Around the Neighborhood

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2004

Frigid family fun at Vasa

Ski race, egg hunt and frozen fish toss part of Vasa Family Fun Day



Children try their hand at flinging a frozen fish into a bucket at the Vasa Family Fun Day. Meanwhile, the big kids used both under and overhand techniques to see who could throw a frozen fish the furthest.





Above: Racers crouch at the starting line as they prepare to kick and glide to victory in a series of children's ski races on the Vasa trail. Family Fun Day also featured snowshoe races, a frozen fish toss, an egg hunt, biathlon and plenty of free food.

Left: Emma Schwab, 3, of Williamsburg makes skiing seem like child's play as she prepares for a ski race Sunday at the Family Fun Day held at the Vasa trailhead in Acme Township.

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Far left: Children scramble down the ski trail as they search for more than 300 plastic eggs hidden by Vasa Family Fun Day volunteers.

Left: The biathlon event tested both skiing and shooting skills. Participants fired off three paintball gun pellets at a large wooden target then skied around a bale of hay.

TC HAPPENINGS

Things to do, places to go, people to see

Insightful seminar

"You Should Know This About Me ..." A seminar featuring Dr. Meg Meeker, author of "Epidemic: How Teen Sex is Killing Our Kids," will be offered from 9:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, at the First Congregational Church, 6105 Center Road. A \$5 suggested donation will benefit House of Hope. Child care will be provided. For more information, call 946-5350.

Shedding light on the subject

The Grand Traverse Lighthouse Museum winter lecture series will continue with a slide program "Historic Lighthouses and Their Preservation," by author/photographer Wayne Sapulski from 7:30 to 9 p.m., Tuesday at the Great Lakes Maritime Academy on East Front Street. The program will be followed by a facility tour. Admission is \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door. For more information, call 386-7195.