

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2004



A boy and his big Easter basket are poised for pell-mell egg hunt action at the annual Easter Festival held Saturday at the T-Bays Soccer Fields on Keystone Road. Hundreds of youngsters, divided into three separate age groups, scrambled to pick up plastic eggs containing candy and pieces of paper listing prizes.



Children pose for a photo inside a giant Easter basket. Kids also had a chance to register to win one of three bikes. Easter Festival 2004 was presented by Meijer, McDonalds and local radio stations Classic Hits — The Fox and The Peak.



Easter event hoppy time

Festival offers egg hunt and bike raffles for area families



Wearing appropriate bunny shades, Ana Walters, 3 1/2, chomps on candy after hunting for Easter eggs. The Traverse City resident was attending her third Easter Festival with her parents, Cindy and Gary Walters.



Above: After youngsters enjoyed the traditional Easter egg hunt, older children and adults had a chance to play a few games for prizes — including an egg on the spoon race.

Left: Danielle Smith, representing local radio station The Fox, gets into the spirit of the Easter season as she paints children's faces with a variety of colors and images.

Herald photos by Garret Leiva

TC HAPPENINGS

Things to do, places to go, people to see

Nature hike

Hike along the Boardman River with the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy's land protection specialist Matt McDonough at 9 a.m., Saturday. Call Erin Anderson at the Regional Conservancy for directions and reservations at 929-7911.

Hot Wheels, cool deals

Toy car lovers won't want to miss the Hot Wheel and die cast swap and sale from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday at the VFW hall, 3400 Veterans Drive. The sale includes old toys, NASCAR and sports memorabilia. For more information, call 941-1023.

Musical meal

Have "Lunch with the Maestro," for a discussion of the weekend program by Kevin Rhodes and pianist Ralph Votapek at 11:30 a.m., Friday at the Traverse City Golf and Country Club. For reservations or details, call 947-7120.