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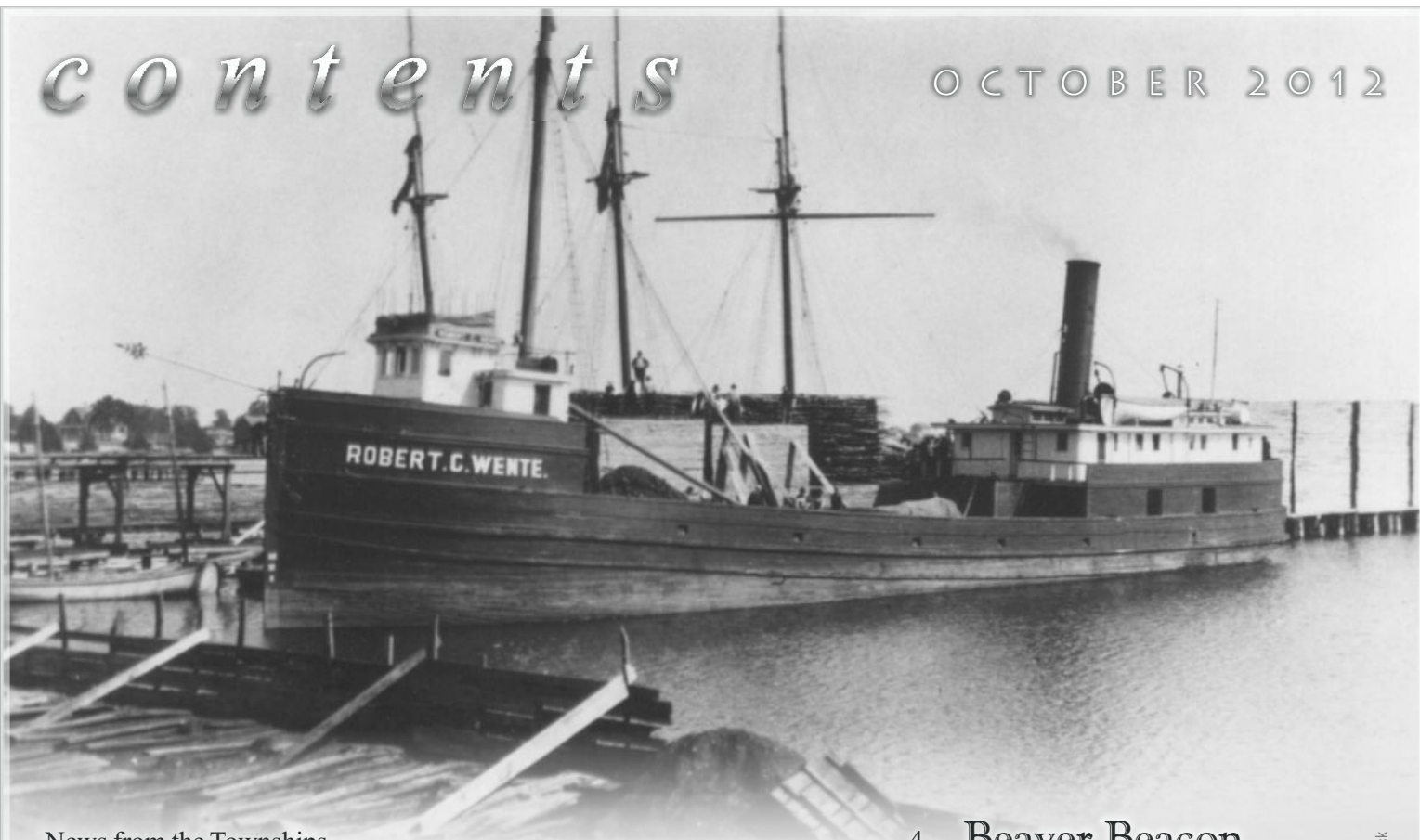
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4. NEWS FROM THE TOWNSHIPS

St. James Township

Tim McDonough said the Beaver Island Fire Department was the beneficiary of the Bill Scherer memorial, which had provided ~\$13,000 so far.

Don Vyse reported on progress with fund raising for the Whiskey Point Light Tower. The estimate of cost for the first phase, including interior and exterior masonry, was \$157,750. Thanks to several grants and donations, including \$50,000 in donations from off the Island and a \$60,000 state grant, we were only \$26,231 short, and John Woolham graciously offered to donate that amount.

Two contradictory letters were received about our Harbormaster's performance. One said he had been rude and unhelpful, a troublemaker, while the second praised him for his extra efforts managing a clean, well-run marina, and being a helpful, informative, and pleasant person. Jim Wojan offered to follow up on the negative letter, as he's done before.

The Municipal Marina, though, had a real problem with the lower water level last year, and had to turn away several boats which could not navigate the shallow water. Consequently the Township will apply for dredging permits from the DNR and the Army Corps of Engineers. It would like to restore the 6'

depth, which will require removing 300 to 800 yards of material. The work could be done by a local contractor.

Don Vyse and Kitty McNamara were reappointed to the BITA. Their terms had expired, and there were no other applicants.

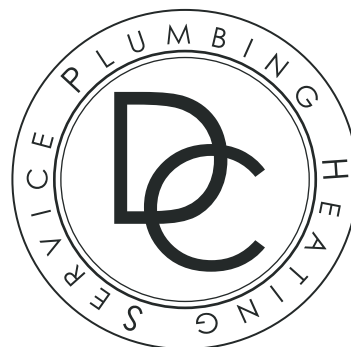
The recommended millage rates were adopted.

Bids were to go out for reroofing the Township Hall (in a color to match CMU's revitalized Boat House). Bidders were to give two prices – one for asphalt, another for metal

Peaine Township

At the beginning of the monthly meeting the Board and the audience heard a presentation by the owners of Fox Pointe parcel #11. Rick Lobenhurst and Tom Erber had come to the Island with Little Traverse Conservancy staff member Kieren Fleming to look at the land and discuss an option for Peaine's acquisition. The parcel includes most of the east shore of Fox Lake; its 23 acres contain 2,250' of shoreline.

The proposal involved Peaine getting a grant from the Michigan Land Trust, an agency with \$37m to award from gas and oil leases; its grants typically cover 75% of a property's cost. To qualify Peaine would have to complete its Recreation Plan (the NRESC has taken this on), and the Plan would have



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to demonstrate that this land has recreational and ecological value. The parcel would have to be appraised by a DNR-certified appraiser (and we'd have to pay for this, possibly ~\$2,000); if the appraisal is high enough, the owners would donate the needed 25% to make the deal go. The owners estimated the value to be between \$100 and \$200/foot. The LTC staffer would help write the grant request.

During discussion it came out that an easement would be included from parcel #9 (but using it might require building an elevated walkway for several hundred feet). Also, the high ridge at its north end was excellent for blueberries and other parts good for cranberries. It was logged some time ago. There's a rough trail from Middie Perron's Trail. The land contains much wetland, and it's a loon nesting site. The Board agreed to move forward on investigating this.

Ann Partidge addressed the Board, speaking about the Charlevoix County Leadership Program. Now in its second year, the Island's Karen Johnson was a candidate for the nine months' exposure to government, business, and economic development opportunities, but her involvement depended on finding sponsors to cover the tuition and travel costs. Five businesses had offered to help, and

Peaine Township agreed to contribute \$200 as well.

The final draft of the EMS air evacuation contract had been approved by Danielle Dedloff, and the Island Airways attorney was reviewing it; it could become effective in a matter of days.

Verizon made a new offer. It owns one of the three towers on the King's Highway, with A T & T and the EMS owning the other two. Verizon wanted to trade theirs with the EMS, giving the EMS a bigger tower and gaining a site which has already been licensed for a 100' tower; Verizon would then replace its acquisition with a new and better tower. The Board wanted a report on the condition of the old Verizon tower before agreeing.

There was a discussion of Peaine's perception that St. James is effectively setting Peaine's millage rate (for Peaine's general fund) by setting its millage rates for the shared agencies without conferring with Peaine beforehand. A suggestion was for Peaine to ignore St. James' rates and set their own; if that does not produce sufficient funds for each agency, the agency would be told to revise its budget and next time have a budget for the next year in Peaine's hands before it sets its millage rate.

The unemployment *continued on page 6.*

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6. *News from the Townships*, from page 5. claim made by the dismissed Transfer Station employee was also discussed. It was denied by the Peaine clerk

after she conferred with a member of the Waste Management Committee, and the former employee challenged the alleged grounds for dismissal.

MY WALK TO HEAVEN

My walk to heaven: a Trilogy, my story, but more importantly, a story about us as members of the human race.

The Mackinac Bridge, the third longest suspension bridge in world, connects the Lower and Upper Peninsula in Michigan. I have driven over it, sailed

under it, but never had the opportunity to walk it, until this year. This required me to leave my Beaver Island home and head back to America (the mainland).

That accomplished, it was soon the early morning of the event. A 4:00 a.m. wake-up call, out the door by 5:00am,

The Waste Management Committee meeting minutes were procured, but the alleged reason was not mentioned in them – it only said, “fired for cause.” It

by Jim Heit

driving from Charlevoix to Mackinaw City and arriving in the darkness of 6:00 a.m. Feeling lucky, we soon found the staging area for our bus, which would take us north across the Bridge. From there we would walk back in the south-bound lane. The walk, which officially



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started at 7:00 a.m., was delayed by the Governor's speech. Even though we were out of range of the loudspeakers,



one of the Governor's "handlers" came to our bus driver and asked her to shut off the engine so we might hear the speech.

I did not want my fellow passengers wondering what was being said, so I took it upon myself to telepathically deliver



his message. This is a summary: “You shall expect to see a chicken in every pot, jobs for all, student loans forgiven, mort-

might have been mentioned in a report made to the WMC, but that document was in the Transfer Station office and was not available. So the Board decided

to retract its objection and accept the unemployment claim. Since it does not pay into MESC, it will be billed for the entire amount of the claim—perhaps

\$7,500. In reaction the Board 7. decided to investigate switching its approach and possibly begin making regular payments to the MESC.

gages paid off, free health insurance, no more wars, and of course neighbors and in-laws that you can get along with. WOW, this was as the billboards proclaim, Pure Michigan!” A rousing cheer went up! He got my vote! I was indeed in the promised land.

and laughter.

Well, the journey was underway with a search for the youngest and the oldest, the most infirm, and the most far out. I found them all in the next two hours. First up was a women in her eighties using a walker and actually shuffling her feet.

She was with her great granddaughter. I politely asked her age; with a smile, and her eyes sparkling, she said Sonny, I'm thirty nine! My eyes watered and I told her she was an inspiration! What did she do for me? She called me Sonny! Imagine that, at my age! We did indeed serve



My encounters: Our bus driver was a delightful middle-age women who loved her job and her kids, but neverthe-



less was headed to college. School was to begin on the Fourth, and we were her warm-up act. This is where it all started, the nonstop next two hours of laughter.

Info: There are 150 school buses, 50 to a bus, times 9 trips = 67,000 bodies.



I have an alter ego called The Red Shoe Walker. When the occasion calls for it, I become him, an ambassador of joy



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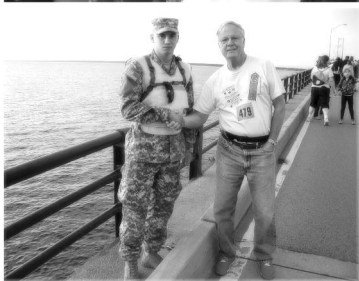
8. one another at that moment in time. Next up was a man with a big Macaw on his shoulder. I had to inquire: what keeps him from flying off? He replied that he found him on the street, was unemployed, took him in, and would never leave him. I couldn't imagine those huge claws digging in for five miles. This was the man's ninth trip, but a first for the bird. Animals are not allowed on the walk so it was definitely an illegal!

In the next moment I heard complaining behind me. There were three teenagers, one from Germany. This was her first time in America, and she was getting tired from too much walking and texting. As a peace-maker, The Red Shoe Walker went into action. He offered to push or pull, but that wasn't getting anywhere. Plan two: I suggested a picture of herself crossing the finish line, posted on Facebook! Now I spoke her language. Suddenly she wasn't tired any more. That girl went!

Next: One of many Michigan National Guardsmen on duty. I shook his hand and thanked him for helping keep us safe. He appreciated the acknowledgment. **Then:** A four-year-old boy. Imagine how many steps those short legs had to take to keep up. Maybe the equivalent of fifteen miles? More inspiration!

Next: The center span; Could this be the end? Is it my time to depart? There was NO wind, and the sun was shining brightly, but the cables holding the bridge up looked like they were being plucked by a giant hand. I was in Southern California in the nineteen eighties when the Northridge earthquake hit, and this was just like that. People starting walking like they were drunk, and try as I might, I could not help staggering. People looked around at each other in disbelief. Could this be the road to heaven?

I was at peace, laughing like a kid on a amusement park ride. Whoopee, are you ready for me God? Well, it was just not our time. **Next:** The Red Shoe Walker finally meets Superman and Spiderman.



It was a brief encounter with us encouraging each other to keep up the good work as down the road we went. **Next:** There were people on top of the beam connecting the two towers 500' above the water. They were everyday people like you and I. I asked an Army Captain for permission to climb, but he said not at this time. Inspiration! Not now, but later? **Next:** A blind lady with the appropriate



cane walking alone. A person in a wheelchair also. And so it went....

We all got our certificates, and now the real challenge, how do we find the car? The consensus was, follow the crowd, except the crowd went a zillion different directions! We picked one, and you guessed it, it was the wrong one! And so we went around and around in this maze. Eventually I appointed my sister-in-law as chief scout. I called her Tonto. She wasn't honored, and eventually quit, taking to the nearest bench. Ask, just ask, she said. This I did, but to no avail. Us-

ally the response was, don't ask me, I'm lost too.

We knew if we eventually came across a large body of water (Lake Huron) we would not flounder forever, and so it was. Our five-mile journey had now become seven or eight, but our spirits never faltered. The required T-shirt and fudge shopping was next. It went very well with finding them all in the same store staffed with teenage girls from India, good looking, with a ton of charm as well. They were selling, and I needed to be convinced. It

was then game on, and a fun game it was: smile vs. smile, and I was determined to win. At one point I went over the top, bent over the counter, and said, you have very beautiful eyes and I love your smile, but no. She then cheated, smiled back, and stuffed yet another sample of fudge into my mouth. Agh; not fair at all!

The bottom line, you ask? I got the equivalent of a purchase in free samples but ended up buying two T-shirts when all I need was one. We all "won" and the prize was the exchange of joy and laughter.

Tonto was back on the job, and we were back on Interstate 75 within five minutes. I turned on Tom Tom, my GPS, with the voice of the English lady Mandy guiding us down the road. She is bossy, but I love her accent. The passenger count on the ferry back was sparse; twelve, out of a possible three hundred, so it was stretch out and take a nap time. I can hardly

wait until next year, when we as a large group of people, different, but ultimately the same, come together to once again share that five-mile stretch of laughter and joy, on the Mighty Mac. Pure Michigan at its finest. Thanks to my brother Don and his wife Mary (Tonto) for making this experience possible.

Love to all, from Jim,
aka The Red Shoe Walker.

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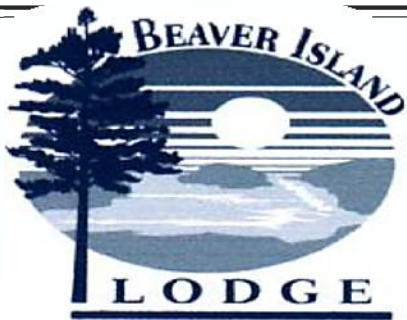


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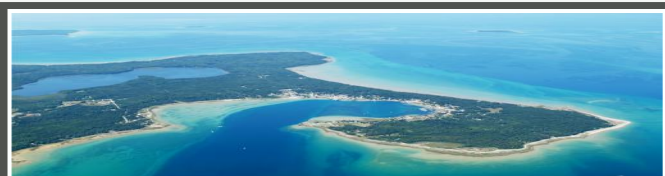
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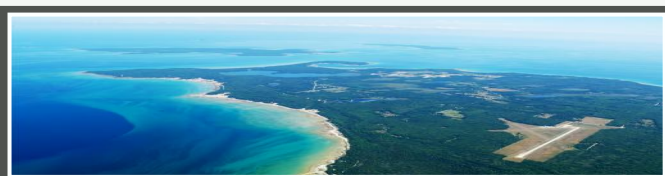
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KOHL'S' NEW MINIATURE DONKEYS

Kohls' new miniature donkeys, or they can be called Jack Asses (Jack means they are "complete") are the newest Beaver Islanders. Andy and Bill Kohls' new miniature donkeys arrived on Beaver Island via the *Emerald Isle*

on the 19th. They had their own little cage and were so snug in there they didn't want to come out. These are two boys and won't get any larger.

There were several people waiting to see these cute little guys—they had their own arrival crowd! We were

taking photos and as you can see, everybody had to pet them!

They are brothers and don't have names yet. Andy mentioned there will be a contest to give them names. They will happily live at Andy's Grooming Barn.

—Nancy Peterson

SCHOOL SIGN AND SCOREBOARDS REPLACED

New school signage and new gym scoreboards are a reality at Beaver Island Community School. The school signage in front of the school got a big upgrade as the construction identification sign is finally replaced with a permanent school sign. The new sign has a 2-line amber LED screen to keep the community informed of upcoming events and accomplishments. Funding for this school sign is from a designated building improvement area of the school's general fund and from the sinking fund, which the board has main-

tained for building improvements. The sign was envisioned as part of the school building project a few years ago and is finally a reality. The school will set guidelines which will allow other governmental and non-profit groups to have their messages displayed on the sign.

Thanks to a major fundraising effort, the school's small and malfunctioning scoreboard has been replaced by new upgraded boards. The following businesses and individuals made major contributions to the scoreboard fund: Beaver Island Boat Company, Beaver

Island Sports Boosters, Charlevoix State Bank, Island Airways, Martin Gas and Oil, McDonough's Market, Olivia Schwartzfisher #14, Schwartzfisher Stoneworks, TDS Telecom, and The Shamrock. Special thanks go to Barbara Schwartzfisher for pursuing donations and to Gerald LaFreniere for pushing the project forward. And, a special thanks to the following local contractors and parents who helped install the scoreboards: Kevin McDonough, Ernest Martin, Gerald LaFreniere, John Robert, Ryan Smith, and Tony Rouch.

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But we have challenges. Our economy is based on tourism, vacation homes, retirees—and the businesses and services they need. The past few years have seen a decline in visitors, and tax rates that are forcing people to sell their vacation homes. Lack of work is making it difficult for residents to earn a living, and if people have to leave the Island to survive, then we'll become a ghost town. As people age they require needed help—for if the plumber, contractor, and mechanic aren't available, people will retire elsewhere.

Here is a short list of how active government leadership could make things better:

Control the cost of government:

- Review all government expenditures and services—set priorities based on need.
- Reduce the cost of government—use the savings to reduce taxes and reallocate monies to make the Island more attractive to residents, visitors, and businesses.
- Where improvement costs exceed our local ability to pay—seek external funding from government and private sources.

Increase employment opportunities:

- Upgrade Island technology so folks can work for a mainland company while they live here.
- Make the Township more attractive, convenient and pleasurable—with diverse recreational opportunities, and improved roads, trails, parks, and campgrounds.
- Attract more visitors to the Island—join with local non-profits, businesses, and off-Island development and promotion agencies to help advertise and educate.

Ensure fair access to jobs and the good life:

- Work with public and private agencies to keep the costs of essential goods and services reasonable for year-round residents (e.g. transportation, green bags, etc.)
- Develop a “job opportunities clearing house” with local businesses to publicize all public and private Island job openings here.

We also suggest inviting our entire community to an “Economic Summit.” We know its been tried before, but not like this. We suggest several to get community-wide participation—for we need more than the usual suspects to tackle the problems of a dwindling population, fewer visitors, and not enough jobs.

Tourism needs to be strengthened for everyone's benefit. We must 1) better attract visitors; 2) get them to stay longer; 3) better accommodate them while they're here; and 4) inspire them to return year after year. If elected, we promise to launch these efforts immediately—and we will work to bring a new spirit of cooperation, a revitalized economy, and more jobs to the Island.

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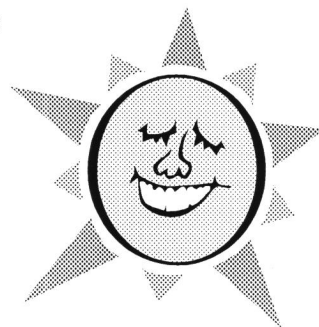
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from Joyce Bartels

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

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, October 2, 1912 **No Beaver Island Related News**

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, October 3, 1912 **Local News:** "The fishermen are cheerful. Fall fishing is yielding up good results. The catches from Beaver Island come over every day by the ton, chiefly trout, although perch are 'on' and are very plentiful. The whitefish come in third, but are of fine quality. The Arbutus went to Antrim City Saturday after a large consignment of whitefish, and made a Sunday trip to St. James for a load of all varieties." (Note: Oct. 1-2, ideal weather, 40 - 68 degrees; Oct. 3 - 8 intermittent rain and ideal weather, 40 - 68 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, October 9, 1912 **No copy extant**

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, October 10, 1912 **Local News:** "L. F. Comfort, of the construction and repair department, lighthouse service, who had been here some time on a vacation, was last week ordered to North Manitou Island to make repairs for the protection of the fog signal station, which is in danger of being washed away by south-west gales."

Beaver Island News: "The tug *Shamrock* made a trip to Manistique Sunday."

"Capt. Frank Left spent a few days in Charlevoix last week."

"The U. S. Tender *Hyacinth* was in the harbor Monday evening."

"Dr. Barney, of Charlevoix, was here a few days last week."

"Ed. Ward, of Charlevoix, transacted business here last week."

"The schooner *Mary Gregory* loaded timber here this week."

"Dr. Armstrong visited the Island professionally last week."

"Miss Mary Cull arrived here last week for a few days visit with her mother."

"Misses Tessie and Anna Connaghan are visiting their mother for a few weeks."

"Mrs. Wm Gibson and children, who have been visiting friends at Manistique the past month, returned home on Friday."

"E. J. Dowdall and wife, returned to their home in Chicago Tuesday. Mr. Dowdall purchased a 60 acre fruit farm while here."

"J. S. Baker, C. Novak and John Cheney were Island visitors Monday."

"John Grill and John B. O'Donnell made a business trip to Manistee last week."

"Mrs. James Sheridan and sister Mrs. Helen Roddy who accompanied their mother's remains here, returned to their home in Milwaukee Tuesday. We are pleased to learn of the improvement in the condition of Mrs. Andrew Roddy and Mrs. Joseph Burke."

"Adolph Blaze who has had charge of R. Buetel Fish Co.'s business at this place for the past year, left for Bay City last week to accept a similar position with the Cavanaugh Fish Co. Oscar Martin has temporarily charge of the Beutal Fish Co. business."

"By the death of Mrs. Mary Norton in Milwaukee, Wis., on September 29th, the Island loses another one of its pioneers. Less than three weeks ago she left here for the above named city, intending to spend the winter with her two daughters, and although she had been ailing for sometime, still the news of the sudden death came as a surprise to her many friends and relatives on the Island. Mrs. Norton was born in Ireland in 1833, and at an early age immigrated (sic) to this country, setting in Canada. In the spring of 1857 she moved to the Island where she has resided almost continuously. Shortly after locating on the Island she met and married Patrick Carmondy, and four children were born to them, three of which survive her. Mrs. James Sheridan, and Mrs. Helen Roddy of Milwaukee and John Carmondy of this place, who was less than two years old when his father, together with three companions, met their death in an attempt to swim ashore from a fishing boat which had foundered near the south end of the Island. A few years after this tragic event she remarried a man named Thos. Norton who preceded her in death several years ago. Mrs. Norton was an excellent and efficient nurse, and her presence in a sick room was sufficient

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16. **One Hundred Years Ago**, from page 15.

to cause the sufferer to forget their pains. The remains were taken here for burial and the esteem and respect in which she was held in this community was manifested by the large concourse of people that followed the remains to their last resting place, notwithstanding the heavy down-pour of rain." (Note: Oct. 9 - 13 Rain. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, October 16, 1912 **Local News Briefly Told:** "W. W. Boyle of St. James is in the city today."

From St. James: "The barge *Drukee* loaded timber here last week."

"Wm. Ricksgers visited Charlevoix this week."

"Mrs. Ella McDonald visited Charlevoix Thursday."

"Fishing tug *C. W. Endress* was in the harbor Monday."

"Oscar Martin transacted business in Charlevoix this week."

"Dr. G. Geoffrey went to Cheboygan for a visit with friends."

"Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shield (sic) visited friends at Manistee this week."

"H. P. Boyle is attending the meeting of the board of supervisors."

"Tug *B. F. Bruce* of Harbor Springs was in the harbor several days last week wind-bound."

"S. A. Correll and Herschel Miller, rival candidates for Probate Judge visited here last week."

"Mrs. H. McCollough returned from a two month's visit with friends in Manitowoc, Wisconsin."

"Mr. and Mrs. Lou Briggs returned from Alpena where they had gone to attend the funeral of Mrs. Briggs' brother."

"Mrs. Albon Smith and cousin Miss MaCafferty of Charlevoix are visiting Mrs. Smith's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Mooney."

"Mrs. 'Wes' Boushoin and children whose husband has been working for the C. & N. R. R. at Escanaba left for that city Friday."

"W. E. Stephens manager for B. I. L. Company stole a march on his friends by slipping away quietly last week and joining the order of Benedicts at Manistee."

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, October 17, 1912 **Local News:** "The House of David gasoline cruiser *Morning Star*, was in port Monday in stress of

weather." (Note: Oct. 13 - 20 furious storms, 30 - 56 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, October 23, 1912 **No Beaver Island related news**

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, October 24, 1912 **Local News:** "The U. S. local inspectors were here last Thursday and inspected the *Frank P. Geiken* and the tug *McCann*."

"The steamer *Beaver* was wind bound at St. James two days and two nights last week. High northerly winds have prevailed almost continuously the past week. On Thursday morning the anemometer registered 42 miles per hour."

Beaver Island News: "Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schied returned home Sunday from Manistee."

"Addie Holly of Charlevoix, spent several days visiting friends."

"Gertie Heath of Charlevoix, is visiting friend this week."

"John McCann went to Charlevoix last week to have the tug *Margaret McCann* inspected."

"A. T. Stewart of the U. S. Fish Bureau, was here making arrangements for spawn taking."

"Ella McDonald who has been to Charlevoix for the week under a doctor's care returned home Tuesday."

"Mrs. J. Underwood who was visiting her brother W. D. Gallagher was called home to Chicago on account of the illness of her son."

"Oscar Martin returned home from Charlevoix, where he was on business."

"Dr. D. Geoffry (sic) returned home after a business trip to Cheboygan."

"Israel Nordan went to Charlevoix on Sunday boat to a Doctor to attend to his hand which has blood poison."

"Dr. Barney of Charlevoix, who has been doing dental work here for several weeks returned home Friday." (Note: Dr. W. R. Barney, Charlevoix, appears in the *Hotel Beaver register*, Oct. 4, 1912)

"J. Crouse of Honor Mich., is spending this week here looking over some lands. Mr. Crouse is buying quite a bit of land for fruit farming." (Jno. W. Cruse, Honor, Mich., appears in the *Hotel Beaver register*, Oct. 10, 1912)

"W. T. Burns of Grand Rapids, Mich., spent several days last week looking over his fruit farm."

"Fred S. Smith of the Grocery House spent several days here last week with out merchants for the winter supplies." (Note: Smith, Petoskey, appears in the *Hotel Beaver register*, Oct. 24, 1912)

"Earl Young of Charlevoix, spent several days here last week looking up insurance business." (Note: E. A. Young, Charlevoix, appears in the *Hotel Beaver register*, Oct. 10, 1912)

"M. J. McCann went to Menominee, Wis., on the *Hart* boat last week to attend to business." (Note: Oct. 23 - 28, some rain, some ideal weather; 30 - 62 degrees; Oct. 29, Jimmy, hospital. [No indication of identity.] F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, October 30, 1912 **Local News Briefly Told:** "Mrs. Jennie Pelitier (sic) who came from St. James last Thursday enroute for Big Rapids where she will undergo an operation at the Sisters of Mercy hospital, left for there Tuesday."

"Dr. A. M. Wilkinson went to the Beaver Islands Saturday on Professional business."

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, October 31, 1912 Front Page Article:

WIRELESS AT HIGH ISLAND

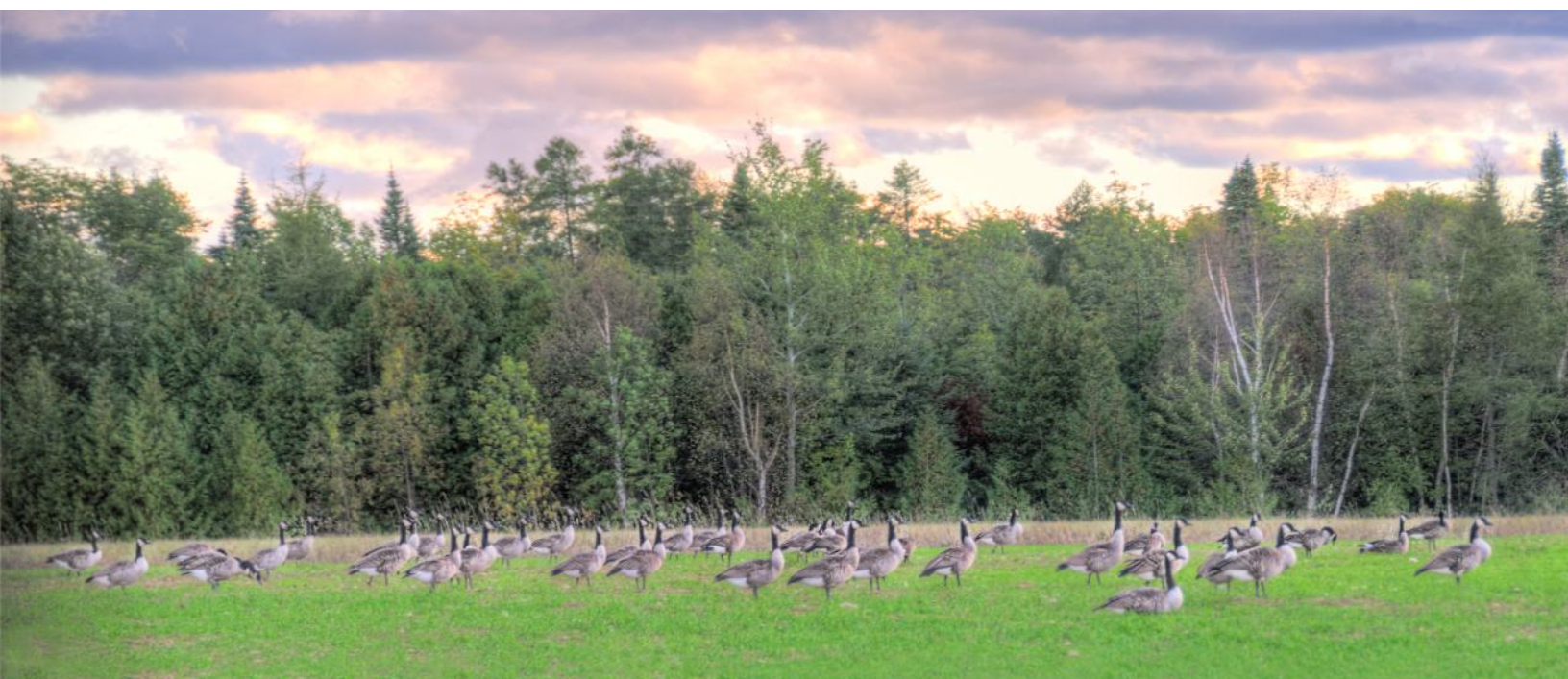
"The 'House of David' people, who have an industrial colony at High Island, this county, are installing an electric light plant for their saw-mill."

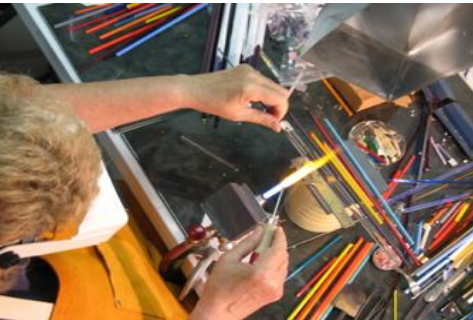
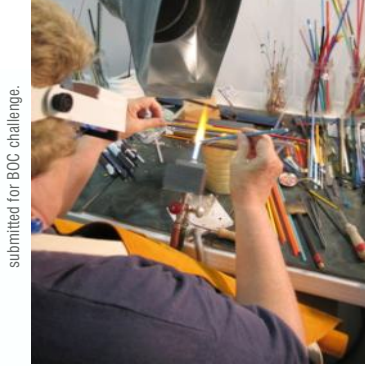
"They are also working on a wireless station on a high hill near their plant, and expect to have it in operation with their home plant in Benton Harbor this winter. They have an experienced operator in the Island colony."

Local News: "Capt. Sam rose will go to St. James next week to superintend the fall spawn gathering for the U. S. fish commission."

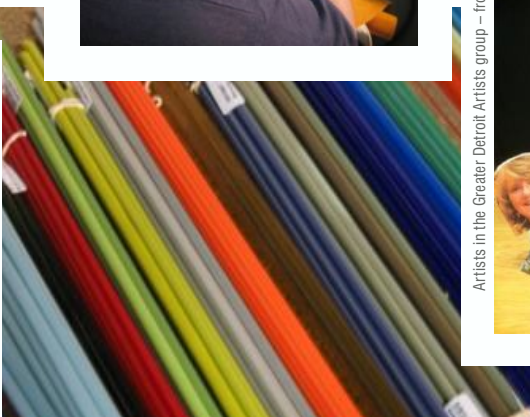
"On Thursday the Booth boat *Arbutus* brought three tons of trout from St. James and then turned around and brought a ton of whitefish from Antrim City."

"The term of office of W. J. Gallagher as deputy oil commissioner expiring the last of September, Mr. Gallagher will resume his fishing and real estate business at Beaver Island. His successor is a Cheboygan man." (Note: Oct. 31, Patrick home. [Patrick Bonner - from hospital in Milwaukee for treatment of his eye injury] F. Protar)





Beaver Island Jewelry glass beads



Artists in the Greater Detroit Artists group - from afar

Some people met in Brighton MI and made beads together



Art group - this is Nancy's BI art group



making polymer clay beads



BEADS OF COURAGE

September 15th was the Beads of Courage Bead Challenge day where beadmakers across the country torched glass beads for this wonderful cause.

Nancy Peterson held an Open Studio at her Island home to show folks how beads are made with a torch, and gave them a chance to sponsor a glass bead at \$5 each. They had a good showing. She

also had her art group on the Island learn to make polymer clay beads, and everyone donated some beads they made. Donations were: 7 bead sponsorships for a total of \$125; 70 glass beads made by Beaver Island Jewelry; and 50 polymer clay beads - made by the BI Art Group

The Beads of Courage program lets seriously ill children pick beads for different medical procedures, which then

tell their story: they record, tell, and own their story. Ongoing evaluation indicates that the program helps to decrease illness-related distress, increase the use of positive coping strategies, helps children find meaning in illness, and restores a sense of self in children coping with serious illness. The program also provides something tangible the child can use to tell about their experience.

BACK FROM DRYDOCK

The *Emerald Isle* returned to the Island on October 2nd back from her 5-year inspection in Wisconsin.



WHEN RED LEAVES COME

19.

Fiery Autumn glowing
One step short of snowing—
Going past—FAST.
The water still warm enough,
So we enjoy a swim,
Since it may be the Last!

And the Calendar!
Not yet changed to Fall,
Seems not changed—
At All...

The Red glow of the Leaves,
Casting a Blush,
Like the Flush—of summer passion,
On a walk in the woods~where we stood.

Summer love cooling a little,
But not so much,
That it might not keep us warm,
For Winter's play—
While we are closeted away-

Remembering the Sun,
on Beloved skin that shone—
With the Lake still clinging to it.
Before the rains blow in to shore—
And the hearth fires are lit,
When a carpet of Red leads-
To the Door.

—Dawn George

RAISING FRY

The Beaver Island Wildlife Club is repairing and updating the walleye-raising pond in preparation for next spring's batch of walleye fry, and we need volunteers to help us fence and replace the turtle barrier. We will start at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 13 at the pond which is located on the Fogg property on the east side of Barney's Lake Road on a two track north of the Fogg's driveway. Tools, hammers, fence pliers or something to pull staples, and a shovel and gloves would be helpful.

This is very important to the sport walleye fishery on Lake Geneserath, a program supported by Michigan's Department of Fishery. Due to our pond failures this spring we had zero walleye to stock in the lake this year. We have guidance from the state fisheries biologist on our pond improvements.

Yesterday the Island's Junior Rangers helped immensely by cleaning up the empty pond. Now we need some adult help and skill please! Hope to see you there.

—Tom Kludt, VP
Beaver Island Wildlife Club



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Ten Years Ago Peaine Township threw itself a party—for its 155th birthday. After a barbeque, a ceremony took place in the Peaine Township Hall with the Board, delegates from the MTA, Shirley Roloff, and about 30 guests. After a few preliminary remarks from Supervisor John Works (he mentioned that with 70 miles of roads and a land valuation of \$100,000,000, Peaine was the largest township in Charlevoix County), Amelia Compo, a descendant of Chief Payzhickwaywedong, offered a prayer in which she asked that knowledge be increased and shared as a way to bring all people together.

Noted author Constance Cappel (*Hemingway in Michigan*) came to Beaver Island on August 27th for an unusual reason: to see if something she learned about in Massachusetts really existed. She hoped it did, because it figured into her most recent book, *Sweetgrass and Smoke*. Most authors check out such things before publication, but she had cause to hesitate. She was here before, in 1953, and what she remembers most vividly was accidentally being locked in the bathroom of the King Strang Hotel and not being released until late in the evening. Luckily, what she wanted to find, the “stone circle,” was pretty much as she'd described it in her book.

Beth McCafferty's father, Jack Hanson, brought his and five couples' antique classic cars for a stay at the Brothers' Place, which was a perfect historic setting.

The Gospel Ship *Glory to Thee* arrived at the Municipal Yacht Dock with its crew, husband and wife missionary captains John and Gaydean Nolte and their Bernese Mountain Dog Silas. They had conducted a typical outdoor service in Charlevoix the day before, and came over to see what all the fuss over Beaver Island was about.

Former Island resident Joe Cunningham returned from San Francisco, and hosted an evening of music at the Old Rectory.

The first *Bite of Beaver Island* was a grand success.

Seventeen representatives of organizations which either signed the Partnership Agreement or were considering doing so (including six from off the Island) met at Peaine Township Hall to

discuss the next step. The Partnership Project was an outgrowth of the Visioning Project, which solicited input about the Island's future from over 500 people during a two-year period.

The BIRHC Board approved hiring a half-time Transition Manager, Arlene Brennan, who had been working as a consultant for three months until her contract expired.

Twenty Years Ago The raging issue in October of 1992 was whether or not to repeal the Zoning Ordinance Amendment that raised the requirements for R-1 property. It mandated a 200' width with 25' side yard setbacks and a minimum size of 100,000 ft². Those who opposed this restriction claimed it was unnecessary because there was no danger of overdevelopment. After all, it was claimed the Island had once supported a population of 2,000 people. Plus, it was unfair to those who had purchased property under the former rules, which would have allowed them to divide a 200' lot in half. Those who favored the new ordinance argued that continuing proliferation of smaller lots would hinder our appreciation of the Island's natural beauty, and put a strain on our infrastructure. The *Beacon* published a long letter from then-resident Marc Conner, who argued for a compromise of 150', and two letters supporting the 200' width from Ed Wojan and Bill McDonough.

In other news, Red Mary retired after 19 years as our stern-fisted Postmaster, and was roasted at Stoney Acres. Jim Stambaugh chided her for the time she took a day off for Washington's Birthday — a week early. Phil Lange applauded her ability to get a letter addressed simply to “Grandma” into the right box, and Rich Gillespie read a poem he had written, which ended, “Remember, Mary, it was just as hard on us/ as it was on you.”

Bill Freese was profiled as an Island treasure; he was building 2-3 canoes a year from local hardwoods, spending 200-300 hrs on each.

The airport committee wanted to buy land at the west end of the runway for \$32,000

MSU personnel were coming to listen to the presentation of the Island's Master Plan.

Melvina Connaghan Harman

passed away, one of 14 children of Hugh and Catherine Connaghan.

School enrollment was up to 82.

Thirty Years Ago For a change this *Beacon* contained much good news. Jim Gillingham made a presentation to the local school kids, showing them a frog, toad, lizard, turtle, alligator, and three snakes. Dick Burris was awarded a commendation by Sheriff Lasater for his efforts in searching for the drowned Kenwabikise boys. The Sweet Adelines journeyed to Flint to receive their official certification. Joe Timsak and Sherri Mooney were married. Phyllis Moore gave birth to a future academic all-star. The CMU Closing Party honored retiring director Matt Hohn. A chimney fire at Colleen Martin's house, with Buddy off the Island, was quickly put out by the Volunteer Firemen. The school's Halloween Spookhouse was promised to be the best and scariest ever.

Forty Years Ago This *Beacon*, which served to cover the events of two months, reported that Herb Lees of Perry, Michigan caught a steelhead trout weighing almost 7 pounds in Lake Geneserath. The editor theorized that the heavy rain throughout the summer kept Cable's Creek flowing, allowing the fish to enter the lake. The Game Club announced that woodcock and partridge were plentiful, but the Canadian Geese rode the high north winds well above the Island. The Club elected Sheldon Parker president to replace Alvin LaFreniere, who moved to Chicago. It made a large clear-cut behind Doty's Camp, pruned scores of apple trees, and sowed clover and rye over the Island.

Obituaries were plentiful in this issue. Frank Schnaudigal, who was the supervisor of Peaine Township for ten years, passed away after a long illness; he had been a steam-fitter, and outfitted the Sunnyside School, where he and his wife Gladys lived, with state-of-the-art plumbing. Art Brown's widow Sadie stepped in front of a car in Hart, Michigan and was killed; Art was the last owner and operator of Carpenter's Mill from 1958 until 1968. Leo McDonough, a cousin to the Island McDonoughs who lived in Los Angeles, was lost, as well as Richard Stromberg, who moved here from Chicago and was the architect for the Holy Cross

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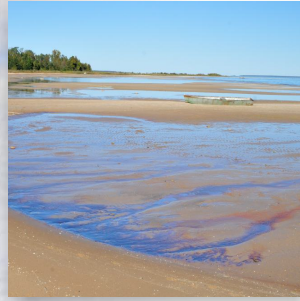
Looking back at Town Hall



The boat launch at Font



The Boat at Little Sand Bay (front cover)



Greene's



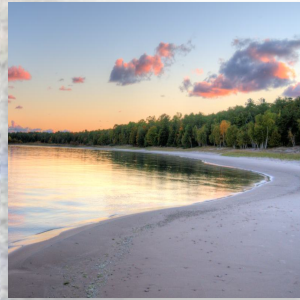
Barney's Lake



Old dock pilings by Beaver Island Marina



Cable's Bay



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Old moorings in Paradise Bay



Greene's



Looking towards Veterans' Park



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22. THE NEW HIGH WATER MARK
LOWER THAN THE OLD LOW WATER MARK



Water levels are down all around the Lake Michigan basin, but it's rarely

as evident as it is here. The level on Island beaches is 26" under the long-term average and projected this month to drop

below the 1964 low. A current craze is to name the new mini-islands popping up here and there; some beach owners are

On This Date, continued from page 20. Rectory and Convent.

The county Animal Control officer was called to the Island because of all the dogs running loose in St. James. He delivered three pens, and sold a dozen licenses. Sheriff Lasater brought certifi-

cates for Dick Burris and several others who had tirelessly searched for the missing Ken boys.

Fifty Years Ago The *Beacon* had good news and bad news about game: the perch weren't running, but the partridge population was very good, particularly on Garden Island. Roy Chambers,

coyote hunter extraordinaire, arrived with his dogs for a bit of sport.

Patrol #1, the Conservation Department's boat that was at one time staffed only by Beaver Islanders, came into the harbor. Owned by a skin-diving club, she spent a few days scanning the bottom of various bays for dive sites.





pushing newly-exposed rocks into causeways so they can visit their new land. Visitors who haven't been here for awhile

are shocked at what they find – a new pond and two old anchorages in the harbor, for example, or a mud flat at Greene's

Lake (below). Barney's has shrunk to what Round was at its peak, and launching a boat at Big Font is a formidable task.

Another visit of interest: Edward Chase of Grand Rapids, the nephew of the engineer who was killed in a train wreck. "Mr. Chase told many stories of the days when he lived on the Island himself, during the time of the Beaver Island Lumber Company. His grandfather, who owned a small home on Lake Geneserath, was

one of the settlers driven off by the Strang regime."

Clare Brown, the County "Home Demonstration Agent," spent four days teaching upholstery to Islanders in the Medical Center's basement. The School Board purchased some sports equipment (a volleyball net; softballs and bats), and

arranged for a movie to be shown each month at the school.

Thirty-two wild turkeys were bought by the Game Club in Pennsylvania and brought to the Island, adding to those brought last year.

Dr. Sorensen planted 750 pines and blue spruce on his land.



24. ISLAND BOODLERS FOR A DAY



Despite the brisk weather, enough hardy folks showed up for the Boodle to make it a fine event. Once the canon

fired, runners and walkers alike were underway, many in the contest-winning Official Boodle shirt designed by John Brady Robert (his second design prize).

Without any ringers our Deputy was barely challenged and led the runners from start to finish. With speed like this, scofflaws beware!



In the August election the residents of the village of Onekama, Michigan, turned down a proposal to merge with the township. "The Village wants to remain a Village," said the village President, who supported the proposal.

What has this to do with our November election for Peaine Township trustees? There is every reason for the two Townships on Beaver Island to remain independent. Their interests are not identical in every case. As a summer resident who has had the privilege of viewing the scene perhaps longer than

anyone else, I strongly believe that a combination of the two Townships is not in the best interests of Beaver Island as a whole, let alone that of Peaine Township.

There is no question that cooperation on common issues is important; and that cooperation exists despite the naysayers. A few of the issues involving successful joint action were listed by Larry Kubic in his article last month. However, any person running for the office of trustee of Peaine Township has to realize that his role is to represent the residents and homeowners of Peaine and he or she must so dedicate himself. Sim-

ply following the wishes of the other Township on issues requiring cooperation simply to reflect a willingness to cooperate, is not necessarily representing the interests of Peaine.

In addition, complete openness with respect to the issues and the action thereon is essential to maintaining independence and to ensuring confidence in our Township government. Therefore, the Peaine Township voters should throw their weight behind those who are dedicated to representing Peaine and who promote openness of action.

—Henry Hill

EMS AND ISLAND AIRWAYS AGREE

On September 24 the Beaver Island EMS and Island Airways (McPhillips Flying Service, Inc. dba Island Airways) signed a one-year agreement for the provision of fixed wing air medical transport services for Beaver Island!

This agreement is the culmination of several years of hard work by everyone involved. In July, Island Airways was issued FAA operation specification A024. And the Michigan legislature passed Senate Bill 995, which lowered the required liability insurance from \$10 million to \$2 million for the air transport operation on Beaver Island. In August Michigan approved the addition of an Island Airways' Britten Norman Islander to the BIEMS list of approved vehicles.

Senate Bill 995 was sponsored by Senator Howard Walker and Representative Greg MacMaster. They worked tirelessly on it for over a year.

Special thanks go to Rick Speck (St. James Supervisor) and Jack Gallagher (Peaine Supervisor) for their assistance. Danielle Dedloff, Executive Director of the BIEMS was also instrumental; she pursued State of Michigan licensing for the airplane on the BIEMS License.

Beaver Island EMS is supported by both Townships, established in 1986 when we got our first Basic Life Support ambulance. The first Basic EMT class was held in 1985. BIEMS became an Advanced Life Support Agency in 2000. We are a volunteer organization that

currently consists of one year-round Paramedic, one Specialist, eight Basic EMTs and five Medical First Responders. On average the BIEMS performs 100 calls a year; ~40% of the patients are flown off for further evaluation and care. BIEMS works closely with the BI Rural Health Center to provide the best possible patient care here on the Island.

About Island Airways: McPhillips Flying Service, Inc. was established in 1945 by the McPhillips family. In the early 80s the Welke family purchased the business. Based on and operating from Welke Airport, in addition to daily passenger and freight service, it provides charter services all over the Midwest and FAA-certified aviation repair services.

INVASIVE SPECIES SUMMIT

On September 25 I had the opportunity to attend the Michigan Invasive Species Coalition in Gaylord. There were representatives from all over the state and many different levels of involvement. The acronyms were everywhere, DNR, DEQ, TNC, USFWS, MDOT, MDA, MSU, just to name a few. Whether it was a grass-roots organization or a state-wide head of the department, we all came together for the same purpose: to share ideas, successes, and failures and to work collectively on the problem of invasive species.

While preparing for the meeting (with Pam Grassmick's help), I assumed our input would be rather insignificant since we are a small, remote location. I was wrong. The program for the Beaver Archipelago is far advanced compared

to the rest of the state. They are battling on a somewhat random basis without the extensive mapping that we are so fortunate to have.

When I told them we had a survey of 6000 acres which included 23 invasive species this year, they were amazed. The joint townships, Beaver Island Association, the many generous organizations, and most of all, the people of Beaver Island have a right to be proud of our program.

The main theme statewide seems to be EDRR, Early Detection Rapid Response. I believe we have this covered on Beaver Island, but we must be very vigilant. There were some real horror stories of Phragmites growing through pavement and Japanese Knotweed growing into foundations and breaking

them apart.

Another main topic covered was right-of-ways on roads. The representatives from MDOT said they don't have a lot of control because so much of their maintenance is hired out to private contractors. They suggested that individual counties work with their road commissions on education and early detection. Care needs to be taken when mowing, such as when cleaning mowers, to stop the spread of invasives. This will be difficult statewide but should be manageable for Beaver Island.

The meeting was educational, gave contact information for many helpful agencies, and was a proud day for Beaver Island.

—Lisa Welke,
Phragmites Coordinator

26. WHOEVER WROTE "ONLY THE GOOD DIE YOUNG" DIDN'T MEAN LAWRENCE MCDONOUGH

by Don Snider

Lawrence McDonough is one of Beaver Island's oldies but goodies. He will be 98 on November 15.

The McDonough name itself is legendary on Beaver Island. There are some two-dozen McDonoughs in the Charlevoix County phone directory, all tracing their roots back to Sylvester "Old Vesty" McDonough, who emigrated from Ireland in the mid-1800s.

Native Islanders, however, have no problem distinguishing Lawrence. Sheri Timsak, the office manager of the Beaver Island Boat Co., said McDonough "comes from an amazing family. He has instilled honesty and integrity in all of his children."

He also has instilled his joy of life.

"Ahhh, uncle Lawrence," said Francis Pike, who affectionately calls him the Island's "Pied Piper" in the best inspirational sense of the term. "Us kids would be attracted to his house to play ball and other games because he always had time for everyone."

Pike's aunt was Winnifred "Winnie" LaFreniere before she married McDonough in 1939. She died two years ago. Winnie's sister and Francis Pike's mother – Helen Pike – is the second oldest resident at age 96.

McDonough, like many Islanders, has held varied vocations, but managing the Island's only food market was not one of them. This McDonough had many more activities. He once had the Island's only milk pasteurizing operation. He was also a farmer, a woodcutter, and a carpenter. For several years he ran a riding stable. Winnie opened the Island's first laundromat.

But he is probably best known in the 1960s and '70s for being the captain of the *Beaver Islander* ferryboat that made daily trips to Charlevoix and back nine months of the year. Two of his six children – Joseph, age 62, and Kevin, 58 – have followed in his footsteps as boat captains. The other children are Gary, 71, and Lawrence "Larry" Wayne, 68, both retired, Pamela Grassmick, 56, and Katherine Gonyeau, 52. There are 12 grandchil-

dren, all but two of them boys.

McDonough has seen 17 different U.S. presidents elected and, of course, the many changes in the Island in the last century. "I never saw a car here until I was about 14 years old," he says.

When he was born on his parents' farm on Sand Bay in 1914, the Island had no medical facilities or easy access to doctors. "Only midwives," he said.

Electricity would not come to the Island until 1939.

As a youth, he attended a one-room, seven-pupil schoolhouse, called Greenetown, which burned down. He then attended Sunnyside School, long since demolished, and then Beaver Island school in St. James, but had to drop out when his father, Sylvester McDonough Jr., was injured and could no longer work the family farm.



He and his siblings farmed the land and eventually sold off most of it, including the barn, built in 1947, that would become Stony Acre Grill.

After becoming a Beaver Island boat captain and later the ferry's company manager, McDonough lived in Charlevoix, where he retired. But three years ago he moved back to Beaver Island at his children's urging.

They had a new two-bedroom modular home built for him on Carlisle Road, just east of Stony Acre. A large sign in front reads, between two shamrock icons: "McDonough, Established 1939, Winnie & Lawrence."

Even before a knock on the door, this writer, who had never met him, is invited in. When told the *Beaver*

Beacon wanted to write a story on him, McDonough asks why. "I've never done anything spectacular," he says.

Many Islanders will differ.

"He's a great man, and he just keeps going," said Barbara Cruikshank, of the Beaver Island Library, who at age 84 is an Island elder herself.

JoAnne Cashman, who works at the Community Center, calls McDonough a treasure as an oral historian. "He can tell such great stories," she says. "He knew everyone and remembers what they said."

He is at his best telling how things were in the "old" days, before TV or phones; even before electricity.

"We used to gather at our houses and dance for entertainment," he says. "We just moved the furniture and pulled up the rug. You didn't have to be invited. Just show up."

He also can relate the whimsical. "I remember one time we led a horse right through the door of the Shamrock," he says. More often, though, his dad's homemade moonshine was the order of the day.

McDonough credits his longevity to his genes, and the Island itself, but certainly no special diet. "Mom was a good cook – always meat and vegetables – and we always had lots of cakes and pies," he says.

His mom and dad lived well into their 80s.

"I had typhoid as a kid," he says. "We didn't know how dangerous it was. But I recovered OK and I'd go years without even getting a cold. Being on an island and not having much contact with the mainland probably helped."

Did he smoke and drink? "Both," he says quickly, but then concedes he only smoked a few years as a young adult and drank mostly moderately.

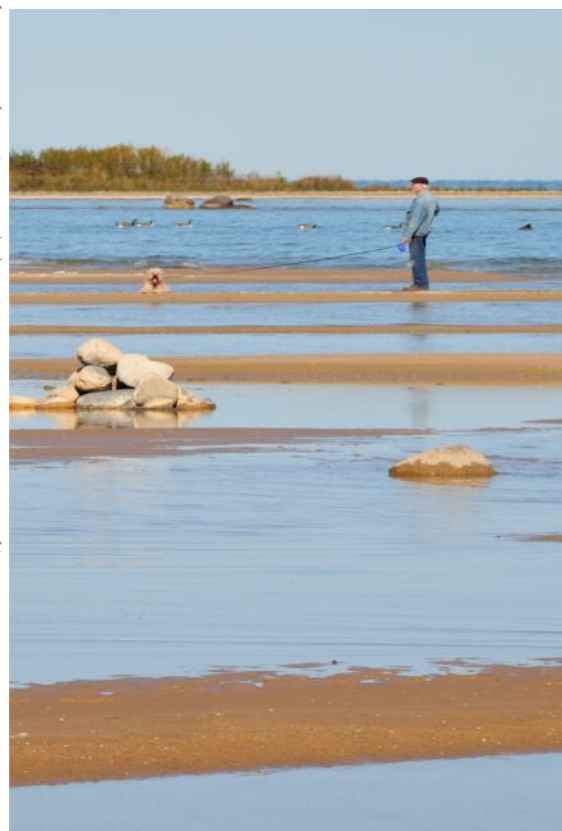
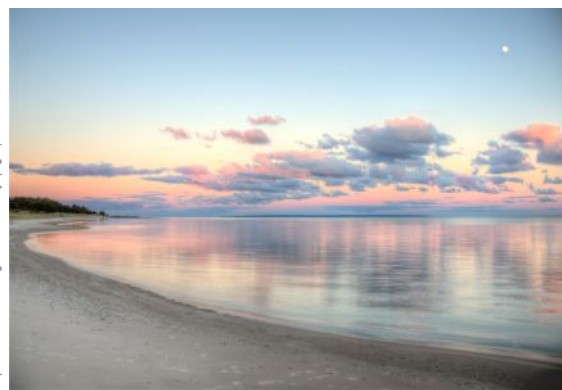
His chances of being a centenarian appear good. His eyes – still as sparkling blue as Lake Michigan water – and his hearing are phenomenal for his age. McDonough's only handicap is his legs. He is dependent on a walker. "Too many miles on these knees," he says.

But at 98, he still has a leg up on all his peers.





The south side of Beaver Harbor; you can walk where we once boated and swam (left) . More sand, less bay: Little Sand Bay sand spits reach for the green bell buoy (right) . Deer from tawns to bucks are especially plentiful this autumn . Beautiful horizon at Cable's and fall reflections surround the beaver house at Miller's (right)



IN MEMORY: CLAIRE CULL

Roberta "Claire" Cull
Beaver Island, formerly of
Bay City.

Mrs. Cull died on
September 26 at her
daughter's home in
Bay City. She was
surrounded by her
loving family. Mrs.
Cull was 86 years old.

She was born on
Beaver Island on March
23, 1926, the daughter of
the late Carl and Consuella
Left. Mrs. Cull is survived by
9 of her 10 children, R. Dale



(Nancy) Cull, R. Dennis Cull
and his special friend Noel
Eichorn, Carly (Bill) Bell,
Bonnie Rice, Mary
(Dave) VanDenBosch,
Jim (Cissy) Cull, Julie
(Mike) Cherry, Peggy
(Gary) Bowersock,
and John Cull and his
special friend Linda
Serva; one brother,
Francis "Buddy" Left;
three sisters-in-law,
Nancy Cull, Sally
Hammermister, and Lillian
Left; one brother-in-law, Roland

Cull; 23 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and a loving best friend, Lorraine Helmick who cared for her in her final years.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Cull was also preceded in death by her husband, Captain Raymond Cull; a son, Captain Michael Cull; three sisters, Ann Driggers, Carlene Runberg, and Sue Hogan; and one brother, Butch Left. A Vigil Service took place on September 28, 2012 in Bay City, with Sr. Joanne Toohey, O.P. officiating. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at Holy Cross Catholic Church on October 1.

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joy of experiencing the open armed reception that our family received will be the memory our children will keep forever. They too, now know what coming from Beaver Island means.

Thank You Beaver Island.
The Claire Cull Family
Dale, Mike, Dennis, Carly,
Bonnie, Mary, Jimmy, Julie,
Peggy, and John.

JACKIE "MOUSE" MARTIN

Jackie Mouse was born to Ada and John Martin in 1948 here on Beaver Island, one of six children. Jack loved his Island home.

Jack served as a Military Police Officer in the US Air Force, was a business owner, and went on to be a Journeyman Millwright. He was a proud union member of Local 1102, as am I.

After retiring Jack returned to Beaver Island to enjoy his family and life-long friends. He loved to spend time with his cousin Ernie and his nephew Sheldon. When they both passed away, I could see the effect it had on Jack. I asked if he would stay, and he was unsure. But Jack did stay. With his strong family ties and great friends, Jack continued to make Beaver Island his home.

Whether from Beaver Island or the other side of the world, Jackie would welcome you like an old friend. Many summers went by when Jack's RV was parked out back at Stoney, and anybody who had a little too much to drink could always stay at the "Motel 6" because Jackie would leave the light on for you! He had a great sense of humor, and could make anyone laugh. Even if you just met him, you would feel you've known him a lifetime. And if you were a pretty gal, you just might be his "next ex-wife."

Jack liked to steal his nephew Sheldon's famous line "you know you're the prettiest girl on Beaver Island" – until one of Jack's "next ex-wives" called him on it. He would just laugh. He could dish it out, but he could also take it...most of the time!

There were many trips around the Island, or boat rides to Garden. Everyone holds a special memory when it comes to Jackie Mouse. He called me crippled, and he was disabled...according to his license plate. We would get to teasing each other about that in front of people who didn't know us, and for some reason, get the strangest looks.

"The Mouse"...Jackie Mouse, I'm not sure where that name came from. Mice are normally small and sneaky, but Jackie was larger than life. I swear you could leave a trail of cheese through the bar, and it would always lead him back to his VO and Bud Light!

If Jack was having a good time, everyone was having a good time. Whether out on his well known pontoon boat, or at his house at Port of St. James for a "bloody Mary Sunday," there was always a memorably moment!

Shy, Jack was not...fancied himself a bit of a ladies man! His mustache always trimmed, and every hair in its place.

Jack loved to introduce himself. One night he met his match when he asked the pretty bartender at the Beachcomber what her name was. When she told him her name was Kat, he replied "My name is Mouse! Wanna chase me around the bar?" I'm not sure what the outcome was, but everyone had a good laugh.

St. Pats would be hard to forget...for anyone. Nobody could forget Jack cruising through town with a bunch of us boodlers in his RV, sounding that old familiar horn of the Beaver Islander coming home!

A tour guide, a captain...a friend to all...Jackie Mouse stood out from the crowd. Not just a man, not just a mouse...Jack was a true legend...a piece of our history, not to be forgotten. A true Islander, through and through!

Thomas Emmett Martin passed away in the early morning hours, Sunday, September 16, 2012 to be with his Lord and loved ones passed on. Jackie Mouse and his memory will live on for generations to come.

Jack wouldn't want us to be sad. He would want us to celebrate his life, and our time with him...and right now, I do believe I can feel him smiling down upon us. Rest in peace my dear friend "Jackie Mouse."
—Derrick Burris

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30. CAMPAIGN MATTERS

It is obvious from the primary election results, that campaigning is not one of my strengths.

However, the duties and responsibilities of the St. James Township Supervisor, dovetail nicely with my education, experience, and skill set.

Education: Masters of Business Administration from Wayne State University

Experience: Over 25 years as a civil servant, in the following positions:

- Treasurer of Beaver Island Community School Board of Education for 12 years, and Business Manager for 22 years.
- Treasurer or Business Manager of Beaver Island Christian Church for the past 25 years.
- Treasurer of the Beaver Island Rural Health Center for the past 12 years.
- St James Township Board Trustee for 8 years and 9 months.
- St. James Township Supervisor for the past 3 years.

Skill Set: Education and extensive experience in accounting and finance;

Consistently exhibit problem analysis and leadership skills;

Highly developed negotiation and facilitation skills.

Duties and Responsibilities of

Township Supervisor:

- Chief administrative officer
- Chief assessing officer: Responsible for assessing property values within the Township. Certified assessors hired to perform the function are subordinate to the Supervisor.
- Required to act as the secretary to the Board of Review.
- Fiscal responsibilities: The Supervisor is the Township's agent for transacting all legal business.
- Develops the Township budgets, for the general fund, and the Fire Dept., Road, Sewer, and Marina funds.
- Determines and presents the millage rates, necessary to support the budgets.
- Makes all appointments to Township commissions and committees, subject to Township Board approval.

Because of the education, skills, and experiences listed above, I believe I am the best choice for Supervisor and would appreciate your write-in vote on November 6th. My re-election will assure the citizens of St James a government of competence and continuity.

Thank you,
—Rick Speck



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Dear Editor:

The purpose of this letter is to encourage residents of St. James Township to cast a write-in vote for Rick Speck for Township Supervisor in the November election.

I have worked with Rick in a variety of situations for almost twenty years, including on the Beaver Island

Community School Board and the St. James Township Planning Commission. In each of the situations I have found him to be dedicated, ethical, and committed to the job at hand. He has proven himself as Township Supervisor, and I encourage you to please re-elect him to this position.

—John Fiegen

To the Editor:

We feel strongly that Rick Speck should be re-elected as St. James Township supervisor. Rick brings to township government the experience, intelligence, hard work, and balanced demeanor that are essential for effective administration and sensible policy making. He knows the township community well and has served it in many capacities for many years. He works

well with the township's various interests and personalities. He takes the time to figure out all the ramifications of each issue — some of which are far from obvious. He knows the ropes and is willing to put in long hours to get things done. And no matter how heatedly a matter is discussed, he maintains his balance. On Election Day, let's make sure he keeps working for the township.

—Pete and Deb Plastrik

A Letter to Peaine Township from Jack Gallagher

The political season brings out some pretty unfounded accusations. My opponent is stuck on a “you’re not transparent” note, because of a letter I wrote to the DNR in 2010. The letter has been discussed on the forum, in the *Beaver Beacon*, at meetings, and is available for full review on our web-site (www.teamupforchange.org) along with other comments and the DNR’s reply to the letter. I’m writing now to set the record straight.

Before starting yet another letter on Kohls’ charge, I thought about ignoring it and moving on—you know, the “Enough Already” feeling. But I couldn’t let this false accusation go since transparency is about truth and integrity—qualities that are of high value to me. So here we are again, but this time I’m tackling the main issue first: **transparency, which is about conducting public business in public view**. It leads to truly representative, responsible, and effective government and active public involvement.

First, consider my record of sharing information openly with the Board and Public. Even when criticized for distributing “too much paper”, I’ve been resolute in making all information pertinent to Peaine’s business broadly available. I’ve been transparent by:

1. Strengthening Peaine’s competitive bidding process for goods and services.
2. Posting job opportunities and vacancies broadly across the community for Township positions on committees and commissions.
3. Encouraging reasonable public participation throughout our Board meetings.
4. Following the law and educating others on the Open Meetings Act.
5. Installing microphones and encouraging their use so the hard-of-hearing can participate fully, and what is being said can be recorded and shared on tape.
6. Posting all Township agendas, minutes, budgets, and activities on the Peaine website, as well as at the Peaine Hall and throughout the community.

I have not intentionally withheld any pertinent information from anyone—and when asked for more information—I get it to them as soon as possible. Peaine residents have never been so fully and directly informed as they have been in the last four years.

Second, consider placing the “lack of transparency” criticism where it belongs—with the current Clerk, Treasurer, and a Trustee of the Peaine Board. Their lack of transparency has led to a number of unfortunate developments for Peaine residents that are clearly more serious than a simple letter of clarification. Consider:

- Approving an unauthorized purchase and loan for a \$140,000 “chipper” at the Transfer Station, and failing to disclose the information to our Township auditors.
- Allowing unauthorized deals to be cut for land acquisition at the Township airport, resulting in a \$1.1 million dollar judgment against the townships.
- Failing to maintain required Township records (such as contracts, leases, etc.) and to provide ready access to such records by the Board and public.
- Keeping our tax levies on an “automatic increase” path by failing to provide needed financial information on revenues and expenses on time for Board and public review.

This list of instances where transparency has been ignored is only partial, and it continues. Peaine residents deserve better and need officials who are fully dedicated to transparency.


Third, and finally, let’s consider the content and purpose of “the letter”. I wrote to the DNR to inform them they had been misled about the Townships having adopted Wildlife Certification. Second, I advised reconsideration of their tentative decision to exclude all parts of Beaver Island from a BSA classification. The truth of the matter is that disclosing the misleading information provided to the DNR was an act of **transparency** in and of itself! And asking for reconsideration was an effort to protect Peaine’s interests so we could at least consider it openly at our next official meeting.

I wrote “the letter” a few days before Christmas since the information arrived after our December Board meeting and called for a prompt response. It was sent in-between our meetings and was made available in January, consistent with the ordinary course of Township business. Few people see events of this sort exactly alike, but to interpret this single letter as evidence of a breach of commitment to transparency is “over-stretching”.

Hopefully the remaining weeks of the campaign will allow us to consider other important matters since folks also need to know what else we stand for. Your time reviewing my views and actions in regard to transparency is appreciated.



Jack Gallagher



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32. CAMPAIGN MATTERS

An Open Letter to Peaine Residents on Charges Made by Mr. Kohls:

To quote the common sense of Charlie Brown, we say "Good Grief"! An important election is coming up and apparently the best Mr. Kohls can do is dredge up criticism of a single letter Jack wrote to correct false information given to the DNR. The correspondence was ultimately responsible for hunters getting the Antler Point Restriction they desired—but Kohls is still attempting to create false and misleading information about Jack's leadership.

Since Kohls' primary concern for openness is grounded in that letter—he should give voters the facts of the matter. He should reveal that:

- No words or sentences in the letter imply Gallagher was speaking for anyone but himself.
- No township policies prevent a Supervisor or any Township Board member from correcting misinformation regarding Board actions.
- No specific policies require Board approval unless the supervisor is writing for the Board.
- No factual misstatements are contained in the letter.

Instead of telling voters how they should think about the matter, why doesn't Kohls give them the facts and let them decide? We have now made the letter, other pertinent documents, and our explanations available on a website so voters can review it all for themselves at www.teamupforchange.org, and Jack has written his own direct reply in response to Kohls' charges.

What it boils down to is that if Kohls is going to raise questions about Jack Gallagher's record of open govern-

ment—he needs to do more than make unfounded accusations about one letter. In fact, he should acknowledge Jack's commitment to open meetings, thorough reporting, and giving out more information than has ever been made available to the Peaine electorate.

Further, if Kohls truly cared about the importance of open government—he would be upset about the serious and consistent disregard for openness on the part of several existing Peaine Board members. Consider that one or more of them:

1. Participated in an illegal off-Island meeting of the Airport committee in violation of the open meetings act—as well as other open-meeting violations.

2. Failed to disclose a Board member's unauthorized purchase of an expensive chipper and 8% loan—and approved paying for them at taxpayers' expense.

3. Participated in a back-room deal to disband the NRETC without even notifying or discussing their concerns with Commission leaders.

4. Withheld information from the public about the ongoing airport deals, contributing to the resulting 1.1 million dollar fiasco.

If Kohls doesn't know about these matters, he needs better information. For the fact of the matter is that the Gallagher-Lyle-Morgan-Grassmick team needs to be elected for their openness. If the same officials who now suppress open government are re-elected, the truth on many more matters will never see the light of day.

—Krys Lyle, Tina Morgan and
Brad Grassmick

IN SUPPORT OF RICK SPECK

We urge our fellow citizens of St. James Township to write in Rick Speck's name for re-election as St. James Township Supervisor.

As our neighbor and friend for 40 years we have always respected his quiet dignity and hard work. These same qualities have marked his stewardship in his job as Supervisor of our Township. Rick's patience has been sorely tested by the tactics of the Peaine Township administration and its aco-

lytes who regularly harass our township Trustees. He has simply moved on without rancor and done his best to maintain a civil relationship in order keep peace in the face of much provocation. St. James Township enjoys sound, honest and responsive governance and Rick Speck works hard with his fellow Trustees to keep it at bay.

He has earned re-election and we enthusiastically support him.

—Marilyn and Joe Reed

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- Reworked County Health Care benefits to save taxpayer money.
- Commission on Aging liaison, working to reduce costs and increase efficiency, such as new voucher program on Island.



I do not seek this position for personal benefit but community and county benefit, I have proven that time and again and ask for your vote!

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I have lived in Charlevoix County for 37 years. My husband, John Fratrack, and I have been married for 27 years. Two cats, two horses, and a mule abide with us at the Triple F Ranch.

I am running for Charlevoix County Commissioner, 5th District. I believe my knowledge of the area and life experiences will be beneficial in making decisions in a reasoned, civil, and pro-active manner.

Work experience:

- Public school teacher for 25 years
- Bank teller for your local hometown bank in Charlevoix and on Beaver Island for 14 years
- Retail experience

Volunteer involvement:

- WATCH (Water and Air Team for Charlevoix)
- CARE (Conservation and Renewable Energy) Committee
- Lake to Lake Trail Committee
- Camp Quality
- Exceptional Rider Program
- Lioness
- Front Porch Cafe Ministries

Governmental experiences:

- Charlevoix County Recycling Committee (founding member)
- Michigan Wind Working Group
- County Solid Waste Planning Committee member for the development of the 1991 and 2000 solid waste management plans
- Former Eveline Township Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals
- Master Citizen Planner
- Charlevoix County Planning Commission

Priorities:

- Enhanced recreational facilities, including non-motorized trails, while protecting our natural resources
- Farmland preservation and fostering local production and use of farmers' products
- Safe and appealing roads which help promote tourism
- Expansion for the countywide recycling program
- Re-addressing the hiring of a county administrator/manager

I would appreciate your vote on November 6th!

—Nancy Ferguson



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Dear Editor and Registered Voters—

Thank you for electing me in the August primary as your new St. James Township Supervisor. Your continuing support is genuinely appreciated and essential in the upcoming November General Election.

My enthusiasm, devotion, and

knowledge to this position will prove to be an asset to the entire Island community. I promise you will not be disappointed, and encourage anyone with concerns or questions to contact me at home (448-2948) or on my cell (231) 330-2688.

Sincerely, Bill Haggard

IN SUPPORT OF BILL KOHLS

If the qualifications to serve as Peaine Township Supervisor include honesty and integrity, Bill Kohls is the man who should represent you. I have known Bill for well over 25 years first in the banking business and second as a friend. He has always shown the moral courage to hold himself and his banking

institution to the highest standards. I am consistently impressed by his keen insights as well as his ability to cut away the flack and zero in on the pertinent facts to effect the most positive results.

Peaine Township will be well served with Bill Kohls at the helm.

—Mike Thomas

PEAINE'S TAXES

In comparing Peaine's assessments and millages from 2011 to 2012, some interesting facts emerge.

The taxable value increased by \$2,322,795. The assessments for joint operations *decreased* by \$5,500. The Health Center operation decreased by \$9,700 (it received \$100,000 from the

state). The Road Fund assessments increased by \$8,000 – for tests and increased dust control. The General Fund assessment *decreased* by \$7,000. The potential savings next year for the EMS (from the Air Ambulance agreement) is \$16,000.

Something is being done right.

CANDIDATE'S FORUM: PETE LODICO

For the past four years I have had a good working relationship with the Charlevoix County Road Commission. I met with them three times and have discussed paving King's Highway; building a new Road Commission garage; getting a road grader for the Island; and doing a hard surface test plot for the East Side Drive.

The King's Highway repaving is on the schedule to be done. Despite our constant pressure, chances are it won't happen in 2013, but we've been assured that it will no later than 2014. The CCRC applied for a grant, but was denied. However, it had set aside \$750,000 as matching funds. We are in the process of getting it to release these funds to build a 10,000 square foot facility for the above mentioned organizations. The new County Garage would be shared by the Road Commission, the Sheriff's Department, and the Beaver Island Transit. It will be built east of the Transfer Station on property owned by Peaine and St. James Townships.


The CCRC is on schedule to get a new road grader in 2014. Beaver Island will be eligible to obtain its old grader, which would cost about \$84,000. We are working to get the Road Commission to shoulder the majority of that cost.

For two years I have pushed for a hard surface stabilizer for the East Side Drive from King's Highway to the Welke Airport. The CCRC agreed to do ¼ mile free of charge in spring 2013. With additional funds from the road millage we would like to do 1 mile. The lignon (tree pitch) we are considering has showed great potential in the Florida Everglades.

Because of my good working relationship with the Charlevoix County Road Commission, Peaine and St. James Township Boards, we can accomplish all of these goals within the next two years.

With the help of other board members, we will keep their feet to the fire to get these goals accomplished as soon as possible.

I Need Your Vote On November 6th.
—Pete Lodico, Peaine Township Trustee




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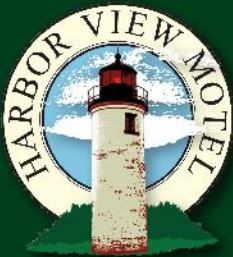
32529 Mrs. Reddings Trail- at the South end of the Western Shores project

This 2,000 foot PLUS timber frame home is on a 4.5 acre lakefront parcel with 242 feet of Lake Michigan frontage. It seems as if there is a lot more lakefront because the south line of the property is the north line of the big chunk of State land that includes Oliver Point; the houses on the parcels to the north cannot be seen from this homesite. From the house you get the feeling that it's the only house on Greiners Bay. The view is towards the northwest looking across the bay at Left's Point with Gull and High Island visible out to the west. This lakefront home has 4 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, a living room, kitchen, a separate dining room and a three season porch on the north side of the house and a very special screened porch off the kitchen that functions as a summertime dining room (SEE THE PICTURES OF THESE ROOMS AT edwojan-realty.com) under the Lake Michigan Homes section. The house has beautiful wood paneling throughout the interior of the house. The living room has a built in couches and a window seat on the lake side with a “couch/bed” The living room also has a built-in elevated fireplace. There is a large dual-level deck on the lake side with a BBQ area and a “fire pit” area with chairs and tables around it. The beach has quite a bit of rocky area but it is absolutely beautiful and there are sandy areas on the bottom out front for swimming. There is a full basement partially finished with walk out doors onto the driveway on the east side of the house; from the road this therefore looks like a three story house. Ask Ed about all of the special features of this place. It's a fantastic lakefront home that is worth the asking price of

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

39.

Mr. Kohls continues to make misinformed statements in publications on the letter which Jack Gallagher wrote to the DNR. Dredging up old 2010 events, he criticizes Jack Gallagher for writing a letter to the DNR without township approval. That period of dissolving the Natural Resources and Ecotourism Commission was painful for many and not a high point for the Island. As someone who was personally involved, I feel the need to correct Kohls' information. The posts on the forum from February 7th, 2011 further document the events that led up to the DNR letter.

Upon receiving an e-mail from Russ Mason stating that both townships had endorsed "wildlife certification," I asked Supervisor Gallagher to write Russ Mason to correct the record and

inform the DNR that the information they had received that the township boards had approved "wildlife certification" was erroneous. Indeed QDM had been endorsed but wildlife certification had not been brought to the township boards for approval. In fact, there never had been a document called wildlife certification developed by the DNR.

We on the Natural Resources Ecotourism Commission received apologies from members of the DNR including Russ Mason and Brent Rudolph for passing along misleading information. At the regular township meeting where Supervisor Gallagher addressed his letter's statements, line by line, the Peaine board had no further comments on this issue and agreed that

all of Gallagher's comments were factually accurate. Ultimately due to Gallagher's letter, correcting the misinformation that had been supplied to the DNR in Lansing meetings, the hunters of the Island received their Antler Point Restriction designation.

As to the dissolution of the NREC, the community and the townships recognized its value and re-created an organization, NRESC, to take up the vitally important matter of protecting our natural resources for the Island's economic benefit.

I know that this election year is filled with passion but let's get the facts correct, move forward and deal with the real issues that affect the quality of life for our community.

—Pam Grassmick

IN SUPPORT OF BILL KOHLS

My wife and I have been full time residents since November of 2007 so I have a newcomer's view and appreciation of the Island. We find it now to be a warm and friendly place with caring neighbors and a sense of family that permeates this small place. I think it's unfortunate that there seems to be a growing animosity between the two townships and fear that over time it will have a negative effect on the Island culture.

As a Peaine resident, I've seen

many improvements made to our township over the last few years but I suggest that it's time to refresh our township leadership by giving Bill Kohls a chance to lead.

Bill is level-headed and cares deeply about the Island and how we work and play together. His communication and analytical skills are top-notch and his experience in finance and accounting would be an asset to our community. Bill is open-minded and receptive to other's opinions – impor-

tant for our small and diverse Island culture. His ability to work to conclusion and lead, based on facts, will contribute to our township and community.

November 12, Veteran's Day, we recognize those who have sacrificed, fought, and continue to fight so we may be free and express our views. I'm one of those, this is my view, and I urge you to vote for Bill Kohls for Peaine Township Supervisor this November 6.

—Thomas Kludt

PAUL IS RUNNING

Paul Welke wants everyone to know that despite missing the filing deadline for the republican ticket, he's running for the Peaine Township Board – as an independent candidate (which means anyone who wants to vote for him can't vote a straight party ticket.)

He recently put forth some information about himself. He's lived here

since 1969, and owned and operated an Island business since 1975. A veteran, he's been on the Board since 2004. He was on the Planning Commission, and is currently on the Waste Management Committee.

His efforts were vital in creating the air ambulance certification; he pursued this for four years, which required many

trips to Lansing to talk with officials. He did this for the good of the Island more than for his business. The same can be said of his many "search and rescue" efforts over several decades.

If elected he wants to improve the working relationship between the two townships, and push for better roads.

A CLEAN CAMPAIGN

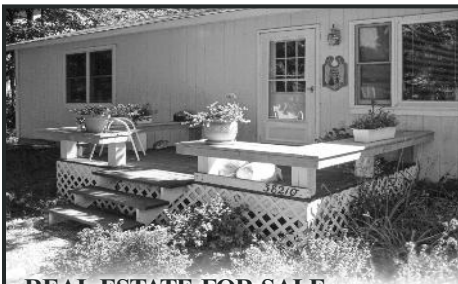
Colleen Martin, who hopes to be reelected as Peaine Township Clerk, has held that position for 12 years – after serving as Deputy Clerk for 20 years, and handling such other matters as FoIA request coordination. She also ran two family businesses for thirty-five years.

If reelected, she intends to restore

the sense of teamwork that was a hallmark of the Board in the past, and to bridge the gap with St. James. "We need to work together to bring about necessary changes and improvements," she said. She intends to restore a sense of teamwork to the Board. "We've had it in the past, and it needs to be renewed,"

She is disappointed by the "smear tactics" being used in the current election – worse than she can ever recall.

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super deal on the car; Sally Lounsberry and Rod Nackerman who faithfully sold tickets every week despite broiling temperatures; McDonough's Market for letting us locate in their parking lot and selling tickets when we weren't there and most of all, those who bought the 361 tickets that were sold. Thank you for making this a success!

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JIMMY DOES IT AGAIN

41.

When Barry Pischner decided to mount a large (11' x 6' x 5") old wooden rudder on a stand against the front wall of the Marine Museum, he turned to someone who can't say no to a request to improve the community – Jimmy Wojan. Barry billed it as a 20-minute job, but it took Jimmy and Steve Crandall and Darrell Butler three hours

to pull it out of the Heritage Park barn with a loader, deliver it, get their boom truck, and life the 500-pound relic into position. After twice moving the truck the 500-pound relic was put in place, and all that had to happen was for Darrell to climb on it (21' from the rocky ground), drill a hole through the stem, and bolt it to the wall.

HOME AFTER TOWN FLIGHT

a few tail feathers. She told her harrowing story in song – watch for the release of her new CD. Thank you to

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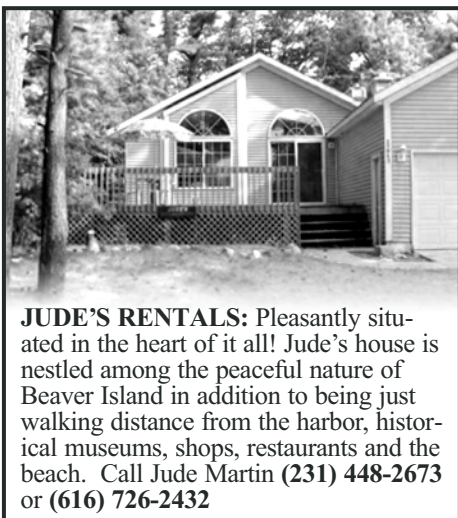


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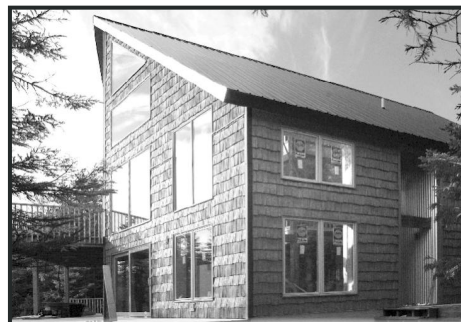
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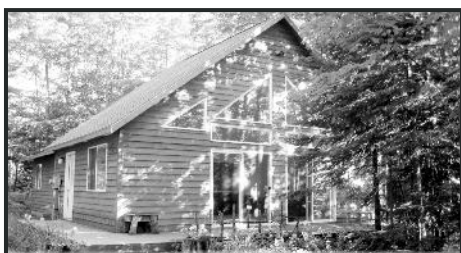
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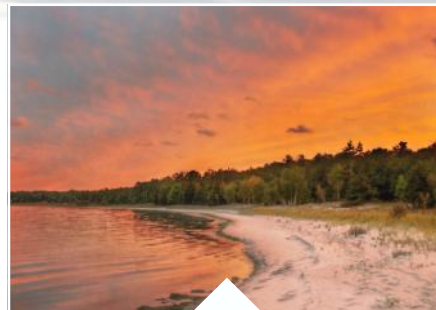
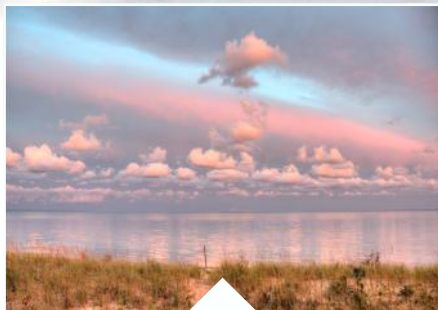
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