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week.

He said the college also will consider making cuts in programs, staff and services.

The college's board of trustees approved the tuition and fee increase at a special meeting of the board Wednesday morning. The flat 9 percent increase will apply to Grand Traverse County, Michigan and out-of-state residents.

Tuition for Grand Traverse County students will rise from \$58 to \$63.20 per contact hour; for Michigan residents from \$101 to \$110.10 per contact hour; and for out-of-state students from \$126 to \$137.35 per contact hour.

## MARCH 15

## 3 more students charged

TRAVERSE CITY — Two more Traverse City St. Francis students and a Traverse City Central student face assault charges in connection with two fights between groups of high school students last fall.

Prosecutor Dennis LaBelle said Friday that he would charge Central student Michael P. Boudrie, 16, as a juvenile in Grand Traverse Probate Court for breaking the nose of a St. Francis student at a fight on Oct. 26.

Boudrie suffered a broken jaw in a fight the next night. LaBelle said he decided to charge any student who, according to evidence, brought a bat to the Oct. 27 fight or punched or kicked Boudrie while he was on the ground.

In that fight, misdemeanor assault charges were authorized Friday against St. Francis students Matthew Thornton and Colin Quinn, both 18. Two other 18-year-old St. Francis students, John R. Bourdon and Richard "Mac" Schilling, have agreed to plead guilty to misdemeanor assault charges Tuesday in the same case.

## MARCH 16

## Reservists pack it up

TRAVERSE CITY — For

the men and women of the 182nd Army Reserve transportation company, the next days, weeks and months will hold many unknowns.

But this weekend, at least, the duties were clear. They were to prepare for a 7 a.m. Monday deployment to Fort McCoy, Wis.

About 150 soldiers make up the Traverse City unit. Most live in the area but some travel from downstate and the Upper Peninsula.

The unit, trained to transport bulk fuel, will make the two-day trip to the mobilization station in Wisconsin. They don't know how long they will stay, what exactly they will be doing or where they might end up.

## MARCH 16

## Deputy, suspect wounded

EAST JORDAN — A car-theft suspect and a Kalkaska County Sheriff's deputy were each hospitalized with gunshot wounds, following a gun battle that took place during a four-county, multi-vehicle chase.

Charlevoix County Sheriff George T. Lasater said the deputy "took buckshot to the face and chest." The deputy was wearing his bullet-resistant vest, and apparently suffered only non-life-threatening injuries to his cheek, Lasater said. The deputy was taken to Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. No word on his condition was available.

The deputy returned fire, shooting the male suspect in the upper leg. The names of both men were being withheld Saturday.

The suspect was arrested in downtown East Jordan, after police spun-out his vehicle and surrounded it.

## MARCH 18

## Anti-war march in TC

TRAVERSE CITY — Protesters against a possible war with Iraq took their case to the Traverse City streets Saturday during a peace march held downtown.

The anti-war rally has been a weekly occurrence for sev-



Record-Eagle file photo/Jim Bovin

## Demonstrators are taken into custody at an anti-war rally.

eral months, but Saturday marchers walked to the beat of war drums pounding ever-so-more loudly.

Marchers are well-aware that time might be running out for a peaceful resolution to the Iraqi conflict.

## MARCH 18

## Girl wins trip to Bee

TRAVERSE CITY — Aubrey Blanche had no idea what the word enthalpy means. But she knew how to spell it.

The 14-year-old won the 22nd Annual Grand Traverse Regional Spelling Bee Sunday and a trip to the national competition in May.

Blanche, an eighth-grader at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton school in Traverse City, outlasted 34 fifth- to eighth-graders from around the region.

After she won the 105-minute competition at Milliken Auditorium she admitted she didn't know

enthalpy is a scientific word that roughly means heat content.

She will represent the area in the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee May 25 in Washington, D.C.

## MARCH 19

## Parking violators beware

TRAVERSE CITY — Parking scofflaws beware — the city will be coming after you with a bigger hammer this year.

The city commission approved two ordinance changes Monday night targeting repeat parking violators. One allows the city to tow or immobilize vehicles with six or more unpaid parking tickets, while the second will increase parking fines to \$75 for individuals incurring six or more tickets over a year.

The changes were recommended by the city's Downtown Development Authority because of complaints from downtown busi-

ness owners upset with employees taking up metered parking spaces that are supposed to be for shoppers and visitors.

## MARCH 19

## Hurt TC man faces charges

KALKASKA — A man accused of shooting a deputy while leading police on a four-county chase remained hospitalized Monday for a gunshot wound but will be turned over to the Kalkaska County jail when released by his doctor.

The names of the 31-year-old Traverse City man and the injured deputy are being withheld pending the man's arraignment, Kalkaska County Prosecutor Brian Donnelly said. Neither suffered life-threatening injuries.

The deputy has been released from the hospital after being treated for buckshot wounds to the face and chest. He has been with the Kalkaska County Sheriff's Department for less than a year, Undersheriff Bill Spencer said.

## MARCH 21

## 3 students plead guilty

TRAVERSE CITY — Three students pleaded guilty Tuesday to misdemeanor assault charges stemming from a fight last fall between students from St. Francis and Traverse City Central high schools.

Three 18-year-old St. Francis students — Richard "Mac" Schilling, John R. Bourdon and Colin P. Quinn — entered guilty pleas Tuesday. They face up to 93 days in jail at their sentencing April 16.

The charges stem from a fight between two groups of students from the two schools that took place at Traverse City East Junior High in the early morning of Oct. 27. That incident followed an altercation the previous night that was cut short when more students from Central than St. Francis showed up for what the students termed a "pre-

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