truly sorry."

Johnston said Keller had tough times with illness of relatives.

"We want to thank her for what she did. She put a lot of effort into it, when she was involved and donated a lot of time and money, too, to the library and the historical commission."

Johnston said the board had 45 days to nominate a replacement, which would include one more board meeting.

Bonnie Keller

Keller was elected to her four-year board term in the August 1996 primary and November general election. She had organized many fund-raisers for political and non-profit causes in the township and had handled her own investments and managed a farm.

In her comments before her election, she said the

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Caledonia recognizes school principals

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Caledonia school principals, in observance of Michigan School Principals Week, were recognized at the Board of Education meeting Feb. 16.

Superintendent Doug Busman said, "Although the students, parents and teachers are all important, it is the leadership of the principals which allows it all to come together in a team effort for the good of kids."

Gov. John Engler's proclamation was read.

The principals were honored in the order of their length of service in Caledonia schools.

Sheryl O'Connor is currently in her first year as Caledonia Elementary principal. She previously had served as an elementary principal in the Hopkins School District for two years.

Nate Robrahn served for one year as an administrative intern, and was then named assistant high school principal at Caledonia High School two years ago.

Gordon Nickels was an elementary teacher for nine years before coming to Caledonia. He was principal of Caledonia Elementary for six years and now is serving as assistant principal at the middle school this year. He will become principal of Emmons Lake Elementary to open in the fall of 1999.

Bob Szymoniak is principal of Caledonia High School, serving in his third year in that position, and his fourth within the school system.

Jeff Worman has been with Caledonia schools for 14 years. He was the assistant principal at the high school for the first four years, and has been principal of Kettle Lake Elementary for the last ten.

Carol Uhlman has been with the Caledonia school system for more than 22 years, and is serving in her second year as principal of Caledonia Middle school.

Jerry Phillips is in his 26th year as an educator, the last 25 years of which have been with Caledonia Schools. He was a full-time sixth grade teacher at Dutton Elementary for 17 years before serving as a "teaching principal" for five years. He has been the full-time principal of Dutton Elementary since 1990.

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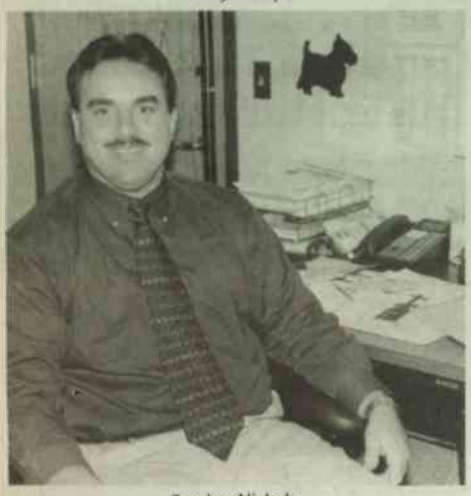

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March 2 event at TK High to mark Dr. Suess' birthday

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

Shelley Erb invites the entire Thornapple Kellogg community to celebrate reading at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, in the newly refurbished high school auditorium.

"I hope everyone from families, business people, retirees and just anyone who enjoys being read to comes to this evening's entertainment," Erb said.

Earlier pledges had been distributed throughout the schools and the community, asking people to spend a few minutes on March 2 reading to a child.

All the pledges returned will be added to those made across the country. March is Reading Month, and this is just one of the activities going on in the schools.

At the auditorium, staff members will be reading and students will be performing selections from Dr. Seuss and other favorite books. Anyone who is sleepy is invited to come dressed in pajamas.

Erb said, "We want to fill the auditorium with fans of Dr. Seuss and reading."

Earlier on that day, the Friends of the Caledonia Library have planned a mini-marathon of reading. Anyone can stop by, pick up a book, sit on the lounge chair or ride on the rocking cow and read. The library will keep a list of people reading and what they read.

Library staff will be dressed appropriately for the day's celebration.

Representing the Village Players at the Dr. Seuss Birthday Bash March 2 at the Thornapple Kellogg auditorium will be Rhonda Fisk (left) and Julie Coon. They will be giving the audience their special take on "Green Eggs and Ham."

Car raffle ends Friday, Feb. 26

The Thornapple Kellogg Senior Parents still have raffle tickets available for a Chevrolet Grand Am.

Tickets are available at Pastoor's, Gavin's, Hastings City Bank, Middleville Floral, from Lon LeFanty at the State Farm Insurance and at Four Star Video.

Tickets are also available directly by calling Bonnie Slayton at 795-2192 and Deb McKeown at 795-9889. Tickets are $30 each. Tickets will be sold up to half time at the final home basketball game Friday, Feb. 26.

The next meeting of the Senior Parents organization is on March 1 at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria at Thornapple Kellogg High School. Senior Parents president Wanda Vandefifer invites any parent of a graduating senior to attend the meeting.

The annual after graduation event can still use the energy, ideas and help of many parents to help make this a fun and safe time for seniors.

Call Vandefifer at (616) 792-6717 for more information.

Trustee resigns, from front page

board needed to make sure that people know what's happening, and she has actively spoken on behalf of informing citizens when ever it has come up.

She was an advocate at the beginning of her term for slowing things down. She said she didn't think Caledonia could get away from growth, but she would like to see it happen more gradually so the community resources and schools can cope with it.

"There's got to be a way the board could work with developers and property owners to do this," she said.

Keller said then that the issues facing the board all seemed to come back to growth.

"Roads, sewer, water, there are a lot of decisions, but they all stem from the way Caledonia is growing."

She wanted people to get out and attend Township Board meetings, and suggested neighborhoods get together and send representatives to the meetings if there was no better way.

Girl Scouts learn about journalism

Girl Scouts in Cherry Valley Neighborhood Troop 769 learned about journalism as a career at their meeting Feb. 18. Here they're putting what they learned into practice by writing articles about scouting for a newsletter.

Heritage Committee will meet March 9

The Middleville Heritage Committee will meet Tuesday, March 9, at 7 p.m. at 516 Edward, Middleville.

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TK students to present 'The Music Man' next month

The American classic "The Music Man" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 19, and Saturday, March 20, at the newly renovated TK High School auditorium.

Meredith Wilson's famous musical provides laughs, fun, and familiar songs, such as "Seventy-six Trombones," "Trouble," and "Til There Was You," when swindling salesman Harold Hill (Paul Wade) comes to a small town in Iowa to set up a boys' band. The only problem is that he doesn't know anything about music!

The piano teacher in town, Marian Paroo (Brooke Holzhausen), is skeptical from the beginning, but Harold keeps her off guard by romancing her and befriending her little brother, Winthrop (Nate LaVoie) and her mother (Amy David). The mayor of the town (Phil Ainslie) orders the school board to get Harold's musical credentials; but the traveling salesman turns them into a singing barbershop quartet (Josh Mosey, Taylor Pierce, Scott Ploeg, and Steve Shear).

Everyone else in the small town, including the mayor's hilarious wife, Eulalie (Julie Cordts), is spellbound by Harold, who seeks assistance from his old friend Marcellus (Jim Bedrick). Unfortunately, Harold gets caught when a fellow salesman (Ben McDuffie) comes to town. Harold has the chance to escape, but has, in the meantime, fallen in love with Marian.

Other cast members include Candice Swanson, Doug Blocksma, Rachel Wert, Bethany Forbes, Liz Runals, Megan Morley, and Jessica Wilson. Chorus members are Matt Blocksma, Lisa Brock, Tabitha Curths, Marina Dettmann, Aleshia Haselden, Amy Herring, Danielle Hoskins, Jason Holzhausen, Jonathan Howarth, Holly Jenkins, Sarah Knauss, Jenny Laansma, Jackie Mann, Aaron Morley, Matt Newmyer, Amy Olczak, Anneliese Patterson, Becky Reed, Kortney Reyff, Meghan Smith, Adam Terpstra, and Robin McMurray are student assistants, and the show is directed by Ray and Tricia Rickert.

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Geukes-Dingerson exchange vows

Jeff Geukes and Sarah Dingerson were united in marriage on July 11, 1998 at Lakewood United Methodist Church in Lake Odessa. They are the children of Ronald and Julie Dingerson, of Woodland, and Donald and Janet Geukes, of Middleville.

The maid of honor was Darci Coppess, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Maggie and Abby Dingerson, sisters of the bride, and Jennifer Myers, sister of the groom. Jennifer Turecamo and Nicole Dingman, cousins of the bride, served as junior bridesmaids. Flower girls were Kourtney and Danielle Meredith, cousins of the groom.

The best man was Stephen McCrumb, friend of the groom. Robert Jansen and David Sherwood, friends of the groom, were groomsmen. Scott Turecamo, cousin of the bride, served as the ring bearer.

The cousins of the bride,

Carrie and Katie Dingerson, Carly Turecamo, and Kelsey Dingman were ushers.

The couple honeymooned in Toronto and now reside in Middleville.

Normans celebrated 25th anniversary

Jim and Darla Norman of Middleville recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

They were married on Feb. 16th, 1974 at Freeport, MI. They have three sons, Jim Jr. and Joe Norman of Middleville and Matt Norman of Hastings.

Mom and Dad, we love you... Love, Jimmy, Chew, Beaner.

Blood drive has 47 donors

Middleville's latest blood drive Feb. 15 had 47 donors, three of which were first time.

Paul Swanson, and Nathan Venton were two of the three, but number three did not leave his name.

The Gun Lake Women's Club, which also helped on many stations throughout the drive, donated ham sandwiches. Pastoor's donated the juice and cookies and setup and takedown help were donated through Kay and Carl Brinks of the Middleville Christian Reformed Church of Middleville.

The next drive will be held Monday, May 10.

Local drive coordinator Vickie Rick said, "On a personal note, I want to extend personal thanks to all my workers and donors. This will be my last drive, as I am stepping down as blood drive chairperson. I have been blessed with excellent people to work with and appreciate them more than words can express." She added that she appreciated everyone at the First Baptist Church in Middleville.

As of yet, a new chairperson has not been named. Anyone interested may call the Red Cross Hastings office for more information at 945-3122.

"A blood drive is never one person; it's people reaching together to other people. You will make a difference," Rick said.

Walter Bender to celebrate 90th

Walter Bender will celebrate his 90th birthday on March 8, 1999. His family wish him a wonderful day.

We invite you to send your birthday wishes to him at: 10121 Adams Rd., Middleville, 49333. No gifts please.

Band and choir concerts planned at TK High School

The Thornapple Kellogg High School bands and choirs will perform three separate concerts during the week of March 1.

The TK Honors Choir kicks off the week Monday, March 1, with a concert at 7:30 p.m. The concert will be one of the first events to be held in TK's newly remodeled auditorium, which has been refurbished with all new seating, and now seats almost 550 patrons.

The Honors Choir concert will feature music from James Taylor, Cole Porter and Paul Simon. Also scheduled for performance are several selections from the big band era.

The TK General Choir will follow up with a concert Thursday, March 4, at 7:30 p.m., also in the auditorium. The General Choir includes 90 members this year from grades 9-12. Their concert will include the music of The Archies, The Wonders, Alabama and James Taylor. Also scheduled are selections from Disney's "Mulan" and "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory."

The TK Symphonic and Concert Bands will round things up Sunday, March 7, with a concert at 3 p.m. The bands normally perform in the gym, however, TK Music Director Ray Rickert says that every effort will be made to perform the concert in the new auditorium.

The bands now are preparing to attend the annual Michigan High School Band and Orchestra Association (MSBOA) Festival during the week of March 8.

"We use this concert to play our festival music for the parents and community, as most of them are working during our festival music for the parents and community, as most of them are working during our actual festival performance, which is usually on a Thursday afternoon," Rickert said.

Admission to all three concerts is free, and the public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Voluntary donations will be accepted at the Honors Choir concert to help in defraying the cost of the group's trip to Washington, D.C. in May.

Reasers to mark 50th anniversary

Harry and Bernadine Reaser of Middleville will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Friday, Feb. 26. They will be celebrating with a family dinner. Please feel free to send a card or give them a call.

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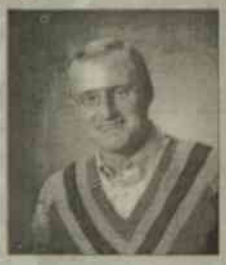

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Caledonia DECA students heading to state contest

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Caledonia High School students took 41 percent of all the awards competing with 10 other schools in the district level DECA competition Jan. 29 at Baker College in Owosso.

Sixty students went to the districts and 44 won medals.

Nineteen Caledonia students qualified to go to the state level competition, which will be held in Dearborn at the Hyatt Regency Hotel to March 12-14. Winners at that level will go to Orlando, Fla., to the national DECA competition.

Two written tests and one role playing exercise were the basis for points won, which were combined for a total score for each contestant.

Courtney Smith and Sarah Meekhof are student co-chairs the local DECA organization. Both did well at the district level.

Smith, who competed in the Apparel and Accessories category won two medals and came away with a score of 98.

Meekhof competed in the same category and won three medals in competition.

"We each competed by ourselves. We can win a medal on a test or on a role play. The combination of scores is the basis for going to state," she said.

Some contestants competed as a part of a team. Krystall Myerink and Korin Ravley formed a financial service team of two. They completed one role play and one test. The scores were averaged, and a medal was given for each, for which they qualified to continue at the state level.

Audrey Harp and Yolanda Llanes will not compete, but will go to state to receive chapter awards for Caledonia.

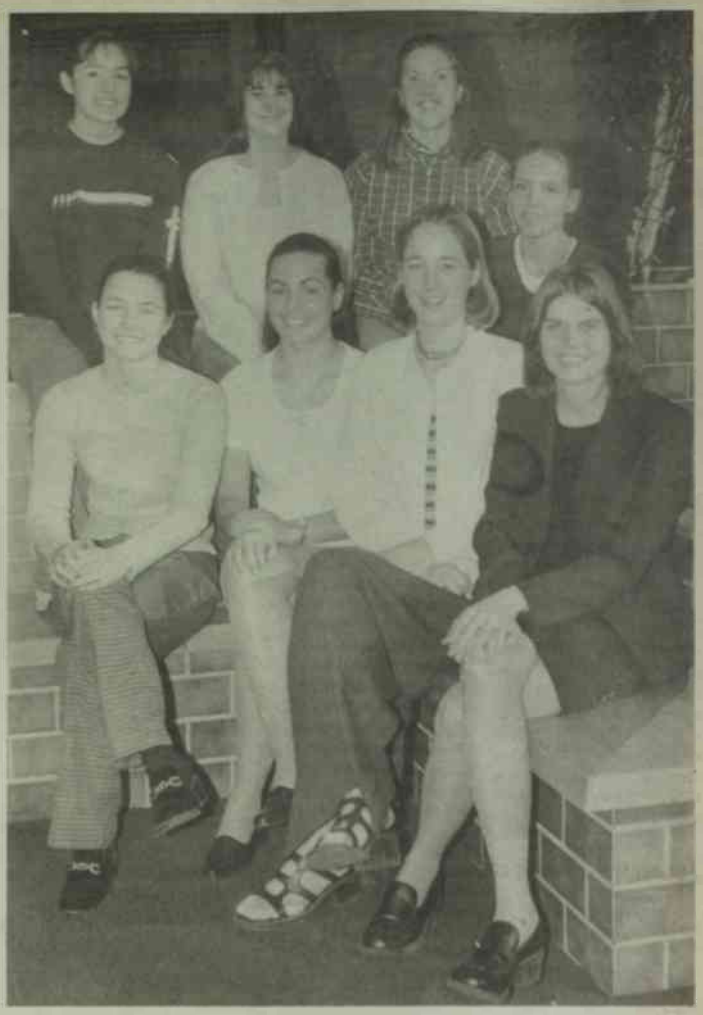
DECA is a co-curricular, student-centered educational organization. Its mission has been to enhance the education of students with interests in marketing, management and entrepreneurship. DECA acts as an advocate of marketing education and is committed to the growth of business and education partnerships.

The goal of the members is to develop success skills to carry into their business and personal lives after graduation.

These challenges are to develop abilities at the same time as the students compete to see who has integrated the most skills. DECA cultivates the following group of skills:

- Occupational competency in marketing, management and entrepreneurship.
- Leadership abilities.
- Social and business etiquette.
- An understanding and appreciation of civic responsibility.
- Ethical values.
- Understanding of the role of the free enterprise system in the global economy.

DECA uses on the job experience, chapter projects and a program of competency-based competitive events in specific occupational areas. It also emphasizes academic and vocational excellence as steps toward success. The direct relationship between marketing education and the practical needs of business and industry are demonstrated through experience in real settings, where ever possible.



DECA members who are looking forward to going to the State DECA conference in Dearborn March 12-14 (top, from left) Stacee Holvey, Debbie Dascanio, Audrey Harp, Courtney Smith, Lindsey Sinclair, Yolanda Llanes, Korin Ravley and Sarah Meekhof.

Caledonia TOPS #0546 news

Members opened the Feb. 16 meeting with the TOPS pledge.

The thought for the week "We crow because, we learn, and we overcome."

The ha-ha box was won by Betty, and 50-50 was won by Eva M. Best loser was Maxine and runner-up was Flo.

There will be an open house Tuesday, Feb. 23, and all former members, and anyone who wishes to come are welcome. The time is 7 to 8 p.m.

Three new members were welcomed. The program was "Burning up Those Calories" and Lois brought an article from Women's World, "Twenty Amazing Foods That Burn Fat, and Five Pounds Off Desserts."

Members closed with "the More We Get Together."

Caledonia TOPS meets every Tuesday evening at Caledonia United Methodist Church 250 Vine. Weigh-in is at 5:30 to 6:45 and the meeting is from 7 to 8 p.m.

For information, call Dorothy at 795-3700 or Rita at 795-3685. Visitors are always welcome.

Caledonia grad to serve Brazil mission

Thomas Jared Hurst, a 1998 graduate of Caledonia High School, has been called to serve a full-time mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

He has accepted his called to the Goiania Brazil Mission.

Elder Hurst will enter the Missionary Training Center in Provo, Utah, on Wednesday, March 3. There he will receive intensive five-week training in Portuguese the native language of Brazil, and the customs he will serve. He will then travel to Sao Paulo, Brazil Missionary Training Center for an additional four weeks to complete his preparation.

Elder Hurst will serve a total of 24 months proselyting and serving the people of Brazil.

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Obituaries

Harold W. Brown

WOODLAND - Mr. Harold W. Brown, age 66, of Woodland, passed away Sunday, February 14, 1999 at Pennock Hospital.

Mr. Brown was born on April 12, 1932 in Castleton Township, Barry County, the son of Walter & Lucile (Gillespie) Brown.

He was raised in Castleton Township and attended a rural school and the Woodland School, graduating in 1950 from Woodland High School.

He married Beverley A. Carpenter on March 1, 1953.

Mr. Brown was employed at the Gen-Corp Company in Ionia for several years and retired from there. Other employment included: farming, construction, E.W. Bliss Company, school bus driver for Lakewood schools and truck driver for Twin City Foods in Lake Odessa.

Mr. Brown was a 30 year member of the Woodland Fire Department, former member of Hastings Moose Lodge #628. He was an avid sports enthusiast, he enjoyed hunting, fishing and especially his grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two infant brothers; and sister, Margaret Schleh.

Mr. Brown is survived by his wife, Beverley; two daughters, Pamela A. (Richard) Palmer of Middleville, and Paige D. (Michael) O'Mara of Lake Odessa; son, Walter W. Brown of Delton; seven grandchildren, Erin, Matthew, Adrienne Palmer, Branden, Gabriel, Wade, Hannah O'Mara; brother, Gordon (Helen) Brown of Woodland, and sister, Marion (Al) VanMeter of Caledonia.

Visitation will be Tuesday, February 16, 1999 from 3:00-5:00 & 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Funeral Services for Mr. Brown will be Wednesday, February 17, 1999 at 11:00 a.m. at Wren Funeral Home with Reverend George Speas officiating.

Burial will be in Woodland Memorial Park, Woodland Township, Barry County.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Woodland Fire Department, Lakewood Athletics or Thornapple-Kellogg Athletics.

Joanne M. Send

MIDDLEVILLE - Mrs. Joanne M. Send, age 44, of Middleville, passed away Monday, February 8, 1999 at Breton Manor Hospice Unit in Kentwood.

Mrs. Send was born on April 8, 1954 in Blue Island, Illinois, the daughter of Joseph J. & Anna Belle (Leak) Vojtech.

She was raised in the Lake Odessa area and attended schools there, graduating in 1972.

She married Eric A. Send on May 21, 1976.

Joanne was employed at the Baby Bliss Company in Middleville for many years.

She was a member of the Middleville Boosters Club.

Joanne was preceded in death by her father.

Mrs. Send is survived by her husband, Eric; two sons, Matthew Send (United States Army) of Ft. Polk, Louisiana, and John Send of Middleville; mother, Anna Belle Vojtech of Woodland; three brothers, Larry J. (Deborah) Vojtech of Garden Grove, California, Robert F. Vojtech of Lansing, and Joseph J. Vojtech Jr. of Sunfield; nieces and nephews.

Memorial Services for Mrs. Send were held Wednesday, February 10, 1999 at Hastings Grace Lutheran Church. Reverend Michael J. Anton officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Arrangements were made by Wren Funeral Home of Hastings.

Darlene F. Ruehs

CALEDONIA - Mrs. Darlene F. Ruehs, age 81, of Caledonia, passed away Tuesday, February 16, 1999 at her home, after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Ruehs was born on April 3, 1917 in Caledonia, the daughter of Fred and Margery (Eldridge) Kaechele.

She was raised in Caledonia and attended Caledonia Schools, graduating in 1934.

Darlene was married to Norman Ruehs on September 9, 1939 at her parents home. They lived in the Caledonia area all their lives and spending winters in Palmetto, Florida.

She was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Caledonia.

Darlene was a caring, loving mother, grandmother, and great grandmother (her grandchildren were the love of her life) always doing kind deeds for her family and friends.

Mrs. Ruehs was preceded in death by her husband, Norman C. Ruehs.

Mrs. Ruehs is survived by her children, Mary and Tony Molis Jr. of Caledonia, Fred W. and Carolynn Ruehs of Alto; five grandchildren, Traci and Chad Kious, Terri and Scott Nibbelink, Tina and Derek Schultz, Kristen and Eric Johnson, and Timothy Molis; seven great grandchildren, Gunnar, Carly, Madelyn, Mitchell, Taylor, Celia, and Emma; one sister, Dorothy Martin of Caledonia; one brother, Charles and Ruth Kaechele of Caledonia; brother-in-law, Gerald Adams; sisters-in-law, Margaret Eldred, and Kathryn Metzger; several nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral Services for Mrs. Ruehs were held Saturday, February 20, 1999 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church. Pastor Robert A. Gerke officiated.

Interment was in Holy Corners Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurse Hospice, 1401 Cedar Northeast, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503-1375.

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Fire destroys Yankee Springs Township home

Fire overwhelmed this home on South Yankee Springs Road Friday, Feb. 19. Fire fighters from Hastings, Orangeville and the Thornapple Township Emergency Services stations in Yankee Springs and Middleville responded.

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

A fire at the home of Wes and Lisa Rosenberg at 1615 S. Yankee Springs Road Friday started in the basement where Wes Rosenberg was making some repairs.

According to Thornapple Township Emergency Services chief Robert Woodard, Rosenberg was "sweating" some copper pipes when the fire started. Rosenberg said he was amazed at how quickly the fire spread.

One firefighter was slightly injured fighting the blaze. He was treated and released at the scene. A cat owned by the homeowners had difficulty breathing and was given oxygen.

Firefighters from TTES, Hastings and Orangeville responded to the blaze. State police officers and Barry County Sheriff's deputies directed traffic around the area. South Yankee Springs Road was reduced to one lane for a short time.

Woodard said he believes the home is a total loss. The Rosenbergs will be meeting with their insurance agent to examine the building. Very few belongings were saved from the fire.

Woodard praised the actions of the firefighters, but the fire moved too quickly to allow them to save the house.

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Fran Leonard named 'Mrs. Federation' by GFWC

Fran Leonard

Fran Leonard recently was named "Mrs. Federation" for the General Federation of Women's Clubs-Gun Lake Area. She will be honored in April at the GFWC Michigan state convention in Troy.

Leonard is from the Lansing area, she graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1961 and attended Lansing Community College. She was employed by the Midland Public Schools for 12 years and worked for Kelly Services while living in Greensboro, N.C.

She has been married to Dick Leonard for 34 years. They have two sons, Rich, his wife, Lori, and son, Zach, living in Huntington Woods, and Rob and his wife Allison living in Huntsville, N.C.

The Leonards have traveled 46 of the contiguous 48 states, lived in Colorado (twice), Louisiana, Connecticut, Midland (three times) and North Carolina. They are wilderness campers and canoeists. Fran also enjoys bird-watching, hiking, sewing, and caring for their grandson (whenever he is available). She is a collector of milk glass and loon memorabilia.

Leonard joined GFWC-Gun Lake Area club in 1995 when her husband's retirement brought them to Gun Lake. She has been publicity chairwoman since 1996 and was recently honored at the GFWC national convention in 1998 in New Orleans with a GFWC National second place award for the 1997 club press book and, the club press book took first place at the 1998 GFWC Michigan state convention.

Leonard participates in the club's Conservation Department Adopt-a-Highway program; is a member of the Scholarship, By-Law Committees and in 1998 was on the Nominating Committee. She is advertising sales chair for the spring fund-raiser "Gun Lake Revue" and Art Show, helps the Home Life Department with food baskets for Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas, with hats and mittens for needy children in the area, a holiday program and gifts for seniors at Laurels of Sandy Creek in Wayland, and Christmas cards for Veterans in Battle Creek.

Her other activities include Books for Babies, marching in holiday parades in Wayland and at Gun Lake, and membership in the club's Epsilon sigma Omicron (ESO) reading club.

Leonard is working on a joint project between the Gun Lake Protective Association (GLPA) and GFWC-Gun Lake Area that will promote clean water in Gun Lake. She has participated in two GFWC Michigan state conventions, attended special visitation days at Interlochen Music Camp, Allegan Federation meetings, and GFWC Southwest District meetings.

She is involved outside GFWC-Gun Lake Area as a member of the Kellogg Biological Station (MSU) volunteer program where she pulled garlic mustard weeds at Russ Forest and helped in the banding of Canadian Geese. She works with her husband for the Department of Natural Resources where they maintain a blue bird box network in the Yankee Springs Area and are active participants in the DNR's frog and toad survey.

She also worked with a group of volunteers in building a boardwalk at the Warner Sanctuary in Barry County. The sanctuary is owned by the Michigan Audubon Society. She was recently on the Barry County Women's Festival Board as the sponsor chair for the past two years.

Chinese New Year comes to Page and Lee

Fifth grade students at Page Elementary School in Middleville worked on a papier mache dragon at the beginning of the school year. With the help of sewing talent by fourth grade teacher Phyl Miner and lots of creative ideas, the students finished the dragon. Art teacher Kathy Bailey used the dragon as part of her instruction into the art of various cultures. Students in Mike Hodges' and Beth Bauer's classrooms shared the excitement, music and fun of a Chinese New Year procession (minus the fire crackers) as they and the dragon danced through Lee on Feb. 16.

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"Curse You, Otis Crummy" has already sold out the Saturday, Feb. 27, performance and dinner at the Middle Villa Inn in Middleville.

Co-director Cheryl Cravero encourages theater lovers in the area to call with reservations as soon as possible.

This year, for the first time, the Adrounie House Bed and Breakfast in Hastings is offering a romantic evening getaway, which includes tickets to the Friday, Feb. 26, performance.

Reservations for the dinner theater performances are available by calling The Middle Villa Inn at 795-3640 or 1-800-845-5269.

For information about the romantic getaway at the Adrounie House B & B call 945-0678 or 1-800-927-8505.

Y.S. Trail Riders to meet March 6

The Yankee Springs Trail Riders Association will have its annual meeting Saturday, March 6, at 7:30 p.m. at Long Lake Lodge on Gun Lake Road across from Hastings Point Road.

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Reading students at Lee celebrate reading with research and clay

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

Nine students in Jan Muir's third grade class at Lee Elementary in the Thornapple Kellogg School District have had a chance to explore different ways of learning this year.

These students have been required to read novels like "The Whipping Boy" by Sid Fleischman and "Stone Fox" by John Reynolds Gardiner.

When the students read "The Whipping Boy," they created castles and learned about medieval life.

This week students are completing their projects, which allow them to expand on what they have read in "Stone Fox."

Students are creating dioramas with animals found in Wyoming, the setting of the novel. They are also creating informative posters and writing a report.

Muir said, "These projects allow students to stretch their abilities and to learn new skills. For the diorama, they are creating animals out of clay. Some of these students have never worked with clay before."

Nancy Goodin volunteered to work with students. She demonstrated how to knead the clay, shape it and add the details. The animals will be fired before being placed in the dioramas.

Alesha Ward created a lynx. Cailly Howell sculpted a prairie dog, who was both vulnerable and clever. Brittney Benjamin's coyote will look at home in the forest. Kendall Moore hoped her mustang would demonstrate freedom.

Outlining the shaggy fur, Timothy Howarth was proud of his bison. Christopher VandenBosch struggled to make sure his elk's tail and antlers would survive firing.

Fierceness and power were found in Blake Johnson's grizzly bear and Caleb Batdorff's mountain lion. Kaitlyn Otto will show how her black bear differs from the grizzly.

All students enjoyed reading the novel. They liked the relationship between the boy, his dog, his grandfather and Stone Fox.

Howarth said he especially liked that the story was set in Wyoming and that the race is set in the town where he used to live before moving to Michigan.

Muir added, "I have enjoyed seeing each student learn from these projects. They have had to do research for their reports, learn to use the encyclopedia and answer questions."

Once each student's animal is fired, they will add it to dioramas, which will include the habitat of each animal. Students have learned about the food sources, environment and other needs of each animal.

Muir is already making plans for these students' next novel and projects.

Making clay animals for their dioramas underlined the meaning of the novel Stone Fox for students in Jan Muir's third grade reading group at Lee Elementary in Middleville. Seated (from left) are Caleb Batdorff, Blake Johnson and Christopher VandenBosch. Standing are (from left) Timothy Howarth, volunteer artist Nancy Goodin, Kendall Moore, Alesha Ward, Cailly Howell and Brittney Benjamin. Not pictured is Kaitlyn Otto.

Kindergarten enrollment starting for '99-2000 at TK

Those who plan to enroll their children in kindergarten in the Thornapple Kellogg School District for the 1999-2000 school year should call McFall Elementary (795-3637) to pre-register.

Children must be 5 years old before Nov. 30 to enter school in August.

Each child, according to Michigan law, must have in the school office before they can start school a copy of the certified birth certificate, copy of all immunizations, vision test results and hearing test results.

Parents are asked to check their children's immunization records carefully. Immunizations can be updated for school age children any time after their fourth birthday. For information on needed immunizations, call the health department or your doctor.

The Barry Eaton District Health Department offers free immunization clinics on Tuesdays (8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Thursdays (1 to 4 p.m.), first Tuesday of each month (8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.), and every third Saturday (8:30 to 11 a.m.).

There will also be an immunization clinic Tuesday, March 30, at the Thornapple Kellogg High School Cafeteria from 2 to 4 p.m. Children's immunization records must be brought along but no appointment is necessary for any of the clinics listed.

Because all new students need their vision and hearing checked, the schools have scheduled the week of May 10 for the Barry-Eaton District Health Department Vision/Hearing Technician to be at McFall. Those who wish to use this free service and want to schedule an appointment should call McFall Elementary.

More information will be mailed to parents in early April. Questions about enrollment may be directed to Mrs. Potter at McFall Elementary, 795-3637 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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TK 3rd-graders become historical wax museum

Historical Figures who lived between Washington and Lincoln were portrayed by John Betit, Claire Scholten, Kim Williamson, Josh Foote, Abby Keil and Kari Depew.

Historical figures from Colonial Times are Matt Haley, Matt Penfield, Kasey Reeves and Kyle Mackay.

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

Students at Thornapple Kellogg's Lee Elementary School didn't have to go to London to visit Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum.

The students in Martha Thorne's third grade class brought the wax museum to them.

This project allowed students to research a famous American as part of their history studies. Students read books and did other research to discover someone from American history.

Students then had to design a costume and during the wax museum on Feb. 18 stand really still as other students got to examine their presentation.

Some students discovered that wigs itch, people often can't tell who they are and that some costumes are really hot. Students shared their wax museum with their parents that evening.

Kody Burns portrayed Thomas Edison, Chelsea Niblock told how Rosa Parks changed American life, Kim Williamson pierced her finger preparing for her portrayal of Betsy Ross.

Josh Foote was a serious Abraham Lincoln. Sheena Hurtado learned how Florence Nightingale changed the nursing profession and hospital care.

Yayi Schaeffer-Space discovered the adventutous spirit of Amelia Earhart. Matt Haley could imagine how exciting Davy Crockett's life really was. Daniel Boone was the focus of Matt Penfield's research.

John Betit knows the connection between Thomas Jefferson and the Declaration of Independence really well now. John Eash portrayed John F. Kennedy and Brooks Lesert researched former President George Bush. Claire Scholten did George Washington.

Students who portrayed people who changed American Society were Chloe Buxton as Helen Keller and

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Invention Convention characters were presented by Dakota Hebert, Doug Miller, Kody Burns, Luke Bremer, Amber Taylor and Richie Vandenakker.

Portraying Women in History were (from left) Kim Janose, Chloe Buxton, Sheena Hurtado, and Yayi Schaefer-Space.

Recent historical figures were portrayed by From left Steven Harris, Shane Fuller, Chelsea Niblock, John Eash and Brooks Lesert. Allie Dragoo seated in front had the "right stuff".

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Two GFWC members win achievement awards

Harlene Kok (left) and Joan Weick.

The General Federation of Women's Clubs have announced two local recipients of the Woman of Achievement recognition awards, Harlene Kok and Joan Weick.

This award recognizes area club women who contribute to the well-being and welfare of their church, community, family, GFWC-Gun Lake Area Club, and the General Federation of Women's Clubs as a whole.

Harlene Kok has been a member of GFWC -Gun Lake Area since 1993. She keeps busy balancing community, church, family and club activities with her own interests. She is the GFWC-Gun Lake Area club recording secretary and is active in other club endeavors such as scholarship fund-raising committee, program planning committee, chairwoman of the dessert buffet for the "Gun Lake Revue" and Art show in the spring, she participated in the new members' tea, as well as the Home Life Department's distribution of holiday baskets: Christmas gifts and caroling to the residents of the Laurels of Sandy Creek in Wayland; and Christmas cards for veterans in Battle Creek.

Kok has also attended GFWC Michigan Legislation Days in Lansing, Allegan County Federation Meetings, Interlochen visitation days and attended a joint trip with GFWC-Hastings Women's Club at Cornwell Dinner Theater in Turkeyville.

Harlene and husband Ron are owners of Kok Plumbing Inc. and Kok Builders Inc. They have three children: daughter Debi married to Steve, two children, Steven and Riley; son Rob and his wife Wendy, who have two children, Scott and Kendra; and son Kevin, wife Carrie, who also have two children, Kyle and Cody, with a third due in April.

Mrs. Kok is active at Gun Lake Community Church, where she is clerk for the Board of Elders, a pastoral care elder, coordinator for the Prayer and Praise Line and the Purpose Driven Sunday school classes. She is secretary for the Transition and Task Force Teams, as well as the entire board of directors-elders and deacons.

Kok's hobbies include gardening, personal growth and self-improvement. Currently, she is learning computer skills.

Joan Weick was selected as another outstanding "Woman of Achievement" because of her interest in the Gun Lake community, positive attitude about life, and club involvement. She founded the General Federation of Women's Clubs-Gun Lake Area club in 1983 and is retired as GFWC Michigan State President for 1996-98.

Weick was appointed by the current GRWC Michigan administration as a member of the Council on Aging. She is still very active at the state and national level in the Education Foundation because she is part of the GFWC Michigan Finance Committee. She has participated in the General Federation of Women's Club national, state and Great Lakes conventions. She is planning a trip to the national convention in San Francisco in June 1999.

She is back to her "grass roots" at Gun Lake and has been instrumental in the birth of a library at the lake, opening by Summer 1999. The library has been a dream of hers for many years. She is project chairwoman for "Books for Babies," "Kind News," has worked on the Hugh O'Brien Youth (HOBY) Leadership program, and is working on the club membership team for recruitment and retention.

Joan is her husband's consultant in their businesses: Weick's Foodtown, Gun Lake Amoco Station and Cedar Realty. The family is a very important part of her life, too. Besides her husband Bill, there is daughter Julie and husband, Jeff, their children Steve, Megan and Sarah; a son, John and wife, Susie, children Alex, Katie, and Jack; and another daughter, Reita, and her husband, Jim, with children Paul, Stephanie, Stephen and Elizabeth.

All of the children and grandchildren live within a ten-mile radius, so she is available to help them whenever possible. The biggest personal challenge for her has been her 42-year battle with diabetes and recent heart surgery.

The Weicks are members of St. Therese Catholic Church, where she is a lector at mass and is on the food committee for funeral luncheons. Each week she takes communion to Bill's mother who is in extended care in Kalamazoo.

Creative energy needs fuel, too

Snacks give Odyssey of the Mind participants the brain power to keep their imaginations going. Students in Linda Truer's (standing) CustOMer Service problem solving team are (from left) Katrina Field, Jamie VanDongen, Kate Wilson and Andrea Truer. Not pictured is Marissa Wieringa.

Wax museum, from previous page

Shane Fuller as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Science, invention and exploration fascinated the imaginations of Dakota Hebert as Benjamin Franklin, Steven Harris as Neil Armstrong and Allie Dragoo as a young John Glenn.

Agricultural development was explored by Doug Miller, who discovered that George Washington Carver invented peanut butter. Kyle Mackay researched the life John Chapman (better known as Johnny Appleseed) and his planting orchards.

Incredible American women were presented by Abby Keil as Abigail Adams, Kim Janose as Clara Barton, Kari Depew as Harriet Tubman, and Kasey Reeves as Sarah Morton, the woman who invited Native Americans to the first Thanksgiving.

Inventors whose inventions have transformed American life were portrayed by Luke Bremer as Orville Wright, Amber Taylor as Walt Disney, and Richie Vandenakker as Alexander Graham Bell.

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Friends of Caledonia Library meet March 13

The annual meeting of the Friends and Patrons of the Caledonia Library will take place Saturday, March 13, at 4:30 p.m. at the library.

Activities from 1998 will be reviewed and plans for 1999 events will be discussed. New officers also will be elected at this meeting. The annual meeting is always a good place for new members to meet other members and to learn what a Friends membership is all about.

For more information about the Friends of the Caledonia Library's annual meeting, call the Caledonia Branch of the Kent District Library at 891-1502. The Caledonia Library is located at 249 Emmons St.

Eighth-grade orientation set at TKHS auditorium

The staff of Thornapple Kellogg High School will present an eighth grade students' and parents' orientation night Thursday, March 11, beginning in the high school auditorium at 7 p.m.

The main objective of this "special initiation" is to help students and parents with the transition from the middle school to the high school.

The agenda of the evening enables students and parents to meet the principal and several staff members, to obtain pertinent information concerning the curriculum, to ask questions and to tour designated areas of the high school.

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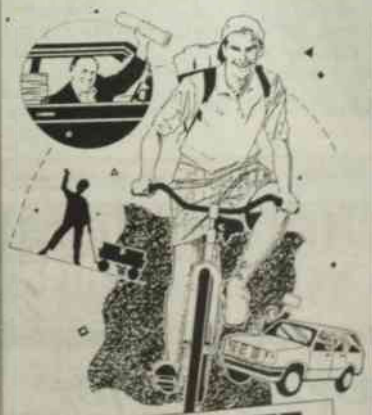

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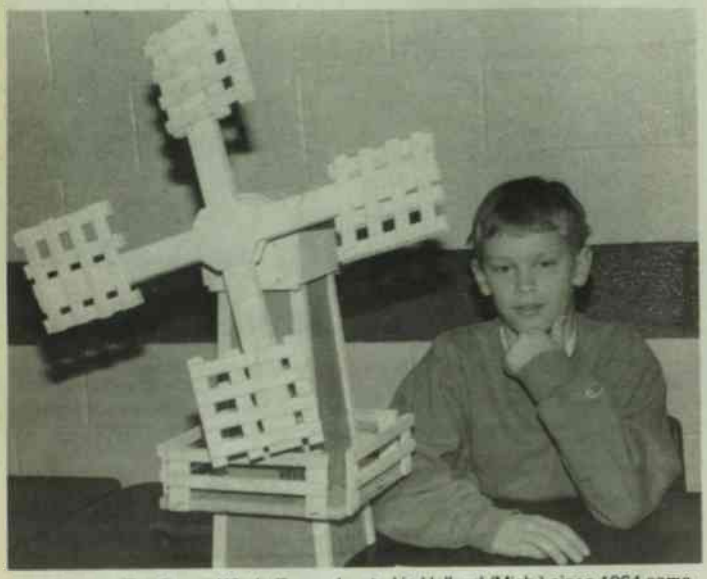
Kettle Lake 4th-graders present Michigan history



DeZwaan (The Swan) Windmill, now located in Holland (Mich.) since 1964 came from the Netherlands. Andrew Schiably made this model with help from his dad.

Brandon Postema stands next to his lighted model of Big Sable Point Light House in Ludington, built in 1867.

Tyler Ohrich displays native arrowheads, part of a family collection, and a hand made bow and arrow, loaned by a Native American friend of the family.

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Eighty-four Kettle Lake fourth-graders created a visual aid project and made an oral presentation Feb. 19 to other students in the eighth annual Michigan History Fair.

Each of the students selected a project from Michigan history, usually creating a model with the help of their families.

Hand-drawn maps, charts, diagrams, and illustrations included a map of Mackinac Island, Michigan's 83 counties, shipwrecks in the Great Lakes, and early settlements in Michigan.

Models in diorama or free-standing form included Fort Michilimackinac, an Indian village, blacksmith shop, log cabin, antique cars, lighthouses, a copper mine, the Soo Locks, a general store, B-17 and B-24 bombers and more.

The goal of the fair each year is to enrich student's minds about the history of Michigan.

Teachers of the students taking part in the fair are Mary Palmer, Gayle Ott and Allison Hall.

Anthony Baird (at right) made a model of an apple cider press.

Dozens of exhibits of different history projects filled the Kettle Lake cafeteria Feb. 19. Leigh Miller stands behind her model of White's Bridge, built in Lowell in 1867.

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The Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island, first started in 1887, was expanded several times. Scott Cargill was very involved with all parts of building and painting his model, though both his parents helped.

Savannah Bird stands with her "White Barn Tavern, built in 1922, where Kraft Avenue intersects 28th Street.

"Big Red," a lighthouse dating from 1907, also from Holland, was Nick Schwab's project.

Middleville Rotary hears of 'Stagecoach Days'

The program "Stagecoach Days in Barry County" was presented by Harold Frey of Hastings to the Middleville Rotary Club Feb. 16 at the Middle Villa Inn.

Frey, a member of the Barry County Historical Society, has done research and compiled information he uses in a slide program about when and how plank roads were built in Barry County for stage coaches.

His interest in stagecoaches and plank roads date back to when he was a child growing up in Johnstown Township, near the Bristol Lake area, where one day he was playing in a wooded area and discovered some decaying plank logs from the old stagecoach route that ran from Battle Creek to Hastings to Grand Rapids. Since then, because of his find and stories told by his parents and grandparents, besides discovering published information in old newspapers about pioneers coming into Barry County on stagecoaches to settle, he has had a fascination about them and plank roads.

He shared some of his findings with members and guests, and told about how plank roads were built with cut logs laid, down beside of one another with planks nailed to the top of them.

"This provided a better way for stagecoaches to travel through swampy areas," said Frey.

Most stagecoach stops were about seven miles apart, where travelers could get meals or stay overnight. Some stops became famous because of their food and hospitality.

William "Yankee Bill" Lewis built a stagecoach stop in Yankee Springs Township in 1836. It was named after him and became known as the most famous inns west of Detroit, said Frey.

As many as 100 people often stayed at his tavern and inn for a night on their way to Grand Rapids or Battle Creek. Even 60 teams of horses could be stabled at a time.

"Lewis' wife, Mary, was a very good cook, and she grew her own vegetables and herbs in a large garden she had," said Frey.

The Middleville Hotel was another stagecoach stop, and perhaps it was not as crude as some other stop buildings. It later was rebuilt into the St. James House and part of it was a store ran by Withey and Lewis, but Frey has been unable to find out if they might be a relation to Yankee Bill.

Five miles north of Middleville and three miles east of Caledonia, in Caledonia Township, was the "McNaughton House."

"Sometimes they would run out of rooms, so they would set a row of beds around the office floor with the foot of the beds toward a large fireplace in one room to give people a place to sleep for the night," said Frey. "They never turned anyone away."

Another noted stagecoach stop in Kent County was at Whitneyville, which was built in 1839, and operated to the mid-1860s when most of the stagecoach inns closed because railroads offerd a faster means of transportation.

This stagecoach stop became a rival to Yankee Bill Lewis's Mansion House, so to attract customers they offered whiskey for 3 cents a glass and on Christmas Day each year they held an annual turkey shoot.

Another noted stagecoach stop in Kent County was at Whitneyville, which was built in 1839, and operated to the mid-1860s when most of the stagecoach inns closed because railroads offered a faster means of transportation.

A specialty of the Whitneyville hotel was green "apple pie" improvised from green pumpkin and vinegar that was often mistaken for the real thing.

Frey has used his information about stagecoach days and plank roads in Barry and Kent counties to publish and release two books. In his first, "You Can Call It Justice: A Historical Novel About a Pioneer Family in Barry County, MI, in 1849," he has purposely left out the last names of some people because some of their descendants are still living in Barry County and might be offended at some of the incidents. Some of the book is fiction.

His second book, "Tacking Down the Planks," goes into detail about most of the stagecoach stops in Barry and Kent counties, who owned and operated them, and about the stage drivers. He gives locations of where the plank roads were and how much it cost to build them.

Frey is selling copies of his books for $10 each, and is donating all proceeds to help the Barry County Historical raise $1,000 to save a 6th Michigan Cavalry battle flag carried by Barry County veterans during the Civil War, and is in the State Museum in Lansing.

Anyone interested in purchasing the books may contact Harold Frey, 158 East Carlton Center Road, Hastings, Mich., 49058, or phone 945-5355.

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Caledonia Twp. to have Kent Co. do gypsy moth spraying

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

The Caledonia Township Board has decided to have Kent County administer the gypsy moth suppression program this year.

The Michigan Department of Agriculture's gypsy moth suppression program generally is involved with county, not township level government, but because the Kent County program is privatized, the MDA's is not available to Caledonia Township.

The MDA follows certain guidelines not observed in the same manner as the Kent County gypsy moth program, including specific procedures for taking accurate egg mass counts, eligibility for spraying a property, notification of residents, procedures for requesting not to be sprayed, and other details.

Township Supervisor Bill Johnston said the township program was operated under the authority of the county for the past two years.

"We were the collecting agent for the county," Johnston said.

He said the county has the money received so far for spraying. He said Kent County had just told the township all billing for the previous year needed to be completed in one week, or it would cost more if the county program hired someone to do it.

As of last week, the amount paid to the county was $38,242.50, $22,541 of which was received from people whose property was sprayed.

Township Clerk Pat Snyder referred to a letter from the Department of Agriculture that said Bt, the bacillus in the spray that affects gypsy moth caterpillars, is generally safe, but people who are hypersensitive could be adversely affected. The MDA's letter reportedly said the spray should be treated the way a pesticide would be. This was another factor in the decision to let the county administer the spraying program.

The township last month voted to forgive all outstanding local accounts for gypsy moth spraying in 1998, deeming the spraying invoices uncollectible, with no obligation to property owners.

Some people had already paid their bills and were requesting refunds, but the board approved a motion that no refunds for payments for gypsy moth spraying would be made. Since the money collected went to the county gypsy moth program, Johnston explained, the township did not have the ability to make refunds.

Treasurer Ruth DeVries said, "I have been sickened over the situation that has arose over the gypsy moth. I feel this is a township-wide project and Patti (Cress) has put hours of time into this. She is to be commended, and all she got back from a few people was one slap in the face after another. Because of it, every one of our board members have been attacked viciously because of it.... What's happened, the board has decided to do nothing."

Trustee John Potter said, "We are trying to save the trees in the township. We can revisit this next year. We need to find a way to do it that isn't going to cause difficulty."

A citizen in the audience said he had paid his bill for two years, and was pleased with the program. He said he believed one person started the controversy. He added that he thinks it's not fair that some got their spraying free when others paid.

It has been reported that many people are pleased with the gypsy moth spraying program when they needed and asked for it. Many have said they felt the program was effective.

However, some say that though gypsy moth spraying may be a very desirable program, it is a separate issue from violation of individual rights.

The law says citizens are entitled to timely township notices and opportunities to refuse spraying. Some people, whose property was sprayed after asking that it not be, refused to pay their bills, and said the township imposed them against their titles as late as the end of last year. State law prohibits special assessments for gypsy moth spraying and then placing liens on properties that refuse to pay.

DeVries last week charged that the Sun and News recently published a quote by Lori Bracken of the Metropolitan Title Company that could not be verified. The newspaper had reported that Bracken said there were special assessments against some people's properties in Caledonia Township.

In a written statement from Bracken to local citizens Terry and Laura Porritt, Bracken said she had called the township office to see if other residents had such attachments to their property records. Bracken's written memo stated, "I spoke with Ruth DeVries — Caledonia Township, 891-0070 RE: ...Terry James Porritt at 9:20 a.m. ... She told me there were no taxes due, however, there was a special assessment for gypsy moth spraying for $39.15."

DeVries has maintained that Bracken said she never talked to a reporter for the Sun & News, which is true. However, the Sun & News has a copy of the written communication.

Bracken further wrote that another person in the title company's tax department had been told the same thing (about special assessments) and furnished documentation.

On Jan. 7, the Porritts were told by a letter from the township, signed by DeVries, "The gypsy moth invoice for $39.15 has been written off because of a written request from the property owner."

Laura Porritt said in June 1998 that she was billed for spraying, after she had objected to being sprayed.

In the July 15, 1998, Township Board meeting, which was taped, Trustee Patti Cress asked what the Township Board's policy was about people who do not pay the bills sent for spraying for gypsy moths.

DeVries then replied, "What we've been telling them is it is a lien on their property."

Late in 1998, some citizens were claiming they were finding liens had been placed against their titles, interfering with sales of property.

But former Township Manager-Planner Tim Dolehanty last month claimed the township was not placing liens on properties over unpaid gypsy moth spraying bills.

He said, "Contrary to statements made by some people, no liens were placed on anyone's property."

The bills were removed at the Jan. 20 meeting.

The dictionary states a lien is "a legal right to claim or dispose of property in payment of or as security for a debt or charge."

Attorney Frederick J. Boncher, who is handling a legal case involving a lien, stated the bills being filed against properties at the beginning of the year were liens.

Citizen Janette Van Wormer was a property owner who said when she attempted to sell a lot in December, she discovered from Michigan Title Company that a "special assessment" bill of $31.90 for gypsy moth spraying was attached to that property, due by Dec. 31 1998, and in order to sell, she would be required to pay it.

Van Wormer said she had received a letter from the township, dated Aug. 19, 1998, stating that participation in the program was voluntary, and she did not have to pay the bill, and "the township will not increase taxes or place a lien on property in lieu of compensation for the service rendered."

After learning in December the bill was still attached to her property, she contacted her attorney,

See gypsy moth, pg. 20

TOWNSHIP OF YANKEE SPRING ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO. 02-02-99

ADOPTED: 2-11-99 • EFFECTIVE 03-03-99

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLES II, III AND IV PERTAINING TO SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMITS IN CERTAIN ZONING DISTRICTS OF THE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE, AND TO SET THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

THE TOWNSHIP OF YANKEE SPRINGS
BARRY COUNTY, MICHIGAN
ORDAINS: SECTION I
AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II - DEFINITIONS

Article II - Definitions is hereby amended by adding the following language:

WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITY: All structural facilities, attached or accessory, related to the radio frequency spectrum for the purpose of transmitting or receiving radio signals, including radio and television towers, cellular telephone and paging devices, telephone devices and exchanges, microwave relay towers, telephone transmission equipment buildings, and commercial mobile radio service facilities. (Not includes are facilities for citizen band radio, ham and amateur radio, television reception antennae, satellite dishes, and government facilities which are subject to state and federal law). Wireless communication facilities shall be specifically excluded from the definitions of "Essential Services" and "Public Utilities."

WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SUPPORT STRUCTURE: Any structure used to support attached wireless communication facilities, or other antennae or facilities, including support lines, cables, wires, braces, and masts intended primarily for the purpose of mounting an attached wireless communication facility or similar apparatus above grade, including any ground or roof mounted pole, monopole, or similar structures which support wireless communication facilities.

SECTION II
AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION USES PERMITTED IN THE "AGRICULTURE" ZONING DISTRICT.
ADD: WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SUPPORT STRUCTURES.

SECTION III
AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE IV - SPECIAL EXCEPTION USES
ADD: WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SUPPORT STRUCTURES.

Wireless communication support structures may be permitted in Yankee Springs Township subject to the following conditions:

1. The structure shall be located on a site of not less than thirty thousand (30,000) square feet in area and one hundred sixty five (165) lineal feet of road frontage.
2. The structure shall be located in agriculturally zoned areas. No structures shall be located in residentially, commercially, or industrially zoned areas.
3. The structure shall be of monopole construction, wherever possible, and painted white, gray, silver or red and white, and be constructed so as to hold not less than three (3) wireless communication facilities.
4. The maximum height of the tower shall be the minimum height demonstrated to be necessary by the radio frequency engineer of the applicant however in no case shall the height of the tower exceed two hundred (200) feet above finished grade.
5. The site plan for the structure shall be accompanied by a signed certification by a registered engineer regarding the design integrity of the structure and the manner in which the structure may fall this will enable the township to determine appropriate setbacks.
6. Towers shall not be artificially lighted, unless required by the F.A.A., if such lighting is required, it shall be of the flipover type and shall be directed away from any residential property while causing the least disturbance to surrounding properties.
7. Wherever possible, proposed wireless communication facilities shall co-locate on existing buildings, structures or wireless structures. If a provider fails to permit co-location, on an existing structure, such structure shall be declared a nonconforming structure and shall not be altered or expanded in any way.
8. The wireless communication structure shall be removed within one hundred eighty (180) days after any of the following has occurred:
   A. The reception and/or transmission of radio signals from the wireless communication structure has not occurred for a period of ninety (90) consecutive days.
   B. Ninety (90) days after new technology is available which permits the operation of a facility without the necessity of a wireless communication structure.
   C. the antennae or other equipment has been removed from the structure.

   Yankee Springs Township may secure the removal of the structure thirty (30) days after notifying the property owner and wireless communication structure operator of the need to remove the structure. all costs of removing the structure and it's associated equipment shall be charged to the operator and/or property owner, at the rate of one hundred twenty-five per cent of the actual costs of removal and may be entered as a lien against the property.
9. Accessory buildings and structures shall not exceed six hundred (600) square feet in area.
10. Where the property line of a site containing a wireless communication structure abuts a residentially zoned or used area, the operator shall provide a planting screen sufficient in density and height so as to have immediate buffering impact on the adjacent site in addition there shall be no interference with reception of any kind on any adjacent sites.
11. There shall be no advertising of any kind, located on the site, visible from the ground or other structures other than required for emergency purposes.
12. The minimum spacing between tower locates shall be two (2) miles, measured by a straight line.
13. All signals and remote control conductors of low energy extending horizontally between structures or towers, shall be located underground or elevated at least eight (8) feet above the ground.
14. Support structures shall comply with all applicable state, federal and local regulations and codes.
15. The base of the tower and all cable anchors and/or supports shall be fenced with a minimum six (6) feet high fence.
16. All towers shall be equipped with non-climbing devices.

SECTION IV
REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND EFFECTIVE DATE

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall take effect eight days following proper publication of notice of its adoption in accordance with and subject to Michigan Public Act 297 of 1968.

YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP
Janice C. Lippert, Clerk
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Synopsis of minutes THORNAPPLE TWP.

Synopsis of Minutes
THORNAPPLE TOWNSHIP
Special Budget Workshop Meeting
February 9, 1999

Meeting called to order at 6:45 p.m. to prepare the FYE 2000 Budget and related matters.

Board members present - 6. Absent - 1.

Work began in the General Fund portion of the budget, various parts of that fund were discussed and preliminary work completed on that fund.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Submitted by,
Donna Stagray, Clerk
Attested to by,
Donald E. Boysen,
Supervisor

(A complete text of township minutes is available during regular office hours at the township offices.)

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Thornapple Township Board of Review

Notice to all township taxpayers: The 1999 Board of Review for the Township of Thornapple will meet at the Township Hall, 200 E. Main St., Middleville, on these dates:

March 2 - Organizational Day
11 a.m.
Monday, March 8, 1999
8 a.m. to 12 Noon; 1 to 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 9, 1999
8 a.m. to 12 Noon; 5 to 9 p.m.
Wednesday, March 10, 1999
5 to 9 p.m.

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO BE HEARD BY THE BOARD OF REVIEW, CALL 796-7202. WRITTEN APPEALS ACCEPTED BY MARCH 10.

The tentative recommended equalization ratios and estimated multipliers (factors) necessary to compute individual state equalized values of real property in the Township of Thornapple, Barry County, are:

Class	Ratio(%)	MULTIPLIER
AGRICULTURAL	47.50	1.0528
COMMERCIAL	47.81	1.0458
INDUSTRIAL	50.00	1.0000
RESIDENTIAL	48.11	1.0393
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DEVELOPMENTAL	40.51	1.2324

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Nextel tower approved in Yankee Springs

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

After a nine-month struggle involving zoning changes, site plan changes and a new ordinance, the Nextel communications tower was approved by the Yankee Springs Township Planning Commission by a 6-1 vote.

The next step for Nextel now is the Yankee Springs Zoning Board of Appeals to seek a variance because of the "hardship" it says the ordinance leaves the company.

The communications tower ordinance recently passed by the Township Board limits towers to 200 feet in height and, where practicable, to monopole construction.

Glenn Bober, representing Nextel, declared that it was not economically feasible for his company to construct such a tower, since it would not provide the coverage area needed to link Middleville and Hastings along the M-37 corridor.

Before the vote Thursday night, the board heard by letter and in person from those who were in favor of the construction of the tower. Many of those who spoke were cellular telephone users who currently suffer from "dead spots" in their coverage.

The board also heard from some residents who don't want the tower and who are dismayed that co-location does not seem to be taking place.

"Telephone's future is wireless," Bober declared. He also stated that this was a positive development in the M-37 corridor, which is passive, doesn't make noise or increase traffic in the area.

The Federal Aviation Administration did give Nextel approval for a 300-foot tower. A tower south of the S & S property was approved for a much lower height because of the Hastings Airport flight path.

Bruce Cook who cast the only "no" vote, said he was concerned that this request did not meet the requirements of the ordinance. Jon DeWitte from McKenna Associates did recommend approval of the request since it does meet the intent of the ordinance.

Cook was concerned that the property with the road frontage was no longer zoned agricultural. DeWitte reminded commission members that they should consider the entire property.

In other business, the board set a public hearing for March 18 on request for a zoning change from agricultural to rural residential for the Pleasant Valley property owned by William Weick off Patterson Road.

Commission Chairman Richard Beukema also asked McKenna Associates if it was possible to review and make appropriate changes to the master plan by the end of April or May. Beukema mentioned that several additional meetings are possible for discussion.

DeWitte assured the board that it was possible to review the master plan within 90 days. McKenna also will seek citizen comment during the process as well as at public hearings, once the revised plan is presented.

McKenna also is working with the Yankee Springs Board to revise fees charged and passed along the suggested changes to the Planning Commission to review.

The next meeting of the Yankee Springs Township Planning Commission is on March 18 at 7:30 p.m.

YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO THE RESIDENTS OF YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP, BARRY COUNTY, MICHIGAN AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1999, COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL LOCATED AT 284 N. BRIGGS ROAD, TO CONDUCT THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS:

1. ZOC 98-05-05, PARCEL ID. NO 01-007-00: A request by William Weick to rezone his property located east of Patterson Road, between Valley Drive and Chief Noonday Road, from the "Agriculture" Zoning District to the "RR, Rural Residential District. This rezoning does not include Pleasant Valley Estates No. 1, Pleasant Valley Plat or the Northern three hundred feet along Chief Noonday Road.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Zoning Ordinance will be available for inspection at the office of the Township Clerk, 284 N. Briggs Road, during regular business hours and will also be available at the time of the Public Hearing. Written letters of comment will be accepted until the start of the Public Hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township will provide to individuals with disabilities, necessary, resonable auxiliary aids and services as may be required, upon five (5) days notice to the Township Clerk of the need for the same.

All persons are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place to participate in the discussion of the proposal.

Richard Beukema, Chairman
Yankee Springs Township
Planning Commission

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Small auto dealership earns Caledonia Twp. approval

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Thomas Tasker won first stage approval from the Caledonia Township Board last Wednesday for his request to rezone a small lot from rural residential to general business for a small auto dealership on a narrow strip of land along M-37 south of the Kraft and Broadmoor intersection.

This parcel, which is eight-tenths of an acre, would not be large enough for the uses planned for it, but will be combined with a second lot to the south. The other lot now has a house on it with a sewer connection.

Tasker explained to the Planning Commission last month that he plans to put in an auto sales business with an emphasis on leasing. He expects to have no more than 15 to 20 vehicles on the site at any time, and most would be stored from between three and 10 days.

Jim Steketee of Steketee Development Co. said Tasker owns parcels to the east, west and south, and the sewer district was very close, so the chances of connecting to the sewer system were good. It was not yet known if enough sewer units were available, however.

Joining the lots would mean the size of the combined lots would fall within present zoning requirements. The small lot has a septic system, but working out the details to fall into compliance would be undertaken at each step of the process of building.

Township Manager-Planner Tim Dolehanty last month gave several reasons why approval of the request could be given. He said:

1. It was consistent with the general development plan.

2. Rezoning was consistent with development trends in the area.

3. Significant conditions and changes in the area were already under way.

4. Construction of the South Beltline and Broadmoor were taking place.

5. The subject parcel was in the right location for the uses proposed.

6. The site plan would be linked to landscaping requirements for a positive impact on the community.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Middleville Planning Commission will hold a special public hearing to hear comments on a special land use request from Ann Crofoot concerning her property located at 316 West Main. The property is included in the R-2 "Medium Density Single Family District" and the applicant proposes to use the property as a base of operations for a lawn ornaments business. Such business activity is not a "use by right" for this zoning district as defined by ordinance and requires a special land use permit. Following the Public Hearing the Planning Commission may render its decision on the special use request and/or may refer the request on to the Village Council for further consideration. The public hearing will be held as part of the Planning Commission's regular public meeting to begin on Tuesday, March 2, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in Council chambers at 100 E. Main St., Middleville, MI 49333. Interested parties may also submit questions and comments to the Asst. Village Manager/Village Planner at the above address or by calling the Village Offices at 616-795-3385.

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Middleville man pleads guilty on drug charge

Keith Horton, 30, of Middleville pleaded guilty to attempted manufacture and delivery of methamphetamine, which he said occurred June 1, 1998 in Yankee Springs Township.

He is scheduled to be sentenced March 11 at 8:15 a.m. Horton could be sentenced to a maximum of five years in prison.

THE TOWNSHIP OF YANKEE SPRINGS BARRY COUNTY, MI ORDINANCE NO. 02-01-99

ADOPTED: 2-11-99 • EFFECTIVE 03-03-99

ORDAINS: SECTION I

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XIV - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

ARTICLE XIV - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS IS HEREBY AMENDED BY THE ADDING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE:

ARTICLE XVIII

15.18.0 - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

15.18.1 - ESTABLISHMENT OF A ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

There shall be a Zoning Board of Appeals as provided by the Township Rural Zoning Act of 1943, as amended, which shall have the powers and duties as prescribed by law, and/or delegated to it under specific provisions of this ordinance.

15.18.2 - MEMBERS OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

The Zoning Board of Appeals shall consist of five (5) members and one alternate member, one member shall be a member of the Township Planning Commission.

One member shall be a member of the township Board of Trustees; the remaining members and alternate member shall be selected from the electors of the township residing outside of any incorporated city or village.

The members selected shall be representatives of the population distribution and the various interests present in the township. Geographic distribution of the members shall be considered when making appointments.

15.18.3 - SERVICE OF ALTERNATE MEMBERS OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

The alternate member shall serve in place of any regular member of the board of appeals under the following conditions:

A. The regular board member shall be unable to attend at least two consecutive meetings of the board of appeals over a period of not less than thirty days because of being absent from the community or illness.

B. The Board of Appeals shall be notified in advance of the time period that the regular member will be absent. The thirty day time period shall not start until the board is informed of the absences.

15.18.4 - OFFICE RESTRICTIONS:

A. Members representing the Board of Trustees shall not serve as an officer of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

B. The member representing the Township Planning Commission shall not serve as an officer of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

15.18.5 - TERMS OF OFFICE

A. Appointment of a new Zoning Board of Appeals:

1. The three members appointed from the electors of the township shall include one member appointed until January 1 of the next year, a maximum of one year; one member appointed until January 1 of the following year, a maximum of two years; and one member appointed until January 1 two years hence, a maximum of three years.

B. Appointments to existing Board of Appeals:

1. The appointment of representatives from the electors shall be for the balance of an unexpired term or for a new three year term and until a successor has been appointed such successor shall be appointed within ninety days of the resignation or one (1) month after the expiration of the preceding term.

2. The appointment of a representative of the township board of trustees shall be for a period of not more than one year, which may be renewed each year. All terms shall end on December 31 of the year of appointment.

3. The township planning commission shall, at its December meeting, recommend to the township board of trustees a member of the planning commission to be their representative on the zoning board of appeals. The township board of trustees may accept the recommendation of the planning commission or appoint another member of the planning commission to represent the planning commission for the ensuing year.

4. The appointment of an alternate member of the board of appeals shall be for a period of not more than one year, which may be renewed each year. The term of office shall end on December 31 of the year of appointment.

15.18.6 - VACANCIES:

A. By resignation of a public or alternate member:

Should a vacancy occur on the board of appeals the vacancy shall be filled by the board of trustees for the balance of the term remaining.

B. By township board of trustees or planning commission representative:

A vacancy by the representative of the township board of trustees or planning commission shall be filled in the same manor as the original representative was appointed.

15.18.7 - CONFLICT OF INTEREST

A member of the zoning board of appeals shall disqualify himself/herself from a vote in which he/she has a conflict of interest.

A member of the board of appeals shall have a conflict of interest when any of the following conditions exist:

1. The applicant is the employer, supervisor, or works with the member. Or vis versa.
2. The applicant is related to the member, either by blood or marriage.
3. The applicant has a financial agreement, either completed or pending with the member.
4. The applicant lives or owns property within three hundred feet of the member's residence.
5. the applicant has accepted a gift, loan of money, goods or other thing of value from the applicant or his representative.
6. Any other condition for which the member feels he/she has a conflict of interest.

15.18.8 - AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS:

The Board of Appeals shall:

1. Hear and decide upon requests for interpretations of the provisions of the zoning ordinance.
2. Grant variances from the strict application of the zoning ordinance where strict application thereof would result in exceptional or undue hardship upon any property.
   - Proved that such relief or variance can be granted without substantial impairment of the intent or purpose of this ordinance.
   - This provision shall not be construed to permit the zoning board of appeals, under the guise of a variance, to change the uses of land.
3. Hear and decide appeals where it is alleged by the applicant that there is an error in the refusal of a zoning permit, or in any other order, requirement, decision or determination made by the planning commission or zoning administrator.

15.18.9 - LIMITATION OF THE AUTHORITY OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

1. Nothing contained within this ordinance shall be deemed to authorize the zoning board of appeals to validate, ratify or legalize any violation of law or any of the regulations of this ordinance.
2. The zoning board of appeals shall not amend any portion of the zoning ordinance or the zoning map.
3. The zoning board of appeals shall not grant use variance.
4. A decision of the zoning board of appeals, granting a variance, shall be valid for a period of six (6) months, from the day of notification of the granting of the variance, during which time a building permit must be obtained and the erection or alterations commenced.
5. No application for a variance which has been denied wholly or in part by the zoning board of appeals shall be resubmitted for a period of one (1) year from the date of the denial except on the grounds of newly discovered evidence or proof of changed conditions.

15.18.10 - APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE OR APPEAL:

Requests for a variance or appeal may be made by submitting an application for the same to the zoning administrator.

SECTION II - REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND EFFECTIVE DATE:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall take effect eight days following proper publication of notice of adoption in accordance with and subject to Michigan Public Act 297 of 1996.

YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP
Janice Lippert, Clerk
284 N Briggs Road, Middleville, MI 49333
1-616-795-9091

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Caledonia schools investigating 'multiple intelligences' program

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Kettle Lake Elementary Principal Jeff Worman, speaking for a team piloting a program to develop eight areas of intelligence in children, gave a presentation at the Caledonia School Board meeting Feb. 16.

"Multiple Intelligences" refers to students' natural abilities and inclinations that develop into skills in areas beyond those emphasized in most academic programs. For instance, mathematics falls into the intelligence category called "logical," and word skills with reading and writing are in the category called "linguistic."

Six other areas of intelligence are largely overlooked, according to some educators, and often could provide ways for many children to learn traditional information through different avenues where they do have natural abilities.

The system for this approach to intelligence was developed by Howard Gardner at Harvard.

"The team members went to a school in Indianapolis that has restructured its entire school around Multiple Intelligence theory," Worman said. He said the group members were excited with some of the things they learned, and came back hoping to incorporate some of the ideas and discarding others.

The eight categories of intelligence are identified according to a person's ability to make a product in whatever culture or environment he or she must operate in, an office, plant or artist studio, etc. They are called:

1. Musical — an ability with music.
2. Bodily kinesthetic — an ability for coordination, physical strength, movement, etc.
3. Logical-mathematical — math and arithmetic intelligence.
4. Linguistic — skills with words, reading and writing.
5. Spatial — ability to visualize spatial and three dimensional information and could include artistic ability.
6. Interpersonal — empathic and listening skills.
7. Intrapersonal — self awareness.
8. Naturalistic — abilities involved with the physical environment, such as biological, farming, natural resources, etc.

The team members wanted to develop an approach aligned with Caledonia's own strategic plan, core curriculum, research, and still would develop the areas of multiple intelligences.

FOCAL stands for "Furthering Ourselves Through Community Assisted Learning," which is what they have named this effort to use community resource people and experts in areas not normally dealt with in public school.

First they recruited 25 volunteers and experts in various areas that fall in the different intelligence groupings.

Third- through fifth-graders will be allowed to narrow their interests down to five of the 25 groups. A final matching will result in students becoming part of an eight student group led by a volunteer in each of the optional learning areas. They will meet each Friday from March 5 through May 14, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Many field trips to off-site locations will be part of the experience. By March 25 students will decide on a group project.

A wide variety of types of projects are to be presented and could end up being presented in other venues, even in the public sector.

The learning groups will be assessed by the teachers, who will guide activities in order to incorporate areas of learning included in the regular curriculum and required curriculum content.

The new social studies curriculum will be integrated, for instance, to include core democratic values, civic participation. Writing will be incorporated by having students journal about their experiences. Demonstrations will be part of the projects.

Kids will be made aware which multiple intelligence is involved with their group and project.

Worman said there will be challenges in meeting all the goals, because the program is new. He asked for tolerance from both parents and school board as they work through the process. The team is committed to make it work and will keep modifying it to make it better, he said.

Thornapple Plan Commission revises ordinances, procedures

Thornapple Township Planning Commission members have been developing a series of changes to make the procedures of the commission work much more smoothly.

They hope these changes also will improve the experience of developers in the community and ensure that everyone is treated equitably.

There will a public hearing Monday, March 15, on the revised ordinances and clearer definitions and a new escrow policy.

The commission also will vote March 15 on new bylaws that will cover the suggested procedural changes. The commission is considering a requirement that all applications be completed 30 days prior to the meeting so the commission can review them. Also under discussion is a universal application cover sheet that will include all items that need to be completed before the meeting. This cover letter would allow the zoning administrator and the committee to make sure that all requirements, permits and information are available.

Commission Member Dale Guikema praised those who have been working on these changes.

"This is good organization," he said.

Commission Chair Mark Sevald encouraged members of the commission to attend the "OUR Land" conference on March 20. Member Jack Spencer who has been working on this event, stressed that it really will focus on growth in Barry County and land use issues specific to communities within the county.

The next meeting of the Thornapple Township Planning Commission is on March 15 at 7 p.m. in the Thornapple Township hall.

Making benches for fair grounds

Middleville Clover 4-H students have created benches for the Barry County Fairgrounds. This year visitors to the fair will be able to rest their feet, thanks to a grant, assistance from Barry County Lumber and the energetic hammering and sawing of these 4-H youth. The Clovers will be making some arches for the 4-H Children's Garden and for the grounds before fair time in July.

Yankee Springs finishes meeting

by Patricia Johns

The members of the Yankee Springs Township Board had to adjourn their meeting Feb. 11 due to darkness. On Friday evening, Feb. 12, they continued the meeting as snow flew outside the door.

The main action at this special meeting was paying bills in the amount of $14,749.50.

The board also renewed the township's insurance coverage with Burnham and Flowers. There had been some discussion on possible lower cost insurance being available.

On Thursday evening, before the meeting was adjourned, Treasurer Bob Herold, who was unable to attend the Friday night meeting, said, "I support keeping the insurance we have had. They have always responded quickly to any claims."

The next meeting of the Yankee Springs Board of Trustees is Thursday, March 11, at 7:30 p.m.

YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP
BARRY COUNTY - MI
BOARD OF REVIEW MEETS - 1999

Monday, March 8th:	9:00-11:30 a.m. 1:30-5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 9th:	2:00-4:30 p.m. 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 10th:	1:00-5:00 p.m.

All reviews are by appointment only. Written protests will be accepted until March 9, 1999.

The estimated 1999 equalization factor for real property in the Township of Yankee Springs will be as follows:

Agricultural 1.0447	Commercial 1.0000
D.N.R. Lands 1.0254	Residential 1.0813
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McFall students 'tie' one on

On Feb. 19 students and staff emulated principal Bill Rich in his honor on Principal Appreciation Day. Here students in Kay Griffith's kindergarten class share their ties with Rich (center).

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Thornapple Kellogg School Lunch Menu
Wednesday, Feb. 24

Break/lunch. French toast stix, sausage, potatoes, orange juice.

Thursday, Feb. 25

BBQ on bun, baked beans, veggies, pineapple, cookie.

Friday, Feb. 26

Pizza, corn, pasta salad, fresh fruit.

Monday, March 1

Chicken gravy on mashed potatoes, peas, dinner roll, rosy applesauce.

Tuesday, March 2

Beef dippers, au gratin potatoes, veggies, fruit.

Note: Cold cereal is available each day. There will be some breakfast changes in those buildings where breakfast is eaten in the classroom. We always have at least two alternate choices for lunch each day. At this time we will offer the following choices: Monday, Hot Dog on Bun; Tuesday, Ham and Cheese on a Bun; Wednesday, Salad; Thursday, Hamburger on Bun; Friday, Fishwich; Every Day, Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich. Lowfat chocolate and white milk available with each meal.

Thornapple Kellogg Breakfast Menu
Wednesday, Feb. 24

Egg/Cheese on English muffin, juice, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 25

Bagel with cream cheese, juice, milk.

Friday, Feb. 26

Cinnamon roll, juice, milk.

Monday, March 1

Pancake Fruit Tacos (2), syrup, 1 oz. ham slice, juice, milk.

Tuesday, March 2

Sausage and eggs on biscuit, juice, milk.

NOTE - A variety of cold cereal with a muffin or graham crackers available each day. Some items may not be offered in buildings where breakfast is served in classrooms.

NEW BOOKS:
Announced by Thornapple-Kellogg Library

Fiction

My Last Days as Roy Rogers by Pat Cunningham DeVoto; Strawberry Sunday by Stephen Greenleaf; Ransom by Julie Garwood; Found Money by James Grippando; The Testament by John Grisham; Archangel by Robert Harris; Letters to Julia by Barbara Holmes; Motion to Dismiss by Jennie Jacobs; Nothing But Gossip by Mame Davis Kellogg; Desire Lines by Christina Baker Kline; Nimisha's Ship by Anne McCaffrey; Blood on the Bridge by Chris Meeham; While I Was Gone by Sue Miller; The Midnight Hour by Karen Robards; Inner Harbor by Nora Roberts; Evening News by Marly Swick; Dead Letter by Jane Waterhouse; Defense for the Devil by Kate Wilhelm.

Non-Fiction

Quick Simmering Soups by Margaret Agnew; The American Dream: The 50's; Arco's Teach Yourself to Beat the SAT in 24 Hours; Better Homes and Gardens Cooking for Friends; Special Edition Using Windows '98 by Ed Bott; Chicken Soup for the Couple's Soul by Jack Canfield; The Math Chef by Joan D'Amico; Encyclopedia of American Activism: 1960 to Present by Margaret DiCano; Events That Shaped the Century; The Estrogen Alternative by Steven R. Goldstein; Playing for Keeps by David Halberstan; The Shape of the Journey by Jim Harrison; Fish Michigan: 100 Southern Michigan Lakes by Tom Huggler; Barron's Guide to Military Careers by Donald B. Hulton; Inside Out: The Best of National Geographic Diagrams and Cutaways; The Century by Peter Jennings; Africans in America: America's Journey Through Slavery by Charles Johnson; Backyard Bird Lovers Guide by Jon Mahnken; Maine Handbook; Michigan in Brief, 1998-99; Native Americans: An Encyclopedia, 2 vols.; PDR for Herbal Medicines; War and the Pity of War by Neil Philip; The Complete Idiot's Guide to Interpreting Dreams by Marci Pliskin; Rock and Roll Generation: Teen Life in the 50's; Sporting News Selects Baseball's Greatest Players by Ron Smith; What Life Was Like When Rome Ruled the World; Top Secret Recipes-Lite by Todd Wilbur.

Childrens

The Monkey Tree by Janet S. Anderson; Soccer by Ivor Baddiel; How to be Popular in the Sixth Grade by Camy Baker; Cougar by Jalma Barrett; The Hardy Boys Are: The Clues Brothers #10; The Walking Snowman by Franklin W. Dixon; Bugs, Bugs, Bugs, by Jennifer Dussling; The Rainy Day Grump by Deborah Eaton; Albertina the Practically Perfect by Susi Gregg Fowler; Making Cool Crafts and Awesome Art by Roberta Gould; Orphan Runaways by Kristiana Gregory; Bats by Marianne Haffner; The New Kid by Susan Hood; Marlfox by Brian Jacques; Bailey City Monsters #3; Vampire Trouble by Marcia Thornton Jones; Lots of Lice by Bobbie Katz; The Nancy Drew Notebooks #28: Thrill on the Hill by Carolyn Keene; Counting Book by Dave King; West to a Land of Plenty by Jim Murphy; Brian's Return by Gary Paulsen; Strays Like Us by Richard Peck; Circle of Magic: Daja's Book by Tamora Pierce; Loo-Loo, Boo and More Art You Can Do by Denis Roche; Marvelous Mini Kites by Norman Schmidt; Charlie is a Chicken by Jane Denitz Smith; Big Book of Games: Best Games of Childhood by Dorothy Stott; Wishbone Mysteries #4: Disoriented Express by Brad Strickland; Tales From Shakespeare by Marcia Williams.

Books on Tape

The Simple Truth by David Baldacci; After You by Annie Garnett; The Undertakers Window by Phillip Margolin; Cities of the Plain by Cormac McCarthy; Dead Even by Brad Meltzer; The Most Wanted by Jacquelyn Mitchard; When the Wind blows by James Patterson; As Time Goes By by Michael Walsh.

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Scots freshmen win two more impressively

The freshman cagers at Caledonia High School improved its season mark to 12-3 last week with two more impressive victories.

The Scots' frosh squad beat Belding 50-30 Feb. 9 and followed that effort with a convincing 62-27 triumph Feb. 12 against Sparta.

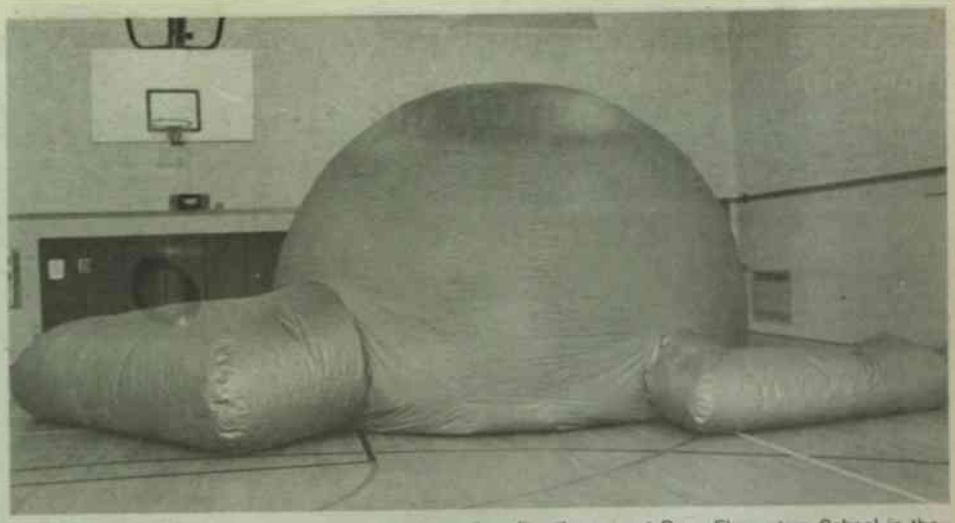
Nick Slot scored 11, Steve Yanesik 10 and Travis Slot 8 versus Belding. Caledonia led 16-5 after the first quarter, 23-13 at half and 40-21 after three quarters.

Mike Ogle topped the winners in scoring in the Sparta contest with 12 points. Nick Slot tallied 8 markers and Russ Kletzman added 7. The Scots again jumped out to a nice lead after the opening eight minutes, 15-6. Caledonia was up 28-14 at half and 50-21 after three quarters.

Correction:

The photo of Curt VanderHeide, who was chosen athlete of the week for Caledonia High School, was incorrect in the Feb. 16 issue of the Sun & News. This is what Kurt, a Scot wrestler, really looks like. He won the championship in his weight division (215 pounds) at the Hopkins Invitational Feb. 6. The Sun & News regrets the error.

The phone number of Amy Lipscomb was reported incorrectly in a recent Sun & News story about "Creative Memories." The correct number is (616) 954-0424.



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It is not a mushroom invading the gym at Page Elementary School in the Thornapple Kellogg School District. It is Star Lab, which on an expedition led by fourth grade teacher Julie Johns, students learned about the stars and how early Michigan residents thought about the sky.

Area mat teams send individuals to regionals

Middleville's Is Rosales, Caledonia's Mike Tomanek and Middleville's Jeremy Vandefifer all came away with weight class championships Saturday at the Division II districts held at Hastings High School.

Tomanek won the 103-weight class with a decision, while Rosales took first place honors at 145, also on a decision. Vandefifer also claimed an area championship in the 189-pound weight class.

The top four wrestlers in each weight class advance to regional mat action and the Trojans and Scots qualified a number of athletes.

Middleville's Marc Carter was second at 275 and his Trojan teammate Bret Wiersma was fourth at 119.

Middleville also received a fourth place from Evan Space at 125.

Caledonia's Todd Maines qualified for regionals with a third at 135.

Brian McKeown gave the Trojans a third at 130.

At 140, the area tams qualified three for the next round. Caledonia's Ryan Haywood finished second and his Scots' teammate Josh Baltrusaitis was third. Middleville's Chad Reil finished fourth.

The eighth Trojan wrestler to advance to regionals was Miso Glavan at 215.

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WMU fall dean's list has 22 area students

Twenty-two area students have been named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Western Michigan University.

To be eligible, students earn at least a 3.5 grade point average on a scale of 4.0 in at least 12 hours of graded class work.

The students, their hometowns, names of parents (where information was provided) and major fields of study were:

• Rachael Bledsoe of Alto, daughter of Curtis and Louise Bledsoe, special education, emotionally impaired.

• Wendy L. Faber of Alto, daughter of Folkert and Majorie Faber, marketing.

• Rachel D. O'Connor of Alto, daughter of Dale M. and Terri L. O'Connor, political science.

• Shane S. Risner of Alto, special education, mentally impaired.

• Joel Weston of Alto, son of Bill and Barb Weston, university curriculum.

• Tarah Beuschel of Caledonia, daughter of Michael G. and Leslie C. Beuschel, elementary group minors.

• Stacy Lynn Corsaut of Caledonia, daughter of Mark and Lois Corsaut, psychology and criminal justice.

• Jennifer R. DeKraker of Caledonia, daughter of Alan and Barbara DeKraker, biology and music.

• Lisa Anne Ferguson of Caledonia, daughter of David L. and Judith A. Ferguson, broadcast/cable production.

• Kara F. Palma of Caledonia, daughter of Steven J. and Kim H. Palma, elementary group minors.

• Keri A. Reiffer of Caledonia, daughter of Larry and Diane Reiffer, special education, mentally impaired.

• Julie L. Tuinstra of Caledonia, daughter of Robert and Sandra L. Tuinstra, biology.

• David J. Beckering of Middleville, son of David Beckering and Elizabeth Hoffman, management.

• Traci Lynne Campbell of Middleville, daughter of Jack and Christine Campbell, secondary education in business.

• Jesse Hillman of Middleville, son of Dennis and Vicki Hillman, history.

• William J. Holmes of Middleville, son of William J. and Mary E. Holmes, history.

• Rachel Labelle of Middleville, daughter of Terry and Sue Ann Labelle, accountancy.

• Joyce I. Lee of Middleville, special education, mentally impaired.

• Curt William Martin of Middleville, aviation flight science.

• Monique Marsh Rodriguez of Middleville, daughter of Arnaldo and Laura J. Rodriguez, management.

• Meredith K. VanHouten of Middleville, daughter of Garry L. and Marion K. VanHouten, nursing.

• Raechelle Cathleen Walker of Middleville, elementary group minors.

Spelling bee winners named at Dutton Christian

Dutton Christian's Spelling Bee winners were Eileen Fleischmann (first) and Cam VandeRee (second).

Both are eighth graders at Dutton Christian Middle School. Dutton Christian held its school spelling bee Jan. 29. There were students from grades 5-8 participating. The students spelled some interesting words, such as "fiddlehead" and "waffle-stomper." Fleishmann won the bee by correctly spelling the word "atmospheric."

The regional bee will be today (Feb. 23) at 4 p.m. at Thornapple Kellogg High School. Both Dutton Christian students will be participating in the regional bee.

Cam VandeRee (left) and Eileen Fleischmann were Dutton Christian Middle School's spelling bee winners.

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Five area students on Ferris honors list

Five area students have been named to the academic honors list at Ferris State University.

To be eligible for the list, a student must earn at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale in no less than 12 credit hours of graded work.

The students were Paula Hansen and Joel E. Huizenga, both of Alto; Kristin Noordhoek of Caledonia; and Chad A. Schondelmayer and Amy M. Ybema, both of Middleville.

Caledonia Middle School students learn about homelessness

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Middle school students in Caledonia got a visit Feb. 15 from someone who looked like a homeless person.

The woman was wearing several layers of clothing, including two wrinkled coats, boots, a hat and gloves.

She said homeless people wear lots of clothing to be able to stay warm in any weather, because they have to stay outside in the daytime in all kinds of weather. She said this requires having a coat that is large, so more can go underneath. Extra long sleeves are desirable, in case gloves get lost or stolen, so hands remain warm.

Karen Mortz works at the Mel Trotter Mission and acts an advocate for the homeless in Grand Rapids. She said Caledonia students went all out at Christmas time to adopt people and give them many wonderful things they needed. She told how one woman jumped up and down she was so grateful to be given these things she needed so much.

Caledonia Middle school students listen attentively to Karen Mortz, who works at the Mel Trotter Mission talk about the life of homeless people.

There are about 400 to 600 homeless people in the area, who request housing or overnight shelter through the Salvation Army Home Assistance program at any given time. Mel Trotter is only one facility with overnight accommodations for homeless people. She said most homeless women and women with children stay inside at night at the mission. There is a facility for women and children and another one for men.

Some of the men stay outside on nights that are not terribly cold, but if weather is very cold they will come into the mission. Some will say they prefer to stay outside so they aren't told what to do. Conditions inside are noisy and smelly. Many of the people sleeping outside will sleep under the overpasses on the highways, making small fires to help stay warm.

Often homeless people staying inside keep all their clothes on to prevent them from getting stolen. Sometimes the homeless will have very expensive clothing given to them.

On the street they often carry their belongings in a garbage bag. They may also rent lockers for $3 a week to put other items in safe keeping. Usually, the longer a person is homeless, the fewer personal items they keep to carry around with them.

Mortz said homeless people get their clothing from donations to the mission. Often there is no place for them to bathe, so they don't, and it is common for them to have strong body odor. There are not enough socks donated, so many wear their socks for a long time, and they too get to be very dirty.

Sometimes the only way to have clean clothing is to discard the old clothes and come for another clean replacement from the mission.

She said generally about 60% of homeless people are men and 40% are women. The average homeless people are in their thirties. By comparison, in the 1960s 95% of homeless people were men and 5% were women, and the average age was 55.

About 90% of homeless men are substance abusers in need of drug and alcohol rehabilitation. Sixty to 70% of women are substance abusers. Many have begun before age 12. People stop maturing when they become addicted.

"The longer someone is addicted to a substance, the longer it takes to rehabilitate them," Mortz said.

Someone abusing a substance for 18 years usually requires 18 months of rehabilitation. Funds are limited and Mel Trotter's program is only 12 months.

Another factor related to homelessness is early pregnancy. Many women were pregnant at a very early age.

"As young as many of you," Mortz said. She was speaking to seventh-graders. "At that age, the father is seldom able to offer support to the mother and child."

Most homeless women are separated or divorced, and 82% are alone or part of a single parent family. Women average two children apiece.

Some of the homeless in Grand Rapids have come from someplace else, hoping to find a job, coming with nothing. Those who had strong families often have exhausted all resources and the families' desire to help, and as a last resort have taken an attitude of tough love. Others never had strong ties, or were in families where there was substance abuse. Most people raised in such a situation will be homeless at least some time in their lives.

Another reason why someone becomes homeless is that they were poor to begin with and may have had a crisis of some kind, such as the death of a relative, so they used their rent money for the emergency need. Often landlords will not tolerate these non payments or late payments and evict the person.

There are poor people living in sub-standard housing, who have had to take their children to the hospital to have cockroaches taken out of their ears, because there are so many roaches in the housing. The insects are everywhere as soon as they lay down to sleep. Sometimes people hold back the rent to force the land lord to do something, but this often does not work, and they get evicted. Sometimes the people spend the rent money instead of putting it in the bank when trying to force the landlord to fumigate their housing, and then they are evicted.

Mortz said, "People who are evicted often have their furniture put out on the curb. Sometimes the landlord will spray it with red paint to keep the people from using it again. Perhaps it is to keep other's from using it. But sadly, this is done, what ever the reason."

Because of this, there is a need for donated furniture, to help people get into housing when they begin to get back on their feet. For all homeless, there is a loss of dignity and self respect. Living conditions are so difficult, it is even harder to keep a job if one is found.

Seventy-one percent of the homeless have not graduated from high school. Only about 6% have more than a college degree.

There are often personal characteristics these people have, which magnifies their problems, Mortz explained. She told the young people these were traits to avoid.

One was a lack of discipline. One was a desire not to be told what to do. Another was that the homeless often have a high level of anger and tend to blame others, while refusing to take responsibility for themselves, and use their prob-

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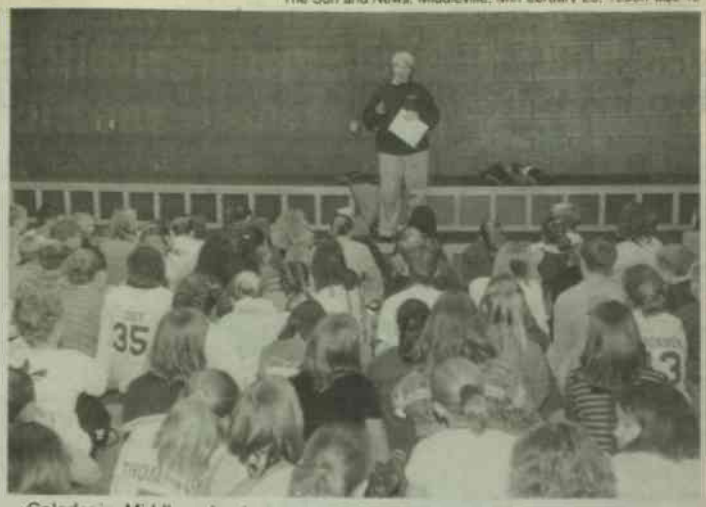

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Athletes of the Week

Zach Hollinshead
Caledonia High School

Hollinshead, a senior co-captain, collected his 102nd prep win with a 152-pound weight class championship at last week's O-K Gold wrestling tournament. Hollinshead entered the week with only one loss at 152.

Tim Stevens
Thornapple-Kellogg High School (Middleville)

Stevens, a senior, was one of four Trojan wrestler's to win a weight class title at the O-K Blue Tournament last week. Stevens' prevailed at 171 for the championship black and orange mat squad. Other Trojan champs were Evan Space (125), Chad Reil (140) and Miso Glavan (215).

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TK scores enough to sneak by Spring Lake

It wasn't a great Trojan basketball performance, but it was one that resulted in a nice win.

Middleville had to scrape and claw to pull out a 55-49 victory Friday night over Spring Lake.

"We just couldn't shake them," Middleville Coach Kurt Holzhueter explained. "They controlled the tempo and made it real slow."

The Trojans (12-5 overall and 9-3 in the O-K Blue) led after the opening eight minutes 9-4 and at the score was still on the low side, 23-18, at the half.

The action picked up a little bit in the second half as the black and orange scored 14 in the third quarter to hold a 37-33 advantage heading into the final eight minutes.

Spring Lake actually made a valiant run which got them to within one point, but Middleville was able to hold on, barely.

In the final minutes, the Trojans had six free throw opportunities to ice the game, but hit just two of those shots.

One thing that hurt Holzhueter's team was its free throw shooting. The Trojans made good on just 8-of-19 attempts from the charity stripe.

A second area that hindered the Trojans' execution was rebounding. The Lakers controlled the glass 35-23.

Ken VanRyn was the catalyst for the winners with 23 points. The senior guard made 11 of his 23 points during the fourth quarter.

Dan Finkbeiner and Zac Truer both hit for 8 points.

Truer also stepped up in other areas with 5 rebounds, 3 steals and a block.

"He gave us some good play inside," Holzhueter said.

Ben Lucas pulled down 6 rebounds.

Middleville's week did not start as fruitful as Grand Rapids Baptist scored a 69-67 triumph Feb. 16 in Grand Rapids. The Trojans tallied 26 points in the fourth quarter, but still came up two points short. The Mustangs were helped by a 21-of-26 performance at the free throw line.

The score was 69-65 when VanRyn hit two free throws to bring his club within two. In the final 4.3 seconds, VanRyn, Andrew Hillman and Garrett Weatherhead all had field goal attempts to tie the score, but all were unsuccessful.

VanRyn led the team with 21 points, Finkbeiner had 13, Lucas 11 and Weatherhead 9. VanRyn's total included six three-pointers.

VanRyn also dished out 6 assists, while Lucas pulled down 9 rebounds.

Middleville will host a pair of games this week with Tri Unity coming to town Tuesday (Feb. 23) and Byron Center hitting the Thornapple Kellogg High School court Friday (Feb. 26).

Ken VanRyn (30), shown here in an early season contest, scored the points and made the passes that helped lead Middleville past Spring Lake in varsity hoops.

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lems as an excuse for not trying.

Nevertheless, no homeless person ever thought at age 12 or 13 that they would end up in a homeless shelter. People not in their shoes should remember there are situations that may have put them into that position. People can't choose the family they are born into. Often they can't choose when they lose their job. Businesses go bankrupt and people are unemployed. People do not choose serious illness or injury.

"What we do have a choice in, is how we react to circumstances," Mortz said. "If you don't discipline yourself, someone else will.

"Freedom is not a licence to do anything you choose," she said.

For that reason, she said learning to set boundaries for the person being helped and for the people who work in the mission is essential.

"Anger can kill a person's spirit. Don't blame others," she said. "When blaming becomes an excuse, it hurts us instead of helping us.

"Make the most of your educational opportunities. And don't become a slave to drugs or sex.

"It is important to have compassion and to act justly," she said. She added, "Justice and mercy require balance. Pride gets in the way of balance. Humility is needed, by some who have never known such hardships. Some of the people who are homeless need help and education, "she said. "Some need rehabilitation.

"People in this school and this community are very blessed," she said.

While trying to help people to get out of the defeating cycle, the Mel Trotter Mission tries to help people with immediate needs, and to help them gain skills to help them take care of themselves. For instance, teaching someone to budget the money they have is one thing which helps.

Immediate help with physical needs includes food, clothing, personal products, like shaving cream and diapers, or baby formula. The WIC (Women Infants and Children's program) offers coupons, with which a mother can obtain formula. Emergencies such as having a purse stolen with coupons in it do happen.

The mission has three areas of service to homeless people. There is a men's drug and alcohol rehabilitation facility and shelter. There is a women's and children's facility, put into use in June of last year.

Mortz is in charge of emergency and community services. There is a warehouse facility for donated furniture, clothing and other items. The mission offers donated furniture about once a week to someone who needs it. There are never enough donations.

Clothing is available through donations as well. Donations are best delivered to the mission between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Phone 454-8249.

Gypsy moth spraying, from page 14

Boncher, who wrote in a letter dated Jan. 7, "... contrary to the township allegations, township officials intentionally placed a lien upon our client's property for the gypsy moth sprayings."

He concluded, "the actions of the township clearly constitute a slander of title." He specified "special damages in a cause of action for slander of title include costs and attorney fees."

Boncher asked the township to discharge the lien and "to reimburse our client in the amount of $200."

He also said he had been contacted by others who are facing the same problem.

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Scot skiers finish year in league

Caledonia's boys ski team was fourth out of 11 Greater Grand Rapids High School Ski Conference teams at the fifth and final league meet sponsored by Cannonsburg High School Racing.

The Scots' turned in a score of 201 to earn fourth place honors in the meet. East Grand Rapids was first with 20, Grand Haven second with 89 and Forest Hills Central finished third with a 97.

Matt Dodge propelled the Scots' to the fourth place finish with a seventh place 20.65 in the slalom and a 14th place 21.92 in the giant slalom.

Kyle Oatley also fared well with a 13th place 20.65 in the slalom and a 22nd place 22.74 in the giant slalom.

Brett Beckett turned in a 24.28 29th place in the slalom and a 38th place 24.130 in the giant slalom.

Caledonia's girls were eighth out of nine teams with a 271. Grand Haven took first-place honors with a 48.

Rebecca Beckett was ninth in the slalom with a time of 26.10 and Lauren Ondersma placed 19th with a 29.86.

In the girls giant slalom, Beckett ended up 13th in 23.92, while Ondersma was 26th in 26.81.

In the final 1988-89 Greater Grand Rapids High School Conference standings, Caledonia's boys were fifth and the girls wound up eighth. East Grand Rapids was the champion of the boys title and Forest Hills Central's girls also came away with a league title.

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Sincere, caring, widowed white mom of two, 38, 5'3", 130lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys singing, music, old movies and reading, seeks a dependable, open-minded single male, 30-50, who will accept her children. Ad# 8857

A MAN WITH A PLAN?
This sweet, dependable single white female, 34, 5'2", 113lbs., with blonde hair, blue eyes, is looking for a like-minded man who loves to share activities, coffee and conversation. She also enjoys gardening, bowling, mallets, cooking and movies. Ad# 7741

WHY NOT TAKE A CHANCE
Sweet and sincere divorced white female, 40, 4'10", 123lbs., a brown-eyed brunette, loves nature, theater, travel and cooking. She is looking to meet a kind, compassionate single white male, 55-70, for companionship. Ad# 1736

WAITING FOR YOU
Attractive, petite single white female, 54, 5'4", with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys country music, golf, cribbage, cross-country skiing and fishing, seeks a quality single white male, 45-57. Sun Lake area. Ad# 7119

WATCH THE SUNSET
Outgoing single white mom, 36, 5'7", with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys going to the beach, bowling, dancing, movies and meeting new people, in search of a single white male, 30-40, with similar interests. Ad# 9002

DEFINITE POSSIBILITY
Outgoing, nice single black female, 29, 5'5", full-figured, who enjoys bowling, movies and quiet time, is looking for a caring single male, 25-39. Ad# 9009

OPEN-MINDED
Athletic single white female, 20, 5'8", with brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys the outdoors, sports and music, would like to meet an honest single male, 18-25, for friendship. Ad# 7991

WHAT A FIND
Single Native American female, 55, 5'3", 117lbs., with dark hair and green eyes, who enjoys spectator sports, bowling, fishing, antique shopping and movies, seeks a sincere, single Hispanic male, over 48, for friendship. Ad# 9750

ROMANTIC MOMENTS
Considerate, caring and devoted are ways to describe this single white female, 31, 5'9", 210lbs., who likes dancing, bowling and taking walks. She is looking for a kind-hearted and romantic single male, 22-38, to share moments of interest. Ad# 9990

LET'S MINGLE
Camping, fishing, dining out and movies are numbered of this sincere white female, 48, 5'6", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes. She's looking for a long-term relationship with the right single white male, 46-56, with similar interests. Ad# 8949

IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO CALL
Fun is inevitable when around this widowed Native American female, 50, 5'3", 117lbs., with dark hair and green eyes, who loves dancing, shooting pool and going to the zoo. She seeks a single black/Hispanic male, 48-65, for friendship. Ask #8021

IRRESISTIBLE
Divorced mom, 38, 5'6", with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys cooking, bowling, dancing and sports, is looking for a single white male, under 45, who enjoys children. Ad# 7978

SO SENSITIVE
Humorous single white mom, 33, 5'10", with brown hair and eyes, enjoys children, movies and sports. She is looking for a single white male, 25-40, who wants a serious relationship. Ad# 9041

ON IMPULSE
A love for all aspects of life is possessed by this single white female, 30, whose main interests are camping, fishing, hunting, boating and going to the movies. She is searching for a single white male, 25-40, who is caring, honest and compassionate. Ad# 9470

STILL HOPEFUL
Sincere, thoughtful single white female, 30, who enjoys sports, listening to music and dining out, is seeking an honest, trustworthy single white male. Ad# 9019

BE FAITHFUL TO ME
This divorced white mom, 28, 5'5", with brown hair and green eyes, enjoys music, camping and seeks a family-oriented single white male, 28-37. Dads are more than welcome. Ad# 9048

LET'S MINGLE
Professional single white mom of two, 52, 5'4", who enjoys cooking, traveling, antiques and reading, is seeking a humorous single white male, over 45, to share life with. Ad# 7382

AWAITING YOU...
Is this thoughtful, devoted white mom, 31, 5', 102lbs., with black hair and eyes, who enjoys movies, cooking and dancing. She is looking for an honest, thoughtful and caring single white male, 37-46, for a possible relationship. Ad# 8802

THE PERFECT TIME
Easygoing single white mom of two, 36, 5'4", with hazel eyes, who enjoys fishing, hunting and riding motorcycles, would like to share life with a sincere single male, over 36. Ad# 8082

COUNTRY LIVING
Sincere, romantic single white female, 44, 5'5", with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys the country, horses, antiques, movies, bicycling and more, seeks a caring, loyal single white male, 38-50. Ad# 8818

SUNNY DAYS
Single white female, 32, 5'3", 130lbs., a brown-eyed brunette, who enjoys sports, fishing, hunting and the outdoors, seeks a friendly, fun single male, 26 or under. Ad# 8289

STEP INTO HER LIFE
Love and warmth come your way if you meet this single Hispanic female, 21, 5'6", with blonde hair and blue eyes, who is into softball and watching movies. A romantic single Hispanic male, under 30, to share some quiet times in her dwelling. Ad# 8082

EVERLASTING LOVE
Short and sassy, she's a divorced white female, 58, 5'3", with dark hair/eyes, a smoker, who likes antiques, walking and poetry. She is seeking an honest single white male, 50-70, with a good sense of humor. Ad# 8722

ROMANTIC TYPE
Widowed white female, 36, 4'11", with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys dining by candlelight, traveling, quilting and casinos, wishes to meet a talkative single white male, 30-68, who is a gentleman. Ad# 8975

DELIGHTFUL DATE
If you are an intelligent, outgoing, fun-loving single white Christian male, then call me. I am a darling divorced white female, 38, who enjoys going out, walks along the lake, roller skating. Ad# 8291

THE QUEEN NEEDS HER KING
Excited to be alive, this articulate, divorced white female, 48, 5'8", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes, likes volunteering, doing crafts, reading and stock car races. She wants to meet a romantic single white male, 40-58, for companionship. Ad# 8241

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY
Realize love "can" shine with this divorced white mom of three, 50, 5'7", 150lbs., with auburn hair and green eyes, who enjoys animals, movies, good foods and the simple things in life. She desires a gentleman, 32-38, to start with dating and go from there. Ad# 8017

PARTY ZONE
An outgoing, friendly single white female, 18, 5'8", brown/hazel/blue trait, blue eyes, enjoys rollerblading, boom-box movies, spending time with friends, seeks single male, 18-21. Ad# 7705

COMMON GROUND
Bubbly single black female, 32, who loves being active, dancing, music and movies, has heard a humorous, independent single black male. Ad# 9679

GREAT QUALITIES
Single white female, 43, 5'3", 190lbs., who enjoys spending time with family and friends, dining out and meeting new people, is seeking an honest single white male, 37-50, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 7310

LET ME GET TO KNOW YOU
You'll feel romance in the air when meeting this single white mom of one, 25, 5'5", 107lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys dancing, skating, sports, movies, dancing, classical and pop music. She seeks a spontaneous single male, 18-28. Ad# 7222

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HOW DO YOU FEEL?
A woman who will give her heart and soul to make a relationship work is this single white mom, 29, 5'6", with brown hair/eyes, who would like to meet a very loving single black male, over 22. She is into skiing, camping, long walks and family time. Ad# 3749

FAMILY-ORIENTED
Single white female, 32, 5'6", full-figured, with long blonde hair and hazel eyes, is seeking an open-minded single male, 18-35. Ad# 9447

SHARE IN HER DREAMS
You'll find more than attraction in this sweet and happy single black female, 40, 5'4", 130lbs., who enjoys children, music, cooking, going to movies and quiet times at home. She wishes to meet a very respectful single black male, 48-52. Ad# 8041

PRETTY BROWN EYES
Understanding single black female, 36, 5'7", likes reading, horseback riding and walking in the rain. She seeks single male, 33-46, to share fun times and more. Ad# 7347

ARE YOU FOR HER?
If you need a little fun in life, then meet this kind-hearted single white female, 40, 5'3", full-figured, with blonde hair and blue eyes, who searches to find a generous single gentleman, 34-46. She likes sports, bowling, camping, music and dining out. Ad# 8291

HONESTY IS THE KEY
Single white mom, 35, 5'7", 125lbs., with strawberry blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys going to church and spending time with her children, seeks a single white male, 32-40. Ad# 7206

YOU NEVER KNOW
Vibrant single white professional female, 39, 5'8", 127lbs., who enjoys the great outdoors, seeks an exuberant, outgoing single white male, 32-50, with a positive outlook in life. Ad# 8137

ARE YOU THAT SPECIAL MAN
Then call this fun and loving single white female, 43, 5'3", with blonde hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys reading, biking, swimming and nature walks. She searches for a sweet, honest and big-hearted single white male, 44-46. Ad# 8144

ANY TRUE GENTLEMEN LEFT?
May all your wishes come true by meeting this single white female, 27, with black hair and brown eyes, who searches for a single black male, 27-35, to share quality time together. She enjoys crafts, reading, medical shows, children and dancing. Ad# 8021

ONE HAPPY LADY
Friendly and sincere, with good morals, is this single white female, 62, 5'9", with salt and pepper hair and brown eyes, who searches for a non-smoking, gentle, single white male, under 68. She is into movies, dining out, golfing and bowling. Ad# 7184

IN STORE FOR A FUN TIME
You're headed toward happiness when you meet this single white female, 38, 5'7", with reddish-brown hair and blue eyes, who looks forward to meeting a true gentleman, 30-34. She is into creative writing, biking, going to the lake and billiards. Ad# 8291

ON THE LEVEL
Single white mom of two, 24, 5'6", 190lbs., with light brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking a single male, 24-36. Her interests include talking, long walks, all types of music, movies and more. Ad# 8532

GIVE HIM YOUR LOVE
Caring, understanding and the owner of a kind heart, this single white male, 26, 5'10", with black hair, brown eyes and a mustache, is a great listener. He is into bowling, country music, dancing and he seeks a romantic single female. Ad# 8961

NOBODY IS PERFECT
Single white male, 26, 5'9", 175lbs., with blond hair, blue eyes and a nice smile, is seeking an attractive, sincere, outgoing single female, 19-36. Ad# 5824

BEST OF TIMES
Easygoing single white male, 35, who enjoys home movies, concerts, listening to music and more, is seeking a sincere single white female. Ad# 5188

ARE YOU MY VALENTINE?
Self-employed single white male, 31, 6'1", 205lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys movies and listening to music, seeks a funny single white female. Ad# 8254

OUTDOOR PERSON
Outgoing single white dad, 36, 5'8", with brown hair/eyes, enjoys meeting new people, fishing, hunting and the outdoors, seeks a like-minded, outgoing, SWF, 32-38, who likes kids. Ad# 4300

SUCH A DEPENDABLE GUY
Hop on a Harley and ride with this humorous single white male, 51, 5'11", 180lbs., with auburn hair and brown eyes, who enjoys NASCAR, dining out, sports and more. He seeks a romantic single white female, over 47, who's fun, honest and trustworthy. Ad# 3123

BE MY VALENTINE
Considerate, self-confident single white male, 28, 6'2", 240lbs., with brown hair and eyes, enjoys four-wheeling, remodeling homes and pool. He seeks a fun, romantic single white female, 23-28, to make the next few more days of happiness together. Ad# 2281

AWAITING YOUR CALL
Self-employed single white male, 32, 6', 210lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys reading, walking, old movies, music, bicycling and more, seeks a single white female, 19-35. Ad# 8127

EXUBERANT MAN
Meet this outgoing single white male, 40, 5'8", with brown hair and blue eyes, if you're a sportsminded single white female who enjoys walks on the beach, dining out, gardening, shopping and living life to the fullest. Do you? Ad# 8115

DISCOVER ME
Professional single white dad, 39, 6', 190lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys art, the beach, spending time with his children, boating and more, is seeking a positive, humorous single white female, 25-45. Ad# 8381

IT COULD HAPPEN
Single Hispanic male, 42, who enjoys sports, bowling and outdoor activities, is looking to meet a single, honest female, 40 or younger, for a serious relationship. Ad# 2317

BEST FOOT FORWARD
Witty, single white male, 40, 6'1", 210lbs., enjoys long walks, motorcycles and sleeping. He's seeking an outgoing, attractive single white female, 40-50, who enjoys life. Ad# 8656

LOOKING FOR YOU
Outgoing and humorous single white male, 40, 6', with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an honest and trustworthy single white female, 25-45, to enjoy sports, the outdoors, conversations and more with him. Ad# 4472

BE MY FRIEND
Single white male, 21, 6'2", 195lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, enjoys sports, the outdoors, movies and listening to music, seeks a single white female, 18-22. Ad# 3771

HONESTY FROM THE START
Single white father of two, 38, 6'1", 205lbs., with brown hair/eyes, a sports fan, who enjoys motorcycling, the outdoors, fishing and movies, is seeking a single female, 30-40, drug-free and non-drinker, with similar interests. Ad# 7294

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ALL OUR TOMORROWS
Hardworking, compassionate single white male, 46, 5'9", 180lbs., with brown hair, who enjoys bowling, billiards, flea markets, candlelit dinners and more, is seeking a sincere, fun-loving single white female, 30-50. Ad# 8112

LOVES COUNTRY LIVING
Normal single white male, 30, 5'7", 150lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, is looking for a SWF, 18-40, who loves dining out, rides and country life, and would like to homebrew, riding, walking and more. Ask #196

COMMITMENT-MINDED
Humorous divorced white dad of two, 36, 5'9", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys bicycling, rock climbing, sky diving, movies, children, dining out and more, is seeking a sincere, trustworthy single white female, 25-35. Ad# 8401

FILL HIS ARMS
Single white male, 32, 5'7", 240lbs., with auburn hair, blue eyes and a goatee, is seeking a romantic, full-figured single white female, 23-40. Ad# 4739

MUTUAL DEDICATION
Just show him some love and he'll go out of his way to make you smile. This big-hearted single white father, 32, 5'9", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys hunting, fishing, camping and family time, is seeking a caring single white female, 25-37. Ad# 8112

LET'S GO FOR COFFEE
Easygoing single white dad, 46, 5'11", 200lbs., with brown hair, enjoys bowling, movies, the outdoors and more, is seeking a single black female, 40-52, who is outgoing and independent. Ad# 1467

DEVOTED TO ONE
Caring, outgoing single-parent single white male, 29, 6'2", 175lbs., with brown hair, is looking for a fun-loving single female, 18-36, who wants a long-term relationship. He enjoys bowling, swimming, holding hands and more. Ad# 7779

HE'S THE ONE
You'll leave him with the single white dad of two, 36, 5'10", 145lbs., with dark hair and blue eyes. He enjoys all outdoor activities, romantic evenings and seeks a slim, attractive single female, 25-40. Ad# 7184

MANY INTERESTS
Single white male, 33, 5'8", who enjoys the outdoors, movies and ice skating, wants to meet an active, faithful single white female. Ad# 3178

JUST THE TWO OF US
How does an evening dining out and going to a comedy club sound? Call this outgoing single white male, 50, 5'11", 185lbs., with brown hair, salt-and-pepper hair and blue eyes. He enjoys fishing, cooking, movies and seeks a single white female, 42-52. Ad# 8949

THE NEXT MOVIE IS YOURS
You'll have fun with this easygoing, humorous single white male, 19, 6', 215lbs., with blond hair and hazel eyes. He enjoys hunting, sports, horseback riding and seeks a sincere, caring single white female, 18-32. Ad# 1102

OPEN YOUR HEART TO ME
This caring, 29-year-old, single white dad of one, 6'1", 190lbs., with dirty-blond hair, wants to meet a single female, 19-40. Moms okay. Ad# 8035

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND
Quiet, reserved single white male, 56, who enjoys reading, billiards and bird watching, is seeking a warm-hearted, caring single white female. Ad# 7424

ASK YOURSELF
This single white male, 24, 5'9", 150lbs., with blond hair and a good build, is hoping to meet the single female, 18-35, of his dreams. She'll share his passions for bowling, swimming, hunting, horseback riding and much more, is that you? Ad# 2204

GREAT QUALITIES
If you're an open-minded single white female, 30-46, give this witty single white male, 40, 5'10", 190lbs., a chance, you won't be disappointed! His interests include riding dirt bikes, billiards, guitars, dancing and anything to do with you! Ad# 9795

CALL NOW
Easygoing single white male, 26, 5'8", 195lbs., with sandy brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, swimming, travel and more, wants to find honest single white female, 25-40. Ad# 3165

SOMETIMES QUIET
Single white male, 29, 6'2", 220lbs., with long brown hair/eyes, is looking for a fun-loving single white female, under 35, who enjoys fast food, listening to rock music and concerts. Ad# 9798

THE BEST OF THE BEST
This single white male, 31, 5'10", 175lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking a single white female, 29-35, 5'2"-5'9" under 125lbs., to enjoy dancing, canoeing and more with him. Ad# 9005

GIVE ME A CALL
Professional single white male, 29, 6'2", 185lbs., who enjoys bowling, horseback riding, walking and cuddling, seeks a female who likes similar interests, 21-35, children welcome. Ad# 7966

DREAMS COME TRUE
Employed single white male, 39, 6'3", 195lbs., with strawberry blond hair, blue eyes and a great personality, seeks an honest, good-hearted single white female, 30-42, who enjoys the outdoors, romantic walks on the beach and amusement parks. Ad# 8274

MAKE A WISH FOR ME
Professional, honest single white male, 30, 5'9", 140lbs., with blue eyes, who enjoys sports, is seeking a romantic, honest single white female, 20-35, for companionship. Ad# 9760

BE THE FIRST TO CALL
Nice, smart and hardworking describe this single white male, 22, 5'10", with brown/ash-blond hair and green eyes, who likes going to the beach, dining out, gardening, shopping and more. He's looking to meet a single white female, 24-35, with similar qualities. Ad# 8096

ONE ON ONE
Outgoing and single white dad, 29, 6'2", with light brown hair, who enjoys the outdoors and more, is seeking a single white female, to spend time with. Ad# 8111

SOMEONE SPECIAL
Spend some quality time with this physically fit, energetic single white male, 28, 5'11", with strawberry blond hair, who enjoys bowling, fishing and sports. He's looking for an outgoing single female, under 40, with a positive outlook for the future. Ad# 8023

DEVOTED
Kind, outgoing single white male, 31, 6', with hazel eyes, a non-smoker, enjoys horseback riding, camping, hunting hands and cuddling. He seeks a single white female, 18-30, with a full, lovable single female, 18-36. Ad# 7102

LOVES KIDS
Family-oriented, caring single white dad, 28, 6'2", with hazel eyes, hopes to settle down with a faithful, kind single white female, 18-40. His hobbies include biking, horseback riding, canoeing, movies, dining out and more. Ad# 9617

LET ME COOK YOU DINNER
He's an outgoing and honest single white male, 36, 5'11", 170lbs., with dark hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, camping and sitting by a warm fire. He wants to meet a single white female, 25-40, for a possible relationship. Ad# 8999

LOVES TO LAUGH
Laid-back single white male, 46, who enjoys woodworking, the outdoors, horseback riding and scuba diving, is seeking a warm-hearted, honest single white female. Ad# 8231

ONE OF A KIND
Easygoing single white male, 44, 5'11", 135lbs., whose interests include the outdoors, watching sports, car polishing and playing cards, is seeking a caring single white female. Ad# 8151

SHOW ME THE WAY
Friendly single white male, 25, 6'2", 195lbs., seeks a single white female, 18-46, who loves living life to the fullest and meeting new people. Ad# 8045

GET READY FOR FUN
Leave a message for this pleasant single white male, 24. He's looking for happiness with an outgoing, sincere and friendly single white female, under 30, who would enjoy sharing friendship and fun. Ad# 8044

CHECK THIS OUT
Professional single white male, 35, 5'11", 185lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys outdoor activities, playing golf and hockey, would love to meet an attractive single white female, 25-40, to share time, interests and activities. Ad# 8307

FOLLOW YOUR HEART...
And it may lead to this honest and open single white dad, 28, 5'11", 190lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys dancing and beach walks. He seeks an attentive and positive single white female, 20-35, who can make him laugh. Ask 7990

YOU CAN'T GO WRONG
Single white dad, 28, 5'11", 230lbs., with dark hair and green eyes, seeks a mature, single white female, 25-35, who enjoys rollerblading and the outdoors. Ad# 9410

TO THE POINT
Get together with this outgoing, self-employed single white dad, 36, 5'11", 190lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys sports and time with his kids. He's looking for a single white female, 25-40. Ad# 7819

NICE GUYS DO EXISTS
Sensitive single man, 5'9", 175lbs., with brown hair/eyes, is searching for a single white female, 21-33, who enjoys working out, cars, movies and listening to music. Ad# 7480

ABLE TO COMMIT?
Outgoing, easygoing single white male, 40, who enjoys walking his dogs, outdoor activities and sports, is looking to meet a nice, honest, sincere single white female. Ad# 7892

A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS
Romantic, easygoing single white male, with blond hair, enjoys the outdoors, quiet evenings, dancing and movies. He is looking for a sincere, slender and easygoing single white female, 30-50, under 5'8", who has a good sense of humor. Ad# 7784

YOUNG-AT-HEART
A talkative, retired single white male, 69, 5'8", who likes to travel, camping, fishing, camping and sports, is seeking a kind, compassionate, slender single white female, with similar interests. Ad# 9180

RACE INTO MY HEART
Single white male, 37, 6', 215lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys fishing, hunting, motorcycles and building race cars, seeks a friendly single female, under 41. Ad# 7841

RESTLESS IN KENTWOOD
An open and honest relationship is what is 28-year-old single white male, 6'2", with light brown hair and green eyes, seeks with a single white female, 18-40. He's a skilled tradesman who enjoys horseback riding, the beach and more. Ask #8005

HONESTY IS THE KEY
Friendly single black male, 29, 6'2", 195lbs., with short black hair/eyes, who enjoys dining out, movies and cooking, would like to meet an honest single white female, under 25. Ad# 9011

IN SEARCH OF YOU
Professional single white male, 34, 5'9", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys working and reading, is looking for a honest single white female, under 25. Ad# 9011

NEW BEGINNINGS
Professional, divorced white dad, 40, 6'4", 190lbs., with sandy blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys movies, hunting, fishing and camping, NASCAR and family activities, is looking for a single white female, 30-40, for friendship first. Ad# 7194

SHY AT FIRST...
But once he comes out of his shell, he is loads of fun. This single white male, 5'9", with blue eyes and long blond hair, likes horseback riding, four-wheeling and going to the movies. He is seeking a single female, 18-30. Ad# 7481

YOUR WISH & MINE?
I am a pleasant European widower white male, 70, 6', 205lbs., who likes classical music, travel and cooking. I would like to meet an attractive, affectionate, educated, independent single white female, 55+. Ad# 7367

SICK OF BEING SINGLE?
Shy at first, this single white male, 24, 5'9", 150lbs., with long blond hair and blue eyes, warms up fast. He enjoys horseback riding, golf, roller blading, spending time with friends and seeks a serious relationship with a single female, 18-35. Ad# 3631

HONESTY COUNTS
Single white male, 27, who enjoys dancing, bowling, movies and candlelit dinners, is looking for a happy-go-lucky, caring single white female. Ad# 8109

IT COULD HAPPEN
Fit, unique single white male, 27, who enjoys traveling, flying hot air balloons, sports and spending time with friends, is looking to meet a trustworthy, honest single white female. Ad# 8022

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Middleville man has HYTA status revoked

John Jarman, 20, of Middleville, had his Holmes Youthful Trainee Act Status revoked and was sentenced in Barry County Circuit Court recently to 120 days in jail and 18 months probation on his conviction of probation violation.

Jarman was accused of violating probation by leaving the Teen Challenge program he was ordered to attend as part of his probation on a previous conviction of taking an all-terrain vehicle.

"Obviously he's not taking his probation seriously," said assistant Prosecutor Amy Kuzava. "It's clear he's had problems in the past with school, though he had been benefiting greatly from the Teen Challenge program. Before that, he would just screw off and do nothing."

Defense attorney Carol Jones Dwyer said, however, that Jarman has been responsible while working for his father and that he has sought other work as well.

When Judge Fisher asked Jarman if he had anything to say about why his teachers report that he is disruptive in class, that he has a poor attitude and wears inappropriate clothing, Jarman declined.

"You don't have any explanation for that type of behavior?"

"No, sir," said Jarman, adding that he no longer wants to participate in the Teen Challenge program.

"It's very disturbing what I see here (in a pre-sentence report) about your attitude and the attitude you've showed to the court," said Circuit Court Judge Fisher. "You don't act like someone who has rules to live by, you act like someone who just does whatever you want."

FROM OUR READERS

Local Citizens Speak Out on Issues

Is geographic recognition so horrible for Middleville?

To the editor:

Thornapple Kellogg Schools is a quality district with the credit going to our administration and many excellent staff members. Our parents are involved with their children and the district. Our board members work tirelessly for the good of all of the students.

The recent decision of our school board to eliminate our town's name in association with our school is totally unbelievable to me. Is geographic recognition so horrible? Why are we no longer allowed to have our town's name associated with our academic and athletic accomplishments?

What is the purpose of removing the rocks in the "M" pattern? It is a part of our school pride. While attending football, track, and graduation it has always had symbolism, meaning and tradition.

To retain a small piece of nostalgia is not that great of a request. I haven't a problem with a cement TK circle being installed someplace on the grounds. I'm sure that our school board could find a place to showcase such a marker.

Students of TKHS, use the information you have been taught to your own benefit. Use your best resources your parents and other voters of our district. Petition for change. Channel your energies into the proper democratic channels.

I have seen change take place from the students at Wayland High School. Several years ago the marble school marker was removed, only to be discarded. It was replaced with a bigger, better, high technology, lighted sign. The students banded together to save the marble sign. It was brought back through the efforts of the students, businesses, and the community. It is once again proudly displayed on school grounds.

Change is possible!

Laura Sage,
Middleville

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