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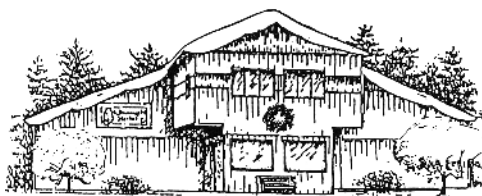


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## 4. NEWS FROM THE TOWNSHIPS

### St. James Township

The supervisor announced at the 12-2 meeting that he had received a Freedom of Information request for the minutes of the Airport Committee meetings over the past ten years from a citizen who lived in Peaine. (It would turn out that minutes covering 67 months would be turned over, showing 20 approved motions other than those for minutes' approval and adjournment.) A resolution was passed to allow the Airport Committee to perform necessary functions while its composition is being resolved.

Progress with the Memorial Park and the DNR building was reported. Wolverine was moving slowly, but moving, and it seemed likely that the AmVets could present their final plans and begin implementation in the spring. Don Schneider, Charlevoix County Sheriff, has lent his support to Jason Allen and Kevin Elsenheimer, who are working to procure the DNR building for St. James. The Traverse Conservancy would like to acquire the DNR waterfrontage in front to keep it natural. The hope was to get this done before the property is put on the Excess Property List and offered for sale.

Two applications for the Waste Management Committee were received, but would not be accepted until the Committee's by-laws are clarified.

Travis Martin discussed the snowplowing of his road in the Port St. James, which was posted as a Seasonal Road after he and his wife bought a home and moved in. He has had to plow a few hundred feet even though his taxes are not any lower than comparable houses which are plowed. The County has offered to add this short stretch to its route—so long as a turn-around is provided, which it can't afford to do. So Travis wondered if the township would do this. The township was reluctant to set a precedent, but sympathized with the predicament and agreed to discuss it with CCRC chief Pat Harmon. The cost might be under a thousand dollars, and might be less if the township can convince the CCRC that its size requirements are a little excessive.

The township agreed to support a \$25,000 grant request from the Community Center to the Grand Traverse Band for cultural events and operations, approved extending the chipper loan to reduce the annual payment (from \$18,000 to \$8,500), and agreed to let the transit bus park at the Government Building (so long as the Transit Authority pays for any plowing it requires) because the second ambulance will be kept at the East Side Fire Hall.

At the end of the meeting the Board was chastised for not always providing draft minutes within 8 days and

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approved minutes within 5 days, as the Open Meeting Act requires.

### Peaine Township

The 12-9 meeting was postponed to 12-14 because of a blizzard that hit the Island, the season's first. A combination of other plans and continuing bad weather held attendance to 25, down from the typical mid-40s. Although there were 13 items on the agenda, two would occupy most of the 2½ hours, amid much furor and frustration.

The first concerned the Island's assessing practice being given the lowest grade in the state after a recent 14-point evaluation, and the penalties it now faces; the proposed remedy could cost \$100,000 in each township—even though there may not be anything wrong with any particular assessment. Several people in the audience could not fathom how this situation had been allowed to come about.

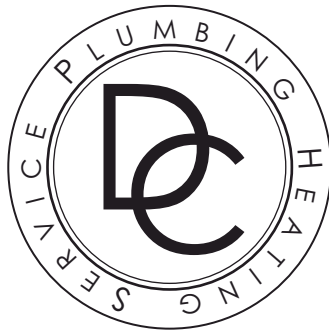
Much of the discussion that followed revealed that no one completely understands the problem. The assessor, Kevin White, had a prior commitment and could not be there to explain. It seems the rules for assessing property were modernized seven years ago so assessors could collect data and load it into their computer, where a universal program would calculate each individual assessment, saving the assessor

from having to manually calculate all the factors. The hope was that the occasional "error by an individual" would be eliminated.

The previous assessor had started entering data for use by the new program. The current assessor was asked to continue this. He felt the work was beyond the tasks in his job description, asked for additional equipment and funding, and received some. The magnetic tape on which the data had been placed became unreadable and potential restorers could not retrieve it, so that data had to be reentered. Then the hard drive in the assessor's computer crashed, and those digital entries were lost. Due to the unfortunate series of events and the amount of work needed to digitize, augment, and reformat all the data to the new state-dictated rules, the assessor was overwhelmed, but continued to do his work using the old "hard cards," which contained information on every parcel.

So it went until the state gauged the degree of compliance with the new rules and found us below expectations, and requirements, so much so that it has threatened to compel us to hire an outside consultant to complete the task. Such firms typically bid \$30 to \$50 a parcel, plus expenses. There are about 2,000 parcels in each township.

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## 6. *News from the Townships, from page 5.*

There was quite a fit of agitation and furor in the room, with members of the audience insisting on knowing just how this situation had been allowed to reach this point. "What went wrong?", "Who's to blame?", and "If heads have to roll, they will roll" were among the comments.

By the day after the meeting a plan had to be submitted to the state, and the hope was that such a plan could be completed in which a good case would be made for using existing Island personnel as much as possible to complete the job by March of 2011. At this point it seems likely that, whoever does this, most or all parcels will have

to be reexamined to make sure the data is correct.

It was also announced that the 2007 annual report had not been filed with the Department of Treasury, and consequently the state's revenue sharing had been withheld (depriving us of \$172). The supervisor assured the audience that this would be done soon.

The second item of controversy (thankfully lesser) involved the possibility of Peaine hiring a different attorney from the one it and St. James now both use. The supervisor reported that two requests he had made were declined because of a potential conflict of interest. Most recently he asked the attorney how Peaine could compel St.

## BICAA AWARDS GRANTS TO

Two performing community groups, the Beaver Island Community Players and the Recorder Group, have been awarded grants by the Beaver Island Cultural Arts Association.

The Beaver Island Community Players who put on the original performance called *Beaver Tales* in 2009 were awarded \$600 to provide stipends for composers and writers to create original music and scripts for the 2010 *Beaver Tales II* performance. The Recorder Group (the *Recordolarios*) has played in the Christmas Cantata for the past five years and participated in *Baroque on Beaver* in 2006 and 2007. They were awarded \$500 to purchase new music and to travel to Charlevoix to attend a

recorder rehearsal and take a lesson from Lonhilt Close, a highly regarded mainland recorder teacher.

The Beaver Island Cultural Arts Association initiated its mini-grant program this year for local artists who need financial support for their creative work. The funds for this program were generated by proceeds from *Baroque on Beaver*. This new grant was created by the Arts Association as a means of fulfilling its mission to support cultural arts in the Beaver Island community.

According to Jacque LaFreniere, who requested the grant on behalf of the Community Players, the group has been in existence since 1993 but has performed primarily scripted shows until

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James to force the Waste Management Committee to hold its mandated meetings. (To some extent this and other issues involve a debate between two ideologies, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it" vs. "we must do things properly to prepare for whatever might be ahead.")

Some board and audience members spoke—on both sides of the attorney question. But the sentiment that carried the day was that Peaine should make a greater effort to communicate and compromise with St. James, that attorneys tend to run up their bills, and that a shared attorney can play a role as mediator to some degree. One person raised another question: aside from whether or not an attorney is shared, "is this attorney (or firm) competent," considering our recent problems?

Some additional business was conducted. A resolution was passed compelling all township agencies to conform to the Open Meetings Act. There was no news on our internet funding application. The speaker phone had not yet been selected but would be soon. In trying to pin down the needed generator size for the East Side Fire Hall, one report said 50kw would be required to fill the holding tank with water. The Board voted to extend the chipper loan to reduce the annual payment. The airport's Master Plan would be presented and explained at the joint meeting on 1-11-10.

The Recorder Group consists of Jayne Bailey (alto recorder), Donna Stambaugh (soprano), Matt Ritchie (tenor), and Joe Moore (bass). According to Jayne Bailey, who applied for the grant, "the beauty of the recorder is that it allows the musician to share in an ancient and unique musical form. The recorder is a simple instrument with a tremendous potential for complexity." The group, started by Brenda LeFevre, had no specific training. "We played lively dance numbers with more crowd appeal in *Music on the Porch*." The group has been invited to participate at the Island churches, the talent show, and cookie carnival.

## COMMUNITY PERFORMERS

2009 when the group wrote and produced *Beaver Tales*, a unique look at the Beaver Island House Parties once held on the island. An original musical composition was written by Elaine West and Scott Kasbaum for the show. "It was a great success – it sold out 3 shows and came close to selling out a 4<sup>th</sup>," Jacqueline said.

"Next year's production of *Beaver Tales II* would also feature some original music. It is important to compensate the composers and writers for their time and efforts," Jacqueline explained. The Community Players donates the proceeds to the Beaver Island Community Center and asked for funds to help make *Beaver Tales II* as successful and the

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15<sup>th</sup>. The wonderful acoustics, lighting, and sound system seemed to increase their self-confidence, and none of them were shy when it came time to do their part.

The program contained six parts designed for different grade levels. One, for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades, involved the telling of Christmas jokes, with each of the nine kids stepping up to the mike and deliver-

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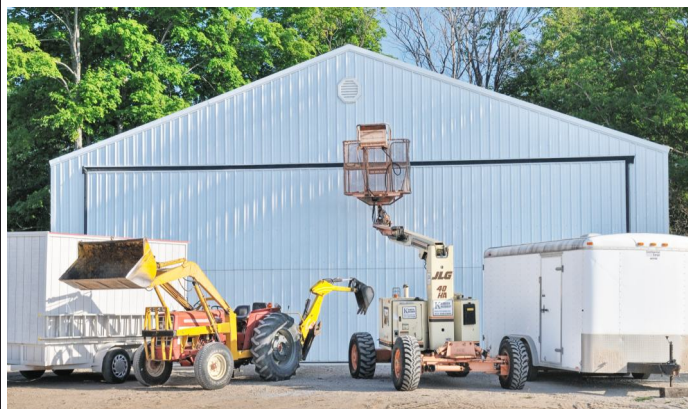
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ing their lines. Some of the skits were more complicated than others, but they seemed designed for the students' talents and likes, and were well-performed.

The Community Center was

packed; every seat, including a row of folding chairs, was filled, and a half-dozen viewers had to stand at each side. It was a nice evening which brought the audience one full step closer to the magic

of Christmas, and provided enough cheer so the audience, the performers, and their families were able to spend a few minutes talking afterwards before running to their cars.

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But medical techniques and equipment were growing fast, and after twenty years of us falling farther and farther behind the mainland (and the Charlevoix Hospital, in particular) it was considered no longer safe to give birth here. So the new policy was: send 'em across.

That worked fine—most of the time. But twenty years ago, on a stormy winter night, Yvonne Crandall went into labor during a snowstorm that prevented

**Ten Years Ago** The *Beacon* reported that Michigan Attorney General Granholm was overseeing an Inquiry into Great Lakes Energy's agreement for Beaver Island to pay the \$3,500,000 cost for a new cable via a surcharge on electric bills over the next thirty years.

The Community Center unveiled its latest blueprints, and began a fund-raiser involving the sale of 48 blue spruce Christmas trees donated by Jerry Masek.

The Community Players was preparing for a January showing of *Nunsense*.

The *Beacon* published a poem by Dorothy Allers Evans titled *Island*

transport to the mainland. The only option was to dust off the cobwebs at the Med Center and call in the helpers (many of the Island women had been nurses before marrying and settling here, and they had long comprised a pool of talented volunteers).

Luckily, everything went fine, without a flaw, and a beautiful, healthy baby appeared—our last, and one of our best: Brittany Crandall.

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*Mailboat* in November, which concluded with this stanza:

*Black night clouds soon drop snow  
Dad is home ... but not to stay.*

*Frozen whiskers shaved, stew  
eaten, he's fast asleep.*

*Tomorrow he sails; the Island mail  
must go.*

*But the sea keeps running, fast and  
deep.*

Sympathy was expressed for Island-born Margaret Smith, who died at age 86. She was the daughter of Andy Gallagher, and with her husband Gregg operated Gregg Publications in Boyne City for twenty-some years after purchasing the *Boyne Citizen* in 1960.

**Twenty Years Ago** The campaign launched by Tom Dorais and Jerry Sowa to buy an automatic defibrillator met with success, thanks to much effort plus donation of \$500 from the Grand Rapids Club and \$1,000 from the B. I. Fire Department.

The Island was awaiting word on its application to the state for 90% of the funds required to close the dump and build a Transfer Station.

Phil and Lil Gregg held an Open House on New Year's Eve, assisted by Joyce and Harry Bartels, Ruth and Phyl-



lis, and Sally Lounsberry.

The School Board was beginning a campaign to convince voters of the need to expand the school.

The previous Coast Guard cutter stationed in Charlevoix, the *Mesquite*, ran aground near Keweenaw Point and cracked her hull. It was replaced by the comparable *Acacia*. In the meantime the harbor ice was busted out by the *Sun Dew* so the *Beaver Islander* could

make its mid-December trips.

The request by Leonard Pingel to move inland a portion of the lower East Side Drive was being challenged by a citizens' group spearheaded by Diane Hetherington.

A *Beaver Tales* article by Phil Gregg focused on all the ice walkers who carried the winter mail.

Sympathy was expressed for the  
*continued on page 12.*

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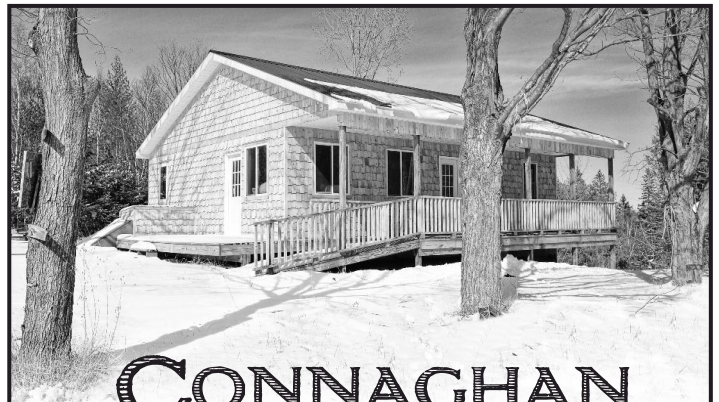
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12. **On This Date**, from page 11. death of Grand Rapids plumber Ed Sobie, 61, who frequently played the old time music on Beaver Island with Ed Palmer and others.

**Thirty Years Ago** It seems there was no January 1980 *Beacon*; if anyone has any contrary information, please let us know.

**Forty Years Ago** The *Beacon* had a well-measured poem on its first page titled *Bittersweet*, written by Sherle Conn about the home she and Bill had purchased from Ed Howland on the lower East Side.

Father Louis Wren received word that he was being transferred after serving Beaver Island for 11 years. Father Hubert Graff (a Woodie Hayes look-alike) would replace him. One of Father Wren's last acts was to marry Bud and

Colleen, who planned to live in Chicago—but didn't.

Snowmobile safaris to explore the Island's hinterlands were becoming a regular winter activity. Rider wannabees without machines were urged to call Marge Wagner.

Doc Christie thanked the Medical Auxiliary for all the work it had done during its first year.

Bussy LaFreniere won the first prize for best decorated home, and Bob Malloy won the second—for his brightly done-up bird house.

Sympathy was expressed for the sudden passing at 58 of Margaret Gallagher McCann, wife of the captain of the *Medusa Challenger*, who succumbed at the Munising home of her daughter and son-in-law Kathy and Bob Tidmore.

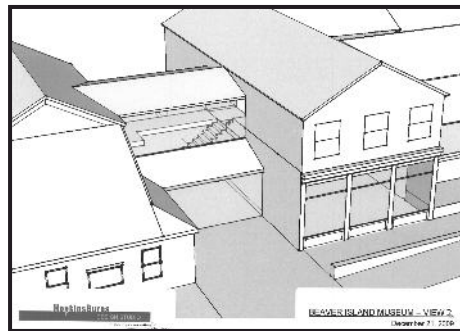
**Fifty Years Ago** A Christmas party at the school was financed by Julius Gilbert of Detroit, who sent a check for \$150 to cover expenses. The kids all signed a thank-you card and mailed it to him.

The deer count reached 172 for the hunt, with the biggest (190 pounds) being taken by E. R. Bergau of Lansing and the first by Jim Barnes of Rockville.

A. J. Angus donated another \$500 to the Med Center, which he had helped build.

CMU's new building, which was built the previous summer, was accepted by the State Board of Education.

The passing of Della Ruth, the wife of Dr. Ruth, was noted; they summered on the Island for many years at their cottage on the King's Highway at the edge of town.



## ARCHITECTS SHOW FIRST MUSEUM ADDITION PLANS

In early December Ann Arbor architects Tamara Burns and Gene Hopkins brought to the Beaver Island Historical Society board three similar designs for the long-hoped-for Print Shop Addition. All three had several features in common, primarily the removal of the sagging and rotted "kitchen addition" behind the Mormon log building and the replacement of it by a glass "connector," about 20' x 22', that would separate the original building from sizable new exhibit space, and allow partial restoration of the old log structure.

In all three versions the new exhibit area would sit above a basement for storage and maintenance work. Up above, a second floor would serve as an office, meeting area, and a site for additional displays. The entrance to the Museum would be through the current

office, which would also contain the book store and some displays on the Island's overall history. The connector would allow access to the south to a garden courtyard containing outdoor exhibits.

The versions differed in the location of a stairway to the second floor (an elevator connecting all three floors was part of each offering) and whether or not there would be a walkway back across a second level in the connector for access to the Mormon structure's second floor—which currently is not handicap-accessible.

"It's exciting to think we're getting one step closer to being able to display material about some of the aspects of Beaver Island's rich and diverse history about which many people are unaware," said John Runberg, current President and long-time member of the

board. His sentiment was echoed by Vice-president Alvin LaFreniere (who has served one year longer): "People are always surprised when they hear about some of what we've been through, the religious history, the time when this was an important place for Native Americans. It'll be good to have enough space for exhibits to show these aspects to the many museum visitors."

The architects are experimenting with different looks for the building, all picking up, to differing degrees, the covered porch with seating from the front of the Print Shop.

The board is now looking over the various options and discussing its reaction with the Hopkins/Burns Design Studio principals, who have successfully guided other similar organizations into historically appropriate expansions.



## C3F GRANTS

To the Beaver Island Community Development Co. towards construction of the senior housing development: \$259 from the Adams Fund and \$3,899 from the Beaver Island Enrichment Fund.

## BI RESIDENTS —

The Charlevoix County Commission on Aging Board thanks those Beaver Island residents who participated in its recent Island meeting.

On October 19, the Board conducted a public forum at the Community Center to seek Islanders' observations, concerns, and ideas on five topics of importance to senior citizens: 1) management of chronic disease and continuum of care issues among the elderly; 2) fall prevention and injury avoidance; 3) community-based aging-in-place initiatives; 4) prevention efforts to minimize elder exploitation; and 5) physical and mental wellness and healthy lifestyle.

This was the first of a series of fact-finding meetings to be held throughout the County to raise awareness and gather information for the Board's use in its advisory role to the County Commissioners. As these meetings continue, the Board will review, analyze, and consolidate its findings on a county-wide basis, and use them to identify gaps in services and develop short- and long-term plans for the Commissioners and the agencies that serve seniors in Charlevoix County.

Again, thank you to the participants for their candor in offering many constructive ideas in the Board's first effort to shift its focus outward to the communities and away from the day-to-day operation of the CoA department.

—Margo Johnson, Chair, CCCoA Board

## THANKS

Many blessings to those folks who found it in their hearts to spend some of their time with my husband, Bob Stoup, in my absence while I tended to the business of funeral arrangements for my mother in Balto. Your smiling faces, conversation, and food were generous; know that you very much made a difference. A special 'thank you' goes to Chris VanLooy for all of your thoughtfulness.

—M.G. (Roe) Stoup









# LETTERS: IN SUPPORT OF TOWN BOARD

15.

I am writing in support of the current St. James Township Board and former supervisor Don Vyse. Together these individuals have accumulated 102 years of experience as township officials. All except new appointee Ray Cole have been reelected many times, mostly unopposed. It is well known that all have also invested decades of volunteer service in other community organizations. Significantly, three have received **the highest honor our community can bestow**—Citizen of the Year. Yet all I have heard for months at Peaine Township meetings are unsubstantiated charges that this respected group is incompetent and doing

harmful things behind closed doors. As a Beaver Island resident for 38 years, I have learned that sadly, if accusations are repeated often enough, the uninformed believe them.

Some people have short memories. I would like to turn the clock back 10 years and take those making accusations against the St. James Board and those who are tempted to believe them on a drive through St. James Township. On this tour they would notice: no smooth sidewalks or repaved roads, no street lights, no pocket parks, no enlarged public beach, no downtown parking lot, no Island Treasures Shop, no sewer system shielding the harbor

from pollution, no Gull Harbor Natural Area, no bike path, no Arranmore Park, no million dollar reconstruction of the Yacht Dock and a light-house still owned by the Federal Government.

I believe dedicated people who have worked for decades to complete so many major improvements that all of us enjoy should not be attacked. I would suggest those who have been throwing stones at them make a New Year's resolution: To concentrate on accomplishing even a small fraction of the good that the St. James Board members, past and present, have already done.

—Connie Wojan, Taxpayer  
St. James and Peaine Townships

## CONCERNING THE AIRPORT

**To the Boards of St. James and Peaine Townships—**

Please continue to support the excellent stewardship of the Beaver Island Airport Committee.

For many years the Airport Committee, empowered by your Boards, has worked diligently and effectively to develop and improve the Beaver Island Municipal Airport. The splendid product of their effort is there for all of us to see.

In the past 15 years, 16 projects supported financially more than 90% by the MI Aeronautics Board and the

Federal Aeronautics Commission have been planned and implemented by the Airport Committee with the written approval of both Township Boards. Half of these projects have been directly aimed at safety improvements, including runway lengthening, ramp expansion, and acquiring an automated weather observation system (AWOS).

These enhancements made it possible to attract a new air carrier to serve the Island, leading to improved service and lower ticket prices. Has there been any other product or service where prices are lower today than three

years ago?

In addition, the enhanced facilities have made it possible for at least three families who use jets to make more frequent use of their Island homes.

Surely you agree with the undersigned concerned citizens that every effort should be made to support and encourage the ongoing excellent work of the dedicated committee.

Sincerely,

Harry Boesch, Glen Borre, Gaye Ebers-Frankowiak, Robert Neff, Joe Reed, and Ed Welter

## GINGERBREAD HOUSES AND THE COOKIE CARNIVAL

Getting ready for the holidays is half the fun—right? Many Islanders took as much pleasure in the cooking and

baking and G-bread House making as they did in sampling the results, giving once again the best answer to the

Number 1 FAQ, *What do you do on Beaver Island*: “Why, we do everything we can to enjoy life.”

## VIEW FROM THE END

Things are frequently not what they seem. As a child, my wife found a homeless, hairless, animal abandoned by its family. Being a tender-hearted lass, she took it home to nurse and care for it. It did thrive and grow, developing hair and a tail. It was thought to be a baby squirrel. All looked forward to the day when it, suitable trained, would bring home nuts for the family. Alas, as the creature matured, it grew not into the expected squirrel but rather into a large rat. As it was tame and could no longer survive in the wild, it was donated to a pet store for sale to a loving home or to be used as snake food.

Another example of such duplicity occurred recently. I have long tolerated

and even enjoyed milkweed on my property for its pleasant flowers and as food for the beautiful monarch butterfly. Then I read in my weed book that this very same milkweed was actually an invasive menace, with the potential to crowd out wild raspberries, strawberries and other food-bearing plants. I thus pulled out these noxious specimens, confident that by so doing, there would also be fewer butterflies flapping about the area clogging radiator grills and chimneys. I also caught many butterflies, using their wings to fabricate delicate lampshades. These items are quite beautiful and should be big sellers at Art in the Harbor, alongside beaver pelts and stuffed seagulls.

Not long ago I adopted two puppies from the pound. “A mix of terrier and hound,” I was told. They grew and became good hunters. But they weren't what they seemed. “Look like coyotes to me,” the vet said. Then, while visiting the hardware store to buy rat poison, they disappeared from the back seat of the car. “At least they'll have a good home,” I consoled myself, certain they would be taken in by a kindly couple. To this day, though, I imagine them living free, a part of and enjoying nature, and contributing to the Island's biodiversity we all hold so dear!

—Mitchel Osman

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Theresa Madonna McCafferty, 79, of Beaver Island, died December 25, 2009, at her home on Beaver Island. The funeral mass was Wednesday, December 30, at Holy Cross Catholic Church, the Reverend Patrick Cawley officiating, and burial in Holy Cross Cemetery. A wake was held at Madonna's home on Tuesday, with the Rosary being recited at 7:00 PM.

Madonna was born August 31, 1930, on Beaver Island, the daughter of Bertrand and Mary (Boyle) McDonough. She graduated from Beaver Island School in 1948.

On April 30, 1949, Madonna married John B. "Bing" McCafferty, and he preceded her in death on July 28, 1988. They lived in Chicago for awhile, but yearned to come home, and finally did, moving into Pat McDonough's house on what came to be called "McCafferty Lane," a building that once served as a school.

Madonna was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church.

She is survived by her children, Donna (Larry) Kubic, Colleen (Buddy) Martin, Karen (Jim) Wojan all of Beaver Island, James McCafferty of Venice, Calif., John (Beth) McCafferty of Beaver Island, Lynn (Stacey) Boyd of Lansing, Ill., Dan (Sarah) McCafferty of Beaver Island; twenty-one grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren; sister, Rosie (Claude) Zajakowski of Lansing, Ill. Madonna was preceded in death by her brother Donald "Topper" McDonough, and sister, Margaret Ellen Connaghan.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, (national headquarters info@cff.org) 6931 Arlington Road, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.



## JIM WILLIS

James J. Willis, 85, of Beaver Island and formerly of Charlevoix, died on December 12 at his home. Christmas carolers arrived at 9:30a.m. and were singing *Joy To The World* when Jim passed away.

Jim was born, March 10, 1924 in Charlevoix, the son of George and Charlotte (Hull) Willis. He served in the U.S. Army during WW11 from 1943-45 in the Asiatic Pacific Theater.

On September 10, 1949 he married Dorothy Klooster in Charlevoix. They just celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

He worked on the Great Lakes most of his life with Penn Dixie Cement and *Medusa Challenger*. He was custodian for Charlevoix Public Schools and also for Beaver Island School. He served as St. James Township Supervisor, Commander of the American Legion Post #226, and President of Beaver Island Historical Society. He was also Tour Guide and Transit Driver on the Island. He was a softball coach and an always fair umpire. Many younger people found he was someone they could talk to; he had been through so much himself that he could understand other people's problems.

For years he and his wife took care of the Memorial to the Dead at Sea at Whiskey Point. He lobbied to have the names of the three fishermen who died in a plane crash included.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, of Beaver Island, his daughter Ann Willis of Charlevoix, and granddaughter Ashley Jean. His son Don preceded him in death in 1998.


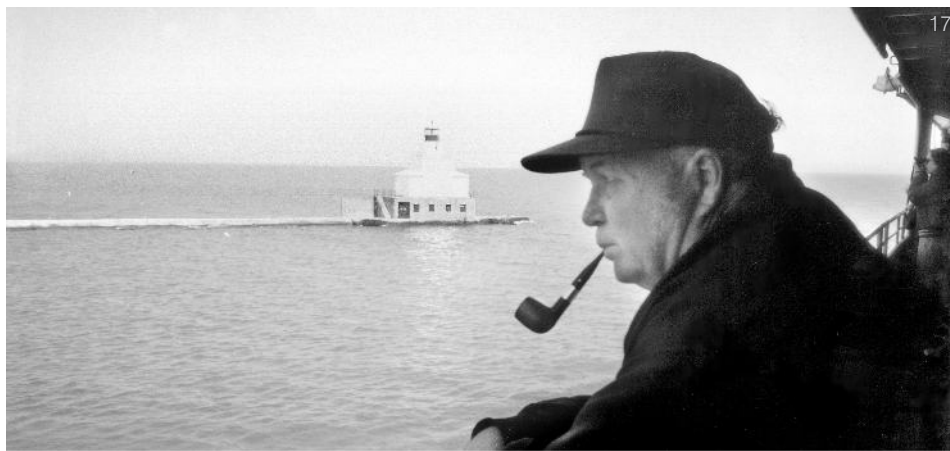
Memorial contributions may be made to the Beaver Island Christian Church, Gregg Fellowship Hall.

## THANK YOU

The family of Jim Willis would like to thank everyone for the luncheon after the funeral, and also for the flowers, cards, prayers, and words of comfort.


Particular thanks go to Danny Gillespie and Sherri Timsak, and the choir, for the music; the AmVets for the ceremony at the Point, one of Jim's favorite spots; and Reverend Harold Kruse for the service in Charlevoix and on Beaver Island.

—the Jim Willis family



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*For questions or concerns contact any committee member: John Fiegen (2902), Judi Meister (2963),  
Miranda Rooy (2702) or Chris Van-Looy at the B.I. Rural Health Center.*

*This is a community food pantry—no church affiliation is required*



# YOUR COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

19.

**W**as it just a year ago that people started talking about an Island food bank? Yes. And since then, there has been tremendous wide-spread community support.

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shouldn't have to make a choice between medical attention and food.

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4	\$3,441	\$794
5	\$4,021	\$928
6	\$4,601	\$1,061
7	\$5,181	\$1,195
8	\$5,761	\$1,329
Add for each additional member	\$579	\$133

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To the left is a table showing the income guidelines established by the Food Pantry committee. The income includes—but is not limited to—employment, unemployment, disability, Social Security, trust funds, pensions, food stamps, WIC, child support, etc.

Food distribution takes place the first Saturday of each month. To help maintain confidentiality, please call for your specific food pick-up time. Call Jayne Bailey: 448-2933 or 448-2881.



## THANK YOU KEN!

Can all of us paddle a kayak? Maybe so, maybe not.

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Ken Bruland did—and it was his gift to Beaver Island's Food Pantry.

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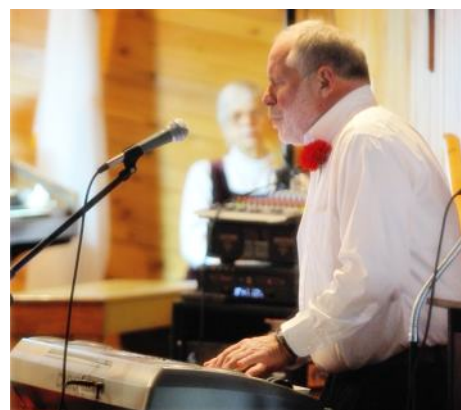
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## THEY SANG THEIR HEARTS OUT

Just when things start racing along at such speed that people were worried they might miss Christmas, or at least the slow preparations leading up to it, which are part of its joy, a single event can sometimes occur to put them back on track—an event such as the Cantata. This year's, which took place on December's first weekend, served to wipe away the building frustration and replace it with joy.

It began humbly enough with a piano/organ duet, two subtle offerings by the revamped *Recordarios*, and three songs by the Chimes Ensemble,

wrapped around wonderful solos by Miranda Roy and Mike Scripps. But as heartwarming as that was, it was only a prelude for the magnificence of the full 29-singer Cantata Choir, which filled the Christian Church with music and the warming aura of celebration.

The choir, excellently directed by Kathy Speck, contains several amazing voices, some of which were called on to provide solos. Sheri Timsak, Mike, and Miranda showed why they have become so highly regarded, and those who followed, Jayne Bailey, Susie Fisher, Marianne Weaver, Phil "Big

Boomer" Becker, and Ed Campbell were right there with them in the first row. The Choir's performance came in the context of a narrative written by Deb Plastrik and given by Matt Ritchie and Pinky Harmon.

One of the many high points involved the performance of a number contributed by Eleanor LaFreniere, who had been the Holy Cross organist before moving to Florida. But everything really stood out—and worked together as part of the perfect package for getting us all in the right mood for Christmas.











## GOT APPS

Every so often we hear about another e-world breakthrough, resulting in the feting of some hi-tech genius who spent the last few years running simulations in the back of a Silicon Valley garage. But the latest one, as recounted in the 12-7-09 issue of *Newsweek* and elsewhere, got started up above our hardware store and was masterminded by two friends from school, Vikas Reddy and Jeffrey Powers Jr.

They had formed a company, Occipital, in 2008, getting \$12,000 in

seed money from TechStars to put in it while they wracked their brains for ways to improve computer vision—the ability of a computer to *see*. One day Jeff picked up a magazine and noticed the bar code, and it was Eureka! all over again; their idea was a bar code reader as an app for an iPhone. Just maybe, they thought, it could be done; if so, it would allow someone to scan in any price in any store and instantly check on other prices for that item.

They moved their operation into a former deli in Boulder Colorado, and

within three months had a working model. RedLaser<sup>®</sup> was born. They worked out the kinks, but then were waylaid by Apple's restrictive architecture, which rejected part of the RedLaser code for three months. Finally that obstacle was overcome, and the app went on the market. Profits began rolling in, reaching \$500,000 by Thanksgiving.

Not two to rest on their laurels, they are now working hard on their main project, a way to allow a phone to recognize where it is.







## LET'S BUILD A BOAT

For years an old wooden 18' skiff built by Big Art Larsen sat in front of the Marine Museum, defying the weather. After the roof was built over the *Bob S* it was placed alongside the gill net tug for protection. This year BICS teacher Adam Richards had a group of kids move it to a better position, and explained that back in the day, everyone living around the harbor wanted to build such a boat because it could keep them from starving: if they had one, they could always put in a net. So many

did, copying their neighbor and adding facets of their own design.

Some students thought that was neat, and said it was too bad that kind of hands-on learning had faded away. Whereupon Adam suggested that maybe it hadn't; just maybe the school would sponsor such a class. The Historical Society offered to supply the materials, and find a place where the kids would work. Adam solicited support, getting offers of help from Karl Felix, who used to run a boat-building school, Ray Cole, and Dusty Cushman.

The class might start this spring. A place to work must be found. And enough students have to sign up to justify the class. If it's a go, they'll begin by evaluating the skiff, making a material list and a work plan, and consider possible modifications. They'll also make a video of the project from start to end. Once the skiff is replicated, the final exam will require them to sail it across the bay; if it sinks, they all flunk. Then it will be affixed with a plaque listing everyone's name, and put on display.





**Thank You to**

Jim Wojan  
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Jim McDonough  
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Sheri Timsak  
Dawn Marsh  
Carolyn Works  
Yvonne Crandall



by Frank Solle

Beaver Island Volunteer Fire Department Chief Tim McDonough invited me to stop by the Fire Hall recently to view the latest acquisitions made by the department. McDonough had three new pieces of equipment on display that, in total, rang up to an astounding forty-five thousand dollars—an impressive amount of money, and equipment, for a small, all-volunteer department, especially if they had to find that level of funding themselves. But, as McDonough proudly pointed out, “we have a great auxiliary that runs the finest Resale Shop you can find.”

No one on the Island needs to be told about the Island Treasures Resale Shop as soon or later everyone stops by, if not for a gently-used and much-needed item, but to find the latest deal on an unexpected treasure (what else?), or just to wander by for a visit with the friendly volunteers who staff the shop. But not everyone realizes the level at which the Resale Shop contributes to the Fire Department. Thanks to the organization and dedication of Resale ‘Chief’ Donna Stambaugh, the purchase of items such as this new equipment is anything but a fluke. “They have been such a great support to us, there’s really not words to thank them. Over the years they have provided us with over \$250 thousand worth of equipment,” McDonough said.

McDonough also pointed to funds received from the Bob McGlocklin Memorial Fund, set up by the family of the former Circle M Restaurant owner. Ten thousand dollars from this fund was used towards the latest purchases as well.

One of the new items is a Bullard TIX thermal imaging device that uses

infrared light to identify both fire and people. According to the company’s website, “Thermal imagers enable firemen to see through smoke to identify victims, pinpoint fires, and recognize structural dangers before they cause injury and deaths.”

the fire truck after he had placed it there for only a few seconds. Then, pointing the camera at Darrell from nearly 10 feet away, it quickly processed a heat-outline image.

The department has had this piece of equipment for awhile now and everyone is already impressed with its function. And for just seventeen thousand dollars, quite a deal.

The single most expensive piece of new equipment is the Homatro hydraulic cutting unit. Although the department has an older cutting unit, this one is much more powerful with cutting capacity of 95 tons it will, according to the company’s literature, cut through a 41-

mm round bar. As Chief McDonough pointed out, “the new materials in cars make them much safer for the people in them, but also that much more difficult for us to access in a rescue situation.” This new, \$21,000 cutting unit keeps the local fire department ahead of the curve.

The final piece of new equipment on display was the CET portable, 27-horsepower, high-pressure, high-volume water pump system with a seven thousand dollar price tag. Excited not only for its capacity, but the rumbling sound its V-twin cylinder Kohler engine generates, Butler said, “you should hear this run, it sounds like a Harley!” It’s that deep-throated power that enables this pump to be the “fastest tanker-filling unit on the market,” according to the company’s website.

McDonough encourages everyone to continue to use and support the Resale Shop which, in turn, supports the Fire Department and its ability to continue to be on the front line of technology and training in order to better serve the entire Island community.



As McDonough put it, “We can use this to look for hot spots in both walls and chimneys.” Tim first demonstrated the camera as it picked up fireman Darrell Butler’s handprint on the side of



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## 26. WELCOME NORAH LYNN SCHELLER

Blake and Danielle Scheller welcome the arrival of their beautiful baby girl, Norah Lynn, on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009, at 7:52am. She came into the world weighting 7 lb 3.9 oz and was 21 inches long on her tip toes.

The proud grandparents are Greg and Lynn Cary of Beaver Island, Larry



Scheller of Alpena, and Denise and Steve McDonald of Onaway.

The proud great grandparents are Skip McDonough of Beaver Island, Bob and Bev Garrison of Hillman, Hannah Trine of Marshal, and Grant Cary of

Battle Creek. The new Aunts are extremely excited also!

## CASPIAN KO TIDMORE

Caspian Ko Tidmore was born December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:08am weighting in a 9 lbs 11 oz to Brian Tidmore and Jean Chi of Santa Monica, Ca. Kathy and

Bob Tidmore are so glad they decided to be there for the birth and all Aunts and Grandparents can't stop looking at him and talking about him.

## TRIPP REDDING BEVIER

Marika (Struik) BeVier, daughter of Bruce Struik and granddaughter of Chuck and Leone Schellenberg, had a healthy baby boy on Sunday December

20<sup>th</sup>. His name is Tripp Redding BeVier, 8 lbs 13 oz and 22 inches.

Mother and baby are doing fine. I'm sure Tripp can't wait to be on the Island.

## HOSPICE UPDATE FOR THE NEW YEAR

Our Beaver Island Hospice and Helping Hands has been in existence for 14 years, and over this time span have seen some changes due to health problems, private life changes, and some of our volunteers moving away.

We now have only three volunteers to serve during the winter, as contrasted to nine during the summer:

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# WELCOME SAMUEL W. FOGG

27.

Matthew & Wendy Fogg are proud to announce their new crew member, baby Samuel Wardwell Fogg, born on December 2, 2009 at 4:44pm weighing 7.11 lbs and measuring 21 1/2" long. He is deeply loved not only by his parents, but by Grandma and Grandpa Harwood, Oma and Opa Fogg,



Aunt Debbie Harwood, Uncle Matthew & Aunt Shelley Harwood and their 4 children, and of course, Muppet & Gruffy Fogg. Sam was named after Wendy's grandfather Sam Harwood and after the first Fogg to arrive to America in 1628. Wardwell was Grandpa Clyde Fogg's middle name.



*Samuel with proud parents Wendy and Captain Matthew Fogg.*



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*John Hett snapped BI on Woodward, at the annual Thanksgiving Day Parade.*



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## 28. ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

from Joyce Bartels

(Note: January 3, 1910 First zero degree temperature F. Protar)

*Charlevoix Courier* Wednesday, January 5, 1910 **Local News Briefly Told:** "Miss McCauley, of St. James, was a Charlevoix visitor last Thursday."

"John McCann and Frank Left, of St. James, were in the city from Sunday until Friday."

*Charlevoix Sentinel* Thursday, January 6, 1910

Front Page Article

### WINTER NAVIGATION

"The St. James tug *Margaret McCann* came over Sunday afternoon with a consignment of two tons of perch for the Booth Fisheries Co. Beaver Island perch are famous for their size and quality, and this consignment was worth seeing."

"The *McCann* brought the mail and returned with it Tuesday. She now takes the place of the *Beaver*, which is laid up. The *McCann* will make mail trips as long as she can touch at and (sic) point on the Island, making Charlevoix headquarters."

"She will lay up here for extensive

repairs to her boiler, and Capt. John McCann will trust to luck getting to the head of the Island with another tug."

**Local News:** "The tug *McCann*, which left here for St. James with the mail at eleven o'clock Tuesday, arrived there without much trouble at two o'clock. She will return here with the mail tomorrow, weather permitting."

**Beaver Island News:** "Tug *McCann* went to Charlevoix Sunday with the mail and fish."

"Frank Left is at Charlevoix for a few days on business."

"Nels Lafrineere (sic) is at Charlevoix to buy goods for his candy store."

"H. P. Boyle went to Chicago on business the first of the week."

"Perch fishing is good in the harbor."

"Mrs. Raymond McDonald had a dance Monday night. Everyone had a fine time."

"Fred Sendenburgh (sic) returned home on the last trip of the *Beaver* with two fine teams of horses for the B. I. L. Co." (Note: Jan. 3 - 7 Driving snow/blizzard 0 to 26 degrees F. Protar)

*Charlevoix Courier* Wednesday, January 12, 1910 **Local News Briefly Told:** "Frank Left, of St. James, was in the city Friday."

"James C. Light, of St. James, was in the city Friday."

"Miss Mae McCafferty, of St. James was in the city Friday."

"A. Malloy, of St. James, was a Friday visitor to Charlevoix."

"A. Lafreniere, of St. James, was a Charlevoix visitor Monday."

"Capt. John McCann is still running the *McCann* between here and the Islands."

"Daniel Gallagher, of St. James, was a business visitor to Charlevoix Friday."

"Miss Mamie Gallagher, of St. James, who is teaching school near Boyne Falls, was in the city Friday night on her way to her school."

"Barney and Ed Martin brought the *Violet* over from the Islands, the first of the week, to lay up for the winter."

*Charlevoix Sentinel* Thursday, January 13, 1910 **Local News:** "The tug *Venus* is here from St. James."

"The tug *McCann* brought over the

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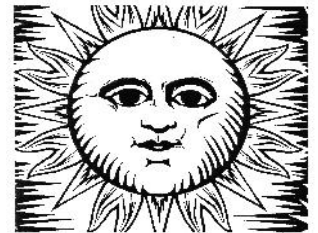
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Beaver Island mail Monday, returning Tuesday morning. She had several passengers both ways. Both runs were made without trouble with ice or wind. She will make another trip this week weather permitting."

**Beaver Island News:** "Mamie Gallagher went to Horton's Bay to teach school."

"A. Malloy went to Charlevoix on business on Friday's boat."

"Capt. Frank Left and Capt. Ed Martin went to Charlevoix on the McCann tug."

"Died Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. John M. O'Donnell. She had been a resident of the Island for over 50 years."

"John Lighton went to Charlevoix last week."

"Dan P. Gallagher went to Charlevoix last week on business."

"The tug *Margaret McCann* is making her regular trips with the mail."

"Perch fishing is good in the Harbor."

"Born Tuesday to Mr. And Mrs. West Rousehorn, a boy. Mother and child doing well."

"Mrs. James Donlevy is on the sick

list." (Note: Dec. 15 Last mail by boat; 18 Snowstorms 20 to 30 Degrees F. Protar)

*Charlevoix Sentinel* Thursday, January 20, 1910 **Local News:** "At this writing – Tuesday afternoon – the mail tug *Margaret McCann* is lying at her St. James dock, and the harbor full of ice. She left here Thursday morning last, and Capt. McCann intended to make another trip at once, but the cold snap of Thursday night closed up the harbor. It looks now as if the next mail would have to be by the Cross Village route, but a high sou'wester may yet clean out Beaver harbor and release the *McCann*." (Note: Jan. 21 Snowstorms 20 to 30 degrees F. Protar)

*Charlevoix Courier* Wednesday, January 26, 1910 **Local News Briefly Told:** "The *McCann* was over from the Beaver Islands Thursday. This was its last trip and navigation is declared closed between here and St. James." (Note: 26 Snowstorms 20 to 30 degrees F. Protar)

*Charlevoix Sentinel* Thursday, January 27, 1910 **Local News:** "Contrary to expectations the tug

*McCann*, last Thursday came over with the mail and a few passengers, returning the same day, making good time both ways. On the home run she had a full load of freight and several passeng (sic). It seems pretty certain that this closed up navigation between the two points. The *McCann* brought over nearly two tons of perch."

**Beaver Island News:** "James Martin made the Charlevoix trip Thursday."

"Jas H. Gallagher went to Charlevoix on business Thursday."

"Frank Left is the first of the fishermen to begin the ice harvest."

"Andy E. Gallagher took a half ton of perch to Charlevoix Thursday."

"Residents of Garden Island are making trips to St. James on the ice."

"C. C. Cross took two tons of perch to Charlevoix on the tug *McCann* last Thursday."

"The tug *McCann* went to High Island Thursday with supplies for the Heimforth lumber camp."

"Fine skating in the harbor. All the boys are taking advantage of it, including Grandpa McCann."

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## 30. WINTER SPORTS SEASONS TIP OFF

by Frank Solle

Action on the Beaver Island hard court got underway in December with a pair of weekend basketball series for both the boys and girls. While each of the *Islanders* teams came away with three wins in their four games, the opening series against Hannahville turned into a tune up as bad weather to the south prevented the officials from flying over so the games were considered scrimmages and will not count in the Northern Lights League standings. The teams will meet later this month at Hannahville and all contests there will be considered league games. Grand Marais also made the early trip here where the *Islanders* melted the *Polar Bears'* hopes four times over the weekend.

A change of schedule will bring the Ojibwe girls team here Jan. 8-9, but their boys team will not be making the trip. The *Islanders* will host Paradise in the only other home action for the month the weekend of 18-19. The final home week-

end will be Feb. 5-6 when the *Islanders* host the *Lakers* of Mackinac Island. The league tournament will be held Feb. 26-27 at Hannahville.

### Doing the Hannahville flip-flop

The opening weekend turned out to be bad and good, then good and bad, as the boys lost an overtime heartbreaker Friday 63-62 then claimed a 30-18 win on Saturday. Meanwhile, the girls took charge early Friday on their way to a 44-16 win, but struggled to score the following morning in a 16-15 loss.

The Friday boy's game was close throughout and tied at 38 going into the fourth quarter. Three-pointers by Billy Lemmink and Bryan Timsak put the *Islanders* up 53-48 with just under four minutes to play. Dereck McDonough scored twice inside to extend the lead to 57-51 with two minutes left, but the *Eagles* answered with two threes of their own down the stretch and knotted the score at 57 in the final seconds.

Two quick treys by the *Eagles* in the extra period proved too much for the *Islanders* to overcome, despite netting the final five points of the contest.

Saturday's game appeared to be more of the same until the *Islanders* turned a 15-11 halftime edge to a 27-13 lead, taking control of the game after the *Eagles* scored the first basket of the third quarter. The fourth quarter was a time for *Islanders* coach Dan Martell to play his younger players as his team cruised to the 12-point win. "The difference was our intensity on defense and our intensity on the boards," Martell said of the different outcomes. "It wasn't as if we were leaving them wide open to make their shots on Saturday."

Bryan Timsak led the team in both games, scoring 15 on Friday and eight on Saturday. Cameron LaVasseur (12) and Doug Campbell (10) joined in double figures Friday. Sophomores Matt Cull

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## THIS IS MY STORY AND I'M STICKING TO IT

by Lois Williams

**T**his was a very unusual whitetail firearm season. It has been a long time since I hunted without heaters in my boots and hand warmers in my pockets but this year was unseasonable warm and very enjoyable. Mornings were crystal clear with little wind with the exception of the fifth day into the season when we had a misty morning. I sighted the occasional deer; a button buck fawn, a doe and button buck fawn, a spike and a buck with two points on one side and a deformed miniature spike on the other. One morning I watched a buck chase a doe through my shooting lanes in about five seconds—not long enough to count his points or get off a killing shot. I was struck with the absence of songbirds such as chickadees, nuthatches, and kinglets. I only heard but never saw a grouse. For the first time in years I stayed for hours without seeing a deer. I even had time to compose a short piece.

What Am I?

I can look like a grouse

I might be a sleeping fawn, the shoulder of a deer or antlers

I can be a tail

I can be a moving deer

I can be a resting deer

I can sway and catch you sleeping and startle you awake

I can be a feather

I am bronze lace

I am burnished gold frosting

I am a dried bracken frond

I drive the hunter crazy

You want to get out of your blind and stomp me to the ground

Refrain from doing that, just sit back and enjoy the bracken hour(s).

Finally after seven days I needed a change. You have no doubt read other stories by me when I talk about my little cedar shack in the deep woods called the Martini Bar. Well, the Martini Bar was closed on Sunday, November 22. I set up a pop-up blind just inside the tree line close to an open field at a different site. I was fortunate to be near an active scrape (sign that a buck was nearby and in rut). I was reminded that bucks seldom venture out into open fields in the daylight.

The afternoon was absolutely the most beautiful day of November. It was sunny and close to 50 degrees. I got into the blind at 2:50 p.m. At 4:30 I caught movement to my left, in the open field—it was a deer—it was a buck. By the time I scrunched around to get my rifle in place he caught my movement or at least he sensed something was not

right, and he ran. I was disappointed but exhilarated by his presence. His antlers were above his ears was all that I knew at the moment.

My plan was to hunt again the following afternoon. I should have had some feeling that things were not exactly going to go according to Hoyle when I slammed two knuckles in the trifold door of the linen closet and stabbed myself with the toothpick holding my sandwich together at lunch, causing it to bleed enough that I had to apply pressure. By 2:45 p.m. I was sitting in the blind. I carefully arranged my chair so I had a better view of the field and ready access to a window to shoot through. I figured there was little chance he would enter the field again during the daylight hours. I couldn't have been more surprised when at 4:50 p.m. I again caught movement to my left in the field. It was a buck sporting antlers above his ears. This time I was ready. I poked the barrel of my rifle through the opening window and brought the scope up to my eyes. At first I didn't see him because he had stopped. When he stepped out I got a perfect view through that marvelous Leopold scope, and put the crosshairs on

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Dereck's too much



Cameron makes a save



Bryan lays one in



Bryan gets by





Brigid fights for control



Olivia wins jump



Brigid looks for help

Kristy releases



**Tip Off**, continued from page 30. and Michael McCafferty chipped in points off the bench. While eighth-grader Ron Marsh dropped in a three on Saturday.

There was little doubt of the outcome of the girls game Friday as the *Lady Islanders* scored the first eight points of the game, putting the *Eagles* back on their heels. A 14-2 run over the second quarter put the *Islanders* in full control, 24-8 at the break.

And if there were any questions which team was on, they were answered with a 14-0 *Islanders* run to open the third quarter.

The weekend's real question arose the next morning when the *Islanders* were unable to find the hoop, scoring just one basket in the first half, falling behind 12-2 at the intermission. The *Islanders* chipped five points off the deficit by holding the *Eagles* scoreless in the third quarter and pulled within one point twice in the final four minutes of the game, but could never grab a lead. "We played our game in the second half, but unfortunately our shots didn't fall," said coach Diane McDonough. Speaking of her first weekend on the bench she added, "It was an up and down weekend for sure, but

I'm still proud of our girls. they did what I asked of them on the floor."

Alex Kuligoski led the team with 12 points Friday and seven on Saturday. Olivia Schwartzfisher also netted 12 on Friday while adding two on Saturday. Eighth-grader Olivia Cary scored 10 points Friday in her first varsity action.

#### **Grand effort against Grand Marais**

There were no glitches or letdowns against the *Polar Bears* in the *Islanders'* second weekend of action, as the girls cruised to wins of 49-28 and 45-27, while the boys claimed wins of 46-38 and 51-38. With a trip scheduled to Grand Marais next month, only the Friday games count toward the league standings.

The *Lady Islanders* set the tone for the weekend by scoring the first 10 points of Friday's opening game, the first of five big runs that carried them easily past the *Bears*. An 8-2 run in the second quarter pushed the lead to 25-10 with just over a minute left in the half. Another 8-2 spurt to open the third quarter put the *Islanders* up 35-17, while a 7-0 opening to the fourth quarter gave the hosts a 47-23 lead.

Since that game plan worked so well Friday, the girls looked to repeat it Saturday, ripping off the first 12 points of the game on the way to a 14-4 first quarter.

An 8-0 run in the second period once again put the *Polar Bears* on thin ice. An 11-0 run midway through the third quarter upped the lead to 35-16 as the *Islanders* were simply too much for the young *Bears* to handle. "I was very pleased with our hustle and determination over the weekend," coach McDonough said. "We were aggressive on defense, kept our hands up, and were fighting for every loose ball."

Kristy Bousquet had a break out game on Friday, leading the *Islanders* with 15 points. Brogan Maudrie and Olivia Schwartzfisher each finished with eight, while the Jennas - Butler and Battle - had six points apiece. Alex Kuligoski led the charge on Saturday with 16 points. Butler added eight with Bousquet and Schwartzfisher each with six.

Unlike the girls, the boys trailed early on Friday, but only for 10 seconds at 1-0. After that it was all Green and White as the *Islanders* kept the *Bears* just out of reach with timely threes and strong defense.

The two main factors in Friday's eight-point win were the *Islanders* outscoring the *Bears* from behind the arc 12-3 and forcing Grand Marais into 15  
*continued on page 34.*

**And I'm Sticking to It**, from page 30. his shoulder and squeezed. He went down. He fell over on his side with all four legs out in front of him with a Ka-boom! Imagine my surprise when he got up. He ran but not far and I heard him crash in the woods.

I waited a couple of minutes and then grabbed my rifle and went out to look for him. This is where things get really crazy. I thought he went to my left and that is where I went to look, but I could not find him. I have never lost a deer and I was not going to accept the fact that this one was lost. I knew he was hit hard and I knew he had crashed—I'd heard the crash—that's a dead deer. I looked and looked, and by now it was beginning to get dark. Joe was not within radio range and my friend Bill was a half mile away. I decided I better call Mark to bring his dog to find my missing deer, but there was no signal on the cell phone.

I walked out to the road—still no signal. I walked back to the field and looked again for the deer—no deer. So I walked back out to the road and hitched a ride to Bill's parking site and tried to raise him by calling and blowing his car

horn, all to no avail. By now Joe had gone to the site and discovered my jacket and rifle. He checked the clip and knew I had shot once. He became alarmed, but encountered me walking back in to the site and quickly learned the story. It was apparent that I was in a panic and Joe with his calm demeanor began to get me to settle down. We flagged Bill down and the three of us searched for the deer with flashlights. You have probably figured out by now that we were looking in the wrong area. I have never figured out why I thought the deer ran in the direction I was pointing out. I guess in the excitement I got confused. By now it is totally dark and I am worried about not finding a deer until morning—with the history of coyote predation.

We drove to J. Works and called Mark for help.

Mark arrived with Porter ready to go to work. Porter was beside himself—jumping and whining and hardly contained. Once Mark put the "find" collar on (a collar with a bell) he was ready to go to work. I was standing in the field at the site I shot the deer when Mark told me he had to go, that Porter was on a

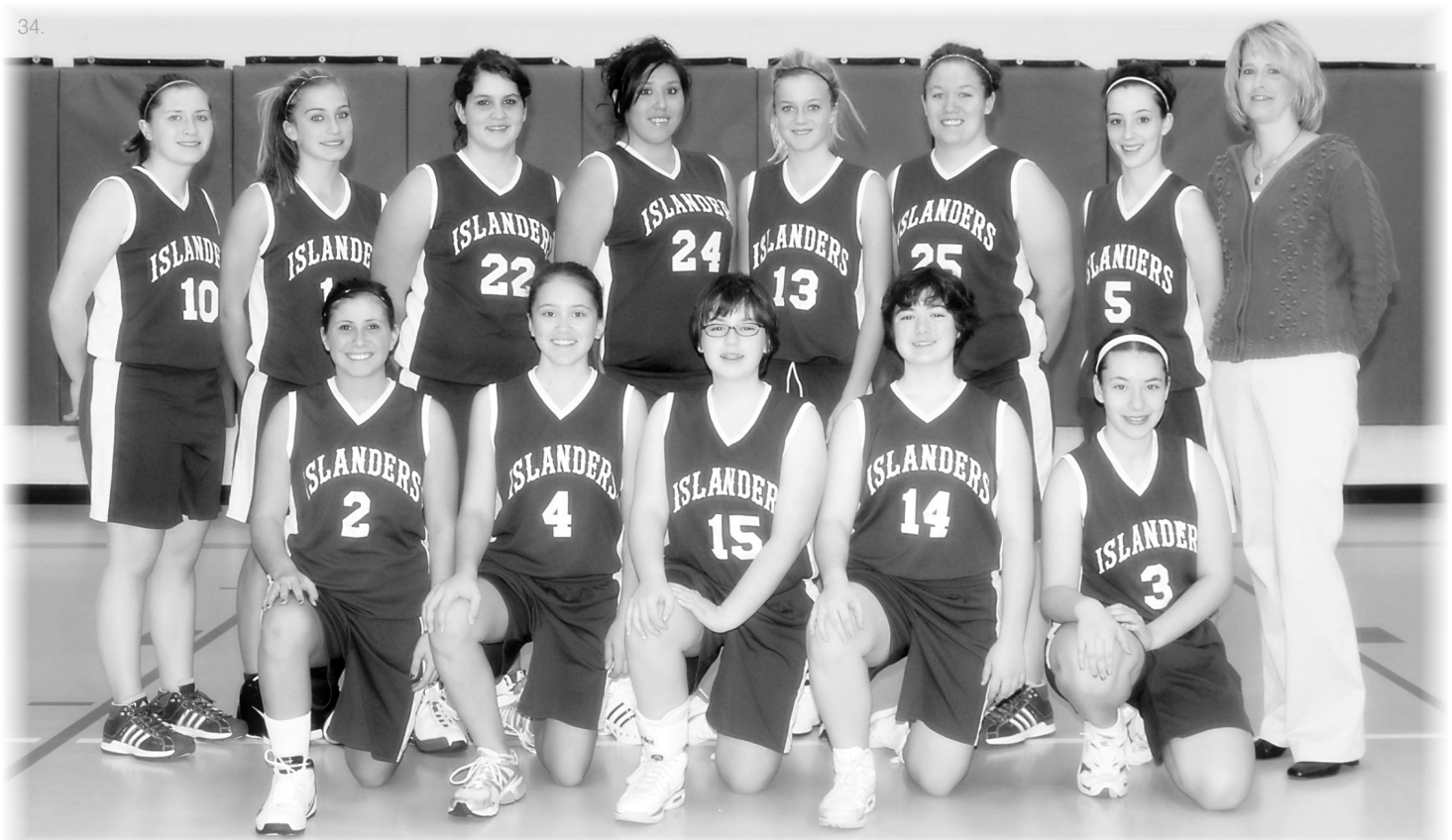
deer. Seconds later he called out that Porter had found the deer. Then he announced that it couldn't be my deer since this was a doe. I assured Mark I had shot a buck with a rack. Upon inspection we discovered that the left rack was broken off, leaving a bloody stump. The right rack had broken off probably several days earlier and was healed over and somewhat hardened. I was devastated. How can you tag a buck without antlers? We looked and looked but could not find them. Not wanting to destroy the search by tromping all over the scene, we decided to return in the morning.

The following morning we walked to the first sign of blood, one bound from where he was shot. There lying in the leaves was the left antler with four points. There was blood everywhere and evidence that he had crashed into a birch tree and then wrapped around it for his final resting place. This was no more than 20 or 25 yards from the site of the shot.

It will be a long time before I forget (if I ever do) the season of 2009 when I shot an 8 point buck minus 4 points.

—Lois Williams, November 27, 2009





**Tip Off**, continued from page 33. fourth-quarter turnovers. "That was definitely the difference," said Bears coach Seth Hoopingarner. "Our

defense was a big part of our win tonight," Islanders coach Martell said. "We contested most of their shots."

Grand Marais had one last hurrah in

the second quarter of Saturday's game, pulling off an early 11-2 run to gain only their second lead of the weekend, 23-21. But the Islanders closed the quarter on an



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8-1 spree to regain the lead 29-24 at the break. An 8-0 run in the third quarter led to a 42-28 lead by the *Islanders*. After the *Bears* closed to within six on a trey to

start the final frame, the Islanders scored the next nine points to seal the deal on the weekend. Timsak and LaVasseur led the Islanders with 24 and 12 points, respec-

tively, on Friday, and 13 and 15 on Saturday. Doug Campbell and Dereck McDonough joined them in double figures on Saturday with 11 and 10 points.



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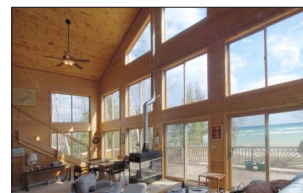
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fooled us by sending the picture of the two of us in Dreamland to our son, John.

"I was admitted to St. Mary's Hospital on 11/11/09, following a week of exams at Mayo Clinic, and had surgery that day. The surgery went well but I had one setback on the 5<sup>th</sup> post-op day. The competent care and love shown by these dedicated fine nurses and doctors was above reproach.

"Luckily, I was accepted into the intensive Physical Therapy program located in St Mary's. It involved 1-½ hours of O.T. and 1-½ hours of P.T. each day—not a program for the faint-hearted! After 8 days of therapy (and a total of two weeks at the hospital) I was discharged to go home. This discharge date fell on the day before Thanksgiving and it was the afternoon before Wings could provide the plane, pilot, and co-pilot to take us. Our new Wings friends were Carl Walker and Paul Elzinga (who has Beaver Island ties). We are appreciative beyond words for both Wings of Mercy and Mayo Clinic and all they have done for

Johnny and me.

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"Our thanks go out to all of you who saw us off on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> and all who sent cards and called during our stay out of state. For anyone, on the Island, who has a need to be transported for medical care, such as we just experienced—we would be happy to help you make the proper contacts. Wings of Mercy can make all the difference in the world.

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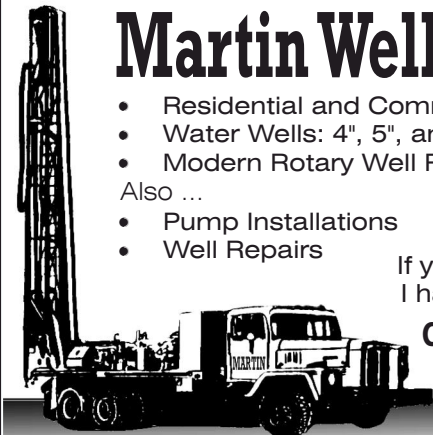
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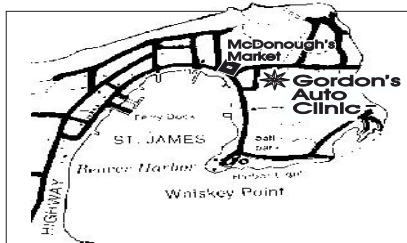
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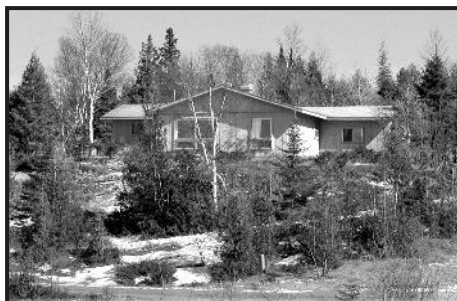


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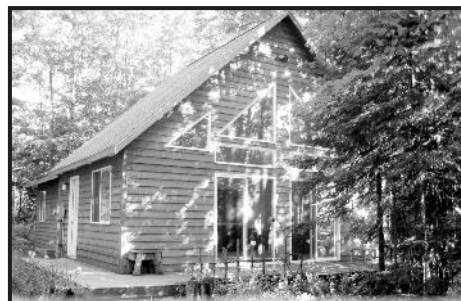




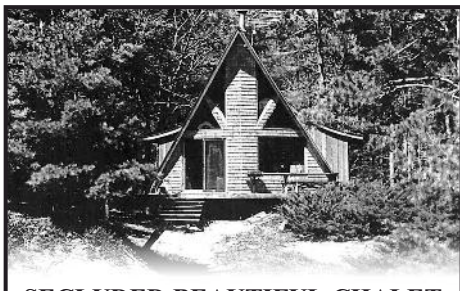
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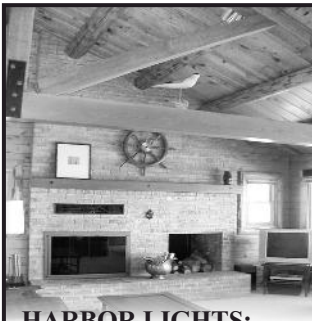
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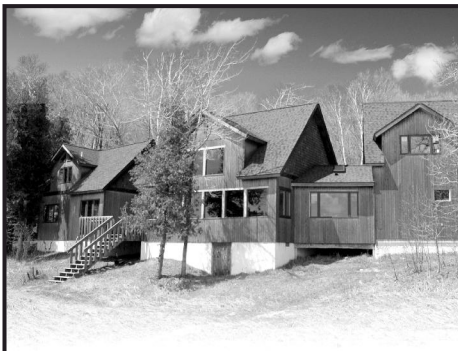
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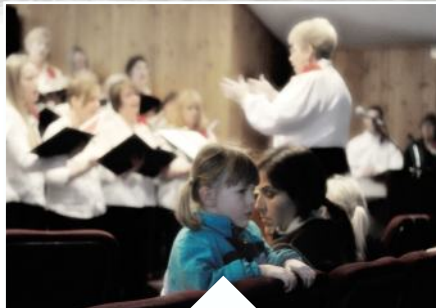
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