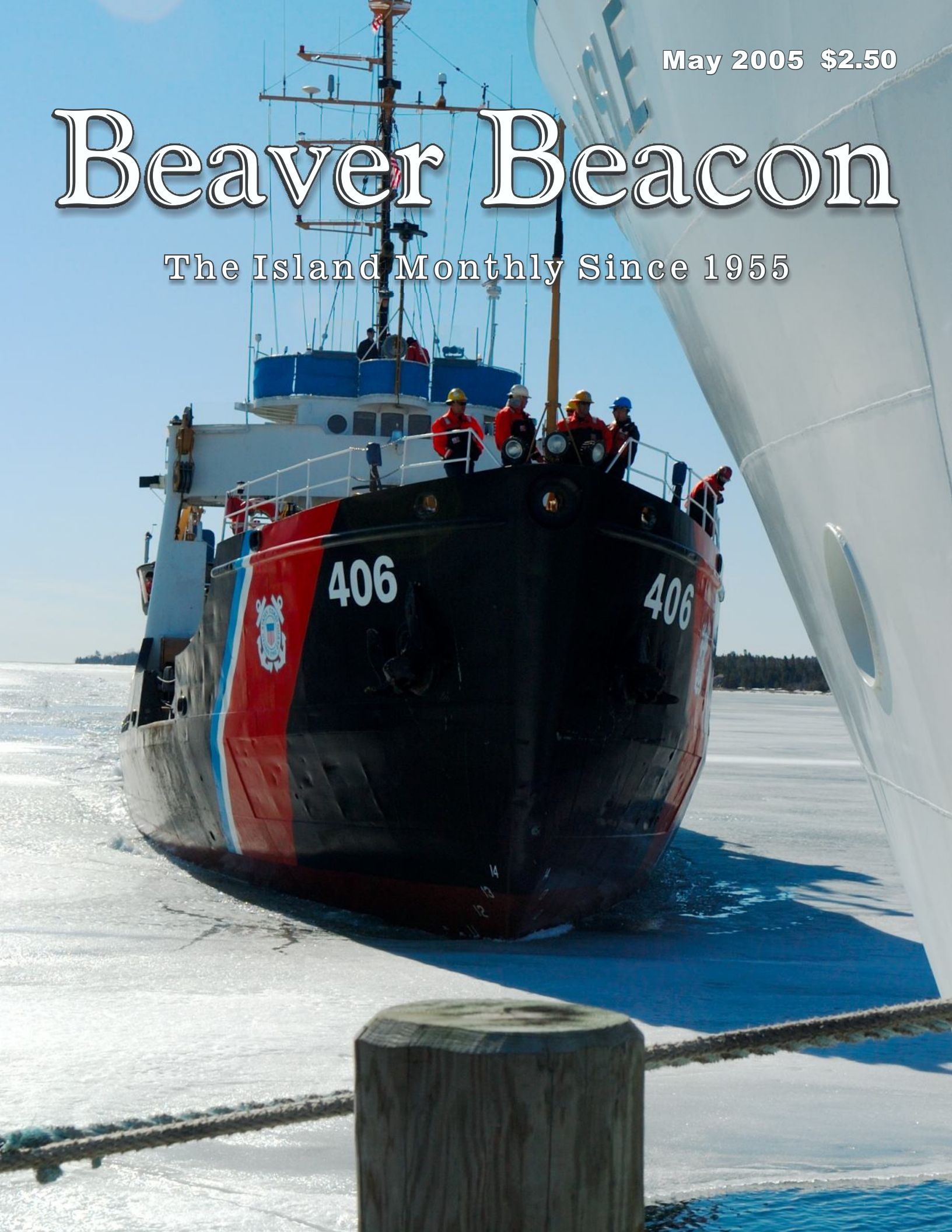


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Mary Margaret, 1938

## Phil and Lil Gregg: Beaver Island Citizens of the Year

The Chamber of Commerce held its 4<sup>th</sup> annual *Citizen of the Year* Banquet at the Stoney Acre Grill in late April. Despite the abundance of fine nominees, everyone was pleased when Phil and Lil Gregg were announced as the winners.

Chamber Director Steve West adroitly warmed up the crowd and then turned the mike over to President Kathy Speck. "You know, as I was preparing the outline for my speech for tonight (I might add I was sitting by the pool in Key West having coffee in the early morning last week while I was doing this!)," she began. "I thought about not only tonight's nominees, but also the last few years' nominees. I also thought about those people who have never been nominated, but who are always doing things to make Beaver Island a better place to live and work. It is amazing for such a small community, the number of people who volunteer in so many ways. Most of the work these volunteers do to make Beaver Island a special place is behind the scenes. They ask for no special praise, and you won't always find their names written in the newspapers. But, their deeds do not go unnoticed, and that's the



reason we are here tonight.

"Since we started this recognition program three years ago, we have never had a lack of good nominations. With that in mind I would like to introduce each of the nominees. As I announce each one, would you please stand while I read a few quotes from the letters that were written about you.

### Father Pat Cawley:

"Not only is Father Pat a wonderful and uplifting priest in the Catholic community here on the Island, he is also a great influence and friend to many other people and our children.' 'He makes time in his busy schedule to take kid's groups skiing or to cheer for our kids at various sports events.' 'My kids love to go to church to hear what story or joke he will tell, and while they are

there they are learning and don't even know it.' 'I don't just think of Father Pat as just *our Catholic Priest*, he is the bearer of good news to all who will listen, friend to many, and brother to all.'

### Bud and Barb Cruickshank:

" 'They deserved to be honored mainly for all they have done and been involved in, and yet they stayed in the background, never

expecting credit or thanks.' 'What a wonderful world this would be if more people would give their time and energy and from their hearts without expecting a pat on the back or to be paid for what they did.' 'They also always have a smile or friendly hello to all that meet them on the street.'

### Laraine Dawson:

"This person wrote 'because of the hundreds of hours she has volunteered over the years to enhance a wide variety of community musical events.' 'To the best of my knowledge, she is the only organist living here year round. This is a distinction she must sometimes find exhausting because it keeps her in great demand.' 'Just recently Laraine spent many hours practicing and playing for not only her Christian Church services,

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but also for multiple Holy Cross Easter services and those at the Episcopal Church; it got to the point on Good Friday that she was literally dashing from church to church with only minutes to spare between services!' 'During the fall, along with Judi Meister, she practices with the Cantata Choir for several months, making possible what has become a treasured highlight of the Christmas season on Beaver Island.' 'All Beaver Island residents are lucky that, with a twinkle in her eye and an infectious smile, Laraine continues to say yes to providing melodious accompaniment to so many important community gatherings.'

#### **Robert and Lisa Gillespie:**

"Both have owned and operated solid respectable businesses on the Island.' 'Lisa also does a great job of organizing the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade, the annual roast, and many other cultural events.' 'Robert builds excellent quality business and municipal buildings as well as docks and sea walls and also does many small volunteer jobs quietly for civic organizations, which improve the ambiance of the town.'

#### **Phil and Lil Gregg:**

"One person wrote 'the reason we include both of them is because the goodwill and volunteer work they have done to make the Island a better place, has been done by both of them.' 'Optimism is one of the building blocks of their lives, you hardly ever hear either of them say anything negative about anyone or anything, they always try to

bolster everyone and everything.' 'Volunteers should be the middle names of Phil and Lil since they rarely refuse to do what is asked of them or to say *sure we'll get that done or do that for you.*' Another wrote 'in the summer, visitors come to the Post Office with questions or ask for directions. A lot of the time I don't know the answers so I send them over to the Gregg house. They always come out and chat with people, not only answering their questions, but entertaining them with Island lore.' 'Lil has worked for the Post Office for almost 31 years. In that time she has only used sick leave one time!!' Another person wrote 'their work for the community has not been only for improvement of its business climate and economy, but also for the improvement of the individual lives and the improvement of all the Islanders' welfare.' 'From mimeographing the *Beacon* and building boats with high school students to their active leadership in the growth of the Christian Church, Phil and Lil have done over the past 45 years just as much if not more than any other couple on Beaver Island.' And another wrote 'Wherever people need help, Phil and Lil are there. That has been their natures since they have been on the Island.'

#### **Henry Hill:**

"My father, who will celebrate his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday April 26<sup>th</sup>, first came to the Island with his parents in 1917, eighty-eight years ago! This probably makes him the longest summer resident on the Island.' 'Publicly, my father is known

for his interest in the governance of the Island as well as its rich history.' 'He is the author of *Tales From The Other End of the Island*, a book that represents an important contribution to the knowledge of early Island history. He has also participated in the Oral History Project.' On a humorous note about Henry Hill, this person also wrote 'After spending many summers as a child at the other end of the Island, and at Nomad, he brought his bride back for their honeymoon. He even tried to convince my mother that he had the ferry renamed in her honor; the ferry then in use was the *Mary Margaret*!'

#### **Alvin LaFreniere:**

"Alvin, born and raised on Beaver Island...has spent countless hours serving on the boards of the Historical Society and the Beaver Island Wildlife Club and working diligently on their many projects.' 'Alvin was one of the driving forces that made Beaver Island's AmVets Post 46 become a reality. AmVets are responsible for the flags which fly over our Main Street, the proper disposal of worn flags during Flag Day ceremonies, the special observances at the school and war memorial during Veterans Day, scholarships for graduates, and the preservation of the 9-11 memorial at the Fire Station.' 'Alvin has taken upon himself the heart-felt responsibility for keeping the names of all our fallen Island veterans alive in our minds. Each 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Memorial Day and Veterans Day, Alvin recites this list  
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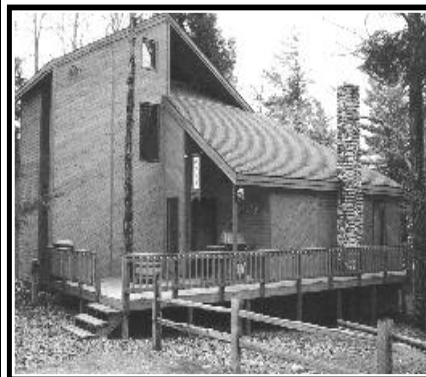
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*Citizens of the Year*, from page 5. of honorable men, reminding us all that the freedom we enjoy and sometimes take for granted came at a very personal cost.'

**Helen Pike:**

"It didn't take long to come up with some good tributes to her by asking a few people. She grew up here, left, then came back in retirement. Even though she is practically blind, she still participates in Hospice. If she wants to get to people, she has other people drive her to deliver cookies, soup, or whatever. She is the Island's oldest resident and has many, many friends who keep her social life alive! Speaking of that, she has kept up her attendance at all functions and parties that she and Mary Bert McDonough were famous for through the years! She has student helpers who thoroughly enjoy her company and ask to come back and be with her. She has a special rapport with these young people; I know this for a fact, because she always asks about my oldest son Chris and how he's doing because she genuinely liked this 'nice young man.' Last summer, when sky-diving was introduced to the Island with many, many people jumping, Helen even remarked that she would like to do it, but her kids stepped in and stopped her. She's only

87; what's the big deal? She has a sharp mind, and she is a 'remarkable Beaver Island lady in every sense of the word.'

"In alphabetical order: **Connie Harris, Betty Hudgins, Donna Kubic, Pam Nicholas, and Sue Solle:**

"These ladies are actually employees of the Beaver Island Rural Health Center, but they have volunteered much of their own time to better serve the Beaver Island Community.' 'They started the Losin' It On Beaver Island program, where they keep the Health Center open Mondays through Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. to let people come in and exercise. They even mapped out a mile course for walking around the Health Center with a way of keeping track of how many miles you have walked. They keep track each week of your weight and blood pressure after you have exercised. The numbers of people showing up every week shows how much this program has been appreciated.' 'Another example of volunteering their own time is the idea that a couple of mornings a week they have opened the Health Center at 7:30 a.m. for those patients who need to get in but can't during the normal hours because of work.' 'The atmosphere up at the Health Center is very enthusiastic; they truly have the best interest of Beaver

Island at heart.' 'They work well together and are obviously very proud of this facility. But most important of all, they really do care about each individual who walks through the door.'

"The last of our nominations is **Grace Matela:**

"Before I read the nomination that was submitted for Grace, I would like to read some excerpts from the letters that were received nominating Grace for Citizen of the Year last year: 'I marvel at the schedule she keeps...at the different hats she wears in the community...at the 'good' she's done. She prefers to work quietly in the background...generally out of the spotlight. She herself speaks often of the wealth of knowledge, the incredible talent and the caring of others that Island residents possess. I believe she is a prime example of that same profile.' Another person wrote 'I can only guess at how many hours she has volunteered over the years because she is the type of person who never draws attention to herself or seeks credit. She quietly sees a need and fills it. I have the utmost respect for her intelligence, wit, and quiet dignity.' These are just a few things that were said about her, but I think we all can say that we believe that she was a true example of a volunteer.

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"Instead of just reading a few excerpts, I would like to read the letter that was written about her this year. It was submitted by the staff of the Rural Health Center. They honored Grace by these words: 'We would like to nominate our dearly departed friend and co-worker Grace Matela for Citizen of the Year. Although Grace is no longer with us in body, we are reminded daily of her winning smile and kind words. Grace was a person of honesty and integrity. We commend her dedication to the Health Center. Grace spent numerous lengthy hours working in the background for the betterment of this facility. She was also committed to the Ellen Welke Fund, and the BI Transportation Authority. Having known this wonderful lady, we would like to see this honor bestowed upon her memory. We believe the entire community would applaud this tribute.'

"I think we should stand up and applaud the life of this wonderful lady.

"As you can tell by the things that were said about all of the nominees, people really do notice what others do in the community. They deserve the recognition that they have received here tonight for their commitment and dedication to making Beaver Island a better place to live, work and visit.

"The Chamber Board made a unanimous decision and feel you will be pleased with our choice. I can't read some of the things that were said without you guessing immediately who it is, but here it goes: One couple wrote 'Slide shows about the Island; coffee and cookies after Church services, School Board member, Library Board member, members of the Beaver Island Historical Society, helping to sponsor activities for both the Beaver Island Community School and the Beaver Island Lighthouse School; we could go on and on about all they have done to make Beaver Island a more enjoyable place to live, but suffice it to say we think their actions speak louder than any words we could put down on paper.' Another said 'I just can't think of any people being more worthy of this award.' And another 'Their numerous contributions have been well delineated by others. May I suggest, it's their turn.' And another person wrote 'As much as they have been involved in leadership, they have steered clear of the politics – an amazing feat in itself!' And another couple wrote 'Their involvements, their projects, their good deeds, and their individual sacrifices for many organizations and individuals are too numerous to mention here. Anyone

who has lived here for any length of time knows how much they have worked for this community. At this time in their life they should be recognized for their almost half-century of service to Beaver Island.'

"And now, Phil and Lil Gregg, would you please come up here as we honor you as the Citizens of the Year. Steve has some special tributes to present to you from the Chamber Board, and then we would like to give you a few moments to speak and of course have your pictures taken for the *NorthernIslander* and the *Beacon*.

"Thank you everyone for coming tonight, and again we appreciate your support of our Beaver Island Chamber of Commerce."

Phil and Lil came up to the mike, full of delight and humility. Phil graciously thanked the Chamber Board, and the audience, saying "I'm glad you gave this to the both of us, because we're a team. Whatever we did, we did together. It's good to take us both, because by ourselves neither one of us is much good." The round of applause that came from the packed house showed that everyone believed Phil and Lil have done so very much to make the Beaver Island community what we have come to know and admire.



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People who arrive on his well-maintained grounds on Paid een Og's's south side to see what unique piece he's working on in his shop first notice the wood stacked outside, primarily lengths of cedar log—his preferred wood, because of its depth and character. When we visited him he showed off something unique: three 12'-long sections of a 40"-wide trunk (of a 350-

400-year-old cedar, according to a ring count) that had been killed in a fire, which rippled a corrugated pattern into its skin. (If this happened in the fire of 1910, the tree was born shortly after the discovery of America.)

Dan hasn't yet decided what this wood will become, but he will. His design approach is intuitive: as he's cutting and air-drying (he makes sure his wood is under 10% water, and usually at 8) and planing, inspiration usually arrives: *this should go into a cabinet*, or *there's a unique bowl lurking in the center of this one*.

His shop (located on the back of his home) is a testament to his creativity as well, with its unusual diamond windows, convenient shelves and tool racks, and interesting trim-work—such as the crowns he's installed above each



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window and door opening. All his equipment is in its place, his planer, band saw, joiner, and lathe, as well as his hand tools. To watch him work is to realize that he certainly knows what he is doing.

He prefers cedar ("99% of the wood I use is from standing dead trees"), but works with whatever he can find. When we were there he showed off pieces from cat's eye yellow birch and bird's eye maple.

Inspiration leads him to create unusual pieces, ranging from palm-size to looming. A few Island stores handle his output, but most is sold out of his shop. People arrive to talk about one thing and frequently see and buy something else. One couple bought and paid for a beautiful and unique three thousand dollar dresser—but

haven't picked it up for six months. Some come to commission a work; he was creating a trestle table with some rough board edges preserved on the bench backs on the day we paid a call. Or he might accept an assignment that takes him out of his shop, such as to build a spiral stairway. For one he built in a home on Fox Lake it took him two years to find the right wood: "I didn't need just one tree."

Perhaps his work is so good because he's doing what he loves. Last year he and a friend teamed up to make a lot of lawn furniture, but not this year: "It was too much like a factory job, making the same thing over and over." He has made over 200 pieces in his shop, and has enjoyed creating each one. "Heck," he said. "It's better than having to take a job."

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## Cold Water Dangers – a reminder to be safe on the water from the Beaver Island EMS

by Ken Bruland, Beaver Island EMS

The ice is finally gone but the cold water is still with us and will be for quite some time. In the spring, the air may be warm but the water is still very cold. We tend to ignore the water temperature on a nice warm day, but warm weather does not cancel out the potential dangers of cold water. The risk of falling into the water or capsizing a boat, canoe, or kayak may be small, but the consequences could be fatal. Did you know that more than 50% of accidental drownings due to boating accidents occur in cold water?

If you have the misfortune of falling into cold water, several things will occur. You will probably involuntarily gasp for air—not a huge problem if your head is above water, but your head more than likely will be under, at least momentarily. Potentially fatal, this is called “cold water shock” and can be prevented in most cases by wearing a life jacket. You can try quickly placing a hand over your mouth as you fall in,<sup>o</sup> but I'd prefer to rely on my life jacket to keep my head above water.

Another thing that will occur is a rapid loss of body heat. Our bodies love

98.6° and don't do well if we're off by even just a couple of degrees—on either side. Since water cools the body 25 times faster than air, it won't take long (minutes or even seconds) for you to begin to lose the ability to function—after about 5-10 minutes in 50° water, you'll lose the ability to use your hands—which may be necessary to grab something to pull yourself to safety. Swimming or thrashing around will only increase the rate of body heat loss. If you are very close (less than 100 yards) from shore, you might want to swim for it and hope you make it, but if you are far off-shore, you are better to remain as still as possible and wait for help. Since we lose around 40% of our heat from above the collarbones, it's worth it to wear a warm hat.

Your heart rate and blood pressure will also dramatically increase, thereby increasing your chances of cardiac arrest. And, as is the case with so many other things, alcohol will only make things worse.

There. Have we scared you to death? Hopefully not. Being on the water in the spring can be a joy. There

are fewer people out there and you can feel like you have the whole lake to yourself. Nature is beginning to show its spring colors, and it is truly beautiful—as any boater knows who has traveled this time of the year. We just want you to be aware of some potential dangers and things you can do to prevent becoming another statistic. Wear a life jacket for floatation and insulation. Wear a warm hat. Remain as still as possible unless you are very close to shore. Don't go out boating alone. Tell someone where you are going and when you plan to return. Keep a set of warm dry clothes with you in a waterproof bag. And enjoy the beauty of spring.

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just to get a feel for how it handles. We each had a turn driving, manning the radio, and being the patient strapped to the cot. After the driving was done, we went to the docks behind what used to be *Out On A Limb*. We were met by two firefighters (who are also MFRs), Tim McDonough and Jim Stambaugh. We brought all of our gear down and pulled



On the afternoon of Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, the high school EMT class (Emily Gray, Christine McDonough, Melissa Bailey, and Krystle Timsak; absent were Jimmy Gillespie and John Albin) entered the cold, icy harbor to do Cold Water Rescue Training. Before hitting the water all of us were able to drive the ambulance at high speeds down the Township Airport runway,



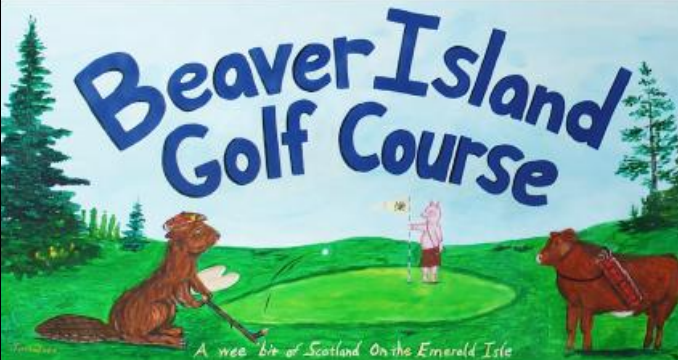
suit on and a rope tied to me, but once I was in the water I didn't want to get out. It was wicked awesome being able to swim in the harbor in March; I mean who gets to do that? On behalf of our EMT class, I want to thank Mr. Moore, our wonderful instructor, and Timmy and Mr. Stambaugh, for helping us learn these new skills. We have had a great year so far!



out our dry suits. We suited up in pairs, since we only had two suits.

Melissa and Christine went first. We practiced floating, getting up on the ice with ice picks, one- and two-person rescue, and getting the patient into a floating cot. I was hesitant about getting into that freezing cold water with a little





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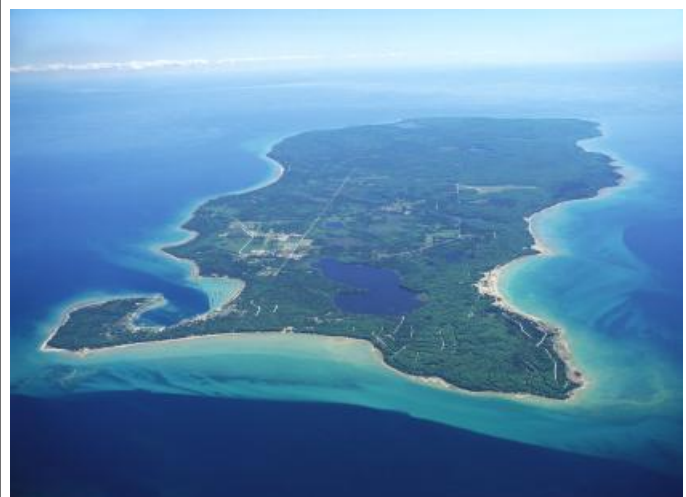
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# When Pirates Ruled Beaver Island

by Mike Weede

On Beaver Island it is important to remember that the concept of being an 'Islander' varies with the current group, or in direct correlation to closing time at the Shamrock! Us 'Islanders' all are well-versed on Irish and Mormon lore and how it has intertwined with our Island home. The comings and goings of certain nationalities are of constant interest to our Island population.

Not so long ago members of our Island paradise were reputed to be a bit like pirates. It has always been challenging to live in a seasonal community, distant from the outside world.

Everyone knows what a pirate is. We have this visualized in our mind. He, or in rare cases she, dresses flamboyantly, wears a patch over one eye, and carries a multitude of weapons. Their speech is pirate jargon, and can be understood by a small percent of listeners (almost always pirates.)

Pirates have been around since man began to sail the oceans. Historically, the Golden Age of Pirates was during the 1600s and 1700s. They were robbers and thieves, cutthroats and scalawags. Occasionally a psychopath was thrown in. Most pirates wanted a merry life, even at the cost of it being short. Before signing on for a pirate cruise, the group set down articles, which they had to abide by, under penalty of death. They also elected a captain, who served at the discretion of the crew. The captain could be voted out, at any time except during a conflict. Beaver Island did not have any of this type of criminal pirates recorded—but more research is needed to clarify some rumors from the 1840s and 50s.

Privateers were another group who would prey upon a certain country's shipping. To be a privateer, you needed a markee (a type of permission slip) from a country at war allowing the raiding of enemy ships. With a markee, enemy ships could legally be stopped and robbed on the high seas. Sometimes permission was granted to sink the ship, to deprive the enemy country of its goods. The country issuing the markee would get a percent of the value of the cargo and ship. Again, there are no records of privateers on Beaver Island.

Another category of opportunist would be called a 'wrecker.' A wrecker could be divided into many subcategories, but there are two main groups: the 'salvors,' and the 'strippers.'

A salvor was a person or group who salvaged a ship or a cargo after a shipwreck. The salvor was designated by law to be the first to reach the wreck site after the ship had been abandoned. In Key West there were at least eight different groups of salvors working during the 1700s and 1800s. Due to its location on a main shipping route, with many shoals and reefs, accidents and wrecks occurred frequently. After the wreck salvaged, the owners and the salvors would go to court for the dispersal of the ship's goods. The settlement was based on the time spent on the salvage, the number of people involved, and the difficulty of the operation. The court would decide what was a fair and just division. Many people became wealthy through this due process!

On the Great Lakes, the ownership of a sunken or abandoned vessel still belongs to the owners and the insurance companies. A different type of salvor was present on the Great Lakes. This was a person or company who was hired by the owner or insurance company to salvage the vessel or as much of the cargo as possible. Sometimes a person would buy the vessel and cargo 'as is—where is,' with the hope of raising the vessel and selling it at a profit.

It has been estimated that there are over 6,000 wrecks littering the Great Lakes. Beaver Island's location, its proximity to the main shipping channels, and outlying shoals created and still provides a navigational hazard for her waters. Research reports over 100 wrecks within a 25-mile radius.

During the settlement of the Great Lakes region until the advent of a good road system, the major mode of transportation was by water. It began with the carrying of trade goods in a canoe and continues today by the transportation of iron ore on freighters.

Today, due to improved navigation equipment, radar, and other electronics, accidents have diminished. Although,

commercial traffic has decreased, there has been a huge increase in recreational boating. Many boaters are not as skilled as professional mariners; occasionally a recreational boat sinks.

Imagine living on Beaver Island and having a lumber schooner go ashore. Islanders would think this act of God was a blessing not to be wasted. The use of these goods would ease their frugal lives. The lumber would be put to good use. (I know of cottages built with lumber from shipwrecks.)

So begins the real story of the *Queen City*. The *Queen City* was built and launched in 1873 in West Bay City, MI at the shipyard of Dixon and Ellingwood. Its size was normal for a three-masted schooner of the time. It began its workaday life of moving whatever cargo it could find. The windships were a convenient and economical way of getting goods from place to place. During its working life it carried lumber, coal, general merchandise, and whatever would pay for the trip. The more trips it completed and the more goods it moved, the more profit it would make for the owners.

So as a consequence most ships would start as early in the spring as possible, when they could avoid problems with ice. Boats would also operate as late in the fall as thought to be prudent. November has always been a month of huge weather shifts on the Great Lakes. November 11, 1889 found the *Queen City* going about business as usual. She was delivering a load of coal when the weather began to deteriorate. Looking for a place where she could ride out the storm, she sailed into Sand Bay and dropped her anchor. With the wind from the west and Beaver Island muting some of its force, it seemed like a good place to ride out the gale. A term for this is 'sheltering,' which simply means to seek and find shelter.

All went well for a period of time. When the wind increased in force and night approached, Captain Benham and his crew of eight were glad to be out of the wind. Around 10:30 p.m. the anchor chain parted, and the *Queen City* began to drift. The wind had increased to 57

mph and the ship's crew knew they were in trouble. The pervious week they had lost their second anchor in Bay City and were not able to retrieve it.

The *Queen City* was adrift in very high winds. The only solution was to put up her sails to gain steerage. It would have been terrifying to try to set sail with wind screaming at 60 mph. They did get the mainsail up, but the strong howling wind ripped it apart as soon as it set. The sails were destroyed and they were without anchor to put over the side. They were making their way through the water, so they did have some steerage, but it was very dark and stormy and the shallow areas around the islands were hard to see.

The skipper became nervous. With shoals and reefs in their direct path, lurking only 4' under the waves, he realized he was near the Hog Island Shoal. The shoal is eight miles east of the entrance to Beaver's harbor and three miles south southeast of Hog Island. This is a wonderful place to explore on a warm and calm day: one mile wide and  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile long, with a depth varying from 4 to 15'. (It is very strange to stand on a shallow spot and look at the nearest land three miles away). The rocks and limestone shelf are unyielding and can rip the bottom of a trapped wooden vessel. The *Queen City* was being driven toward this shallow area, with the captain hoping for a safe passage.

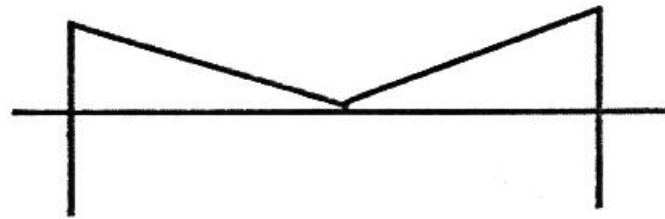
It was not to be. At 3:21 p.m. she ran aground on the northwest corner of Hog Island Reef, ripping off her rudder and tearing her bottom. She settled to the bottom in about 15' of water. To save themselves the crew climbed into the rigging.

Fortunately, people on shore had seen her lights drift away at the height of the storm, and sent word to the Coast Guard station at Whiskey Point that the *Queen City* needed assistance. At the first light the Coast Guard, pulling a boat, set forth in search of the wayward schooner and crew. The storm had not relented and the rescue boast was thrown about as they left the lee shore. The master and crew of the *Queen City* spent a cold and frightening night in the rigging, hoping to be saved before the

boat was destroyed. In the distance the Coast Guard crew could barely make out the wreck and the crew aloft. Struggling to get to the ship to save the crew in time, and succeeding, the Coast Guard lifeboat earned the respect and admiration of many, especially crew members of the *Queen City*, who were taken back to Beaver Island and the warmth of the Coast Guard Station.

The next day Captain Benham took a fishing tug to the mainland to arrange

for possible salvage and retrieval of the cargo. Returning two days later to the wreck site, Captain Benham was shocked to see the *Queen City* stripped of most of its valuable items. Anything not bolted down was gone. He claimed the 'pirates' of Beaver Island had got to the wreck first and stripped her. Upon his return to the mainland the local newspapers relayed the story and the "pirates of Beaver Island" became a legend to be feared and respected by all.



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## On This Date

**Ten Years Ago** The *Beacon* reported on the setting up of the *Helen Hoffman Collar Memorial Fund* under the stewardship of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, by her daughter Ann Collar Broder.

The Beaver Island Community Players prepared to present *Too Soon for Daisies*, with Lisa Gillespie, Pam O'Brien, and Pat McGinnity playing three old ladies who arrive at an abandoned house, where they become involved in a series of adventures. Phil Greg, Phil Lange, Lindsay Russell, Mary Kay McPherson, and Eric Heline had roles, and Sarah Myers directed.

Gena McCafferty was hoping to set up a kind of Summer School, with classes held during two 10-day periods; she appealed for teachers willing to share their specialized expertise.

The creation of the *Jewell F. Gillespie Beach Fund* was announced. Improvements scheduled for the following year included a new flag pole, a bike rack, the removal of blown sand, and the repair and repainting of all equipment. The Townships purchased an emergency phone to dial 911.

Future plans included shaded picnic tables, expansion, and more activities.

A grant was requested from the Frey Foundation to build a kiosk featuring Island activities.

The girls' volleyball team completed its 10<sup>th</sup> year (all under the coaching of Connie Boyle) with its best record yet: 15-4. When the program began, none of the members of the first team had ever held a volley ball, and they had to practice in the unheated Parish Hall, forcing some to wear gloves. Yet after three years they captured 3<sup>rd</sup> place, moved up to 2<sup>nd</sup> after a few years, and finally finished in 1<sup>st</sup>.

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Talent Show was emceed by Phil Gregg.

At the St. Pat's celebration, Mary Bert McDonough and John Gillespie were crowned Queen and King. Five teams entered the Shopping Cart Race; the Hayseiders took two out of three tug-o-wars with the Fishchokers; Bill McDonough and Becky LaFreniere won the fish toss; Beth Green again won the Limerick Contest; and John and Kim Taylor plus Tom and Barb Plaister won both the Fish Stomp and

Ring Around the Nosy.

An article about the Fire Department once again performing a miracle to save a home concluded, "Everyone has heard how competent the firemen have become, but their performance on this morning was absolutely amazing. They reacted like a precision drill team—no surprise, because that's what they are. When the fire was out, the owners, surrounded by grinning, soot-faced smiles, remarked that they felt extremely grateful that if a fire had to happen, it happened here."

The passing of Bud Chichester was noted; after his retirement he and his wife Dorothy summered at their cottage on Leonard Lane.

**Twenty Years Ago** The front page told the story of a terrible plane crash in which seven people lost their lives on April 19<sup>th</sup>. A few Island residents noticed the plane approaching the Township Airport, and saw a bright flash when it hit the trees below Angeline's Bluff. Letters from Dr. Siudara and Fire Chief Tim McDonough thanked and extolled the many Islanders who helped in this tragedy and its aftermath.

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The Gillespie family completed its purchase of Rafferty's General Store, and promised to open the Dockside Market on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Font Lake overflowed its banks again, flooding the Donegal Bay Road—until culverts were installed.

A blizzard forced the postponement of the Civic's Road Rally. After rescheduling, ten crews took part, with Mark LaFreniere's the winner; they donated their purse to the Fireworks Fund (to boost the \$1,200 donated by various organizations.)

Dr. Siudara announced that he would no longer practice medicine.

New co-editor Carolyn Works offered her thoughts on (unexpected) signs of spring.

A proposal was made to the Town Boards to support a Tourist Office in the Print Shop Museum.

The Townships considered installing street signs to match those being placed elsewhere in the County, but a preference for the familiar style (routed wood) prevailed.

Diane Hetherington continued to lobby for a Joint Township building.

Kevin Green was asked to study possibly merging the two townships.

A Special Use Permit was issued for a 2-acre site on Carlisle Road to create a combined coffee shop, ceramic shop, antique shop and museum, and displays of old farming equipment.

A special meeting was held to consider a request from McDonough's Market to create a Commercial Redevelopment Area around and west of their market, which would reduce property taxes if they invest in expansion. Paul Nelson argued in favor, citing similar cases he had observed in Ada and reasoning that such an action could stimulate further downtown development.

A new real estate company took out a full-page ad: Beechwood Realty, owned by Sue Moore, who lived on the West Side Road, with husband Randy.

The school kids took a class trip to Washington Island.

The Fireman's Auxiliary sponsored Tuesday Bingo games.

The Civic appealed for donations to be used to pay someone to operate the proposed Tourist Office.

Island clean-up was held on 5-11.

**Thirty Years Ago** The *Beacon* reported that bass fishing was going very well, especially over at Garden and Hog Islands, but that the spring morels were down from previous years.

The School Library, which served the entire community, had acquired 1,500 books in the previous year, reported librarian Shirley Gladish.

A new air service to Beaver Island came into existence: Welke Aviation. Based on Beaver, Paul and Bill proposed to run an air taxi with an Apache five-seated twin, and had obtained an FAA operating certificate. Paul's brother Mark was also involved, with 18-year-old Carl another possibility.

Dody and Franklin Left celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in Florida, with guests arriving from seven states. Father Shied arrived from Chicago to officiate.

Mrs Katherine (Donlevy) McCallum passed away at Grandview at age 74. Born here, she moved to Chicago as a young woman, where she found work for the Department of Treasury. She moved to Charlevoix in 1958  
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Archie Griffin also passed away. He had been born on Beaver in 1913, but moved to East Jordan as a young boy. He had a Purple Heart from WW II, and worked for the Grand Rapids Press for 26 years.

Anna Minogue passed away in Chicago, the daughter of Captain and Mrs. Owen Gallagher. Owen, having come here from Ireland, was Officer-in-charge of the Coast Guard Station. They lived and farmed what became the Welke Airport. The Island also lost its resident golf pro, Matt Melville, who passed at 85. Born in Chicago in 1890, he came to Charlevoix in 1910 as club pro for the Chicago Club Golf Course and then traveled around the country designing and building courses. He had married the former Theresa Connaghan.

**Forty Years Ago** Trout was abundant at Fox Lake.

Bob Winchester and some friends flew over, got their old car running, and drove to the Ferry Dock to retrieve their gear. Unfortunately their brakes gave out as they tried to stop on the dock. Luckily the three men were able to jump out before the car hit the water, sinking in about 30'. Skin diver Don Meggison dove under the pack ice to fasten a cable to the sunken car, and Walt Wojan pulled it out with his tractor. Despite many dents, Bob got the old car running again.

The Game Club carried out its plan of damming Cable's Creek at the culvert to maintain better water depth for pike spawning; 40 sandbags raised the water by 20".

Island property owner and frequent visitor Pete Rennie was lost in Grand Traverse Bay after taking his amphibious air sled to Marion Island, which he owned. When the new Rectory was built he and his wife donated the oil tank. They had started to buy the Dormer property at Whiskey Point, including the ball diamond, which they intended to donate.

Five tikes celebrated their first Holy Communion: James Cole, Mike Green, Steve Kenwabikise, Tim McDonough, and Patricia Wojan.

Summer visitor and home owner Dave Wilson was elected associate judge in Ferndale.

Students making the Honor Roll were Kathie McDonough, Patricia Wojan, Joan LaFreniere, Angie Wojan, Judy LaFreniere, and Jeanne Wojan. Ed Wojan was Valedictorian. The Awards Presentation was spiced up with

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five short plays, including *Jimmy Reforms*, written by Judy LaFreniere, Mary Palmer, and Mary Gillespie—about an Island family who import help to reform their son.

Phil Gregg was thanked for his untiring work in establishing a Youth Center.

Passings noted included Joey Brown, one of three triplets born to the grandson of L. J. Malloy in Chicago.

Holy Cross received \$300 from the Chicago Party.

The Conservation Department finished work from the previous fall, cutting trails on Garden Island. Finding work were Clarence Palmer, Patsey Doney, Richard Napont, and Jack Connaghan. Erwin Martin ran the boat taking them back and forth.

A *Beaver Tale* related the story of Marion Rice, Charlevoix County Nurse since 1947. Her first trip here occurred when Dr. Palmer was away. A Coast Guard baby took sick, and she had to arrange for transport—which required a Coast Guard boat from Charlevoix. Later she arrived (in 1953) just as a measles epidemic broke out. On May 10<sup>th</sup> she was feted at a surprise party upon the end of her tour of duty. Lawrence McDonough (president of the PTA) emceed, and Pat Bonner and Jewell Gillespie entertained.

**Fifty Years Ago** A crowd gathered on the Ferry Dock on April 21<sup>st</sup> to await the arrival of the new ferry, the *Emerald Isle*, from the shipyard at Sturgeon Bay. The next day Captain Mark Cross took her on her first run to Charlevoix, where the High School Band serenaded her arrival. Her first trip took 2 hours and 40 minutes. Unfortunately, and this remains a mystery to this day, someone swiped Jewell's lunch on the way over.

The first federal inspection of the Forest Service's Island fire-fighting capabilities was held.

Joe McPhillips spotted something curious two miles off Sand Bay. The Coast Guard was alerted, and they retrieved it: a weather balloon from Minnesota.

The 24 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade schoolkids got polio vaccine.

Daniel Peter (Doney) Gallagher passed away, thought to be the Island's oldest man. He had come from Ireland in 1884, and his age was estimated at 92 or 93.

U. U. Sterrett, new owner of the King Strang Hotel, arrived from Vermillion, Ohio, to begin work on its upgrade.



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weather had thinned the ice to a foot in most places, but every so often the mighty ship had to back up to gain some momentum. Still, it took only an hour

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School was not in session, so the march down the hill was replaced by a bevy of random stragglers. Others who might have attended were in Marinette

for the graceful launching of the new ship, the *Mackinaw*, into the lake.

The next day James Kenwabakise launched his fish tug into the ice-cake

soup and began executing nimble maneuvers that were reminiscent of the *Icecapades*. When he finally came in he still had his trademark smile on his face.

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## What's New at Mary's Studio? "She's Done It Again!"

Beaver Islanders expect Mary to enter her studio when the snow falls and emerge in the spring with a stunning collection of new work. This year we are lucky to be in for a double treat.

Mary's output of new work features many familiar images, such as the cat (the first subject of her painting) wrapped in string and yarn, protected by a watching bird, or the mer-

maid and mer-man caught in the act of falling in love. Some of her work starts with a photo, such as *Beaver Head in a Storm of Honeysuckle*, which conveys both its strength and its sweetness, or



utilizes an oil drawing on the back of the paper to set off a subject like the painted daisies. Some of her work commemorates her favorite Island scenes, such as the colorful maples chawed by beavers at Miller's Marsh or the cabin

on the East Side Drive. Other images, such as the cars stacked on the scrap barge, is a whimsical celebration of color.

Some of her work is playful, such as the abstract piece at the lower

left, which was begun by plopping down a clump of various specialty yarns and gluing them in place, making a copy, rearranging, and adding color.

In a sense Mary presents us with a history of the development of modern







art—as it has affected her. So it isn't surprising to see intimations of other masters (Miro, Klee, Kline, Gorky...), all subsumed to her unique vision. She makes the universal local, such as in

the gulls on pilings, based on a sequence of photos of Mike Fogg's removable dock at sunset, with an impressionistic harborscape behind. Another day she was hit by a pris-

matic separation of light into triangles of color; after capturing it, she felt baby cedar branches were needed, and found some pressed in an old phone book.

Flowers constitute an ongoing



motif. The zinnia in the center demonstrates the power of this image with its explosion of petals, outlined in chalk. The water lilies in a Chicago park were photographed by her sister Lindy.

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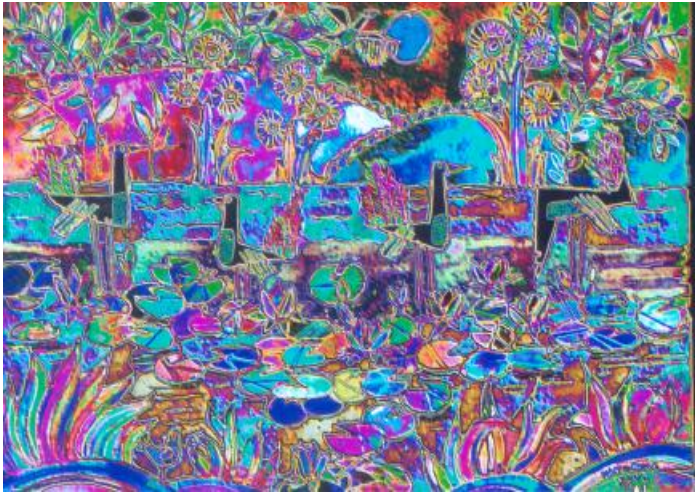
based on a tangle of fish nets found in a swale on the west side, with a hundred aluminum floats still attached. The quilt of birds and trees is a water-color experiment—done on canvas.

The leaves started with photos of

a few, cut out, edge-folded, and traced on paper with an oil pencil and colored with water-color washes (after outlining with light-blue chalk), expressing the force the wind needs to knock them from their trees.

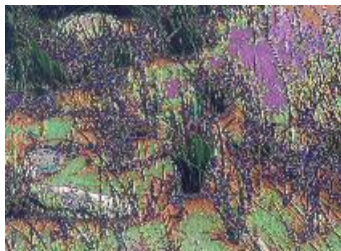






You're right, these are obviously waterbirds at Greene's Lake, but what's not so obvious is that these large birds were only seen once (and photographed) about 15 years ago, sitting in the lagoon on the north shore in their tufted majesty.

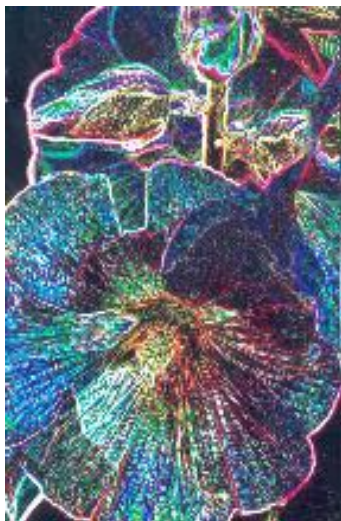
Mary's sister Lindy, who works in the experimental section of Scolle Plastics, has always been supportive, so when she bought a new computer last September and began to explore its graphic potential, they naturally began to collaborate. Lindy discovered that many operations allowed an infinite number of applications, so she could repeatedly subject one of Mary's photos or paintings to several processes.



Hartles at Gull Harbor.

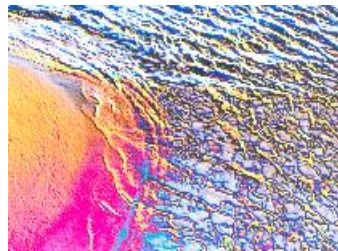
These images too had their turn in Lindy's care.

Here are two hollyhocks from Mary's garden, surrounding an old Dodge truck parked in Osa's yard. The painting to their right started as a study of the swallows inhabiting the



Another photo Mary took was of the apple tree in full bloom at the Andersons' home at Whiskey Point on a very foggy early morning 15 years ago. Mary sent this to Lindy to let her work with it; the image above is the result.

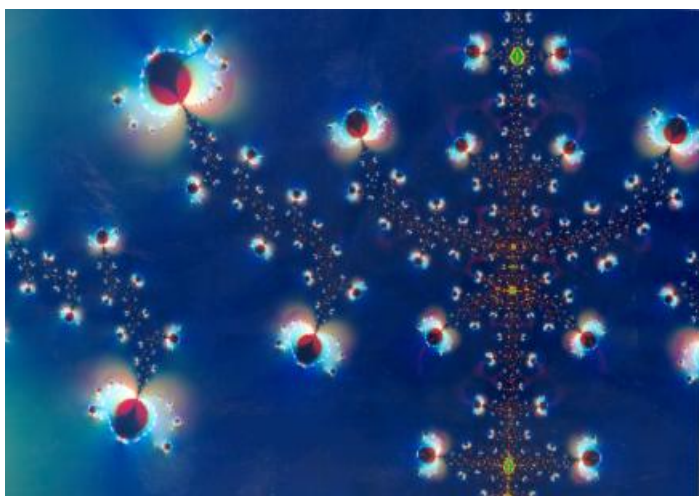
The picture below, to the left, shows the extraordinary in the ordinary—which Mary has a propensity for finding. This is of clumps of grass on the beach. Next to it is some rusted machinery at the Sanctuary Farm, and then one of a series of studies of the conflicting textures of currents colliding at a point of land jutting into the lake. Next to *that* is the 15"+ "teddy bear" sunflower planted for the Wellmans by the



Whiskey Point Light. Each of these images went to Lindy, who responded with dozens, and sometimes hundreds, of enhanced variations. Then it was Mary's turn again, to pick and choose and tinker with to get just what she wanted for the new postcards and prints available at her store.



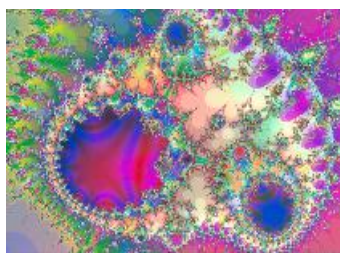




Mary began hearing a new buzzword: “fractals.” This is something that has been around since cartographers noticed how “zooming in” on England’s coastline (to improve the accuracy of their maps) increased its apparent length; certain formulas were discovered that predicted by how much. When we entered the Age of Computers a researcher at IBM began experimenting with these recursive formulas, observing that their application, over and over, produced interesting results. Others noticed that some results springing from pure play happened to provide insight for understanding many natural phenomena, such as weather patterns, or the shape of

clouds. Fractals seemed involved at nature’s core.

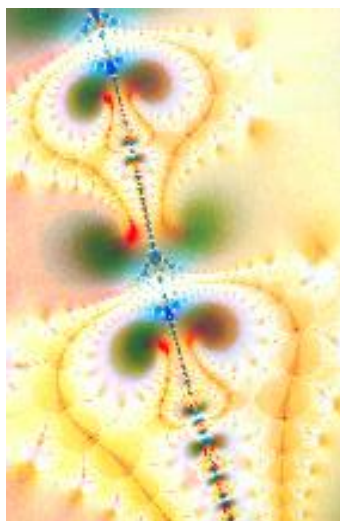
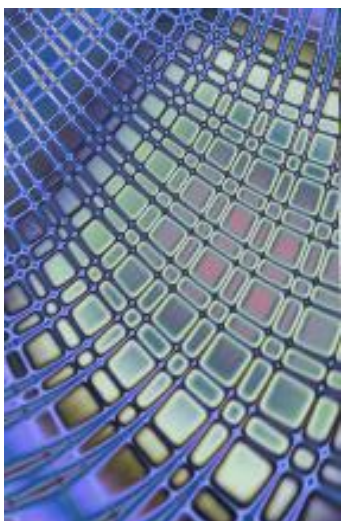
Learning that fractals had entered the world of art as a way of producing startling but controlled kaleidoscopic effects, Mary asked her son Jason to produce some examples based on her work. Jason lacked the time, but when Lindy heard about her interest, she offered to see what she could do. She found a wealth of information on the internet and was off, working with one after another subject and producing stunningly beautiful results. Because they zoom in, farther and farther, it’s no surprise that they produce an effect reminiscent of movies in which shrunken people explore a weird



subatomic world. Yet because each fractal is based on a strict equation, the picture it creates is much like a lens.

So Mary and Lindy went to work, producing perhaps a hundred examples within each of dozens of series. Above and left are examples from their *embryonic* and *jewel* series;

directly below (and way above, right) are examples of their *leaf* series. Imagine these as fabrics! This fall Mary intends to visit her sister for two weeks and get some hands-on experience creating fractals. If all goes well she’ll get her own computer—and then she’ll need a larger Gallery!





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## News from the Townships

### St. James Township

The St. James Town Board met on April 6<sup>th</sup> and approved the proposed budget with little discussion.

Tim McDonough reported that he had checked out the air packs being purchased (for \$1) from the Charlevoix Fire Department, and found them satisfactory.

Marilyn Damstra resigned from the Planning Commission after many years of championing environmental issues. She will be replaced by Jayne Bailey.

Gary Damstra was chosen to replace Grace Matela on the BITA Board.

New voting machines will be in place for the May 3<sup>rd</sup> school election. Five moderators were chosen: Dolores Gallagher, Pinky Harmon, Sally Lounsberry, Kathy Ruis, and Betty Scoggin.

The annual cost for keeping the

sidewalk clear between the hardware store and McDonough's Market, which required 19 plowings, was \$1,250.

### Peaine Township

The Peaine Town Board met on April 13<sup>th</sup> and passed its annual budget, with only one slight change: master gardener Pam O'Brien was authorized to plant flowers around the front of the Town Hall, and possibly along the side—so long as the cost does not exceed \$500.

The Planning Commission reported it had heard one case: Jon Bonadeo's request for a land split on the East Side.

Supervisor John Works stated that the Municipal Marina, the East Side Fire Hall, and the Historical Society's museums had set June 18<sup>th</sup> for their Open Houses. He also said the Townships' Maintenance Man would be chosen and hired this month.

## Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met at 3:00 p.m. in Charlevoix on April 13, 2005. All Commissioners were present.

Motion approved the minutes from March 25, 2005 as corrected.

Motion approved Resolution #05-020, Boyne Falls Water Project Fund and authorized Chairman Patrick to sign said application.

Motion approved Resolution #05-

021, Community Services Block Grant; Resolution #05-022, Court Appointed Attorney Contract; and Resolution #05-023, 2004/05 Crime Victims Rights Fund Budget.

Motion approved Resolution #05-024, Transit Contract, and authorized Chairman Patrick to sign said application; and Motion approved Resolution #05-025, P.A.S.T. Grant and authorized Chairman Patrick to sign said

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## Workplace Smoking Ban

The fourth county needed to approve a workplace smoking ban in the four-county health district of the Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency voted to adopt the Public Health Clean Indoor Air Regulation on Thursday, April 14. The workplace smoking ban was adopted by the Antrim County Board of Commissioners in a 7-1 vote. County Boards in Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego had already adopted it.

The restriction goes into effect in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego Counties 90 days following the final vote, or on July 13, 2005.

The Public Health Clean Indoor Air Regulation requires businesses in these four counties, except for restaurants, bars, hotels, motels, and Indian-owned casinos, to provide an environment free of cancer-causing secondhand smoke for their employees and patrons.

"We have a lot of work to do now,"

said Gerry Chase, Health Officer for the Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency. "We'll be contacting every business in our four-county health district to inform them about the new smoking ban. We'll be providing them with information about how to comply and 'no smoking' signs for their place of business. We'll also have resources to help their smoking employees quit, if they're ready."

Chase said that some people have had questions about enforcing the workplace smoking ban. But he said other counties who had enacted similar regulations had few problems. "It's an educational process," he said. "We're expecting our experience to be similar to that of places like Genesee County or Ingham County, who have had smoking bans like this one for a while. That is, once everyone understands the restriction, there will be very few complaints."

## Open Houses Abound

application.

Motion approved Resolution #05-026, Section 5311 Transit Program, and authorized Chairman Patrick to execute.

Motion approved Resolution #05-027, Amend Clerk's Budget.

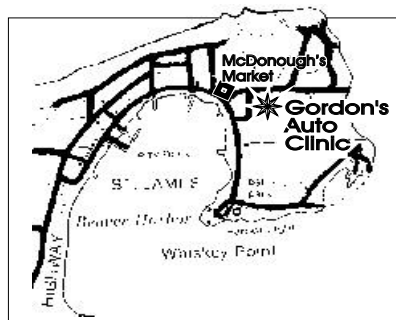
Motion approved Resolution #05-028, Mileage Allowance,

Motion approved Resolution #05-029, Animal Control Fees.

June 18<sup>th</sup> will be a day of Open Houses on Beaver Island. In the morning the festivities will center on the rebuilt Municipal Marina, and in the afternoon the new Fire Hall on the East Side Drive will be the host. The Historical Society will kick off the season with treats at both museums. The Strang Writers Group, here for its annual convention, will try to imagine this through Mormon-era eyes.

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## Museum Week Shaping Up

Thanks to John Crouse, Laura Pratt, and Kathy Ruis, planning for this year's Museum Week is ahead of schedule. This year the celebration will run longer, with many events set for the first week, July 11-16, and others held during the week that follows.

In the first week CMU will again hold three *Nature Walks* in the mornings, and Jim Gillingham will present his *Amazing Amphibians* on Thursday afternoon; other afternoons will include the *Art Show*, which will be longer and even better than last year's smash hit, the *Pet Show* (Saturday), two openings of the Protar Home by Antje Price, and a work party of surrogate lighthouse keepers at the Whiskey Point Light.

Music on the Porch will kick off the evening schedule on Monday. The Emerald Isle Repertory Theatre will present Anne-Marie Oomen's provocative Strang play, *Wives of an American King*, on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday of the first week (and on Tuesday and Thursday of the second week.) On

Wednesday GLLKA members will set forth the outlines of a feasible program for restoring the Whiskey Point Light. Friday will feature dueling barbershop quartets, with them all joining together to lead an audience sing-along.

In addition, Beaver Head Lighthouse is continuing its restoration program, thanks to another grant, and will be giving guided tours all week (and the week before.) Transportation should be available from the Print Shop—just call (231) 448-2254.

The eagerly-anticipated *Celtic Games* (7-23, 9:00 a.m. 'til 5) has an expanded schedule. These serious Highland Athletes, who train year around in their quest for improved national standing, will demonstrate the complex techniques involved in their sport on the day before, such as the fine art of throwing a caber. And after the last hotly-contested event one more contest has been added, which will be open to anyone: lifting, running with, and throwing the *Beaver Island Stone of Strength*, a

special 90# football-shaped boulder. The thrower who achieves the greatest distance will have his name painted on the *Stone of Strength*, which will be mounted on a wooden pedestal and left on the Island for next year's *Celtic Games*.

Other presentations (new info about Protar; gourmet dining with Island plants) have yet to bescheduled.

## The \$100 Morel

The Laurain Lodge is continuing its annual contest for the biggest Island-picked morel by offering a \$100 prize. In a rule modification, entrants must have grown *outdoors* on Beaver Island.

Once again, Larry Laurain will pick the winner. In a case of identical entrants, the tie will be broken by weight—and if they weigh the same, by taste (now Larry's motives come clear.)

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## 2005 Gatliff Family Reunion

The descendants of Mary (Tom) Gatliff are holding a family reunion this summer on Beaver Island. There is a memorial mass planned for 5pm on Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, at Holy Cross Cemetery (weather permitting), with a dinner for

family members at Holy Cross Hall immediately following. The Hall will then be opened for extended family and Island friends to enjoy refreshments, with Beaver Island music provided by Ed Palmer and crew. We encourage

those hoping to attend to make arrangements for their accommodations as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Shirley (Gatliff) Cole at (616) 977-3299 or Lisa (Doig) West at (773) 220-4305.

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tion drew such ire that authorities were forced to call a special hunt. One of the DNR-sanctioned hunters issued a warning: "Don't be deceived; these can be very nasty birds."

Beaver Island turkeys have been much better behaved, only breaking a few jaywalking regulations to date. We're very lucky they can't read—or organize, or vote.

## Garden Center to Move

The Stoney Acres Garden and Gifts store run by Cheryl Podgorski will have a new location when it opens in late May: next to Daddy Frank's. Because of this move it will adopt its other registered name later on: *Feathers and Bones, Sticks and Stones*. She hopes her friends and customers will find her in her new location; it'll be worth the effort because she has lots of new crafts.

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Here are the scheduled divisions:

“Tee-Ball” (1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> grade):

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“Little League” (5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade):

Tuesday 6:00 to 7:00

“Big League” (9<sup>th</sup> grade - adults):

Tuesday 7:30 to 8:30

## New Beaver Island Businesses Announced

Is your home weighed down in clutter, or just in need of a fresh new look to give it the life it had when it was new? Or are you looking for ideas for creating a brand new space? Wendy Fogg has a new Island business, *Everything in its Place*: professional organization and interior design. If you're looking around and wish you were seeing something different or new, call Wendy at 448-2490.

Speaking of new paint, those driving by the Malloy Meat Market have seen some changes. Pam Grassmick and Linda McDonough have started a new business – *Whimsy* is the name. “We’ll have unique gifts, gourmet foods, and gift baskets with an occasional antique and many beautiful vintage linens,” Pam said. The grand opening is June 18<sup>th</sup>, with a preview on Memorial Day.

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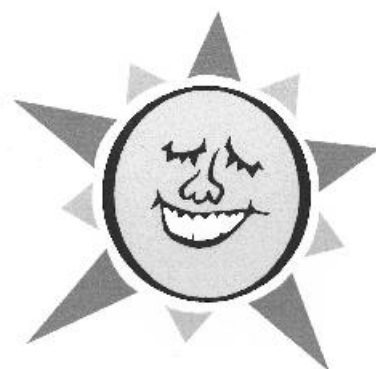
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## Spring Beaver

Jeff Powers sent in this great beaver photograph he captured in April. Watch for a line of *Great Beaver* postcards this summer at the Beaver Island Gift Shop adjacent to Powers' Ace Hardware.



## The E-Car

Once again our hats are off to the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, this time for the \$25,000 grant that allowed the EMS to purchase a 1999 Dodge Dakota rigged out to their specs.



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This 240' ship with a 58' beam carries a crew of 47 and can cruise 4,000 miles at 12 knots with her twin 9,000 hp engines. She was named for the very first Cutter *Mackinaw*, built in 1943/44 at the Toledo Shipbuilding Company. She was 290' long, with a beam over 74' and a steel ice belt 1 5/8" thick. Rumor

was, she was built too large to fit through the Weiland Canal, so she'd never leave the Great Lakes.

The new \$90,000,000 *Mackinaw* will require two years of testing, but will become the largest Cutter in use. She has several advanced features, such as a roll-inducing system in which 112,000 gallons of water can be shifted from one side to another in 90 seconds. She has over 3.5 million pounds of steel, and should have no trouble smashing through our ice when she gets the call. For many photographs and video, visit [www.boatnerd.com](http://www.boatnerd.com)

## A Visit from the C. G.

In mid-April a six-member team of well-trained Coast Guardsmen flew to the Island in a new, eight-million-dollar French helicopter—the same sleek bird that would arrive in case of a medical emergency during weather too rough for *NorthFlight*.

They were proud of their craft, but had one complaint: the American engine. By law the purchase had to be 51% American-made. "As soon as we can," one of them said, "we want to pull out the engine and retrofit her with the original engine. That's what she was designed for, so she'll fly even better."




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## Islanders take a Trip by Bailey McDonough

Our excitement started when we left O'Hare for the Dublin Airport. Kassie Lach, my Island friend, and I were too excited to sleep on the 8-hour flight, but we couldn't stay awake on the drive to Donegal. Once we got on the little car ferry, though, we were ecstatic, pumped up to be approaching our sister island, Arranmore.

The first thing we did was head for

Early's Bar. We had a coke and then left my parents sipping pints with their friends, Pat and Jerry Early, while we walked over to the main street cottage where we would stay. I recognized a friend from a previous visit, and soon we met up with more Arranmore kids, who were friendly, gracious, and glad to see us.

On our second day my mom,

Tammy, and I brought Kassie to the island's lighthouse, and were lucky enough to be able to find Charlie Boyle, the keeper. He let us go up the winding stairs to the room where the crystal lens rotates in circles, telling us amazing stories about the lighthouse. One was recent, on a day when the winds howled and the waves crashed into the tower so forcefully that the 4-pane-thick glass

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was broken by a rock carried on the surf.

Kassie and I went on a fishing trip with my dad, Bill, and Jerry Early. We caught lobster, crabs, and starfish, and that night had a wonderful meal.

We were sad when the time came to leave, but knew we would return. We said our goodbyes, and then got on the car ferry and drove to Doolin, in County Clare. After dinner we turned in, and

woke in the morning to the sight of the Cliffs of Mohr, towering 700'. We climbed O'Brien's Tower for a better look, and could see the Arran Islands out in the sea. Then we had an amazing medieval dinner at Bunratty Castle.

The next day in Dublin we went to the Temple Bar section, moving from pub to pub to catch all the live music. We ate dinner at Fritzer's and then

moseyed to the town square, where we watched some very talented African acrobats, and stayed that night in an accommodating Hostel. As we flew home the next day after two weeks there, I knew my homesickness would be replaced by a longing to go back. This was the experience of a lifetime, and I'm glad I could spend it with my parents and best friend.



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## All Night Party follows Junior/Senior Banquet

Last year's Senior Bash 2004 was one of the most successful in terms of student enthusiasm and participation, and in the variety and range of prizes collected and distributed to all those in attendance. Following the traditional Junior/Senior Banquet at Holy Cross Hall the students kick off their alcohol & drug-free evening with a sunset cruise aboard the MV *Emerald Isle*.

The Senior Bash is open to all students grades eight and up, as well as their "mainland guests" and recent Beaver Island Community School alumni. Parents, faculty, staff, and community members on and off the Island contribute to the Bash by making monetary and prize donations, by chaperoning and working the event, by providing

snacks and soft drinks, and by volunteering their time whenever and wherever it is needed.

A color TV, a DVD player, and a digital voice recorder and snap camera were some of the gifts donated last year. Cash donations are necessary to cover the costs of imported entertainment, supplemental prizes, and incidentals such as pop and snacks.

The Senior Bash Fund-raising Committee depends on the generous support of on- and off-Island residents and businesses to make this event possible. Please consider a donation of cash or a prize in support of a drug-free evening. For additional information please contact Beaver Island Community School.

## Beaver Island's Boating Options Expand

Less than fifty miles to our east, a \$9,500,000 harbor is about to be built—at Mackinaw City. Durocher Marine, whose barge and tug wintered here, was awarded a contract to install an 850' seawall containing 73,800 tons of

stone as part of the project.

This new "Mackinaw State Harbor" will contain 125 slips and two navigation lights in its initial stage, with buildings and floating slips planned for later, when additional funding appears.

## Letters to the Editor:

I was delighted and encouraged by the comment made by Mark Valente in last month's article about beaver trapping. When he mentioned how nice it would be if the Citizen of the Year could be selected from a group of people who are not so bent on changing everything on the island. Most people who have come here did so because of the quiet rustic nature, which is quickly being destroyed by all these new fangled improvements. Bravo to Mark!

—Krys Lyle

Thanks for the nice article about my recent literary award. And more recently, thanks for the Mark Valente article. I think lots and lots of us echo his comment, "I wish they'd give an award to someone who shows by example how a life can be lived without changing anything." Wouldn't *that* be nice!

—Gwen Marston

## Irish Lawn-bowling coming soon

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## Commission on Aging provides services and care – Susan R. Bergmann, RN, BSN, Director

The Commission on Aging has been working with Beaver Island seniors for the past 6 years. We have held town meetings, attended health fairs, and have a representative (Jean Palmer) on the Island to serve as liaison. Shirley Roloff is also on the board. We have encouraged people to ask for services, and we would help provide them; they need only ask.

We have been providing meals on wheels, dining-out vouchers, and problem solving. We recently hired an RN to do assessments and a CENA for personal care, homemaking, and Respite Services; both live on the Island.

Here is what is available:

**Meals on Wheels, Wings, & Waves:** (weekly frozen meals delivered) must be homebound to receive service, and no one living in the home who is able to prepare or cook meals for them (\$2.00 suggested donation)

**Dining-out Vouchers:** 3 available per month; active seniors can enjoy a nutritious breakfast at Dalwhinnie's (donations welcome to the Commission at

time of picking up vouchers, can be obtained from Jean Palmer at 448-2915)

**Homemaker/Housekeeper:** 2 hours every other week, to do light-duty housekeeping and errands. Not allowed to provide transportation for clients. (\$5.00 donation per hour suggested)

**Personal Care:** 1-2 baths per week allowed by a CENA, assistance with safe bathing recommendations by an RN, sponge bathing, hair care; this is a non-skilled service (we don't do wound care; vital signs only with written parameters from a physician or NP.)

**Respite Care:** designed for caregivers of Alzheimer's, dementia or any debilitating illness over 60. 4 hours per week, either morning or afternoon, 9-1pm or 1-5pm. (\$5.00 donation recommended.) Additional Respite time can be obtained from the Traverse City office: 1-800-442-1713. (Donations recommended based on a sliding scale for income.)

**Lawn Care and Snow Removal Contracts** are available to any Senior who needs help. Clients have to pro-

vide proof of income and pay their providers up front and submit paid receipts for reimbursement based on their designated sliding scale. Have the client ask for Marge to obtain a contract first.

Potential will exist for **In Home Help Services for Medicaid clients** who need a caregiver, we have an existing contract with DHS (Department for Human Services, previously Family Independence Agency) for seniors on Medicaid. Must obtain pre-authorization from case worker.

We can also now refer to **Medicaid Waiver** program or MI-choice program, if Community services are not enough to help client.

**Medication assistance available,** help in signing up for Medicare, also indigent med assistance available.

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## One Hundred Years Ago by Joyce Bartels

Charlevoix Sentinel May 11, 1905  
**Local News:** "Mrs. James Donlevy, of St. James, came over Monday and went to Chicago to visit relatives."

Rev. Father Zugelder to be Transferred From Beaver Island: Rev. Father Zugelder, of Holy Cross Church on Beaver Island announced from the altar last Sunday that he was to be transferred to another parish. It is said that the congregation was deeply affected by the announcement, and the priest was also so moved that he could scarcely proceed. It is understood that the transfer is practically a promotion. It is also understood that the Beaver Island parish is to be turned over to the Franciscans, who have charge of the work at Petosky, Harbor Springs, Charlevoix, and East Jordan.

Father Zugelder succeeded the late Father Gallagher about five years ago. During this time he has done a great

work, not only for his people spiritually and educationally; but for the Island in a temporal sense. Of a very progressive and industrious trend himself, he has inspired his people with the same spirit, and the change from the old to the new order of things is not only noticeable but conspicuous. He has erected a fine stone priest's residence, (besides improving the farm which is attached to the church premises), enlarged and improved the church, installed five Dominican Sisters in the parish, and built them a residence.

His preaching and influence on the Island have had a distinct effect in bettering moral conditions and elevating educational and social standards, especially among the young. In few churches of any denomination have pastors been more beloved by their people than is Father Zugelder by his. They have grown to love the man for not only his own high

character and attainment, but for his kindly and generous personal qualities.

While the change must, of course, in this wise rule of Bishop Richter, be for the best, the departure of Father Zugelder from the Island will be very sincerely regretted by the Island people.

**Marine News:** "The steamer *Beaver* went to North Manitou Island Saturday to dredge a dock front."

Charlevoix Sentinel May 18, 1905  
**Local News:** "Rev. Father Zugelder of St. James was in town Tuesday on his way to Grand Rapids."

"John P. Maloney, since 1898 in the employ of the N. M. Trans. Co. as steamship porter and office clerk, has severed his connection with that concern, and entered the employ of the Hub Clothing Co. of Chicago, as accountant. Mr. Maloney is a Beaver Island boy, born and bred, and has reached his present

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standing by his own efforts. His many friends in this section wish him well."

**Marine News:** "The steamer *Beaver* left here Sunday morning for Sturgeon Bay, Wis. to go into dry dock for recaulking and other repairs. She will be there a week or ten days. It was expected that the *Silver Spray* would go there this week for the same purpose, but the leak that seemed to make the trip necessary has been located, and will be stopped, temporarily at least. This steamer will take the *Beaver's* run in the meantime."

Charlevoix Sentinel May 25, 1905  
**Beaver Island News:** "Fred Nackerman is home a few days to visit his family."

"Beaver Tent K.O.T.M. of St. James, is a new organization on Beaver Island which has started out with very flattering prospects. Over 40 people applied for membership before the charter was closed. The Charlevoix Tent crack

degree team exemplified the initiatory work Saturday evening. Together with the old members of the order already on the Island, there are over 60 Maccabees on the Island. Following are the officers of Beaver Island Tent: Commander, W. J. Gallagher; Past, S. Malloy; Lieut., A. M. Wilkinson; Chap., Jas. Gordon; Master of Arms; Marshall Griffin; Sarg., Peter O'Donnell; 1<sup>st</sup> Master Swords, Arch Lafreniere; and Master Swords, Frank Jones; Sentinel, Joe Siscoe, Picket, Andrew Gallagher."

"The *Silver Spray* ran a special excursion to the Island Saturday evening in charge of the K.O.T.M. degree team, who were accompanied by a large number of Sir Knights from Charlevoix."

"The Beaver Island Lumber Co. are rapidly marketing their large stock of lumber, wood, and staves. The shingle mill is in full running operation."

"J. S. Baker, agent for the Indiana State Life Insurance Company, spent several days on the Island last week doing business. Dr. Frank Wilkinson, the dentist, will be on the Island about June 10<sup>th</sup> for ten days. The U.S. Steamer *Survey* is in port, having finished up the survey of Trout Island and Simmon's reef."

"Hugh E. Boyle is building a new house on his farm. Fr. Zugelder spent the last week in Grand Rapids."

"The str. *Mark B. Covell*, and schooners *Filer*, *Rouse Simmonds*, and *Abbott* loaded this week for the B. I. Lumber Company."

"Mr. Gleckner, filer for the B. I. Lumber Company, with his family, arrived on the *Covell* last week."

"Jas. McCann and W. J. Gallagher made a flying trip to Bay City last week."

"The tug *Ryan* is towing logs."

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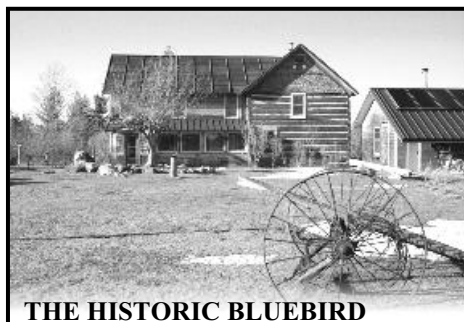


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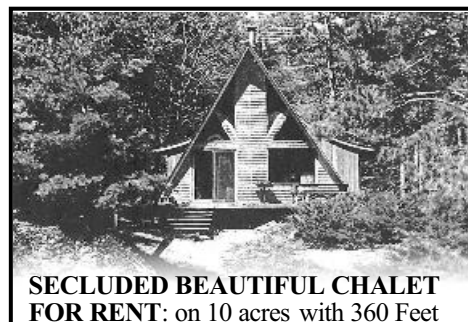
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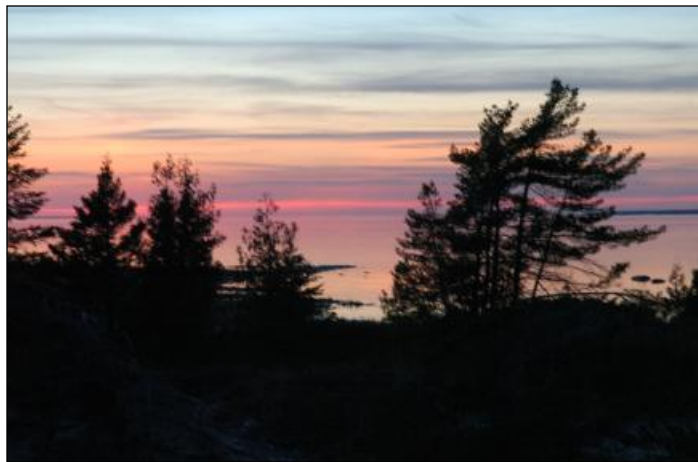
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