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Patricia Johns is 'Unsung Hero'

Middleville resident Patricia Johns and Chris Warren of Hastings have been named "Unsung Heroes" award winners in an annual contest sponsored by the Grand Rapids Urban League, WOOD-TV8, the Gerald R. Ford Boy Scout Council and the Michigan Trails Girl Scout Council.

Warren is the principal at Southeastern Elementary School in Hastings; Johns is a reporter for the Middleville-Caledonia Sun and News.

The Unsung Hero awards recognize those who perform exceptional acts of public or community service, according to the nominating ballot. Nominees performing community service can be paid employees or volunteers who have made a difference in their communities and the lives of others.

The awards will be presented Wednesday, March 24, at the Gerald R. Ford Museum in Grand Rapids. Grand Rapids Chief of Police Harry Dolan will be guest speaker.

Johns was nominated by TK School Board Member Nancy Goodin.

Goodin wrote on the nominating form that Johns "has many skills and abilities that she shares with children and parents in our local school district and surrounding communities. She is a master gardener, a lover of books, and a science enthusiast."

Goodin continued that "for the past four years, Patricia has served as an officer of the Parent Teacher Organization at Thornapple Kellogg Schools. This year she is executive president of an organization that successfully raises funds for many of the special programs offered to our students."

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>
> - Patricia Johns

Johns says, "the opportunity I have had to work as a volunteer has been very rewarding. It has been a privilege to work closely with other parents, teachers and administrators. May 6 is my last official meeting and I know that I will miss serving the PTO as an officer. I hope to continue to volunteer as my schedule allows.

Johns has also volunteered since its inception three years ago with the Saturday Celebrate Reading Program at McFall Elementary.

Goodin praised Johns saying, "For four years she has worked with teachers and their classrooms in every elementary building in the Thornapple Kellogg School District planting flower bulbs in the fall, which bloom in the spring just in time for Grandparents/Special Person Day. She has helped students plant well over 4,000 bulbs.

"This year she recruited the students from our alternative education program to work alongside our elementary students. Our school is a more beautiful place, thanks to Patricia.

"She does not limit herself or the time she gives. Patricia has been involved in the Odyssey of the Mind program for the past four years as a coach, judge, and regional problem captain, representing the TK school district.

"The schools are not the only beneficiaries of Patricia's master gardener expertise. She was one of the original organizers of the master garden demonstration at the Barry County Fairgrounds. She was the volunteer coordinator for two years for that exhibit and estimates that her total volunteer service as a master gardener in the schools, the county garden and 4-H exceeds 2,500 hours over the past five years.

"She is, and has been for seven years, the president of the Friends of the Caledonia Library. She volunteers at the library doing clerical work and fund-raising and planning programming. Two years ago, when the library organized a successful corn maze, she helped raising $30,000 through the coordinated efforts of 80 volunteers. She organized a volunteer recognition program called Just Desserts to recognize and thank the many volunteers involved. This year she is also president of the Alliance of Friends Group, which works to coordinate and promote district-wide projects in the Kent District Library System.

"I have loved working with the Friends of the Library," Johns says. On March 13 I was very happy to change my position to that of "past president at the annual Friends meeting."

Goodin continued, "Every summer, Patricia volunteers with the local public television station WGVU Channels 35 and 52 during their Kids Day Activities, sharing her enthusiasm for science.

"If you ask Patricia what is the most rewarding work she does, she will tell you it

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Channel 8 producer and video artist Dan Salas calmed any anxiety Patricia Johns was feeling before filming her three minutes as an unsung hero. This video should be on Channel 8 on March 18 and will be shown at the Unsung Hero reception on March 24 at the Gerald R. Ford Museum.

School Board affirms the name 'TK'

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

Members of the Thornapple Kellogg Board of Education last week revisited the controversy over eliminating the "Middleville" from the school's logo and affirmed their decision to keep the logo just "Thornapple Kellogg."

Tammy Benjamin asked the board to reconsider its position. As a coach, she allows students on the team to design their T-shirts. She asked that the school allow teams to use "Middleville".

Board President Dan Parker said he was uncomfortable talking for Gary VanElst, who championed the idea of making the TK name exclusive but was unable to attend the meeting. He suggested having a committee review the decision.

Shelley Erb, speaking on behalf of some coaches who had to be at the (district) basketball game instead of the board meeting, discussed the proposed removal of the "M" from the football stadium.

According to Erb, "a lot of people would like the M to stay. It is part of who we are."

Laurie Brinks, who serves as the Eagle Scout mentor to Middleville scout Ben McDuffee, explained the boy's Eagle Scout project involving that "M." Brinks said, "Ben wants to make a contribution to the community."

The "M" which is difficult to maintained will be removed. McDuffee working with supervision will install a concrete "TK" which will be flush to the ground, centered in the end zone and very easy to mow over and around."

As a second part of his project, McDuffee and some friends with adult supervision will remove the old wooden bleachers, saving the district money so they can be replaced by the new metal bleachers.

Superintendent Jay Cason asked about children who live in Freeport or Yankee Springs. "The identity of the school district is a bigger issue than just Middleville," he said.

"Would Middleville have meaning for those students?" Cason also questioned whether coaches or athletes should be making decisions about what goes on their shirts.

The board upheld the previous decision and said that the Eagle Scout project could go ahead as approved.

Yankee Springs pledges $5,000 to shelter effort

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

Yankee Springs Township has pledged up to $5000 in support of the campaign for a new Barry County animal shelter.

Township Treasurer Bob Herold told the Township Board Thursday night that was recommending the donation after a meeting with Sheriff Steve DeBoer and winning assurances from the township attorney that it was legal.

"The county will be administering this fund," Herold said. "I have confidence in Mike Brown, the county administrator."

He noted that 125 dog licenses had been purchased through the township office.

Trustee Mary Cook said, "I thoroughly support this. It is good to help each other."

Mark Englerth of the Shelter 2000 Committee thanked the trustees.

"This is many hands working together. You are leaders in the Barry County Community."

Herold assured Englerth that the county could not use this $5,000 to fulfill the county's recent pledge of $150,000 to this project.

Though Supervisor George London voted for the pledge to the animal shelter, he did point out that recent actions of the board make it seem like animals are more important than the children in the community.

In January the board decided not to contract with the Barry County YMCA for recreational services.

Cook said that this comparison was not fair. The animal shelter would benefit everyone.

Englerth said, "I'd like to see the Y come out and establish a program in Yankee Springs.

Old middle school memorial planned

Nancy Goodin and Mike Bremer are the co-chairs of a committee to create a memorial to the old Thornapple Kellogg Middle School.

The aging structure will be torn down this year, as students move into a new building approved by voters in a bond issue several years ago.

At a meeting March 11, the committee members discussed tentative designs for a memorial and how to encourage volunteer support. A rough design for a memorial will be presented to the Thornapple Kellogg Board of Education on Monday evening, March 22.

Goodin said, "I am so excited by the level of interest and community support we already have. I can't wait to

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Caledonia eight-grade band wins 'I' rating

The band includes 75 students, and the group returned with a Division I rating from the District festival.

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

An enthusiastic group of Caledonia Middle School eighth-graders performed March 4 at the District 10 Solo and Ensemble Band Festival at Rockford High school and came home with a Division I rating.

The festival is sponsored by the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association. The Caledonia eighth-graders now will be going to the State Festival April 30, also at Rockford.

This was the second year the youngsters have participated in the festival. There were 75 students in the band.

The band had to present three pieces and had could sight read two of them to get the rating.

The seventh grade band members also went to the festival and received a Division II rating. It was their first time at the district festival.

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is interacting with children, nature and animals. She will tell you about the Moe Road Project, which is land the school district has set aside for students to visit to learn about seasonal growth, wetlands and wildlife. Patricia visits with kindergarten, first- and third-grade classes several times a year. She will hide pipe cleaner worms and send the students on a hunt, all of them flapping their wings and making bird calls.

"Amazingly, Patricia Johns has never been singled out for special recognition or awards. She walks among us an unsung hero. If volunteers were paid for the contributions they make to the world we all share, Patricia would be one of the wealthiest people I know."

Johns says, "I really love my position as staff writer for the Sun and News. One of the hardest things is to find time to volunteer for those causes which I believe to be important. I am really afraid of becoming a "checkbook volunteer and just substituting money for energy."

"I have been fortunate, Johns continues, that my husband Michael supported my volunteer efforts. I couldn't have done this without him."

"I want to encourage everyone to find those one or two areas of interest where they can be of service. Don't forget it is fun, not just hard work."

Middle school, from front page

see how many local groups and individuals get involved with this project."

The Middle School Memorial Committee will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 18, in the administration building to refine the presentation to the school board.

5 students are Ferris grads

Five area students were conferred degrees or certificates during commencement ceremonies Saturday, Dec. 19, at Ferris State University.

The students, their hometowns, degrees, special academic honors (where applicable) and major fields of study were:

• Bonnie S. Anderson of Alto, bachelor of science in nursing, distinction (cumulative grade point average of 3.25-3.49 on a 4.0 scale).

• Jonathan B. Oldfield of Alto, bachelor of science in business, business administration.

• James T. Steffen of Alto, bachelor of science in business, marketing and sales.

• Eugene J. Oberlander of Caledonia, certificate in advanced construction management, distinction.

• Christopher B. Overmire of Caledonia, bachelor of science in heavy equipment service engineering technology.

Man drives car into channel

A 21-year-old Hastings man was charged with drunk driving after he drove his car into a channel on Gun Lake Feb. 27 at about 1:30 a.m., according to a report by the Barry County Sheriff's Department.

Chad Johncock was not hurt in the accident, in which he told police he thought he was turning from the southbound lane of Russell Drive onto another street in Yankee Springs Township.

A preliminary breath test revealed a .13 percent blood alcohol content, police reported, above the legal limit.

Also unhurt were his passengers, Christopher Hawthorne, 21, and Newell Heath, 45, both of Hastings. The car was pulled from the channel by a neighbor, police said.

Johncock was arraigned on the misdemeanor charges March 4 and he is free on $100 bond.

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The Golden Goose comes to town

The tale of the Golden Goose Feathers entranced an entire school as actors from the Mad Cap Productions Puppet Theatre performed. The company is based in Cincinnati, Ohio and has performed at the school in the past. The play is based on the Grimm's fairy tale "The Golden Goose" and even students got into the act.

Here Princess Prunella introduces the story with help from a talking tower.

The boy meets the Old Man of the woods, who seems to have lost his head.

Middleville woman wins Life Saving Award

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Angela J. Lett of Middleville and four Barry County Sheriff's Deputies received awards for their service to the community recently at a dinner held in their honor Feb. 27, Sheriff Steve DeBoer announced last week.

Lett, 27, was given a Life Saving Award for helping save the life of a young Kentwood man after an alcohol-related crash near her home at M-37 and Cherry Valley Road last fall.

"We own race horses and my fiancé, Steve, and I had just gotten home at about 1:30 a.m.," she recalls of that early October morning. "I sat down and was doing a crossword puzzle and had the TV down real low so it was real quiet."

Lett said she suddenly heard something, looked out the window and saw the headlights of a vehicle and flames.

"I ran out to the guard rail and saw the flames coming from the front of the truck," she said. "So I ran in and screamed 'fire!', called 911, handed the phone to Steve and ran back to the guard rail."

Lett said she yelled, "Is anyone in there?"

At first, she heard no response, but after yelling again, she heard a man's voice.

"He said 'I'm here,'" she recalls. "I said 'you've got to get out, it's on fire.' He said 'I know' and started to get out.'"

Lett said she then went toward the truck, which had flames coming from under the hood and from underneath, and helped the man from the burning truck that she later learned was only eight days old.

"He had blood covering his face from a cut on the top of his head," said Lett. "I screamed for Steve and his son to get some towels and we brought him up to the porch and put warm towels on him."

According to Deputy Marti Lantinga, the man's truck burst into flames minutes after Lett helped the driver out.

"If it had not been for Angela's quick thinking and courage, the driver may not have survived the crash," said Lantinga. "I feel Miss Lett deserves recognition for her brave and selfless act."

Lett, who has helped at various other accident scenes near her home, said she was surprised by the award.

"It was really nice," she said, adding that though she never again saw the victim of the crash, she was told by Lantinga that he is doing well and has given up drinking.

Also honored at the dinner with Life Saving Awards were deputies Bob Fueri, Rob Horrmann and Tim Erhardt.

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Just call the Community Education office at 795-3397 for more information.

There is a computer class for children scheduled after school on Mondays, April 19 and 26 and May 3. For $10 children at McFall and Lee can learn how to use desktop publishing, make awards, banners and calendars. Some may even write their own fairy tales.

The class is offered at the McFall Elementary Computer Lab from 4 to 5 p.m. The shuttle bus is available.

An IBM Microsoft Word class begins Monday, April 12, at 6:30 p.m.. This eight-week exploration of the basics of the word program is for beginners. The fee is $80 and includes a textbook.

The one night digital camera and scanning class March 25 at 6:30 will show students how to use the digital camera and manipulate the image and fit it into text applications.

Golf with instructor Marilyn Whitney begins May 11. For $35 and an additional green fee at the last class students will learn the fundamentals of chipping, putting and driving. Students must provide their own equipment.

For $30 for a 10-visit pass women can devise a personalized workout program every Tuesday and Thursday in the TKHS weight room.

Any Thornapple Kellogg School District area senior citizen who is interested in joining the trips and events planned by the community education office should call 795-3397 to be placed on the mailing list.

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Friendship means fun and celebration for local Girl Scouts

Brownie Girl Scout Troop No. 451 at Dutton Elementary School in Caledonia shared fun and friendship with Caledonia Junior troop 001 as they earned the Juliet Low Friendship Patch. Girls welcomed a new family in the community by making a fruit basket. Since the girls had to learn about an international holiday they celebrated a "Cinco de Mayo" type Mexican festival in February. The girls broke a pinata, ate chips and salsa and made tissue paper flowers.

'Secret Garden' date changed to March 18

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Caledonia Middle School Students have taken on an ambitious effort to present the musical, "The Secret Garden," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 18. Admission is $3.

The musical was postponed since the last announcement, due to weather.

Starring Samantha Nemechek, the story is about Mary, a spoiled little girl with a sour attitude, who is befriended by Martha, portrayed by Amanda Beaumont, and Dicken, played by Shane Hillen. Collin, a sickly boy portrayed by John Scranton, joins the group and this changes his life. Chris West, who acts the role of Mr. Craven is a hunchbacked man who lost his wife in an accident and can't seem to get over his grief.

Also acting in the play are Haley Schlaffley, Katie Musick, Arturo Giraldo, Kimberly Smith, Andrew Mulder, Bob Blakeslee, Nubia Gomez, Keyre Boverhof, Ashley Jenkins, Jessica Mariano, Ryan Penfold, Janay Senneker, Alex Vaughan, and Miranda Postlewaite.

Mick Vaughn, drama teacher, is the director. Nancy TenElshof is musical director and Kimberly King is assistant.

Lakeside Church concert scheduled for Sunday

Gospel performers Greg Bugbee and Everyday People will present their music at the Lakeside Community Church on Whitneyville Avenue.

The Lakeside Community Church in Alto will be the host to a nationally known group of gospel performers, Greg Bugbee and Everyday People, at 6 p.m. Sunday, March 21.

The group has appeared on radio, television and on concert stages throughout the U.S. and Australia.

"Through songs written by the group and by others, they present the gospel of salvation in captivating ways," said Pastor Roger Bultman. He said Bugbee and EDP has a unique way of sharing their faith in music and testimony.

"The group blends sincere faith, quality vocal and instrumentation, and dynamic contemporary style. Their music delivers a great message that challenges the audience."

Bultman believes people who love gospel music will not want to miss this free concert.

Lakeside Community Church is located at 6201 Whitneyville, S.E. People who need more information may call 868-0391.

'Annie' to be performed at South Christian High School

South Christian High School will present the musical "Annie" Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 25-27.

This warm-hearted musical is set in New York city during the Great Depression, and is full of colorful characters who bring the story to life.

The story centers around Annie, an orphan living in a hard knock orphanage run by the dubious Miss Hannigan. An attempted escape, where she meets some new friends and finds a new pal in Sandy the dog, is ended when Annie is found in a "Hooverville" (Depression slum), and returned to the orphanage.

Shortly after her return to the orphanage, Annie is rescued by Grace Farrell, secretary to mega-millionaire Oliver Warbucks. Annie is whisked away to Warbuck's mansion, where she charms not only Warbucks, but also his staff.

A search for Annie's parents includes a radio appearance and a visit with President Roosevelt. Along with this, a reward stirs up shady characters who hope to "cash in" on Warbucks' generosity. The stage is set for a whirlwind ending.

Tickets, at $4.50 each, go on sale Monday, March 22, in the South Christian office. All seats are reserved.

For more information, call South Christian's Bob DeWeerd at 455-3210.

Caledonia woman on St. Mary's list

Amanda Spica of Caledonia, a Saint Mary's College freshman, has been named to the academic honors list for the fall 1998/1999 semester.

To be selected, a student must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.4 on a 4.0 scale.

Spica is the daughter of Robert and Beth Spica of Caledonia.

Saint Mary's College, a Catholic women's college, in Notre Dame, Ind., offers four-year degrees in humanities, sciences, fine arts, and professional programs. Sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Cross, the college was founded in 1844 and now enrolls 1500 students.

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Third-graders present science fair at Lee Elementary

This was the most popular exhibit at the science fair. It was really hard for even grown ups to keep their hands off it.

Fred Daggett Gillaspie shows his brother Kenny his volcano and Keith Burger demonstrates his project for his sister Barbie.

Christopher VandenBosch learned about making his science fair project "Solar Pizza Oven" from the internet. It really works!.

Samantha Bouwhuis used an electric current to show how magnetism really works.

Cody Muste uses dish soap as he demonstrates surface tension

What do solar ovens made of chip containers, electric switches, volcanoes and sharks have in common?

They were all found at the Lee Elementary third grade science fair March 10 in Middleville.

All eight classes had the opportunity to create a science project and present it to their parents and peers. Some of the projects were detailed descriptions of the habitat, or physical structure of animals. Others fizzed or whizzed or even turned flowers blue.

Dancing raisins and a barometer in a bottle, manipulating surface tension with dish soap , discovering that gummy worms and jewelry have polymers in common and the wonders of carbon dioxide could all be found at the science fair.

Third grade teacher Jan Muir said, "I love the creativity students bring to their projects. It is wonderful to see parents and children discovering science together."

Caledonia library plans 'Herbs in Spring' program

The Caledonia Public Library will present a program, "Herbs in Spring," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 24.

For centuries, herbs have been used for a variety of purposes. Participants can learn how to plant and use the versatile herb.

The program, sponsored by the Friends of the Caledonia Library, is for avid herb enthusiasts, as well as for those who are just curious.

A local master gardener will lead the program that will cover such topics as herb planting, drying and decorating. Those who attend are invited to bring their herb questions. Plans for an herb garden will also be discussed.

For more information about the "Herbs in Spring," call the Caledonia branch of the Kent District Library at 891-1502. The Caledonia library is located at 240 Emmons St.

Clarification:

The Blue Dragon held its grand opening the weekend of March 12 through 14. A headline in last week's Sun & News said the restaurant was re-opening, although it had been open intermittently during February, following interior damage during the heavy snowstorm in January.

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Caledonia 6th-grader takes first in book review contest

Sixth Graders Deanne Warner, Dannell Goddard, Rich Tourtellotte and Jerrod Ehlich, who took a first place prize. Jennifer Thomas is not shown, but her work is displayed at center.

First place essay and drawing by Jerrod Ehlich in the Yak's Corner contest.

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Caledonia sixth-grader Jerrod Elich won first place for his review and drawing in a state-wide writing contest explaining a favorite book character.

The top prize is a $50 certificate Elich can use at Schuler's Books in Grand Rapids.

Elich was one of five Caledonia Middle School students who took part in the contest.

Rich Tourtellotte will be given a $10 certificate for taking fifth place. Receiving honorable mention, Deanne Warner, Dannell Goddard and Jennifer Thomas, each will receive a certificate of participation.

Teacher JoAnn Delmar informed the students about the contest and made the project an assignment, as a part of a middle school writing program, assigning a three paragraph essay. Four of those mentioned were her students. Teacher Karen Rath also had students who entered the contest. Tourtellotte is in her class.

The students explained their chosen book characters and then drew them in a creative and colorful way.

Elich chose "Julie," by Jean Craighead George to write about. In his essay, he said, "One reason Julie is my favorite character is because she is very independent. An example of this is when she survived in the Arctic with only a wolf pack as company. Another reason... is that she is very smart... when one of her musk ox was having a baby... in a week long blizzard... Julie made a wall of ice to block the snow."

"After reading 'Julie,' I learned to respect every living thing on earth," Elich explained, telling how the book affected him personally.

A total of 6,998 Michigan K-12 students participated in the contest, and 1,287 sixt- graders entered the "Yak's Corner," Favorite Book Character Contest, co-sponsored by the Michigan Public Library Association and the Detroit Free Press.

Twenty-one judges selected first through fifth place winners in each grade, as well as honorable mentions. Students names and schools were removed for the judging.

Elich's entry will be published in a March edition of "Yak's Corner." Winning entries will be displayed in the public libraries of the student's home town during the March reading month.

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Ronald L. Brett

Army Cadet Ronald L. Brett was placed on the dean's list at the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y. To qualify for the honor, the cadet was required to maintain a 3.0 grade point average.

The cadet plans to graduate in the year 2000 with a bachelor's degree and will be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

The mission of the U.S. Military Academy is to educate, train, and inspire young cadets to become commissioned officers and leaders of character who are committed to the values of "duty, honor, country" and professionalism throughout their Army career.

The cadet's academic concentration of studies is in military history.

Brett is the son of Steve and Sue Long of 7555 108th St., Middleville. He is a 1996 graduate of Caledonia High School.

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Engagements

Olthouse-MacDonald

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Olthouse of Middleville, Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Richard MacDonald of Phoenix, Arizona are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, Shannan Renee' Olthouse to Adam Richard MacDonald.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Thornapple-Kellogg High School and is currently attending Grand Rapids Community College. Shannan is employed by Building Block Child Development Center.

The groom elect is a 1996 graduate of Vicksburg High School and is currently attending Kalamazoo Valley Community College. Adam is employed by UPS in Kalamazoo.

A November, 1999 wedding is being planned in Grand Rapids.

Freeman-Haight

Mark and Barb Freeman of Caledonia are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Erin Leann, to Aaron Lee Haight.

Erin is attending Michigan State University. Her grandparents ar Lee and Shirley Tolan of Caledonia and Ward and Faye Freeman of Middleville.

Aaron, son of Brian and Darla Haight of Caledonia, and Gordon and Colleen Elliott of Columbia, MO., is stationed with the U.S. Navy in Norfolk, Va. His grandparents are Ken and Liz Haight and Alan and Beverly Kennedy, all of Hastings.

A May 15th wedding is planned.

Obituaries

Robert M. Schipper

MIDDLEVILLE - Robert M. Schipper, age 27, of Middleville, passed away Sunday, March 7, 1999 of accidential injuries.

Bob was an employee of Koenes Auto Body.

Bob is survived by his sister, Gracia (Edward) Tichelaar of Saranac; three brothers, Jack (Leanne) Schipper of Ada, Randall (Violet) Schipper of Hastings, and Tim (Sue) Schipper of Wyoming; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services for Bob were held Wednesday, March 10, 1999 in Ada Community Reformed Church. Reverend Thomas Baratha officiated.

Interment was in Graceland Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Metcalf & Jonkhoff Funeral Service, Grand Rapids.

Local students compete in state Special Olympics winter games

Special Olympics athletes, teachers, and volunteer assistants; (left back)David Byars, Scott Quada, Kyle Oatley, Mike Huene, Brian Church, Ben Robinson, Tim Koning, Pat Tutsch, Mary Berger, (front) Nancy Stepp, Amanda Burns, Christina Hayward, Mark Rittersdorf, Becky Johnson, and Matt Dodge.

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Three Caledonia High School athletes, Pat Tutsch, Scott Quada and Ben Robinson, each won at least one medal or ribbon in the state Special Olympics winter games at Sugarloaf in Traverse City.

Accompanied by teacher Mary Berger, the students participated in many other activities scheduled for the athletes when they were not on the slopes.

For instance, they attended a dance with a "Pirate" theme and played some indoor team sports such as broom ball.

They were part of Caledonia High School's first Special Olympics downhill ski team. Only three members from Caledonia's seven-member team could go due to limited housing arrangements at the winter games.

Lined up for a picture at the State Tournament, Scott Quata, teacher Mary Berger, Pat Tutsch, and Ben Robinson.

The other team members this year were Tim Koning, Brian Church, Rachel Mallinson and David Byars. The team was coached by high school teacher Mike Huene.

Each of these high school athletes also participated on Caledonia's first Special Olympics soccer team last fall.

Caledonia Middle School also had a Special Olympics downhill ski team, coached by middle school teacher Nancy Step and Suzanne Buckner. That team included Mark Rittersdorf, Christina Hayward, Amanda Burns and Becky Johnson.

The Special Olympics ski season began in December with a dry land training at the Cannonsburg Ski Area, where students learned how to put on equipment and walk in their skis. They hit the slopes for two hours every Thursday morning in December and January, except when practice was canceled due to too little snow. Most of the athletes had never been on skis before.

Three Caledonia High School students, Heather Love, Matt Dodge and Kyle Oatley, volunteered many hours as peer coaches. All three were avid skiers and were excited about this opportunity to teach others to ski. Working one on one with the Special Olympic athletes, these volunteers learned that teaching others to ski was very rewarding and intense. They had to help the students master the necessary skills.

Matt Dodge said of his experience, "It was fun, hard, and sometimes frustrating, but overall the kids did very well. I am very glad that I got a chance to do it. I'm even thinking of going

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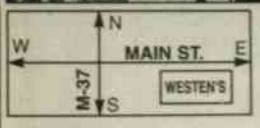

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Ben Robinson on the Special Olympics slope at Sugarloaf in Traverse City.

Special Education Director Lynelle Dodge with Rachel Mallinson.

On the slopes, Matt Dodge, Scott Quata and Tim Koning.

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into the field of special education."

Teacher Mike Huene said that the ski program would not have been successful without the help of the peer coaches.

"Our special education students learn more from peers their own age than we could possibly teach them. Peer mentors serve as positive role models for social skills, and our students really look up to them," he said.

Both Dodge and Oatley are accomplished athletes in their own right. Both were on the all-regional team, qualifying for the state high school racing competition held at Marquette Mountain the last week in February, the only Caledonia team skiers to attend that event.

Dodge took 11th place in the giant slalom and was on the third team all-state unit. Oatley was 28th in the giant slalom and was classed all-state honorable mention..

Oatley also was recently named as an academic all-stater along with Brian Davis and Steve Mursch. Academic all-state status requires a grade point average of 3.5 or greater.

NEW BOOKS:
Announced by Thornapple-Kellogg Library

Memorials and Gifts - How to Work in Stained Glass by Anita Isenberg. Donated in honor of Elaine Northrup by the Tobin Family.

Fiction - Cherish by Catherine Anderson; Dreamland by Kevin Baker; Tara Road by Maeve Binchy; A Sudden Change of Heart by Barbara Taylor Bradford; Cat on the Scent by Rita Mae Brown; Send No Flowers by Sandra Brown; the Coast of Good Intentions by Michael Byers; Deadliest Game by Tom Clancy; Tom Clancy's Net Force by Tom Clancy; Virtual Vandals by tom Clancy; Vector by Robin Cook; Mad Jack by Catherine Coulter; Evensong by Gail Godwin; Irish Mist by Andrew Greeley; On Mystic Lake by Kristin Hannah; The Snow Falcon by Stuart Harrison; Ashes to Ashes by Tami Hoag; Storm of the Century by Stephen King; Single and Single by John le Carre; Love at First Sight by Sandra Lee; Be Good by Elmore Leonard; Windfall by James Magnuson; Lady be Good by Susan Elizabeth Phillips; Upon a Wicked Time by Karen Ranney; The MacGregors by Nora Roberts; River's End by Nora Roberts; A Sight for Sore Eyes by Ruth Rendell; The Marriage by Dallas Schulze; The Crook Factory by Dan Simmons; Bed of Roses by Katherine Stone; Run June run by Maureen Tan.

Non-Fiction - The No-Time-To-Cook Cookbook by Joanne Abrams; HTML for the World Wide Web by Elizabeth Castro; Carrier by Tom Clancy; Betty Crocker's Healthy New Choices by Betty Crocker; Current Medical Diagnosis '99; Cook Right For Your Type by Peter D'Adamo; Europe Travel Book 1999; Greece: Athens and the Mainland: How to Prepare for the Nursing School Exam by Corinne Grimes; How to File for Divorce in Michigan by Edward Haman; How to Start a Business in Michigan by Edward Haman; Thimbleberries Guide for Weekend Quilters by Lynette Jensen; Caribbean Vacations by Karl Lunita; Terrorism in the 20th Century by Jay Robert Nash; PDR 1999; Anti-Aging Zone by Barry Sears; Fun With the Family in Michigan by William Semion; Snowboarder's Start-Up by Doug Werner.

Childrens - Draw 50 Aliens by Lee J. Ames; Laura's Album by William Anderson; Perloo the Brave by Avi; Moving Pony; Pony Pals #19 by Jeanne Betancourt; A Treasury of Little Golden Books by Ellen Lewis Buell; Center Court String by Matt Christopher; Monster Manners by Joanna Cole; Paper Bag Crafts by Jeri Dayle; DK Nature Encyclopedia; Broken Blade by William Durbin; Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key by Jack Gantos; A Girl Named Summer by Julie Garwood; Dancin' in the Kitchen by Wendy Gelsanliter; Neale S. Godfrey's Ultimate Kids Money Book by Neale S. Godfrey; Getting Lincoln's Goat by E.M. Goldman; Michigan by Martin Hintz; A-Hunting We Will Go by Steven Kellogg; Cooking Art: Easy Edible Art for Young Children by Mary Ann Kohl; A Pair of Red Sneakers by Lisa Lawston; I Spy Gold Challenger by Jean Marzollo; The Penny Pot by Stuart J. Murphy; Great Interactive Dream Machine by Richard Peck; Mrs. Mack by Patricia Polacco; 20th century Children's Book Treasury by Janet Schulman; Rotten Teeth by Laura Simms; The Last of the Breed: Adventures of Wishbone #16 by Alexander Steele; Pete's a Pizza by William Steig; Against the Odds: Buzzard's Feast by Todd Strasser; A Polar Bear Can Swim by Harriet Ziefert.

Videos - Air Bud: Golden Receiver; Antz; Armageddon; Bear in the Big Blue

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School Lunch Menu

Thornapple Kellogg Elementary School Lunch Menu
Wednesday, March 17
Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes/gravy, baby carrots, peaches.
Thursday, March 18
French toast sticks, ham or sausage, oven fries, orange juice.
Friday, March 19
Pizza, baked beans, pears, oatmeal cookie.
Monday, March 22
Meat and cheese subs on steak bun, lettuce/carrots, corn chips, rosy applesauce.
Tuesday, March 23
Pizzaburger on bun, oven fries, green beans, cherry cobbler.

Thornapple Kellogg Breakfast Menu
Wednesday, March 17
Breakfast pizza, juice, milk.
Thursday, March 18
Pancake sausage on a stick, juice, milk.
Friday, March 19
Waffle sticks, ham slice, juice, milk.
Monday, March 22
Cold cereal, fruit crescent, juice, milk.
Tuesday, March 23
French toast sticks, ham, 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.

Thornapple Kellogg Middle and High School Lunch Menu
Wednesday, March 17
Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes, gravy, baby carrots, peaches.
Thursday, March 18
French toast sticks, eggs and sausage, potatoes, orange juice.
Friday, March 19
Middle - Pizza. H.S. - Cook's Choice, baked beans, pears, oatmeal cookie.
Monday, March 22
Meat and cheese, subs on bun, lettuce, carrots, corn chips.
Tuesday, March 23
Pizzaburger on bun, oven fries, green beans, cherry cobbler.
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.

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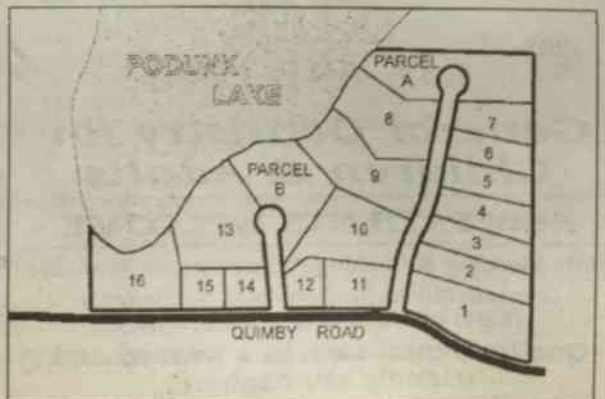

TK School Board approves new course, library automation

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

Thornapple Kellogg High School students will be able to explore marketing and business in a new course offered in the fall.

This year long vocational school to career type of class where students will learn the basics of marketing and business management. The class may include some real-life applications, including projects similar to those offered by Junior Achievement.

The cost of textbooks and other materials for this course is $1,469.25.

The construction of the new middle school is allowing the district to incorporate new technology. The board approved a recommendation to purchase the Follett library automation system to be installed in all the school libraries.

The Thornapple Kellogg School and Community Library uses the Dynix system and the Follett system is compatible with it.

Middle school librarian Porrie Sturm told the board that the Follett system is very student and teacher friendly. The cost of the system is estimated to be almost $61,000, which includes computers for library work stations and patrons. There is a possibility that some of the computers that will be used will be some of those that have been replaced by some more "up to date" equipment.

Phil Wenger reminded the board that it is important to make sure that the schools are prepared for the electrical demands of the new system before it is installed.

"Thanks for a job well done!" School Board President Dan Parker says to high school librarian Judy Kain. Seated is Superintendent Jay Cason.

Superintendent Jay Cason reported that a special committee has determined that two additional teachers and a half-time assistant principal are needed at the high school. Two teachers also will be added at Page. A daytime custodian will be added to serve the McFall and special education site.

"This is not the end of personnel changes. There may be others as we near the end of the school year.," Cason reported.

Cason also assured food service personnel that the special committee looking at possible changes in food service was not "getting rid" of any employees.

The suggestion to look at food service came from the strategic planning committee and this is more a review leading to recommendations on ways to change the perception of the program.

The next school election will be June 14. Two positions, those held now by Dan Parker and Martin Wenger, have come to the end of their terms.

Neither Parker or Wenger have announced whether they intend to run for office again. Petitions to run for the position are available at the administration building. The deadline to turn in petitions is 4 p.m. Monday, April 12.

In other business, the board presented pins and certificates to Gary Thaler, Phil Wenger, Lee Wieringa, Marv McWhinney, Randy Fryling, Harold Nichols and Judy Middleton for the extra effort they gave the district during the renovation process. Their hard work was much appreciated by Owen Ames Kimbell (OAK), which supervised the project.

High school and community librarian Judy Kain was recognized for her "exemplary service" to the schools and community.

There will be a special school board meeting on March 22 to discuss curriculum issues.

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Honorable Mention - Jason Adgate, Carly Allington, Nicholas Barker, Brenda Bergakker, Michael Beuschel, Matthew Blocksma, Jennifer Bowman, Danielle Brown, Booke Buxton, Ashley Carter, Ashley Crisher, Misty Draper, Matthew Dykstra, Greta Gustafson, Alicia Harper, Becky Harvey, Kandace Heinz, Joseph Huebner, Sheila Huntington, Tyler James, Jovanna Jones, Sarah Krikke, Sean Lenartz, Benjamin McDuffee, Wendy Mickelwait, Sarah Minor, Rachel Norton, Mark Price, Jonathan Prostko, Tyler Pyke, Melissa Quisenberry, Shanna Sanderson, Erin Scheerhorn, Kameron Sovern, Victoria Stanton, Zubulan Truer, Ashley Ulberg, Stacy Vandefifer, Cody Vandenbrink, Jasmine Vandentoorn, Justine Vandommelen, Daniel Vanveghel, Jillian Weaver, Seth Welton, Shannon Westmaas, Jessica Wieringa, Amanda Willemstein, Brian Yeazel.

10th Grade

High Honors - Stephanie Bell, Lisa Belson, Andrea Berkimer, Amy Boom, Lindsey Deboode, Amber Demaagd, Jason Doyle, Breanne Dutcher, Erika Enyart, Bethany Forbes, Jennifer Giar, Lana Goodin, Ashley Gustinis, Aleshia Haselden, Kyle McKeown, Jennifer Meyer, Matthew Newmyer, Anneliese Patterson, Ashley Reaser, Becky Reed, Erin Robertson, Katie Schultz, Krisi Schultz, Megan Shaff, Jody Siebesma, Courtney Smith, Samantha Vandersloot, Teresa Venton, Casey Warner, Rachel Wert, Jacob Williams, Gary Winchester.

Honor Students - Danielle Altermann, Kerry Bohannon, Daniel Brinks, Michelle Cargill, Eric Cuneo, Danielle Erway, Angela Feenstra, Valerie Foster, Douglas George, Danielle Hoskins, Carrie Labine, Kevin McClure, Shaina McPhetridge, Kortney Reyff, Jessica Rose, Jennifer Sherman, Susan Vandefifer, Deann Weeks.

Honorable Mention - Jonathan Adkins, Eric Aten, Tara Chambers, Russell Craven, Candice Cree, Stephen Czarnowski, Sarah Decker, Justin Denick, John Dombrowski, Nicholas Drogowski, Rebecca Higgins, Jonathan Hodgson, Michael Hopkins, Holly Jenkins, Ryan Labine, Adam Lucas, Brandon McGillicuddy, Amy Miller, Kristen Minor, Heather Nink, Erin Palmer, Daniel Parker, David Patterson, Curt Postema, Kyle Preslar, Jessica Price, Warren Prostko, Katie Richter, Kristy Ridderikhoff, William Romph, John Schilthroat, Tamia Smith, Jessica Strait, Timothy Suwyn, Patrick Terry, Kathrine Thompson, Mark Thompson, Amber Vanoverbeek, Robert (Chad) Vanspronsen, Julie Vantil, Jennifer Verkerke, Robert Wismewski, Joshua Young.

11th Grade

High Honors - Jenelle Batdorff, Susan Beckering, Tiffany Beuschel, Brian Bishop, Douglas Blocksma, Matthew Brady, Erica Carter, Julia Cordts, Jason Delille, Alana Duddles, Amy Dykstra, Amber Harthy, Elizabeth Hillman, Amanda Hirons, Alecia Holst, Christine McKee, Breyne Middleton, Joshua Mosey, Matthew Pullen, Danielle Quisenberry, Teri Schondelmayer, Alexander Sevald, Ryan Smith, Joshua Strait, Tara Tasma, Chad Wachtor, John Zuidersma.

Honor Students - Jessica Crowley, Tami Curtis, Thomas Haynes, Joseph Johnson, Laura McKinley, Ashley Moore, Nathan Nofsinger, Jenny Olczak, Marlana Slachter, Darla Stutzman, Candice Swanson, Lyndsey Vanaman, Carrie Vanveghel, Daniel Warner, Hannah Yeazel.

Honorable Mention - Kyle Aspinall, Dustin Atkinson, Peter Baker, Casey Barton, Allison Belson, Sarah Berends, Kelly Bremer, Lisa Brock, Sara Brundage, Sunshine Curths, Jennifer Davis, Cassie Decker, Beverly Defouw, Jeremiah Donker, Payshence Erb, Nicholas Gustinis, Nicholas Hutchens, Philip Kenyon, Rachel Kuipers, Laura Newton, Rebecca Nicholson, David Osborne, Danielle Piccard, Joshua Porritt, Nathan Price, Chad Reil, Shannon Richards, Erica Ross, Sarah Schut.

12th Grade

High Honors - Jason Baragar, James Bedrick, Tabitha Curths, Jamie DeBruin, Susan Dorsey, Jessica Fenton, Jennifer Herring, Ryan Hesselink, Marjanna-Hoeksma, Sarah Hoffman, Lynda Holes, Jonathan Howarth, Sara Huff, Michael Hull, Joshua Ike, Bryan Jahnke, Erica Johnston, Nicole Jonker-Slayton, Amie Koncsol, Rachel Krikke, Jennifer Laansma, Nathan Lavoie, Sean Lemon, Alice Matson, Brian McKeown, Angela McKinley, Robin McMurray, Jason Michael, Megan Morley, Mark Neeson, Taylor Pierce, Scott Ploeg, Larissa Robinson, Courtney Rousselle, Lizbith Runals, Kevin Schultz, Jason Schweitzer, Adam Smith, Hillary Stone, Jennifer Tobin, Nathan Venton, Jamie Wachtor, Paul Wade, Garrett Weatherhead, Shannon Zoet.

Honor Students - Matthew Alvarez, Stacey Bergakker, Kirsten Carver, Amy David, Ashley Gentry, Scott Huntington, Nathan Lavoie, Corey Lucas, Amy Olczak, Kristen Overbeek, Dewey Spicer, Jonathan Styf, Melissa Vantil, Christopher Wellman, David Williamson.

Honorable Mention - Jamie Brookman, Andrea Bucher, Ingrid Carver, Andrew Chamberlin, Sally Christiansen, Amanda Clover-Wadel, Nina Cowham, Ryan Craven, Erin Deschoff, Marina Dettman, Ashleigh Devormer, Ryan Grogowski, Amber Dutcher, Brenda Hale, Michael Hayes, Brooke Holzhausen, Gwen Jeruink, Travis Johnson, Katie Kimmel, David Lapekes, Melanie Meekhof, Melisa Minor, Carly Mulder, Jeanette Scheerhorn, Jodi Schumaker, Nathaniel Smith, Timothy Stevens, Amy Wiersma, Gwen Williams, Karen Zachman.

New books, from pg. 9 —

House vol. 1: Home is Where the Bear Is?/What's in the Mail Today; Bear in the Big Blue House vol. 2: Friends for Life/The Big Little Visitor; Blue's Clues: Rhythm and Blue; Mulan; The Parent Trap; School House Rock: Money Rock; Summer of the Monkeys; Wishbone's Dog Days of the West; The X Files.

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The Coldwater Column

By Ron Barch
The Coldwater River Watershed Council

Take someone fishing, boating or hiking along a stream and you'll certainly enjoy the day. Teach them to protect the land and water resources and you can help to safeguard the future of a watershed.

Based on this premise, concerned citizens have embraced a concept called stream monitoring, a process which measures the health and quality of a watershed. Educators, especially those in West Michigan, have a long history of successfully involving and training students in stream monitoring and data collection techniques. But stream monitoring is by no means limited to students, as neighborhood groups, clubs, senior citizens and watershed councils have all been actively monitoring their local streams and rivers throughout the United States. Organizations such as the Isaac Walton League, Trout Unlimited, The Federation of Fly Fishers and The Future Farmers of America actively support stream-monitoring programs.

The stream monitoring process involves collecting, observing, classifying and measuring quantitative as well as qualitative aquatic data.

Basically, two separate methods can be used to monitor a stream. Budget and available resources determine the method used. When concerned citizens and volunteer groups use both methods maximum results, educationally and environmentally, will be achieved.

Method #1 is based on the collection and classification of aquatic organisms. Method #2 investigates the aquatic parameters of air and water temperature, stream flow rate and velocity, average water depth, conductivity testing, dissolved oxygen and pH levels. Method #1 requires limited funds and resources, while actual scientific data collecting (Method #2) necessitates test equipment and supplies ranging in cost from $200-$500. Both methods indicate the health of a stream but will not actually determine the source of a problem. Pollution sources, point and non point, require further field study and are not the work for laymen.

Method #1, that of collection and classification, relies on the identification of micro-invertebrates, (aquatic insect life) found living in the sample area. There is a direct relationship between water quality and the organisms which inhabit a body of water.

By collecting aquatic organisms and sorting them according to their tolerance for pollution the health of a stream or lake can be determined. Insects like the stone fly, may fly and caddis flies are present in high quality streams, those with cold, clean water. When the number of these insects decreases a pollution problem usually exists.

Studying the aquatic insect life in a stream or lake is not only a good method of measuring the quality of a watershed but it also promotes the skills of classification and observation. Another plus is the fact that kids and adults have a lot of fun together being involved in a hands-on, real world learning experience.

Method #2 utilizes sampling instruments that measure parameters that indicate water quality. Water pollution is characterized by low oxygen levels, turbidity, increased water temperatures, decreased flow rates, and an increase in acidity. These parameters can be accurately measured by most anyone trained to use simple instruments like a conductivity meter, dissolved oxygen kit, pH test paper, and a stream thermometer. Although this equipment is costly, groups like the West Michigan Environmental Action Council, Trout Unlimited and The Isaac Walton League have provided grants and stipends to groups willing to participate in a stream monitoring program. By forming a partnership of local energy and interest with the resources of environmental and corporate donors much is currently being accomplished and the future of our water resources can become more secure.

The Coldwater River Watershed Council supports the concept of local stream monitoring efforts. This spring the Council will be offering the opportunity to learn how to monitor a stream and collect aquatic data.

If you would like to learn more about safe guarding our streams and lakes and maybe jump in and get your feet wet, watch the Coldwater Column for further details.

By Richard Kunde
The Coldwater River Watershed Council

Groundwater: Water beneath the surface of the earth which saturates the pores and fractures of sand, gravel and rock formations.

Previous articles appearing in this column have dealt with the visual actualities of the Coldwater River such as its serenity and prolific fly hatches. While these things are truly important for a great fishing or canoeing experience, they are not the heart of a river. You can canoe the river only at high water levels such as in the spring, you can only fish it during trout season. You can't see groundwater. It is a non-visual item, which makes this underground wonder one of those out of sight, out of mind deals.

The Coldwater River Watershed Council (CRWC) does not consist of only fishing and recreational conscious people. I, for one, am proof of that. I am a groundwater technician and get blank looks on my face when some of them start talking about the recent "fly hatch." The other interests of the people on this council will become apparent as articles are submitted by various members of our group. We hope you people out there don't think our doors are closed. We welcomed anybody wanting to get involved.

The main idea behind these articles is to educate by giving a general understanding of what entities indicate a healthy watershed. We feel education will create a better understanding of your role concerning the health of the watershed you live in. Everyone in the world lives in a watershed and the rivers and streams which drain these watersheds reflect the quality of human life within them. This is because Groundwater recharges the lakes, rivers and streams that drain the areas where humans live. I'll bet you thought the opposite, but groundwater actually supplies water to our streams, lakes and many of our wetlands.

How can this be? Lets take a look at the water cycle. When I first studied the water cycle back in grade school, evaporation and transportation took place, which formed clouds. Within the clouds, rain was stored and fell to earth when it rained. After rain hit the earth it would sit in puddles or run to the ocean waiting to get picked up again by evaporation or transportation. Now groundwater is depicted in every Water Cycle illustration. Water moves through the hydrologic cycle changing from solid to liquid to gas (water vapor) over and over again. In all stages of the hydrologic cycle, the H20 molecule is constantly moving, including groundwater. Groundwater varies in its rate of travel and may move as fast as 50 feet per day (karst formations) or as slow as 50 feet in 500 years (clay formations).

Ninety-seven percent of the earth's water is salt water, only 3 percent is freshwater. Of the fresh water, 77 percent is frozen in glaciers, 22 percent is groundwater and less than 1 percent is found in lakes, marshes, rivers and streams. About 30 percent of stream flow in the United States is from groundwater. In what part of the world would you guess the largest percent of fresh surface water exists?

Without a doubt, ground water's worst threat is humans. One quart of oil can contaminate up to a quarter million gallons of drinking water or cause an oil slick almost two acres in size. It is estimated that back yard mechanics dump more used oil into Michigans environment each year than the Exxon Valdez spilled into Alaska's Prince William Sound. On the other hand, it can also be its penicillin. Humans also have the opportunity to create useful programs designed to protect this natural resource, such as oil recycling and storm retention programs. If rain doesn't percolate (The downward flow of water through the pores or spaces of unsatu

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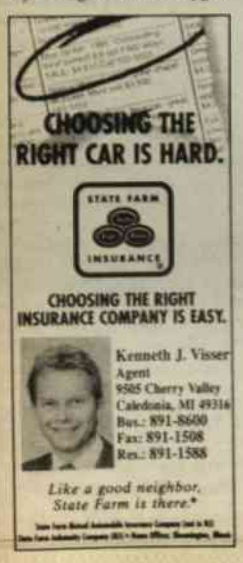

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Caledonia Village investigating twp. handling some functions

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Some Caledonia Village citizens are objecting to the idea of sharing computer equipment with the township and asking the township to handle some village functions.

The Village Council, in its March 8 meeting, said the reasons for considering such a move are avoiding duplication, being more time efficient and saving money for village residents.

Village President Daryl Penfold said another way to streamline the functions within the village office would be to redefine the duties of the village clerk, so some duties would be handled by the village manager. He added that posting the position openings for clerk and manager should occur soon.

Penfold told the council he wants the village to contract for use of the township computer systems. If village employees try to continue independently, they would have to network with the county, for which additional equipment and a regular fee would be charged. The fee was thought to be based on 12 units at $500 per unit. Cost of the equipment was not mentioned.

An 8 gigabyte tape backup would be needed if they buy their own equipment. Additional wiring also would be required.

A comparison of the fees the township would charge and costs to the village to take on these functions independently was to be made in the future.

The township already has purchased a mini-server, with partitioning, allowing for independent use of one computer. Security would be provided through passwords and other safeguards, including for backups. The village could then hook up to the county system through township equipment.

Penfold introduced the idea of having the township handle the billing for village taxes. This could be similar to the township collection of assessments, and taxes for the schools, for Grand Rapids Community College, for the library and other revenues collected from property owners, he said. In some cases, a fee is charged on a percentage basis, and in others, a flat fee is charged.

For instance, in June 1998, the township reinstituted a $2 fee per parcel for collection of school taxes.

Attorney James Brown had suggested a 1% collection fee, which could amount to considerably more than the $2 per parcel fee, however. If taxes were $1,000, the fee for collection would be $10. Ultimately, it would be the taxpayers who bear the cost.

If the total collections came to between $2,200 and $2,500 to administer, Penfold said the cost of that service would be compensated for from the wages of the village treasurer. The amount the township would charge would need to be compared to the cost for the village treasurer to do the work.

Penfold said the township would need to agree to provide the service, and a contract would be needed.

A secondary savings might be gained through other connected costs related to the tax record keeping.

Trustee Dan Erskine said the treasurer was elected to do that job, and asked, "why change?" He liked the treasurer having direct contact with the public.

Trustee Jan Soules said the county prints up the taxes due, and all the treasurer had to do was collect the money.

Penfold said collecting taxes was only one of the treasurer's functions. He said since the township already had to collect taxes from the property owners, what the village would do was duplication.

"So let's create work we don't need to do."

Penfold said the township was already collecting other taxes. Those bills appear as line items, and each agency receives its own revenues, he said. Since they are doing the same work anyway, this would result in time savings.

Treasurer Shirley Wabeke said it was just another way to streamline things and be more efficient. Last year the public paid the taxes through her, she said. She was in the office on mornings, Moodays and Wednesdays. She said 90% of the payments were made by mail, including mortgage companies, and about 10% paid in person at the office.

One way of treamlining village government was to find ways to reduce the duties of the treasurer, Penfold said. The treasurer's work would be balancing the books and signing checks, amounting to about 15 hours per week.

The labor committee is scheduled to review all of the duties of the treasurer. Penfold wants the compensation for that office to be compared to other treasurers, their duties and compensation.

He said in the future fewer responsibilities for the treasurer's job description would allow electing a treasurer with less computer and/or other experience. The change would take an amendment.

Penfold said they were trying to bring things into the '80s.

Trustee Arlene Oaks asked what was the difference between one office and the other, in terms of the work that needed to be done.

Citizen Ed Fowler objected to not inviting public input into the discussion before approval of asking the township to collect village taxes, and asked that the matter be posted on an agenda before making the decision at the next meeting. The matter was not listed on the agenda.

Erskine said, "If it's another deal you want to ram through, and don't listen to what anyone else has to say, then ram it through."

Penfold accepted a motion by Trustee Tim Noordhoek, to act with the intent to enter into a contract for the purpose of the township collecting village taxes, with an adjustment to the treasurer's salary. The matter was approved 4-3, with trustees Oaks, Soules and Erskine voting against.

Fowler objected strongly, shouting, "You're pushing it through. Ram it through like every thing else. You got rid of the library and the fire department."

Citizen Corey Mieras took exception to Fowler's outburst, and mentioned high salaries for village officials in the previous Village Council.

Penfold struck his gavel and told Fowler to get out.

Trustee Jeff Kusmierz said he would like to see hard evidence of which was less costly, but said the intent was to make the village more efficient, to have less duplication, and allow the treasurer time for more important work. Kusmierz said people did not appreciate how hard the members of the council work, and how many hours each of them puts in.

He said the measure was not attached to any intent of dissolution of the village.

At the end of the meeting Fowler raised his hand to be allowed to comment, but Penfold didn't recognize him, and he objected again.

Penfold said, "I didn't recognize you because I kicked you out earlier."

Fowler yelled, "It's time to kick you out, and get somebody in here instead of you." He complained about Penfold plowing in Glen Valley and forgetting the people in the rest of the Village.

The issue of setting policy without public input has come up before.

In October, Fowler complained that the vote came up to change the clerk's position to an appointed one without prior public discussion. He said he did not like this option to be taken away from the citizens.

"You don't let the people know what is going on," he said. "You just vote on it."

In January, Trustee Janice Soules questioned having a village at all if the township was going to do everything. Since then, the village has made other moves to solicit township services.

At the January meeting, temporary township assistance in billing some village residents in Glen Valley for sewer service had worked so well that village officials considered asking the township to continue the service in the future.

The help was offered because of the short handed village staff and inadequate records and materials needed for the billing. There was no village manager or clerk for several months, and the backlogged information was being recorded in the general ledger.

Glen Valley residents would usually have received two bills, but instead only had to deal with one combined bill. Noordhoek said most residents liked this.

Soules said in January that in the emergency situation, accepting help was understandable, but that the village should handle its own billings in the future. Erskine also thought the village should handle its own bills.

Trustee Chuck Audy asked, "Any time there is an opportunity for units of government to combine functions to save time effort and costs, why wouldn't you want to do it?" He said this would leave time to take care of other responsibilities.

In January, Penfold asked if the option of hiring a private company or outside contractor to handle the billing and payroll would be possible if it turned out to be less expensive and more efficient. He asked how that would be different than hiring the township to do the billing.

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TK administrators' pay raises approved

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

Raises for administrators in the Thornapple Kellogg School District were approved after a closed session of the school board at its March 8 meeting.

Board President Dan Parker announced that administrators (except the assistant superintendent and superintendent) would receive a 2.5 percent raise. They will also get a one percent annuity.

According to Parker, "Principals have had a virtual three-year salary freeze. We know they are achieving by their hard work to improve MEAP scores and student performance."

The board approved a three-year contract for Assistant Superintendent Midge Pippel. Her annual salary will now be $77,500 and she will receive a $2,500 annuity.

Superintendent Jay Cason received a 2.5 percent raise. His contract has been extended to June 30, 2003. Salary increases will be considered previous to June 30 of each year.

Cason will also receive a one percent annuity. Instead of paying mileage separately, mileage now is included in his salary.

According to Cason, this brings his salary to more than $90,000.

Thornapple, Yankee Springs boards to meet

Representatives from the Thornapple Township Board will meet Wednesday, March 17, with representatives from Yankee Springs Township to discuss the next emergency services contract.

Thornapple Trustees last Monday also discussed the annexation request from the Village of Middleville and has sent it on to the Barry County Board of Commissioners. The village is asking to annexe six township properties and the new middle school property.

During the meeting March 8 the board approved

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COUNCIL
Middleville, Michigan
March 9, 1999

The regular meeting of the Village Council of Middleville, Michigan was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Village President Lon Myers, in the Council Chamber of the Village Hall. Members present: David Newman, William Nesbitt, Lon Myers, Marilyn VandenBerg, Michael Lytle, William Kenyon and Mr. Floyd Bray.

Minutes of the February 23, 1999 meeting were read and approved with minor corrections by a motion made by Mr. Bray with the support of Mrs. VandenBerg.

The agenda was approved as presented.

ACTIONS TAKEN:

1. Approved by Bryanwood Estates phase II plat as presented at Mr. Newman's motion and with the support of Mrs. VandenBerg.

2. Approved a request from the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation to solicit funds in September. Motion made by Mr. Bray and supported by Mrs. VandenBerg.

3. Approved the payment of invoices totaling $88,336.15. Motion presented by Mrs. VandenBerg and supported by Mr. Bray.

4. Approved payment of bills for the Village sewer improvement project totaling $24,677.91 which will be paid by Barry County. Motion made by Mr. Newman with support from Mr. Bray.

5. Authorized the Municipal Code Corporation to recodify the Village Code of Ordinances at a cost of $10,800.00. Motion presented by Mr. Newman with support by Mrs. VandenBerg.

6. Approved the addition of Edgewood and Riverwood Drives in the Bryanwood Estates Phase II development to the Village streets system. Motion presented by Mrs. Vandenberg with the support of Mr. Newman.

7. Approved the appointment of six members to the Local Development Finance Committee whose terms began on March 9, 1999.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. after a motion presented by Mr. Newman with Mr. Lytle's support.

Respectfully submitted,
Roselle Havens, Village Clerk

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M-37 sewer section replacement completed

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Caledonia Village Council members and citizens last week viewed a "televising" video of the M-37 sewer section that was replaced recently, ending inconveniences from detours and re-routing traffic during repairs.

Buff Rodgers, sewer plant operator, made the televised presentation at the council's March 8 meeting.

Televising is a diagnostic tool in which a picture of a line of pipe, with all its flaws and damage, is recorded. Rogers last November had showed the council a video of the sewer along M-37 from Emmons Street north toward the D&W in the Caledonia Village Center.

In some places the pictures were clear, revealing some cracked sections. At 150 feet, the pipe had many cracks and appeared to be collapsing. At 153 feet, a large chip was apparent at a joint.

In some places, no clear picture inside the pipe could be obtained. Because one section could not be televised, the full estimate of repairs could not be made in November. However when it was successfully televised during recent repair work, it was learned that the section was still good.

To repair the cracked main, a new quarter inch PVC liner was installed in the old ceramic tile pipe, and the repair is expected to extend its use for about ten more years. The tape recorded after the repair showed all was smooth, and with no cracks.

If that part of the pipe had collapsed, water could have backed up all the way up Johnson and Main streets and some basements could have been flooded with sewage.

Citizen Corey Mieras asked if Rodgers was sleeping at night now, and Rodgers confirmed that he was. Rodgers had said last November that he had lost a lot of sleep over the problem.

The Caledonia Village sewer was installed back in the 1930s. This section of the sewer under M-37 is critical because all the village sewers run into that part of the system.

The sewer was still doing its job in 1953, when the Michigan Department of Transportation took over the highway and it was renamed M-37. At that time the sewer was left in place, down the center, and it has continued to function for an additional 35 years.

When the village televised the the old ceramic line under the state road last November, the sewer was shown to be cracked and broken, in danger of collapse. Searching through the archives, Ari Adler of the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) re-searched old documents to find the history of that section of M-37 between Emmons and the D & W shopping center.

He said the 1953 notes showed that the 12-inch sanitary sewer ran for 750 feet right down the middle of the road, (on the line between the village and the township).

Adler said there has been no major reconstruction of M-37 since 1953, nor was it completely dug up at that time. It has only been widened and maintained. The most extensive work would have been to "mill off two inches," from the top surface, but it has not ever been taken down to the sub-base. There are no plans in the future to do any such kind of reconstruction of M-37.

Though a proposed sewer detour was discussed in 1953, the sewer was not moved. The village right of way at the west of the road is 90 feet, Adler said. On the township side, it is 60 feet, which is a more common right of way distance.

After passing 750 feet north under the highway, the sewer turns about 100 feet west of the road toward a "village septic tank," as is labeled on the MDOT map.

The rough estimate for that 40-foot relining was $8,600. MDOT charges $4,000 to re-route traffic and put up signs during the repair. The cost of putting a different line in along the edge of M-37 was not known. In November, the Village Council approved $13,000 for going ahead with this plan, including a budget amendment.

In other business March 8 involving DPW matters:

- A budget amendment approved by the council allocated $12,500 to the sewer budget, to cover replacement of an irrigation pump that gave out at the sewer plant recently. The price of a replacement was estimated at $8,250 and at between $1,500 and $2,000 to install. At present, Rodgers said a pump was being rented for $850 per month.
- The council approved water billings to be made in advance rather in arrears of provided service. Payment of the bill is due on the first day of the second month in the quarterly (three month) billing period.
- Changes in titles of Department of Public Works employees were approved. The public works assistant, Roger Loring, now becomes the DPW manager with a salary increase. Public Works Superintendent Buff Rodgers' job now will be titled utilities superintendent, his wages to remain the same.

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budget adjustments for this fiscal year. The trustees have set Monday, March 22, at 7 p.m. for the budget hearing for the next fiscal year.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Thornapple Township will be at 7 p.m. Monday, April 12.

LDFA board members chosen for Middleville

The Middleville Village Council approved the structure and terms for the board of the Local Development Finance Authority at the March 9 meeting.

Members' terms began on March 9.

Village Manager David Arking who originally had been appointed to the board, was not able to serve in that capacity because of restrictions in the village manager ordinance.

The council appointed Lon Myers and David Newman to the board for four-year terms. Planning Commission president Eldon Newmyer was appointed to a three-year term.

Leonard Rzepczynski, inventory control officer at Bradford White, was appointed to three year term. Originally, Richard Milock had been proposed for this position.

Grand Rapids Community College appointed Clare Barr to a two-year term on the board. The Barry County Commission has not yet appointed its representative who will also serve a two-year term.

The Village Council will appoint one person to a one-year term. This position is being reserved for a representative from Thornapple Township.

The first meeting of the LDFA Board was held on March 1. No action was taken at that time. The next meeting date has not yet been set.

NOTICE:
PUBLIC HEARING
BARRY COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, April 13, 1999 at 10:00 a.m.
Board Chambers
220 W. State Street
Hastings, Michigan

The Barry County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing to consider the petition of the Village of Middleville to alter its boundaries to include the following - described premises.

PARCEL 1: COMMENCING SOUTH 1/4 CORNER SECTION 22 THEN EAST 613 FEET THEN NORTH 0 DEG 46' 30" WEST 2070 FEET THEN NORTH 89 DEG 26' EAST 829.72 FEET TO P.O.B. THEN NORTH 0 DEG 31' WEST 140 FEET THEN NORTH 89 DEG 26' EAST 165.7 FEET TO WSLY R/W M-37 THEN SELY 144.17 FEET ALONG R/W THEN SOUTH 89 DEG 29' WEST 200 FEET TO BEGINNING. PP# 08-014-022-023-10.

PARCEL 2: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 22, TOWN 4 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, THENCE EAST 990 FEET, THENCE NORTH 297 FEET FOR THE PLACE OF BEGINNING; THENCE WEST 165 FEET; THENCE NORTH 80 FEET; THENCE EAST 165 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 80 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. PP# 08-014-022-022-20.

PARCEL 3: COMMENCING AT A POINT ON THE C/L HIGHWAY M-37 BEING 936.05 FEET WEST AND 1320 FEET SOUTH OF THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 27-4-10, THEN WEST 192 FEET, THEN SOUTH 132 FEET, THEN EAST 192 FEET, THEN NORTH 132 FEET TO BEGINNING. PP# 08-014-027-019-00.

PARCEL 4: COMMENCING ON C/L OF HIGHWAY M-37, 936.05 FEET WEST AND 1320 FEET SOUTH OF NE CORNER SECTION 27-4-10, THEN CONTINUING SOUTH ON C/L HIGHWAY M-37 132 FEET FOR P.O.B.; THEN WEST PARALLEL WITH NORTH SECTION LINE 192 FEET, THEN SOUTH 76 FEET PARALLEL WITH C/L HIGHWAY M-37, THEN EAST 192 FEET TO C/L HIGHWAY M-37 TO A POINT 76 FEET SOUTH OF P.O.B., THEN NORTH ALONG C/L 76 FEET TO P.O.B. PP# 08-014-027-020-00.

PARCEL 5: COMMENCING 940.5 FEET WEST OF NE CORNER SECTION 27-4-10 SOUTH ALONG C/L M-37 1738.8 FEET, EAST 50 FEET TO EAST LINE OF SAID HIGHWAY FOR BEGINNING, EAST 165 FEET, SOUTH 80 FEET, WEST 165 FEET TO EAST LINE OF HIGHWAY, NORTH 80 FEET TO BEGINNING. PP# 02-014-027-007-00.

PARCEL 6: A PARCEL IN THE NE 1/4 SECTION 27-4-10 COMMENCING AT A POINT 940.5 FEET WEST OF NE CORNER SECTION 27, THEN SOUTH ALONG C/L BROADWAY STREET HIGHWAY M-37 1818.8 FEET THEN EAST 50 FEET TO EAST ROW OF M-37 FOR BEGINNING THEN EAST 165 FEET, THEN SOUTH 255 FEET, THEN WEST 165 FEET TO EAST LINE HIGHWAY, THEN NORTH ALONG EAST LINE HIGHWAY M-37 255 FEET TO BEGINNING, SUBJECT TO EASEMENT OF HIGHWAY PURPOSES OVER ST 10 FEET WIDE. PP# 08-014-027-017-00.

PARCEL 7: THAT PART OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF SECTION 28, TOWN 4 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, THORNAPPLE TOWNSHIP, BARRY COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 41 SECONDS EAST 1334.07 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 22 SECONDS EAST 2643.23 FEET ALONG THE EST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 1194.70 FEET ALONG THE WEST 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST 1212.0 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 135 FEET OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 288.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 40 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 37 SECONDS WEST 147.25 FEET THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 41 SECONDS WEST 1320.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 41 SECONDS EAST 245.74 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY FOR GREEN LAKE ROAD.

For those who cannot attend, you are welcome to send comments in writing to the Board at its address above.

Barry County will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the hearing upon five days' notice to the Barry County Administrator. Individuals with disabilities requiring such aids or services should contact the Barry County Administrator by writing to him at the above address or by phone (616) 948-4891.

Michael Brown
Barry County Administrator (301)

FROM OUR READERS
Local Citizens Speak Out on Issues

Some TK students don't live in Middleville

To the editor:

I'm writing in response to the letter from Art A. Anderson, dated Feb. 9.

I'm also a proud graduate from Thornapple Kellogg High School, but my difference is, I didn't spend all my school years in Middleville. I was born and raised in Freeport.

Even though for a few years way back when, there was a school in Freeport, I was considered part of the TK school system. I had no choice but to be bused to Middleville.

We were not the only ones. There are kids with Hastings, Caledonia and even Wayland addresses who go to that school. We also played sports, cheered and our parents supported the school.

If you think it's disturbing explaining to your clients using the descriptor: Middleville; try spending all 13 years of your school life explaining why your address doesn't match your school name. Well, now nobody's will.

I am very much delighted with the board's decision to have every student known for their school – not the town they live in.

Sherry Bosworth,
Class of '80
Kentwood

Township Board must reconsider vote

To the editor:

Thank you to the Caledonia Township Board for making it even more difficult for me to keep up to date on the "when and whats" of the township meetings.

I would be curious to know how many complaints the board actually received from the public regarding the omission/lack of public notification of meetings in the Sun and News. If this truly was/is a problem, why is the Sun and News not allowed to try and rectify this matter? And, according to the article in the March 2 issue of said newspaper, this is what they, the Sun and News, were trying to do. Are only just certain people or things given a second chance?

Now I must make it a point each week to go out and find myself a copy of the Advance – and from the few times I have seen/read this paper I have found very little information relating to the township in which I live (Caledonia). As suggested, by Pat Snyder, I did call the township office to "get my name on a list to have the Advance delivered to my home" and guess what? I was given the number of the Advance so that I could call them myself! As of this writing I have called twice in the late afternoon and received no answer!

I wish the Caledonia Township Board would reconsider this vote and continue to publish meeting announcements in the Sun and News. It is called "working together for the betterment of our community."

As for now, I must seek out an Advance each week to keep updated and then have the Sun and News delivered to my home to read about the outcome of various meetings, or will these no longer be covered by the Sun and News either?

Peggy Merrill,
Caledonia Township
Resident

Editor's Note: The Sun & News pledges to continue news coverage of Caledonia Township events and meetings.

Coldwater, from page 11 -

rated rock and soil) to groundwater there is no natural filtration. More groundwater facts and trivia next time, meanwhile something to ponder:

How did the Coldwater get its name?

1. The Coldwater family lived at the headwaters and were the first settlers on the river.

2. The Coldwater River runs directly through the city of Coldwater.

3. Its average water temperatures are somewhat colder than the surrounding rivers.

Yankee Springs planners set up workshops

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

The Yankee Springs Township Planning Commission will hold special workshops later this month and in April on possible revisions of the zoning ordinances and the master plan.

Commission Chairman Richard Beukema encourages any resident with an interest in zoning revisions or an updating of the master plan to attend these meetings.

The dates of the first three meetings are March 23, April 6 and April 20. All the meetings will begin at 7 p.m.

Following these workshop meetings, the commission will meet at its regular meetings to formulate changes.

Public hearings will be held before any changes are approved by the Planning Commission and the Township Board.

Township planning consultant Ken Dettloff will attend these workshop sessions.

"This is an opportunity to hear from the public and to have enough time to consider revisions," Beukema says.

Caledonia Council considers weight limits for streets

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

The Caledonia Village Council is trying to improve maintenance of streets by posting weight limits on streets to prevent heavy trucks from using them at certain times and by making sure they are plowed in a timely manner.

Trustee Tim Noordhoek asked to establish a committee to look at setting weight restrictions on certain village streets at the same time the county sets weight limits for trucks on surrounding roads. Some vehicles have been thought to be using a route through the village to go around roads and streets the county restricts in the spring.

Noordhoek said that under the Uniform Traffic Code, the village could set weight limits and he wanted to restrict Main and Emmons to prevent entry from M-37.

Trustee Dan Erskine said some streets are regarded as Class A and are reinforced to accommodate heavier vehicles. He said 44th Street is one, which goes east and west. He said 100th and Kinsey, which were restricted in the spring by Kent County, were restricted from truck use. He said Main Street in Caledonia is a Class A road.

A call to Mary Wiegerink at the Kent County Road Commission confirmed that in spring, usually from the end of February through the first week in April, Class B roads require a reduction in weight of 35 percent of that normally allowed, and a reduction in speed to 35 miles per hour. For instance, a truck permitted to carry 18,000 lbs. per axle would need to reduce its load to 11,000.

Wiegerink said no restrictions are placed on Class A roads. They offer special permits, bonds and exemptions for certain haulers of perishable items, at a fee, and a guarantee that damaged roads will be repaired, paid for out of a bond by the hauler.

Main Street in Caledonia has been in use for around 25 years and longer for heavy hauling at any time of year, and may already be structured according to Class A definitions. All village streets would be classed according to the village's definition, however, and not subject to county rules, regulation or enforcement.

100th Street west of Caledonia is a Class B road, so heavier traffic would not be using it this month from that direction. Kraft is an all-weather road to where it joins 100th Street. Kinsey and 100th are restricted by the county in the spring.

It is not known if Johnson is a Class A road. Technically, heavy vehicles using Kraft could turn down Johnson Street and go into the village.

Council members said they wanted to study what the streets could actually bear, and prepare to put up signs in the spring to prevent undue stress on village streets, and so the village wouldn't become an alternate route for restricted county routes.

Noordhoek, Erskine and citizen Corey Mieras were selected to that committee.

After the meeting, Martin Hall of Caledonia Farmer's Elevator commented that his business relies on Main Street for daily business which depends on access by heavy hauling vehicles. Other heavy vehicles also use the street, also contributing to its wear. School buses, delivery trucks, haulers and others come into town.

An informal poll by citizens last fall said a high number of trucks pass through the downtown area, though the weights were not noted.

The roads apparently were not cleared in a timely manner over the weekend during the last snowfall because the two Village DPW employees were not available. Roger Loring was away and Buff Rodgers had other commitments.

Village President Daryl Penfold said he personally tried to open up some places that were clogged, including a few drives or intersections in the village, the drive of the Village Township Hall and some clogged areas in Glen Valley. He said none of the streets were any worse than they had been during the January snowstorm when they had been plowed. He said trying to do the work made him appreciate the job the DPW normally does.

Citizen Ed Fowler complained that Johnson street was not plowed, and he could not drive up the hill during the snow, and then the snow melted and froze in ruts, so the street was still not in good shape.

Councilman Jeff Kusmierz asked if there could be a standby to plow the streets when the two DPW drivers were both going to be unavailable.

Penfold said it might be possible to arrange a plan for emergencies, within the rate of pay now allowed.

Kinsey and 100th streets at the edge of the village are plowed by Kent County trucks.

In other business, the Village Council approved North Rodgers Drive as a public street.

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Yankee Springs has collected more than 92 percent of taxes

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

Yankee Springs Township Treasurer Bob Herold announced that more than 92 percent of the taxes have been collected in the township this year.

"The economy is good and people can pay their taxes," Herold said.

Delinquent taxes will be coming from the county after the annual tax sale.

In other township business last week:

• Supervisor George London announced that the April 8 township meeting will feature a presentation on the status of the water tower and other water issues.

The trustees will be looking into possible grant sources for this project. There have been concerns about the effect of development on potable water availability.

• The drainage of water was also a topic raised at the meeting. Barry County Drain Commissioner Bob Schaffer asked the township to pay $3,000 for its share of the new Gun River project.

The last time the township paid for the Gun River drain cleanup was in 1986. Approximately one half of the township drains into the Gun River drainage system.

Bob Herold said that paying the $3,000 would be much easier than billing more than 2,000 homeowners a very small amount. "If the assessment were $300,000 rather than $3000 our response would be different," he said.

• Clerk Jan Lippert announced that Barry County Planning and Zoning Director Jim McManus is overseeing the Census 2000 process. She will have McManus come to a meeting to speak to the board to answer questions about the census.

• Trustee Mary Cook also asked London to look into whether there were other recycling options for the township.

• Lippert also asked the board to review the draft of the employee policy guidelines she distributed to them. She will provide them with a second draft at the April meeting.

• In an effort to keep the paper trail organized Lippert has also created a form to use to make sure everyone is aware of the status of actions at the Planning Commission and by the Township Board.

• Zoning Administrator Ken Worsham asked the board to review a new fee schedule for site plan review and other fees. It will be presented in ordinance form at the April 8 meeting.

• London announced that Nextel Communications has delayed its appearance at the Zoning Board of Appeals until April 12. The company will talk about an agreement for the company to use a tower.

Middleville has two new streets

Edgewood and Riverwood Drives are the newest streets in the Village of Middleville.

They are part of Bryanwood Estates Phase II.

The Middleville Village council last Tuesday also gave final plat approval to the Bryanwood Estates Phase II development. Neil Sharpe of Exxel Engineering demonstrated to the council that all changes suggested previously have been made.

In other business the council:

• Authorized the county to pay $24,677.91 in bills for the new sewer improvement project.

• Learned that Municipal Code Corporation of Tallahassee, Fla., will recodify the village ordinances at a cost of $10,800.

• Received a question from resident Robert Klinge, who asked the council who would be responsible for approving gun sales if the Barry County Sheriff's Department assumes the responsibilities of the police department, taking over for the local department.

President Lon Myers reminded Klinge that the police department issue is not resolved yet. Firearm permits would be addressed as part of the discussion of any change in services.

The next meeting of the Middleville Village Council will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 23 at Village Hall.

Manufactured housing development request big issue in Bowne Twp.

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

A rezoning request to build a 600-unit manufactured housing development on 92nd Street off M-50 drew so much interest at the Bowne Township Planning Commission March 10 that the building could not accommodate all the citizens, and the matter was tabled.

The request to rezone agricultural land is rescheduled to be held at Alto Elementary School in the gym at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 25. The school address is 6150 Bancroft.

Bowne Township Clerk Sandy Kowalczyk said soils in that area are quite fragile and the proposed two 12-inch wells could significantly draw on the water supply in that area. The area is in the Coldwater River watershed area, and not far from Campbell Lake.

Kowalczyk said she believes that a private sewer treatment facility was being proposed, rather than septic systems.

Though the township has jurisdiction over the zoning uses, the other issues and approval, such as environmental impacts, Health Department standard, drainage systems, Road Commission requirements and others will be handled at the County level.

The address of the proposed development is at 13500 92nd St., east of Wingeier Avenue.

New appointment made to Village Planning Commission

by Ruth Zachary
Staff Writer

Nick Unger was appointed last week to serve the remainder of the term of Dan Whalen on the Caledonia Village Planning Commission.

Whalen was removed from his position due to non-attendance at commission meetings over a nine-month period. There had been no attempts by Whalen to explain his absence, Village President Daryl Penfold said.

Others had tried to contact him and did not receive a response. It was thought he may have had a schedule conflict.

Penfold recommended the appointment of Unger.

In other business:

• The Cable Advisory Committee, a joint committee between the village and township, has met since February, and plans to have one more session before the April Village Council meeting. The village is well represented with both Penfold and Unger on the committee, and with Unger acting as chair. A report is planned in April.

• The 4th of July Committee needs more members. Anyone wanting to be on it were asked to call Trustee Arlene Oaks at 891-1298.

The next meeting of the committee will be on Thursday, March 25, at 7 p.m. at the village office.

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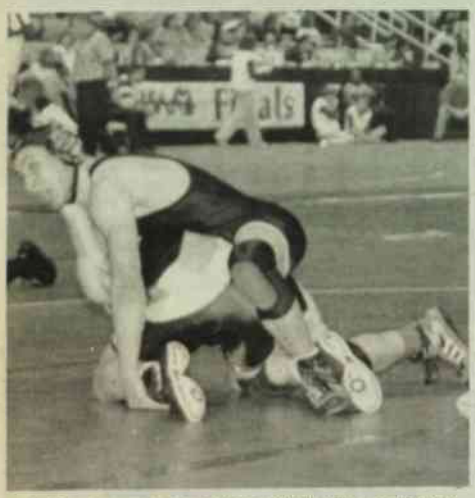
Vandefifer, and others, medal at the Joe season finale

Caledonia's Todd Maines was one of four Scots to qualify for the MHSAA State finals. Here, Maines makes sure that a victory is assured.



Is Rosales was one of three Middleville wrestlers to place at the State finals. Here, Rosales finishes off an early round opponent during Friday action.

DETROIT — A lot can be learned, or gained, by evaluating the climb that Middleville wrestler Jeremy Vandefifer made during the last year.

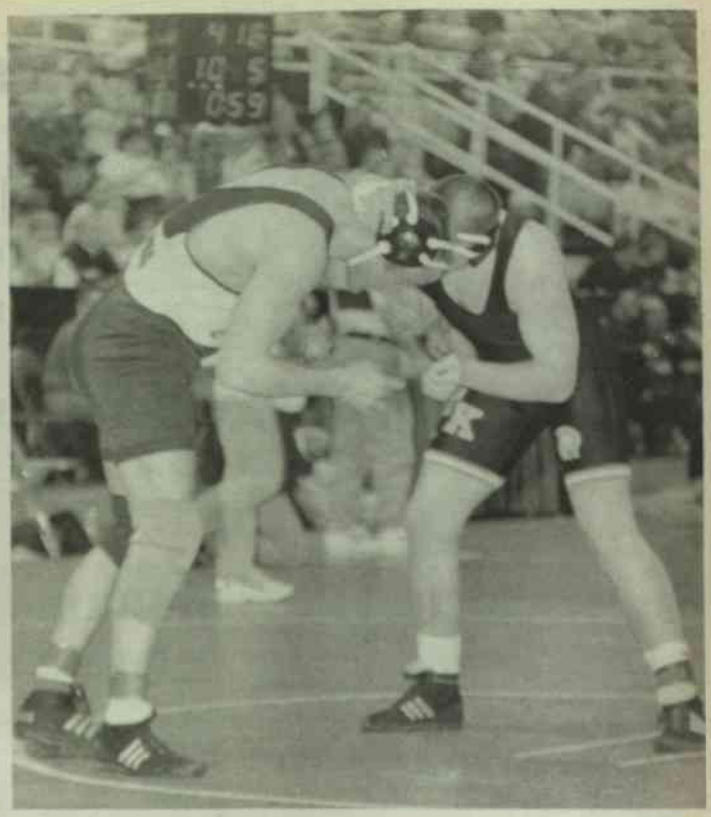
Vandefifer, a senior who also starred on the Trojans' State qualifying football team this past fall, qualified Saturday for the championship match at 189 in the Division II Michigan High School Athletic Association Individual Finals.

A year ago, Vandefifer didn't even qualify for the State tournament, but through hard work, perseverance and determination made the most of his trip to the Joe Louis Arena.

"If you would have told me three weeks ago that Jeremy would be in a State final, I would have been in shock," Middleville Coach Tom Lehman said about his grappler who has been active in the sport since the second grade. "He just kept getting better and better."

Assistant Coach Scott Marvin said Vandefifer's efforts helped to make up for Middleville's end of the year team disappointment.

"He's worked really hard to get here," Marvin said.



Middleville's Jeremy Vandefifer met up with Adam Berke in the weight class final at 189 and dropped a difficult decision.

"As a team, we were a little disappointed (not to make it to the State finals in Battle Creek), but this is a little redemption."

Vandefifer won three times to reach the championship at 189. He beat Grand Rapids Christian's Ross VandenBerg with a 12-3 decision, ousted Eaton Rapids' Nick Ottney 4-2 and outscored Hudsonville's Jason Duram 11-6.

Shock, in Detroit, also came to Vandefifer.

"I was in shock... things just kept going my way," Vandefifer explained. "The Eaton Rapids kid wrestled real tough; I knew that it was going to be a tough one. I really wanted it."

He said that watching fellow Trojan wrestlers like Spencer Romph, Kyle Brower prepare for their rides at State and working with the coaches and other helpful mat men prepared him well for his big shot.

"How they had to do the extra hard work to get to where they got do," is what Vandefifer said he learned from the others who got this far. "I worked with Ron Haynes a lot. Marvin, Lehman, (Coach Scott) Monroe and Luke Middleton also helped me a lot."

Vandefifer's mind set was focused on giving the Joe Louis crowd, the Trojan fans and himself nothing but his best."

"(I figured) if you wrestle your best, you'll have no regrets," Vandefifer said.

In Saturday's final, Vandefifer's run ended with a 17-5 defeat to Adam Berke of Big Rapids.

"He's pretty tough; I just wanted to be aggressive," Vandefifer said of his matchup with Berke. "The last time I faced him, I didn't do that."

Still, it was three days of solid wrestling. Vandefifer's focus was altered a bit. The change worked well.

"I was working more on shots and my technique," Vandefifer explained.

A number of area wrestlers qualified for the State wrestling finals including nine others from Caledonia (4), Middleville (2), Lakewood (2) and Maple Valley (1).

Caledonia's Mike Tomanek finished third in the Division II 103-pound weight class.

Tomanek won a 10-2 major decision against Fenton's Lambros Kottalis, outscored Monroe Jefferson's Jake Baron 16-2, lost a 7-0 decision to Dearborn Edsel Ford's Nate Garcia, won again against Kottalis 6-2 and prevailed 2-0 versus Eaton Rapids Austin Carmody to finish third at 103.

"I think I wrestled pretty good the first couple of matches; there were a couple of mess ups that could have been done better," Tomanek said.

In the third place match against Carmody, Tomanek's aim was to score early and hold on. That's just what he accomplished.

"My goal was to get that first takedown," Tomanek explained. "I wrestled him earlier in the year and won 10-2, but I knew that it would be tough."

The other three Fighting Scots who grappled in Hockey Town over the weekend were Todd Maines, Josh Baltrusaitis and Ryan Haywood.

Maines won an 8-7 decision against Coldwater's Jon Jansen in his first match at 135, was pinned by Eaton Rapids' Chad Wright in 2:33, took another one points decision,

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Jenny DeBoer

Caledonia High School

DeBoer had 10 assists and 5 service aces in a district volleyball win over Hastings at Caledonia high School March 6 and 9 assists and an ace against the district winning team, Lakewood.

Steve Shear

Thornapple-Kellogg High School (Middleville)

Shear, one of eight seniors on Middleville's 98-99 squad, scored 6 points with two three balls in the Trojans district contest Monday, March 8 at Hastings High School.

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Trojans taken by red-hot Saxons at district tournament

Trojan Ben Lucas (52) powers his way toward the net as Saxon Dustin Terrel provides the defense. (Photo by Perry Hardin)

Middleville's Dan Finkbeiner (22) has to get creative with this shot, a reverse finger roll off the glass, around Hastings' trees. (Photo by Perry Hardin)

Ken VanRyn (30) drives for a fast break scoop with Saxon Tony Bowne (14) attempting to make the block from behind. (Photo by Perry Hardin)

The sequel was nothing like the regular season original.

Scoring the first 16 points of the Barry County district basketball battle, host Hastings rolled to a 71-55 first round district win last Monday versus Middleville (14-7).

With Jim Storms, Tony Bowne and Tyson Walther tallying points, Hastings held a 16-0 advantage until 2:24 remained in the first quarter.

The lead was still 14 points, 20-6, as both teams prepared for the final three quarters. The Saxons only out-scored the Trojans by two points, 51-49, the rest of the way.

"When you fall down that far, I think that it affected their outside shooting," Schils said. "We got the ball moving today and made some good decisions with our passes."

Middleville cut its deficit to seven points, 21-14, with an 8-1 run that ended with 4:58 to play in the second stanza. But Hastings rattled off six in a row after that, 27-14, to expand its advantage.

The first time the two programs met Jan. 12, Hastings won an overtime thriller 60-53, giving Schils a well-earned birthday present. Tuesday's reward was a lot less troublesome for the Saxon mentor thanks in part to the unselfish passing of players such as Bowne who moved to point guard midway through the regular season.

"Their press hurt us more the last time," Schils said. "(Point guard) Tony (Bowne) got us going pretty well. He's a little taller and can see a little more of the floor."

Motivation also was a reason for Hastings' improved play Monday.

"If anything, this team is more motivated; to be considered as one of the better basketball teams in Hastings (High School history)."

Hastings early game scoring spree made it difficult for Middleville to catch up.

"The longer you go without scoring, the harder it is," Middleville Coach Kurt Holzhueter said. "Our shots didn't go and we didn't defend them (Hastings) very good either."

Defense had a lot to do with Hastings' early game prowess. Schils told his team that they would need to be aggressive in defending Middleville's 1-3-1 zone defense that worked well in season wins against state powers such as Coopersville and Tri Unity.

"We told them that if we were to make any kind of run that our defense would have to be more important," Schils said. "Kurt's a heck of a coach; you have to be ready to play them, (but) we did a nice job with their 1-3-1."

The Saxons held Middleville's dynamic duo of starting guards, Dan Finkbeiner and Ken VanRyn, to 10 points apiece and Garrett Weatherhead to 6 markers.

Bowne was the game's high scorer with 28 points, Storms tallied 13 and Whitney and Warner both scored 9 points.

Andrew Hillman and Ben Lucas were the Trojans top point producers from inside the post with 9 and 8 points, respectively.

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Living Well

The powers of the mind

By Lee C. Deckrow, MSW

In the past decade science has validated strong links between the mind and body. Studies document the power of the mind to contribute to physiologic healing or increase vulnerability to illness.

Our thoughts and beliefs about ourselves and our ability to manage life stressors form the framework of our lives and directly impact our emotional and physiological responses. Most of the time our thoughts are so automatic we aren't even aware of them; they are as unconscious as breathing.

If one has a negative perception of self, a sense of helplessness and defeat is often experienced when facing stressors, which often contributes to anxiety, depression or health problems. Studies indicate that an individual's likelihood to develop a severe illness doubles when they chronically have a poor response to stress; which is comparable to the impact of smoking on the body.

Unfortunately, due to our fast-paced lives, our thoughts and beliefs often go unexamined until we face crises: whether physiological, emotional, spiritual or familial. Crises and life transitions, although often unwelcome, provide an opportunity to re-evaluate and make significant change. It is imperative, however, that we take opportunities for self-evaluation before crisis arise.

With your emotional and physical well being in mind, examine your responses to stress during this next week. Example: how do you respond to pressures at work – what are the messages you give yourself? Are they empowering or self-defeating? Often a simple re-examination of our self-talk is enough to have a strong impact.

If you find you are continually self-defeating seek self-improvement measures: self-esteem workbook, support group or counseling.

There's no fun like snow fun

The sun was bright and even though the snow was cold, students at Thornapple Kellogg Middle School enjoyed recess on March 10.

TK graduation requirements to increase for Class of 2003

by Patricia Johns
Staff Writer

Thornapple High School Principal Ellen Zack last week gave members of the Thornapple Kellogg Board of Education an overview of the increase in graduation requirements at the high school.

She demonstrated that TK's current 48 of a possible 56 credits was in the middle of requirements of districts within the Kent Intermediate School District.

New requirements will be implemented over several years.

For the class of 2003 the requirement will be 49 credits; in 2004 51 credits and in 2005, 52 out of the possible 56 credits.

Two of the additional credits will be in English. Zack said the proficiency English class will be added for the 30 percent of students who don't pass the seventh and eighth grade proficiency tests.

Superintendent Jay Cason praised the special committee for facing the need to raise education expectations.

Students currently in the high school will not be affected by these changes. This is the first reading of the new policy and the board members will vote on it at their next meeting.

School board member David Smith said it is important to measure up to high achieving schools. He suggested that the best time to have made these changes was when the change to the block schedule was approved.

TK Middle School wrestlers off to great start

The Thornapple Kellogg Middle School wrestlers are currently enjoying an 18-2 dual meet season.

There are 43 wrestlers on this years team, 26 are eighth graders and 17 are seventh graders. The team's depth is a main reason for their success as well as the hard work ethic the wrestlers are putting out.

The TK wrestlers placed second at the Kenowa Hills team tournament, losing to Lowell 47-46 in the finals. On March 6, the Trojans won the Comstock Park team tournament, beating Rockford 54-45.

On Saturday, March 20 the TK wrestlers will be hosting a 12-team tournament at the high school. The wrestling action will start at 9:30 a.m.

In The Service

Craig A. Jenkins Jr.

Craig A. Jenkins Jr. has joined the United States Army under the delayed entry program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Wyoming, Mich.

The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as $50,000 toward a college education. After completion of basic military training, soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career specialty.

Jenkins, a student at Thornapple Kellogg High School, Middleville, will report to Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga., for basic training on June 14.

He is the son of Cynthia L. and Craig A. Jenkins of 301 E. Cherry St., Freeport.

Freshmen close out year with two more wins

Caledonia's freshman closed out its season with two wins, defeating Wayland March 2 43-34 and Cedar Springs March 5 51-34.

Twelve of 13 Scots scored in the win over the Wildcats. Steve Yanasik, Nick Slot and Travis Slot each tallied 6 points apiece.

The Scots led after one 14-11, 26-21 at half and 38-25 after three quarters.

Mike Ogle scored 10 points, Travis Slot 10 points, Adam Puricelli 7 points and Brian Sevensma 7 points in the victory over Cedar.

Caledonia led Cedar 15-12 after one quarter and 21-19 after two. In the third quarter the Scots outscored their opponents 14-7 to go up 35-26.

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5-4, versus Sturgis' Nate McDonald's and was pinned by Hartland's Tim Kowal in 2:20.

Baltrusaitis and Haywood both competed at 140. Baltrusaitis was pinned by Mason's Jeff Stevens in 5:21 and lost a 9-8 decision to Stevensville Lakeshore's Jason Wolff. Haywood dropped a 12-3 decision to Mt. Morris' Harold Eastman, pinned Grand Rapids Christian's Ted Fackler in 2:24 and lost an 8-3 decision to Lowell's Tom Oesch.

Maple Valley's Jeff Rhoades qualified at 140 in Division III. Rhoades lost a 9-2 decision to Monroe St. Mary's Ron Russeau, dropped a 4-2 decision to Central Montcalm's Justin Ritter and fell 9-5 to Melvindale's Wallid Munassar.

Lakewood's pair, Phil Plowman and Jarrod LaRoche, also were quite active during their trip to the Motor City and represented the Vikings well in the Division II finals.

Plowman, at 112, beat Monroe Jefferson's Evan Major with a pin in 3:50, lost on a 4:34 fall against Jackson Northwest's Chris Edwards, beat St. Joseph's Si Sosanith with an 8-1 decision, pinned Cedar Springs' Nick Emery in 1:38, dropped a 7-6 decision to Mason's Tom Grace and took a 10-2 decision against Hartland's Josh Kowal.

LaRoche easily handled Monroe Jefferson's Justin Gessner 11-1 in his first match at 171, dropped a 9-2 decision to Auburn Hills Avondale's Brad Tiernan and fell 7-3 to Chelsea's Dan Dault.

The other two Middleville wrestlers at the event, Is Rosales and Miso Glavan, finished fourth and fifth respectively at 145 and 215.

Rosales' early tournament wins were a 4-3 decision against Dearborn Edsel Ford's Brian Kacir and a 12-2 decision versus Fruitport's Sam Cooper.

"I started off pretty good; I knew that I could at least get in the semifinals," Rosales said. "The semifinal match was not my best match, I would have liked to get third. There's always next year."

Glavan also had a great start which helped him to gain his fifth place. The Trojan multi-sport star won an 11-6 decision versus Linden's Ben Coughlin, blanked Warren Cousino's Brian Kowalski 10-0 before losing 5-4 to Niles' Phil Howell. Fifth is a good finish, but Glavan envisioned a bit better.

"I thought that I could do better than what I did," Glavan said. "At the start of the year, I had hoped to make it into the final six."

The State final performance at the home of the two-time champion National Hockey League's Detroit Red Wings, is one that Vandefifer, and the other area wrestlers who qualified, will never forget.

"It's a big rush... I can't really explain it," Vandefifer said.

From previous page—

Middleville's front line was solid, but Schils still believed that Storms gave the Saxons a strength that they could take advantage of.

"They (Hastings) dominated the paint; I thought that they found the holes," Holzhueter said.

Still it was going to take contributions from many if Hastings was to win Monday and possibly be in the hunt this season for additional post-season honors.

"This team has been unselfish all year; you expect the seniors to do that," Schils explained. "This was one of our bigger games."

Holzhueter said the season was a great experience.

"This is certainly one of the must fun teams that I have been a part of," Holzhueter said. "A good group of seniors; I miss them."

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