Another winter has shut down efforts to identify the lonely hulk that lies in Lake Michigan some 15 miles off the City of Saugatuck. But the shipwreck, victim of a sudden storm that churned the lake 108 years ago, in January, 1895, remains a wreck hunter’s consuming nightmare.

Originally thought to be the luxury passenger-cargo vessel Chicora, the wreck today continues to defy researchers. Neither the divers who have visited the hulk nor others who have viewed it through the “eyes” of a remote-operated vehicle (ROV) have found a telltale ID, whether number or name.

The divers have had to brave descents of about 280 feet into bottom regions as dark as the inside of a stone. They have visited the wreck at least a dozen times in the past two years. Their theory?

“We now believe the wreck isn’t the Chicora,” said Jan R. Miller of Holland, Michigan. “We have pretty convincing evidence that it’s the steam-barge H. C. Akeley, a ship of the same general configuration and dimensions as the Chicora.”

The Akeley sank in a wind-driven blizzard on November 12, 1883. Measuring 240 feet overall, she was carrying a load of corn bound for a storage elevator in Buffalo, New York. Six crew members, including Capt. Edward Stretch, were lost. A dozen others reached land safely.

With the onset of warmer water and weather, the MSRA plans to have divers revisit the hulk. “We want to get a core sampling—a small specimen of the 54,000 bushels of corn that the Akeley was carrying,” says Miller, who is president of the Michigan Shipwreck Research Associates. “If a lab test shows that the cargo was corn, the wreck will have to be the Akeley.

“Whatever happens with the sampling, our group, the MSRA, plans to resume our search for the Chicora.
We still believe that we were on the right track when we found the one ship’s remains. We just didn’t continue the search.”

What’s historically unique about the sunken vessel may be the manner in which the MSRA and predecessor organizations found it. First, Miller decided that earlier unsuccessful searchers had been looking in the wrong places. He hatched a plan that would work from known evidence and direct search attention wherever that evidence led.

Second, to ensure that the new wreck hunt would have a chance of success, he went scientific. Armed with reports showing where and at what times debris from the Chicora had come to rest on the shoreline shelf ice, he contacted two scientists: David Schwab of the Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory in Ann Arbor, Michigan and Arthur Allen of the U.S. Coast Guard Research and Development Center in Groton, Connecticut.

An informal triumvirate took shape. Computers connected the group’s bases in Holland, Ann Arbor, and Groton. Miller provided not only all the available information on the debris finds; he also obtained weather reports on conditions on Lake Michigan for the entire month of January, 1895. That information came from the National Climatic Data Center in Asheville, North Carolina, and included what Schwab needed: detailed data on wind directions and speeds as well as barometric pressures and other information.

The roles played by Miller, Schwab, and Allen over the period of nearly a year were fundamentally different. Miller was not only providing weather data along
with detailed information on the debris discoveries; he would take over in the third and final stage.

Miller’s theory was simple: analyzing backward from the debris finds, he would attempt to map an area in which the Chicora might be found. In effect he would try to run an imaginary film of the entire tragedy in reverse.

Schwab and Allen had worked together on other assignments. In the Chicora case Schwab would prepare computer models showing wind movements, wave strengths and heights, and water current patterns for the days immediately before and after the ship’s loss.

Using Schwab’s models, Allen would do sets of drift simulations. As Schwab has noted, “Allen is an expert on the types of materials that break away when a ship sinks: what are the characteristics of each in terms of how each is affected by the winds and currents? Some things sink, some drift below the surface of the water, some go pretty much with the wind.”

By November of 2000 Miller had all the models and simulations. Over several months he worked and reworked possible theories on where the Chicora might have sunk. He had found essential information on the dates, places, and even times of wreckage sightings and recoveries in a book, Chicora: Lost in Lake Michigan, by Kit Lane of the Saugatuck-Douglas Historical Society.

What he lacked was critical. The “mystery ship” Chicora had disappeared with all hands; all 24 men on board had drowned. No one could specify the exact time and date when the waves closed over the wreck.

Watching the progress of the remote-operated vehicle M-Rover, taking photographs more than 200 feet below the surface of Lake Michigan, are Prof. Guy A. Meadows of the University of Michigan, owner of the Rover, and Craig Rich of the Michigan Shipwreck Research Associates.

Meadows is engineer-operator of the ROV. (Keefe photo)

Miller carved out a “corridor” within which the vessel’s remains would most likely be found. He agonized for weeks before he put the finishing touches to his leap of faith projections. “I literally stayed up nights trying to put all the computer work together,” he admits.

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Earlier searches for the Chicora had focused on stretches of the lake that lay no more than a mile and a half from shore. Miller’s corridor placed the wreck well out in the lake—as far as 12 to 15 miles or more. In 1991 Miller and several associates had formed the MSRA as an exploration and shipwreck preservation group specializing in deep-water missions. If the ship were to be found in the corridor designed by Miller, it would be 200 or more feet below the lake’s surface.

Using the services of a professional wreck hunter, the MSRA launched its new search on May 21, 1991. Four days later, in the afternoon of a balmy day, the sidescan sonar brought up images of a sizable wreck.

“We all assumed it was the Chicora,” says Miller today. “We were obviously hasty in that judgment. Our dives in 2002 have convinced us that the wreck is the Akeley. “We had used extensive evidence relating to the loss of one ship, the Chicora, and found another. Now we plan to find the real Chicora. Starting in May, 2003, we'll be using probability distributions developed by Art Allen of the Coast Guard. We'll go back with the sidescan sonar and try again.

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Nancy Kerrigan to Speak in South Bend

Nationally-known figure skater Nancy Kerrigan will be the guest speaker at the Women in Sports Legends Luncheon being presented by the Northern Indiana Center for History and the College Football Hall of Fame. The event will take place at 11:30 a.m. on Fri., March 7, at the South Bend Marriott Hotel.

A Silver Medal winner in the 1994 Olympics, Nancy Kerrigan is part owner of the Ice Castle Theatre in Myrtle Beach, where she helps create and produce skating shows. She recently began working with Louann Donovan, the 2002 U.S. National Junior Ladies skating champion. She just completed the winter tour of “Champions on Ice” and has recently released a book: Artistry on Ice.

Admission to the luncheon is $30 per person or $230 for a table of eight. Included with the ticket price are tickets to the Center for History’s exhibition, “Women in Sports: Breaking Barriers” and the College Football Hall of Fame. Reservations are required by March 5. Phone Kate Berrettini at 574/235-5715 or log onto www.centerforhistory.org

Winter Doldrums? Take a Class!

Here are two more continuing education classes available at Purdue University North Central.

Beginning 35mm Photography. Scott Briggs, photographer and owner of Mid States Photography, will be the instructor for this class which meets Wednesdays, Feb. 26-April 16, from 7-9 p.m. Fee is $149.

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On Fri., Feb. 21, the artists will be setting up “portable” studios in the gym of Notre Dame School and from 1-3 p.m. they will be on hand to demonstrate their art to the students of the school. There will be a variety of media demonstrated: photography, jewelry, watercolors, charcoal sketches, fused glass, note cards, acrylics, wood inlay, mosaics and stained glass, floor cloths, fiber art, needle art, mixed media and hand-painted goblets and dinnerware.

On Sat., Feb. 22, there will be a reception with wine and cocktail nibbles, coffee and sweets to introduce the artists and their work to the community after 4 p.m. mass. All are invited to the mass and reception.

On Sun., Feb. 23, the display and sale of the artists’ work will again be available after the 8:30 and 11 a.m. masses. All are invited to the mass and reception.
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Don Wenig is owner and co-founder of Dancing Feet Yoga Center. He has practiced yoga for 27 years and began his teaching career at the Center For Yoga, Los Angeles, CA in 1981. Don’s early training was with Anna Forrest, Manuso Manos, Angela Farmer and Victor Van Kooten, Tracy Rich and Ganga White. His certification is with the White Lotus Foundation. Don is a Phoenix Rising Yoga Therapist, a certified BodyTalk practitioner and master bodyworker.

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Good Works Continue at the Salvation Army’s Community Center

by Paula McHugh

Think “peaceful army,” and a goodly number of people would consider the term an oxymoron, especially at this time in U.S. foreign affairs. “Peaceful Army” is no oxymoron when one thinks of the mission of the Salvation Army.

More than 96 nations today embrace the Salvation Army’s religious and social service activities. Michigan City families and individuals have benefited from its presence in the community since 1892.

For the past two years, the Army had rented space at 113 East 4th Street until they could return to the facility that had been home to their programs for the past 30-plus years. Before purchasing the church in 1972, the Salvation Army had moved its location around the city no less than 16 times. With an updated 7200 square-feet of interior space, it’s safe to say that the facility at the corner of Franklin and Greene Streets will remain the local Army’s home for a long time to come.

In early February, shortly before the Corps Community Center building dedication, The Beacher toured the renovated and expanded space that had originally been the Zion Lutheran Church on South Franklin. Maintenance supervisor Don Nelson led us through the front door so that we could get a view of the expanded church. Soft light sparkled through the original diamond stained glass windows despite the overcast outside. Over on one side, brass instruments and a big bass drum awaited their next opportunity to make a joyful noise.

We followed Don as he led us to the new, enlarged food pantry. In addition to shelf upon shelf of donated canned goods and several freezers, several dozen bags of groceries were waiting to be distributed to needy families. Gil Pontius, co-chair of the building fund campaign, donated the shelving, we learned.

Don next took us to meet Captain Mike Wolfe. Captains Mike and Kathy Wolfe, we learned, moved to Michigan City last summer from Kenosha, Wisconsin. To commit to serving as an officer, each follows a two-year course which includes residency at the Salvation Army School for Training. The former Methodist minister also revealed that he is an Indiana (University) basketball fan, so he’s happy to be in the state renowned for its Hoosier Hysteria. Captain
Wolfe beamed as he showed us his brightly lit office a few steps away from the food pantry.

Community Services Director DeNita Ton looks out the window at the same view as she had for the previous thirty years in old building. She is ecstatic about the placement of her office in the newly constructed addition.

Next we were escorted to the northwest corner of the new addition where DeNita Ton’s office is located. As community services director, DeNita said that she has spent 30 years of her life “in this very building.” She said she cried as she watched the wrecking ball destroy the old parsonage when the renovation project commenced. But then, when the work by architect Roger Potratz and construction engineers from Chester Inc. was completed, DeNita found herself looking out the window at the same view as she had for the previous thirty years. She is ecstatic about the placement of her office in the newly constructed addition. And DeNita praised the work of Potratz and Chester for maintaining the vision to blend the old with the new. The crew, assisted by volunteer construction consultant Sam Johns, preserved the original Garden of Gethsemane mural painted in 1901 by Louis Hanson, as well as the original stained glass windows in the church. The ample seating arrangement in the church now faces the rose, blue and gold translucent windows along Greene St.

Don Nelson, Captain Mike Wolfe and DeNita Ton expressed delight with the spaciousness of their new/old building. Families and individuals who come for assistance can now enjoy an enlarged reception room offering more privacy. Presently, the Michigan City Salvation Army serves around 300 families, providing services that include, in addition to food distribution, help with rent and utilities, clothing and furnishings, prescription help, counseling, youth programs and camping opportunities, and fellowship.

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In 1901, the Glathia Gordon family formed the nucleus of the Salvation Army Band in Michigan City. Glathia served as Army drum-major for thirty years; his wife, Maria, played the tambourine, and son Albert played coronet. Glathia’s father had come to Michigan City with Isaac Elston when the town was first being platted. Glathia was the first Caucasian born in the city. The year was 1837. (From the News-Dispatch, May, 1955).
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The Salvation Army has maintained a more-than century-old presence here, helping who knows how many thousands of needy people throughout that time span. The Army's restored Community Center promises to carry on its mission well into the future.

Community Services Director DeNita Ton is delighted with renovations made, especially the blending of the old (mural and stained glass) with the new (expanded interior space).

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Maureen Van Etten is one of several volunteers who serve as a receptionist at the Community Center. Maureen also is a former Beacher writer.

A history of the Salvation Army is not complete without mentioning its famous band. This mellophone is waiting to make a joyful noise.
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The Children’s Theatre of The Dunes Arts Foundation has reunited several cast members from past productions and welcomes many new faces this season. Joanne Saxon will guide these young aspiring artists through the next seven weeks of rehearsals with performances for “Beauty and the Beast” scheduled for the first two weekends in April. Anyone interested in joining the group may phone 879-8060 for more information.

Dancing Feet Yoga Center is offering YogaKids classes, the internationally renowned yoga education for children, on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. for children ages 4-9. An adult Yoga Teacher Training Certification program will begin April 4th and run through November on the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the month. These weekends are also an excellent opportunity to drop in for enrichment and deepen individual practice. Classes will be held in the DFY studio room #8 here at the Community Center. For registration or more information, phone 872-9611.

Little Star Montessori is ending a week long celebration of education. The children learned about the founder of their school Maria Montessori and participated in fun unusual activities such as pajama day and backwards day. Parents are encouraged to join the activities on Friday by bringing a picnic style lunch to school for themselves, their child and other siblings. The community is invited to watch the annual Peace Walk Parade around the inside of the Community Center beginning at 9:30 a.m.

It looks like we have some great weather coming up for Ice Skating. Our rink is located at the back of the building on the old tennis courts. You may need to bring a shovel on the weekend to remove fresh snowfall. Skating is permitted unless posted otherwise and is at your own risk.

The need for activities that begin later in the evening has been brought to our attention. Is anyone interested in an 8 or 9 p.m. starting time for a stretch and relax class, candle making, jewelry making or poetry reading? How about a Monday night game of checkers and a cup of hot chocolate? Let us know what you’re interested in and we will coordinate the activity. Share your ideas by phoning the Community Center at 879-3845 and leave a message.

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Cost of the two-day workshop is $70. For further information, phone the Art Center at 219/926-4711.

Cartooning Demonstration
This free demo will be given by David Levi at 2 p.m. on Sun., Feb. 23. David has over twenty years of cartooning experience as a full-time caricaturist at trade shows and private parties. He says he would like to show promising young cartoonists that with perseverance and lots of practice, they too can make a living doing something they enjoy.

David will begin teaching cartooning class in March at the Center.

The Chesterton Art Center is located at 115 South Fourth St., Chesterton. Web site: www.chestertonart.com; email address: chestertonart@skyenet.net

Harbor Country Guide Looking For Photos
Shutter bugs who enjoy capturing the many charms of Harbor Country are asked to share their special shots for the new edition of the Harbor Country Guide now in production. Both color and black and white photos are welcome. Subjects can be anything that portrays the flavor of visiting or living in the area. There will be 75,000 Guides printed this year.

The photographer of every picture used will receive a byline and all photos submitted will be returned, providing a stamped, self-addressed envelope of appropriate size is included. Photos must be submitted no later than Feb. 28. Mail them to the Harbor Country Guide, 530 S. Whittaker St. #375, New Buffalo, MI 49117 or drop them off at the Chamber of Commerce office at that address. Questions may be directed to Roger Harvey, 269/469-6257.

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The chicken pot pie was not only delicious, it was large enough to satisfy the likes of Yao Ming, the suddenly famous 7’5” basketball center. Part of “A Cozy Winter Menu,” an evening of the Harbor Nights Enrichment Series, that pie was not only delightful, it was, yes, filling. That was back in January on a cold and blustery evening, when we attendees gathered around Chef Sam Luna of Jenny’s Restaurant and watched him create culinary comfort food in Jenny’s large and gleaming kitchen.

We were a big crowd and once we’d seen the pie assembled and asked Chef Sam and his assistant Seth all our food questions, we were seated in the Brass Room. We were graciously served by that evening’s elegant wait staff, Grant and Merritt Bender, owners of Jenny’s. Once seated, we tackled part of that lovely pot pie, then many of us had the remaining half packaged to enjoy at home. Next came the dessert demo/tasting – when Chef Sam served us the classic Bananas Foster, flamed, rum-flavored and delicately decked over with ice cream (recipe below).

Chef Sam grew up in this neighborhood and like most teenagers, couldn’t wait to get away. Well, after culinary school in Hyde Park, New York, and working several well-known restaurants (including Spago and Wolfgang Puck Catering in Chicago) he then
couldn’t wait to return to Harbor Country. He firmly states, “Michigan is the best.” He enjoys all facets of food preparation and calls cooking a genuine labor of love. Chef Sam creates the menus at Jenny’s, all made from scratch and using seasonal fruits and vegetables, such as Peruvian asparagus.

Most attendees that evening were real foodies, curious about edibles like that exotic sounding Peruvian asparagus, and asked many questions about the staged preparation of the chicken pot pies. It was a super mid-winter comfort food meal with great, friendly service.

This was just one of several food programs presented by Harbor Nights Enrichment Series that are centered around our local chefs. The group was established about six years ago to benefit the students at St. Mary of the Lake School in New Buffalo. During those years, along with the outstanding food presentations, they’ve offered a wide array of versatile programs. Included, annually, there’s a Spring garden walk, an ongoing book group that meets regularly at the Harbor Grand Hotel, décor demonstrations (like Easter eggs and Christmas trimmings) at holidays throughout the year, and several programs featuring interior designers.

But back to food (my favorite subject, as you surely know). Coming up February 27, Chef Javier Cardenas of Casey’s will present a hands-on class in Mexican cooking. There will be a meeting at Timothy’s for a cooking demo March 13th, and “Amuse Bouche,” amuse- the-mouth, a 10-mini-courses program at Miller’s on March 24th. Reservations are required. Phone 269-469-1515 for details before the seats are all taken. Use the same phone number for questions about those interesting non-food programs, too.

How welcome is the warm fireside, the steaming cup of chocolate, the comradeship of books, and the love of family and friends!

— Esthér Baldwin York

**Bananas Foster**

(serves two or, if it’s Yao Ming, one)

1 banana sliced lengthwise
1 T. sugar
1 tsp. cinnamon
1/2 t. nutmeg
1/2 t. vanilla extract
2 T. dark rum
2 scoops vanilla ices cream
1 T. butter

Melt butter in saucepan. Add bananas and sauté until lightly brown. Add sugar, vanilla and spices, and stir to mix. Add rum and cook until a syrup forms. Pour over ice cream. Enjoy.
Once upon a time a while back, I occasionally taught an Internet class for people who were new to computers. The class involved a half-hour lecture using an overhead projector before the “students” (usually over 45 years old) sat down at an Internet terminal for hands-on practice. Most of the students were interested in learning about email. So they were shown how to open an email account. The email bit was usually the first hands-on lesson to cover, but sometimes we had to backtrack so that they could perfect the mouse maneuvers.

Are you still with me? Good. So, before proceeding to the email lesson, the students would practice maneuvering their mice on an easy-to-navigate website. Something simple. Are you sure you’re still with me? OK. All this is simply to tell you about my discovery of what I consider the easiest page that exists to navigate on the Web. I’m happy to tell you about it, but I’m sure I would have been relieved from my Internet teaching duties if I had used it in class. The website is Zombo.com. Simply type in the URL in the address box, press enter, and sit back. That’s it. I’m not going to spoil the surprise by telling you what it does. Yes, it’s G-rated.

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When you are finished with the above-mentioned site (it shouldn’t take too long), then you can move on to something more productive, such as test-taking. Hey! Don’t stop reading! This is really a great website. Billed as the “World’s Largest Testing Center,” queen-dom.com is an amazing place to visit. There are hundreds of tests here ranging from serious to light-hearted. Queendom.com describes itself as “seriously...
entertaining.” Believe me when I say it is. You’ll find tests for health, for love, for your career, and for your brain—those are in the “serious” category. There are an additional 109 “just for fun” tests, too. Tests in the “serious” category are professionally developed and I can vouch for them—having at one time had to administer several of them for a Master’s-level course in Measurement and Evaluation. Here are some examples of tests that you can take and receive instant scoring results and explanations: Classical IQ, Emotional IQ, Self-Esteem, Type A Behavior, Communication Skills, Career Advancement, Team Roles, Assessment of Character Traits, Management Styles, Conflict Resolution, Social Anxiety, and many, many more. Queendom is a treasure trove of free premium tests. The results give you an abridged version, and you can opt to pay for the full assessment results of most of above-mentioned tests.

The “Just for Fun” categories include a Fashion Test, Risk Test, Optimist Test, Liar Test, Revenge Test, and another 104 categories. There are also mind games (“to keep your thinker in mint condition”), trivia quizzes, polls, and surveys too. And if that’s not enough to keep you online for a few hours, you can check out the discussion boards on topics from anxiety to healing poetry to alternative medicine and about a dozen more.

Keep in mind that Fortune 500 companies use many of the tests you’ll find at this website. Just about everyone can find something useful here. Another likable aspect of queendom.com is that you can use it anonymously (without signing up) or you can join it for free and save all of your test profiles, if you wish. Either way, it’s very nice to be able to do take some of the same tests that you would pay big bucks for in an offline environment. Not to mention getting instant feedback of your test results, along with some constructive suggestions for improvements.

Take a look, but set aside a chunk of free time before you head over to this website. You might end up lingering there longer than you thought you would.

(Comments? Questions? Send them to left2write@hotmail.com with “cyberscribbles” in the subject heading).
Bill Stark Attends World Scout Jamboree in Thailand

by Mary Fox

The Michigan City resident left O’Hare Dec. 26 with about 100 Boy Scouts from South Dakota to Kentucky, returning Jan. 11. After being on planes for 26 hours and a two-hour bus ride, they joined 10,000 Scouts at the Jamboree site. During the next two weeks, he met teen boys and girls from around the world. (Other countries have co-ed troops.) He now lists as friends Scouts from Germany, Thailand, Italy, Sweden, Holland, Japan, Belgium and Wales. He had looked forward to meeting Scouts from Kenya but was unable to find any. The cross-country and track runner at Wanatah School wanted to meet people from the country that heralds the world’s fastest runners.

Bill Stark has cooked for Italians and Thai, has exchanged e-mail addresses with Malaysians and Indonesians and has heard music from many cultures around the globe.

Before Dec. 26, the member of Troop 876, which meets at Queen of All Saints Church, had traveled no farther than Canada. Now, having been to the 2003 World Scout Jamboree in Thailand, the eighth-grader has made an acquaintance with people of many cultures.

“I felt it was going to be a once-in-a-lifetime experience and that there would be a lot of people that I would meet,” he said of the trip, adding, “I was right.”

Weeks before the jamboree, Scouts attended an orientation session in Indianapolis. There, they learned about Buddhism and other facets of Thai culture. They were told, for instance, that a likeness of the king is on Thai currency. With the image of the king on coins, it is considered disrespectful to stop a coin with a foot.

During the Jamboree, Scouts from other countries got to know each other through joint projects, workshops and activities. One night Bill’s patrol was to invite patrols from other countries to have dinner with them. They cooked for Thai and Italian patrols. As a service project, he joined a group in painting a wall on the beach that had “Protection Against AIDS” as its theme. Language was explored in a workshop on the art of language. There, Scouts learned how to make writings that looked like ancient transcriptions. Bill was able to help with the celebration of Ayuttthaya, the old capital of the country, by weaving a paper fish. Jamboree Scout staff from Thailand and Holland showed them how to make phlai oil, which soothes mus-
cle pain, through ingredients such as palm oil, cloves, camphor and ginger. Scouts were asked to share their culture through drawings. Bill's drawing of a person playing baseball was sent to a grade school.

Among the entertainment were fire dancers, a Brazilian band and Scottish bagpipers. During recreational hours, Bill watched fellow Scouts play soccer and takraw, a game with a smaller ball in which players use body parts other than legs and arms to move the ball along.

One did not have to go far to see sites unusual to a U.S. Scout. Bill recalled an elephant trainer resting in the tusks of an elephant.

A popular activity at the Jamboree for the Scouts is to trade Scout patches and uniform attire. “I have an entire Thai Scout uniform,” Bill is able to boast. He secured that by trading an old uniform. However, he did not come back with one of the most popular items – Dutch wooden shoes. “The entire Holland troop had them,” he said. “You had to trade a whole uniform or a ton of patches.”

In trading patches, Scouts were able to ascertain the friendliness of others. “It’s very easy to trade with Pakistanis,” Bill said. “You trade with one Pakistani, they all want to trade with you.” Scouts from Bangladesh dropped off numerous items with Bill’s patrol, not even wanting to trade them. “They were very nice,” Bill said.

During the trip, the Scouts visited the king’s summer palace, which consisted of two modest buildings. Bill explained that extravagance is contrary to Buddhist beliefs. “Buddhism basically states that to be happy one must not have many wants.”

After leaving the Jamboree, U.S. Scouts spent time in Bangkok visiting five Buddhist temples. They saw the Emerald Buddha, one of the oldest Buddhas, as well as the Reclining and Golden Buddhas.

Bill’s parents, Donna and Bill Stark, both teachers at Wanatah School, felt the Jamboree would be beneficial for their son. Bill’s father said, “I thought it was an opportunity that he would have only once and that it would be a good experience for him.”

Bill is e-mailing friends from the Jamboree and looking toward to the next international assembly of Scouts in four years. “Hopefully, I’ll be able to go to the one in the United Kingdom in 2007,” he said.
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This year’s theme is “The Old West.” The ACS is looking for teams of runners and walkers for its annual Relay for Life fundraiser, June 27-28, to be held at LaPorte County fairgrounds. The 18-hour walk/run raised a total of $112,000 last year here in LaPorte County. This year’s goal is $115,000.

For more information on the chili supper, phone Laura New at 874-3640. To register for the relay, phone the ACS toll-free at 866/522-2111.
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7:30-9 p.m. MUSIC HERITAGE SERIES: FEBRUARY DELIGHT. The Save the Tunes Council asks “Who says we should skip February?” Join them as they answer this question with tunes about Groundhogs Day, Valentine’s Day, Presidents’ Day and Black History Month. Meet at Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22
1:30-3 p.m. WONDERS OF WINTER. Experience the beauty of dune country in winter. Look for animal tracks, insect homes, and other signs of life in the leafless forest while learning their survival strategies and other fascinating winter trivia. Meet at Cowles Bog parking lot adjacent to Dune Acres.

3 p.m. FEEDING TIME AT CHELLBERG FARM. Help Farmer Jim feed the farm animals while learning of their importance to the early farmers of Northwest Indiana. Meet at Chellberg Farm barn.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23
1:30-3:30 p.m. WINTER WATERFOWL. Join a ranger for a slide show featuring the birds that spend the winter in the marshes, ponds and lakes in the dunes. Learn why they stay and how they survive in these frigid waters, then carpool to Lake Michigan to see who’s here. Bring binoculars and bundle up. Meet at Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center.

3 p.m. FEEDING TIME AT CHELLBERG FARM.
For more information, phone 926-7561, ext. 225.

Free Listing of Hoosier Historic Places
To make visiting and enjoying Hoosier historic sites easier, the DNR Division of Historic Preservations and Archaeology has printed a “Historic Indiana” guide. Besides giving a listing of historic sites in the state, this publication includes an explanation and guide to Indiana architectural styles, a glossary of architectural terms, with diagrams, and a bibliography for learning more about Hoosier architecture.

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To learn more about the Indiana Register of Historic Sites and Structures, log on to www.in.gov/dnr/historic
Builders Association of LaPorte County

Builders Association of LaPorte County announces the release of the new 2003 membership directory. This directory is provided free to anyone looking to have a new home built or planning a remodeling project this year. Just call the Builders Association office at 219-326-0624 for a copy of the new directory while supplies last. The free membership directory also includes a handy check list for hiring a contractor and information on the Quality Assurance Builder Standards program.

Chocolate! Program at County Library

The South Bend Chocolate Company will share some interesting facts about chocolate and offer samples in the large meeting room at LaPorte County Public Library, 904 Indiana Ave., LaPorte. This program will take place on Thurs., Feb. 27, 4 p.m., and is intended for 6th graders through adults. It is free and part of the library’s Love Your Library Month events.

Signing for the hearing impaired is available by phoning 219/362-6156 two days ahead of the event.

Girl Scouts Annual Tasting Tea

The Girl Scouts of Singing Sands Association 3 Annual Tasting Tea will take place on Sun., Feb. 23 from 2-4 p.m. This event will be held at the Michigan City High School Cafeteria at 8466 Pahs Road, Michigan City.

Scouts will share their knowledge as individual troops portray a country and sell a taste of food they have learned about for 10 cents each. These troops will donate half of their sales to the Juliette Low Friendship Fund for a group donation. This event is open to the public and is accessible for strollers and wheelchairs. For more information, phone Maria at 872-5992.

Call For Entries to Art Show

The Art Barn of Valparaiso announces the 10th Annual Juried Art Exhibition. Over $3,000 in awards have been pledged so far to be given to artists. Artists 18 and over are invited to enter the competition. Entry forms must be postmarked no later than Sat., March 15. Stop in at the Art Barn and pick up an entry form or phone 219/462-9009 to have one mailed to you.

The 10th Annual Juried Art Exhibition opening will be held on Sat., April 5, at 7 p.m. The awards will be presented at 8 p.m. that night. Everyone is invited to attend the opening, enjoy the artwork, and meet the artists. Refreshments will be served. The Art Barn is located at 695 North 400 East, Valparaiso. Email address is ArtBarnIN@aol.com; fax is 219/462-8520.

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Activities to Explore

In the Local Area:

February 20 — Books and Coffee series. Caramelo by Sandra Cisneros reviewed by Dr. Kathleen Mullen, associate professor of English. 4 pm in the Union Great Hall, Valparaiso University. Free & open to the public. Discussion follows review.


February 21 — Bookmarks at Noon. Prey by Michael Crichton will be reviewed by Dennis Norman. At the MC Public Library. Free.


February 21-23 — Notre Dame's 50th Anniversary: A Celebration of the Arts. Public invited to attend:

Fri.—1-3 pm Artists who are parish members will set up from 1-3 pm to demonstrate their art to students. Sat.—Reception for the artists and display of their work after 4 pm mass. Sun.—Display and sale of art in the church vestible after the 8:30 & 11 am masses.

February 21-23 — “Same Time, Next Year.” Presented by the Footlight Players. Curtain time 8 pm on Fri & Sat; Sun matinee at 2 pm. Tix $9; reservations at 874-4035. Footlight Theatre, 1705 Franklin St., Michigan City.

February 23 — Great Books. 2 pm at the MC Public Library. To be discussed: The Possessed by Fyodor Dostoyevsky (completing what was started in January). Confirm reading material for next month at the Circulation Desk or phone 873-3049.

February 23 — Tasting Tea presented by the Girl Scouts of Singing Sands Assoc. 3. 2-4 pm in the MC High School cafeteria. Individual troops portray a country they studied and sell a taste of food they have learned about for 10 cents. Half of the proceeds go to the Juliette Low Friendship Fund.

February 25 — Books and Coffee series at Purdue North Central. 4:30-5:30 pm in the Library-Student-Faculty Bldg. Assembly Hall, room 02. This week—Another Planet: A Year in the Life of a Suburban High School by Elinor Burkett, reviewed by Barbara Austin, academic advisor, humanities. Free & open to the public.

February 25 — Great Decisions. 6:30 pm. This foreign policy group returns for a 5th season. Meetings twice a month through May. Registration is limited; phone the Michigan City Public Library, 873-3049 to
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register and for reading material.


February 25 — Harbor Country Book Club. 7:30 pm (EST) at the Harbor Grand Hotel, New Buffalo. This month: fiction only—Unless by Carol Shields.

February 26 — Basic Internet class at LaPorte Co. Public Library, 904 Indiana Ave., LaPorte. Three classes: 9:30 am, 1:30 pm or 6:30 pm. Register at 219/362-6156. Free.


Places to Visit:

Barker Mansion, 631 Washington St., Michigan City. Guided tours on Mon-Fri, 10 am, 11:30 am. Adm. $4/adults, $2/kids 18 and under, free/kids under 3.

Great Lakes Museum of Military History, 360 Dunes Plaza, Michigan City. Info 872-2702 or on the web at www.militaryhistorymuseum.org

LaPorte County Historical Museum, county complex in downtown LaPorte, Indiana. Hours 10 am-4:30 pm, Tues-Sat. Adm. free; donations welcome. 219/326-6808, ext. 276 or www.lapcohistsoc.org.

New Buffalo Railroad Museum, 530 S. Whittaker St., New Buffalo, MI. Open Mon-Fri, 9 am-5 pm; Sat-Sun, 10 am-3 pm (MI time). Info 269/469-5409.

John G. Blank Center for the Arts, 312 E. 8th St., Michigan City. Gallery hours Mon-Fri, 10 am-4 pm; Sat, 10 am-2 pm. 874-4900. New exhibits: “African & Oceanic Art from the Lawrence P. Kolton Collection” and “Seasons” in the Area Artists Gallery. On display Jan. 11-March 15.

Farther Afield:

February 23 — Irish and Greek Lectures. 2 pm in the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. Phone 773/282-7035. Both lectures will discuss the Irish and Greeks who vacationed or bought summer homes in SW Michigan. Tix $5. A project of the Berrien County Historical Assoc.

February 26 — Winter Video series at Krasl Art Center, 707 Lake Blvd., St. Joseph, MI. This week: “Elizabeth Catlett: Sculpting the Truth.” Free & open to the public. Bring your lunch; coffee will be served. Art instructor T.L. Pliger will lead a discussion after the video. Noon (EST). Info 269/983-0271 or www.krasl.org

Through March 2 — Notre Dame Architecture Student Drawings: Designs for a New Snite Museum. New exhibit at the Snite Museum of Art on the campus of Notre Dame University, SouthBend. Adm. free. Regular galler hours: Tues & Wed, 10 am-4 pm; Thurs-Sat, 10 am-5 pm; Sun, 1-5 pm; closed Mon & holidays. Info 574/631-5466.
Travels with Charley:

Discovering Pearls of Great Price from China in Three Oaks

by Charles McKelvey

And, no, those were not echoes of the western New Year which was ushered in on January 1. Those were fresh salutations offered to celebrate the Chinese New Year of the Sheep which began on Saturday, February 1, and in Three Oaks, as in China, they were expressed in the Mandarin dialect as: “Shin Nien Kwai Luh.”

Sometimes you don’t have to travel far to really travel far. Please consider the following dispatch from your faithful “Travels with Charley” correspondent whose passport has long since expired and whose memories of actual travel in Asia are as distant as 1969:

“Happy New Year” greetings reverberated through the hallowed halls of Three Oaks Post 204 of the American Legion on Sunday, February 2.

Some members of the Berrien County Families with Children from Asia and their guests even went so far as to join their hands together and bless one another by repeating: “Gong Xi” which is a Chinese way of bestowing prosperity on loved ones for the coming year.

Sue and Mark Strieter, of Harbert, organized the event for the second year in a row and were absolutely thrilled with the turn-out of more than 50 people, including three exchange students from China, and, of course, the Strieter’s six-year-old adopted daughter from China, Pearl.

While Pearl happily played in English and Chinese with her friends from China, Vietnam, the Philippines, South Korea, Guatemala, and Haiti, Sue Strieter explained that the informal organization grew out of happy fortune.
“There we would be at a grocery store or in a restaurant — a white couple with an Asian child — and we’d just start talking. In our case, we were with Pearl and my mom and dad at the Featherbone Restaurant in Three Oaks about four years ago, and there was a mirror of us at a table across from us.”

That mirror turned out to be Art and Debbie Stolte and their adopted daughter from China, Sara.

Such coincidental contacts quickly grew into an ad hoc organization that not only provides support for those undergoing the lengthy and often convoluted adoption process, but offers three annual social events.

In addition to the Chinese New Year’s celebration at the American Legion in Three Oaks, the group also gathers for a beach party in July and an “August moon” picnic. Many members, such as the Strieters, are planning to take their adopted children back to the lands of their birth.

“We see these children as a bridge between two cultures,” Sue Strieter said. “They are clearly growing up in America and being educated in our system, but we are ensuring through events like this that they appreciate their heritage, customs, culture, and language.”

Emily Sara of Sawyer shows off the symbol for “long life” painted on her cheek.

Chinese exchange student Ling Qin (l) with her Chinese-American hostess, Lilly Vande Zande.
To demonstrate, the children ceased playing in English and performed a series of songs and dances in Chinese. One was a dance with song about a clay doll.

Watching Pearl and her friends perform with the ease of native speakers of Chinese, Sue Strieter said: “The song helps them learn the Chinese words for their body parts.”

Ling Qin, an exchange student at River Valley High School from Chongqing, China, said she was delighted to have been included in the New Year’s celebration. Ling Qin is living with the Vande Zande family in Bridgman. She has thus been able to provide tutoring in Chinese to the Vande Zande’s six-year-old daughter from China, Lilly.

Ling Qin, along with her fellow exchange students Yuan Gong and Yu Shi, also demonstrated to one and all why China dominates the sport of “ping pong.”

A group of native-born American males gathered around the table to watch the Chinese women play what is called “ping pong” in China and all wisely resisted the urge to take a turn at the table.

“Just look at the way they’re holding those paddles,” one of the American men said. “I don’t think I’m ready for that level of competition.”

But if you are ready to adopt a child in a country such as China or Vietnam, please feel free to call Sue Strieter at 269/426-4322 for ways in which the Berrien County Families with Children from Asia can provide support and encouragement.

Meanwhile, may you have “Gong Xi” throughout the year of the Sheep.
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On February 20, 1792, President George Washington signed an act creating the United States Post Office.

On February 20, 1962, John Glenn, in his Mercury space capsule, became the first American to orbit the earth, circling the globe three times before landing in the Atlantic.

On February 20, 1965, the unmanned “Ranger 8” spacecraft, after sending back thousands of pictures, crashed on the surface of the Moon.

On February 21, 1804, the first self-propelled steam railway locomotive was demonstrated in Mid-Glamorgan, Wales. Built by Richard Trevithich, it pulled a 10-ton load around a 10-mile track.

On February 21, 1838, Samuel Morse gave the first public demonstration of the telegraph.

On February 21, 1866, Lucy Hobbs, upon graduating from the Ohio College of Dental Surgery, became America’s first women dentist.

On February 21, 1878, Connecticut’s New Haven Telephone Company issued the world’s first telephone directory.

On February 21, 1885, the Washington Monument was officially dedicated.

On February 21, 1991, ballerina Dame Margot Fonteyn, an elegant and refined presence on the dance stages of the world for almost 50 years, died, of cancer, at the age of 71.

On February 22, 1819, the United States bought the Florida territory from Spain.

On February 22, 1879, in Utica, New York, Frank W. Woolworth opened the first “five-cent store,” forerunner of the modern “five-and-dime.”

On February 22, 1879, the first women registered for longshore work on the piers of New York.

On February 22, 1889, an act of Congress divided the huge Dakota Territory into the area that now constitutes the states of North Dakota and South Dakota.

On February 22, 1892, Edna St. Vincent Millay, one of the best known of American poets, and winner of the 1923 Pulitzer Prize for poetry, was born in Rockland, Maine.

On February 22, 1924, Calvin Coolidge delivered the first presidential radio broadcast from the White House.

On February 23, 1633, English diarist Samuel Pepys, who became a high government official in the court of King Charles II, was born in London.

On February 23, 1836, the assault on the Alamo began as 5,000 Mexican soldiers, under the command of General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna, laid siege to the Texas fortress, defended by 150 men.
On February 23, 1871, in Louisville, Kentucky, a traveling troupe billed as “Sargent’s Great Vaudeville Company” performed at the Weisiger Hotel. This marked the first time that the word *vaudeville* appeared in an entertainment announcement.

On February 23, 1905, Chicago’s Paul Percy Harris, along with three friends, founded the Rotary Club.

On February 23, 2001, Dale Landsman, creative ad genius who gave Parkay margarine a voice and personality, died, of cancer, at his home in Michigan City, Indiana.

On February 24, 1771, American revolutionary James Otis, in protest against the English habit of “search and seizure,” coined the phrase “*A man’s home is his castle.*”

On February 24, 1785, John Adams was appointed as the first United States Ambassador to Great Britain.

On February 24, 1836, American painter Winslow Homer was born in Boston.

On February 24, 1863, Arizona was organized as a territory.

On February 24, 1903, following the Spanish-American War, the United States acquired a naval station at Cuba’s Guantanamo Bay.

On February 24, 1942, the “Voice of America” went on the air for the first time.

On February 25, 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte escaped from the Island of Elbe to embark on his second conquest of France.

On February 25, 1836, Samuel Colt received a patent for his famous *Colt six-shooter* revolver.

On February 25, 1841, French painter Pierre Auguste Renoir was born in the village of Limoges.

On February 25, 1857, Hiram Revels, Mississippi’s Republican senator, became the first black to serve in the United States Senate.

On February 25, 1870, the first New York City subway line was opened to the public.

On February 25, 1873, Italian Enrico Caruso, one of the world’s greatest tenors, was born in Naples.

On February 25, 1919, Oregon became the first state to levy a tax on gasoline.

On February 26, 1815, American frontiersman and wild west showman, was born in Scott County, Iowa.

On February 26, 1846, William Frederick “Buffalo Bill” Cody, was born in Scott County, Iowa.

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On February 26, 1951, the 22nd Amendment to the Constitution, limiting a president to two terms in office, was ratified.
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The King of Torts by John Grisham

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Our story begins with our hero (?) Clay Carter slaving away in the Office of the Public Defender in Washington, D.C. He’s done this for five years now. He has a girlfriend, Rebecca, whose parents don’t approve of Clay’s job or his prospects for the future. After a very civil (and non emotional, to me) breakup with her, it is apparent that author Grisham’s forte is not in boy-girl relationships. Anyway, back to our story....

“Clay was burned out at the age of thirty-one, stuck in an office he was ashamed to show his friends, looking for an exit with no place to go, and now saddled with another senseless murder case that was growing heavier by the minute.” The murder case involved an inner city black man who walked away from a rehab unit and shot another black man for no reason at all. Funny thing, another PD in his office received a similar case. In a city that is known for senseless crimes, these two stood out for their lack of any kind of motive.

While investigating his case, Clay is approached by Max Pace, a self-proclaimed “firefighter” for large corporations (in other words, the highest bidder). “I get hired by big companies to put out fires. They screw up.....they hire me to quietly enter the picture, tidy up their mess, and, hopefully, save them a bunch of money. Questions?” I think so....

It’s not surprising that Clay’s current murder case has to do with the “screw up” of Max’s client. However, the questions become fewer and farther between when Max announces that Clay’s fee for this job will be ten million dollars. If Clay isn’t interested, Max tells him that he will go to the next lawyer on his list. Carpe diem time?

It doesn’t take a Rhodes scholar to figure out what Clay will do next. His new best friend Max helps him find some swank office space, fancy furniture, computer system, and a whole army of more lawyers, paralegals and secretaries. Clay steals away several of his friends from the OPD and the Law Office of J. Clay Carter II is born.

How much is enough? After this case is settled, Clay could settle down to a normal law office, taking on normal cases, or, he could even retire with the kind of money he received from this settlement. But Max has other ideas and other game. He puts Clay onto another possible drug company law suit with some information no one else seems to have. This case has the potential of adding three more zeros to Clays’ last take. Like sharks circling for the kill, other tort lawyers across the country seek out Clay and a chance to jump on his latest bandwagon as soon as the lawsuit is filed. Is our boy Clay being carefully molded and shaped into something ugly and obscene?

In less than a year, Clay’s photo and story has been plastered all over money magazines and newspapers. The press has dubbed him the “King of Torts” and he is truly riding high. Instead of seeking a better car or nicer clothes as he dreamed of in the OPD, he now found himself looking at a jet and property in the islands. Friends, and especially his accountant, tell him his expenses for the office space and salaries of his huge staff are enough, why not be a little more cautious for the possible lean days ahead?

The clients in these lawsuits, the little guys, are not forgotten by Grisham as he introduces us to several of them and we find out a little of their lives and struggles both pre- and post litigation.

That’s all I’m going to give you. Grisham has written an interesting story about an interesting subject. I highly recommend it. For those of you who have been disappointed with several of his last offerings, I ask you to give him another chance. While lacking the depth of his early books, The King of Torts has great entertainment value.

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