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4. NEWS FROM THE TOWNSHIPS

St. James Township

Supervisor Speck had some good news to report. The agreement with Wolverine for the former power plant was signed, so the fund-raising for Arranmore Park can now begin in earnest. The Registrar of Deeds was ready to record the title to Whiskey Island as soon as the check cleared. And the DNR's Recreation Division had approved the return of the Chamber of Commerce to its former office at the Municipal Marina.

Judy Boyle offered to manage the Fourth of July Carnival, and would donate the \$850 fee to the Beaver Island Volunteer Corps to help with its *Cottage for Karen* project.

In response to complaints of various nuisances (including excessively long lawns on Main Street, guns fired in town at night, and a dog left to endlessly bark) Doug Edgar, our second deputy sheriff, spoke about the advantages of having a Peace Ordinance; civil infractions are easier to prosecute than infringements of state law.

Bloomers had the lower adjusted bid and was given the park landscaping project. Melvin Napont was awarded the trash pick-up and restroom cleaning contract, and Rollie Cull the assistant harbormaster job.

The Board agreed to post the

requirement for fuel oil, asking for a year-long price guarantee.

There were two Freedom of Information Act requests from Ken Taylor for information about the Municipal Airport, as well as a letter commenting on the hiring of Board members for township jobs.

There was also a letter criticizing the Natural Resources and Eco-tourism Commission for not including any members of the Conservation Club as Symposium speakers. It provoked much discussion, some of it criticizing the NREtC for not being inclusive enough. The question was raised: shouldn't the Town Board be able to approve or disapprove of the NREtC's members? When the answer was that it had been given the right to appoint its own members, some Board members felt an investigation should be launched into how this could be changed.

There was a request that the streetlights be turned off at some point in the night, but it was thought that so doing might open the Township to liability in the case of an accident facilitated by darkness. There was also a request that the Township push the CCRC into repainting the bike-lane lines on the Highway, if possible. The Road Commission blamed a shortage of paint available from the manufacturer.



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The cost of insurance for the Transfer Station workers was expected to drop by 25-30% as a result of a diligent search spearheaded by Ed Troutman. Costs for the shipping and burial of trash were also expected to drop because of competitive bidding.

The Township audit was about to begin; it is done every other year for ~\$5,500.

A memo from assessor Sally Ackerly was circulated. She is ahead of schedule and cruising.

The matter of the Municipal Airport raised some controversy when supervisor Gallagher announced that the annual Ten-year Plan was due on August 4th. The question was raised of how and by whom this could be done. The 1993 Airport Ordinance set the Airport Committee as only the members of the Town Boards; this was passed by Peaine but not by St. James, yet neither township instructed its Board to sit as the Airport Committee. Instead the AC was appointed by the Boards in conformity with the 1983 Memo, which apparently was not ratified by either Township. Yet the audience felt the former AC has done a good job, and it was suggested (and approved) that they be made a subcommittee of the Town Board and urged to complete this work

quickly, since they were familiar with what was required.

The question was asked if the former AC had presented its previous annual reports to the Townships for their approval, to which a current member answered, "Yes, of course." But a perusal of the Peaine minutes had revealed no recorded mention of this. It was agreed that the Board will revue this year's submission of a plan before it is transmitted.

A related matter concerned the choosing of a new Township Attorney, a task given to deputy supervisor Jim Birdsall. He recapped his method: he went over a list of possible choices and found 16 who had relevant experience. He called them all to gauge their interest. He sent RFPs to 11; so far 7 had sent back a proposal. He proposed to open these on 6-11, and develop a matrix by 6-14 showing their pros and cons. He hoped the Board would reduce the list to 2 to 4 by 6-17; after they were vetted, they would be asked to come for an interview. Interviews should be finished by 6-28.

A question was raised about Birdsall's authority for doing this. Gallagher pointed out that at the last meeting the Board had approved using the same method as was done to find our

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6. *News from the Townships, from page 5.*
assessor. A criticism was made about that, because the assessors hired by St. James had complained that the entire packet they had supplied with their bid had not been given to every Board member. Birdsall said they had supplied many pages of "filler," property cards from other townships, and he had not thought they were relevant and had not copied them. In general, though, the Board wanted to be more involved in this process, and the supervisor said they would be.

Pete LoDico stated that the Conservation Club wanted to be made a voting member of the NREtC because sportsmen were not represented. Chairwoman Sandy Birdsall said it would be discussed, and read a recent communication from the Wildlife Club supporting the NREtC. Birdsall mentioned some of the work the NREtC had completed or was near completing, the Garden Island clean-up, the trails brochure, and the self-driving tour guide. Publishing these two guides was being financed through sponsorships. The guides will be sold for \$1 each to raise funds for continuing the program.

To be prepared for the day when a new attorney is chosen and an agreement reached on airport governance, LoDico proposed that the Boards approve a method similar to the Waste Management Committee: two Board members plus an informed resident from each township, plus a seventh

member at large. This was passed unanimously.

Bill McDonough was praised for taking the initiative, on his own, to go to Lansing, round up Jason Allen and Kevin Elsenheimer, and press the Budget Director to release funds for the Health Center previously approved by the legislature.

Bud Martin asked what Peaine was doing about Whiskey Island and reiterated what he had said in May, that Whiskey Island was a wonderful resource he felt is being undervalued. Gallagher said he had offered to share in its purchase but St. James had not been interested. Martin pointed out that over the years Peaine has put a lot of money into the DNR building (Sheriff's quarters), which St. James might now acquire for \$13,000.

Bill Markey reported that the Planning Commission had not been able to conclude its study of the rezoning request to legalize a scrap metal deconstruction operation on Barney's Lake Road. He pointed out that the zoning plan had not realized the necessity of having such a facility to aid in the removal of junk, such as broken-down old cars, and asked for input.

Doug Tilly reported that the Trails Committee would supply materials to improve the Wagner Campground Trail by replacing dangerously deteriorating log bridges, with BSA volunteers doing the work. It is also preparing to install an outhouse at Fox Lake.



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by Frank Solle . photograph by Erin Boyle

This year's Outstanding Person in Education honors at B. I. Community School was awarded to Mr. Mike Myers. A 28-year veteran teacher, he began his tenure at BICS, where he teaches third and fourth grades, 19 years ago. In addition, Myers has coached soccer and both boys and girls basketball as well as running the elementary basketball program for many, many years.



grandchildren in his classroom over the years, his daughter, Sarah, a BICS graduate, just completed her first year as the school's Health teacher.

BICS Superintendent/Principal Kitty McNamara, who noted she appreciates the 'great friendship' that has developed between them over the years, also said, "Mike has a special ability to understand and click with ALL kids. He treats every student with

As fellow BICS faculty member Deb Robert said of Myers, "He is known for his consistency and fairness in teaching, as well as his particular love of those 'hard to reach' students. He places academics in the highest regards and prides himself on working with the 'whole' child and exemplifies the notion of teaching the student and not simply the subject."

BICS Guidance Counselor Beth Croswhite added, "Our students have been fortunate to have such as strong, supportive, male role model as part of their elementary education."

Not only has Myers shared his love of teaching by having taught three of his

the utmost respect. He expects every student to give their best, and they do. He can give freedom of choice to students and know they will handle it responsibly. He can correct and guide students so they know the consequences and learn from mistakes. His total focus is on the students and what he can do for them.

"From an administrative standpoint he is always willing to tackle any job that helps students and helps make the system run better. He never turns down a request and never expects special treatment or praise for going beyond the already high expectations."

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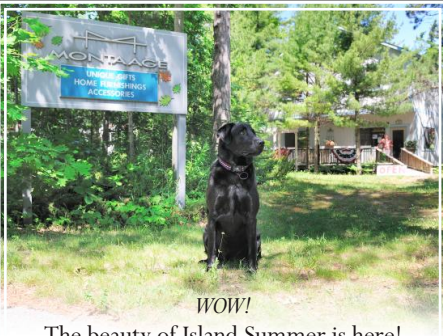
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On June 24th, early-summer
beachwalkers switched from bird-
watching (several exotics have been
seen on the Island this year, lots of
eagles, and the herons are quite bold
early in the season) to barge-watching
as the *Gregory J. Busch* was spotted on
the horizon with a peculiar aft list to its

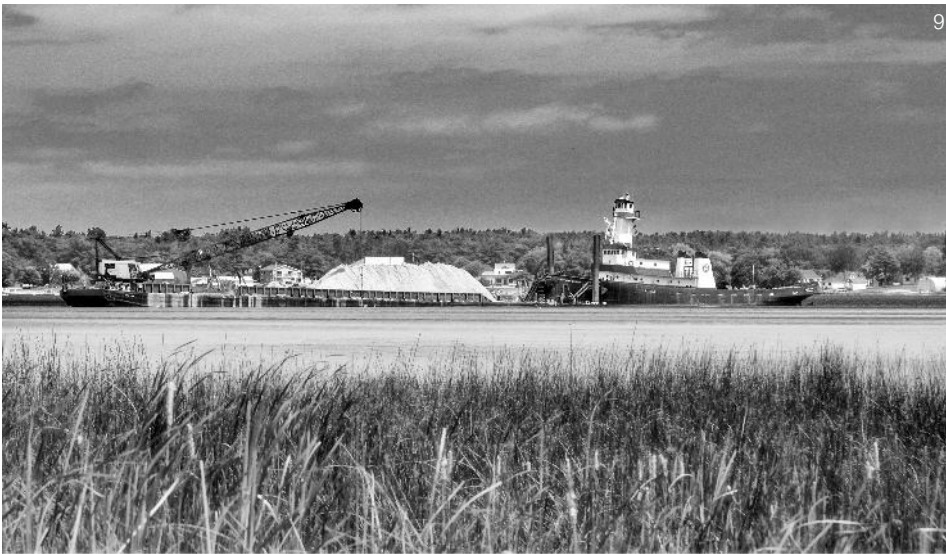
large barge. The tug maneuvered the
half-loaded barge just off the sandy shal-
lows on the south side of the channel.

Those peering out over Beaver Har-
bor joked, “are they returning the sand
that was washed off the beach by the
low water?” “Are they dredging the bot-
tom?” “No; they called for a diver; they

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must have a leak.”

Recalling when the same tug brought a barge here after it flipped over in the late 80s (the barge was righted with the help of the *American Girl*, but not before its lumber washed up on the beaches and several scavengers built decks), the rumor spread that she was

taking on water. Seeing the men walking on the barge so close to the water’s surface, imaginations, spurred by a heavy night rain, took off. But there was no great adventure this time; after an inspection and things returned to calm again, the tug and barge were back on their way early the following day.

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10. BEAVER ISLAND ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING TO FEATURE "GREEN BUILDING" PRESENTATION

The Beaver Island Association's Annual Membership Meeting will be Monday evening, July 12, at Peaine Hall beginning at 7 p.m. Sign-in and sign-up for members will start at 6:30.

The meeting will include election of directors; review of the Association's activities during the past year; consideration of its mission and purpose in the current Beaver Island economic/environmental/political climate; discussion of whether it is time to consolidate the two Beaver Island townships into one, and if so, how and when that may be accomplished; and an airing of members' concerns. All who are interested in Beaver Island's environmental and economic sustainability are welcome to attend both the "business" meeting and a special program that will immediately follow it, whether or not they are BIA members.

Starting at approximately 8 p.m., there will be a presentation on "green building," featuring an introduction to the Leadership in Energy and Environ-

mental Design (LEED) Rating System. Expected to last about two hours, it will be designed for both homeowners and contractors. The Association has invited Beaver Island contractors to attend, and the program will be both a valuable learning experience and "meet-and-greet" opportunity for contractors and property owners who wish to incorporate green building principles and practices into new construction or remodeling projects.

The LEED System provides uniform standards for environmentally sustainable design, construction, and operation of buildings and neighborhoods. It is based on six standards covering all aspects of the development and construction process, to accomplish these objectives:

- Define "green building" through common standards of measurement;
- Promote integrated, whole-building design practices;

- Recognize environmental leadership in the building industry;
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- Transform the building market.

The presenters will be architect Ray Kendra, a LEED-accredited professional since 2005, architect for the first LEED Gold Certified building in Traverse City, and a Sustainable Building instructor at Northwestern Michigan College, and Max Strickland, a green building consultant and rater and recently retired residential builder. They recently collaborated on a new residence in Northern Michigan which was awarded top LEED certification. Using a checklist approach, their presentation will provide a comprehensive but succinct introduction to this complex program and highlight energy credits and tax incentives available with LEED certification.

For more information, contact BIA President Paul Glendon (734-277-1411).

A VOTE FOR GILLESPIE IS A VOTE FOR BEAVER ISLAND

In the upcoming primary (8-3), those who vote here will have a chance to return a measure of control of our fate to our own hands by voting for Rich Gillespie for Charlevoix County Commissioner.

He held this position before and performed well before business concerns pulled him away in 1996. Among other accomplishments he was able to bring the public transit bus to the Island. We had been paying transit taxes for 15 years with no service. The transit bus now serves an essential role. He also pushed through the paving of King's Highway bringing in \$55,000 as seed money to get the road redone and ending a battle that had been going on for years. Now it needs to be done again, and Gillespie will make it a priority.

Island life prepares a person to meet any challenge head on, and Gillespie is

the quintessential embodiment of that "can do" attitude. He has kept his gravel processing plant running, performed his contracted obligations, and rebuilt his business after a fire. He served as chairman of the Beaver Island Transportation Authority and was on various boards and committees over many years, demonstrating a "hands on" approach and a fiscally conservative attitude.

Like the rest of the world, Charlevoix County is going through difficult financial times. In the last 10+ years it has been sued by disgruntled employees, and paid out \$1,250,000 to two county employees. "The commissioners were supposed to provide oversight, but didn't," he said. "They were supposed to manage the county operations in an efficient, fiscally responsible, and fair manner. But they didn't."

His opponent is campaigning on hav-

ing attended many subcommittee meetings, at public expense. Results, though, haven't been proportional, he asserts. Take the issues at the Charlevoix Sheriff's Department where the heating and air handling system was "not working properly." There was nothing wrong with the equipment, he claims; the fault goes to the management of the building, "and ultimately back to the county board themselves. No oversight was provided, costing taxpayers a bundle to finally get things straightened out."

Gillespie believes in the necessity of properly managing taxpayer's money. He was incensed when another recent case ended in a \$40,000 settlement—with the defense turning in a bill of \$167,000. He assures voters that nothing like this will happen once he's elected. Case closed; let's put Rich Gillespie on the County Commission.

HELICOPTER RESCUES

A rescue helicopter crew from U.S. Coast Guard Air Station Traverse City evacuated a 74-year-old man exhibiting signs of a stroke on June 22.

BIEMS requested assistance, and Air Station Traverse City quickly dis-

patched a helicopter crew. An emergency medical technician from Beaver Island EMS accompanied the patient. "He was with him all morning and knew his vitals and where his high and low points were," the flight crew said.

Then on July 5th it happened again: the HH-65 evacuated a 70-year-old man who was experiencing seizures. "It's good when local EMS accompanies a patient," said the flight mechanic aboard the Dolphin—about both rescues.



THE ANNUAL PARADE

Despite the entries being a “roundup of the usual suspects,” the annual summer parade was glorious, once again. This event began as a part of Homecoming 78 years ago, but after diminishing enthusiasm threatened its continuation it was switched to July Fourth by Marge Wagner, and has been staged with vim and vigor ever since. After the early morning overcast skies

were burned off, the weather was perfect: bright, and hot—but with a refreshing breeze blowing off the harbor. All the entries lined up on the Highway until the two o’clock canon started them off. The sheriff deputies led the way, followed by the twelve marching marines, the eleven striding servicemen (including new recruit Brett Maudrie), ten patriotic AmVets, and the nine rolling

firemen in three spit-polished fire trucks; it could’ve been Christmas. The ambulance and e-car followed jeeps and the USO truck. Then came a pair of classic sport cars, a Jaguar and an MG, and two Model T’s. There were only a few tractors, though. At twelve after two the Island Airways fleet flew over and executed their Missing Man formation. A while later a smoking biplane made





several passes. Throughout the afternoon people were served warrants and locked in the old jail next to the Print Shop until they could find someone to bail them out—all to raise funds for the ‘Cottage for Karen.’ CMU had a float despite rumors they wouldn’t. The Evans Clan’s bus roared out Born in the USA, but it was stocked by the Beaver Island Marina gang, forced to act rowdy. Yes, several people were doused by water canons and balloons. They said it felt good. The *Medusa Challenger* was

there—with one of its three Beaver Island captains, Bud Left. Barb Kenwabikise was on the Do-It-Best Hardware Truck on her last day on the Island before her family moves to Charlevoix. Our president and his wife, Barack and Michelle, graced us with their presence, accompanied by Hilary and Bill (who’d finally had a sex change, it seemed)—thanks to the magic of rubber masks. But the hit of the day was the bevy of superheroes, particularly a lithe and limber catwoman in a

skin-tight vinyl suit. Or perhaps it was Rich Gillespie towing a live band. Or was it the bagpiper, or the Native Americans representing both local tribes—within a single family? Afterwards the crowd flocked to the carnival, unwilling to quit having fun. They took a break for dinner, went back to their three hundred cottages and camps on the beach and in the woods, but then returned with all their friends for a sensational end to a wonderful day, our professional-grade fireworks show.



On August 3rd Beaver Island voters in both townships will be asked to approve a renewal of two mills to support the operations of the Beaver Island Rural Health Center. The Health Center operates with a staff of four and provides care 24/7 to all residents and visitors to Beaver Island. After hours and on weekends calls to the Health Center are automatically forwarded to the provider on call who, even in non-life threatening emergencies, can meet the patient at the clinic within ½ hour. (For life threatening emergencies call 911 for BI EMS transport.) The budget information to the right explains why the millage is indispensable to keeping the Health Center

doors open. It is clear from the figures below that the Health Center relies on township millages for 49% of its operating income while revenue from patient services provides only 26%.

Our capacity to cut expenses is lim-

ited because 61 % of our budget goes to employee costs despite the fact that our employees are paid less than the nationwide norm. The only way to dramatically cut costs would be to reduce staff to one health care provider. History has shown that one provider quickly burns out from being on call 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

Please continue to support prompt, locally available health care, an essential service for Beaver Island residents and visitors. Vote "Yes" on the August ballot proposal to renew 2 mills for the Beaver Island Rural Health Center.

—Connie Wojan,
BIRHC, President

The BIRHC Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 is			\$ 460,800
<i>Income by Category</i>			
Township Tax Support	\$ 223,900	(49%)	
Patient Services	\$ 119,400	(26%)	
Fundraisers & Contributions	\$ 63,200	(14%)	
Rent	\$ 4,300	(1%)	
Medicaid Receipts	\$ 1,500	Not a factor	
Loan (from BIRHC Special Projects Fund)	\$ 48,500	(10%)	
<i>Expenses by Category</i>			
Total Employees	\$ 281,850	(61.2%)	
Professional/Contract Services	\$ 56,600	(12.2%)	
Overhead Expenses	\$ 122,350	(26.6%)	

THANKS TO THE EMTs AND THE BIRHC

Beaver Island enchanted me from my first visit 14 years ago, not only for its natural beauty, but also because of the friendliness and helpfulness of the people who live on the island. Even though we know only a score of islanders personally, every time we return to our summer home on the island it feels like a homecoming.

On May 29, Tammey and I were enjoying a leisurely bike ride on that perfect sunny day. We had just turned onto Paid Een Ogs heading for home when a cyclist passing the other direction asked for directions. I turned my head to reply and the next thing I knew I was experiencing a very personal relationship with Paid Een Og with my bicycle on top of me. Normally, I stand up, brush myself off and keep going, but this time was different. There was severe pain in my hip. As I sat on the shoulder contemplating my condition several cars stopped to ask if I needed help.

I finally accepted a ride from Barbara & John Fox, who not only drove me to the health center, but gave me water, phoned Sue Solle, and waited with me until she arrived. I deeply appreciate the ride and their staying with me until help was at hand.

Sue Solle gave up an afternoon of

gardening to attend me. She rounded up an X-ray technician, (whose name I embarrassingly have forgotten, but she's the very nice woman who helps run the hardware store, if memory serves) I, and all islanders, are very lucky the medical center has a state-of-the-art X-ray machine.

One look at the X-ray showed a fractured femur. Without hesitation, Sue declared: "You're off the Island." Suddenly, Ken Bruland, Gerry LaFreniere and other EMTs were at my side doing everything possible to make me comfortable and prepare me for a flight to the mainland. Ken even insisted on flying with me to insure my safety until I was admitted to the hospital. Because of the holiday weekend, Island Airways was short of pilots so it could not provide a medical evacuation. Sue and the EMT crew immediately called the Coast Guard, which flew in a chopper in record time and I was transported to Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. Because the Coast Guard flies with an EMT aboard, Ken was able to return to kayaking. (He still took the time to phone the hospital and then phone Tammey later in the evening to let her know how I was doing.) I will be taking lessons from him when I return, since I

am now certain kayaking is safer than bicycling. Coincidentally, Gerry had installed a new hot water heater for me the day before. Now I really was in hot water.

I underwent emergency surgery that night to screw my femur together and thus far I seem to be healing normally back home in Illinois. If you ever have to be hospitalized, I can't recommend Munson highly enough for the skill of its medical staff, the superb, modern, comfortable facility, and the dedication and true caring of its nurses.

Words fall short in thanking all of the people who helped me for their expertise and caring. Had not Sue ordered me off the island, I might never be able to ride a bicycle again. I feel so very lucky to be able spend time on Beaver Island. I'm sure those of you who live on the island appreciate your fellow residents. Once I finish paying the bills to the BIRHC, I hope to make a good donation as well.

By the time you read this, I plan to be back on the Island for a couple of weeks, but you won't see me bicycling for the remainder of this summer. If you are cycling, keep your eyes on the road and be careful of the gravel. On second thought, try kayaking.

—Sincerely, Rich Warren

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PAR FOR THE

by Fairway Frank

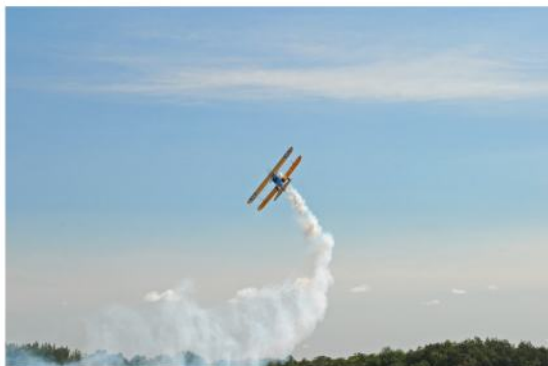
The Mixed-Partner Event season teed off to an early start the first weekend of June, and while participation was down for a number of reasons—absences, failures yet to return, and even a non-golf-related injury – the six teams that did play enjoyed clear skies following a morning-long rain and the return to the challenges of the alternate shot format. I guess we could call this a ‘pre-season’ event, until that is we consider giving the winning team the traditional penalty stroke at the next event. Sorry Annette.

Yes, ‘Accurate’ Annette Dashielle teamed with super sub ‘Steady and Ready’ Howard Davis to card the only sub-50 round of the day to take first place

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honors. Among the challenge of the alternate shot game is the fact that the pace of place does not easily led itself to gaining the ‘flow of play’ golfers so enjoy, so any round under 50 is actually a good one.

Nel Worsfold somehow managed to drag this player around the course in a respectable round of 52 which was good for second place, while Taffy Raphael



A Black-crowned Night-Heron on Beaver.



The 147' *Cracker Bay* at the dock, July 4th

Photograph by Frank Solle

A Caribbean Island?



crew for filming of the upcoming half-hour feature, not only on our local gem of a golf course, but on Beaver Island as a vacation destination in general. And let's not forget the helicopter that flew videographer Gregg Hall over various locations in order to capture what should prove to be great footage. Bill and his crew have been producing these golf shows, which can be seen on Fox Sports Detroit, for 10 years. Previous shows are archived at their website: mgltv.com.

Bill conducted a number of interviews at the golf course as well as around town before getting down to the serious business at hand: playing a round of golf. While course owner/operator/purveyor of all that is golf John Works, Jr., and I joined Bill for this round, it was the

continued on page 16.



and Jeff Mestelle finished in third with a score of 56.

Two Mixed-Partner events will be held in July, on the 11th and 25th. They get underway at 1:30 pm and the format has been known to change. Call or drop by golf course to sign up your team.

The big news at the golf course this past month was the three-day visit by Bill Hobson and his *Michigan Golf Live*



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16. **Par for the Course**, from page 15.

performance of Joe 'Par' Moore that saved the day for BIGC. Joe kept pace with Bill, who is by no means a golf slouch, not only with long, towering drives, but with a deft touch around and on the greens as well. Bill interviewed John in order to set up the course of play at three-hole intervals and numerous

shots were videotaped for the show (hopefully not many of mine, for while I did bring my clubs I apparently forgot to grab my game when I left home).

"This is a beautiful place and we're here on a perfect day," Bill said before starting the process of recording the course. "We can't wait to share the story of Beaver Island with our viewers all

across the Midwest."

According to the MGL website, the first airing of the Island show will be Saturday, July 3. A repeat is set to run on August 7.

With our summer now full on, look for more activity and events at the local links. The Second Annual Beaver Island Rural Health Center Open is scheduled

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Did you know that not all hunters like clear cuts? Like most visitors to Beaver Island, some travel here for the beauty of undisturbed natural landscapes to hunt. They would much prefer hunting by a mature wilderness forest, rather than traveling here to witness the eye-blight and devastation of clear cuts or heavy logging.

Did you know that unless they hear you object, the DNRE's long-range plans are to clear cut 1,000 acres of your forests

here on Beaver Island?

Did you know that clear cutting is not a natural process – that it robs the forest of its nutrients by stripping away all materials from the site?

Did you know that centuries of over-exploitation have left European forests in peril? That in some places the soil depletion is so bad, that European foresters are spreading petroleum-based fertilizers just to ramp up tree growth?

Did you know that windthrows (a common natural process here on Beaver Island, where swaths of

trees are blown down during storms) produce the "young succession" tree species that deer and grouse like to feed on (aspen and birch) naturally?

Did you know that natural windthrows create excellent feed and superior habitat for ruffed grouse? That this natural process leaves the downed trees in place, affording grouse better cover and protection from predators (such as the goshawk) than does an unnatural clear cut?

Did you know that our forests do not need to be cut or "cleaned up" by us?



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Sunday 7/11 *(7/18 Rain date) 12PM Shamrock Bar \$100 An afternoon of boating adventure about the BI Archipelago collecting the clues and cards for the potential winning poker hand! Then partake of fabulous food and beverages while winning wonderful door-prizes, and strategizing on the final winning hand! Need not own your own boat—we'll team you up with one!

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Museum Week 7/19-24 MON 2pm: Sheri Richards' Suzuki Violin + Music on the Porch. TUES: Antje Price @ Protar Home; Lee Boisvert, Kee's editor. WED Nature Walk, Archaeology & Art Show; Seamus and Eric on our Trees; Barb Lucas film. Dr. Deborah Rotman. THURS Nature walk; Ken Bruland; Mike Weede; FRI: Art Show, Protar, Early Religion. SAT: Pet Show, Pinky's Bingo! Beaver Head tours all week.



Baroque on Beaver... A Festival of Classical Music WEDNESDAY, 7/28 Going for Baroque *Call 448-2022 for tickets/info. Penelope Crawford, Claudia Schmidt, Martha Guth, Annie Crawford. FRIDAY, 7/30 3pm Family Concert! & activities & Instrument Petting Zoo. FRIDAY, 7/30 7:30pm Back to Bach – and a Few More Friends!



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for August 14th, with plans in the works to make this event bigger and better than last year's. The Annual Jerry Sowa Golf Outing is set for August 21. Both of these are 4-person events open to all teams. Another new event on the horizon is a Mens' Pinehurst set for Friday, Aug. 27. This format uses an interesting mix of alternate shot and scramble play. The

\$20 entry fee (along with green fees) will be redistributed among the top four teams. August also features Mixed Events on the 15th and 29th, so there are plenty of opportunities to get out and share a round with friends.

The Emmalee Antkoviak Fundraiser Outing has been rescheduled for Sept. 12. Look for information in next month's

Beacon. The final Mixed Event is slated for Sept. 19, although an additional event (or two) could be added if interest and temperatures remain high.

Now, after a scorching hot and dry May, we just need the June showers, which have greened the course to full bloom, to subside – at least during playing hours.

EXPERIENCE

That natural forest succession is a wonderfully efficient process? Did you know the many benefits we get when we leave large dead trees in the forest to rot? Large dead logs retain moisture and hence help prevent forest fires; they enrich the soil by returning nutrients as they decay; they become ideal "nurse logs" for hemlock and yellow birch seedlings, which are otherwise hard to regrow; and they provide habitat, runways and cover for many forest critters.

Did you know that dead trees are Mother Nature's treasures, and are never

"a waste"? Did you know that whether they are struck down by lightning, wind, or by beech bark disease, dead trees left in the forest actually support more species in their deaths than while they were alive?



Did you know that Mother Nature is the best "manager" of our forests? That she's been at it for millennia, helping to keep a healthy balance of beauty and diversity on our planet?

Did you know that in the modern ecosystem approach, large core acreages are identified where nature is allowed to "do her own thing" unmanaged by us? That

around these "core areas" are "buffer zones" kept for light human management? And that outside of and surrounding these buffer zones, woodland acreage is retained for selection cutting (both for game enhancement, and for commercial wood harvest)? Have we considered that a wise and balanced-use plan for Beaver Island might involve this modern ecosystem approach? That by identifying some large core acreages on our State Lands as "unmanaged wild areas", we'd be drawing both hunters and naturalists of all kinds to our Island?

Respectfully submitted for the discussion by

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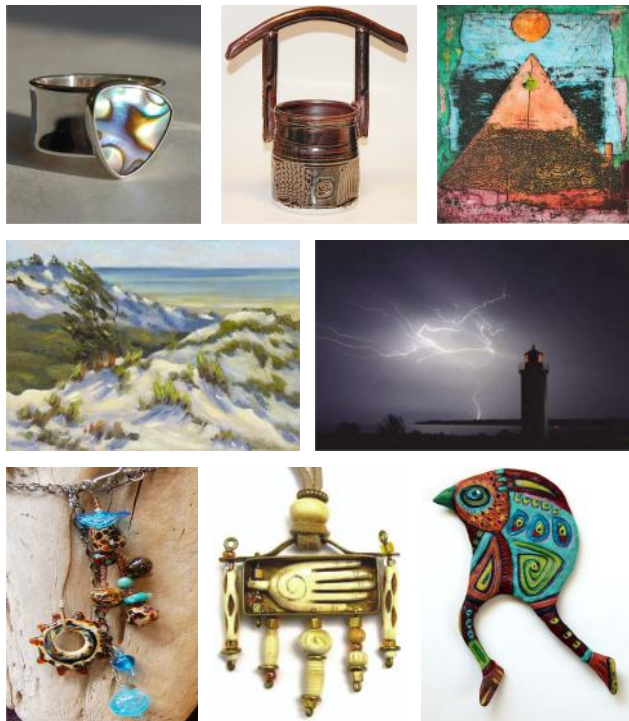
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A beautiful, lakefront home with 106 feet of lake frontage on the main part of Lake Geneserath facing west-northwest. The view of the main part of Lake Geneserath and the sunsets in the summertime are spectacular. The Lake Geneserath shoreline in front of this home is sandy with a little bit of stone but solid and very clean. The perfect dock and deck setup between the house and the lake makes this a lakefront homeowner's dream and the perfect setup for a family who likes fishing. This 2-bedroom, 2-bathroom home of approximately 1500 sq. ft. actually seems much larger because the upstairs bedroom has a full-size bed, a twin bed, and a set of bunk beds; the semi-private sleeping area above the living room has two large couches with room for fold-out beds so that this house could actually sleep 10-12 people. The master bedroom on the first floor level looks out through a screened-in porch over the decks and the docks on the edge of the lake. The porch immediately in front of this bedroom has a hot tub at deck level; it's almost like having a hot tub in your master bedroom but it's just outside the door. The living room is open with a lot of glass on the lake side with a cathedral ceiling, a beautiful stone fireplace with glass doors for efficient use; this comfortable room allows you an impressive view of the lake. There is a dining room immediately behind the living room that is right beside the open kitchen that is also fairly open to the living room. The kitchen is modern with all the counter space and cabinets that you would ever need. There is also a detached garage/workshop/storage building near the end of the driveway just to the north and inland of the house; this is a really handy accessory building that every home needs to have. This home gives you the feeling of a northern lakes fishing cottage and yet it is a modern, year-round home. If you like watching loons on the lake or sunsets over water or fishing, then this property could become your perfect summer lake cottage or your retirement home. With the minimum raw land value of \$106,000 (106 feet of lake frontage and a lot that is over 800 feet deep) this house is really a bargain at **\$389,000**

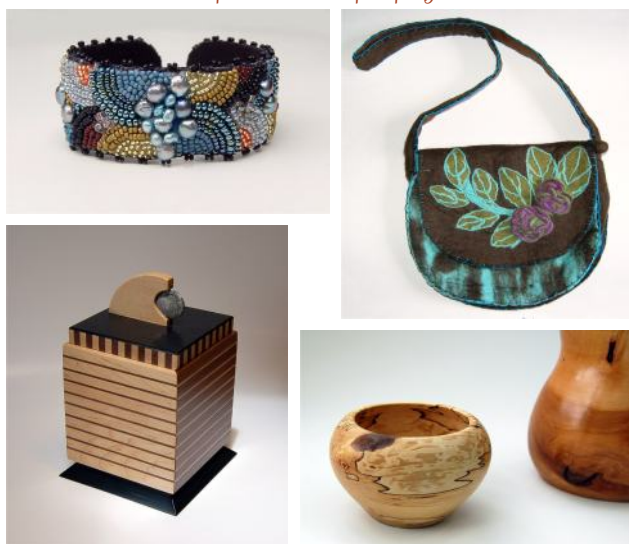
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ISLAND MUSICIANS ENJOY PARTICIPATING IN BAROQUE ON BEAVER

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As plans are finalized for the ninth annual Baroque on Beaver Classical Music Festival, July 28 – August 1, musicians on the Island are enthusiastic about rehearsing and performing in the Festival. Jayne Bailey, a member of the Festival Chorus, looks forward to singing with professional musicians under the direction of Kevin Simon, who will be returning to Beaver Island for the third year. “He is a choral director who makes it fun but also brings out the best in everyone. That is truly a gift,” Jayne said. She described the practices as “almost like a workshop – you get to be a better singer.”

The Festival Chorus is made up of approximately 30 singers, about two-thirds of whom are Beaver Islanders. Mr. Simon brings professional singers and soloists from his chorus in Saginaw. Jayne believes that many of the singers return each year because they enjoy working with Kevin, and also because they love spending time on Beaver Island with the friends they have made

here. Most of the musicians from off-island stay at the Brothers’ Place during the festival; however, some artists, particularly those with families, stay in the homes of Island residents. Several members of the orchestra have family connections to Beaver Island and enjoy returning each summer.

A newcomer to Beaver Island and to Baroque on Beaver, Sheri Richards is a native of Grand Rapids who has played the violin since she was four. Her musical career includes playing with numerous community orchestras and ensembles, most recently with the Grand String Quartet. Sheri began a Suzuki violin program at the Beaver Island Community School during the winter and will play violin in the Festival Orchestra this summer. She is excited about the opportunity to play in an orchestra for an intense, but short time. “Usually the commitment to an orchestra is for a long period of time. It will be a treat to be working as a serious musician every day – for a week!” she said. “Intense moments are few and far

between in life, and I am really looking forward to those in store for me during this Baroque on Beaver week.”

Judi Meister, another talented Beaver Island musician, has participated in Baroque on Beaver in the past, as a member of the chorus and an accompanist at rehearsals. Now she serves on the board of the Beaver Island Cultural Arts Association and sits in the front row of the concerts! She and Jayne were both hopeful that with so many talented singers on the Island, more people would get involved in the Festival Chorus. Judi emphasized, “Love of good music is more important than formal training.” Both women encouraged Island singers to join and guaranteed they would have a great time! They agreed that the choral music this year is particularly exciting.

Anyone interested in participating in the Festival Chorus or Orchestra this year should contact Managing Director Zac Moore by email at zac@baroqueonbeaver.org for more information.

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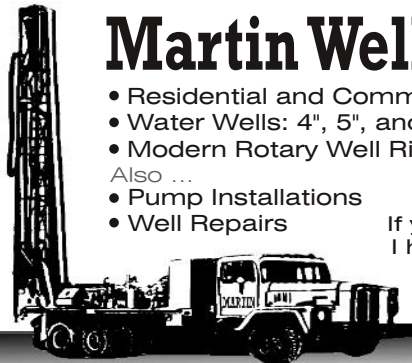
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7-7:45 *Red Tail Ring*



8-8:45 *Burton's Garden*



9-10 *Prisoners Of Paradise*



10:15-11:15 *Sowa Brothers*



11:30-1am *Four Finger Five*



Friday July 16th

2:30 Boat From Charlevoix *Blue Water Ramblers*



5:30-6 *Red Tail Ring*



6:15-7 *Four Finger Five*



7:15-8 *Kung Fu Rodeo*



8:15-9 *The Afternoon Round*



9:15-10:15 *Midtown Underground*



10:30-11:30 *Black Jake And The Carnies*



11:45-1 *Black Rose & The Disciples Of Funk*



Saturday July 17th Open Mic 1-3

11:20 Boat Leaving Beaver Island *Red Tail Ring*



3-4 *Dave Boutette*



2-6 Kids' Time



4:14-5 *Blue Water Ramblers*



5:15-6:15 *The Afternoon Round*



6:30-7:30 *Black Jake And The Carnies*



7:45-8:45 *Burton's Garden*



9-10:30 *Fundubmentals*



10:45-11:45 *Black Rose And The Disciples Of Funk*



12-1:30 *Midtown Underground*



Sunday July 18th

11:20 Boat From Beaver Island *Fundubmentals*



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22. ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

from Joyce Bartels

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Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, July 6, 1910 **Local News Briefly Told:** "James McCann of St. James was in the city Thursday."

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, July 7, 1910 **Beaver Island News:** "Steamer Eugene C. Hart was in port Sunday on scheduled time."

"The Misses Carrie and Mary Gallagher of St. Ignace, are visiting at Dan C. Gallagher's."

"John Donlevy returned to his home in Chicago."

"The Lumber Co. have a large force of men out fighting fire which threatens the whole south end of the Island. Some valuable timber having been destroyed at present writing."

"Pound net fisherman are making

some nice catches."

"Mrs. Dan B. Gallagher of Escanaba is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Gillespie whose condition is still quite critical."

"Ed. B. Gallagher is spending this week with friends in Flint." (Note: 9, 10 Thunderstorm F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, July 13, 1910 **Local News Briefly Told:** "A. Lafininere (sic) of St. James was in the city Monday."

"Walter Barthwaite of St. James was at Baker's Inn the latter part of the week."

"The State tax commission has pointed out St. James as one of the points in the state which they will visit this summer."

FATAL ACCIDENT

MICHAEL MCCAULEY DROWNED IN
ROUND LAKE, SATURDAY.
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Michael McCauley, quartermaster of the lighthouse tender Sumac, was drowned while in swimming near the supply station, Saturday afternoon, with a companion. He was in the water and was missed. Not being able to find him a search was made and the life-savers were notified and although they worked over him for over an hour their efforts were useless.

The unfortunate man was about twenty-two years old, a native of Ireland and had been in this country a little over a year. He left a brother in Philadelphia, who was notified and immediately came to this city, and a cousin at Beaver Island, where the body was taken for burial."

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, July 14, 1910 **Beaver Island News:** "Medicine Show is the attraction here this week." (Note: LeVants Modern Show, Lee LeVant, Ella LeVant, Art Bond, Violet Bond, Frank Carey, E. Ronisely (?), Here All Week appears in the Hotel Register 7-6-10)

"Tug J. H. Martin and consort were here in the harbor Sunday."

"Mr. and Mrs. H. Hartwig visited Charlevoix last week."

"Mr. Bebi (sic) of Kalkaska, is here taking views of the Island." (Note: E. L.



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"Miss May McCauley of Manitowoc, is visiting friends on the Island."

"Rt. Rev. Bishop Richter confirmed a class of thirty-five here Sunday"

"Mrs. J. A. Carns (sic) of Chicago, is visiting her father, James R. O'Donnell."

"The yachts, *E-jamar*, *Avis*, and *Me-To* of Chicago were in the harbor last week."

"A force of painters from Charlevoix are beautifying M. J. McCann's house with a fresh coat of paint."

"Charles O'Donnell wife and child of Grand Rapids, are the guests of Mr. James McCann this week."

"Elizabeth J. Gallagher, Sadie Burns and Mary Smidthe (sic) have gone to Charlevoix for the summer."

"Steamer *Hyacinth* was in the harbor this week with material for the new signal at Beaver Head."

"County Treasurer Lewis and Register of Deeds Emrey (sic) and wives, spent a couple of days on the Island last week." (Note: R. A. Emrey & wife, Charlevoix; Richard Lewis & wife, Charlevoix appear in the Hotel Beaver register)

"Mrs. W. M. Bestman of Snobomish, Washington is visiting her parents, Mr. And Mrs. John O'Brien for the summer."

"Our summer visitors have begun to arrive. Mr. James Connors of Rock Island, and Dr. John Lillie of Chicago, are here for the summer."

"W. J. Gallagher left on Tuesday's boat for Detroit to attend the Elks convention. He is accompanied by his daughter, Miss May."

"By the death on the 10th inst of Mrs. Mary Gillespie in the 68th year the Island loses another old resident. Born in Ireland she came with her parents to this country in the early fifties and settled in Toronto, Canada where she married the late John Gillespie and moving to Beaver Island in the spring of 1859. Besides three brothers, John of Chicago, and James and Francis of this place she is survived by twelve chil-

dren." (Note: 20, Last rain F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, July 27, 1910 **Notice on page one:** "The Courage of Captain Plum, By James Oliver Curwood Will Be Published Serially in This Paper" (Note: This book was about Beaver Island and King Strang)

From Beaver Island: "Charles Roddy visited Charlevoix Tuesday."

Capt. Frank Left has gone to Green

Bay for medical treatment."


"Miss Nora Slocum of Chicago is visiting friends on the island." (She became "Nonie" Gallagher)

"George Herrick visited Charlevoix the beginning of the week."

"M. J. McCann went to Charlevoix Saturday, returning Monday."


"George Williams of Charlevoix is here this week buying up cattle."

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24. **One Hundred Years Ago**, from page 23.

"Miss Beatrice Stephens of Freesoil is visiting her uncle, W. E. Stephens."

"Tim Roddy mate of *P. M. Car ferry No. 16* is here for a short visit with his family."

"George Heinford (sic) of the High Island Lumber Co., went to Traverse City, Monday."

"Attorney A. G. Urquhart of Boyne City, candidate for prosecutor paid the island a visit last week." (*Note: A. G. Urquhart, Boyne City appears in the Hotel Beaver register*)

"Mrs. W. A. Scheid and sister, Miss Mary Gallagher are sojourning (sic) in Chicago and Milwaukee this week."

"The Misses Carrie and Mary Gallagher returned to their home in St. Ignace. They were accompanied by Mrs. D. C. Gallagher of this place."

"Dr. Graham left on Monday's boat for Grand Rapids. The Dr. intends to be gone about a month. Dr. Ruth of Iowa will take care of his patients in his absence."

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, July 28, 1910 **Local News:** "Lou Comfort, superintendent of construction, lighthouse department, who is at Beaver Head in a fog signal plant and doing extensive repair work, was here Monday with his gasoline boat after supplies. Mrs. Comfort is with him on the Island."

"Indications are that Charlevoix county assessments are not to be reassessed by the state board of commissioners, according to a Lansing dispatch that gives a list of the section where the board will make changes, with the exception of St. James township on Beaver Islands(sic)."

Beaver Island News: "Mrs. Sophia Vincent and son Henry, have

gone to Petosky for a short visit with friends."

"Mrs. Gus Mielkie returned from a visit with friends at South Haven."

"Mrs. Budd, Mrs. Lackey and Mrs. Bedford of Northport are visiting their sister Mrs. C. C. Tilley."

"Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bergiline have gone to Luddington for a few days."

"Sherwood Stephens went to Manistee for a few weeks visit with relatives."

"Mrs. Peter Allers of South Haven, is visiting friends on the Island."

"Miss Mamie F. McCauley is visiting friends at Manistique."

"John S. Gallagher has disposed of a hundred sheep to Charlevoix parties."

"Willie O. Gallagher visited Charlevoix this week."

"Mr. Angus McKinnon of Charlevoix, who has been doing some work for J. B. O'Donnell was taken suddenly ill a few days ago, which necessitated sending for Mrs. McKinnon who came on Saturday's boat."

"Mrs. M. Young of Charlevoix, made a business trip to the Island last week." (*Note: Myrtie Young Charlevoix appears in the Hotel Beaver register Thursday, July 14, 1910*)

"The family of Mr. Seitz the new foreman at the mill arrived here a few days ago."

"A. M. Swinton of Charlevoix, transacted business here last week."

"Archie Lafrenise (sic) returned home from Milwaukee."

"Miss Marie Hunt of Chicago, is visiting her brother, Thomas Hunt."

"Mr. Lynn, the Charlevoix Rustic Man, has a force engaged getting out birch bark."

"The remains of Michael McCauley who lost his life while bathing in Charlevoix were brought here,

and interred in the Catholic cemetery. As the unfortunate young man had no immediate relatives on the Island the A. O. H. Demonstrated one of the motives of their order, 'Christian Charity,' by taking charge of the body and defraying all funeral expenses, although the deceased did not belong to the Order."

"Miss Nora Slocum of Chicago, is visiting friends here for a few days."

"George Heimford of the High Island Lumber Co., went to Traverse City Monday."

"Charles Roddy visited Charlevoix this week."

"Dr. Graham left on Monday's boat for Grand Rapids."

"Miss Ellie McDonald spent a couple days in Charlevoix this week."

"Maurice Boyle of Escanaba, is visiting friends on the Island."

"Attorney A. G. Urquhart of Boyne City visited the Island professionally last week."

"A. J. Usher business manager of the Charlevoix Court spent a few days on the Island last week visiting historic points." (*Note: A. J. Usher, Charlevoix appears in the Hotel Beaver register*)

"M. J. McCann made a business trip to Charlevoix Saturday returning Monday."

"George Herrick visited Charlevoix the first part of the week."

"Mrs. Dan C. Gallagher is at St. Ignace this week on a visit with friends."

"Mrs. W. A. Scheid and Miss May Gallagher have gone to Milwaukee and Chicago for a short visit."

"Miss Beatrice Stephens of Freesoil is the guest of her Uncle, W. E. Stephens for a few weeks."

"James Mooney Jr. Is in Charlevoix this week visiting his sister, Mrs. Albon Smith." (*Note: Dry, Hazy F. Protar*)

ARCHIPELAGO CHALLENGE

If you haven't been to the outer Islands lately, or if you're looking for a perfect excuse to go again, take part in this year's Beaver Archipelago Challenge. Meet at 12 noon, July 11 at the Shamrock (rain date, 7/18 - \$100 to benefit the Community Center). If you don't have a boat here, no worries - we'll get you on one. Fabulous food and beverages too.

THANKS TO THE ISLAND AS I STEP INTO THE FUTURE

I would like to sincerely thank everyone who wished me well as I step into the future. There are so many fond memories of my childhood years I'll carry with me forever. My time on Beaver Island was wonderful. So many friends who influenced me positively as I was growing up wished me well at my graduation; thank you so much.

I would like to express my deep appreciation to everyone who sent a card or gave me a gift. I'm sorry if you didn't receive a card of thanks—not everyone signed their card. You all made my graduation very special; I'll never forget it, or you. What a great day it was on June 5th!

—Lindsey Kenwabikise



ISLAND POET PUBLISHED

by Frank Solle

Melissa Bailey, a 2005 graduate of BICS, recently had two poems published in the Spring 2010 issue of the *New Mexico Poetry Review*.

Bailey's poems stand out, not only because of their inherent strength, but also because these were her first submissions and publications. Most of the 52 other contributors have been published in other journals, magazines, or books. Among her fellow contributors are Pulitzer- and National Book Award-nominated writers Linda Hogan and David Wagoner, as well as noted Montana poet Lowell Jaeger, whose work was recently read by Garrison Keillor on his NPR program 'Writer's Almanac.'

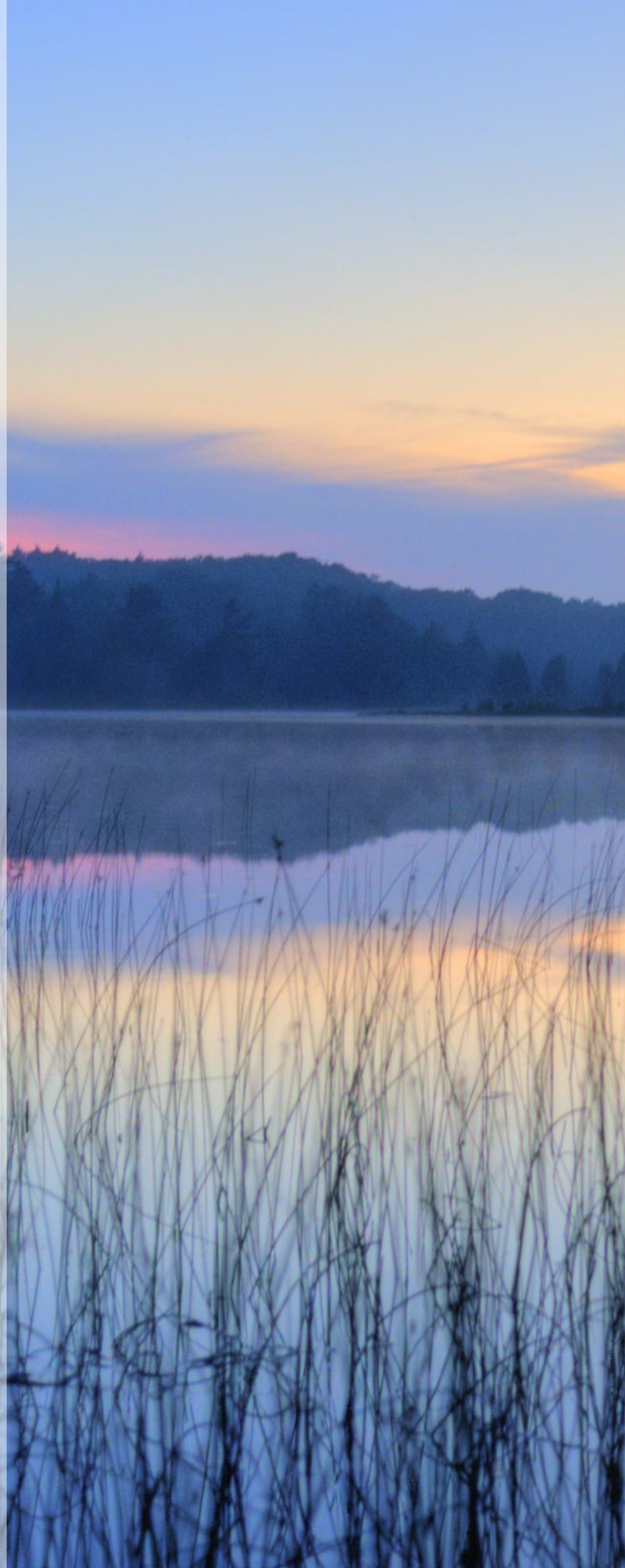
Bailey's premier appearance is enhanced by the luck of the alphabet as no writer with a last name starting with the letter 'A' is included, giving her top billing and the first two selections among the 98 pages of poems. But such billing is no fluke, as editor Kathleen Johnson points out in her introductory note: "Melissa J. Bailey's remarkable *Marjorie Comes Home* illustrates how a poet can write on the subject of family with startling emotional honesty."

In her poem *Leaving*, Bailey writes about Beaver Island:

A gull, balanced on one leg,
shivers, then buries its head
beneath gray and white feathers;
a ribbon of black snake luxuriates
in bright sand, ready
to absorb even the rumor
of summer. Listen—
the hoarse moan of the boat
whistle. The same sound
that signaled your arrival
announces your departure.

The daughter of Mike and Jayne Bailey, Melissa received a BFA from Albion College in 2009 and is currently preparing for her second year of teaching high school English in Rolling Fork, Mississippi through the Teach for America program.

While extremely popular among her students, there is no truth to the rumor, at this time, that the state is considering changing its name to Melississippi. However, there is little doubt that this is just the first of many, many publications for this talented young writer.





ISLAND MAN

Beaver Island, squarely set
in wind-whipped waters
of northerly Lake Michigan,
witnessed his birth.
Our Civil War was ending.

He spied sleek schooners with billowing sails,
smelled black smoke from wood-fired steamers
as they eased toward the harbor,
to provision his isolated world.

A fatherless teen,
he farmed and fished and logged,
earnings for his mother and siblings.

He traveled by horse-drawn sled,
near twenty miles over open ice,
seeking mainland's shore,
escaping winter's icy island grip.

Before his marriage in '97,
(five children later born),
he charted a course of difficult study,
his "Steam Vessel Engineer" license,
now a treasured family memento.

He labored below decks
of graceful longships and muscular tugs
coaxing power from hissing hot engines;
thickening ice the prelude
to his homecoming each year.

Faded black-white images
of nostalgic island visits,
picture him, walking-stick in hand,
hiking with his son
on ancestral land.

This island man passed
before I could know
the man my dad called dad.

*"This is a very personal poem
about my grandfather Charles Gordon
who was born on the Island in 1865."*

— John J. Gordon



RUINED BY BEAVER ISLAND

29.

I can't get to sleep in big cities anymore. Noise roars through the windows and walls of my hotel room: honking horns, booming trucks, wailing emergency sirens, churning garbage crushers (at 2 a.m.), and whooshing jets and drumming copters overhead. During the 20 years I lived in Manhattan I barely noticed the 24/7 "urban symphony," but after six years of living on Beaver Island, it's not easy to tune it out.

It's quiet on the Island, but not silent. Some of what you hear could be big city noises: buzzing chain saws, drunken shouts, boat horns. But these sounds are isolated and distinct, like cactuses standing separately in the desert; they don't form a tsunami of noise. Against the quiet backing, your ears can also pick out the soft beating of a woodpecker's wings, as my wife Deb pointed out. Or the footfalls of a rabbit scampering out of range; the murmurs of conversing beach walkers a thousand feet away; the gentle thrum of the *Emerald Isle's* engines miles out on the lake; the notes of "Danny Boy" tinkling into the air from Holy Cross Church; the rapid breathing of marathoners striding along Allen's Lakeview Drive.

On a recent visit to New York, nearly everybody I saw on the street

had adopted the same way of coping with noxious noise pollution. They had iPhones or other devices plugged into their ears. Whatever they were listening to was better than what was in the air. But not better than hearing a woodpecker's wings.

Living on Beaver has changed my old city-self in another way. I used to have "street sense," that ever-present awareness of the potential malevolence that any situation, day or night, might contain: a mugging, a traffic accident, a collision with a bicycle, stepping in dog poop, falling into a pothole, and the rest of the list. It's an early warning system, an urban survival skill. But now it's gone because I feel too safe.

During the trip to NYC I found myself standing in Pennsylvania Station waiting for a train, happily munching on a slice of pizza. I noticed a soldier in camouflage clothing walking nearby, then another soldier and another, each with a hand resting on the pistol hanging from his belt. I noticed a trio of blue-uniformed cops. I noticed a posse of plainclothes security guards pushing through the milling travelers. Must be an emergency somewhere, I thought.

And then, way too slowly, I knew: I was standing in a zone of heightened

security, a major public place with lots of people just a few minutes away from where the Times Square bomber had struck. I was in what the government believed was a potential high-value target for terrorists.

It's true that even on Beaver Island we fenced in the boat dock in the name of national security. And we have a piece of the twin towers on display so we will never forget. But in a place where the police report contains items like "assault by hamburger bun," it's hard to stay on your toes.

The problems with become de-citified arise when you have to leave the Island for New York, Washington, D.C., Detroit, Chicago or other urban destinations, which I do all too often. I've heard that some Islanders don't ever leave. Deb managed to go six months without touching the mainland. But if leaving is my fate, maybe it would help if I could load into my iPhone a new app—programmed to show me the crime "hot spots" and reported gun shots in the city streets ahead of me and to train my ears/brain to block out sounds I'd never hear on the Island. Call it "Beaver Leaver."

—Pete Plastrik

ANOTHER ISLAND ARTIST

At the end of July and running through August as the featured artist at Montaage, Bill Byers is sure to make many more Beaver Island friends. The gallery has been showing and selling his paintings of Island scenes—Mt. Pisgah, or the Protar Home brimming with vitality—for awhile, but we haven't had the experience of seeing thirty paintings in one place before. Bill hails from Grand Rapids, where he worked at Steelcase

until his art took over his life. He's been represented in several juried shows there, and has won several awards. He's also donated paintings for fund-raisers to support issues he favors.

Painting is in his blood; recent DNA tests revealed a heavy preponderance of "the art gene," shared by his uncle and grandfather. He uses his talent to commemorate nature, as well as another favorite theme: the canine world. Guests of Montaage after July 31st are sure to notice

their entry precipitating a subtle raising of ears and a wag of tails in the uniquely-framed portraits of noble pets of obvious intelligence which adorn the walls.

Some artists give the impression their work begins with a vision of what will become one element in a future work, but Bill Byers seems to start with "the big picture," with an entire balanced composition springing into his head and requiring only that he complete the details.

ADMINISTRATOR TO REMAIN WITH SCHOOL

Long-time school principal and superintendent Kathleen McNamara will continue to serve the BICS for at least 3 more years. She has worked for the school district since 1979 when she was hired as a teacher. She took over the administrative position in the fall of 1987, taking two years off when her daughters were young.

The agreement allows McNamara

to take advantage of recently enacted state retirement incentives for which she qualifies, and allows the district to maintain a qualified and effective school leader. The proposed agreement will have McNamara resign her position and be rehired.

At its June 14th meeting, the board authorized using PCMI Specialists for some services. According to board pres-

ident Nancy Tritsch and others, the agreement is a win-win for the school system and for McNamara. The school will see annual savings. More important is the ability to maintain a qualified and effective school leader and have time to plan for the transition.

A similar agreement is being worked out for half-time maintenance person George 'Satch' Wierenga.

30.

by Mike Weede

Enhance your views — upgrade your trails

took to the lifeboats as she sank. The crew of the *Tiffany* tried to sail her to the Skillagalee shoal about five miles away. The crew thought that if they could get the *Tiffany* to shallow water, she could be salvaged and returned to sail. The water depth where the collision took place was around 100 feet deep, much too deep for salvage in the 1850s. The crew struggled with a floundering vessel as it made its way to the "Isle of Pebbles"

(Skilly.) After a short time the crew began to realize how futile this procedure was. At this point the crew "took to the rigging." This means they sought safety at the top of the mast, which would hopefully stick out of the water. On a sailboat this size the mast would easily soar to heights about 120' from the deck. The *Tiffany* had a crew of ten men; five survived the sinking. Was it the water temperature? The records do not say, but half of the crew perished.

The *Tiffany's* cargo on this trip was railroad rails, which when the boat's hull lost its water-tight integrity, expedited the *Tiffany's* trip to the bottom



Both vessels were roughly salvaged in 1874, which means they grappled for anything of value off the wrecks. The steam engines and boilers from the *Milwaukee* were grappled from the wreck and hoisted aboard a steam barge. Steam engines were valuable and could be reconditioned and sold along with other hardware. A sailing vessel which has been on the bottom for 15 years is not a real valuable object, but its cargo of rails was a very worthwhile salvage booty. Both wrecks were broken up and scattered about. You can still see the main component on both wrecks, and some of the cargo remains

as viewable treasure for divers.

The *Tiffany* and the *Milwaukee* today make up part of one of our most unique resources: bottomland seascape. The Beaver Archipelago is situated at a junction of ship courses and greatly varied water depths. Its reputation for being treacherous is well deserved. Within a 25 mile radius of Beaver Island, there are well over 100 documented shipwrecks from the late 1700s to the 1950s. Most of them

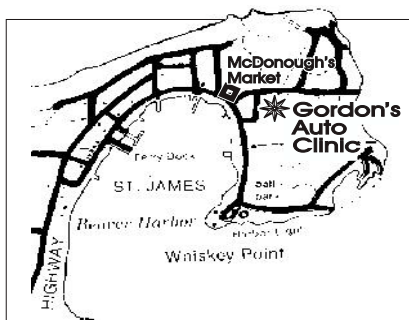
have not yet been discovered. Some may have been salvaged, some may have burnt up so nothing is left, and some are buried in the sand, only to be exposed at nature's whim. Some are waiting for a persistent individual to find them.

Today both of these wrecks lay scattered on the bottom, discernable but not intact. Diving on them can generate echoes of that night almost 150 years ago when one mistake cost five lives, and two fine ships.

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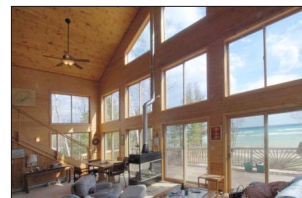
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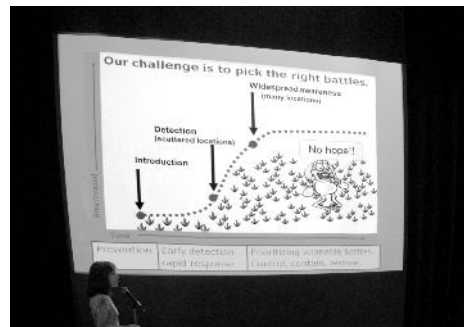


CMU Gillingham Academic Center

by Frank Solle

If the ideas shared during the first in a series of 'Symposiums on Understanding and Managing Beaver Island's Ecosystems for Sustainability and Economic Growth' hosted by the B.I. Natural Resources/Eco-tourism Commission are any indication, the future of the Island's resources are in good hands: ours.

Nearly 70 interested Islanders of all types—full-time, part-time, occasional visitors, and even first-time visitors—gathered at the Community Center on June 28 for a full day of learning, exploring, and trying to understand the intricate aspects of managing and maintaining the things that make Beaver Island unique. The morning session was built around a variety of guest speakers, although due to our inherent uniqueness the schedule had to be al-



tered to fit the weather-induced changes in travel plans—Island style S.O.P.

Presenting the keynote address and acting as event emcee, Eric Myers, PhD. (owner of B.I. Eco-tours and faculty member at South Suburban College, South Holland, Ill.) opened the symposium by describing the purpose of this meeting as a way to begin to come to a consensus as to how to manage our Island resources. Myers then delivered his talk, discussing Forest Succession and Sustainability. Pointing out that sustainability means wise use and "not borrowing from our future," Myers stressed the need to maintain diversity, manage resources as an ecosystem, understand the repercussions of our actions, and the importance of

having a long-term plan.

The next speaker was Phyllis Higman of Michigan Natural Features Inventory, an arm of MSU's Extension Program. Higman detailed the various ratings of protected and endangered species, then highlighted some of the unique ecosystems found on the Island, including the Boreal Forest in the French Bay area, the dry-mesic Northern Forest at Point La Par, the Fox Lake Bog—the fifth largest such bog in the state, and the Egg Lake Fen. She spoke of the four endangered species found only in the Great Lakes region, and, of course, here: Pitcher Thistle, Lake Huron Tansy, Dwarf Lake Iris (the Michigan state wildflower), and the Houghton's Goldenrod. Moving on to invasive species, Higman pointed out that such plants are a leading threat to natural diversity and can harm the economy, the environment, and even human health. Two species she referenced were Garlic Mustard and Spotted Knapweed, both found here. It was later pointed out that two other species have recently been spotted: Japanese Knotweed and European Swamp Thistle. "Over time, inva-



sive species will be a major threat to Beaver Island," she warned, stating the key is to stop an infestation early and address such a situation before it gets here.

Tom Bailey, executive director of the Little Traverse Conservancy, spoke on Private Land Management, saying land management is about "explicit choices." Those choices revolve around your rights as a land owner and whether you choose to develop or not develop your resources and

how such management fits into your plan for the future. Bailey also spoke about Conservation Easements and how they can protect property rights perpetually and how you can maintain an ownership legacy for your heirs using such a tool.

Eric Ellis of the Conservation Resource Alliance of Traverse City ad-



ressed the crowd with an in-depth look at a variety of Land Management Decisions and how they affect four game species: woodcock, ruffed grouse, wild turkey, and white-tailed deer. Ellis showed slides from successful projects involving rotational clear-cutting of aspens and alders for habitat improvement for woodcock and grouse. He pointed out such projects help a wide variety of wildlife. He also discussed the success of the Quality Deer Management program run in Leelanau County, but wasn't sure similar success could be replicated here. He spoke of maintaining a low-level deer population as increased deer numbers can decrease tree regeneration and the possibility

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of how food plots planted for deer can possibly introduce invasive species as well. He presented an interesting twist on the controversy over deer harvest, saying his idea was that if a hunter harvested one or two early-season does, then the hunter should be allowed an any-buck tag, regardless of points or spread. (Ellis noted the spread of the antlers was a better indicator of age than the number of points.) Regardless of technique, Ellis said monitoring of the deer herd is vital to successful management.

In touching on eco-protection and invasive species, Ellis advocated the use of biodegradable hydraulic fluid as well as bar oil for chainsaws, and said no firewood should be brought to the Island and any logging vehicles brought here should be thoroughly washed first to decrease the chance of bringing an invasive species.

Kay Charter of Saving Birds Thru

SLOW AS WE GROW

Our spring on Beaver lingers
Well into summer's days
A pace which is reflected
It speaks of Island ways

Our life just a bit slower
Than mainland's hectic pace
Except for a few drivers
Who down our roads they race

Their speed pounds roads to washboards
Which shake our cars to bits
They dust off those they fly by
Choked blind and having fits

Our vehicles do tremble
And slowly turn to rust
Dear drivers please be thoughtful
Don't leave us in your dust

Be mindful of our tourist guests
They bring their hard-earned bread
Don't turn them off forever
For without them we'd be ----

Less than happy!

Jack Spanhak, 6-8-10



Habitat spoke of the declining numbers of migratory birds and what individuals can do to improve bird habitat around their homes and property. Charter and her husband own a 44-acre bird sanctuary near Omena in Leelanau County where they have hosted 65 nesting species of birds and have had over 100 additional species forage during migration. Charter also pointed out how the number of bird-watching fans is increasing and that birders in Michigan spend up to \$400 million dollars annually; this could be a 'shoulder season' boost to the Island if promoted. A first-time visitor to the Island, she was impressed. "What you have here is humbling," she said. "Take care of it with an eye to the future."

Brian Mastenbrook of the DNRE was the final speaker and used his time to focus on our Forest Resources—Past Impacts, Current Conditions, and the Future. "Forests are always changing," he stated. "You've got to think not just of now, but ahead. Think about what you have, what you want, and what you are moving toward."

Mastenbrook outlined how the DNRE looks at forest plots, and some of the processes that go into determining a forest plan. And while the DNRE is supposed to have a Forest Plan for the Island, Mastenbrook admitted no such plan is currently in place and that we "are in limbo" out here. And while that may not have been good news, the truly bad news Mastenbrook shared is that "most of the beech trees are going to die in the next 20 years," due to the beech bark disease, a point not overlooked by other

presenters.

From this point the audience took over the symposium, breaking into table groups to answer a variety of questions and begin to define what Myers had alluded to earlier in the day,

a consensus on how to manage our resources. There was considerable agreement among the six groups about their favorite plants and animals found here; what natural resources are important personally, economically, and for quality of life; and what outdoor activities are enjoyed. While there seemed to be a consensus against opening land to ORV use, there was strong agreement on the need to identify challenges and monitor

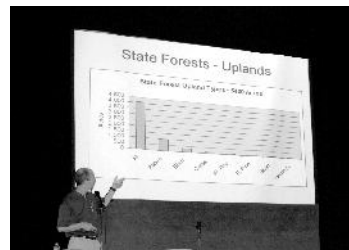
the biodiversity of the Island's forests. The wide range of topics the groups were interested in hearing about in the future gives great hopes to the level of concern everyone has for the well-being of Beaver Island.

Bailey wrapped up the day with a well-received statement. "Remember,"

he said, "you've got this moat around you; you've got the chance to do things most of the rest of us can only dream

about in terms of determining our future. Resource management is not an exact science, there is no one best way, yet we all know that ecologically everything is connected

to everything else. You've got more control than most people, so stick with it, you're doing great work. You've got great potential and there are a lot of us here who appreciate and admire what you're doing and are ready to help in any way we can. We salute you for this and please stay with it, it's really going to mean something to your grandkids."



For Sale: Collins Home - 37756 King's Highway on Beaver Harbor

A very rare offering of a newer home ON BEAVER HARBOR with a fantastic view of the entrance to Paradise Bay. The house sits up on a bluff overlooking the harbor offering an unequalled view with a deep running lot from the King's Highway to the water's edge. The frontage has a pure sand bottom, great for swimming and safe for kids.

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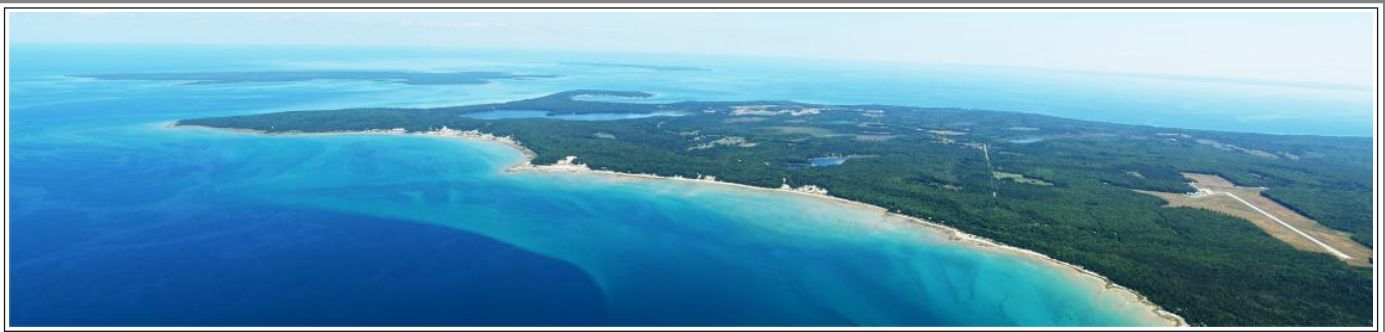
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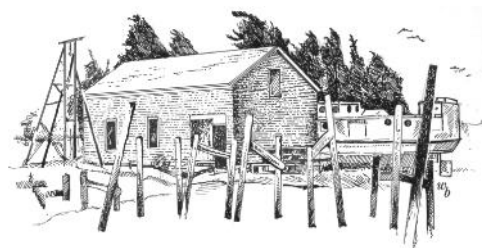
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MUSEUM WEEK



JULY 19 - 24, 2010

Monday, 7-19

2:00 at the Community Center (CC): **This is Suzuki Violin:** discussions and free brief lessons on the Suzuki method for playing the violin, by Sheri Richards. Kids or grown-ups can watch or take part in this.

7:30 **Music on the Porch:** Gather in front of the Print Shop Museum to see our amazing local talent. New hostess Kathy Speck is in charge – contact her to get on the program. Some patrons bring their own chairs.

Tuesday, 7-20

1:00 – 3:00 at the Protar Home: **Leading Protar authority Antje Price** will open the Home and talk with visitors about this amazing man, “our Heaven-sent Friend.”

8:00 at the CC: **Lee Boisvert, the editor of Kee’s books** and a longtime student of her holistic teaching, will talk about the increasing importance of the message this unique woman brought to us from 1975 to 1999.

Wednesday, 7-21

9:00 – 11:00: **Adult Nature Walk** with CMU Staff: the treasures of Little Sand Bay. Meet at the Little Sand Bay parking lot at 8:55 a.m. Limited to 25, so phone the Print Shop (448-2254) to register, or stop in. \$10 fee; no lunch.

12:00 – 4:00: **Visit an archaeological dig at the Early farm.** Meet the students and their professor, and discuss what they’ve found and what it means.

12:00–5:00: **The Art Show begins!** Come and see what’s new in

the Beaver Island art scene by visiting the **Gregg Hall** Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday afternoon. Demonstrations; artists; art; jewelry; and new books. Contact Lois Stipp to show your work, or to help.

2:00 at the CC: **Ecologists Eric Myers and Seamus Norgaard** will talk about some amazing aspects of Beaver Islands’ woods to broaden your understanding of our ecology.

3:30 at the CC: Award-winning videographer Barbara Lucas’s new film.

8:00 at the CC: **Dr. Deborah Rotman** will talk about archaeology in general and in particular, what she hopes to find on Beaver Island, how her first year has gone, and how she sees her program being shaped. Q/A.

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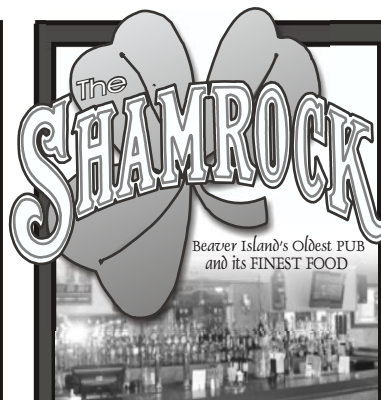
Do you know that over the last 9 years the county has spent over \$575,000 defending itself from lawsuits? Not to mention the many hours of wages paid for depositions, court time, and the intangible costs of negative public relations and lost productivity from employee distraction.

Do you know that County taxpayers have spent untold sums of money in per diem fees for certain commissioners to attend meetings when they were not even the appointed liaison to these committees. There has long been a policy prohibiting this action which has been ignored. A new policy was proposed to prevent this and failed for lack of support.

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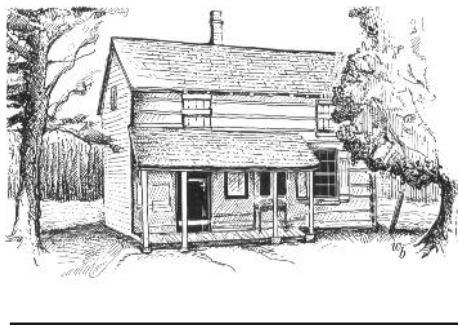
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Thursday, 7-22

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12:00 – 5:00: The **Art Show** continues! Come and vote on Best in Show.

2:00 at the CC: **Ken Bruland reprises his risky 100-mile solo trip under the Mighty Mac and beyond** from last fall. Footage of the event and a demonstration of his equipment makes this a fascinating afternoon.

8:00 at the CC: **What's down there?** **Mike and Gail Weede** will talk about and show pictures from some of the shipwrecks they've dived on.

Friday, 7-23

12:00 – 5:00: The **Art Show** concludes! Results of the "popularity contest" will be announced at 4:30.

1:00 – 3:00 **at the Protar Home:** **Antje Price** will open the Home a second time. Some people find her at least as interesting as Protar himself.

8:00 at the CC: **Nineteenth century religion on Beaver Island.** Vickie Speek will discuss Strangism, Elizabeth Edele will talk about Father Baraga, and Father Peter Gallagher himself will share his thoughts about the early Diocese, on its 150th anniversary, and talk about how Beaver Island fostered a spiritual turn in its early inhabitants – and still does. Moderated by noted scholar Ted Sirotko; Q/A

Saturday, 7-24

12:00 at the Print Shop: **Pet Show for kids (and the young at heart):** every pet wins a certificate in another entertaining presentation by Paul and Liz Niehaus.

7:30 at the CC: **Pinky's Babalu Bingo** – back, at the last minute, by overwhelming demand. *Are you feeling lucky?* 100 seats; so if more arrive they'll be auctioned off. Babalu, because a **mariachi** band will entertain during the intermission. Doors open at 6:30.

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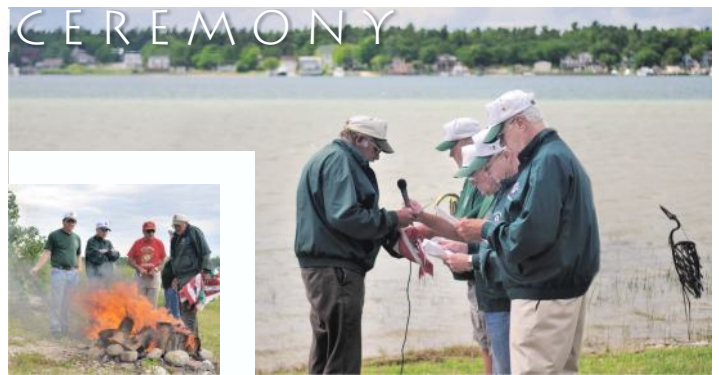


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BOXES THAT SING

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Each one of his unique boxes (and frames) is different (and uses different materials), and none have ever been seen before—anywhere. Each results from a combination of sudden inspiration and high-level craftsmanship. Which Len has honed over the last thirty-five years. And each of them shimmers, resonating





Over the past 150 years, Holy Cross Catholic Church has played a vital role

in holding the Island community together, through good times and bad.

The community was overjoyed at the chance to give something back.



like a really good tune as it reaches out to establish a nexus of emotive connectivity. The musical analogy is not accidental. For fifteen years Len has been building exquisite classical guitars. Music runs in the family; his daughter Caitlin graduated from Interlochen.

Those who purchase one of these boxes, priced between \$100 and \$175, don't have to worry if they're awaked in the night by a tune wafting in from the other room: it's not a genie girding himself for mischief but just the spirit installed through intense concentration by a consummate artist and craftsman. So just go back to sleep, and let your box sing.



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40. DIGGING UP THE PAST

Northern Michigan University's Dr. Scott Demel brought eleven archaeology students to Beaver Island for the month of June to poke around a few of the old homesteads. With permits and permissions in hand the group left its base at CMU's Biostation each dry morning for one of three sites: the Burke Farm, a beach cabin south of Cable's Creek, and an old homestead south of Greenes' Bay. When it rained, they worked in the Biostation lab, cleaning and documenting their finds. It rained a lot, which meant they could keep up with their paperwork.

Most of their time was spent at the Burke Farm, east of the Greene Homestead at Greentown. The house had been removed (the barn was still standing), but they could locate where it had been—just south of a grove of lilacs. Through careful boring and earth-column collecting with a long hollow stainless steel rod they pinpointed a back

porch, which excavation revealed had been built over the top of an earlier back porch from before the log cabin was given a frame edition. Just beyond the porch was an old ash pit where all discards were burned; it gave up a treasure trove of material.

The Cable's Bay site was a decade earlier, and the retrieved artifacts testified to that area's trading history. Dozens of iron straight pins of two sizes, percussion caps, beads in several colors, chinking, melted lead, a broken pen knife, pearlware and other ceramics, and iron parts from some unguessable implement were collected.

The Burke Farm site produced clock parts, a suspender clasp, buttons of shell, ceramic, bone, and metal—including a U. S. Government pin—several pipe stems, some with distinctive bite marks, a pig tooth, gastroliths (pieces of quartz polished by chicken digestion), a homemade bullet, clothing snaps, and broken dishes—echoes of *Damn it!* blew in the

wind. During a rainy day an almost complete saucer was glued together from tiny shards.

Everything found was carefully catalogued—altogether, a few thousand items. From this a picture of what life here must have been like began to take shape. It usually matched the lore, but not always—attempts to verify the folk tale of a feud between the Greenes and the Burkes over the digging of a drainage canal over a hundred years ago did not succeed.

The school hopes to return for another month-long six-credit-hour session year after year. Gradually a more complete image of early Beaver Island will take shape. Their reports, and in the future an exhibit, will be available at the school, library, and museum.

They left at the end of June, but, not to worry, the next group of archaeology students, those assembled by Dr. Deb Rotman of Notre Dame, is already on its way.



BEAVER ISLAND CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 9 - **Beaver Tales 2** - A Beaver Island Journey! 8 pm at the Community Center.

July 10, **Glen McDonough Memorial Concert** 7 pm (see page 44.)

July 11 (rain date, July 18) - **Beaver Island Archipelago Challenge**. Starts 12:00 at the Shamrock. Enter your boat, or we'll get you on one. (See page 24.)

July 12 - **Beaver Island Association Annual Meeting**. 7 pm at Peaine Hall.

July 15 - 17 - **Beaver Island Music Festival** www.bimf.net (see page 21.)

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

July 17 - **Ladies Golf Tournament** 9 am

July 19 - 24 - **Museum Week 2010** (See Page 36.)

July 25 - **Mariachi Los Rebeldes** - Children of the World in Harmony - 4pm at the Community Center.

July 21-23 - **BIHS Art Show** G.F.C.

July 28 - **Benefit Concert - Going for Baroque** 7:30 p.m. Penelope Crawford, Harpsichord ~ Ticketed event - call 231-448-2022

July 29 - **Chamber Music à la Carte**. 7:30 at CMU's Gillingham Center

July 30 - **Friends and Family Friday**. 3:00 p.m. at The Community Center

July 30 - **Chamber Music** - 7:30 pm at The Community Center

July 31 - **Orchestra & Chamber Chorus** - 7:30 pm at Holy Cross Parish Hall

August 1 - **Season Finale Orchestra & Chorus** - 2:00 pm at Holy Cross Parish Hall

July 29 - **Blood Drive** G.F.C. Noon-5:45

July 31 - **Livingstone Studio Meet the Artists** from 12:00 noon - 4:00

August 6 - **TÉADA** at the Community Center. 8 pm. "2009 Best Young

Irish Traditional Act" at the inaugural Ireland's Music Awards!

August 6 - 8 - **Homecoming**

August 7 - Christian church annual **Bake Sale** at G.F.C. 9:00 am

August 12 - **Switchback** 8 pm at the Community Center.

August 13 - **Beaver Tales 2** - 8 pm. at the Community Center.

August 14 - **Rural Health Center Open**, B.I. Golf Course

August 21 - **Jerry Sowa Golf Outing** 5:15 pm

September 4 - **Beaver Island Marathon**

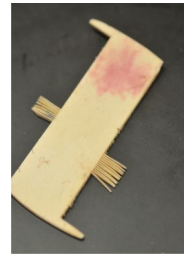
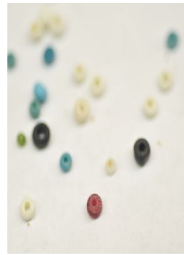
September 9 - **Holy Cross Women's Retreat**; For all Island women.

September 16 - **Health Fair** 2-7 pm

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

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

Thanksgiving Dinner at G.F.C. 6:00 pm





LEATHER TO THE PEDAL

It was a perfect day for a big pedal – cool and overcast, no problem with sweating or glare. The bikers began to gather at the

playground early, wanting to share their early morning coffee and the camaraderie – 83 had registered for the event, and another twelve were walk-ups.

Soon they were off – “To, the lighthouse, Virginia!” Then around the Gull Harbor Nature Preserve, back through town, and out the Donegal Bay



Thank you to John and Lisa for planning this great new early-summer event for Beaver Island

ON THIS DATE

Ten Years Ago Thanks to the effort of Sister Marie Eugene, playwright Dan Goggin agreed to let the Community Players stage three performances of *Nunsense*. Claudia Schmidt, Maggie Bennett, Cindy Gillespie, Melissa Bailey, and Lisa Gillespie starred, with Elaine West directing.

Main Street/Michigan Avenue was about to be repaved.

Gavin West graduated from the Naval Academy as a 2nd lieutenant.

The Meditation Garden behind the library was completed and dedicated.

Sympathy was offered to the family of John Andy Gallagher. Who left behind 14 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, and a lot of friends. He had been a Coast Guard at both lighthouses and a captain for the first Emerald Isle.

Twenty Years Ago A lightning strike started a fire in and under the woods near the Beaver Head lighthouse school. The students and staff set up a bucket brigade. They worked with shovels to get at the fire, and managed to bring it under control in three hours but posted sentries through the night.

The Deputy Sheriff had received 41 dog complaints. Consequently a \$10 impound fee was adopted, plus a \$3/day boarding fee for pups doing time.

Road, with a lead car making sure all approaching traffic detoured into the nearest driveway. Almost a hundred bikers – how glorious it was as the sun

The Med Center held its 7th annual fashion show at the Circle M, with 120 guests. Over \$1,000 was raised.

A citizens' group claiming the 1987 agreement to move the South End Road east of Iron Ore Creek away from the frequent wash-out area was illegal could not convince the Peaine Board, which ruled that the abandoned section would not be reopened.

The cost of building the Transfer Station was estimated at \$230,000. A loan for part of the cost was obtained; millage would also be sought.

The Deputy said the three sets of human bones found at Rustic Villa were being returned by the state police and would be buried in a common grave at the Protestant Cemetery.

When the CMU boat broke down, Sharon Vance and her husband were dispatched to High Island to retrieve a student who was completing a week-long study. They looked for two hours but couldn't find him. Finally Verne got his coach's whistle and began blowing it—to no avail. They were leaving when Sharon happened to see a little blue sticking up a half-mile away. They walked to it and found the student lying down next to his tent. "Didn't you hear us blowing our whistle?" they asked.

peeked through!

When the planned tour ended, some tired peddlers opted for the relaxing ambiance of the Shamrock,

"Sure, but I figured it was just some scoutmaster who'd lost his cubbies."

Forty Years Ago The Episcopal Mission was showing weekly movies for under a dollar. The Christian Church began a drive to raise \$3,000 to "burn its mortgage."

After being closed for three years, the Beaver Lodge opened its doors. The King Strang opened, with Harry Wanty as manager.

Fifty Years Ago Bird-watchers taking CMU's ornithology class identified over 100 bird species on Beaver Island.

The Institute for Fisheries Research collected samples at four inland lakes.

Holy Cross Parish prepared to celebrate its Centennial. A booklet about its history was about to be released.

Three jeeps with men from the McClure Oil Company were roaming the Island. Drilling was expected to begin mid-month.

Fred Annand, who purchased the George Donat farm at Pebble Beach, began building fences to protect his beef cattle.

The old jail was moved to next to the Museum.

Mrs. Bob Seybold of Jackson became the manager of the Pink Poodle Gift Shop, located at the Lodge.

but others tried to rally support for a quick sprint to the South End. "C'mon, guys, we can do this!" Me, I went inside and had a beer.

WOMEN, FORE!

Women golfers, mark your calendar for the annual Beaver Island Women's Golf Tournament to be held on Saturday, July 17 at the Beaver Island Golf Course.

Teams of four golfers will compete in a scramble format, and all levels of golfers are welcome. There will be lots of fun individual contests as well. Sign up in advance at the Golf Course as a

team or individually to be added to a team. The fee to play is \$20 which includes lunch at the course following the tournament.

Sign in is at 8:30 and the shotgun tournament starts at 9 a.m. For further information, contact Jean Carpenter, 448-2893, Sharon Scamehorn, 448-2641 or Sandy Birdsall, 448-2982.

IN MEMORY: JOHN BOATMAN

John Boatman has passed into spirit. He lead many field courses on Beaver and Garden Islands, where his students stayed at the CMU station. He followed Keewaydinoquay's lead, although in the late 90s a friendly rivalry developed between them. Yet several of

his students joined the Minis Kitigan Drum, her society.

He last spoke back in 1998 during Museum Week on the special Island he loved so very much, and the mysteries reported by the first Irish settlers – which mirrored Native lore. Some of his

THANKS

I would like to thank the Beaver Island Emergency Medical Service and Island Airways for their rapid and skilled response to my accident on May 6th.

My recovery is coming along very well. Thank you for all your help. We do appreciate it.

—Gerald and Mary Lou Connaghan

theories were controversial, but they sparked much discussion and thought.

He was the chair of the American Indian and Ethnic studies department at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and had many good friends there. He was laid to rest on this summer solstice.

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44. IN MEMORY: DALE K. BOYLES

Dale K. Boyles died at the age of 101 on June 4, 2010 at Hazel I. Findlay Country Manor in St. Johns, Michigan. He was born in St. Louis, Michigan on October 30, 1908, the son of Claud J. and Mary E. (Keyser) Boyles; he graduated from Lansing Central High School in 1926, and from Michigan State University in 1932. On October 12, 1935 he married Gertrude J. Findlay. They were together for 68 years until her death on August 15, 2003.

Mr. Boyles was a longtime employee of Parke-Davis, an accountant at the home office in Detroit, and business manager of the research facility in Ann Arbor from its opening in 1959 until his retirement in 1973. In 1996 he and his wife moved their residence to Beaver Island and thereafter seasonally divided their time between the island and Ft. Myers, Florida. He was a member of the Christian Church on Beaver Island.

Before retirement he was active in



civic affairs in the Ann Arbor area. He was a reserve army officer on active duty for five years during World War II. For the last several years Mr. Boyles has been a resident of Clinton Commons, a retirement community in St. Johns, Michigan, where he has enjoyed the acquaintance and company of others of his own generation.

Surviving Mr. Boyles are his two daughters, Jane E. Boyles-Visel of Ann Arbor and Kay Barbara Flournoy of Waterford and his son, Fredrick J. (Barbara) Boyles of Grand Blanc. Also surviving are his three grandchildren and four great grandchildren. A grandson, Jason Boyles passed away in 2000. At his request the only services were held at the graveside in Lowe Cemetery, Essex Twp., Michigan following the visitation. Memorial contributions may be made to the Beaver Island Rural Health Center Endowment Fund, Beaver Island, Michigan 49782.

GLEN McDONOUGH CONCERT

July 10: The 2nd annual Glen McDonough Memorial Concert will be held on Saturday, July 10, at 7:00 p.m. at Reddeer, 37670 King's Highway, Beaver Island. This concert is a benefit for the Glen McDonough Memorial Music Scholarship Fund. Scholarships have been awarded to students studying violin, piano, guitar, voice, and other music



projects. Glen was born on Beaver Island on April 20, 1934. He played with two great Island musicians, Pat Bonner and Jewell Gillespie, as well as with many other talented Island musicians until his death on August 19, 2004. Glen was an active member of the Original Michigan Fiddlers' Association for many years, and the Jordan Valley Fiddlers Group."

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An Open House at the B.I. Food Pantry was held at the Gregg Fellowship Hall on June 12 in order to inform the public of the services provided by this growing program.

Typical food boxes for small and large families were on display, as were the household supply and variety tables where families may choose a number of different and varied items, ranging from pet food to laundry detergent and from refried beans to hot fudge spread.

With collection boxes located at both airports, those leaving the Island often drop off a wide variety of leftovers and unused items that go beyond

basic staples. "The airport locations have really worked out well," said Pantry board member Miranda Rooy.

The typical family boxes contain a variety of foods ranging from breakfast supplies to canned fruits and vegetables, peanut butter and small snacks to dinner-type skillet mixes. There are also dry goods such as paper towels, toilet paper, and Kleenex. Also in the food boxes is a voucher which can be used at



McDonough's Market to purchase milk, bread, butter, cheeses, yogurt, fresh vegetables, and meat products.

"In addition to offering the vouchers, the Market has been very cooperative in ordering

food in bulk for us," Rooy added. "They have been very good to us."

Board member Judi Meister was excited to show off the Pantry's 'new' used refrigerator, saying they hoped to work out a method of offering perishable items in the future. Last year,

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Meister said, a local gardener offered to donate fresh produce, but there was no way to store it.

In addition to the airports, donations of non-expired canned goods, non-perishables, and dry goods can be made at the B. I. Rural Health Center, the Community Center, as well as at the Christian Church. Monetary donations are also welcome. Contact Jayne Bailey at 231.448.2933 or 2881 for information. Checks may also be mailed directly to the B.I. Food Pantry at P. O.



although they have processed as many as 15 boxes a month. Again, contact Bailey at the above numbers to schedule a distribution appointment. Two other offerings from the Pantry have been quite successful – distributing Thanksgiving turkeys and Easter hams.

Box 21, Beaver Island MI 49782.

According to Meister, on average the Pantry passes out 8-10 boxes on its distribution day, the first Saturday of each month,

Meister said they offered 12 each in preparation for their past respective holidays. "We really are filling a need here," Bailey said of the Pantry's offerings.

Another part of the Open House was to show the public the Pantry's recently completed room in the Gregg Fellowship Hall. The brightly-lit room has plenty of storage, room for growth, and, of course, the new refrigerator. A new sign built and donated by Bob and Betty Hudgins now graces the Fellowship Hall, welcoming all to the Pantry, for, as their motto states: because we are a family.

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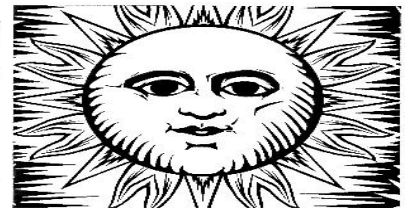
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48. CHECKING IN WITH MOTHER NATURE

The CMU staff has once again put together Nature Walks for this summer. Two are set during Museum Week (July 21, Little Sand Bay and July 22, Johnny Martin's Trail—see page 36) and another two will take place on the 15th and 24th. Cosponsored by the Historical Society, each begins at 9:00 a.m. and conclude with a lunch. The cost is \$25. Participa-

tion is limited to 25, so register early by calling Pinky, 448-2461.

July 15: *Beth Leuck's Exploring the Dunes at Cable's Bay.* It's amazing how much life can be found here.

July 24: *Dan Benjamin will take participants to several inland lakes and discuss their age, history, ecology, occupants, and future.*

No matter how much you know, there's always more to learn. Spending three hours with like-minded people under the direction of noted experts is a great way to have fun and make new friends while taking a stand to support the notion that learning about our environment is the first step toward effectively protecting it!

REAL ESTATE, FOR RENT

OPENINGS STILL AVAILABLE! NORTH SHORE 300' BEACH FRONT - anytime after August 16. Sunset Cabin overlooking Garden Island. Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath log cabin, easy walk to town. \$600 a week. Call (231) 448-2050.

HOUSE ON WICKLOW BEACH - sleeps 6. \$875/week weekly rental. Contact Ryan or Kerry Smith (231) 448-2601 or ryanandkerry@tds.net

A HOUSE RENTAL - Cute 2 bdrm house in woods near town, public beaches, and bike path. Screened porch. Washer, dryer. No pets, no smoking. \$595/week. Call (231) 871-0477.

LOG CABIN ON SAND BAY - pets allowed. 2 BR, 1 bath: \$500. Call (734) 449-0804 or email dlelzey@gmail.com

HAGGARD'S SUMMER RENTAL HOME - Beautiful home overlooks Paradise Bay (harbor & town) across from the Maritime Museum. A comfortable custom home sleeps 8-10 with 3 baths. Sunset view of the harbor and the village of St James is a winner. Public sand beach is close by. Well mannered pets welcome. Only \$1,200 per week. Call (231) 547-4046 (day) (231) 547-6600. (evening) or email samhunt59@yahoo.com

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LOCH WOOD SHORES - Located on the beach of Sand Bay. 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, W/D, full kitchen, gas grill, large deck that you step off onto the beach, fireplace, dish, and a gorgeous view. Call (231) 448-2733 or (231) 448-2499 or email tammymcd107@yahoo.com

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FOR SALE - HARBOR-AREA HOUSE:

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Dan's Den - Great location - set back from the road but close to town. 2 bedrooms downstairs and bedroom in the loft. Cathedral ceiling with exposed beams. Full kitchen, custom cabinets. Walk-out full basement. Wrap-around deck. Asking \$239,000.00. Call (231) 448-2238 dansarahoct9@tds.net

10 ACRES, ISLAND HIDEAWAY OFF WEST SIDE DRIVE - \$39,000, 1c available. Includes 522 ft² building, driveway, large clearing, mixed hardwoods. Call owner agent Michael Collins (231) 313-8739.

LOTS 644 AND 645 PORT OF ST. JAMES. Nice corner lots. \$19,000 for both. (231) 448-3088.

40 ACRES ON SLOPTOWN ROAD - Call Bud at (231) 448-2397.



For Sale: IN-TOWN HOME:

Wonderful location - one block from harbor and McDonough's. Two bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, full basement on large lot. Ready to move in - fully furnished with all updated appliances. Includes 24x32 pole barn. Asking \$143,000 Call (404) 805-5922. Additional photographs available.

For Sale 10 shares of **BEAVER ISLAND BOAT COMPANY STOCK**: \$400 per share; Bob Tidmore, (231) 448-3088.

20 ACRES WEST SIDE ROAD \$55,000 ; 16x18 rustic cabin (no electricity or water) ; Apple orchard and deer blinds ; great location for hunting ; 1/2 mile north of Fox Lake Rd ; contact: Mike Eicher (248) 766-4205.

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



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YEARBOOKS

The 2009-10 BICS Yearbook, a 40-page, all-color, all-Island produced collection of memories and special moments is still available for purchase. Two locations for making your purchase are: the school office and Shipwreck Shirts gift shop. Yearbooks are only \$10/copy and make a great keepsake for students and parents alike.

CHECKING OUT THE LIBRARY 49.

With some very hot days, the Library was one place to cool off thanks to the air conditioning. Rainy days it's a great place to pass the time while searching out videos, perusing the books and magazines, or just doodling around on the computers. Our number of visitors is growing every day!

Best seller books from the *New*

York Times Best Seller List? Sure. Want to watch a movie instead? Step right up. Investigate your ancestors? That's available too.

Some special events are coming up in July so keep your eyes peeled for the signs. Story Hour will begin on July 7th at 10:30 a.m. with Connie Wojan!

Hot or cold and wet outside, stop in!

SAND BAY COTTAGE - ON THE LAKE - with great beachfront. Sleeps 6. Two bedrooms and loft, 1 bath. Modern kitchen, fireplace, washer/dryer, grill. Deck and screened-in gazebo. No pets, no smoking. \$800/week. Email Sue at

cabinbythelake1@gmail.com or call (231) 448-2670

THE FISHERMAN'S HOUSE - Great 'In-Town' location across the street from St. James Harbor on the harbor road. 4 BR/2 Bath; W/D; Four bedrooms, three rooms with double beds

and one room with twin beds, two bathrooms, bed linens and bath towels provided, fully equipped modern kitchen, washer/dryer, TV, enclosed porch, and open deck with grill. For availability, call Bill or Tammy (231) 448-2499 or (231) 448-2733.

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WATERFRONT HARBOR HOUSE FOR RENT - Spectacular view of Paradise Bay! Large home with all the amenities, linens provided. 4 bedroom, 2½ baths, sleeps 8, washer/dryer, fully equipped kitchen, satellite tv. June - Sept. \$1250 a week. Short walk to the Stoney Acre Grill.

ON THE HARBOR - Furnished upstairs apartment overlooking beautiful Paradise Bay. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with fully equipped kitchen. Porch and deck area on the harbor with possible dock slip. \$800 a week.

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WANTED: 5-10 ACRES - to buy or rent. Some cleared ground for garden & pasture desirable as well as barn or stable. (616) 828-4102.

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FOR SALE, 11 ACRES ON EAST SIDE DRIVE - good land, 357' on road, 1373' deep; \$28,900. Phone (231) 448-2545.

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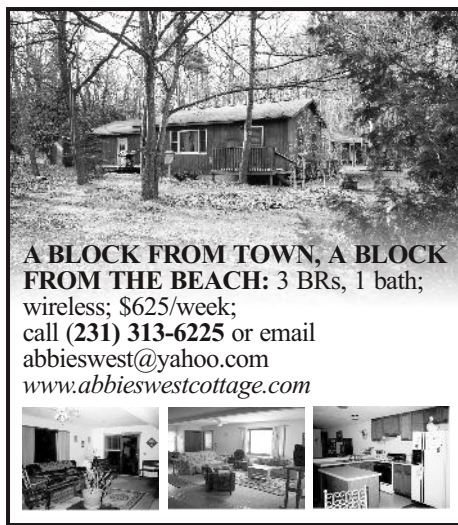
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Units 7, 8, 9, 11 of Innisfree Dunes Condominium

Four beautiful, wooded acreage pieces located on the north side of Donegal Bay Road just four-tenths of a mile from town and the Emerald Isle Hotel. These lots have access to their interior (north side) off Innisfree Lane but Lots 9 and 11 also have access to Donegal Bay Road. The new bike path runs along the south line of these lots. All four lots are zoned and restricted to single-family residential use. They are very close to town and just about 3/4 of a mile from the public access at Font Lake. Lot 11 is immediately adjacent to Ed and Connie Wojan's home at 26765 Donegal Bay Road. Lot 7 is on the west side of Innisfree Lane and Lot 8 is just toward town on the east side of Innisfree Lane. These large homesites are really hard to find close to town; the nearest anyone will find something like these are 10-acre parcels much farther down the Island. One-half acre lots in the Wojan Plat a little closer to town than Innisfree Dunes Condominium have been selling for \$42,000 to \$45,000 for a number of years. These 2-1/2 to 3 acre lots are therefore really a bargain at **\$45,000 each**



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



BEACHFRONT HOUSE FOR RENT: Exciting cottage with view of High Island from large deck. Open floor plan, huge windows on extremely private beach. 2 BRs with 2 full beds + loft with 2 twins. 1 1/2 baths, TV/VCR, W/D, microwave, gas grill, all amenities. \$1200/week; spring & fall \$895. Limit 6 people. Please call (941) 921-2233 or (317) 769-6563

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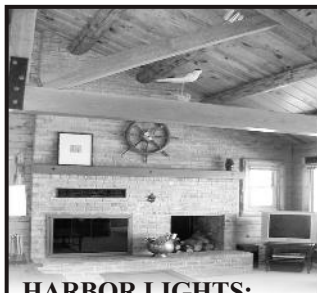
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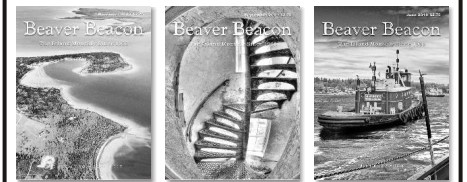
SAND BAY - "BAY HAVEN" COTTAGE - WEEKLY RENTAL - Lake Front, Sandy Beach, 5 br, great view, laundry, East Side Dr.—only four miles from town. This home is

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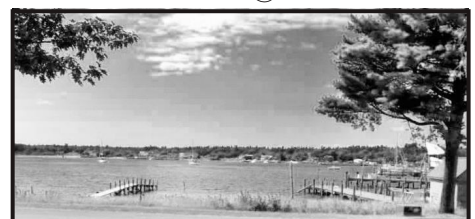


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