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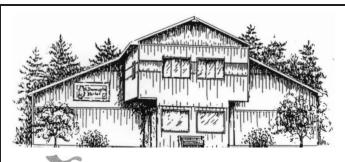
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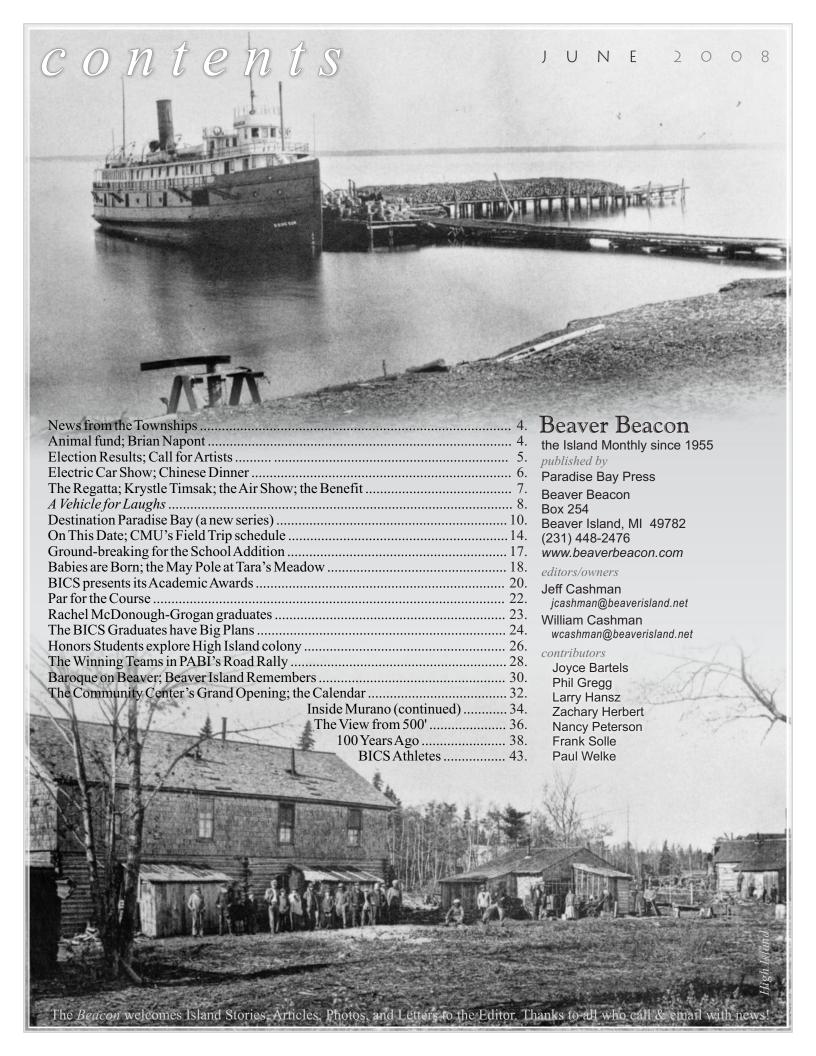
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### 4. NEWS FROM THE TOWNSHIPS

#### St. James Township

At the St. James Town Board meeting of May 7<sup>th</sup>, supervisor Don Vyse stated that Wolverine Power had increased the lease period on Arranmore Park to 40 years. Negotiations about property taxes were continuing.

A DEQ contractor was due on the Island on May 12<sup>th</sup> to install another well at the Community House to test, for 10 days, the degree to which the ground contamination has been reduced.

The Marina was to open on May 15, with a U. S. Congressman due shortly after to look over the improvements made with federal funds.

In June the DEQ will inspect the sewer system, and the MI Lighthouse Association will hold a conference here.

The State decided the townships should each create their own storm water ordinance. Charlevoix Drain

### B I ANIMAI FUND

The Beaver Island Animal Fund has been started to offer free spay and neutering for Island pets.

It hopes to raise enough to help with shots and emergency care. It has collection boxes at the BIRHC. Fresh Air Aviation, and Powers' Do-it Best Hardware store. It appreciates all donations. 100% of ALL funds go directly to pet healthcare. It will also run a raffle booth at the Beaver Island Music festival.

—Adam Wirth

Commissioner Mark Seeley wants the county townships to let him administer these new ordinances-which would not cost anything.

The CCRC head, Pat Harmon, proposed adopting joint bidding to purchase gravel on the Island, thinking the price might drop from the current \$18/yard (in small amounts) to \$10/yard. The Road Commission uses 35,700 yards.

The language for the EMS millage and the Poverty Exemption test was approved.

#### **Peaine Township**

At its May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Peaine Town Board approved moving the playground equipment from the school to Peaine Park—necessitated by the school expansion.

A draft of the proposed alien species control ordinance was circulated to the

#### BRIAN NAPONT

Running on a platform of improving health care and education, Brian Napont defeated three competitors to gain a seat on the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians' council. Centered in Traverse City, the Band has about 1,600 members.

Brian is the grandson of recently deceased former Beaver Island Civic Association secretary Loy Malloy.

Derek Bailey, who lost in his attempt to unseat Chairman Robert Kewaygohkum, challenged the count.



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Board. On June 16<sup>th</sup> Brian Mastenbrook (DEQ) and Gary Campbell (sprayer) will inspect the Island's *phragmites* patches to assess the degree of effectiveness from last September's spray.

The Road Commission agreed to send over a grader and a 10-yard truck and have them spend a month here working on roads, starting on May 26th. Peaine ordered 2,000 yards of 23A gravel at \$13/yard from a local contractor, 29,000 gallons of dust control solution, and 2,000 bags of chloride.

The Town Board agreed to purchase two 16-kw Guardian generators, one for the East Side Fire Hall and the other for Peaine Hall, which will play a role in any large disaster. They will cost \$12,700 (\$15k was budgeted for "emergency preparedness"), but supervisor John Works intended to apply for a 55% USDA grant.

#### ELECTIONS

Total Number of Voters:

135 (out of 580 registered).

Board of Education:

128 – Dawn Marsh;

111 – Nancy Tritsch (both elected). School operating renewal:

110-yes; 23-no. Special Ed renewal:

99-yes; 33-no.

The August election should have higher participation. Not only will millage issues be on the ballot, but races for township officers and trustees. Gary Marvin and B. J. Wyckoff were commended for donating \$3,000 of plants to the BIRHC.

Peaine was offered the chance to buy 6 small detached "Citizen Realty" lots in the woods on the lower east side by paying the overdue taxes, but was not interested. Now these lots will be auctioned on July 19<sup>th</sup>.

Both Planning Commissions and Town Boards will meet with Charlevoix County Drain Commissioner Mark Seeley on June 17<sup>th</sup> to talk about changes in storm water rules.

Three millages are up for renewal in August: the Fire Department, the Transfer Station, and the General Fund.

Reports were received of 35 trees being girded at Hannigan's Road/Fox Lake Road, and of the safety markings on Johnny Martin's Trail being overpainted with grey.

#### CALLING ARTISTS

The Historical Society's 3-day Art Show is set for July 23, 24, and 25 at the Beaver Island Christian Church, and once again will feature nearly "everyone who's anyone" in the Island's growing art scene. Last year set a record for sales and patrons. Admission is free—don't miss it.

Artists who would like to participate should contact Lois Stipp, calstipp@yahoo.com, or phone the Museum (231-448-2254). This has all the earmarks of an exciting event!



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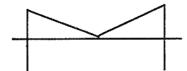
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### ELECTRIC CAR SHOW JUNE 27-28

Excitement is building for the Island's first Electric Car Show on Friday June 27, and Saturday June 28.

Thirteen electric cars and trucks from ZENN, GEM, Zap, and Vantage will arrive on Friday's first ferry, and will be shown on the brick paver section in front of The Shamrock Bar & Restaurant and Harbour Market. Jeff Connor from Inland Auto EV will also show his Dodge Dakota pickup truck EV conversion as a work-in-progress.

All of the EVs will be available for test drives, according to dealer representatives Vic Staley and Frank Veraldi. Both new and used cars will be featured, and the dealers will have special show pricing along with dealer financing and leasing options. Soft drinks and homemade cookies will be served, courtesy of Inland Auto EV.

Much interest has been expressed locally in the small truck from Vantage, a California manufacturer. These new vehicles are just beginning to arrive at dealers, and Vic Staley hopes his is delivered in time for the show. The Island show debut will be among the first for the truck. Small truck versions of the GEM will also be shown.

"This is a great time for EVs on Beaver Island," said local EV enthusiast and show organizer Dan Wardlow. "We have all the pieces necessary for a viable EV community," he added, "lightly traveled roads, short distances, local service available, and a network of six free public charging stations. It's now possible to drive a small EV around the Island with only a short stop for a convenience charge."

With gas prices likely to stay high for the foreseeable future, EVs are also economical transportation, costing 2 cents per mile for electricity. That's the equivalent of 259 miles for a gallon at \$5.19.

Current models of small EVs are classified as low-speed vehicles, and have a top speed of 25 mph with a range of 30-40 miles on a charge.

The number of free public charging stations is increasing. They are now located at Paradise Bay Coffee Shop, Stoney Acre Grill, McDonough's Market, Island Airways, Inland Auto EV, and Central Michigan University Biological Station.

There are six EVs already in use on the Island, and those EV owners are invited to show their cars as well. The Electric Car Show is sponsored by North Central ZENN, Fox Motors of Charlevoix, the Shamrock Bar & Restaurant, Harbour Market, and Inland Auto EV.

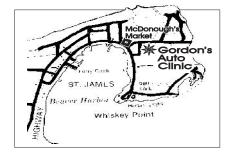
### CHINESE DINNER A SUCCESS

There was a great turn out for the Chinese Dinner: 120 were served in the restaurant and there were 35 take-outs. The profit was \$1,400. The Sports Boosters offered a big Thank You to

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### THE REGATTA

Hopes are high for an expanded Boat Regatta on the Fourth of July this year. In the past few years the Regatta has included every kind of craft from a tug to a canoe, and the participants have very much enjoyed the event. But there have been under a dozen boats—our Harbor would accommodate many more. Lisa Gillespie will coordinate the efforts, so if you'd like to enter your boat, or help her patrol the docks to solicit others, call her at 448-2888.

### BEAVER ISLAND

On behalf of the members and directors of the Chamber of Commerce I would like to thank and recognize those sponsors who joined with us to bring the beautiful WWII aircraft to Beaver Island. All the sponsor slots for the Air Show visit by the B-17 Yankee Lady have been sold out. Thank you!

The plane will visit Beaver Island July 18 & 19. Each sponsor will get a special VIP ride. Visitors to the air show will be able to purchase a ride in her and tour the plane on the ground.

### DONNA GILLESPIE BENEFIT

Donna and Doug Gillespie, Liam and Marilyn Racine, along with Stoney Acre Grill & Donegal Danny's Pub staff extend a heartfelt "thank you" to all who helped make the special benefit for Donna such a wonderful success.

The benefit to help defray Donna's medical and travel expenses included a taco buffet, donated appetizers and desserts, and live music by *Island Soul*, *Rigormortis*, John McCafferty, Brian

#### KRYSTLE TIMSAK 7.

Krystle Timsak, daughter of Joe and Sheri Timsak, finished out her 2<sup>nd</sup> year at North Central Michigan College with a 4.0 in her winter session. Her advisor and Director of Enrollment Management said, "I am in awe of your accomplishments and drive." Krystle is planning on one more year at North Central and then she will move downstate to Ferris State to pursue her dream of becoming a pharmacist.

Her family is so proud of her.

#### AIR SHOW

An historic fighter plane might come as well. What a sight it would be to see the historic B-17 bomber and fighter flying in formation over the Beaver archipelago. Join your Chamber in saying thanks to the sponsors who made it possible: Island Airways, Ken McDonald, Roger Wilcox, Beaver Island Golf Course, Paradise Bay Coffee Shop, The Elson & Helen Spangler Family, Fresh Air Aviation, Beaver Island Lodge, Haggard's Inc. Plumbing & HVAC. —Steve West

Roman, and the *Boodlers*. The music was as grand as the turnout.

Appreciation abounds for all those who donated their time, energy, food and talent. "It's the way the Island is," said Yvonne Crandall, organizer of the special benefit, "we're family."

Donna and Doug thank the participants as they face another surgical procedure.

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Transportation. From foot to wagon, from flight to virtual reality, and most everything in between. That was the subject of this year's BICS 5-6 grade play, *Get Up and Go!* 

This comedic set of skits kept the seven class members of these two grades hopping throughout the production. Eleven different scenes called for set and prop changes, along with costume switches, at a pace that itself neared light speed as the cast took the audience from the days of cave dwellers and pioneers to the early days of flight at

Kitty Hawk. There was the classic crosscountry family car trip we've all been on and all get shivers just remembering – and these kids nailed it. There was a cruise ship trip for two, an elevator ride from (or was it to?) that warm place down below. And there was a virtual classroom scene



that today's younger set could relate to but went well beyond what the adults in the audience ever imagined at that age.

> As for the actual performances, Olivia Cary realized a

horse comes before the cart and that even a human bird needs a tail. She also carried out the role of Ma on the pioneer wagon, the hero in the train rescue, a wacky hillbilly mother, a dancer, a manicurist, a yoga instructor, provider of a skunk to pull

a primitive wagon, and the virtual classroom monitor, Mrs. Tingle. It really was that kind of night.

The revue format played right into the emotive, theatric skills of the two boys, Ron Marsh and Jewell Cushman. Ron put his collective bag of facial ex-

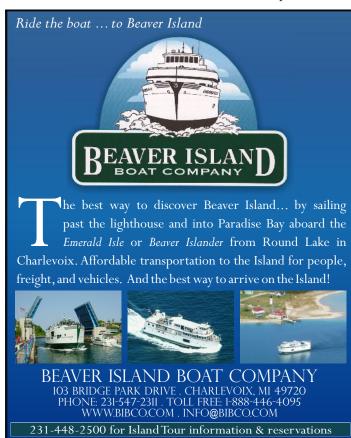


pressions to work as Pa on the pioneer wagon, Dad driving the family sedan, the parrot-toting ship captain as well as the captain of his own hot air balloon, the doctor guiding his patient up the elevator, a

long-lost person awaiting a flight at Rinky Dink Airlines, and Sid, the 'dancing fool' of virtual land. Meanwhile, Jewell rode roughshod over the wagon train as a traffic Indian, the classic, but not-so-successful train villain, the hillbilly father, the ship's purser, a hamster CPR specialist, a nearly-electrocuted electrician, and a virtually-fresh dancer.

Erin Boyle provided a tortoise to pull a primitive wagon, had a seat as a kid in the pioneer wagon as well as in the family auto, was the repeated victim for Jewell's villainy, tried to fly by flapping her wings, got stuffed in a burlap bag (we'll all hear Olivia and Jewell twang out burlap when-









ever we say that word again), was one of two on the restless cruise, never quite overcame her elevator fear, and jumped for joy as a virtual cheerleader.

Emily Boyle was just as busy as she got the whole process started by getting up and walking to the apple tree (the tree of transportation knowledge?), grandmothered her way across the plains as a pioneer, knew the words to *The Wheels of the Car*, was on hand for the initial airplane flight, over-organized the activities aboard the cruise ship, nearly had 'an accident' on the

elevator, and came as close as you can to bringing the house down with her short stint as the rapid-fire coffee drinker. This girl can talk. Fast.

After she was forced to miss the earlier elementary music program due to a visit by the Island's illness of choice this



Spring, it was grand to see Meg Works on stage again (and again and again) as she was there for our first steps, our pioneering trip across the country, at Kitty Hawk with the Wright Brothers, annoyingly in

the back seat of the family car, impatiently trying to get a seat on the Rink Dink redeye, and haplessly trapped on the activity-laden cruise ship.

Wrapping up the cast was a versatile Hannah Robert, aka Aunt Gertie of the pio-

neer wagon trek, another observer of the first flight, the haughty Rink Dink Airline ticket agent (are those nails done yet?), and a slap-happy virtual dancer.

Tying all these events together was stage veteran and eighth-grader Michael McCafferty as the trusty narrator, while



fellow eighth-grader Brighid Cushman armounced each scene's title by parading a placard prior to each curtain opening.

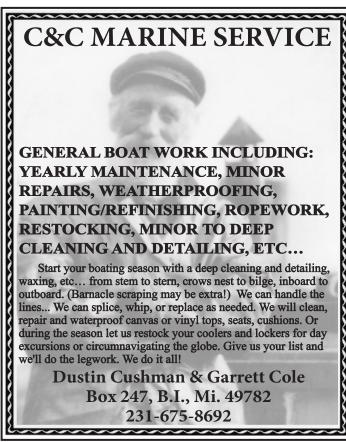
Also helping to make this first production by director Deborah Rob-

ert a rousing success were students from the Lighthouse School who designed the set and built the props, Kim Newport, who ran the lights, Briana Maudrie and Heather McDonough, who got a nice workout opening and closing the curtains, Pam Moxham, who had it easy as the prompter (these kids knew their lines), and Mike

and Jeremy Sowa along with Kitty McNamara and Mauve Green, who sold tickets and raffle tickets, as well as the 38 donors who provided gifts for the post-show raffle.

All-in-all, Get Up and Go! got up and went.







ust about every summer evening when you drive around Paradise Bay you see several visiting boats at anchor, a dingy tied to the stern and an anchor light twinkling. The town dock and Beaver Island Marina also are often busy with visiting cruisers. They can be seen carrying groceries from McDonoughs', in Dalwhinnie for a coffee or Daddy Franks for ice cream, and, of course, in any of the pubs. The hardware store is often an important stop for much-needed repair parts. Visiting boaters are an important part of the Beaver Island tourist experience, but how much do you know about them and where they come from?

Sometimes you see a boat with a foreign flag on the stern. Every year we are visited by many foreign-flagged vessels. Last year there were cruisers here from Switzerland, England, Germany, Canada, South Africa, Netherlands, and more. Beaver Island is also a regular stop on the "Great Loop" cruise in which boaters circumnavigate the eastern half of the United States from New York, the Erie Canal, the Great Lakes to Chicago, the inland river system to either Mobile, Alabama or New Orleans, around Florida, and up the east coast via the Intracostal Waterway to New York. This trip brings boats from many states to Beaver Island.

After the Chicago-to-Mackinac Race in mid July, the town dock fills several nights with racers returning to Chicago. They often are rafted together several deep; they come for a night or two of rest and recuperation, to tell their heroic race stories, and to visit the pubs and restaurants. Local races from Charlevoix and Traverse City also visit the Island.

Most are couples or families on a weekend getaway or a couple weeks of vacation. Occasionally some are on a whole summer, cruise. The Beaver Island archipelago is an attractive destination for the cruiser from northern Michigan who may only have a few days or a week vacation. Many come from Traverse City and dock here for a quick getaway; it is an easy 65-mile run. When they arrive they feel "so far away, but yet so close" to home. The harbor is also a regular stop for Lake Michigan boaters on the way to Canada's North Channel between Manitoulin Island and the Canadian mainland in northern Lake Huron.

This seasonal column will introduce some of our cruising visitors. They will share cruising plans, where they came from and where they are going, tell about their boats and what attracts them to Beaver Island, and more. It would be impossible to visit with each cruiser but, hopefully, an interesting cross section will be presented.

— Larry Hansz

## "EXPLORER II," BURLINGTON, VT

he *Explorer II* anchored in Paradise Bay for three nights in early May on its journey to Lake Champlain. Ed Champagne, who just bought the boat last fall, and his crew are delivering the 58' Alden-designed motor sailor to Burlington, Vermont. The boat had only one owner since it was built in 1975 in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, and has been in storage in Boyne City for the past

eight years. Ed made six trips to Boyne City during the winter to prepare for the delivery and to haul van loads of gear to his home in Westport, Connecticut.

The crew is a family affair: Ed; brother Richard from Ennis, Texas; son Ed III and his son, twelve-year-old Willy from Burlington; and daughter Susan Ringer from Paris, France. Willy and Susan left the crew here to fly home,

Willy to Burlington and Susan to Paris. The three men will continue the 1,200 mile trip, expecting to be underway for a month.

Following launching in Boyne City they conducted sea trials for one day and then anchored for a night in Round Lake. The next day they could have headed directly to Mackinac City and Lake Huron; however a quote in a cruising

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guide influenced them to visit St. James. Dozier's Great Lakes Waterway Guide says "The center of cruising in northern Lake Michigan is St. James Harbor at the tiny community of St. James." "That's what brought us to Beaver Island," said Ed Champagne III. They were very pleased with the protected anchorage in the northeast corner of the harbor as winds were gusting between 20 and 25

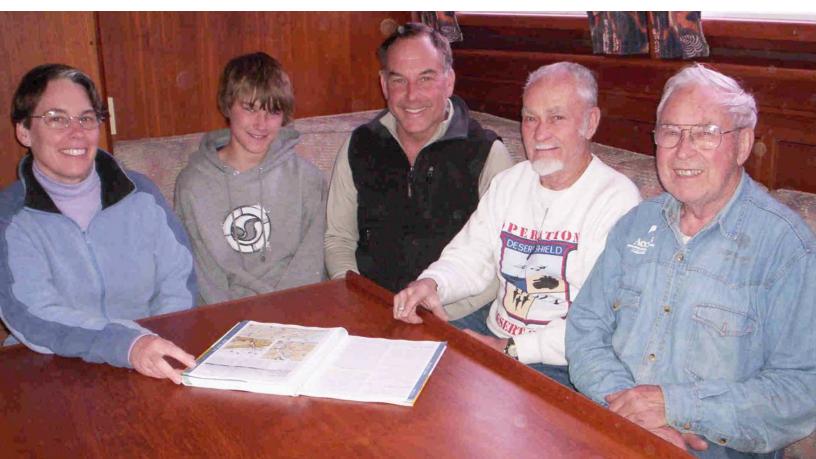
knots; they had no doubt that the anchorage is heavily used during the summer cruising months.

Ed's daughter complemented the Historical Society's preservation efforts and informative history signs around town. She also thought the restored store front on the Community Center was a wonderful preservation idea.

Explorer II's next stop probably will

be Cheboygan. Then it will be down Lake Huron, the St. Claire River, Lake St. Claire, and Lake Erie to Buffalo. There they will enter the Erie Canal, and traverse the width of New York through 57 locks to the Hudson River at Troy. Then there are eleven more locks on the Champlain Canal until they reach Lake Champlain. We are glad they spent two days with us.

— LH







## "HAPPY LANDING," BASEL, SWITZERLAND

Prigitte and Rolf Baumgartner left Switzerland in 2003 and now are on their return trip home on their French-built Jeanneau 34 sloop. They visited Beaver Island in early September last year near the end of their westward cruise and then proceeded to Muskegon, where the boat was hauled for winter storage and minor repairs. They spent the winter at home in Switzerland and returned April 29 to prepare for the return trip.

The cruise began in Basel, Switzerland and included 143 locks down to the Mediterranean Sea, including one lock with a 69' drop. They proceeded to the Canary Islands where they began the crossing to St. Lucia in the Carribean. It took 28 days including seven with absolutely no wind. "We finally spotted the mountains of St. Lucia about 2:00 p.m. in the afternoon but they never seemed to get any closer. Finally at 2:00 a.m. we dropped anchor in the harbor. It was such a great feeling to be there," said Brigitte.

Both 2004 and 2005 were spent island hopping in the Carribean. In 2006 *Happy Landing* sailed north from Granada, spent three months in the Bahamas, then proceeded up the Intracoastal Waterway and wintered in the Chesapeake Bay. Prior to their arrival at Beaver last year they sailed the Chesapeake Bay to New York City, Hudson River, Erie Canal, and the Trent Severn Canal in Ontario to Lake Huron.

This year they hope to be in New York City by June 15 to await a favorable weather pattern to cross to the Azores and then to Gibralter. Rolf said he will wait for a low pressure weather system to pass, which has about eight days of settled weather following it. He feels that provides enough time to get well offshore and ahead of the next storm system. Also, he said they must reach 50° west longitude to be clear of early hurricanes.

In this day of high tech electronics and communications, mariners have many ways to receive weather information. While crossing Rolf' called the weather station in Hamburg, Germany, via satellite phone every four days to give them their latitude and longitude. Hamburg would return the call in a few minutes and text-message a four-day forecast including wind and wave, and a preferred course for speed and comfort.

When asked what they learned about America Rolf said "American people are so open; they offer a hand, and make it easy to travel in a strange land." He also said "Beaver Island is so different from metropolitan areas. It's not hectic; you take time to be interested in others." We wish them a safe journey and know they will fondly remember Beaver Island.

It seems many early spring and late season cruisers are on vessel deliveries. Next month we'll meet some regional Great Lakes cruisers. -LH

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#### 14. ON THIS DATE

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Don Vyse was appointed to become the supervisor of St. James Township.

The Island S.A.D.D. chapter attended a two-day training conference at Shanty Creek.

A certified Canadian soccer instructor announced he would put on 5 daylong clinics on our soccer field in August.

The Chamber thanked Keith Pintler for all his help.

The new Peaine Township boat ramp was completed.

The car crusher was due back in September.

The 11-member Steering Committee of the 55-member Commission on Education for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century listed the topics it hoped to focus on in the year to come: the Beaver Island culture; the character of Beaver Islanders: the implications of technology; shifting Island demographics; changes in work and its location; the impact of exponential information growth; and recent breakthroughs in teaching, learning, schooling, and community involvement.

Henry Hill urged the townships not to transfer ownership of the Municipal Airport to the Airport Authority in the mistaken idea that they would escape liability, adding that despite several severe accidents the Airport had never been sued.

Jim Stambaugh reviewed a play marking John Fiegen's directorial debut, praising Beth Croswhite, Bill Palladino, Phil Lange, and Phil Gregg, in the main roles, as well as Erik Heline, Christy Albin, and Claudia Schmidt.

The Beacon included a poem by Kay Masini, which concluded,

We come, deepening our roots, to strengthen the wings

we grew here on this northern island —the first place we called home.

Twenty Years Ago The Beacon announced the discovery of a major "potential archaeological find" on Beaver Island, a 397'-diameter circle of rocks discovered by former Island teacher Terri Bussey below Angeline's Bluff on Mrs. Redding's Trail. Historical Society president Alvin LaFreniere said he had seen smaller medicine wheels with eight spokes nearby, and Phil Gregg found one on Garden Island.

The architects hired to design the library arrived on the Island and met with several contractors to gauge local styles, materials, and costs.

Phil and Lil Gregg finally unpacked the last of the boxes from when they moved here 28 years earlier.

Mike Crawford's new boat, the Mary J, a 1929 Canadian cedar vessel

whose 120 hp engine will move her at 17 mph, arrived in the harbor. It would be managed by newlywed Jon Bonadeo.

The Wildlife Club received DNR permission to plant walleyes in Fox Lake.

Fifty flowering crab trees were planted around the harbor, a gift from Ron Wojan's father-in-law Barney Gleason.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> volume of Island history was expected soon.

New teachers Jim and Donna Stambaugh, who arrived the previous fall, bought Annie Haynoe's home, built by Willie Ricksgers on Strangite Wingfield Watson's land near the end of the King's Highway.

The title of 'Duke of Donegal Bay' was bestowed on Ray Denny because his aunt, a prodigy who could read the newspaper at 3 and play piano at 4, was a great granddaughter of King Strang.

The school sponsored a Beaver Island Arts Project directed by Pat Hough and Josh Broder, who were married on the beach the previous summer.

Larry Scholl was hired as township handyman.

Between 1986 and 87, Peaine's valuation increased 5.9% from 12.2m to 12.9m while St. James' rose by 1.8% from 9.1m to 9.2m.

Rich Scripps performed at the school commencement, with Doug Butler, Kurt Graves, Deb LaFreniere, and Jason Lome graduating.

At a state-sponsored Beaver Island fishing tournament, Shane McDonough caught a 2½-pound pike, Glen Borre a

## CMU'S SUMMER FIELD TRIP NATURE WALKS

Once again the BIHS is cosponsoring a series of CMU Field Trips. Each is limited to 28 people, and must be booked in advance by phoning Pinky (448-2461) or the Museum (448-2254). The trips leave the Bio Station at 9:00 a.m. (except for "French Bay" on August 2<sup>nd</sup>), and cost \$30, which includes lunch.

"Avian Monitoring During Migration" with Dr. Nancy Seefelt, on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Bird banding, monitoring mist nets, and collecting data on migrating songbirds. Everyone will



also get a chance to test their bird identification skills.

"Beaver Island's Early Summer Flora" with Dr. Ed Leuck, on Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. A trip to a variety of habitats to locate and identify many of the Island's beautiful spring and summer wildflowers and other plant species.

"Beaver Island Sand Dunes" with Dr. Beth Leuck, on Saturday, June 28th. Explore Beaver Island's sand dunes. Learn about the origin, current status, and future of the dunes, which will be discussed, and the flora and fauna of these beautiful ecosystems.

"The Spiders of Beaver Island" with Dr. Dave Clark, on Tuesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. After a PowerPoint presentation you will spend time in the field learning about the ecology and behavior of

30-ounce bass, and Leone Schellenberg a ½-pound perch.

Chamber president Rich Gillespie headed a large group that greeted the State's Development Director. The local Development Committee, chaired by Tom Dorais, applied for a grant to study the Island's needs. Its priorities were year-around jobs, the garbage dump, public safety, road and sidewalk improvement, low-income housing, parks and recreation, off-season tourism, a conference center, sewer and water, underground utility lines, village aesthetics, and transportation.

Rich Gillespie also led a delegation to greet Frank Kelley, George Perles (the MSU football coach), and Joe Farrell (director of the MSU med school).

Thirty Years Ago Mairead Corrigan, co-winner of the 1976 Nobel Peace Prize, visiting Beaver Island, was welcomed ashore by a large group gathered by Father Alvin Yard. Quite a number of people had come with her on the *Beaver Islander*, and they all marched to the Parish Hall, where she spoke on the necessity of not just talking about peace but taking action to secure it.

Afterward, during a tour of the Island, she ran to the top of Mt. Pisgah and back down in her bare feet.

Linda Wojan, Garrett Cole, and Bernadette Green graduated with high honors from the Island school. Other graduates included Shane Delamater, Sherry Derosia, Dave and Nick Hogan, Mary Kenwabakise, Dan McDonough, and Kathy Gillespie.

Glen Wagner won the 4th Annual

Shamrock Open at the Golf Course.

Phil Gregg's 19' O'Day Mariner, the smallest boat, was named winner in the revived Regatta.

Passings noted included John O'Donnell, a bachelor who was born here in 1908 and moved to Tupper Lake NY when he was 15; and James Ricksgers, born here in 1913, who spent his life as a sailor.

**Forty Years Ago** Dr. Nelson Smith, with his new wife Dawn acting as his dental assistant, examined the Island children's teeth, cleaning and filling, thanks to a County-subsidized program.

A farewell reception was held for two of the Dominican Sisters departing for the summer, who would not be returning. One of them, Sister Cletus, had taught here for 15 years.

A decision was made to have the Island children build and man the floats for the July Fourth parade.

Archie Minor fell on his ship, and his injury required the partial amputation of one foot.

The *Beacon* ran ads for two contractors, the Wood Brothers in Charlevoix and Leo Kujawa of St. James (who built homes now lived in by Carol LaFreniere and Jean Palmer).

**Fifty Years Ago** Elaine Seidel of Detroit was ready to open a new buggy business based at Mrs. O'Brien's (Cruikshank's), picking up fares from the boat dock.

Dick Zielenski brought his charter boat, *Abbey III*, from Alabama to try his luck around the Beavers this summer.

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More than a dozen planes had

already arrived at the Municipal Airport this year.

The perch run was over for the season but the big bluegills were still biting.

Movies were being shown in the Parish Hall, with help from cousins Jerry and Alvin LaFreniere.

The King Strang Hotel was getting four bathrooms, with owner Olin Wanty supervising Island carpenters.

Glen McCafferty retired from sailing and moved back to his Island home on the King's Highway.

The Christian Brothers' advance party opened their Lodge in preparation for 35 retreaters.

Holy Cross Church was covered with new Insulite board siding.

The telephone company cautioned users that if the two lines to Petoskey were busy, they should try again later.

Coronet magazine mentioned Beaver in its story about "Twenty Island Get-aways"; the Civic Association had received 79 inquiries since it came out.

The passing of "Little Joe" Kenwabikise was noted. The uncle of "Young Paul" (Johnny Kenwabikise's father), he was born on High Island in 1890, and lived there, fishing, until 1936, when he came to Beaver to work for Joe M'Fro. Other passings were Martha (Gallagher) Zulasky, born on Beaver Island, and Paul Fuller, who visited the King Strang Hotel every summer with Dr. Vernor (creator of the song, *The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi*), who was planning to build at Lookout Point.

Kathleen Gatliff was the BICS valedictorian.

## Beaver Island's diverse and interesting spider populations.

"Miller's Marsh and the Double-bluff" with Dr. Gilbert Starks, on Thursday, July 17th. Dr. Starks will point out the Marsh's natural history and diversity, and head south to a unique geological formation known as a "double bluff."

"Beaver Island's Inland Lakes" with Mr. Dan Benjamin, on Saturday,

July 26<sup>th</sup>. A trip to the inland lakes to learn about their formation, current status, water chemistry and natural history.

#### "French Bay Field

**Trip"** with Dr. Dan Wujek, on Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. A hike to historic French Bay to search out diverse semiaquatic flowering and woody plants and learn about the importance of this lakeside ecosystem. **Begins at 8:30 a.m.** 

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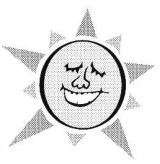
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by Frank Solle

n a sunny, cool Spring morning the student body of Beaver Island Community School, along with faculty, school board members, parents, representatives from the Charlevoix-Emmett Intermediate School District, from Beta-Design and Beaver Gems construction, township officials, other interested members of the Island community, and the State

Superintendent of Public Instruction, Michael Flanagan, gathered in the open commons outside the school to break ground for a \$3.9 million addition/renovation project.

With the students forming a large circle, shovels at the ready, a number of speakers addressed the crowd. Welcoming everyone to this historic event was BICS Superintendent Kitty McNamara who briefly outlined the school's history from the first graduation class in 1918 through previous expansions, bringing the crowd up to date to the present project.

McNamara also extended thanks to the school board, the building committee, the voters, and the community at large for "having the foresight to look ahead and plan for the educational future of Island students, and to recognize and celebrate this moment in Beaver Island Community School history."

Speaking for the students was junior Heather McDonough who spoke of their excitement for this project as well as looking forward to creating new memories. Faculty member Miranda Rooy spoke next, expressing the excitement and appreciation of the faculty and also relating her own positive experience as a high school student in a new facility. Dana Hodgson, not only a parent of a current student, but an alumnus of BICS as well as a member of the Building Committee that worked towards passing the bond issue, told the



crowd of the important role of education in the raising of her son. "Our son's education has always been a concern and we have discussed whether or not he would get the education he needed here. We now absolutely know we are in the right place and look forward to seeing our child and his classmates enjoy and prosper in this new facility."



School board president Barbara Schwartzfisher echoed Hodgson's feelings. "At the top of the list when we moved here 10 years ago was education," she said. "I stand here with great pride representing the board of educa-

tion at this significant event. History often judges us for how much significance we place on education. This community has been a tremendous advocate for the education of our children. Beaver Island receives an A+ in this area, and today is a shining example of that."

Mark Eckhardt, Superintendent of the Charlevoix-Emmett Intermediate School District acknowl-

edged it was an honor to be part of this event. "It is remarkable what you have achieved here," he said.

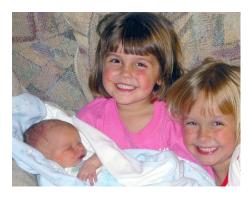
Superintendent Flanagan was next. "With a name like Flanagan I feel right at home here," he joked of his own Irish background. "I only get to do a couple of these visits each year and this may be the most special one I've done. I've been very impressed with your community. I'm responsible for nearly two million students in this state," he continued. "And none are more important than your children here on Beaver Island. This project lays the groundwork for the future of your children."

Schwartzfisher then introduced the design/construction team of Bret Kronlein from Beta Design, who drew up the plans; Tom Sloan, the project manager; Robert Gillespie and Kevin McDonough of Beaver Gems, who will oversee the construction; and Theresa McDonough, Beaver Gems secretary who keeps things organized.

With the speeches given it was time to grab the shovels and take the ceremonial first scoops, with the youngest students ready to start the project right then and there.

Following a luncheon at the Shamrock, Flanagan toured the school, listened as several senior students presented parts of their senior projects, and spoke with students taking on-line courses, as, in the midst of the beginning of change, everyday work continued.

### 18. BLAKE HAROLD LOUNSBERRY IS LANDERS



va and Gracie Lounsberry are pleased to announce that they have a new baby brother.

Blake Harold Lounsberry was born May 8, 2008 and weighed 7 pounds and 7 ounces and was 21" long. He is the new son of Jeff and Kathy Lounsberry of Ypsilanti, Michigan and the grandson of Harold and Sally Lounsberry of Beaver Island and Sheryl Dunlop of West Bloomfield, Michigan.



## TO TARA'S

The air is like a butterfly With frail blue wings. The happy earth looks at the sky And sings.

Joyce Kilmer

Tara's Meadow invites Islanders down for some expanded fun on Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup>, our fourth annual year of welcoming-in the Summer.



We'll dance around the May Pole once again—a real hit with families and folks of all ages last year. Plus we'll add games "of wit & prowess" to the mix—family clan fun "for the feint."

Also drummer, counselor, and drum maker Michael Sullivan from Petoskey will play, inviting folks in for a drum circle and jam at 6 pm, just after our 5 pm chili feed. Games will include a Celtic Cow Toss and an Irish Spud Hurl, as well as Celtic Road Bowling.







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Folks arriving at noon for the fun should bring 20' of colored fabric ribbon for each person dancing around the May Pole. Other items to bring: a lawn chair, blanket, and musical instrument, as well as a stone for the cairn and a story (if you wish) about your own favorite natural spot. Bring your own service ware for the 5 pm meal.



It is the mission of Tara's Meadow "to uplift"—to celebrate our community and its connections with this beautiful land in which we live. Tara's Meadow, the site of the historic Carpenter's Mill on the West Side Road, is located 1 mile north of Miller's Marsh, and 1 mile south of the Greene's Lake & Greenes' Bay turnoff. Parking is available along the South Mill Trail. Call Seamus Norgaard for details: 231.448.2477, or 231.347.7957 (voicemail).



lan and Vicky Gould of Marleta announced the arrival of their new granddaughter, Alexsis Willow, this past February in Bad Axe, 19" long and weighing 5 pounds 13 ounces. Parents Trevor and Liberty Gould, and big sisters Lakyn and Maisey, welcomed her into the family. Great grandparents are Dolores Gallagher of Clifford and the late Peter "Doney."







by Frank Solle



roups of students took turns Tthroughout the afternoon and into the evening of May 20th receiving recognition for their academic efforts over the closing school year. Prior to the elementary ceremony, which kicked things off, the combined school/community strings program students entertained the crowd with a number of selections. One piece was a nice duet by mother-daughter Sue and Sarah Avery. The group wrapped up their performance with a rousing rendition of the Star Wars theme. These budding musicians are quite fortunate to have the enthusiastic and talented leadership they receive from Robin Lee Barry and the Crooked Tree Arts Center of Petoskey.

Along with the various awards there were two graduations held as the Kindergartners received their diplomas, as did the eighth-graders, who will be moving into high school next fall. Wrapping up their early years of education and moving onto the exciting world of first grade next fall are Elsie Burton, Grainne Cushman, John Robert, and Kaylee Coffell. The large, 12-student eighthgrade contingent, the school's largest class, ready to move on, includes: Jenna Battle, Brighid Cushman, Jamie Camp-



bell, Agustust Connaghan, Matthew Cull, Desire Duhamel, Kaylyn Jones, Daniel LaFreniere, Brogan Maudrie, Michael McCafferty, and Olivia Schwartzfisher.

A highlight of the middle- and highschool awards is the presentation of the Citizen and Student of the Year awards. This year the middle-school Citizen of the Year honors were shared by Matthew Cull and Olivia Schwartzfisher. Student of the Year was earned by Jenna Battle. Schwartzfisher gave the class farewell address, thanking parents and teachers for helping them to learn to give 110% towards their education. Senior class member Brittany Crandall spoke to the incoming high school group, reminding them to be respectful and diligent.

In the high-school ranks junior Maeve Green was named Citizen of the Year, while senior Brenden Martin and sophomore Alex Kuligoski were co-Students of the Year. These awards are chosen by the faculty.

Among the other awards presented to the high-school students were National Scholar-Athlete Awards, presented by Army Sergeant Townsend of Petoskey to Brenden Martin and Andrea Moore. Guidance counselor Beth



Croswhite announced the awarding of numerous scholarships, including a pair of Michigan Promise Scholarships, also to Martin and Moore. These state awards amount to \$4,000, and are based on scores and initial passing of state-wide tests. The other five graduates—Eric Albin, Brittany Crandall, Kevin Gillespie, Samantha Kuligoski, and Daniel Runberg—qualify for a similar scholarship once they have completed two years of college.

Martin and Moore also were nominated for the Michigan Competitive Scholar Award, based on their ACT scores. If awarded, this scholarship would include up to \$1,200 per year for four years.

Sophomore Kristy Bousquet has accepted a scholarship to attend this year's Hugh O'Brien Leadership conference. As a note to her dedication, the conference will take place the same weekend as the BICS graduation.

Also announced at the high-school ceremony were graduation honors for Martin, the class Valedictorian, and Moore, Salutatorian. Samantha Kuligoski will graduate with Cum Laude honors.

Graduation will be Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.

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## 22. PAR FOR THE COURSE

by Fairway Frank

Well, it's official now. It's started. The golf season on Beaver Island.

Both the Ladies and Mens summer leagues are underway (okay, the men had to wait a day due to cold and blustery conditions—hey, it is supposed to be fun) and we've had the first mixed-partner event.

Prior to the start of the mens' play, my steady and trusty partner and I transported his cart to the course—only after a full and thorough soapy

cleanup as per directions—and took advantage of a nice afternoon for a little team practice. Mind you, this was a Monday, a week before the holiday, and the course was busy. Standing on the second green we could see other groups on both the eighth and ninth fairways and knew there was another group over on five. It was just like a golf course. It was just like it was supposed to be.

Other than a little winter damage on the heavily-shaded third green, the course came through the winter in flying colors. John has already worked the greens—aerated, sanded and fertilized them—and moved the holes to new locations. Moving the holes is a bit more difficult here than on modern, mainland courses. It seems that 49 years ago Pete "the Swede" Peterson and young Larry McDonough had their hands too full of horse reins and manually-directed scoops to bother with screening the dirt under the greens. Now each time John tries to relo-



cate the holes he finds rocks which work their way up towards the surface in some alien, anti-gravity manner. When he finds them, John removes them, which, on a golf green, is quite a demanding chore. And have you ever noticed a lack of rocks here? I didn't think so. So each time the holes are replaced, it's a fine thing, and something we all, as golfers, need to respect and take care to maintain.

But enough preaching, the choir has heard it anyway. It's time instead to brag up my *mixed-partners* partner. Hats off to Nel for agreeing to suffer a round with me. And while suffer we did (we didn't get anything less than a six until our eighth hole) in the first of what may well turn out to be five such male-female teammate tournaments, we suffered our way into a tie for third place with Angel Welke and Father Pat with matching rounds of 52, forcing a playoff—as if the alternate shot format hadn't been stressful enough we now had to try to take it to a man of

the cloth. Yet Nel was up to the challenge, lacing a tee shot off the first box down the center of the fairway, 145 yards from the green—apparently we needed seven holes to get warmed up and find our games. While Angel's drive found the right rough, Father Pat handled his hybrid club like a golden chalice and nearly reached the green, only to fall short and right and into the sand. Meanwhile I steeled myself for attempting to pull

off one good shot on the day, and did, dropping an 8-iron on the putting surface, much to Nel's surprise and appreciation.

Anyone who plays the game knows how difficult it can be to complete an upand-down from the sand, and it wasn't until three shots later that Angel found the green. Golf can be a great humbler. Nel laid a putt up close enough to the hole that even I could make it for the win and our only par of the day. It was just a little added excitement and fun to an already exciting and fun day enjoyed by 14 two-person teams.

Speaking of humbling, Larry and Theresa Laurain humbled the field with a 47, while Lars and Doris Larson grabbed second place with a solid 49.

The next mixed event is set for June 22 with more to follow on July 27 and August 17. There was even talk of holding a September event. Look for sign-up information at the clubhouse, choose a partner, and come join the fun.





## RACHEL MCDONOUGH-GROGAN GRADUATES

Rachel Graduated May 9<sup>th</sup> from North Central Michigan College with an Associates Degree in Early Childhood Education. She plans on pursuing a Bachelors Degree in Early Childhood Education with a minor in Sociology.

Her parents are Jim & Diane McDonough, and Grandparents are Skip McDonough on Beaver Island and Dave and Lois Postma in Grand Rapids.

Rachel is back working this summer at McDonough's Market, where her smile has been a pleasant fixture. She and her husband Andy are expecting their first child in September.





ith High School graduation fast approaching, and strains of Pomp and Circumstance stirring in the graduates' waking dreams, it is time to sit down with each of this year's seven seniors to find out what they hope the future holds for them.

Eric Christopher Albin, son of Keith and Kristy Albin. Eric has been accepted at Central Michigan University where he plans to study construction management and technology, with a possible minor in architecture. Eric sees CMU as a good place to begin his education as he likes the size of the school and is somewhat familiar with the campus. However, he sees himself transferring to the University of Michigan after a couple years. Eric has played on the school's soccer and basketball teams throughout high school and

is a member of the student council. This summer he will be working for his father.

Brittany Teal Crandall, daughter of Steve and Yvonne Crandall. Brittany plans to attend the Traverse City Beauty Academy. There she hopes to complete the intensive, 11-month program prior to taking her state certification exams. Following that plan of action, Brittany would like to attend Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City in order to complete a two-year study of business management. Her obvious goal is to one day own and operate her own beauty shop. What isn't obvious yet is where that might be, but as she explained, she has time to figure that out. Brittany played volleyball throughout high school and was a member of the student council. This summer Brittany will be baby-sitting full time and

waiting tables at Stoney Acres part time.

Kevin Barry Gillespie, son of Richard and Laura Gillespie. Kevin will be attending Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City this fall, starting out in the Culinary Arts program. While he has been working in the Shamrock kitchen in the summer, and will be doing so again this year, he's not completely sure of his career track. With that in mind, he will be looking into other areas, such as journalism. Kevin, who took a two-year sabbatical at Charlevoix High School where he participated in football and wrestling, was a member of the Islanders soccer and basketball teams for his two years at BICS.

Samantha Michelle Kuligoski. daughter of Marty Kuligoski and Dawn Johnson. Samantha is the free spirit of this year's graduating class. "I'm ready to go

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explore the world," she said. Her future is out there and she is more than willing to go look for it. The beginning of her quest will be at Grand Rapids Community College this fall, where she hopes to get her core classes taken while getting a feel for all her options. Samantha sees a transfer to CMU as a possibility. And being a somewhat orderly free spirit, she can see mathematics playing a role. "I like math," she said. Now there's an exploration. Samantha has been involved in student council and will graduate with Cum Laude honors. This summer Samantha will be exploring the world of waiting tables at Dalwhinnie's.

Brenden James Martin, son of Buddy and Colleen Martin. As the class budding musician, Brenden hopes to pursue that interest into a potential career. His pursuit will begin in Kalamazoo at Western Michigan University. His plans are still taking shape; he will be taking his general education classes while looking into the possibilities in the music field. Brenden is this year's Valedictorian, and has participated in both soccer and basketball throughout high school, and is a member of the National Honor Society. This summer Brenden's possibilities will center around working another season at Do It Best Hardware.

Andrea Jo Moore, daughter of Joe and Phyllis Moore. Andrea is this year's Salutatorian and has been accepted to Central Michigan University's Honors Program. "I'm thinking about psychology and becoming a clinical psychologist," Andrea said of her collegiate plans. "My whole goal of life is to help other people." She believes a master's pro-

gram is in her future as well. Andrea participated in volleyball since the eighthgrade, was on the yearbook staff for three years, student council for two years, and was a member of the National Honor Society for two years. She will be working at Stoney Acres this summer.

Daniel Joseph Runberg, son of John and Carol Runberg. Daniel is another class member with something good cooking as he too plans on attending the Culinary Arts program at Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City. "I just like that kind of work," Daniel said as he gets ready for another summer of working in the kitchen at the Shamrock. Daniel played soccer the last two seasons and was on the basketball team throughout high school. This year he was awarded the annual Bill Burns Sportsmanship Award.

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For the second week of May CMU's Dr. Harry Mika brought 11 honors students to the Island to study the local community and write papers by the end of the month.



The students spent time at the Museums, interviewed Steve West, and were regaled by Jackie Martin, who told them

about helping his father fish and cut ice on the harbor when he was a boy.

In the middle of the week I was



able to tag along as they took a ride to High Island with Jon Bonadeo (Bonadeo's Beaver Island Boat Charters) to get a different perspective on Island life.

They knew about the large home James Davlin, the daring ice walker, had built on High Island in 1877, about the logging operation that had

been there around the turn of the century, about the Israelite community that had pulled up stakes in 1930 (al-



though some stayed on a few years), and the wild horses Warren Townsend grazed there two decades later, but reading about history and seeing the sites are two different things.



The weather was perfect. To save fuel on the leisurely trip, Jon cruised along on one engine, passing Skip Duhamel's string

of nets near High's north-east point (where other CMU researchers have studied various birds) and the









newer tiny islet.

Seeming to motor right along the shore in this beautiful deepwater bay, we set the anchor firmly on a rock. Once everyone was ashore, we walked past the

DNR cabins, one now in bad shape with the roof caving in, and on the road to Lake Maria. Unlike the lakes of Beaver or



Garden, this one was not circled by deer tracks. The only game here is smaller. Beaver Islanders used to



hunt grouse regularly, and our squirrels came from High, trapped by the Israelites for \$50 and sent over on the *High Islander*. Eagles circled the pristine little lake, where a

campfire was built for lunch. For some of the students, this was likely as far from civilization as they had ever been.



With the ambiance of past lives thick in the air, they kept their eyes open as they fanned out to investigate the



three roads around the harbor. With our increasing growth and success on Beaver, echos of other past endeavors have been built over, so it was fascinating to visit a place where slices

of time remain unchanged, the cookstoves and bedsprings still nestled in the footprint of each former home.



When it was finally time to go, the anchor was stuck, but not lost. High Island did not want to let us go.



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t was a different kind of challenge that greeted 10 teams of Road Rally-ers as they gathered at the Shamrock on Sunday, May 4, in order to have a fun-filled afternoon while supporting the Preservation Association's ongoing pursuit of opening the Community Center this summer.

In an effort, as it were, to "tame the tiger" in these eager competitors, Rally organizer Joan Banville challenged her obedient Rally Boy to come up with a plan to slow down the field after a dusty and somewhat speedy event the previous poetic year (the 2007 Rally was built around questionably poetic quatrains referring to Island locations).

And thus was born a Rally without a clock, a Rally based only on miles driven—and given our recent

late-winter gas-rationing episode, one that kept the Rally-ers closer to town.

Rather than chase helterskelter from clue-to-clue, leaving little or no time for relief while challenging the stability of any on-board, non-alcoholic refreshment, this year the Rally teams were given a sheet containing the photos of all possible sites as they exited (or not) the Shamrock. The challenge here was not only to identify each and every locationthe theme that bound them all together was the inclusion of the words Beaver or Island or both—but to then determine the shortest and most direct route to drive to each one, where they picked up a sticker to mark they had indeed been there.

Of course the only real rule to these Rallies is that no one truly follows the rules,



so there was a fair amount of footwork involved in chasing down the requisite stickers among the chosen sites located not too far from Rally Central. But eventually, the cars had to move and the miles had to add up.

While the main course circled around the harbor and eventually to Gull Harbor, there was the question of whether or not it was shorter to go around Sucker Point or circle back to Whiskey Point? Do you drive this way down Pine Street or that way? And then, out of town, do we go down Hannigan's (is it open?) or McCauley's?

In the end, the team of Deb Robert, Kitty McNamara, Kim Newport, Judy Boyle, and Chris Heikka—the only team to leave town and go south first—executed the course to perfection, coming in

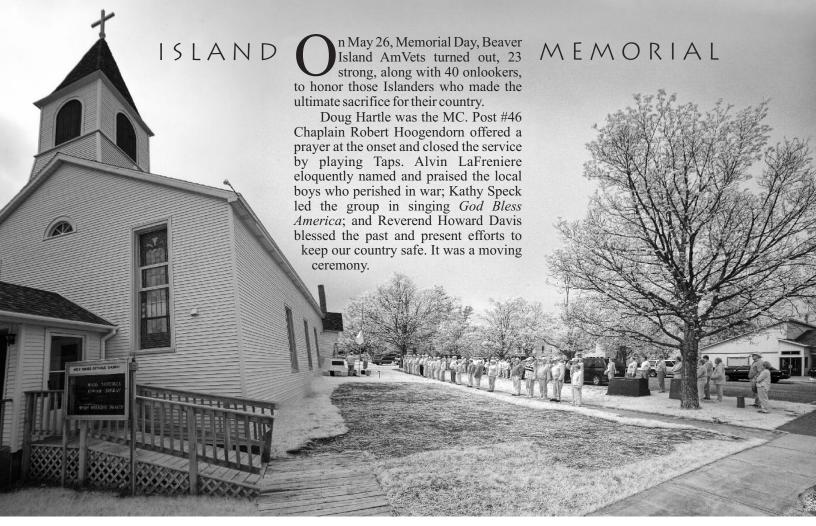
exactly at the minimum 22 miles required to actually drive to each site. Congratulations to a knowledgeable team with a well-thought-out plan.

Two teams finished tied for second at 22.4 miles, including the defending titleists of Eric Peterson, Wendy Fogg, Jon and Sally Fogg John and Beth McCafferty, Fred and Marty Walstrom, Evan Peterson, and Nicole Smith, and the team of Ken McDonald, Don Tritsch, Jayne Bailey, Ann Partidge, and Ed Troutman.

In an act of selfish determination Team Peterson paid \$100 to pose with the trophy once again.

The event garnered just over \$1,200 for PABI, which thanks everyone for their participation. Now look for the grand opening of the Community Center this July.













## BAROQUE ON BEAVER

The "sounds of music" will definitely be heard when "Baroque on Beaver" returns to Beaver Island for the seventh year, July 29-August 3, 2008!

This year's festival will begin with performances on Wednesday and Thursday evening at CMU's Gillingham Auditorium. Included in the small ensemble programs will be the music of Brahms, Telemann, Enescu, Handel and Vivaldi's "Concerto for Two Trumpets" and Strings, performed by soloists Rich Illman, Principal Trumpet for the Lansing Symphony, and Beaver Island summer resident, Robert Lockhardt.

The Friday evening and Sunday afternoon performances at Holy Cross Parish Hall will feature the orchestra and

chorus performing in different programs. Works by Dvorak, Handel, Weber, Ralph Vaughn Williams, John Rutter and solo performances featuring James Fiste, cello; Jill Honeycutt and Jill Sipe, horn; and Meryl Mantione, mezzo soprano will be featured. Martha Guth will return to Beaver Island for performances on Saturday evening at the Community Center and Sunday afternoon at Holy Cross Hall, performing several works with the orchestra, including selections from "Candide" by Leonard Bernstein.

During the July 28-August 1 week, Gr. 3-12 BICS and visiting students will be able to participate in the music camp, "Jazz and More!" 9-12 a.m., at the Beaver Island Christian Church. The

interactive program will include vocal and string opportunities in addition to exciting introductions to percussion and wind instruments with the *Baroque on Beaver* musicians. Information and registration is available at the BICS or fromg Deb Plastrik, 448-3047.

The Beaver Island Cultural Arts Assoc., the non-profit sponsor of "Baroque on Beaver" and "Jazz and More!" appreciates the recently announced support from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and the continued support from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Cheboygan Area Arts Council. Additional information is available on the www.baroqueonbeaver.com website.



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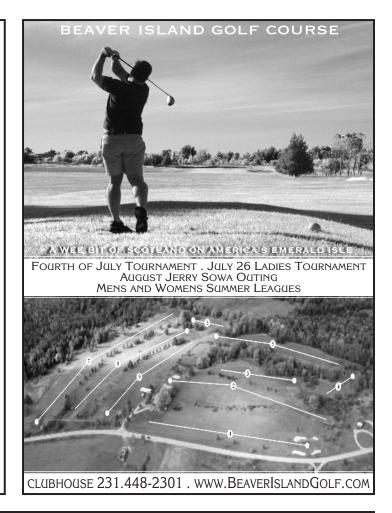


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### 32 COMMUNITY CENTER GRAND OPENING: JULY 1

The much-anticipated opening of the Beaver Island Community Center is set for July 1<sup>st</sup>. A ribbon-cutting ceremony at noon will kick-off a week-long celebration featuring a variety of opportunities to enjoy a sample of what it will offer. "The Community Center is going to be a place where something is always available, always going on, and our opening week will give residents and visitors a chance to experience that energy," according to Ann Partridge, Community Center Director for Island Events and the Performing Arts.

Each day during the week will "Celebrate the Island Community" in a different way and feature its own unique activities.

Tuesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> will celebrate the official arrival of the new Beaver Island Community Center itself. Well over a decade in concept to completion, a visual display will take visitors through the story of the fledgling Center, its connection to—and now place in—Island history. "It's been an incredible journey and a great achievement for us as a community," said Judy Gallagher, the Preservation Association's Board President. "The hard work isn't over by any means, but now we celebrate!" Guided tours and complimentary refreshments will be available

to visitors throughout the afternoon and evening.

Wednesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> is a celebration of Beaver Island's first community members, the Native Americans. The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians and the Little Traverse Bay Band will join the festivities and share their unique sense of community and celebration.

The Chenille Sisters will provide some musical wit, wisdom, and outstanding entertainment on Thursday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> with 2:00 and 7:30 performances. Tickets are \$10 for the matinee, \$20 for the evening performance, available by calling (231) 448-2022 or from any Board Member.

Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup> the Community Center joins the entire Island in celebrating Independence Day and our Beaver Island Veterans. Just prior to the parade, the Community Center will honor our Veterans with a brief ceremony of thanks. And just prior to the fireworks, the first movie could premiere in the Community Center's state-of-the-art auditorium. While confirmation of the equipment is pending, fingers are crossed for a Friday-the-Fourth Feature!

No celebration of the Island as a community could take place without

honoring its Irish heritage. Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup> will be a day—and night—filled with everything Irish. The theatre stage will have constant activity from storytelling to ceidhle lessons, a cappella performances to bobhran demonstrations, topped off with a dance and live performance by Irish (and Island-connected) musicians Danny Gillespie, Danny Johnston, Cindy Gillespie, Brian Roman, John McCafferty, and Glen Hendrix.

Rounding out the Grand Opening celebration week will be a blessing of the newly inaugurated Community Center by the community's spiritual leaders at 11:30am on Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup>. Father Pat Cawley of Holy Cross Parish, Father Joe Howell of the Beaver Island Episcopal Church, and Reverend Howard Davis of the Beaver Island Christian Church will unite with anyone wishing to attend to consecrate the new gathering place to its special purpose, mission, and the community.

An engaging afternoon of lively competition for young and old alike will follow, with billiards, euchre, cribbage, and board game tourneys, and (hopefully) the first of many Sunday afternoon movie matinees.

For more about the Grand Opening, call Ann Partridge at 448-2802

### WHAT'S IN STORE THIS SUMMER?

CMU Nature Walks: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00; schedule page 14-15

Beaver Island Electric Car Show June 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. Test drives will be available for all of the cars at the brick paver area at the Shamrock and Harbour Market.

2008 Phragmites Eradication Plan meeting - A public meeting on June 24th, 2008 at the Peaine Hall at 7 p.m. to discuss the proposed 2008 Phragmites Eradication Plan. John Works, Don Vyse, Brian Mastenbrook, and BIPOA will answer questions.

The **Fourth of July!** The Chamber has selected "Beaver Island's Hidden Treasures" as the theme for this year's July 4<sup>th</sup> parade

The **Beaver Island Association** (formally BIPOA) **Annual Meeting** July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at the Peaine Hall. Election of

officers, reports and other business. Open to the public.

2008 Beaver Island Music Festival July 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2008. www.bimf.net Beaver Island Air Show featuring the Yankee Lady B-17 July 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>

Museum Week and MAD Camp July 21<sup>st</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

PABI Sunset Picnic July 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at Donegal Bay

Jazz and More music camp - July 28-August 1. baroqueonbeaver.com Baroque on Beaver July 29<sup>th</sup>-Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Livingstone Studio's **Meet The Artists**August 2<sup>nd</sup>. *livingstonestudio.com* 

**Beaver Island Writers Gathering** and Literary Event August 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>.

**Homecoming** August 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>.

Gregg Fellowship Center Benefit with the Community Choir, Aug. 24

Ransom Street Big Rand - September

Ransom Street Big Band - September 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>.

Celtic Games September 13<sup>th</sup>.

Bite of Beaver Island and the Island Boodle October 4<sup>th</sup>.

The **Island Treasures Resale Shop** is now open M, T, W, & Sat. from noon until 4 p.m.

**Softball** is currently being played Wednesdays at 7:00 pm and will then be played on Tuesdays in June and July. Ages: Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders thru adult are welcome. For questions contact Kerry Smith at 448-2601.

#### **Help Wanted**

The Beaver Island Youth Consortium (yes, the group is still alive and discussing it's future course) is seeking to hire a person or group to organize and run the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Carnival. The organizer will be paid \$850.00. Anyone who is interested, contact Lisa Gillespie (448-2888) or Kitty McNamara (448-2353) as soon as possible for full details of the job.









by Nancy Peterson

## 34. INSIDE MURANO AND VENICE

As mentioned last month in my article about my trip to Murano, Italy, the island of glass, we had special access to many artisans due to our connection (the glass-making class) with Lucio Bubacco.

Murano's factories produce glass artwork, goblets, vases, sculptures and "pearls" (beads). Murano is also the home of the Museo Vetrario, or glass museum—an excellent place to see the history of glass on Murano dating from the 15<sup>th</sup> century to the present day. Even the building is historic.

Massimiliano Schiavon is a glass artist who makes vases on a transparent base with "canes" arranged on top of a

base. These canes are arranged on the base before it is blown and put in a furnace. Sometimes the glass, after it is kiln annealed and cold, is intensively ground to reveal the layers of glass.

We watched the process in

his furnace and visited a few of his showrooms. Massi-miliano gave me a piece of a cane. I also bought a bead which shows the grinding of the glass.

Canes are made by pulling molten glass into long strands. Then different colors of canes are cut up and placed together on a plate, heated to soften, and joined together. These can be made into plates, bowls, or paperweights, or incorporated into blown glass.

Present day furnaces are quite similar to those from the Middle Ages and Renaissance times. The gaffer (master

glassmaker) and his assistants (serventi and garzoni) form a work group called a piazza. They move around the furnace, gathering the glass with a blowpipe, regularly putting this gather back into the fire. The tools are the same as were used for gener-

ations. The gaffer sits on a bench with support arms to help him turn and hold the blow pipe.

Next door to the apartment in which I lived for three weeks, stands the 15<sup>th</sup>

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century Palazetto Correr. The upper floors contain a showroom of the Alfredo Barbini glassworks we were invited to see one rainy day. The portego (central hall) of this house was frescoed by Antonio Pellegrini for the

Venetian aristocrat Angelo Correr in 1696. The frescoe has scenes of Alexander the Great's feats and other mythological subjects. Alfredo Barbini was one of the original grand masters of 20th century Murano glassmaking, known for his work with

solid and blown glass. He died in 2007 at the age of 94, having started his factory at age 20. He originated solid glass aquariums and life-like solid glass animals. The factory no longer produces glass; it is primarily a museum of private pieces and a shop which sells his glassworks.

Across the canal from my apartment was the Palazzo da Mula which

was built prior to the 15<sup>th</sup> cen-

arches, ancient reliefs,

Gothic windows and tiles. It was fascinating to live and walk around these wondrous, ancient buildings.

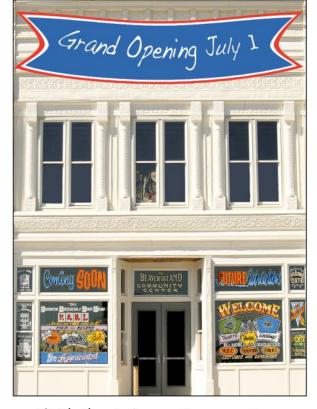
Our teacher, Lucio Bubacco, some-

times has special glass goblets made that he incorporates into his glass structures with figures he creates from glass. He has the Nuova Biemmeci furnace make these goblets. One day we re-

ceived a special invitation to this furnace to watch the glassmakers at work. They craft high quality classics inspired by Murano's heritage: very thin glass, or vetro cristallino. This is also called Venetian crystal and is colorless, transparent glass. They had a little shop in the back of the furnace where we could

purchase goblets. Next visit to Murano I will bring along another suitcase with packing material to safely bring home a few of these works of art!





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11:30 am Blessing of Community Center Afternoon of Billiards, Board Games & Cards

The Beaver Island Community Center

an occasional series of stories capturing Paul Welke's adventures flying around Beaver Island

It was New Year's day 1974. The weather was cold and blustery, the wind strong out of the northwest, and the temperature hovered in the mid-teens. Yet it was bright and sunny so that sitting inside my Mom's kitchen it appeared to be a pleasant day outside. It was just one of those days for taking it easy.

About the time we sat down to lunch, the phone rang. My father, the Charlevoix County Deputy at the time, answered. Chief Petty Officer Smith, then Commander of the United States Coast Guard Charlevoix station, was on the phone and informed Dad that two coastguardsmen were missing from the Lansing Shoal Light Station.

My father had only recently taken

the deputy position, and found it quite a challenge and very different from his previous law enforcement position with the Detroit City Police Department. As the story unfolded, it proved rather incredible to believe. Lansing Shoals Light is located about nine miles north northwest of Beaver Island and was one of the last lighthouses in the Great Lakes to be manned, while most others had already been automated.

It appeared that the previous afternoon, two of three coastguardsmen from Lansing Shoals decided to row to Beaver Island for New Year's Eve, spend the evening at the Shamrock, and row back to the lighthouse, hoping to arrive early the morning of New Year's Day. Note: all

of this was done without permission from their superiors.

Well, the remaining coastguardsman must have been a bit distraught when the two failed to return because he did not report them missing until midday. When we received the call we rolled out our Cessna 180 and made preparations for a search of the northern part of the Beaver Archipelago. Frankly, we did not hold out a lot of hope, considering the air temperature, the near gale force winds all night and through early morning, and the heavy pack ice drifted around Garden and Hog Islands as well as further west.

We decided to search the most likely areas where they might be, taking into consideration the known wind direction,

#### THE WAVE

by Phil Gregg

I was recently asked if I would mind writing a little article regarding the Beaver Island "wave." To tell the truth, it has been a fact of life here on the Island for so long that I hadn't given it any more thought than breathing in and out. It is true, though, this phenomenon does seem to occur in areas of small populations, and especially remote areas. After

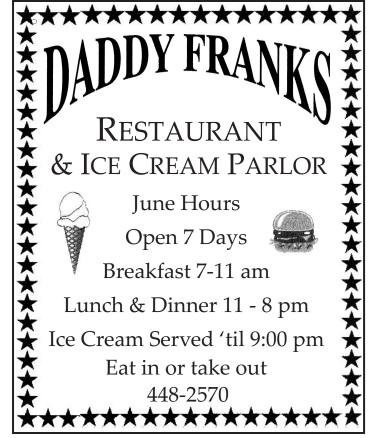
(note: this was written for the Beacon some time ago but set aside, lost, and only now rediscovered)

very little research it has been noted that islands seem to be the prevailing location for the "wave." Not only that, Beaver Island seems to stand out as having a larger percentage of "wavers." After visiting Mackinac, Drummond, Bois Blanc, Summer, and Nebish Islands here in the north, it's obvious Beaver does indeed stand out with this particular trait.

Of course, "wavers" in general are laid-back people. A person with a discerning eye might even be able to use the responding "wave" as a barometer to determine the attitude of the responder.

For the most part a hearty "wave" is certainly a friendly gesture, giving you the urge to respond like-wise. Once you have become familiar with a "waver"





the location of the ice packs, etc.

We knew the Traverse City Coast Guard Air Station had been notified, and we were expecting a helicopter to be launched but did not expect it to arrive on scene for some time, considering the distance to be traveled and speed of the old Sikorsky helicopters used at the time.

We began our search by going counterclockwise around Garden Island, and as we came along the north shore and turned down the west side we saw what appeared to be a skiff in the drift ice about 1½ miles north of Garden Island's southwest point and about 200 yards off shore.

As we approached we dropped down to about 100 AGL to hopefully ascertain the condition of the two men in the boat

(who at this point were not visible). My father was flying and as we came across the boat he placed it on my side so I could concentrate on looking down at its two occupants. The two men were lying flat in the boat and we saw no movement.

Just as we passed overhead, one of the men shot a flare straight up, which appeared to miss our right wing tip by inches. It was one those rare instances in a life when time seems to stand still. After 43+ years of flying I can still see that flare going by our wing as if it were yesterday.

After that, everything was rather anticlimactic. We radioed the Welke Airport Unicom with the location of the boat, saying both occupants were alive. My mother passed this information to the

Coast Guard station in Charlevoix. My father and I continued to circle the boat until the Coast Guard helicopter arrived about 45 minutes later and hoisted both men out of the boat. We returned home and that was pretty much the end of the story.

A few months later I found out that both men were hospitalized for exposure for a short period of time with no permanent harm. Later that winter Paul Ken, who was fishing commercially at the time, went out and recovered the boat from the ice and set it by the lighthouse until the next summer. In the history of the Shamrock Bar there is probably no one else who made more of an effort to get there for New Year's Eve.

you have no doubt started something that can go on forever.

In the past people drove the same cars for years so you pretty much knew who you were going to be waving at. Now, of course, it's a different story. You would think people changing vehicles almost annually would really put a whammy on the "wave." Not so! It's so

firmly established by now, everyone is eligible for the "wave."

People who are busy, or in a hurry, often use a subtle "wave" that you really have to watch for. That's when just a finger is raised off the steering wheel. Generally it's the index finger. If it's the middle finger – well, that's something else.

At the beginning of this article it

was mentioned the Island is a laid-back place, noted for it's friendly people and informal way of life. If you should see a guy with a necktie on he's either going to a wedding or a funeral, or is a visiting Jehovah's Witness, but regardless, just wave! It should be noted however, to not wave has been considered "Beaver Island Road Rage!"



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Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, June 4, 1908 Just Among Ourselves: "The Beaver commenced running on its daily schedule Monday. Owen Gallagher, of St. James was in the city on business the first of the week."

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, June 4, Local News: "Mrs. P. D. Campbell, Mrs Allen, Mrs. Eaton and Mrs. F. M. Sears, made up an excursion party to St. James Monday."

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, June 10, Just Among Ourselves: "R. W. Kane made a business trip to the Beaver Islands, Tuesday, returning today." (Note: R. W. Kane, Charlevoix, appears in the Hotel Beaver register June 9, 1908)

"Captain Small is in command of the *Beaver* during the absence of Captain Campbell."

"Deputy U. S. Marshall O'Donnell of Grand Rapids was at the Elston Tuesday night on his way to the Beaver Islands." (Note: Ed. O'Donnell, Grand Rapids appears in the Hotel Beaver register June 9, 1908)

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, June 11, Local News: "R. W. Kane was at St. James Tuesday, returning yesterday."

"James Donlevy, of St. James, was in town yesterday to meet Mrs. Donlevy who is returning from a two months visit with friends in Chicago. The steamer *Beaver* which took an excursion from St. James to Manistique Sunday, was wind bound there all day

Monday, not returning here until nine o'clock Tuesday morning."

"H. A. Manfield, special agent of the State land office, was here last Saturday on his way home from the Beaver group of islands, where he went to appraise State tax lands. Mr. Mansfield states that there are on Garden Island twenty-one 'forties' belonging to the State in one tract, on one subdivision of which there is an Indian cemetery. Nearly all of this tract is splendidly timbered, and he is an earnest advocate of the policy on reserving it for a state park." (Note: H. A. Mansfield, Grand Haven, appears in the Hotel Beaver Register)

"Post Office inspector Martin and wife were here Tuesday. They went to Beaver Island that day, returning yesterday" (Note: Will E. Martin & wife, Traverse City, appear in the Hotel Beaver register June 9)

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, June 18, 1908 Local News: "Dominick D. Gallagher, 1st Asst. Keeper of Beaver Head lighthouse, is here having dentistry work done. Anthony Malloy of St. James is in town today on business."

Beaver Island News: "Last Tuesday evening Mrs. James Donlevy gave a reception and dinner at her home to the graduating class of the St. James schools, following an excellent school entertainment at Gallaghers, given under the direction of the Dominican sisters. The Beaver Island schools have had a most successful year."

"W. E. Stevens, of the B. I. Lumber Co., was at Charlevoix this week."

"Mrs. Nelly Cram, of Charlevoix, is on the Island, visiting her husband who represents the Booth Co. here."

"Miss Mary Jones, Miss Winifred Gale Charlevoix teachers, and Miss Williams, the D. M. Ferry Co. Stenographer, all of Charlevoix, are visiting on the Island." (Note: W. L. Gale and M. E. Jones, Charlevoix, appear in the Hotel Beaver register)

"Mr. Brooks, agent of the American Net & Twine Co., of Boston, is here this week, taking orders from local fishermen." (Note: J. S. Brooks, Chicago appears in the Hotel Beaver register, June 15)

"Mrs. M. J. Bonner, of the Beaver Hotel, is in Manistee visiting friends.

"Mrs. John McCann, who has been visiting friends in Chicago, returned home Monday."

"C. L. Schops and wife, of Pellston, are on the Island visiting relatives."

"Henry Hardwick was in Charlevoix a few days this week."

"Superintendent Morten and Inspector Ballinger of the life saving service were here last week. It appears that negotiations for a station site at the Point have fallen through, owing to inability to get a clear title. The station however will be built somewhere in the harbor and the above named officials will be here again soon to look up a site." (Note: J. G. Ballinger, Chicago,

## MARGARET I. CURRIER 1925-2008

Peggy Currier, 82, of Charlevoix, died Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, at Northern Michigan Hospital. Burial will be at Holy Cross Cemetery on Beaver Island.

Peggy was born September 26, 1925, in Petoskey to Joseph and Veronica (Gallagher) Left. She grew up on Beaver Island, and graduated from Petoskey High School in 1944, then earned a Bachelor of Arts in Education from Michigan State University in 1948.

On April 19, 1949, she married Desmond Patrick Currier in Petoskey. They made their home in Bloomfield Village where Peggy taught Physical Education at Berkley Elementary and St. Mary's School in Royal Oak. After retirement, she and Des moved permanently to Charlevoix.

Peggy was a member of Saint Mary's Church in Charlevoix, and the Christ Child Society. Desmond preceded her in death on November 12, 2006. Peggy is survived by her children, Margaret Irene (Richard) Tanghe of Troy, Charlotte Currier of Royal Oak, Maureen (Paul) Court of Chicago, Joseph Currier of Berkley, William (Maggie) Currier of Beverly Hills, Colleen Currier-Hart, and Vincent (Kim) Currier all of Charlevoix; twelve grandchildren; five great-grandchildren. Peggy's brother Bill Left also preceded her in death. Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Cross Church, Beaver Island.

## SANDRA HEIT

Sandra L. Heit, 56, passed away on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008, at Columbus Regional Hospital, Columbus, IN.

She was born in Kalamazoo, MI, and was working as a Language Arts teacher at Lakeside Middle School. She previously taught at Churubusco High School and Carroll High School. An honors graduate of Western Michigan University, she was active with Civic Theatre.

She and her husband traveled widely, visiting many of the world's most mysterious places, to which she brought a special understanding.

Survivors include husband, James Heit of Garrett; brother, David Henry of Kalamazoo; two nieces; three nephews; and Chas. Morton, Grand Haven, appear in the Hotel Beaver register, June 13, 1908)

"Miss Ida Gallagher closed the school year at Garden Island last week."

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, June 24, Front Page Article: "Amount of Money Paid to Clerks for Returns of Births and Deaths - Peaine township \$325; St. James township \$525."

Correspondence from Beaver Island: "W. J. Gallagher went to Boyne City Tuesday. W. E. Stevens has arrived home from Manistee."

"Jennie O'Donnell is home from Alpena for a short visit with relatives."

"The Beaver Island Lumber Co. Are loading hardwood ties and lumber. Charles Edgar, of the Monitor Oil Co. is spending a few days on the Islands." (Note: C. F. Edger, Mt. Pleasant appears in the Hotel Beaver register)

"Holy Communion will be given by children at Holy Cross church next Sunday. Robert E. Hecklin and wife, of Cincinnati, spent their honeymoon on the Island." (Note: Robert E. Hecklin & wife, 'Cinti,' Ohio appear in the Hotel Beaver register June 15, 1908)

"Bishop Richter, of Grand Rapids, will be at the Islands Sunday July 12 and confirm a class."

"C. C. Gallagher is in Chicago, where his wife has been sick. Reports are she is improving."

"Joe and May Gallagher are with

and devoted loving dogs, Katie and Maggie.

One of her unfulfilled goals was to write a book about Beaver Island's pets—*Beaver Tails*. People loved telling her about their pets.

Sandra and Jim Heit have been visiting the Island since 1992. They bought land in 1997 and completed their home in December of 2005.

Jim Heit said, "Sandra touched many, many, people there."

## BILLFOX

Word has been received that longtime summer resident and highlyregarded businessman Bill Fox has passed away in South Bend. their father, W. J. Gallagher, on his present trip to the mainland."

"H. P. Parmalee, of the New York Life Insurance Co., is at the Islands looking after the insurance affairs of the late Raymond McDonald." (Note: Horatio P. Parmalee, Charleviox appears in the Hotel Beaver register)

"An agent of the United States government from Washington, D. C. is on the Island collecting statistics in regard to the fisheries."

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, June 25, Local News: "James Donlevy, of St. James, came over Monday, returning home Tuesday morning."

"The Beaver Island route as a pleasure trip, is becoming more popular every year. It gives a splendid ride of three hours on the big lake and brings you close to nature when you get there. Beaver Island has some of the most beautiful spots to be found anywhere."

"Mrs. M. J. McCann and Miss Eva Gibson, of St. James, were in the city yesterday."

**Beaver Island News:** "The barges *Wendt* and *Buckley* loaded here this week."

"Mrs. M. J. Bonner returned from a visit with friends at Manistee."

"Pat Gallagher who has been on the sick list the past two weeks is improving very rapidly."

"Tom Boyle of Donegal, Ireland, arrived here last week for an extended visit with his brother Hugh T. It is over half a century since the brothers saw each other."

"Capt. Allers of the schooner *X-10-U-8* returned from South Haven where he had gone with a load of lath."

"Robert Jones and daughter Miss Mary returned to Charlevoix on Monday's boat. Mr. Jones purchased a fine young horse while here." (*Note: R. C. Jones, Charlevoix, appears in the Hotel Beaver register, June 16*)

"The schooner *Rouse Simmons* is loading ties here this week."

"The wrecking barge *Albert Sopher* has been in this vicinity the past week endeavoring to locate the sunken steamer *Parnell* that burned in the North Channel a few years ago."

"Our Tonsorial Artist Mr. Martin has added another chair to his shop. We did not learn whether the new barber is a member of the Modern Order of Prevaricators."

"Mr. Frank Dunlap is a guest of his aunt, Mrs. James Donlevy for a few weeks. Mr. Dunlap is connected with the wholesale house of Marshall Field & Co. Of Chicago."

"Miss May and Master Joseph Gallagher are visiting friends at Charlevoix and Harbor springs this week."

"The foundation is being laid for an Opera House on the corner of Main St. And Bonner Ave. The new building is to be thirty six by eighty feet. Who says our town is not assuming city airs."

## GILBERT LLOYD 1915-2008

Gilbert A. Lloyd passed away on April 24<sup>th</sup> at the age of 92. He and his wife had an A-frame cottage in St. James for many years.

He was born on September 4, 1915, in Springport, Michigan. and grew up on the family farm prior to attending MSU.

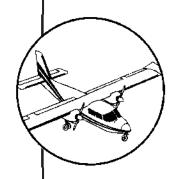
A 1937 graduate from MSU with a Landscape Architecture degree, Gilbert enjoyed the great outdoors and all that nature provided. A passion for working with gardens and landscapes drew him back to MSU in 1957 to commence a 25-year career with the Grounds Department, ultimately retiring as the Department's Executive Director in 1982.

Proud to be affiliated with his Alma Mater, he looked forward to work every day upon the beautiful campus he loved, and walking amongst its shadows.

Gilbert was sadly preceded in death by daughter, Charlene (Lee) Dempsey, and daughter-in-law, Johnna (Lamont) Smith. He is survived by Kathleen, his loving wife of 54 years. Also surviving are daughter, Sue (Dick) Torgerson of Lansing, MI; daughter-in-law, Joan Smith of Portland, OR; son, Whitney (Phillis) Lloyd of Rives Junction, MI; son, Ron (Shirley) Lloyd of Springport, MI; son, Lamont Smith of Petoskey; son, Barry (Missy) Lloyd of San Diego; son-in-law, Lee Dempsey of Springport, MI; twelve grandchildren; nine greatgrandchildren; and one great-greatgrandchild.



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#### INVASIVES PLUCKED LAST RIDE

On Sunday, May 18, 2008, three Beaver Island students performed in the Dorothy Gerber Strings program. Playing selections from Essential Elements 2000 were Erin Myers-Dixon (3<sup>rd</sup> grade; beginner) and Sarah Avery (4<sup>th</sup> grade; intermediate). Performing "Variations on a Korean Folk Song," "It's Like Pullin' Teeth", and music from "Titanic" with the Crooked Tree Symphony Orchestra was Caitlin Boyle (junior; advanced).

The Lighthouse School at Beaver Head is a little-known and underappreciated Island resource, stressing community involvement as part of their curriculum.

In the past the students have pitched in to help such organizations as the Historical Society—where they built the roof over the grader. This year they volunteered to (among other things) cut and bag the seed heads from the phragmites at Little Sand Bay.

Every so often an effort is made to gather up the old wrecked Island cars, smash them to make them more compact, and ship them to the mainland, where prices paid for steel almost make it a break-even operation. This year several cars stacked on the barge had run fairly well, but with the higher costs of fuel the owners could no longer afford to drive. Many of them drew sighs of remembered good times from their former owners when they drove by.















by Frank Solle

The annual BICS Sports Award program, held April 29 in the school gym, took a turn towards the horticultural this year, thanks to guest speakers Heidi and Clark Hewitt from Harbor Light Christian School of Harbor Springs.

The Hewitts have been involved with sports at HLC for over 20 years. Clark is currently the Athletics Director and has coached soccer, baseball, basketball in the past. He was coaching the Swordsmen soccer team years ago when they were one of the first teams to venture across the lake to help introduce the Islanders to scholastic competition. As boys' basketball coach he led HLC to the state quarterfinals in 2000. Meanwhile, Heidi has built one of the state's strongest small-school volleyball programs, consistently seeing her teams ranked in the Class D top ten. Her Lady Swordsmen team has claimed the Northern Lakes Conference volleyball title every year since the conference began in 1997. They have won seven district titles, five regional tournaments, and advanced to the state semifinals three times.

In beginning their talk to the large crowd, Heidi, a kindergarten teacher, used the mighty elm tree both metaphorically and mnemonically, explaining that E stands for effort, L for learning, and M for mistakes. Heidi gave examples of her coaching experiences to emphasize each point. Clark then followed with examples from his own years of coaching as to how that philosophy fits into his approach, providing a nice one-two method of bringing their point home.

Following the Hewitt's talk, BICS Superintendent Kitty McNamara and Athletics Secretary Kerry Smith awarded the many athletes their certificates, pins, and letters for participation. "We are here to celebrate the accomplishments of these

athletes," McNamara said. "And to recognize the community that supports them, their accomplishments in the classroom as well as their accomplishments on the field." McNamara pointed out that 31 of the 37 students in grades eight through 12 are actively involved in the school's sports program.

Then it was turn for the coaches of each sport to address the audience and present the various awards to the players.

Soccer coach Marianne Brown went first, acknowledging the team's effort in winning all of its games following a pair of loses at Mackinac Island to open the season, including a three-game sweep of the first Northern Lights League postseason tournament and bringing home the trophy.

*The soccer awards presented were:* 

- Most Valuable Offensive
  - Brenden Martin
- Most Valuable Defensive
  - Eric Albin and Dan Runberg
- Most Improved Offense
  - Bryan Timsak
- Most Improved Defense
  - Patrick Cull

All NLL honors went to Eric Albin and Dan Runberg. Brenden Martin was tabbed honorable mention.

Volleyball coach Connie Boyle took center stage, and a little closer—due to a case of laryngitis. As usual, coach Boyle embarrassed each player just a little with her coach's awards, acknowledging those little things over the course of the season that sets each girl apart.

*The volleyball awards were:* 

- Most Valuable Offensive
  - Brittany Crandall
- Most Valuable Defensive
  - Andrea Moore
- Most Improved Offense
  - Caitlin Boyle and Maeve Green

• Most Improved Defense

Samantha Kuligoski

Earning All NLL honors were Brittany Crandall and Andrea Moore. Samantha Kuligoski earned honorable mention. Coach Brown took a second turn at the microphone as the school's first ever girls basketball coach. The inaugural season was a successful one as the *Islanders* claimed a share of the league title

Girls basketball awards were:

- Most Valuable Players
  - Maeve Green and Alex Kuligoski
- Most Improved Player
  - Jenna Butler

All NLL honors were garnered by Maeve Green, Alex Kuligoski, and Samantha Kuligoski, while Heather McDonough took home an honorable mention.

First-year boys basketball coach Dan Martell was the last to honor his team. The boys finished second in the league standings and challenged a top-notch Leland team in district action.

Boys basketball awards were:

- Most Valuable Players
  - Eric Albin and Dan Runberg
- Most Improved Player
  - Dereck McDonough

Martell also acknowledged the contribution of his three captains: Albin, Runberg, and Brenden Martin. Albin and Runberg each received All NLL honors while Patrick Cull was named honorable mention.

The final award of the night was the presentation of the annual Bill Burns Award for outstanding sportsmanship. This year's recipient was senior Dan Runberg. This award dates back to 1987 and honors a long-time Island resident and passionate sports fan.

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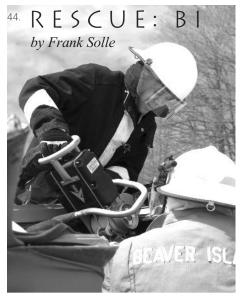
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No, it's not the name of a new television action series. But if it were, the ready heady volunteers of the Beaver Island Fire Department would be set to go from day one.

"You can tell when a Department is concerned," said Joel Sheridan, former long-time Fire Chief and co-owner of Sales and Marketing of Michigan, LCC (SAMM), the company that has supplied our local fire department with various equipment ranging from coats and hats to trucks, plus with the versatile 'Res-Q-Jack' vehicle stabilization system that he





was on the Island to demonstrate, along with business partner Tim Corcoran. "This is a progressive Department that is working hard to protect their people," Sheridan added prior to a day-long training session on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

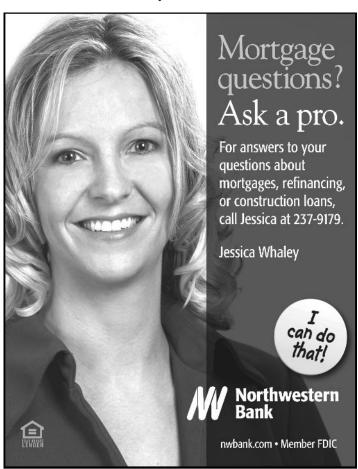
Under the direction of Sheridan and Corcoran, 16 members of the BIFD gathered at Darrell Butler's to practice stabilizing simulated crash vehicles, lifting those vehicles using the Res-Q-Jack system, and accessing potential crash victims using the 'Power Hawk' rescue tool to cut away metal supports.

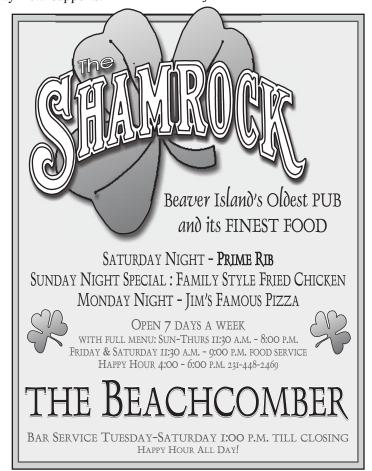


After Sheridan went over some basic operations and prep work, the firemen were ready to divide into teams and get to work. The first 'crash' vehicle they faced was a small pickup truck resting on the passenger side with the first objective being to assure themselves the vehicle was stable before attempting further rescue.

"When a vehicle is unstable it can roll. Stabilization is the first priority," Sheridan affirmed to the group.

The teams quickly located the best sites for the jacks and within minutes the







vehicle was as steady as if it were on all four wheels. The next step was to test the jacks' lifting ability. Properly placed, the Res-Q-Jacks can lift a passenger vehicle nearly a foot off the ground, plenty of room for access with the Power Hawk if needed. And since the vehicle was ready, team members took turns operating the electric Hawk, quickly cutting away enough supports to pull the top of the pickup's cap clear away to gain full access. Using a chain and pulley set up, the next step was to pull the steering column away from the main cab; another





task quickly and competently completed.

The firemen also worked on a vehicle completely overturned and resting on its top. Another exercise had them clip and clear the roof off a sitting sedan.

Sheridan summed up the exercises as, "learning the principles and ground rules of using the jacks in order to analyze a given situation and to size up a vehicle for extraction."

"We're fortunate to have all the equipment we have," said long-time fireman Joe Timsak. "We have more than



a lot of small departments, but we need it because we're out here by ourselves."

Department Chief Tim McDonough called the session a great experience and was appreciative of all the volunteers who gave up the day to further their skills.

State Senator Jason Allen, who had been on the Island for a turkey hunt, stopped by to watch the department in action for a few minutes, and said he was very impressed with both the equipment on hand and the expertise with which it was being used.



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land, and enjoy sunrises and beautiful moonrises to the east. The vacant lot immediately adjacent to this house was sold in the summer of 2007 for \$195,000. Sellers are motivated to sell; talk to Ed Wojan about special deals available. With the raw land value of this house at \$195,000 and the replacement cost of the whole package above \$750,000, this "double house" is a good buy at \$625,000.





Alf L. Bloch, 81, slipped into the molecular brightness on his mother's birthday, May 6, 2008, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. Alf was joined by his Maine Coon cat Misty, who died an hour later on May 6 in Grand Bend, Ontario. His beloved wife Doreen died on April 4, 2006, the birthday of their son Jim.

Alf was born in Detroit on June 22, 1926 to Agnes and Leif, who had immigrated to the burgeoning Motor City from Denmark. He graduated from Pershing High, where he met Doreen, and Lawrence Tech. He served in the Army-Air Corps during the occupation of Japan in the wake of WWII.

He designed and built mid-century modern home furnishings before focusing his efforts on high-volume manufacturing, mainly in the auto industry. He developed a number of patents on welding and punching equipment, and owned Waltonen Engineering and WES Industries for 40 years.

Like his father, Alf saw himself as a black-smith with a big appetite for life. He loved Keely Smith, Artie Shaw, Duke Ellington, and the big bands that played the Black Bottom clubs in Detroit in the 1940s and 50s. He flew a Cessna 172, fished throughout Michigan's great lakes and Florida's Keys,

camped in Octobers with Jim in the Jordan Valley or on the banks of the Two-Hearted River, and loved hunting with Cousin Hans and Uncle Bruce. He scuba-dived, traveled with Doreen, bowled, rode trail bikes, and played



tennis, badminton and golfed. Like his mom, Alf operated in a special light when it came to poker, dice, and the track.

He and Doreen loved playing pinochle for more than 50-years with the same group of friends. He cherished his cabin on Beaver Island and having Manhattans on the deck in front of the setting sun. He loved advising daughter Barb about

her catering business and sometimes barbecued the ribs himself.

He made a whole world for his family and filled it with stories and his irrepressible presence. He did exactly what he wanted to do.

## NANCY DOVICK

We are saddened as a family by the sudden and unexpected death of Nancy Dovick, wife, mother, and grandmother. Our warmest thanks go out to those who remembered our family with words of comfort, prayer, and flowers.

Nancy passed away Sunday, January 20, 2008, at her home in Elk Rapids, Michigan. She had retired from Muskegon Public Schools in June of 2006 to divide her time between Beaver Island and Elk Rapids.

She was born in Saginaw and lived most of her life in the Muskegon area. She was a graduate of Bowling Green State University and a member of the Delta Gamma Sorority.

She touched many lives in her 39 years as a teacher. She had taught the majority of her career in Muskegon, but also taught in Coopersville, Kalkaska, Grand Haven, and in Ohio.

Our mother, Nancy, first came to Beaver Island in the early seventies to attend a class at CMU. Initially, she had enrolled for the class unaware that it was going to be held on Beaver Island. Although hesitant at first, she came to the island, and so began a journey in her life that would touch her family, friends, and students. It was her gift of teaching and love of nature that inspired her to

start the Beaver Island Backpacking Program through Grand Haven Public Schools, in conjunction with Don Heilig. It brought kids for a week at a time to hike, canoe, camp, learn, and explore in the outdoors, running successfully through 1978. Two years

later, she married a former Christian Brother, Emmett Dovick, whom she had met on the Island when he was running a boys summer camp at the Brother's Place. We continued to come as a family for summers, long weekends, or holiday breaks.

Through an unexpected visit over thirty years ago by our mother, Beaver Island has since become a place where our family shared countless memo-

ries from watching God's beauty in mesmerizing sunsets at Donegal Bay, making homemade applesauce with apples picked from Paid een Ogg Road, ice skating at Barney's Lake, to relaxing on the sandy beaches on warm summer days. For our family, memories of our mother are everywhere and will always be here, on Beaver Island. Nancy loved her family dearly, adored her grandchildren, treasured her friends, and appreciated the beauty and people of Beaver Island. We would like to think this is one of the places her soul rests.



Along with her husband, Emmett, she is survived by her children: Kelly Rhodes of East Jordan, Kimberly (Erik) Stein of Land O' Lakes, FL, Matthew Dovick of Sault Saint Marie, and Meghan Dovick of South Royalton, VT. Two beautiful and loving grandchildren survive her: Sydney and Carson Stein, as well as her brother Dale Vander Wall of Muskegon, MI and her

sister Jean Nienhuis of Grand Haven.

A memorial fund was set up in her name with the Little Traverse Conservancy because of her love of Northern Michigan, appreciation of nature, and gift of educating others about our environment.

## Save Our Shoreline

We have an urgent request for all shoreline property owners. In May, as a result of legal reviews by the DEQ, we are making changes to the 2008 Phragmites treatment plan. The intention is to enhance our understanding of Phragmites infestations on Great Lakes islands and lead to better management of our sensitive coastal shoreline.

We would like all 733 shoreline property owners to return the "permission slip" with your permission to access your shoreline property for the purpose of a detailed Phragmites survey. Without your consent, we will not be able to document the extent of the infestation.

In addition, if you wish to be included in the herbicide treatment, please check all the appropriate boxes. A letter detailing the treatment plan will be mailed on June 1st.

We as an island community have made great strides protecting our present shoreline and habitat but due to the present Michigan laws, we need your help and rapid return of this permission slip. Beaver Island's Phragmites program is pioneering on many different levels. Our collective attempts or failure to act on controlling this invasive species reaches beyond our shores and will directly impact future generations of shoreline owners.

If we have not received your slip by June 24, 2008, we will need to make follow-up phone calls. This is costly and time consuming. Please join us in this fight to preserve our shoreline vistas and critical wildlife habitat. This initiative is not ours alone, your assistance in the form of consent is urgently needed.

Signed,

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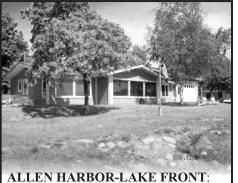
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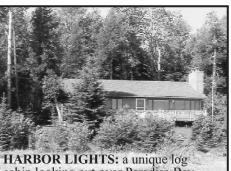


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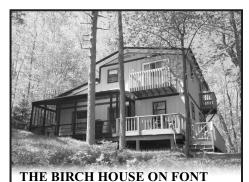
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**DONEGAL BAY COTTAGE:** 3 BR, 2 BA, full kitchen, W/D, fireplace, secluded patio & deck surrounded by pines and bluff and overlooking one of Beaver Island's best beaches. \$850 per week June-September; winter rates available. Call **(734) 996-3973** or suziqp16@comcast.net



LAKE/ DONEGAL BAY ROAD: Close to town, beautiful sunrise, fishing, and solitude. 3 bedroom (sleeps 6) and 1 1/2 bath. Phone Mary Rose @ (630) 750-7870 or email mrdoig@hotmail.com \$975.00/wk off season rates available.

APARTMENT FOR RENT above the Sommer place. ½ block from town. Across from the library. 2 bedroom, with outside deck. Unfurnished. No pets or smoking. Newly remodeled. \$525/month. Call Nancy (231) 448-2550 or Roger (517) 663-3977

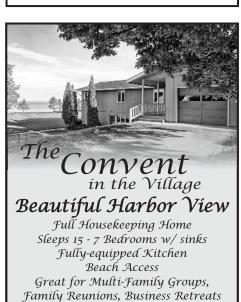
**DONEGAL BAY** - 3 BR 2 bath Home; sleeps 6; many amenities. \$900 a week. Reduced rates for off-season. Phone (313) 885-7393, after 4:00 p.m.

SECLUDED 1940'S LOG CABIN JUST ONE BLOCK FROM LAKE and market on one acre. Sleeps 4-6, *pets welcome* (\$100 deposit.) Washer, Dryer & linens furnished. Bicycles, canoe, grill available \$700/wk; weekends available. (219) 863-2655.

**WEEKLY RENTAL** - Lake front. "The Last Resort" 2 BR house on Sand Bay, great view, beautiful sunrise, laundry pair, 1 ½ bath. Phone Bill McDonough at (231) 448-2733 (days).

7 PINES - Weekly Rental Close to town (short walk to Dalwhinnie) Sleeps 6, 1½ bath, washer/dryer, linens furnished, freshly remodeled, *PET FRIENDLY*, \$650.00/week, Contact Ryan & Gretchen Fogg at (616) 836-1597.

DONEGAL BAY - Clean/ Comfortable 3 Bedroom Home. Private Beach, Unforgettable Sunsets. Call Valerie Connors at (810) 487-1028. THE FISHERMAN'S HOUSE -Great 'In-Town' location across the street from St. James Harbor on the harbor road. 4 BR/2 Bath; W/D; Four bedrooms, three rooms with double beds and one room with twin beds, two bathrooms, bed linens and bath towels provided, fully equipped modern kitchen, washer/dryer, TV, enclosed porch, and open deck with grill. For availability, call Bill or Tammy (231) 448-2499 or (231) 448-2733. Continued on page 50.



Open Year Round

Weekly Rental in season

2-night minimum off-season

Call 448-2206

(Pam O'Brien)



## BEACHFRONT HOME FOR RENT:

3 bedrooms and loft – total 5 beds, hot tub, gorgeous views, solitude, wood stove, May-Sept. \$1050. Off-season \$795. \$50 gas card with week's rental. Call Perry at (313) 530-9776 or e-mail pgatliff@hotmail.com

**FOR SALE** at \$379,000

## LOVELY APARTMENT

For Rent





1200 sq. ft., 2 bedroom - 1 ½ bath, Kings Highway. Utilities and Satellite T.V. included. No Smoking and no pets. Above Laundromat. Deposit Required. \$800. a month. Fully furnished.

Call (231) 448-2050 or 448-2235 for information.



## REALESTATE, FOR RENT from page 49.



HEAVENLY VIEW: Fully-furnished located on Sand Bay. 320 feet of wide pure sand beach is great for swimming, walking, watching the Ferry. Screened porch facing lake, two picnic tables and grill. Sleeps 6. Due to last minute cancellation, three prime weeks now available this summer! (231) 448-2376 or cabin@emeraldislehotel.com

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WEEKLY RENTAL - Harbor Beach Two-bedroom Condos. \$500/week. Call Satch Wierenga at (231) 448-2808.

RENTAL CABIN - for rent - Sand Baysleeps 8—amenities—available May-September \$950.00 wk plus security deposit. (231) 582-5057 or email robin@robinleeberry.com.

## FORSALE

**2 LOTS ON SAND BAY -** 3.3 Acres each. 1700' deep. Sandy Beach. Frontage 117' each. (810) 629-7680 or (231) 448-2257.

LAKE GENESERATH - Beautiful lot on Hemlock Point Rd. 111' lake frontage with lovely view across bay into state forest. Entire lot level with large hemlocks & no wetland or restrictions. \$78,000. 616-399-5164 or mfolkening@pol.net

**TWO LOTS IN THE PORT ST. JAMES** near Font Lake. Perked, wooded, buildable. #708 & 709; electric and phone right there. \$14,000 each. Call Peggy at (269) 671-5557.

LOTS FOR SALE - Lots 727,728,729 in Port St. James #8 on Tamarock Trl. \$12500 ea. Wish to sell all 3 at one time. \$7500 down will finance \$30000 bal at \$350 per mo. for a few years. Will sell for cash for \$34,500. Call Ben at (386) 439-3351

**PRIME 20 ACRES NEAR FONT LAKE,** close to town, w. apple trees, power and road in. \$150,000 Erik Peterson (616) 240-8980.

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WATERFRONT COTTAGE - On the east side. Available by the week or weekend. One BR, full kitchen and bath. Enjoy the water and the woods, year round. Off-season rates. Complete privacy. (231) 448-2907.

**DONEGAL BAY COTTAGE - Nicely** furnished 3 BR, 1 bath, washer/dryer. On dune w/ beach access. \$775/ July & August \$600 off-season weekly. Dana Luscombe (248) 549-2701 eve or dpluscombe@msn.com

KING'S HIGHWAY LOTS ON THE EDGE OF TOWN - Two beautiful wooded lots right near town, the Brothers' Place, and the harbor. Asking \$40,000 each. Call (773) 646-1424. Odatlo@sbcglobal.net

LAKE GENESERATH Lot For Sale Parcel # 15-012-015-013-10, Hemlock Point Road; 140' lake frontage on the North Arm of beautiful Lake Geneserath; lot approved for building on w/o restrictions. (616) 772-9783; (616) 283-7227; cschrotenboer@ghyfc.org

WESTERN SHORES - Juniper Point Lot #6 - 451' frontage/3 acres on Lake



#### FOR SALE: 30'X40'X12' WELL INSULATED POLE BARN ON A 2 ACRE COMMERCIAL LOT

with a 560 sq.ft. Office, Apartment addition, full bath and kitchen, underground power, phone, 320' rock well, septic, large gravel parking areas, located between four corners and Welke's airport, \$125,000. Call Mike Collins with Island Property at (231) 448-2923

THE WALSH 40, SOUTH OF THE **BEAVER ISLAND GOLF COURSE -**

Walk to the Fairway. Make offer. (248) 649-4909 or (248) 515-8746





FOR SALE: 28190 ISLAND WOODS RD. 3 Bedrooms; 2 Baths; Built in 2005; Immaculate with loads of character; For details and interior photos, go to Forsalebvowner.com

(Listing ID #: 21207130) or contact Drew & Sarah at (231) 675-3746



### THE CUTEST LITTLE HOUSE ON BEAVER ISLAND:

This 352 Sq. Ft. Home is located on Leonard Ln. It has one bedroom and a full bath. It has been completely redone inside and out and comes furnished; also included is a 1989 station wagon in good condition, competitively priced at \$59,000.

Call Mike Collins, Island Property (231) 448-2923 e-mail mike@csyip.net



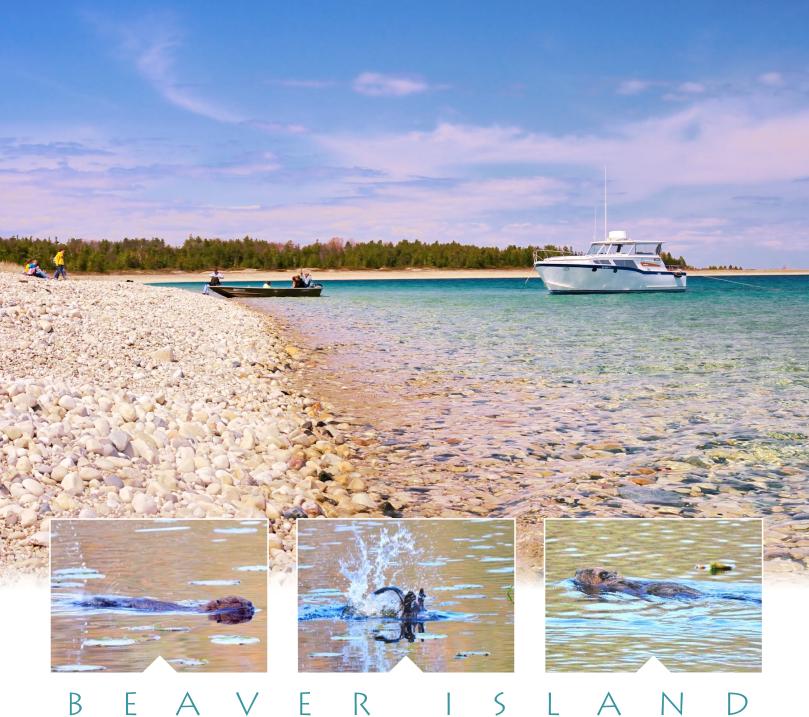


#### FOR SALE -**HARBOR-AREA HOUSE:**

Four bedroom, 1 ½ bath house on two lots with garage. Wonderful location near town and the harbor. Asking price is \$215,000.

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