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## 4. NEWS FROM THE TOWNSHIPS

### St. James Township

Four men applied for the vacant St. James Zoning Administrator position: Phil Becker, Joe Moore, Ernie Martin, and Doug Tilly, who is the chairman of the Peaine Planning Commission. Tilly was chosen once it was determined that there would be no conflict of interest, because of his long and detailed familiarity with zoning matters.

The Youth Consortium, which had sponsored the July 4<sup>th</sup> Carnival, was dissolved by resolution. The 5-year "Twentieth Century Learning" grant is providing similar services. The ~\$5,000 in its account will be divided: \$1,000 each will go to the School and the Townships, and \$2,090 will be used for this year's Carnival, with \$850 paid to an organizer and the rest used for expenses.

An agreement was nearing completion for the former power plant site.

Cracks in the bike path will be repaired by the Road Commission.

St. James Marine's dust control bid of \$0.82 for 10,000 gallons of 38% solution was accepted.

The position of *Phragmites* Administrator will be posted.

It was noted that the Supervisor position and one Trustee will be up for election, with petitions due by May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Two Senior Housing hearings were held during the course of the meeting. The first restated what has been learned about the Island's housing needs, with questions asked and answered. The discussion indicated there is a need and a market for the planned 6-unit building. The second matter involved a review of the process to date.

After ten years of effort, construction was drawing very close, but the difficulties encountered along the way have led to a new plan for the second building. Now the land where it was to be located will be offered for sale to a private financier to build three for-profit "more upscale" duplexes.

## NRETC HIKING GUIDES AND

Beaver Island's Natural Resources and Eco-tourism Commission continues to make progress on its ambitious agenda. Two brochures for visitors are in the works: one for hikers will identify twenty walking trails and describe some of the plants, birds, animals, and land-

scape that can be seen along them. Another will be a guide along four different driving trails, describing the various sites along each. The NRETC has no dedicated funding, so its work is done by volunteers, with costs met by a variety of means. For these brochures, mer-



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At the end of the discussion a resolution was passed to allow an application to be submitted to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority for \$400,000, which will be added to a USDA Rural Development loan of \$582,305 (repaid with rental income) and \$115,851 in local financing (with less than \$50,000 yet to raise) to build the first building.

At the election voters will be asked to renew millages for general operations, the Fire Department, the Health Center, the Airport, streets and roads, and the Transfer Station.

### Peaine Township

Surprisingly attendance fell to less than half of the average for the previous several months.

The Peaine Board approved the dissolution of the Youth Consortium and the distribution of its funds to match St. James. It also accepted the bid of St. James Marine to provide 30,000

gallons of 38% and 10,000 of 26% for dust control. Peaine also posted the opening for *Phragmites* Administrator at \$20/ for 100 to 150 hours this summer, and the opening for Peaine Zoning Administrator.

Pursuant to Peaine requesting a continuation of the 2 mills for the Health Center, Don Spencer presented some information about the difficulty it has had funding its 24/7 operation.

The reassessment of Peaine property was underway, with 370 parcels already done.

A proposed agreement for an Airport Authority was still being fine-tuned by the two townships. More information about insurance levels and the way other airports operate has been requested.

A request for bids on supplying gravel initially received three bids but two were withdrawn, leaving only Gillespie Enterprises at \$15.50/yard, an increase of \$2 from last year.

## GARDEN ISLAND CLEAN-UP

chant sponsorships are being accepted.

The Garden Island Clean-up project was helped along by a trip over on the first weekend in May to evaluate the scope of the problem; a working weekend is set for May 21-22, when the first load of trash will be removed. This pro-

ject may stretch into future years, depending on the volume of trash and the arrival of funding—some of which is expected to come from a DNR grant.

A Symposium on managing our forest and wildlife for sustainability is set for 6-28.

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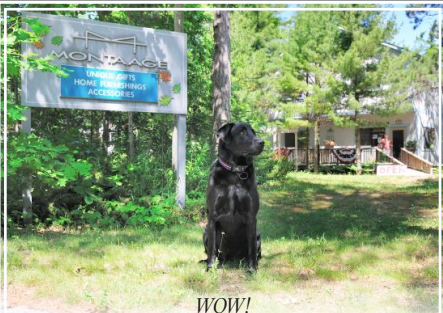
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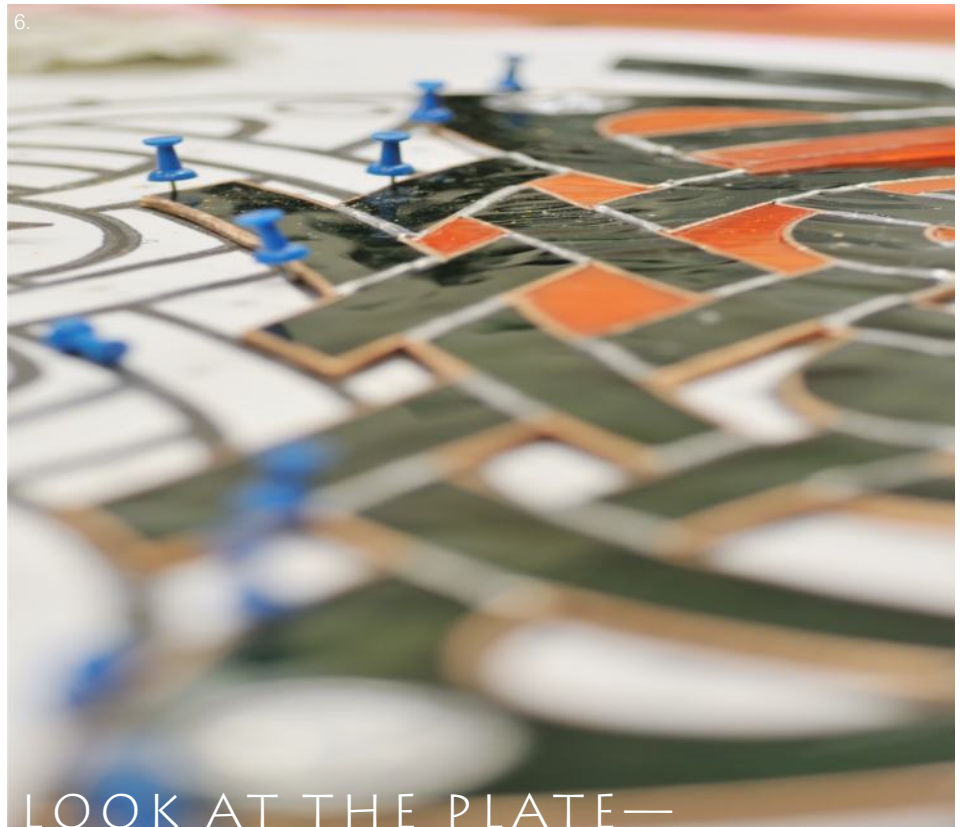
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## LOOK AT THE PLATE— IT'S THE GLASSMAN!

When the school received a grant from the Grand Traverse Band for three stained glass windows for the foyer cupola, the hard part was done and all that remained was finding someone to make them. Principal McNamara had to look no farther than Steve Hagerman.

Steve has been working with glass for ten years—ever since his wife gave him a course in “how to” as a birthday present. He made windows for their homes—first down state, and then here on Beaver Island, and enjoyed doing it so much they included a glass studio in their new home. He also did a few windows for such places as Stoney Acre.

Once Kitty twisted his arm, Steve agreed to make the three windows for the school. The center one, the school crest, was built and installed first. (New outer glazing will replace the current cross-muntin panes shortly to remove distraction.) Earlier the school held a contest to choose the colors for the design, and Sarah Avery won.

The window he is currently working on, the Celtic knot, is surprisingly complicated, as each piece is individually

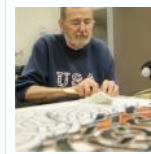
sized and cut to accommodate slight design variations and movements as the window is soldered together. Plus elements such as the “fisheye” circles must be drilled and cut out.

The third window will symbolize Turtle Island.

When we visited, about 40% of the glass had been cut, edge-wrapped with adhesive-backed copper ribbon, and lead-soldered into place. Steve has a wide variety of glass styles and colors (it's amazing what's available) and patterns set aside, and has all the tools he needs—from special curved-face pliers to a “diamond wire” saw.

Each window takes him about 60+ hours. He starts in the middle, and works his way out. Tiny pieces or pieces with abrupt curves might frustrate some craftsmen, but Steve knows how to take one step at a time and not get rattled.

Once the soldering on one side is done, the piece will be turned over so the other side can be soldered; that gives it the necessary rigidity. Next the solder is brushed with a “patina” acid to give it a black hue. Then it can be installed, and, finally, everyone down below can join in the singing of *Let the Sun Shine In*.







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## APRIL 1, THE FIRST SAIL OF THE YEAR

**S**igns of Spring are many: ice and snow finally disappearing; feeling warmth in the sun; longer days; St. Patrick's Day; robins returning; crocus and snow drops popping through the snow; buds on the trees; maple sap running; and on and on. For me it is the approach of another sailing season.

Dyed-in-the-wool sailors go into depression when storing their boats for winter. So when the unseasonably warm weather provided a opportunity for very early Spring sailing, one must take advantage of it and I did. For me it was a "high" like no drugs or alcohol can ever provide. Just imagine feeling

the power of the wind in the tiller, hearing the spank of the sail when coming about and catching the wind on the next tack, the rhythmic slap of the waves on the bow, and the feel of a warm breeze. It is Spring and I love it!

That's me—the guy with the wrap-around grin.

—Larry Hansz

Note: While sailing, my son Brian who is in Kodiak, Alaska in the U.S. Coast Guard was watching on the Power's Web Cam. He wanted to be sure I did not tip over and become a SAR case (Search and Rescue).

Note: Photographs by Joe Moore



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After a spate of unseasonably warm days, Beaver Island awoke from a howling night on the morning of April 8<sup>th</sup> to find every single thing covered in snow, with large, soft flakes still gently falling.

Aside from the unexpectedness of it, Islanders were greeted with a remarkable scene of which no one had ever seen the likes. The wind had been primarily from the north but was full of eddies and cross-currents, so that everything got blasted from all sides. And because everything had been warmed up in the previous weeks, with sap flowing and gardeners tilling, and

because the temperature hovered at a perfect 32°, every flake to collide with a heated object instantly melted—but then immediately froze in place. Talk about the blur of the People's Republic army donning their white snowsuits for a winter exercise!

Beaver Island was treated to a natural world that resembled a ghostly IR photograph, or a collage of those old science class experiments in which a cut branch stuck in salt water soon displays crystal-coated leaves. The grasses and bushes and trees were all wrapped in fluffy white parkas. The day before, we had been able to peer through the leafless woods for a thou-

sand feet, unimpeded by any spring blooming. But now our vision was reduced to perhaps fifty feet; beyond that we were surrounded by a thick white blanket.

People phoned in to see if the earth's magnetic poles had been reversed. Holy caramba.

It was beautiful! It was a fantastic, once-in-a-lifetime anomaly. Suddenly every man was an island, marooned somewhere on the steppes of Russia, left to plod through the snow, fervently pushing on to evade the wolves. And the best thing about the unexpected blizzard? Absolutely all trace was gone two days later.

## RUNNING—HOW TO GET STARTED

*by Bob Trudgeon*

There are now two running events on the Island, and both feature a 5K (5,000 meters or 3.1 miles) run. If you start a program now, you'll be able to run a crisp 5K without any walking this fall.

Running is like sex. Ask your doctor if you are healthy enough for it.

If you're quite overweight you will initially have to do a lot of walking while reducing your intake (with your doctor's approval). Exercise increases blood sugar, which tends to reduce appetite. Social reinforcement with a group helps bring out the person that is in there.

No, you can't continue to smoke. Use the lifestyle change that you are making to leverage kicking the habit.

The first focus is not on distance. Start with the duration of the initial workouts. Block out 30 minutes per day for a minimum of five days and a maximum of six. Do not get caught up in running seven days a week or trying to build unbroken streaks of training days. You need days off.

Initially you run until you get tired and walk until you recover. Repeat the run-walk routine for 30 minutes. Run-walk down the road/trail for 15 minutes and return. As you run with the same perceived effort your runs will slowly get longer and the walks shorter.

Once you're able to run for a half hour, you may increase the duration of your workouts gradually.

Don't try to run through injuries. Begin workouts running slowly. If a brief walk to break the pattern doesn't stop the hurt, or if the pain builds, stop running and rest. Use other activities like biking to maintain fitness. Seek medical help if an injury becomes chronic. A podiatrist is usually the person with the answers. Try to find a running podiatrist. It's a running thing and he will understand.

The focus of your workouts will of necessity have to shift to distance. An endurance base has to be built first. You need it to cover the race distance. Once or twice a week you need to run long. If you're pointing to the 5K, you should use runs of five to six miles. Don't get carried away.

Your training runs should end with you feeling that you could run longer.

It is time to talk about running philosophy. I don't like the term "serious runner." All runners make a commitment to training and most are adults.

I believe there are two basic types of runner. One is the competitive and improvement-orientated runners driven to excel. These runners need to build strength and speed beyond the

endurance base through hill work and fast-paced under-distance runs or repeats.

Then there are the fitness runners who seek to participate in events as a demonstration of their fitness. They enjoy the socialization of training and running events with a group of friends. They are interested in improved performance, but not overly so.

I was the former, but I think that the latter may have been wiser.

All types of runners should race the same way. The race that is most enjoyed and most competitive is the race run at an even pace with a fast finish. **DO NOT GO OUT TOO FAST.** Best performances and world records are achieved by running an even pace with a fast finish. If you run at a consistent pace throughout the race you will get a big boost by passing runners from the halfway mark to the finish.

Do some of your training on the race course. It will help you visualize flying around the course on winged heels. You really can't do something you haven't visualized doing. And, familiar routes will seem shorter after a while as there are no surprises.

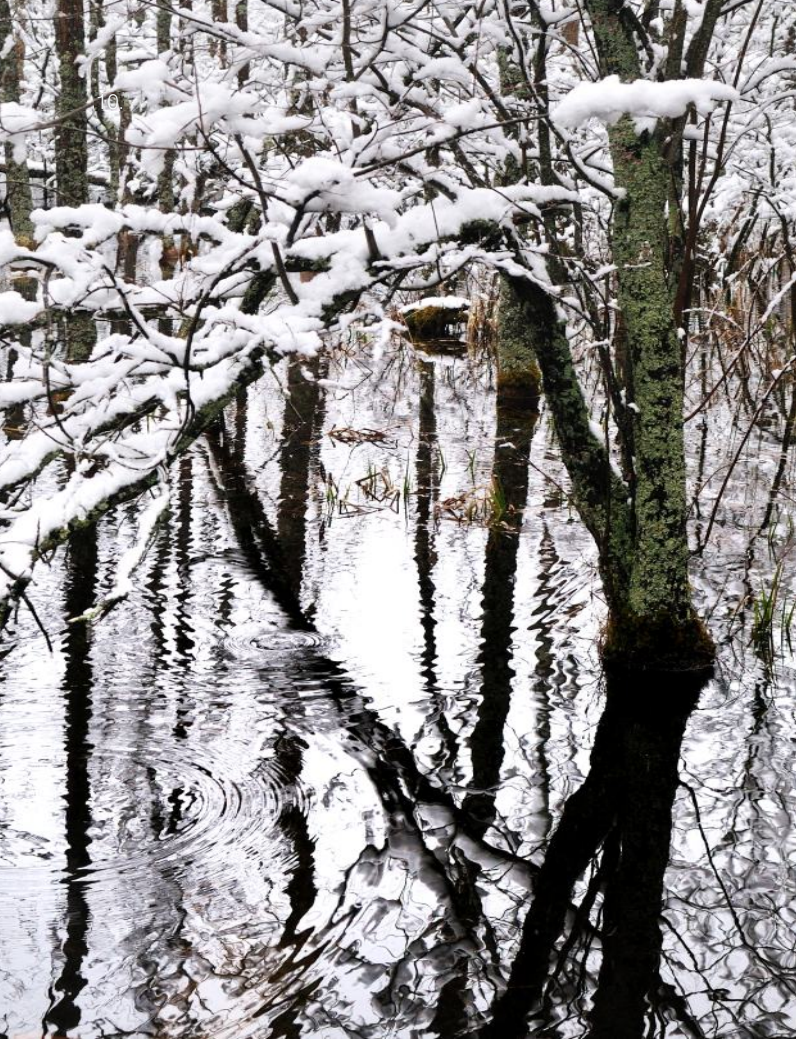
Stick to your commitment to running. Remember that virtue has its own reward.

Happy trails.











# ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

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from Joyce Bartels

Notes from F. Protar's diary with the help of Antje Price

*Charlevoix Courier* Wednesday, May 4, 1910 **Local News Briefly Told:** "John McCann of St. James was in the city Sunday."

*Charlevoix Sentinel* Thursday, May 5, 1910 **Local News:** "The Beaver Island tug, *Margaret McCann*, was here Monday for her annual inspection."

**Beaver Island News:** "Ed B. Gallagher is at Charlevoix on a visit."

"Dave Nettleton is surveying land at St. James."

"Capt. Bonner returned home from Milwaukee."

"Mr. Schwitzer went to Bay City on Monday's boat."

"Tug *Margaret McCann* went to Charlevoix Sunday."

"Miss M. Briggs and niece returned home last week."

"Mr. I. Hericks died last Friday night, buried Monday p. m."

"There are several horse buyers at St. James this week."

"Mrs. Albon Smith returned to Charlevoix on Monday's boat."

"There were seven sailing vessels in the harbor one day last week."

"Nalley (sic) Cram, the Booth Fish Co. agent, spent Sunday in Charlevoix."

"C. Schrider, the Standard Oil Co.'s agent, was here on business this week."

"John Donlevy returned home after several week's visit with old friends."

"James H. Gallagher the census enumerator was at High Island last week."

"Mrs. Fred Nackerman and son returned home after two week's visit at Elk Rapids."

"Mrs. James Donlevy went to Chicago on business and will be absent about one month."

"Catherine M. Floyd closed her school at High Island and returned home Saturday last."

"A. O. H. Is initiating quiet (sic) a few members. They had a banquet at Gallagher's hall Sunday."

"Miss Ida Gibson of Petoskey, returned home on Monday's boat after visiting her aunt, Mrs. James Gibson."

"There were quite a few fruit trees planted last week. The farmers are getting busy on fruit trees this spring."

*Charlevoix Sentinel* Thursday, May 12, 1910 **Local News:** "Even Garden Island, of the Beaver group, is slipping into the fruit belt. Fred M. Benham, a well known fruit tree man, who was in the city Saturday, has 500 acres on that Island, and he went there Monday to arrange for the setting out of a large number of trees." (Note: *Fred Benham appears in the Hotel Beaver register May 13 & May 15*) (Note: *13/14 Calm 24 degrees, ice 2"* F. Protar)

*Charlevoix Courier* Wednesday, May 18, 1910 **Local News Briefly Told:** "W. E. Stevens of the Beaver Island Lumber Co. Was at Elston over Sunday on his way home from Milwaukee."

*Charlevoix Courier* Wednesday, May 25, 1910 **Local News Briefly Told:** "Mrs Wesley Roushorn, infant daughter, and sister, Mrs. C. C. Gallagher of St. James were in the city Saturday on their way to Petosky where Mrs. Roushorn was taking her daughter for treatment to the Petosky hospital."

*Charlevoix Sentinel* Thursday, May 26, 1910 **Beaver Island News:** "The baseball game between the Beaver Island and the High Island boys was in favor of Beaver Island."

"Capt. Funican and Capt. Wilbur paid us a visit last week." (Note: *Capt. Wm. Funican, Capt. P. D. Campbell, & Capt. O. Wilbur, Charlevoix, appear in the Beaver Hotel register May 16, 1910*)

"Mrs. C. C. Gallagher and daughter went to Petosky last week on business."

"The tug *Rhine* went to Boyne City for the B. I. L. Co.'s locomotive last week."

"Bert Smedley of the High Island Lumber Co. was at the Beaver Hotel last week." (Note: *J. B. Smedley appears in the Beaver Hotel register May 13*)

"May Gallagher has returned home from Charlevoix."

"Mrs. W. Roushorn and baby went to Petosky for hospital treatment for

the child."

"The barge *John Schroder* loaded lumber at the mill dock."

"Mike Boyle had his arm badly hurt at camp."

"Vincent Bros. went to Charlevoix, Friday, in their gasoline boat."

"Nels Laferiniere (sic) went to Milwaukee on the Str. *Wente* last week."

"Boyle Bros. went to Charlevoix after gasoline last week."

"W. J. Gallagher is home for a few days."

"The Young Ladies Apron Club met at the home of Miss Nora Berry's (sic) Saturday evening. All report having a fine time, the evening being spent in playing games and vocal and instrumental music. Ice cream and cake was served."

"Died at his home Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup> inst., Michael D. O'Donnell, aged 65 years. He came to the Island in the early sixties and resided on the Island ever since. Leaves a wife, one son, and one daughter. Buried at Holy Cross Church Saturday." (Note: *27 - 31 Rain, rain, rain bad, bad days!! F. Protar*)

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—Dawn George





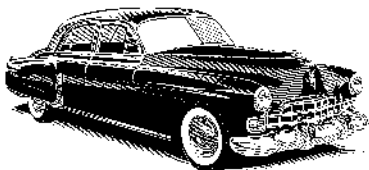
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a profile sharp with beak;  
we stand so near, ashush and still,  
we earn a second peek.*

*O who can last remember when  
we saw the sandhills on the fen?*

*At first you see but a single one,  
then yes, aside, its mate;  
always alert for danger near,  
their necks unfurl so straight.*

*A moment passes, then again,  
they strut across the grassy fen.*

*They work so hard the full day long,  
there's little time for rest;  
they roam about, quite near and far,  
their goal to build a nest.  
The waning sun alights their den,  
a home at last within the fen.*

*A cluck, a cluck, a flash of wing  
the awkward way they rise;  
but then they stretch, extend their legs,  
their grace a soft surprise.  
They lift, they rise, they soar above,  
the fen now far below;  
the chance to watch for just so long,  
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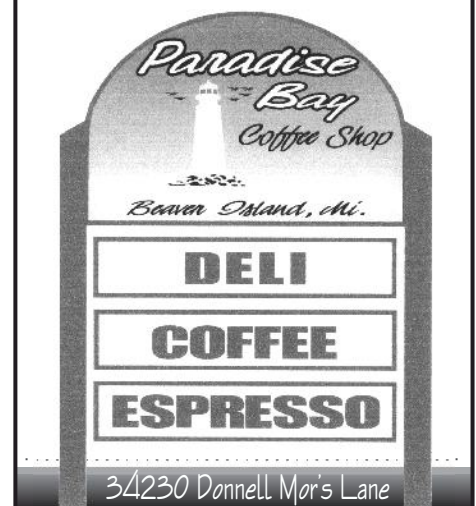


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## 14. ANOTHER NEW BOOK?

Thanks to Jerry LaFreniere's heirs and a donation of 808 scanned pictures by Pam and Brad Grassmick, the Beaver Island Historical Society is

planning to release a coffee-table 112-page picture book on July 1<sup>st</sup>. It's a sampler of the photo collection that was always available at Jerry's legendary

parties for those who found themselves in a mood to reminisce. The BIHS hopes the appearance of the book leads to others following suit.

## NEW AT THE MARINE MUSEUM

Thanks to Historical Society Board members Barry Pischner, Alvin LaFreniere, and Doug Hartle, plus Barry's friend Dave Rousch, the planned upgrade of the Marine Museum took another big step forward during the last week of April. Last year, visitors will recall, half of the upper level was changed from the tasteful dis-

play style implemented by Marie Powers in the mid-80s to a more eye-catching and functional black velcro background, which allows exhibits to be moved or modified at any moment. This spring, thanks to Barry's vision, this approach was extended through the entire upper level, with old-fashioned display counters replaced by 4'-high

display boards with 8" lower shelves that have the added benefit of offering storage behind. New pictures are being scanned and prepared for display so visitors will better understand how important fishing was to the establishment and growth of the Beaver Island community for the century between 1850 and the disappearance of the fish.

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The second annual Archipelago Poker Run to benefit the Beaver Island Community Center is set for Sunday, **July 11<sup>th</sup>** at 12:00 noon with registration

at the Shamrock. Just in case, a rain date has been set for July 18<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome – if you'd like to participate, we'll get you on a boat. There'll be door

prizes for most contestants, and the auction of a wild card. A fabulous dinner is included! Your entry fee is well worth it – it's a fun event.

## AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY UNDERWAY

Many noticed the white L-shaped plastic markers, 3' on a side and pinned to the ground in various locations around the Island in April. These markers were placed to facilitate high-resolution aerial mapping being done by a branch of the Michigan Department of Technology called the CSSTP (Center for Shared Solutions and Technology Partnerships).

Last September CSSTP offered to map seven Michigan counties at a cost of \$28/square mile, and Charlevoix agreed.

The flights were completed on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, and the finished photographs should be available in late July. The rights to the aerial photos are shared by Microsoft and the State. Microsoft will load them into their Bing Maps website,

and the State will make them available to all State agencies, State employees, and State web-mapping applications. The State also has the right to sub-license a copy to partners.

High resolution aerial photographs of Charlevoix County were last done and made available in 2004 with \$35,000 in grant funding.

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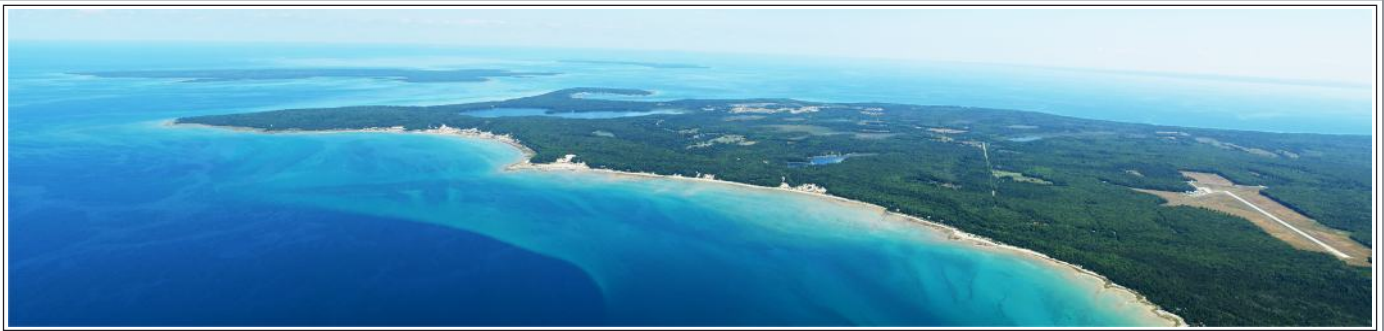
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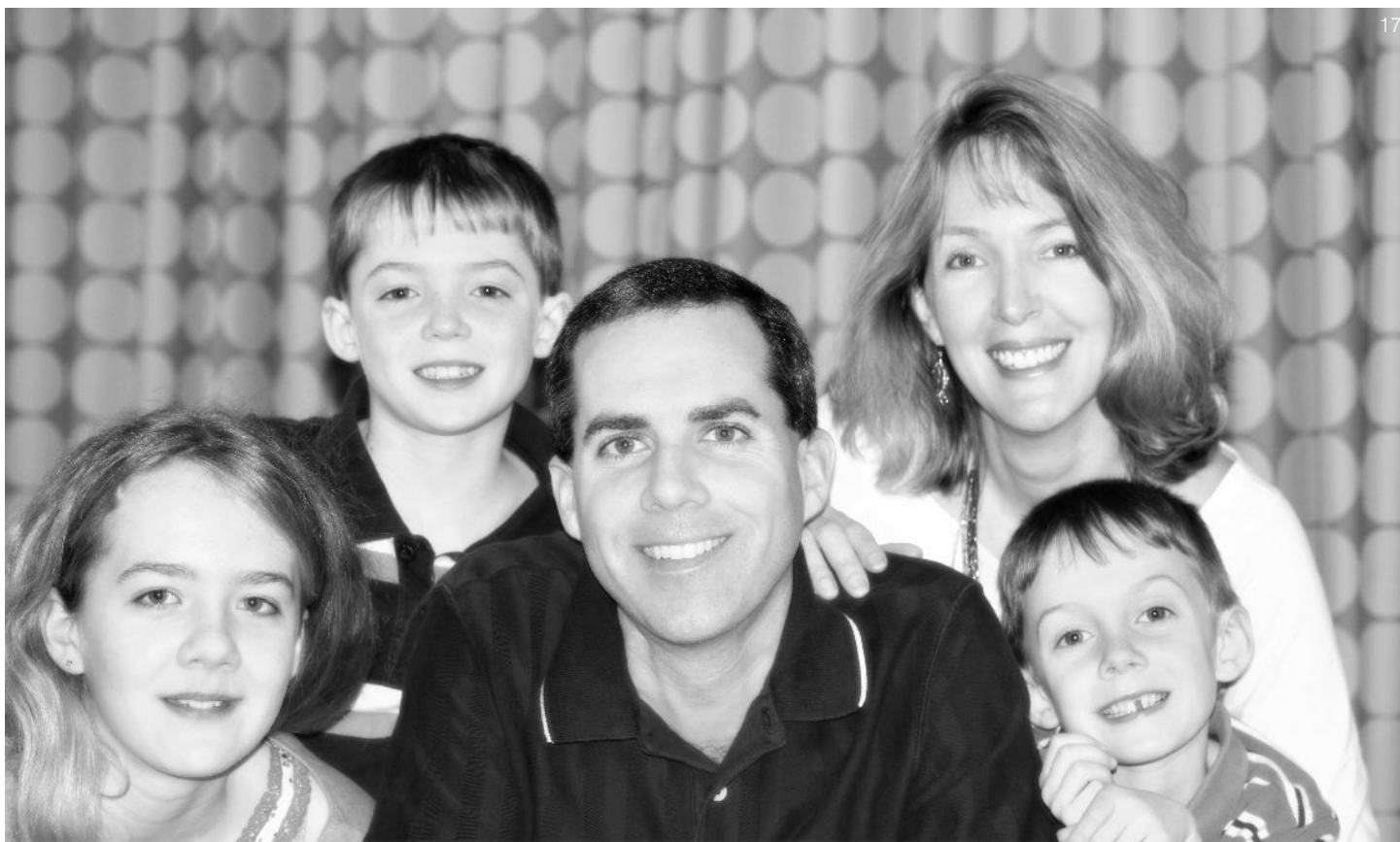
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**T**he Lighthouse Fellowship enjoyed a presentation on 4-11 from Eric and Renee Fogg, who with their three children will soon be leaving their home in Holland and heading to Shell, Ecuador, a little town on the edge of the Amazon Rain Forest. Eric is the son of Mike and Patti Fogg, who have spent their summers on the Island for the past 45 years, and the nephew of Jon and Sally Fogg.

First they will train this July in Colorado, then move to Costa Rica for language school and from there to Shell for 3-5 years. Their mission in moving to

Shell is to teach the underserved about Jesus Christ and his saving grace while training them in clean water solutions and health and hygiene practices. They will serve with HCJB Global, a Christian mission organization headquartered in Colorado Springs, whose focus is to meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of local communities via radio, healthcare, and community development.

Eric will also head up the construction of a laboratory addition to the local 36-bed hospital, while Renee practices Occupational Therapy at the hospital.

The children will be attending school at a small local school.

Work teams from all over the United States and Canada will join them in Shell to help in the effort. A team from Beaver Island would be a welcome addition anytime! The Fogs have set up a blog site. You can visit [www.ericandrenee.com](http://www.ericandrenee.com) and enter your email address in order to receive updates regularly. Those who would like to support them financially can give online through their blog site. All gifts are tax deductible.

## INTRODUCING THE HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

**I**f you saw a posting on the Beaver Island Forum about a Health Fair in September sponsored by the Human Services Commission, you might have asked yourself: "The Human Services Commission--What is it? Who is it? What is it doing?" Good questions! Let's try to answer them.

In the fall of 2009 both townships passed a resolution that established a commission to (in part) "identify and prioritize the Island's human needs,

identify sources for providing those, and advocate for the Island with off-Island agencies to work toward providing for the needs of Islanders."

And so, the Human Services Commission was born.

The mission statement of the HSC states: "The Human Services Commission is a collaboration of organizations that advocates for the emotional and physical needs of Island residents and visitors of all ages." The Commission membership is from across the Island

and identifies with its diverse needs. Current members include: Pam Grassmick, Peaine Township representative and HSC chairperson; Donna Kubic, BI Rural Health Center and HSC secretary; Alice Belfy, BI Community School; Steve Finch, BI Lighthouse School; Judi Meister, Food Pantry; Kathy Tidmore, St. James Township representative; Nancy Tritsch, Council on Aging; Bob Tidmore, AmVets; and Lois Williams, Hospice and Helping

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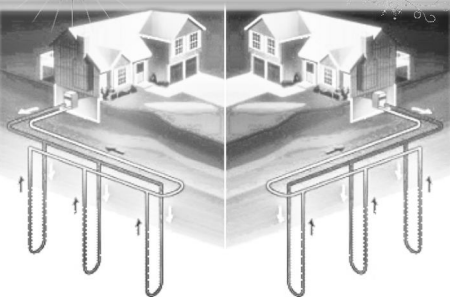
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18. *Human Services*, from page 17.

Hands. Joan Vyse, as St. James representative, regrettably was unable to complete her tenure.

The Commission has set three major goals:

1.) Build collaborative partnerships to foster physical, social, emotional, or spiritual well-being of residents and visitors;

2.) Implement structure to coordinate information about access to services for community use; and

3.) Support the economic vitality of our community by ensuring that services are available and accessible.

Putting it simply: We are hoping that as a group of people representing many different service organizations, we will have more credibility and "clout" than any of the organizations might have operating individually. We

L E T T E R S :

## VIEW FROM THE END

Every time I open a BI newspaper or read a flyer in McDonough's, some animal has been deemed a menace and is to be killed. First it was beavers, then wolves, then mute swans, then coyotes (I do my part by killing monarch butterflies). It is, I think, because BI is a hunter's paradise!

This month it's the cormorant. By the time you read this, "days of rage" will be underway. BI citizens will have been deputized and authorized. Pity the poor cormorant, target of "shock and awe," BI style. Any type of "harassment," including le-

want to ensure that Beaver Island receives its fair share of tax-supported services, and we want information about those services to be available in user-friendly form.

In January four members of the Commission traveled to Charlevoix to meet with Shirley Roloff, Charlevoix County Commissioner representing Beaver Island, and 15 members from various county agencies to discuss improving communication regarding services available to all Charlevoix County residents, however removed from the mainland, the efficient delivery of those services, and developing a gap analysis of services.

The Commission continues to work toward ensuring that living on Beaver Island remains a viable option for low income, elderly, visitors, and all those in-between. In September

thal weapons, can be used against the creature. There will be fireworks as well. Perhaps this will become an annual festival. Maybe Ted Nugent can be honorary chairperson. That is, of course, if enough cormorants remain alive to keep the "cormorant festival" going. Perhaps the Wildlife Club can be in charge of ensuring the health of the flock from year to year.

Fact is, there is just too much time between one hunting season and another. This can, in the avid hunter, cause a type of stress syndrome. I am advised by a good-ole-



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2010 the Commission will offer a Human Services Fair for the Island community with participating agencies of Emmet and Charlevoix counties.

The HSC holds monthly meetings the third Tuesday of each month at 2:00 at the BI Community School. The HSC also meets monthly (by teleconference) with the Coordinating Body of Emmet and Charlevoix Human Services for the purpose of obtaining relevant information in a timely manner. There is much we hope to accomplish as the HSC connects with mainland resource services to work toward providing for the needs of Islanders.

The HSC plans to provide a brief monthly article in publications and websites on issues of common concern for the purpose of disseminating information.

boy acquaintance, who should know, that prominent BI citizens, dazed by the hunting season drought, ride about, inebriated, mid-day, guns in hand, shooting any critter that happens by. The cormorant festival is just the tonic to restore mental balance to such folks.

You may be aware that, in Florida, an excess of coyotes has prompted farmers to fence their land to pen in the critters. Hunters can then come with their dogs and, for a stiff fee, chase the varmints 'til they're lying exhausted on the ground, whereupon they can be clubbed or shot, according to the

## HOLD THAT TRAIN 19.

Thanks to Dan Wardlow, one of the three steam locomotives that operated here during the Beaver Island Lumber Co. heyday has been located—at the Port Huron Museum. Historical Society Board members Doug Hartle and Jim Dunbar went to see it and began discussing how it might be allowed to be put on display at the Heritage Park, and BIHS vice-president Alvin LaFreniere found a trucker willing to transport it if a deal can be worked out.

To bring this about the section of original railroad crossing the Park, which was regraded last year by Galen Bartels and Rich Gillespie, will have to be completed (ties and rails are needed), and a broad-overhang roof built to protect the engine from the weather.

hunter's preference. Florida may thus be a good spring field trip for suffering BI hunters.

I recommend that everyone participate in the "harassment" for the restorative and health giving effects on the mind. Such unity of effort strengthens us also as a community. Remember to discharge firearms safely, taking care not to shoot one another. Also, a group is being formed to hammer out a final solution regarding the cormorant. Interested parties can submit inquiries.

—Mitch Osman

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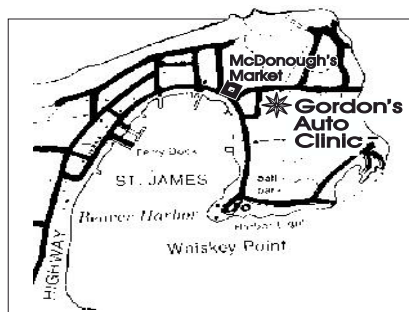
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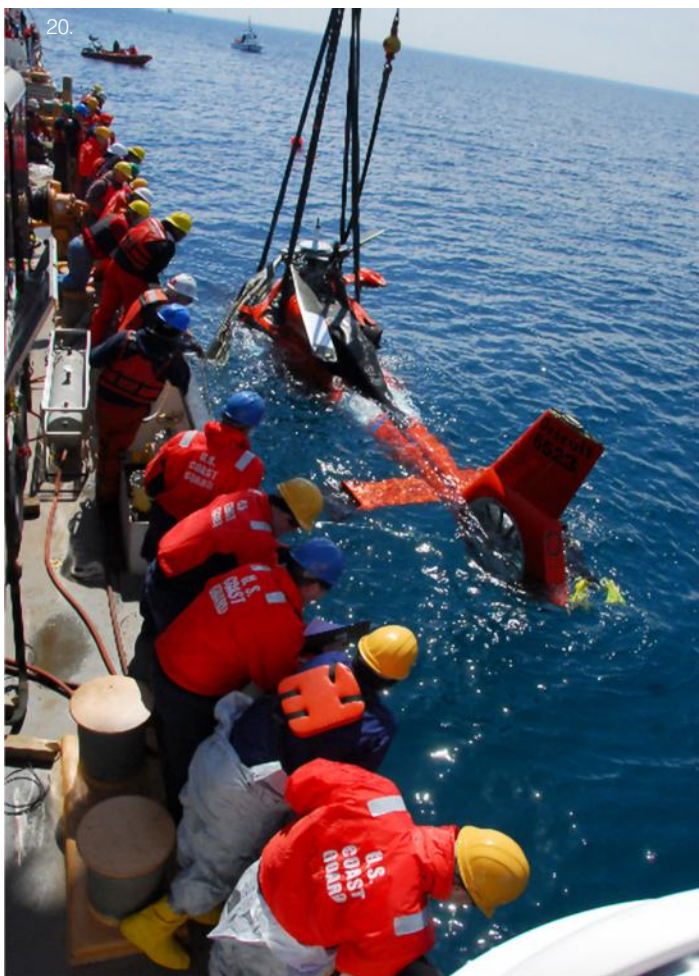
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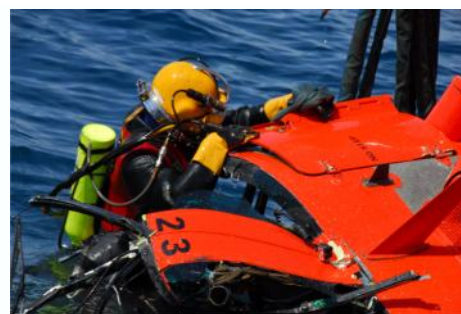




## WHIRLY GOES DOWN

Three U.S. Coast Guardsmen aboard a U.S. Coast Guard Air Station Detroit HH-65C rescue helicopter are safe after their helicopter crashed during a nighttime training evolution in southern Lake Huron, Tuesday, April 21, at approximately 9:45 p.m.

All three aviators were able to safely exit the helicopter before it sank, and were recovered by the crew of a U.S. Coast Guard Station Port Huron 41' utility boat. No injuries were reported, but they were taken to a local hospital as a safety precaution, and were later released.



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U.S. Coast Guard photographs by Petty Officer 1st Class John Masson



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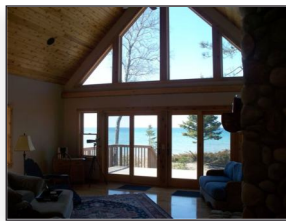
recover the HH-65C on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Salvage divers and crew members of the Coast Guard Cutter *Bristol Bay* hoisted the airframe and brought it aboard the ship's 120' barge platform. There was no pollution or evidence of leakage of any of the estimated 140 gallons of aviation-grade fuel that remained aboard the aircraft. After transport to a secure hangar at Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Detroit, mishap investigators conducted an assessment of the airframe. Results are not yet available.

Following the mishap board's analysis, the helicopter was loaded aboard a tractor trailer and sent to the U.S. Coast Guard Aviation Logistics Center in Elizabeth City N.C. for further review of the damage to the airframe.



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## 22. LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL: PAR FOR THE COURSE

by Fairway Frank

Thanks to an unfortunately light winter (hey, some of us actually like the long white, as it's been called) our 2010 golf season got underway quite early. In fact, for some, there was hardly any break between seasons at all. While I can admit to stopping by the driving range just once, well maybe twice, in January, and a few more times in February, there was always a well-worn path to the 'hitting shed' and a healthy supply of range balls on hand, thanks to Mike 'Carnegie Hall' Bailey.

Actually, without much snow fall, it wasn't unusual to hit a couple buckets of balls and then trudge around the range and recover at least half of those hit. Of course it helps when they are all landing near the same area—at least that's Mike's theory. Besides, once we get some spring rain we figure we'll be primed for hunting morels, given our new-found talents of finding white balls in the snow.

Again, it's a theory.

The season teed off officially, and most appropriately, on St. Paddy's Day as Joe Par and I strolled around for six holes (it wasn't that balmy of a day). But we were on Beaver Island and we were golfing; besides, what could be better to top off the wearin' o' the green than puttin' on the green? Since then the weather has improved—or at least warmed, but we still need rain—and the three of us have been on the course, as well as, we suspect, a certain left-hander who is known to leave a trail of balls behind him. Are we correct, Ron?

Yet it won't truly be golf season until Buck gets back from his winter of

practice—we can only hope it takes, this year. Shortly after that league play will kick in, the other regulars will return, and before you know it it will be shorts and t-shirts, tournaments, mixed events, and full-blown summer.

That will be *golf*. And what, exactly, does that mean? To many, it seems a silly waste of time chasing a little white ball around a field, trying to knock it into a hole. But if that were truly the case, I doubt many would be doing it. The first argument to that challenge is that we aren't chasing the ball, but, hopefully, directing it. And that's a huge distinction. And while, yes, the course here is somewhat 'field' like (there are a number of us who feel this is a positive, in that it harkens back to the origins of the game), there is nothing 'field' about the big money courses around the world, especially that hallowed ground that beckons all golfers the month of April in Augusta. But course condition is, in reality, a moot point. It's a course; play it.

Ah, play. Perhaps this is the key. According to Wikipedia: *Play* is a rite and a quality of mind in engaging with one's worldview. Play refers to a range of voluntary, intrinsically motivated activities that are normally associated with pleasure and enjoyment.

There are a few key words/terms to look at more closely in this definition:

1. 'quality of mind': Golf is a mental game. The basic physical skills, while perhaps difficult to master, aren't too hard to learn. We've all made the shots—the long drive, the strong approach, the close chip, the sand save, the bending putt. We have the ability, but in order to put that ability to use you

have to know you can, trust you can, believe you can. And when you do, it's pure pleasure and enjoyment.

2. 'one's worldview': That's a deep one. Let's call it your personal social contract, your philosophy of life, or how you prioritize what you find as important on the path to realization. Yet, sometimes, in order to fully view the world, we need to step away from it. And golf, regardless of the course location, is a great vacation, even one round at a time.

3. 'voluntary': Yes, we bring this on ourselves and of our own accord. You have to play to understand that one.

4. 'intrinsically motivated activities'. Intrinsic relates to the essential nature of a thing. Growth is intrinsic. For some, competition is intrinsic. And for some, golf can incorporate both concepts into a single activity, just as tennis can, or singing, or playing music, or writing, or operating a backhoe, or painting a house. If you are drawn to it, if you pour yourself into it, if you strive to do it as best as you can, then it must be, it has to be, intrinsically motivated.

5. 'pleasure and enjoyment': There may be times during a round of golf when we question the pleasure and enjoyment we are receiving from the frustration arising from our lack of being in the moment, and our mental soundness, for choosing this particular form of 'play' in the first place.

So it's play. Case settled.

But then, if we didn't somehow, at some level, actualize both pleasure and enjoyment out of the myriad possibilities golf presents to us, we simply wouldn't keep coming back. But we do.

## MUSEUM WEEK ALMOST FINALIZED

The big question about this year's Museum Week, will there be an Art Show this year, can be answered: Yes!

The week starts on July 19 with Music on the Porch in the evening—after a Suzuki violin demonstration in the afternoon. Most events will be at the Community Center, so if it rains everyone will move down the street.

The 'Protar Lady' will open his home on Tuesday and Friday. Tuesday evening Lee Boisvert will discuss her work to edit and publish Keewaydino-

quay's writing. On Wednesday Notre Dame archaeology professor Dr. Deb Rotman will talk to those who show up at her dig and then present an overview in the evening. Eric Myers and Seamus Norgaard will discuss Beaver Island's forests in the afternoon.

Thursday is Water Day. In the afternoon Ken Bruland will discuss his daunting kayak paddle of last fall; in the evening Mike and Gail Weede will share more of their underwater adventures. A special program has been assembled for

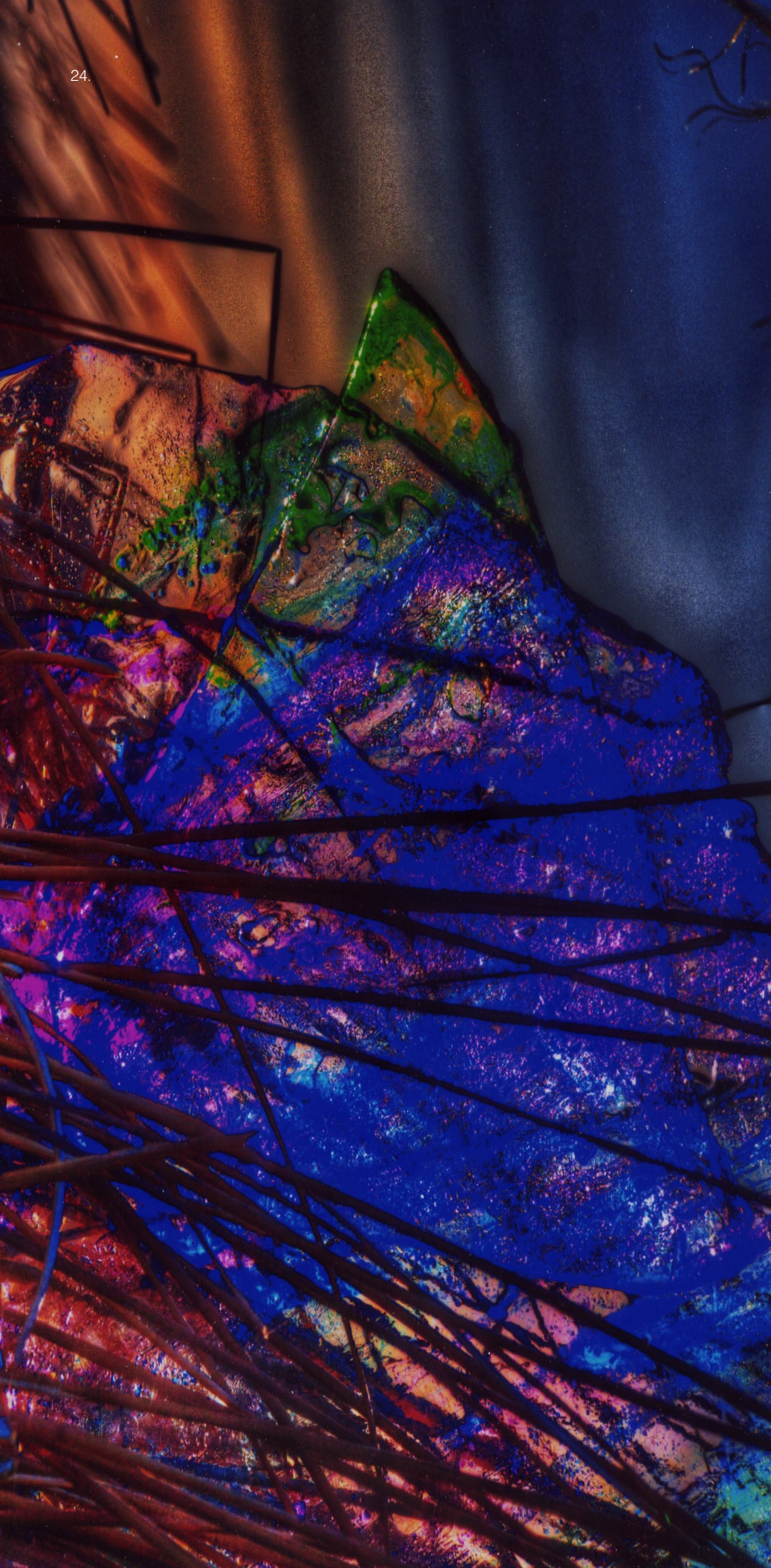
Friday evening, an investigation of the roots of Beaver Island's spirituality. A Baraga expert, Strangite author, and Holy Cross historian will discuss what happened here and how religious matters were affected by our Islandness, with Episcopal minister Ted Sirotko moderating the audience's questions.

The Kids' Pet Show will again be held at noon on Saturday. The hope is for Native American drummers and dancers to perform on Saturday. Chances are good—but keep your fingers crossed!





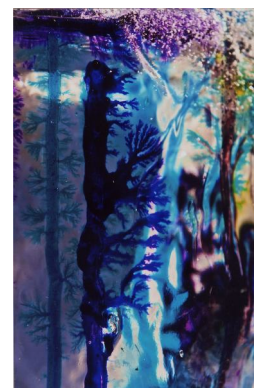




For Mary Stewart Scholl, there never seems to be enough color in the world.

When she and her visiting son walked around the Point to Gull Harbor and saw the dim rainbows caught by the edges of the ice chunks crinkled together at the beginning of the channel, she naturally thought she could do Mother Nature one better. So she grabbed her paints while Jason tiptoed out to the broken crystals and hoisted one after another large piece of ice and brought them to shore.

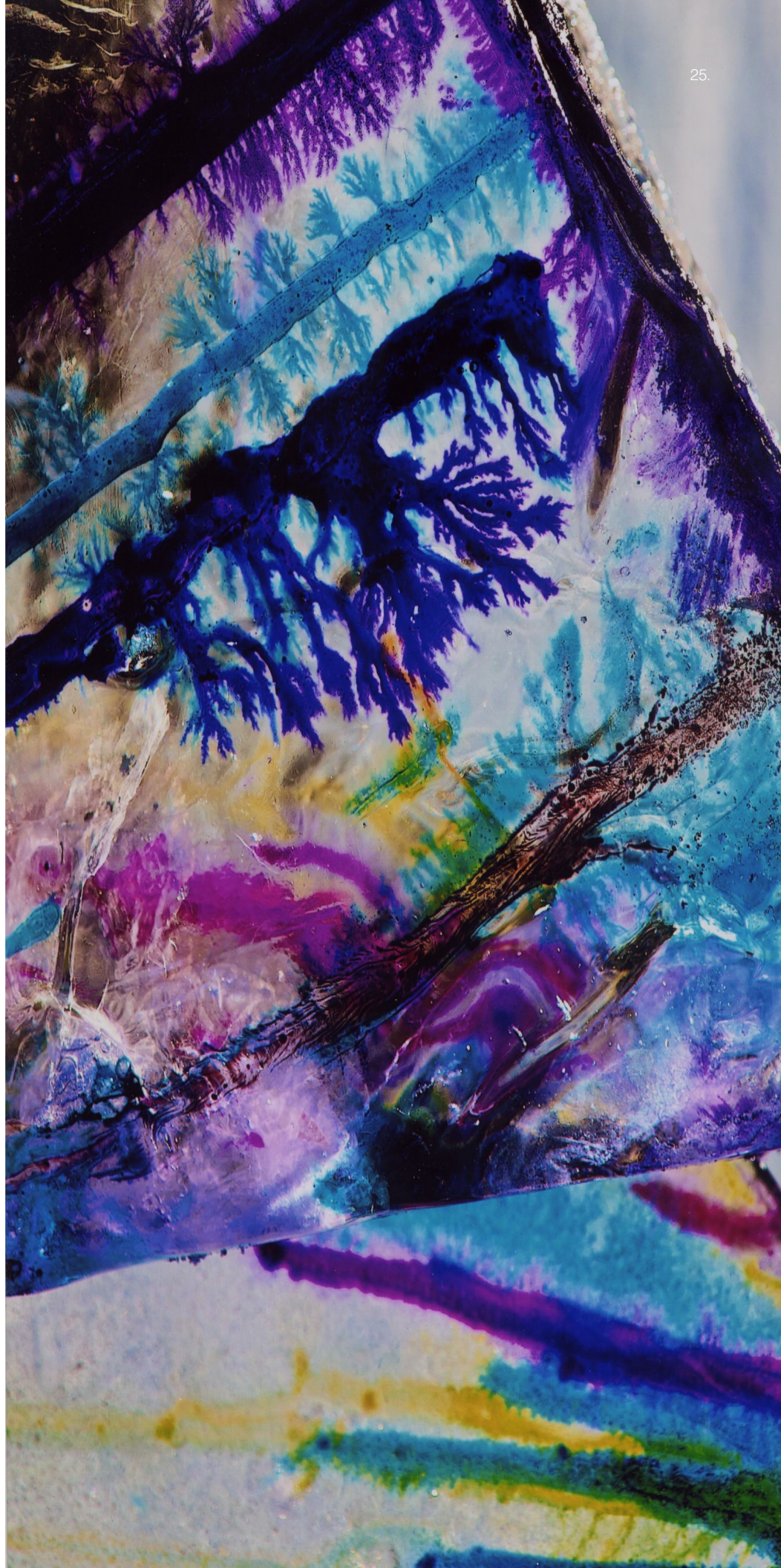
She quickly discovered that the warm paint would melt the ice on which it was applied, and start to run—but then freeze. The result was reminiscent of Jackson Pollock in that it was part Art and part an Accident of Gravity.



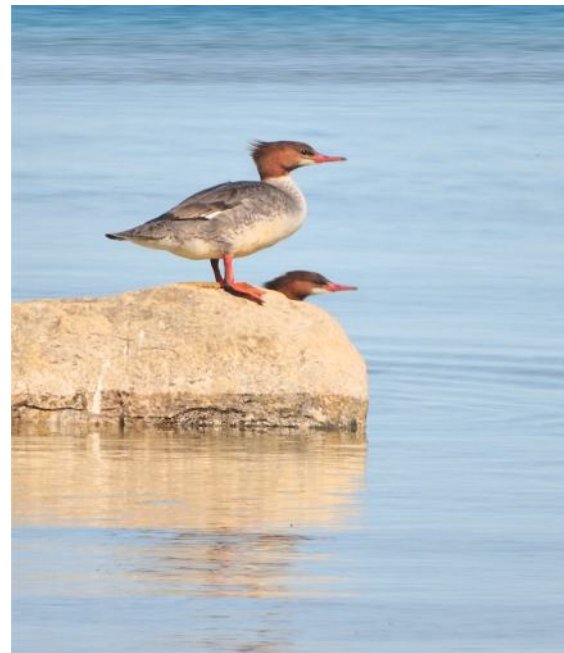




No art lasts forever, particularly art made on ice. These pieces were melting as she watched. The only thing to do was run home for her camera and snap away before her work disappeared. Luckily her pictures came out well (the best of them have been mounted, along with her winter's worth of paintings, and are available at her gallery), letting us share that fleeting but wonderful moment.









# NO PLACE LIKE NOWHERE

by Frank Solle

27.

There may not be any place like nowhere, but the place to be on April 30 was at the B.I. Community Center for the first performance of the annual 5-6<sup>th</sup> grade play at this grand facility. The house was packed. The actors were anxious to go, and when the curtains opened it was non-stop laughs and entertainment until the house lights went back up at the end.

This year's rousing play revolved around a load of toxic materials – what could be funnier? Well, the citizens of Nowhere, Nevada, for one. And the bumbling efforts of government agents, an incompetent congressman, along with a wayward film star and her not-so-loyal chauffeur for others.

At one point, thinking they might be starring in a new Reality TV show, budding Shakespearean 'actor' Bubba Gass (Jordan Marsh) says all they need now is a flat-screen TV in order to watch them all make fools of themselves. But his 'smarter' brother, Ray Don Gass (Simeon Richards), sheds a whole lot of insight on the local population by stating all they really need is "a flat-screen mirror." It was that kind of night.

There were some subtle TV takeoffs as well, starting from the start with a Mission Impossible-themed mission of getting the citizens of Nowhere out of town in order to dump the toxic waste. Later, there was a Gilligan's Island theme song takeoff that likely went over the heads of the cast, but not those of a certain age in the audience.

The action centered around the Lonesome Dog Cafe and Casino, which, of course, lacked any casino games because there weren't enough customers. Congressman Cranston Snord (Zack Bousquet) had promised a new highway, a new dinner theater, and a new stadium

for the scorpion races, but all those amenities ended up 200 miles away in Rattlesnake City, thus no one, hardly, was in Nowhere.

Running the Cafe were identical twins Anita Carr (Emily Burton), the vegetarian, waitress, and Donita Carr (Ireland McDonough), the snake-cooking cook.

The first customers at the Cafe were two government agents, Hunt (Alex Williams) and Chase (Erin Myers) sent to evict, by any means possible, the good citizens of Nowhere. While they were attempting to plan their actions, they were interrupted by the Gass brothers who were rehearsing their parts in the Cafe's upcoming two-person dinner theater production of Romeo (Marsh) and Juliet (Richards). We can only hope Jordan's redneck persona was truly acting, while Simeon certainly made a very unflattering Juliet. The play's director, Mrs. McPhume (Tessa Jones), was not too impressed with either actor at that point.

Sheriff Rusty Ford (Liam Hodgson) was soon on the scene, and just in time as Agent Hunt had ordered the free water and not the \$5.00 clear water, and was having a severe reaction. Somewhere along the line of antidotes, Ford was able to cure him. No one, however, was able to cure the sheriff of his ability to make the audience tearful with laughter.

Meanwhile, as Congressman Snord showed his true character by caring only for votes and money, our movie star, Ms. Lola Lollabridga (Sarah Avery) and her driver Max Von Hendron (Trace Butler) were lost in the desert after Max fell asleep at the wheel and ran over a cactus. It became apparent throughout the play that the only way to Nowhere was to first get lost in the surrounding nothing.

With her play falling apart, Mrs.

McPhume turns to Lola to take over, recasting everyone in Nowhere with a part. With the actors stumbling to learn their lines given there was only one script, Sheriff Ford takes it upon himself to 'say something' and eloquently runs off any and all lines he can remember, including the opening of 'Paul Revere's Ride' and the welcoming statement from the Statue of Liberty. By the end of this speech there wasn't a straight face left in the building, including his own.

While this was happening, more stragglers were approaching through the desert. Hunt and Chase's boss, Boss (Jordan Marsh), and his boss, Boss' Boss (Simeon Richards) were closing in, but not nearly fast enough as Boss was suffering under the weight of Boss' Boss's stories. Having finally decided to head to Nowhere to see what was up with the toxic waste, Snord and his assistant, Gerry Mander (Nick Williams) were also wandering the wasteland with Snord offering to share his water only if paid dearly for it.

Tying all the various scenes together throughout the play was radio KRUM disc jockey, DJ (Nick Williams), who showed a true knack for spinning yarns and records.

The finale came once everyone was Nowhere. Boss' Boss was foiled and Nowhere was saved when the toxic waste was dumped in Rattlesnake City by mistake. Whew.

Afterwards, donated prizes were raffled with all the funds from the evening going toward the annual trip by the two classes to Camp Hayowentha.

The play was again expertly directed by 5-6 teacher Deb Robert with assistance from Jan Day, Pam Moxham, Briana Maudrie, Jenna Butler, Kristy Bousquet, and the staff of the BICC.

## BEAVER ISLAND CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 4 - **School Election**

May 14 - Sports Boosters **Chinese Dinner** at the Shamrock.

June 11-14 - **B. I. Camp Quality**

June 13 - Celebration of the **150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Holy Cross**: Picnic and pig roast, 11:30 until 2:00.

June 19 - **Open House, both Museums**

June 25 - 27 - Beaver Island **Bike Festival**

June 28 - NRETC **Forest & Wildlife management symposium**

July 1 - Antje Price will be at the **Protar Home** from 1:00 to 3:00

July 15 - 17 - Beaver Island **Music Festival**

July 16 - 18 - **O'Donnell Reunion**

July 19 - 24 - **Museum Week 2010**

July 29 - August 1 - **Baroque on Beaver**

July 31 - **Livingstone Studio Meet the**

**Artists** from 12:00 noon - 4:00

August 6 - 8 - **Homecoming**

September 4 - Beaver Island **Marathon**

September 9 - **Holy Cross Women's Retreat**; For all Island women.

September 16 - Health Fair

September 17 - 19 - **Beaver Island Celt Fest**

October 2 - **Bite of Beaver Island** and the **Island Boodle** 5k Run/Walk





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## BEAVER ISLAND VOLUNTEER CORPS

Thanks to Adam Wirth's organizing and design skills, the Can-Do spirit has been proven to still be alive and well on Beaver Island.

Because of several donations of money, services, and labor, the BIVC's modest "Cottage for Karen" got off to a good start in April.



Bud Martin donated the necessary excavation. Greg Cary, the footings; Jim Wojan, gravel; Dave Schwartzfisher, septic; and Dick & Amy Burris donated 80 of the required cement blocks and got the foundation in. Jeff Powers donated a good deal of lumber. Other people, such as Galen Bartels and Ken Scoggin (with his hat tipped forward) donated their time. An Easter Pastry Auction raised additional funds. With any luck, the shin-





gle hammers will be ringing in mid-summer, and Karen will be in her new home before Christmas.

The next phase of the "Cottage for Karen" project will start on July 10<sup>th</sup>: framing the floor, standing the walls, raising the roof, installing siding, windows, trim, shingles, doors, etc. To help, just show up with a few tools. Lets start planning the meals, the band, a big bonfire, and then a big "Whetting bush" party!



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## 30. OUR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

The Citizen of the Year banquet was held in a new venue, the Community Center, which proved quite comfortable. After the delicious dinner was cleared away, and before the delicious skits of the Comedy Club enthralled the audience, Chamber of Commerce president Kathy Speck wanted to talk about Emily Antkoviak before getting into the long list of other nominations for Citizen of the Year.

People have been moved by the

strength of this little girl, and her family. No sooner had she returned in seeming triumph than a further test showed she had to go back for more treatments, possibly for the next 18 months. "This 6-year old has brought the Island together as no one before her has," one writer said. "She has shown us what faith, perseverance, and hard work can do," said another. Yet another added, "From not being able to move to walking the halls of Mary Free Bed we all

have learned to BELIEVE." "We nominate Emmalee Antkoviak, the hard-working little girl with a brave heart, as Citizen of the Year," another said, and still another wrote, "Tommy Lasorda once said, 'the difference between the possible and the impossible lies in a person's **determination**' – this word not only exemplifies the profound work Emmalee has done for herself, but inadvertently, how she has changed many lives as a result of her determination." Several more letters were full of similar comments, such as this one: "It is because Emmy is the brave, determined little girl that she is who has made such great strides to get back to her normal life, and the way she has brought the community together to BELIEVE and stand up to face and overcome our adversities, that I believe Emmalee Antkoviak should be honored with this Award."

To present the rest of the nominees, Kathy began by noting that this is National Volunteer week, where ordinary people who do extraordinary things to improve their community are celebrated. "Those who are being recognized here tonight were nominated by people who they work and live with in our Beaver Island community," she said. She wished she could read every letter because there were so many good ones, but settled for some excerpts:

The **Beaver Island Comedy Club** was nominated. One person wrote, "Not only did this club bring laughter but they got us to laugh at our life style and ourselves. You could see the hours they had put in to make this a top notch show and I look forward to their future shows. They brought money in to our much needed community center and with the great turnout both nights I can only believe that their future shows will bring as good or better turnouts. Jan's expertise brought out the best in some of the Islander cast that I would have never dreamed could be so funny. This club not only has brought a lot to the community but has brought out some real inner hidden talents that may have never shown through. And let's face it, laughing is the best medicine and with the long winters up here we all can use a good laugh."

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**Players** also had strong support. One person wrote, "They have been in existence since 1993 and have been led continuously by Jacque LaFreniere and since 2000 assisted by Elaine West. They have put on 22 shows for the enjoyment of our community. Over 100 individuals have participated, including players of all ages. One production of *A Christmas Carol* had 4-5 year-olds across from Doc Lange in his 70s. The 2009 original production of *Beaver Tales* was a huge comedy success; the 2010 production of *A Bad Year for Tomatoes* played to a full house in February. The group continues to expand its sense of community commitment by involving many individuals and producing shows that appeal to Islanders and summer visitors as well. They have donated more than \$10,000 to the Community Center and made Beaver Island a better place to live work and visit."

Another nominee was the **Beaver Island Food Pantry**. One letter said, "The Beaver Island Food Pantry, housed in the Beaver Island Christian Church, and the people who worked to launch this organization, should be honored as this year's Citizen of the Year. Their efforts have helped a number of individuals and families face the challenges associated with difficult economic times. This group of concerned people (Jayne Bailey, Judi Meister, Miranda Rooy, Leonor Jacobson, Chris VanLooy and John Fiegen among them) reached out to the community and local businesses for food, donations and supplies. Over the past two years they kept expanding their efforts with the assistance of the Community Foundation, a benefit organized by Ken Bruland, and donations from the churches, community members and summer visitors. They found a need and filled it, without fanfare, without seeking recognition or even thanks for their services. They allowed those who have been blessed to share that bounty with others. It is a tribute to our entire community that this organization is so successful."

With years of anguish now just a memory, it wasn't surprising that the **Beaver Island Transfer Station Crew** were nominated. One nominator said,


"This crew including Doug Bugai, Tim Meyers, and Amy Burris, have consistently been on duty during all seasonal changes from the humidity of the summer to the twisting winds of winter. Efficiently and courteously, they have met the patrons of the Island to help unload trucks, trunks, and tanks of trash and recyclables. Daily the crew sorts, stacks, bags, squashes, and wraps our afterthoughts. Then they load it on a truck and take it to the boat dock to load

onto the boats to send to the mainland, where, if it is not suitably contained, the trash will be rejected for shipping off to a landfill. This team has performed this job so well, in fact, that during the summer of 2009 the BITS received an award for recycling station of the year. Islanders take pride in hearing their home referred to as 'pristine' and 'a paradise,' and we are glad to live here. Without the efforts of a crew such as we have at the transfer station now,



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32. 'pristine' may not be an applicable word to describe the large open landfill and hundreds of garbage pits that would spring up in private property around the Island. They aptly deserve to be recognized as Citizens of the Year."

**Jack Gallagher** was nominated again. One person wrote, "I would like to nominate Jack Gallagher for this year's Citizen of the Year Award based on the hundreds of hours he has dedicated to the construction, opening and operation of the Beaver Island Community Center. In addition, he has demonstrated outstanding leadership in assuming the Supervisor's position for Peaine Township. Jack exemplifies in deed and spirit what the Citizen of the Year Award represents."

The man who does so much for Beaver Island behind the scenes, **Bill McDonough**, was the choice of several, one of whom had this to say: "Year after year Bill works quietly behind the scenes for the benefit of Beaver Island.



Recently he developed and advanced a plan for Donna Kubic to testify before a state legislature committee on behalf of our Rural Health Center. Also recently he played an important role in working with two groups to bring them close together with respect to wildlife policy. The list goes on and on year in and out. He always strives to move forward with the best interests of Beaver Island at heart."

Another nominee, **Jeff Powers**,

had several letter-writers in his camp, one of which said,

"We all know people who take an active role in our community, some in a quiet way and others in a leadership role. Dr. Jeff Powers is a passionate leader. He has been an integral character in the double-breasted cormorant debate, working with members of the community, state and local government. Jeff has 'grabbed the bull by the horns' or more appropriately 'the bird by the beak.' His continued efforts with the USDA Wildlife Services

have resulted in a reduction in the numbers of cormorants nesting in the Beaver Archipelago." Another added, "He has contributed hours and hours of hard work and attended many meetings and spent hours on the phone for the Beaver Island Wildlife Club." Another pointed out that "he brought us up to date with the Hardware Store and his expert advice for all your project needs." One said, "The animals are all happy to have Jeff Powers as



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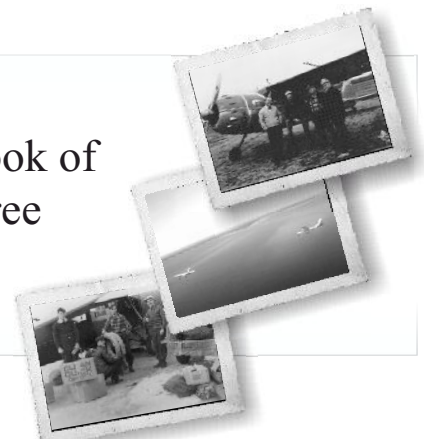
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34. their veterinarian." Another asked, "Have you seen Jeff Powers on his skates with his dog running by his side?" Nominators got on the band wagon: "His support of the Beaver Island Animal Fund has reduced the population of unwanted cats and dogs. Jeff gives the BIAF a very low rate for services." Another said, "He is a major part of the Beaver Island Volunteer Core. Without him the project would not be possible." Someone else put it this way: "I have seen him go out of his way to make house calls on sick animals. I watched him save a young fawn with such tenderness towards this poor little animal with an amputated leg." The final letter Kathy read had this to say: "As a veterinarian, Jeff understands the layout of Michigan and the damage that cormorants have on the native fish and wildlife population. He has been a strong advocate for appropriate control that would not only benefit Beaver Island but all of Michigan."

Past and present members of



PABI's Board of Directors were also nominated. One writer said, "These tireless visionaries have continued to persevere for over 15 years against many obstacles to realize the dream of much more than a building. They have not stopped with the cutting of the ribbon and opening of the doors of the Community Center. In its brief tenure the Community Center has seen Seniors, Youth, Visitors and the Beaver Island Community-at-large congregate

for an incredible variety of special activities and events including: culturally diverse entertainment and arts experiences, educational opportunities, holiday, birthday and reunion celebrations, 'lifetime' remembrances, exercise programs, school presentations and ceremonies, even public forums and political meetings. It has provided unique opportunities for many community organizations to connect with our residents and visitors and continues to actively pursue new opportunities to be of service to all of our community.

Beaver Island should be proud to have such a dedicated group of volunteers so devoted to preserving and enhancing our history, traditions, values and unique sense of community, indeed making this a better place to live, work and visit."

Deb Robert also garnered support: "Deb Robert came on the scene at Beaver Island Community School for her first teaching job promising at her interview that she would do whatever it

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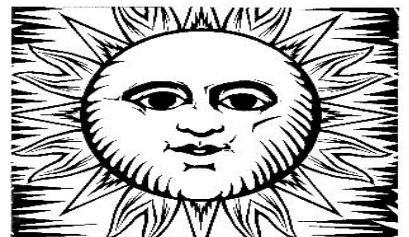
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took to teach here on the Island. She truly meant that. Almost 20 years later, she is still doing whatever it takes. She had some big shoes to fill when she assumed the classroom for Donna Stambaugh and the presentation of the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade play and camp. She became a National Board Certified teacher which put her at a level of excellence that is recognized on a national level. I had the pleasure of working with Deb early in her young life, and even at 16 she showed all the signs of being a model citizen. We worked together on Vacation Bible School and the program has grown into the success that it is because of Deb's consistent involvement. I nominate her because of her example in the community – her leadership on a project and her generosity.”

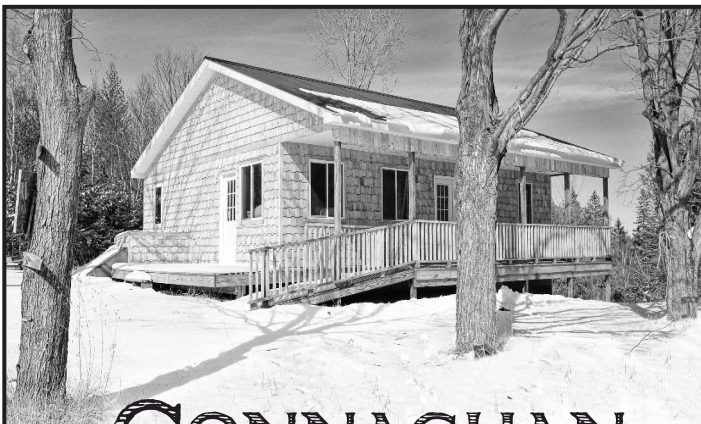
St. James' new supervisor, **Rick Speck**, was nominated: “For over 30 years Rick has demonstrated the highest level of good citizenship here on Beaver Island. He has contributed so much professional-quality work to the



Health Center, the School, the Christian Church, and the Township Board – at the same time quietly and expertly conducting his own business. In whatever he gets involved with, he acts as a steadying influence, refusing to get excited when some new factor is introduced.” At this point Kathy could not stifle a laugh, remarking *Obviously this nominator hasn't seen how worried he can get behind the scene.* “This past year the St. James Township Supervisor

resigned from what had 35. begun to seem like a thankless job,” the letter continued. “Challenges and problems were on the horizon and nobody wanted the job. Rick stepped forward and offered to serve. Watching him perform, people were surprised by each hurdle he passed. In a sense he has stepped out of the shadows and to the front of the line. He's like our own Energizer Bunny: no matter what comes up, he takes it in stride. To me he seems like the natural choice and the only choice for Citizen of the Year.”

**Elaine West** was also nominated. One person wrote, “As editor of the *NorthernIslander* Elaine has used her position to institute professional investigative journalism in a Beaver Island publication. Elaine's well-researched and written articles on a wide variety of topics have helped quell many unfounded community rumors and encouraged readers to remember positive community accomplishments. Elaine has done more than anyone else to



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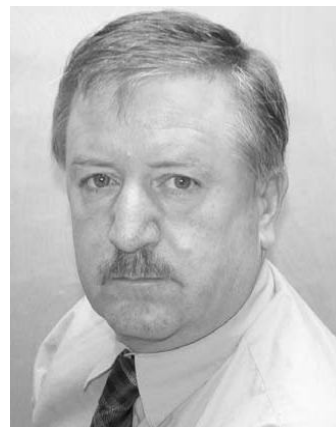
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36. ensure that the residents of Beaver Island know what the real issues and facts are so that they can vote and take positions on issues intelligently. She and husband Steve courageously take public positions in their paper despite the fact that subscriptions could suffer as a result. Elaine has also done our community a great favor by always going the extra mile to promote Beaver Island's non-profit organizations. When the Health Center was looking desperately for a new health care provider, Elaine volunteered her time to write an extensive article about the pleasures of living on Beaver Island.

She then saw to it that it was published in several important nurse practitioner journals. Further, she always makes it a point to repeatedly run articles publicizing the innumerable fundraising events that take place on Beaver Island. Finally, Elaine deserves the Citizen of the Year Award because of her active membership in Holy Cross parish, singing in the choir, and taking on the very ill paid and thankless job of Hall Nazi!"

Kathy congratulated all the nominees, and then read more praise for the person the Chamber Board had selected. "Just a few short years ago if you

had asked our elected ones in Lansing, the Michigan DNRE or Federal Fish and Wildlife officials about the Beaver Island cormorant problem, your likely answer would have been, 'what island, what's a cormorant, or what problem?' His leadership has brought us to the point where the largest cormorant numbers reduction plan in the nation is now centered on the Beaver Island Archipelago. He had plenty of help from Wildlife Club members, but the fact is his personal effort and expenditures of time and money were without a doubt the key. As has been proved elsewhere, sport fish numbers will

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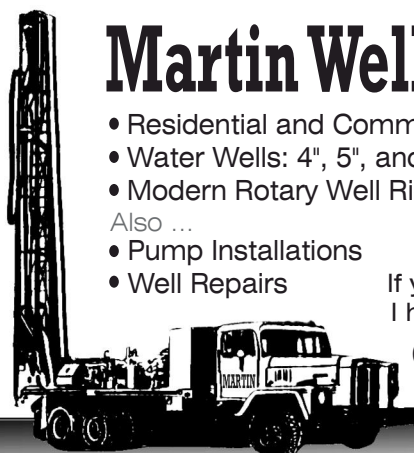
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increase as cormorant numbers decrease. The benefit to the Beaver Island economy will prove to be (as it has in other locations) millions of dollars."

"He is President of the Wildlife Club and very involved in their projects on the Island. He's on the Board of the Beaver Island Boat Company, the Island's veterinarian, and the owner of a business that is a wonderful resource for small and large projects on the Island."

"And then there's the Comedy Group. Without his dedication and wit we would not have been as successful. I

can tell you that working with him has made me grow to admire this wonderful man and to appreciate his love and dedication to making Beaver Island the greatest place on earth."

"His assistance on Senate Resolution 54, a resolution to request that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service extend indefinitely the depredation order for double-crested cormorants, to me and my colleagues was very beneficial. His activism will have long standing benefits for future residents as well as tourists."

"He is also a sleeper of a comedian — who would've thought?!"

When Jeff Powers came to the stage, he was greeted by a standing ovation.

In his acceptance speech, Jeff thanked those responsible for instilling in him a sense of values based on hard work—persevering to overcome obstacles. The lessons he learned were not just told to him; he could see them in action as his family lived by them to overcome the many obstacles placed in *their* path. The audience appreciated what he was sharing. The mood seemed to be that wasn't it wonderful when every so often one runs across someone who understands how to live.

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## 38. DESTINATION PARADISE BAY "WHAT'S THE FERRY RIDE GOING TO BE LIKE?"

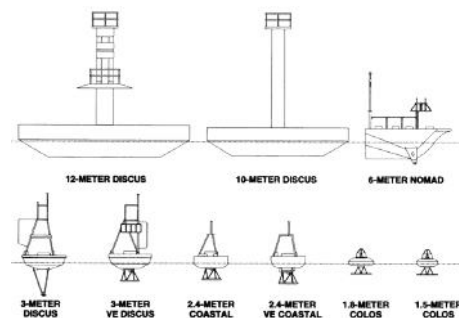
by Larry Hansz

How many times have residents and visitors alike wondered "what will the ferry ride be like?", "how big are the waves out there?", and "should I take a Dramamine?" A quick check of buoy 45002 on the internet will help answer those questions. NOAA's weather buoy 45002 located near South Fox Island is a wonderful tool for those who need to be aware of the conditions on the open lake. These include recreational boaters, commercial lake carriers, scientists, and in the case of Beaver Island, those who are riding the ferry to or from Charlevoix.

In 1966 the United States Coast Guard was directed to investigate the feasibility of combining numerous individual marine organizations' weather buoy systems into a consolidated national data system. This resulted in the creation of the National Data Buoy Development Program (NDBDP). In 1970 weather buoy management was transferred to the newly formed National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

The first buoys deployed were large 36'-diameter stations in the Gulf of Mexico and on the Atlantic coast. By 1979, thirty-four buoys were operational, including seven in the Pacific and eight in the Great Lakes. Also, a variety of sizes were developed to meet varying marine conditions and data collection missions.

There are nine different configurations of buoy ranging from about four feet in diameter to about 36. There are currently 107 buoys managed by the National Data Buoy Center in the western Atlantic, the Pacific, South Pacific, Bering Sea, and the Great Lakes, and data is available from at least 1,055 stations or buoys worldwide.



Buoy 45002 collects data on wind direction, speed, and gusts; atmospheric pressure and tendency (increasing or decreasing); air and water temperature; dew point; wind chill; wave height, period, and direction; and swell height, period, and direction. It is all available in a quite clear presentation at [www.ndbc.noaa.gov/station\\_page.php?station=45002](http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/station_page.php?station=45002). Links may be found to illustrate graphs of many data items. Also, historical data and links to all NOAA buoys are available. A ferry passenger would be interested in the wind speed and tendency, wave height, direction, and tendency.

Kevin McDonough, Beaver Island Boat Company Captain, says he checks 45002 all the time, especially when the weather may present a challenge. However he also said, "When we need the buoy the most, it's gone." He is referring to the USCG removing the buoy in late October or early November for the winter season; November and December gales provide delays and "memorable" ferry crossings.

## AN IRISH IMMIGRANT'S POEM

Ah, The May was grand this mornin'  
And how could I be forlorn in  
Such a land where tree and flower  
Toss their kisses to the breeze?

Could an Irish heart be quiet  
When the spring was runnin' riot  
And the birds of free America were singin' in the trees?  
In the songs that they were singin'  
No familiar note was ringin'  
But I strove to imitate them and I whistled like a lad.

Oh, my heart was warm to love them  
For the very nearness of them  
For the old songs that they helped me to forget  
and I was glad.

So I mocked the feathered choir  
To my hungry heart's desire,  
And I gloried in the comradeship that made their joy  
my own.

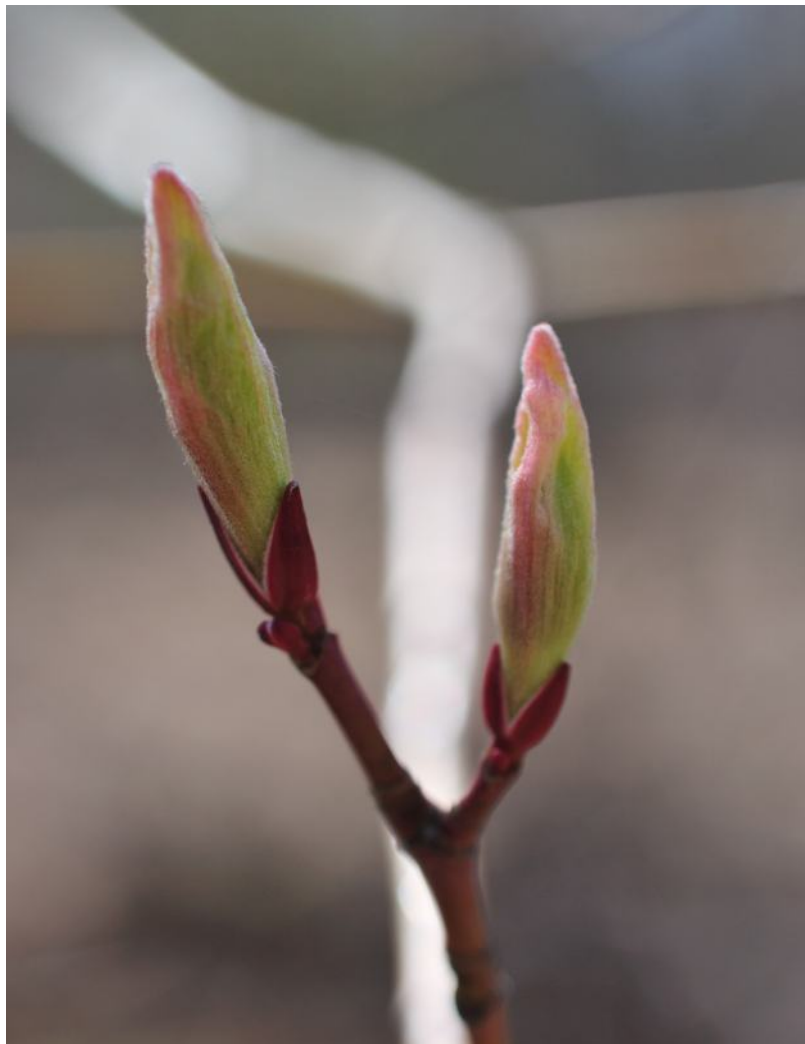
Till a new note sounded stilling  
All the rest, a thrush was trilling,

Tw'as the thrush I left behind me  
in the fields about Athlone!  
Where upon the white thorn swaying,  
He was minstrel of the Maying  
In the days of love and laughter  
That the years had laid to rest.

Here again, his notes were ringing,  
But I'd lost the heart for singing.  
Sure, the song I could not answer,  
was the one I knew the best!

—Anonymous (from Patrick Huver, found in  
*Passing of the Gael* by Rev. John Whalen McGee)











**Ten Years Ago** The *Beacon* summed up the long process that led to a resolution of how to pay for the new 3-phase underwater power cable by decreeing a 30-year payment plan, crafted by then-Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, of \$10.25 being added to each electric bill each month.

Acquiring land from the DNR for an East Side Fire Hall neared a conclusion, thanks to the help of Tim and Bill McDonough, Joe Moore, and Mike Russell.

The Rural Health Center's Task Force, created to evaluate the status of local health care, with B. J. Wyckoff as chair and Anne Glendon as consultant, was tabulating and analyzing the results of a survey conducted in March, which produced 300+ returns. The Health Center Board was sending members to Lansing in early May to lobby for funding help.

A poem, "What this Island means to Me" submitted by Betty Duckworth began with,

*This Island is a gift from God,*

*Presented to me in my sixty-fourth year:*

Connie Boyle was about to leave for a summer in Japan.

The Fire Department's cookbook, "Out of the Fire, into the Frying Pan," hit the market.

The passing of Joe West was noted, the 85-year-old outdoorsman who had been coming to Beaver Island since the 1940s; he built himself a cabin on his East Side Drive south of the airport and in the 1950s.

**Twenty Years Ago** The "Beaver Island Garbology Group" issued a plea for everyone to get on board with recycling.

Sue Howard, managing editor for the past year, became sole owner of the *Beacon*.

The BICS students spent a weekend on Washington Island, which included two basketball games (both losses). As soon as they returned they organized a "Jump rope for Heart" event, making over \$600. Another student took a survey of Island attitudes as a double-check on the recent Wade-Trim Survey (which received a degree of criticism), graphed the results (some of which were surprising), and presented them at the Science Fair.

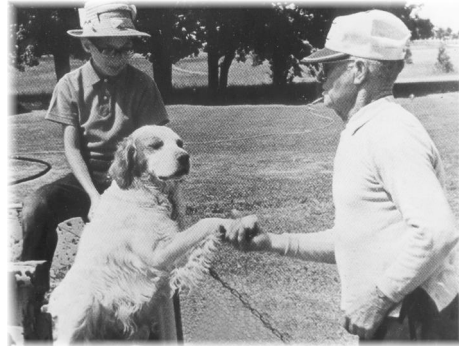
Elwood and Phyllis Baker opened "Beaver Island Charters" with their 36' Chris-Craft.

The Town Boards agreed not to charge Robert Haveman a fee for using the Municipal Airport for his new but short-lived flying service.

Bill Markey, chairman of the 5-year-old EMS, congratulated the other twelve members.

A benefit for recently-deceased Ed Sobie was held; Ed was a Grand Rapids plumber and fiddler who loved Beaver Island and its music. His last Island performance was for Lawrence and Winnie McDonough's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

A fatal plane crash part-way to Charlevoix claimed the lives of Paul and Mary Eddy, who owned a home here. Sympathy was also expressed for the loss of Vivian Visscher, who had served as St. James Clerk under four supervisors, and was the only living person able to control her blue healer, known as *Jacque the Vicious*. Her home on the Back Beach was left to the Episcopal Mission.



**Thirty Years Ago** The ten BICS graduates were feted on the front page: Cissy Belfy, Tamie Delamater, Cindy Gillespie, Rose Marie Green, James Kenwabikise, John McCafferty, Jim McDonough, Duane Mooney, Joe Timsak, and Anne Welke. All but Joe moved away, but four (Cindy, James, John, and Jim) moved back.

The Marine Museum, created in the former Shing Martin net shed, donated to the Historical Society by George and Martha Miller, was preparing for its Grand Opening.

Lynda Egbert (Sand Bay) started a publishing company in Gaylord.

Revisions in the zoning ordinance reduced yard setbacks and minimum square footages.

**Forty Years Ago** Bill Welke was hired to be the Island's summer season full-time uniformed deputy; he had moved here with his family the previ-

ous fall. His deputies will be Phil Gregg and Bing McCafferty. Bill was sworn in by Charlevoix Sheriff Philo Sumner. He enjoyed meeting the boat in his uniform, and was not above telling rough-looking types to get back on and go home.

The sucker run was reaching one month in duration, but no smelt arrived. A lot of small rainbows were caught at Fox Lake.

Afraid services were becoming too casual, Father Herbert asked visiting women to pack at least one dress to wear at church.

The BICS honored five graduates: Ruth Gregg, Mary Ann Palmer, Kevin McDonough, Mary Gillespie, and Angie Wojan.

After six years Jack and Eileen Martin sold the Circle M to Bob and Lil McGlocklin, who had moved to the Island the previous month with their five children.

The Island's golf pro, Matt Melville, began redesigning two of the greens on the local course.

Jewell Gillespie and Clyde Fogg were completing the work on the remodeled Ferry Dock.

**Fifty Years Ago** Father Alexis served as *Beacon* editor/reporter.

Phil Gregg and Walker Hill made arrangements to build a new boat storage shop and dock at their newly-purchased frontage, formerly the site of the Pischner Sawmill—and well before that, the Beaver Island Lumber Company mill.

Fires took a toll. Bill Ricksgers' home was destroyed; there was a small fire at the Carpenter Mill; and a grass fire required a bucket brigade to douse.

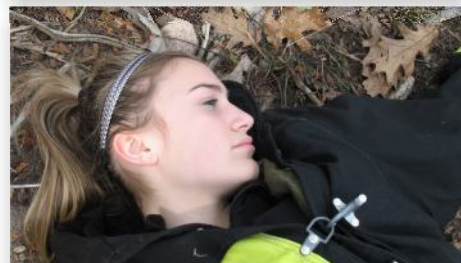
The *Emerald Isle* made its first trip on April 6. Grace Cole was completing her redecorating of the Killarney Inn. The Coast Guards were back at Whiskey Point.

Island graduates were Charles Dudley, Mary Gallagher, Anne Gatliff, Alvin LaFreniere, Joe LaFreniere, and Darlene Schmidt.

Bud and Lawrence McDonough teamed up with Don Welke and Perry Crawford to raise beef cattle here.

At the end of beaver trapping season Karl Kuebler had taken 11, Chuck Dudley and Tony McDonough 7, and Walt Wojan and Rogers Carlisle 37.





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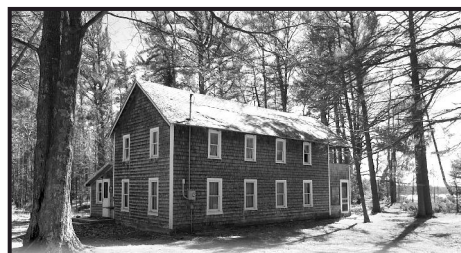
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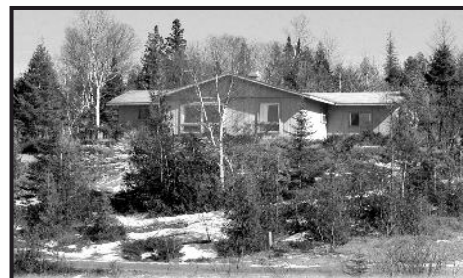


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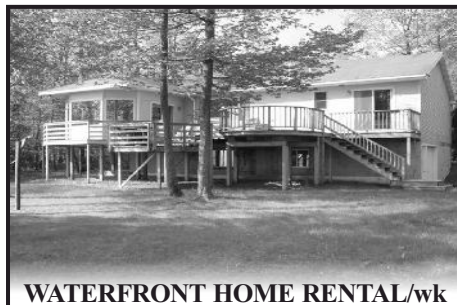
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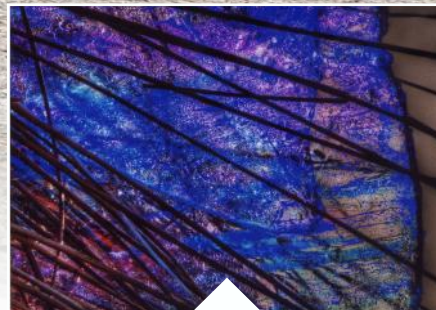
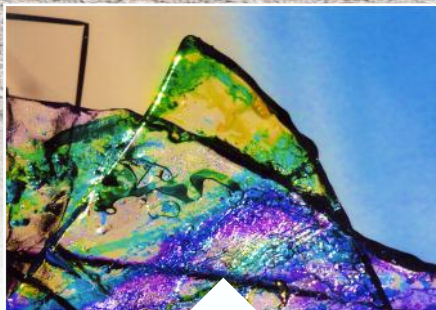
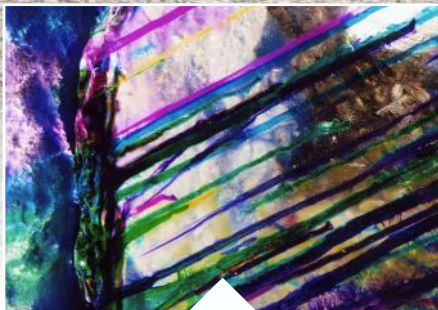
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