

# Bike Path Easements Needed in Bear Creek, Bay View to Become Reality

By DENNIS CHASE

BEAR CREEK TOWNSHIP — Will a bike path skirting Little Traverse Bay ever become a reality?

According to Emmet County Planner Max Putters, progress has been made on the first leg of the proposed bike path — a 1.3 mile stretch from the Petoskey State Park to East Bay View. The 1.3 mile path would start at Rice Street in East Bay View and parallel the Penn Central railroad tracks past the Giantway Plaza and Tannery Creek properties to the state park.

Putters, representing the Little Traverse Bay Kiwanis Club, told the Bear Creek Township Board Wednesday that easements must be obtained to allow the bike path. And thus far, Putters said, the three property owners — K.R.W. Associates, The Property Development Group and the State of Michigan — have indicated a willingness to grant easements. The Kiwanis Club has devoted five years of time and effort to the bike way project.

If easements are obtained, Putters added, it will be necessary to find an "owner" (for the easements). Since the non-motorized bike path would be public and in Bear Creek, Putters said, it would be most logical for a local municipality — like Bear Creek — to assume control. If a municipality assumed responsibility, Putters said, it would enhance efforts to obtain grants to help build a hard-surfaced bike path.

The Bear Creek Township Board, although recognizing the benefits of a bike path, has expressed concern about liability. The board agreed Wednesday to consult Seberon Litzenburger, township attorney, before reaching a decision.

When asked by Supervisor Rex Gibbard how soon he needed an answer, Putters chuckled, "Well, we're probably not going to break ground this fall."

Putters said since the bike path would be non-motorized — for use by bikers, joggers, walkers and cross-country skiers — it should be "a low liabil-

ity." He added that it could be included under the township's general liability coverage — perhaps at little or no cost.

The goal, according to Paul Ryder of the Kiwanis Club, is to link Petoskey to Harbor Springs, and eventually Harbor Springs to Mackinaw City. Putters indicated the bike path has been included in Petoskey's waterfront plans.

One problem that needs to be ironed out, however, is where to put the bike path in Bay View.

Wes Hager, president of the Bay View Association, reiterated last night that he has "real concerns" about a bike path passing through Bay View's recreational area along Little Traverse Bay — where swimming, boating and tennis is offered. Hager, an avid biker, also noted that several cottages, which house elderly residents, are along the Bay.

Putters said one possibility would be to widen the shoulders of U.S.-31. Putters added that permission must still be received from Penn-Central for a crossover (of tracks). He added the Bell Telephone Pioneers, which raises money for community projects, has volunteered to build a wooden bridge over Tannery Creek. The Kiwanis Club, Putters added, would most likely maintain the path.

The bike path would extend to the beach house at the state park. In other action, the township board approved a request by Ann Burek to put over 50 acres of farm land under the Farm-Land Agreement Act (116), which requires the owner to keep the land in its present state for 10 years in return for a tax break.



Ed Collins



Rev. Robert Keiser

## Kiwanis Clubs Install

New officers were recently installed at a joint meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Petoskey and Little Traverse Bay Kiwanis Club. The potluck affair was held at the Hideaway Valley community room in Petoskey.

Effective Oct. 1, officers and directors of the Petoskey Kiwanis Club are: president Ed Collins, vice-president Robert Esford, secretary-

treasurer David L. Meyer and directors Bill Day, Keith Hopper and Mike Hills.

Taking over as officers of the Little Traverse Bay Kiwanis Club, also effective Oct. 1, were: Rev. Robert Keiser as president, vice-president Dan VerBurg, secretary-treasurer Will Sterzik and directors Pat Cormican, Tom Olsen and Joe Vermeer.

## Alanson to Get Natural Gas, Street Repairs

By DIANNE MURRAY

ALANSON — Passage of an ordinance by the Alanson Village Council paved the way for Michigan Consolidated Gas to install its gas lines here.

The first steps for installation are expected to be Monday, according to township clerk Iris Lesh. Gas lines will not be installed throughout the whole village, but rather in designated areas. A map detailing where lines are to be put down is posted in the Alanson-Littlefield Community Building.

Several street repairs were discussed at the recent meeting including grading for Cheboygan Street and major work for River Street. The council agreed to grade Cheboygan Street and check it regularly for more work.

The council will be checking into

the cost of repairing the "three bumps" on River Street. The bumps are caused by sewer laterals installed several years ago. Repair bids were sought earlier this year, but tabled until after summer. The township street commissioner will come before the council at its Oct. 19 meeting with a recommendation for repairs, Mrs. Lesh said.

"Levied into this year's budget is money for repairs of (River) Street so it will get done," she added.

In other action, the council gave permission to the local Girl Scouts to plant tulip bulbs by the Village of Alanson sign on U.S.-31.

Several residents were complaining about garbage piling up at private residents' homes. Mrs. Lesh noted she will be mailing letters to the homeowners people have been complaining about.

## Two Hurt in Crashes

Two persons were hurt in separate traffic accidents in Emmet County since last night, the first a 16-year-old Alanson youth who was injured when his motorcycle and a car collided in Alanson.

Donald Howell remains in fair condition at Northern Michigan Hospitals today after the 7:55 p.m. mishap on North Street in Alanson.

According to the Emmet County Sheriff's Department, Howell's motorcycle and a car driven by Doris Hofbauer, 40, also of Alanson, col-

lided as the Hofbauer vehicle pulled across a street.

The accident is still under investigation.

A Boyne Falls woman was taken to Northern Michigan Hospitals today after she lost control of her car on River Road just south of Evergreen Trail at 8:14 this morning.

The Michigan State Police at Petoskey indicate Linda Knebl, 21, was northbound at the time of the incident, and the car left the road, struck a telephone pole and came to rest in a ditch.

The accident remains under investigation. Her condition was not available at press time.

## Harbor Plans Power Outage

HARBOR SPRINGS — Harbor Springs electric customers are reminded that power will be out early Saturday morning from 5 to approximately 7 a.m.

The outage will occur while work on a Consumers Power substation which supplies power to the city is completed. In case of rain, the outage will be delayed until the following Saturday, Oct. 17, Harbor Springs City Manager Gerald Felix said.

## For Sale: Python Who Tried to Devour Owner

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (UPI) — Monty the 14-foot python, disdaining a mere bite of the hand that fed him, tried to swallow his owner whole.

As a result, Monty's intended lunch, J. Bennett Boggess, 23, has put his thankless serpent up for sale. The immediate response was less than overwhelming.

Boggess said he wanted to sell Monty, rather than give him away, so he could buy a smaller snake.

Boggess' girlfriend, Rosemary Russell, said the sight of Monty trying to swallow Boggess head first was "the most horrible thing I have ever seen."

"The snake was attached to his head. I thought he was choking so bad, with blood coming out of his mouth, that he was going to die," she said Wednesday, recalling the incident last week.

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start a war. I had to be busy.

"I don't write letters generally. This one I felt bound to write. Perhaps it was my better self telling me to write."

She said the responses to her letters were surprising and that encouraged her to write more.

"The more I wrote, the more I realized he was changing his attitude," she said.

Her letters were direct.

*You have led your country into two losing wars, if you had used that money to build hospitals, schools, libraries, museums and orphanages, how many happier people would you have had instead of graves?* she asked in her first note.

She admits the letters were tough.

"The destiny of the world is now in the hands of the Middle East," she said. "Look at what a country like the United States went through with a country like Iran — because we needed their oil — instead of giving them a kick in the pants.

"There are 2 million people in Libya, but the whole world is afraid of them," she added. "Sadat was the only man who held the equilibrium. He saw the light. He saw that you cannot live 1,300 years ago when the prophet Mohammad founded the Moslem religion."

She was not surprised that Sadat was assassinated.

"He was among some very backward people who are living 1,000 years behind our time," she pointed out. "He was living among enemies."

The correspondence ended in 1979 with the signing of the Camp David accords. Things were going so well that Mrs. Wiesinger didn't feel the need to continue.

"It's a great world, just bad people," she said. "But the world doesn't keep on going because of bad people. It keeps on going because good people like Sadat outweigh the bad."

## William Miner, 46

EAST JORDAN — Funeral services for William F. Miner Sr., 46, will be Friday at 3 p.m. at the Oak Chapel of the Vanderwall Funeral Home. Rev. Dale Turner of the Missionary Church will officiate and burial will be in Sunset Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Miner died early Thursday at the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

He was born in Kalamazoo on July 16, 1935 and was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He married the former Viva Kendall in Allegan and the couple moved to East Jordan in 1976.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, William F. Miner Jr., of Alle-

gan and Joseph N. Miner of Gobles; seven daughters, Michel of Kalamazoo, Gena of Otsego, Letha, Brenda, Dorothy, Viva and Amy, all at home; his mother, Mrs. Letha Miner of Comstock; two brothers, Michael of Kalamazoo and Patrick of Plainwell; five sisters, Mrs. Robert (Phyllis) Mull, Mrs. John (Mary Lou) Phillips, Mrs. Richard (Rose Mary) Hummel and Mrs. Ivan (Bonnie) Graim, all of Kalamazoo, Mrs. Paul (Beverly) Runion of Gibsonburg, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today (Thursday).

## Sadat

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eign countries.

In Washington, U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig held a news conference to warn "external powers" not to try to take advantage of the assassination and said U.S. intelligence agreed the plot involved only Egyptian Islamic fundamentalists.

Abu-Ghazala said only one of the attackers was a serving soldier. "These traitors do not belong to any organization within the armed forces."

"The four (assassins) include one lieutenant, named Khaled," he said. "The three others are civilians, two

of them former conscripts and the third a discharged reservist officer."

Presidential photographer Mohammed Rashwan died Wednesday, raising to six the number killed in addition to Sadat. Thirty-eight others, including three Americans, were wounded when the killers, all wearing military uniforms, jumped from an army truck and rushed the reviewing stand at a parade to mark the October 1973 war against Israel.

El-Masri said the soldier managed to infiltrate three outsiders and weapons into the parade.

## OBITUARIES

### Harry Przybylski, 55

Harry J. Przybylski, 55, of Petoskey, died Oct. 7 at Little Traverse Division of Northern Michigan Hospitals, where he had been a patient for 3½ weeks.

Services will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Church. Fr. Wilbert Hegener will officiate and burial will be in St. Francis Cemetery.

Mr. Przybylski was born Nov. 10, 1925 in Buffalo, N.Y. He attended schools in Buffalo and Erie County Technical Institute.

In 1947, Mr. Przybylski married the former Adelia Zientek in Buffalo. The couple moved to Petoskey in 1960 and Mr. Przybylski was employed as head chemist at Penn Dixie until his retirement in April, 1981.

He was a member of St. Francis Xavier; Holy Name Society and the

Knights of Columbus.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Jerome J. of Middletown, Pa., and David J., at home; two daughters, Jane M. of Ann Arbor and Mary Ann at home; one sister, Mrs. Edwin (Dolores) Krempa of Buffalo, N.Y.; one grandchild.

Friends may call at the Winchester-Hallead Funeral Home in Petoskey after 2 p.m. on Friday. The family will meet friends from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. and a Knights of Columbus Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. The parish Rosary will be 8 p.m. Friday.

The family suggests anyone wishing to honor the memory of Mr. Przybylski, may do so by contributing in his name to St. Francis Church Building Fund. Envelopes for that purpose are available at the funeral home.

### Lorraine Redmond, 62

Services were held Tuesday for Lorraine J. Redmond, 62, of Boyne City, who died Saturday at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

Mrs. Redmond was born May 18, 1919 in Patton, Penn. She lived in the Ferndale area for many years before moving to Boyne City in 1979.

Services were held Tuesday at William Sullivan & Son Funeral Home in Royal Oak. Dr. Raymond R. Lamb of the First United Method-

ist Church of Royal Oak officiated. Burial was at Roseland Park Cemetery in Berkley.

Survivors include her husband Leland Redmond; two sons, James Downen of Monroe and Thomas Downen of Ferndale; one daughter, Carol Kessler of Madison Heights; two brothers, Thomas Nagle of Boyne City and Robert Nagle of Mount Clemens; several nieces and nephews; and four grandchildren.

## All-Savers Prove Popular

WASHINGTON (UPI) — In its debut, the new tax-exempt "all-savers" certificate has topped records for new deposits by attracting \$15 billion in four days, the savings and loan industry says.

The U.S. League of Savings Associations, the largest thrift industry trade group, said Wednesday its sampling of about 10 percent of the industry showed all-savers deposits reached an estimated \$15 billion from Friday to Monday.

About 25 to 30 percent of that was "new" money not switched from other deposits. The thrift industry anticipates getting about half of the all-savers revenue and so total deposits including those for commercial banks and credit unions could be double that amount.

League President Rollin D. Barnard praised the certificates as being "far and away the most popular savings account ever introduced."

He said initial deposits "exceeded our expectations."

And even better, from the thrift industry's point of view, was early indication "quite a bit" of money is being lured away from money market mutual funds, he said.

The league had estimated that deposits for the entire 15-month lifetime of the new certificates would be \$125 billion, a level that would be

reached in just nine days of deposits at the initial level.

The estimates cast doubt on Treasury Department projections of the amount of tax revenue the new savings incentive would cost the government. Estimates have varied, but the total cost in revenues was expected to be below \$10 billion for the lifetime of the certificate.

The first \$1,000 of interest from the certificates is tax-exempt for an individual tax return. Couples filing joint returns may exempt up to \$2,000 of interest. The current rate of return for the all-saver certificate is 12.14 percent.

But, an individual with a taxable income of more than \$34,000 realizes an ultimate yield of better than 23.5 percent due to the certificate's tax advantages. The certificates begin to offer competitive equivalent rates for taxable incomes of about \$15,000 and above for individuals, and about \$20,000 and above for couples filing a joint return.

If market interest rates begin to drop, the certificate's advantage over money funds will grow.

The pace of all-saver deposits will likely decline from the initial surge, since a higher interest rate of 12.61 percent was available only until Monday. The current rate is 12.14 percent and rates will next be adjusted either up or down on Nov. 2.

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