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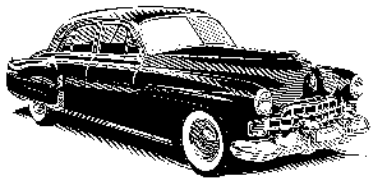
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4. NEWS FROM THE TOWNSHIPS

St. James Township

St. James received \$14,382 from the Great Lakes Fishing Trust to pay for the engineering design for a fishing pier across the street from the Sheriff's substation, on land acquired in trade for Whiskey Island.

A dredging permit has been applied for to deepen the slips at the Municipal Marina. A surveyor and an engineer will do boring tests—hopefully paid for by Lansing in legislation expected to be passed in two weeks. The Board hopes the ferry channel will also be improved; a case can be made for it being needed in case of an emergency.

Plans were moving forward to replace the roofing on the Fire Hall in town, probably with asphalt shingles. A new heating system (electric baseboards) will have its cost put into the next budget.

The Airport Commission received permission to accept grants from the FAA and MDoT for improvements at the Municipal Airport.

The Lighthouse Restoration project was also gearing up. The plan would begin with the outside work and continue on the inside of the Whiskey Point Light Tower, going as far as the available money (\$160,000) will cover. On April 19 there'll be a prebid meeting; bids will be due on May 7; work can begin on June 24; and work should be done by

August 31.

Photographs supported the claim that the Sheriff's substation needed a kitchen upgrade. A contractor made a detailed estimate of \$3,500 for cabinets and counters in the kitchen, plus \$500 for a window and a bathroom vanity.

The Board talked about a joint township Trails Committee, with three appointees from each Township. Each Township would contribute \$2,500, with Peaine putting in an additional amount because most of the work would be done south of the border.

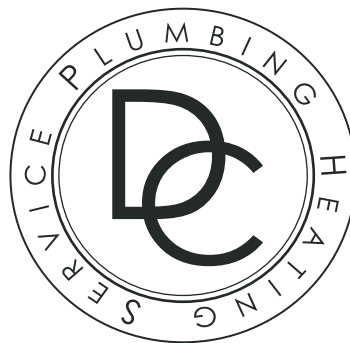
The Human Services Commission requested the Township provide four plane tickets to help one of its volunteers attend meetings in Petoskey in late March and April to make a presentation to the CharEm Coordinating Body about the Island's needs. The Board agreed.

A draft of the proposed budget was presented.

Peaine Township

The Grand Traverse Bay Band awarded a grant of \$25,000 to the Township for the construction of a pole barn behind the Island Treasures resale shop. Bid specs were being prepared. This would allow the resale shop to accept larger items, such as furniture and appliances.

The Board approved the Peaine Township Recreation Plan facilitated by



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NRESC, after the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend its passage. The plan touted hiking and biking, and thought a possible ORV trail should be considered. It called for the creation of a trails maintenance plan.

The Global Tower Partners proposal to extend its lease for the A T & T tower on the King's Highway (1 of 3 there), which currently runs through April of 2015. The proposal calls for a sequence of five 5-year terms, running to 4-30-2040. There would be an initial payment of \$7,500 (which would fund the needed building repairs). The lease would start at \$4,000/year and increase by 3%/year.

The first Municipal Airport tree-clearing bid was unsuccessful. Of two bids, one was too high and the other lacked some bid requirements. A second bidding resulted in the contract being awarded to Schwartzfisher Stoneworks for \$20,000. The work will be done in the near future.

A request from the Human Services Commission for four plane tickets was provisionally granted, pending approval by the St. James attorney, who is checking on the legality of this for the other Township.

It was noted that the Transfer Station Bylaws may not have been completed and it is currently operating on a 1-page agreement from 1991. The Board agreed to look into this.

NRESC

At a meeting in late March the Natural Resources and Ecotourism Steering Committee moved closer to having a plan (strategies for accomplishing three goals: economic stimulus, resource management, and nature education) for the Townships and their Planning Commissions to look over. It will include an explanatory preamble, a glossary, and an appendix of sources.

A schedule was formulated:

April 16 – The drafts by the three subcommittees will be collected and formatted into a unified document.

April 17-18 – The unified document will be sent to all NRESC members so they can review it and consult with their organizations before the April 27 decision meeting.

April 27 – At the next NRESC meeting (10 am, Peaine Hall), the unified document will be discussed. It may be adopted and sent to the Township Boards and released to the community for feedback – or one or more additional meetings may be required.

In addition to the subcommittee drafts for the three goals, the document will contain an Introduction, a Glossary, and Background Information, much of which will link to documents on the web. There will also be a conveyance letter to the townships. The Town Boards may have it before their June meetings.




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6. ANNUAL MEETINGS: PEAINE

Peaine Township held its annual budget meetings on 3-30, and accepted and then approved a budget for 2013-14. A comparison sheet showed that in 2011-12, 2012-13, and for the coming year, the budgeted revenue went from \$281,700 to \$267,913 to \$288,070, and the budgeted expenses from \$334,650 to \$300,050 to \$287,449. The actual revenue in 2011-12 was \$321,530, \$40k over the budget, and the next year was \$295,002, \$30k over. At the same time the actual expenses were \$294,957 in 2011-12, \$40k *under* the budget and \$26k *under* the revenue. The next year the actual expense was \$277,066, \$18k *under* the actual revenue.

For the coming year the projected revenue (down 2.4% from last year's actual) is \$622 *above* the projected expense (which is 3.4% *above* last year's actual). If this holds true, the balance carried forward will increase during the year from \$362,971 to \$363,592.

The largest item in the revenue pro-

jection is, of course, property taxes, which are projected at \$209,980. Two years ago \$258,513 was collected; last year \$233,286 came in. Both of those amounts were significantly higher than projections. One other revenue item jumped, tower leases, thanks to the one-time \$7,500 lease-extension payment.

Other funds and their *BFs* (balances forward) are expected to show little change. The Fire Department will receive and spend \$66k with no stated *BF*. Waste Management will receive and spend over \$220k, with a *BF* of \$310k+. The Airport will receive and spend \$142k, with a *BF* of \$170k – some of which may have to go into the new terminal.

The Road Fund will receive and spend \$72k, with a *BF* of \$119k. Road expenditures will include \$6,300 for a test program of applying three doses of a lignite solution to the East Side Drive between Four Corners and the Welke Airport, requiring the road to be closed for two days.

THE TERMINAL IS CLOSER

On March 26th the Airport Commission met with architect Kendra Thompson and electrical engineer Jason vanBrocklin and made their final selection of details regarding the new terminal for what is now to be known as the "Beaver Island Airport." The name will appear in 12" cast metal letters.

The latest set of plans included all the construction details, which Thompson explained to the AC. Then the selections were made. Sliders instead of casements. Pine trim. Metal valleys

on the roof, with continuous ice-and-water shield. Programable timers on lights—some fluorescent, some LED. Two heat pumps for zones; heat from 9 bores of 250' depth.

Colors were chosen. The carpet, the counter tops, the cabinets, the tile base, the bathroom tile, the wainscoting, the interior doors, and the ceiling panels were selected.

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St. James held its budget meeting a few hours after Peaine, hoping to have a budget for 2013-14 approved, but it did not happen. A circulated draft was heavily criticized. Consequently the Board decided to go into recess and work on establishing correct figures for the next two days, meeting again on the evening of April 1st – the last possible moment – to hopefully pass a budget.

The draft indicated the St. James Street and Road Fund might receive ~\$70k but spend more. Its Sewer Fund might receive and spend ~\$70k. The Yacht Dock Fund might receive and spend ~\$50k. The Cemetery Fund might receive and spend ~\$1,600. The Board *was* able to agree to preserve its salaries at their current levels, and retain the current Township attorney, accountant, insurance company, bank, and engineer. It reaffirmed its land policy, and slightly raised yacht dock rates.

The meeting set for April 1st, though, was cancelled, and another set for 6:30 pm on April 3rd.

a metal roof; a gas fireplace; and an ice-melt system in the approaches. All are fully specified. The ice-melt system is unlikely—plug-in mats may be used instead. The fireplace is the most likely, for two reasons. A group of possible donors is forming to contribute the \$20,000 this would cost. And if it can be installed, it will result in an additional 1½¢ /kwh savings on the electric bill for geothermal.

Required landscaping was estimated at \$3,500 (of the total \$856,000—

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Tis truly the tenderest and sweetest—
Blossoms will come out to play...

I went to the Kitchen this morning—
To put the coffee on...
A sight there greeted me
bittersweetly—
In the early Dawn...

A jug of Wine~A loaf of Bread
I wondered-Wherefore art Thou?
A Friend to complete the age old
verse—
Thou beside me now...?

Ah Spring Fever! so sweet you come—
To say someone is on their way...
To tip toe through the tulips,
or the violets blue?
To hold this hand~~And stay...

— Dawn George

including fees). It will include junipers and lilies. The furnishings will be a separate matter decided on in June.

At the end of the meeting the program was said to have gone from 95% complete to 99.9%.

A schedule was set: prints will be available on April 8 (downloaded, or examined at the Airport or the Government Building); a prebid contractors meeting on April 18; bids are due by 1:59 on May 8; bids will be opened at 2:00 at the Airport on the 8th.

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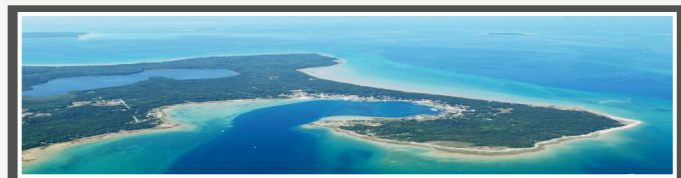


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A NEW GARDEN AT SCHOOL

The Beaver Island Community School applied for and received a \$1,000 grant for the creation of a school garden from Grow, Share, Feed (growsharefeed.org) of Michigan. It was applied for with the help of Nathan Ayers of Chiwara Permaculture Research & Education, and will be used to fund the creation of a Permaculture garden on BICS grounds. The garden will be used for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) education lessons for all grades K-12 on topics such as bio mimicry, agro ecology, and appropriate technology for Permaculture gardening in our local climate.

Food harvested from the garden will be used to supplement school lunches in the fall, and late summer production will be made available to the local food pantry. We hope to have a community-wide fall harvest celebration in October, with produce from the garden. All BICS students will have the opportunity to participate in canning and preservation of food from the garden, so they can learn the processes used to preserve food, and take a small portion home to share with their families.

Soil testing will begin in mid-April, and construction of the garden earthworks and mulching will start in May, with planting and installation continu-



The St. James Boat Shop, Carol and Dan Burton's creative enterprise next to McDonough's, heard that paddle boards may be added to the next Olympics, so they decided to begin turning out a competition model. Despite being made out of their trademark hardwood strips, it can be held up lightly with one hand.

ing through the spring. A hoop house and/or other season-extension technology will be added in the early fall. Students and staff will be actively involved in the entire process. Volunteers from school families and the community will be welcomed and encouraged.

We are very excited about this garden as a tool for learning, and adding locally produced food into our school and community. This is a great opportunity for our students to utilize the garden to better understand nature

based design methodologies, and how the choices we make as consumers of food, energy, water, buildings and transportation affect not only our own community, but the larger bio region and planet. Through experiential and project based learning, we will help educate a new generation in methods of nature based problem solving.

We want to thank Nate Ayers for his guidance and help. He has a Permaculture garden behind his Ann Arbor home, from which he can feed his family.

— Dan Martell

10. WHY YOU SHOULD CARE ABOUT INVASIVE SPECIES

Aldo Leopold, the father of conservation biology, wrote an essay called "Cheat Takes Over" in 1949. In it he describes the effect of an invasive species, cheat grass, on the grasslands of the northwestern United States. This one sentence from the essay is especially poignant: "It blockades newly hatched ducklings from making the vital trek from upland nest to lowland water." What Leopold was trying to do in his essay was to convince people to care about the effects of invasive plants on the landscape. Although not all invasive plants are as insidious as cheat grass, there are some found on Beaver Island that have the potential to be as damaging. Some could be poised to change our landscape as dramatically as Aldo Leopold's cheat grass did in Oregon, Washington, and California.

The National Invasive Species Council defines an invasive plant or animal species as one that does not occur naturally in an area (such as Beaver Island) and either has the potential to do or does harm to an area's environment, economy, or human health. We are very

lucky on Beaver. Not only do we have fewer invasive plants than are found on the mainland, but, for the most part, we are also in the potential harm stage rather than in the doing harm stage. If you love the forests, fields, beaches, lakes, dunes, swamps, marshes, and bogs of Beaver Island, you should care about the invasives that can do them harm.

Let's look at two invasive plant species already on Beaver Island and one that could potentially show up, and consider how one affects the environment, how one affects the economy, and how one affects human health. Spotted knapweed (*Centaurea maculosa*) is an invasive species from Eurasia that was accidentally introduced into the United States in the 1880s in hay or alfalfa seed (many invasive plants sneak into areas in imported hay). It took about 110 years for spotted knapweed to reach Beaver Island, but when it appeared it spread all over the Island in roughly 20 years. It particularly likes sandy areas along the shores of Lake Michigan and inland lakes, the edges of roads, and open fields. You might ask, "so what?"

Spotted knapweed has very pretty flowers—pink-purple thistle-like flowers that cover the plants and persist throughout the summer months. It looks innocuous enough, and one might argue that it adds beauty and color to the beaches and fields. But underground the plant is waging war on native plants with which it grows, such as the protected Pitcher's thistle and Lake Huron tansy, and one of my favorite beach plants, hairy puccoon. Spotted knapweed roots produce a poison, called a phytotoxin, that kills the roots of any plant growing near it. In some fields here the spotted knapweed has won the war so decisively that it has wiped out almost all the native vegetation, including milkweeds on which monarch butterflies depend and native grasses eaten by deer and turkey. And it has won the war over a short 20-year time span. You should care about controlling spotted knapweed if you care about the Island's unique beaches and abundant wildlife.

Many of us are aware of the ongoing battle with the common reed, *Phragmites australis*. Thanks to the tireless efforts of

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many caring Island citizens, the relatively small amount of non-native Phragmites still found here is under control, although it may never be completely eradicated. An ongoing treatment plan allows us to enjoy views of Lake Michigan unencumbered by Phragmites stalks. Can you imagine what a solid wall of 15'-tall Phragmites stems and seed heads would do to beach-front property values? The plant grows so thick in many areas on the mainland that no other plants are able to grow with it. Just like the ducklings in Leopold's essay, animals cannot move through stands of Phragmites because they are so dense. Unfortunately, this plant is now appearing on the shores of our inland lakes, and if it continues to spread unchecked, it may have a profound effect on property values on the inland lakes and negatively impact waterfowl. Studies along the shores of the Great Salt Lake in Utah, where Phragmites covers an estimated 20,000 acres, indicate ducks and geese do not like water areas confined by a wall of 15-foot grass stalks. Utah is losing millions of dollars in

hunting revenue each year because of the scarcity of waterfowl on the Great Salt Lake. If you care about property values and waterfowl, you need to be involved in the control of non-native Phragmites.

Luckily none of the invasive plant species currently found on Beaver Island has a direct impact on human health. However, there is a wickedly noxious invasive plants species called giant hogweed, with the tongue-twisting scientific name of *Heracleum mantegazzianum*, that has the potential to reach Beaver Island. Giant hogweed was introduced into the United States from Eurasia in the early 1900s as an impressive garden plant. It has huge lobed leaves that can be 5' in diameter, and the plant itself can grow to 14'. It is herbaceous, which means it does not have a woody stem, and it looks quite tropical planted in a garden among more typical Michigan plants. But woe to the gardener who decides to cut the giant hogweed down. Let's say it is a hot, sunny summer day, and you decide your giant hogweed is hogging too much sunlight in your garden. You're sweaty from

your work, and the hogweed is growing out in the sun. You cut it down, getting droplets of hogweed sap on your arms and legs. The next day, the skin on your appendages begins to burn, turn red, and blister. You are the unfortunate victim of hogweed-induced phytophotodermatitis, which means your skin is inflamed (dermatitis) due to the sap of a plant (phyto) reacting with sunlight (photo). Your sweat allowed the sap to dissolve onto your skin and acted to spread the sap around. And you thought poison ivy was bad! Some individuals react to giant hogweed sap by developing painless red, purple, or brown blotches that last for several years. And just because giant hogweed is not on Beaver Island now does not mean that it can't get here. It is already established in 11 counties in Michigan, with Manistee County the closest. The plant spreads easily by seeds, and a naive property owner could bring it to the Island to plant in a yard or garden. It is never a good idea to import plants to Beaver Island unless you know exactly what you are getting

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12. **Care about Invasives**, from page 11. and what the potential is for the plant to spread throughout its new habitat.

There are other invasive plants already established on Beaver that have their own stories about how they can negatively alter the Island's environment or economy. We should all care

about what these invasives might do. The Island attracts year-round residents, summer residents, and visitors because of its natural beauty. Invasive plants are not natural and should be as unwelcome as fudge shops. Please educate yourself about invasive plants and report the occurrence of any

plant that suddenly begins to spread across the landscape to the Beaver Island Association's Invasive Species Initiative (beaverislandassociation.org/invasives/.) In other words, care enough about Beaver Island to care about invasives. Aldo Leopold would be proud of you.

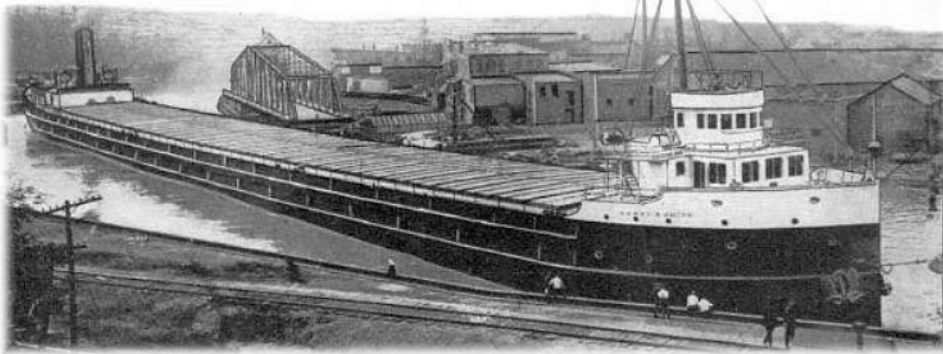
– Beth E. Leuck, Beaver Island Association

ON A ROLL

The Charlevoix Sheriff reported that at supper time on March 15th there was a rollover accident on the East Side Drive near Hannigan's Road.

The driver, Jean Kinsley, was going north when she lost control of her Chevy Blazer on the icy road. Her car slid sideways into a snowbank, flipping onto its top. She was taken to the BIRHC with minor injuries.

Previously a woman tipped over sideways and needed help from passersby to get out of her car.



THE SMITH GOES DOWN

One hundred years ago this year, on November 11, 1913, the *Henry B. Smith*, a Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Company ore carrier, went down off Marquette on Lake Superior during the Great Lakes' worst-ever storm. My grandfather, John Gallagher, was the

Chief Engineer on that carrier, and his was the only body recovered. He was found the following May by some Indian fishermen just off Michipicoten Island and was identified by one of the family with the aid of his wedding ring, which was engraved. My grandmother,

NEW FILM

Darrin James's new film, *Meeting On Beaver Island*, is in its final editing. It focuses on Native American leader Dennis Banks, and how he is working with native and non-native residents of the Island to bring back faded traditions and ceremonies. His efforts to revive a culture that has almost disappeared here began after visiting his friend Fred Schoonbeck.

The film tracks a year on Beaver Island, and how Dennis's presence on the Island grows. By incorporating several interviews it presents the Islanders' reaction to his hope to make the Island a center for peace and unification among the diverse tribes.

In addition to showing the arrival of the Island's *Dance Drum*, the largest in America, the film features the music and art which are part of the Beaver Island culture. It will be shown on July 19th at the Community Center as part of Museum Week.

the former Margaret (Maggie Big Neil) Gallagher, was left with five young children, the second of which was my father, James Gallagher. Both John and Margaret were residents of Beaver Island until they moved to Escanaba.

– Joan Gallagher Hansen

GLE WAIVES ISLAND SURCHARGE

The Great Lakes Energy Board met at 11:00 a.m. on March 22nd in Boyne City. A lot of people there were not happy with the proposed Base Charge Increase (from \$18.28 to \$32.31). But only Don Seelye brought up the Beaver Island surcharge (\$10.25/month) and how it would make the Beaver Island Base Charge higher than any of the other GLE customers when the new rate goes into affect next September. (Don also spearheaded a vigorous letter-writing campaign in March.)

The Board seemed ready to vote in the new base rate, but they also wanted to have a uniform system. So they decided they would drop the \$10.25 surcharge for Beaver Island. This Beaver Island surcharge could have run another 17 years.

The new base charge of \$32.31 per month will take affect on Sept 1, 2013. This is \$14 higher than Beaver Islanders are paying now (but exactly the same as all other GLE customers will be paying, and we will pay the

same \$0.08640/kwh as all GLE's customers). This will save us about a cent/kwh, which, taken with the surcharge drop, may cancel the effect of the base rate increase. Some Island customers who use electricity for more things will see a savings too.

The news was different for seasonal users. In the interest of uniformity, there will no longer be a seasonal customer rate, so they'll save six cents/kwh – but they'll be billed for their meter year-around.



HELPING & DIVING SOUTH OF THE BORDER

In recent years Jeff Powers' career as a veterinarian has provided many opportunities and much satisfaction. He began his practice in the Thumb before moving it to Beaver Island, where the stories of his wonderful work have become

legendary. He represented the profession in Russia, and served as the MVMA president back home. So he was ready to accept a request to take on something new: "missionary veterinary" work in Roatan, an island off the north shore of Honduras—

especially when told he "might be able to get in a little fishing and diving." After all, it has the Caribbean's largest barrier reef (the 2nd largest in the world).

Roatan, formerly a pirates' haven, is beautiful, but it's been economically depressed ever since Columbus





dropped anchor and came ashore. A recent boom in ecotourism has been of some help, but the island people have difficulty paying for care for their pets. So when they heard a free clinic would see them for a week they lined up.

Jeff decided to invite his son

Forrest, a new diver moving quickly up the ranks, to come along. There was room for one more in the free home provided, so he brought Beaver Island's most intrepid equatorial adventurer, Dick Burris. His ears won't let him dive any longer, but he did spend a day

snorkeling. The moment he arrived he found himself a bike and began investigating every nook in the 37-mile long island, making friends for life every time he gave up his pedal. If he wasn't on the dive boat he could be found at a dive shop, sipping a beer and telling





fascinating stories – in Spanish. For years people will talk about the wonderful gringo and the enchanting place he was from.

Much of the time Jeff had to work, providing, with the help of others, two dozen spays, neuters, tumor removals,

vaccinations, wormings, and disease and parasite control. Yet he still had time on five afternoons to go deep. He and Forrest and a few others went with a dive master to investigate the life around the corals 30' below the surface. The light was good to 100'; the corals go

down to 150. They saw dolphins, sponges, tuna, dogfish, permit, bonefish, snook, and turtles—with their constant scavenging companions. They avoided getting their fingers bitten off by the lurking moray eels (others were not so lucky), or tangling with the 6'





crocs that live in the eastern mangrove channel separating the main island from its eastern tip. He even had time to get

lucky with a fishing rod. The natives have always depended on fishing, although they are equally adept with

their spears. To them, nothing is off limits; if it can be eaten, it's fair game.

The food was excellent – fresh



fruit, lobster, several kinds of fish. Raspberry cheesecake squares for desert. There was always something going on – music, a soccer game, or an expedition to be planned. The tempera-

ture stayed around 80 for the entire trip.

The Beaver Island crew had such a good time that when Jeff was asked if he'd return, he did not have to think about it before answering Yes! Yet no

matter how beautiful it is in another part of the world, and no matter how heavy the snow is here, or how far down the trees are bending with snow, they agreed it's always good to get home.



Ten Years Ago Twenty-five Beaver Islanders conducted a peace vigil at the Christian Church, saying a prayer before walking to the Peace Garden at Holy Cross Catholic Church. Candles were lit and held aloft as another prayer was said, with everyone hoping against hope that the war just underway could be curtailed. Those present wanted it clearly understood that they supported and would continue to support the President and his policies, but thought that after centuries of war not being the answer, there should be a better way.

The Deerwood Lodge B&B opened for public inspection in advance of its first season, scheduled to begin in June. People were amazed at its grandeur.

The Partnership Project pressed for the release of 50,000 of the State's 300,000 fingerling Chinook salmon to be released in Paradise Bay.

Melvin Napont caught a 37" northern pike off Bud Martin's dock. When asked to comment on his record, he said, "It sure was good."

The ice caves at Cable's Bay became a major attraction.

The Twinning Ceremony on Arranmore was a big success, with many Beaver Islanders present. They found it invigorating to touch base with their heritage.

The Wildlife Club said the deer hunt had fallen off by 50%.

The Health Center Board defended the means they had used to determine the size of the new facility, which included collating the results from questionnaires (1,200 were sent out and 350 returned). Beaver Gems was awarded the bid at \$1,215,465; they were \$12,000 lower than the next lowest.

The passing of former postmistress Mary LaFreniere Minor was mourned, as well as that of Charles Dunlevy, grandson of former Island store owner Yankee Jim.

Twenty Years Ago The *Beacon* announced the traditional breaking of the ice by a Coast Guard cutter, this time the *Biscayne Bay*, which stopped at the dock long enough to let 20 or so Islanders have a quick tour before heading back out to sea. Spring was in the air, as evidenced by Sally Smith trying to organize a women's slow-pitch

softball league. A series of Beaver Island Community plays was begun, the first being *Doctor Death* starring Jennifer Wojan, Mike Myers, Cindy Gillespie, and Jim Stambaugh. Interlochen said it would send up a student quartet led by instructor Julia Bushkova.

The decimation of our birch trees by the gypsy moth was addressed in an article by E. B. Lange, who included a report from Jim Gillingham in which he stated that the 25 retrieved traps showed more gypsy moth activity than those of the previous year, but the average of 23 moths per trap was considerably below the 100-moth yield which the Department of Agriculture felt marked the beginning of a problem. Land owners were urged to prune, water, and fertilize their birch trees to help them survive.

The engagement of Debbie LaFreniere and John Robert was announced.

A compromise was reached in the rezoning battle over the Pingel property. This began when the developers of this 2600' tract of frontage south of Cable's Bay requested it be rezoned to R-1, a request that was withdrawn when the rules for R-1 were revised. The new requirement of a minimum width of 200' hindered their plan for 20 "site condo" lots, so they then asked for a variance on the grounds that this was not in effect when they submitted an application. A March meeting was postponed when neither the ZBA Chairman (Curt Petrak) nor the Township Attorney could attend. This led to a protest by residents who wanted to voice their opinions. Finally a compromise was reached: if the site plan was downsized to 16 parcels, a variance from the minimum width requirement would be issued. (A proposal to move the county road inland at this land was rejected after its initial acceptance.)

An item in the proposed Peaine Township budget calling for health insurance for its Board was decried, and a vote negated this line item and moved the funds it required into the "contingency" category. A letter from Bud Cruikshank complimented everyone concerned for taking this action. St. James Township sent out a grant application asking for \$80,000 for the tennis courts. The Township

Attorney claimed that a charge of conflict of interest brought by Alan Gillespie (who owned the Lakesports building and tried to start several businesses after moving here from Arizona, including selling Beaver Island spring water to port cities reachable by schooner) was without merit.

A DNR biologist was scheduled to visit to help the Wildlife Club determine where it should best plant clover and rye for the deer.

Thirty Years Ago The Civic Association, predecessor of the Chamber, decided to raise money for the events it sponsors on the Fourth of July by once again having a "Spring Fling" at the Shamrock, featuring local musical talent.

A letter from Billy Bennett, who lived here from 1940 until 1957, warned Beaver Islanders to identify and protect what it values most. "When Beaver Island gets parallel parking lines, a stop light, and its first fudge shop, then it's all over. There'll be no need to go there because it'll be just like everywhere else!"

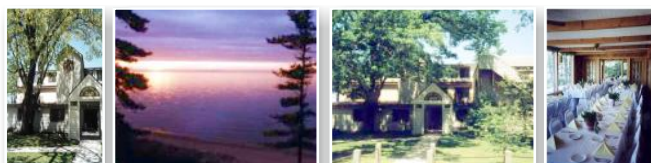
Sherri Timsak submitted a story about Tatch O'Donnell (the last resident at Barney's Lake). "One day he asked his friend Lano McCafferty to find him a ride to Chicago. That evening Lano went to tell Tatch he'd succeeded, but found Tatch sleeping in his bed under a half-dozen quilts and dressed in unwashed clothes. After waking him, Lano asked if he wanted to put on a clean suit. That was a good idea, he thought, proceeding to slip into his only suit, putting it on right over his clothes. He asked Lano to fetch his suitcase from upstairs, which Lano did, but all he wanted to put in it was three packs of Plowboy chewing tobacco. He made it to Chicago all right, and immediately went off to a party. When he failed to return, his sister, with whom he was staying, called the police. Knowing where to look, they found Tatch sleeping in an alley. 'Are you tatch O'Donnell?' an officer asked him, shaking his shoulder. Tatch replied that he was. 'Well, where d'you live?' the officer asked. 'If you know I'm Tatch,' he shot back indignantly, 'You sure as heck oughta know where I live.'

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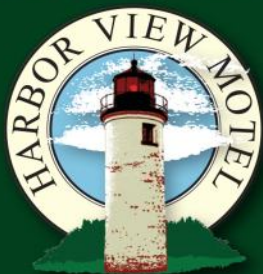
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On This Date, continued from page 17.

News was received of the passing of Jimmy Floyd, who had been born on Beaver Island in 1892 and worked here as a lumberjack and fisherman before heading off to see the world – or at least Alaska. He had lived in Charlevoix for the preceding 20 years, and could be found at the dock when the Beaver Island ferry came in.

Forty Years Ago March was so mild (a boat, Jackie Cross's fish tug *Jackie II*, docked in the harbor on March 15th, and the *Beaver Islander* made her first trip on March 30th) that the *Beacon* editor worried that April would exact nature's revenge by turning wet and cold. Bill Wagner, the DNR officer, reported the weather, including a high of 63° on March 11th.

Paul Ken reported that on a trip to High Island he saw a black and white dog with a collar and a bell running wild. When he tried to coax it closer it ran into the woods.

Archie LaFreniere sold the Shamrock to Barb Beckers, and Perry Crawford sold the Erin to Terry VanArkel. Grace Cole decided to close her restaurant, the Killarney Inn.

The St. Patrick's Day festivities had to be different than the last year's, which featured snowmobile races on the Harbor – because all the ice and snow was gone. Martha Miller organized a

Treasure Hunt for the kids and a Scavenger Hunt for everyone else.

The Christian Church celebrated ten years of existence; many of those who attended the first service (organized by Dr. Haynes) returned.

Lydia Lehey lost the handles on a roast she was pulling from her oven and severely burned herself, spilling hot grease over half of her body, but thanked Dr. Christie for helping relieve her pain. Our former physician, Dr. Palmer, who was living in Florida, suffered a stroke and slipped into a coma. Ray Penwitt, who married Frank Skopp's third daughter, Geneva, passed away in Pomona, California.

The Coast Guard revealed a policy change: no longer would it put a boat and six men at the St. James substation. Instead the Island waters would be watched by both Charlevoix and St. Ignace. If necessary, the Coast Guard said, the boat kept on the Island by the DNR could be used. Restrictions of the budget were to blame.

Fifty Years Ago The Community Calendar listed some events: trout season would open on April 27th; the smelt run would take place in May; and a mushroom hunt was scheduled for June. The Chicago party and Lansing party had already taken place, with a few celebrants (such as Russ and Joy Green) making it to both. Jewell Gillespie

played in Chicago with Russell 19. Palmer and Manistee's Ed Boyle.

In medical news, the *Beacon* reported that the Island's two Lillian Isabels were each in the Medical Center at the same time to deliver children: Paul Cole and Ronald Gregg.

The Game Club stated that 15 turkeys had been spotted, and more white ducks would be released in the harbor. The 85 Herfords being raised along the Jordan River ran out of hay, so the *Sundew* had to make an emergency run on April 2nd. It took her 10 hours to smash through all the ice coming here with 5 tons of feed, and 8 hours, after the wind shifted, to smash her way back to Charlevoix.

Several trappers were eagerly awaiting the April 1st opening of the season: Karl Keubler, Rogers Carlisle, and Walt Wojan. One of Walt's first traps snapped shut on a beaver's tail, and it was angry when Walt arrived. Once again butcher Lawrence Malloy was ready to skin any he was brought, and provide ample beaver meat.

Fifteen-year Island resident Joe Dillingham, who was the Island's telephone man since the phone arrived, accepted a job in Flint. He was also the assistant manager of the generating plant, Clerk of Peaine Township, Vice President of the Civic, and a member of the school board.

BEAVER ISLAND CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 13 – **BICS Spring Strings** at the Community Center - 3-4:30 pm.

April 17 – **Bingo** at the Christian Church

April 21 – **Suzuki Strings Spring Serenade** at the Sunday Dinner, noon; they'll fiddle while you eat

April 27 – **Citizen of the Year Banquet** at the Beaver Island Lodge; who will it be this year? Reservations: Lodge (231) 448-2396, Shamrock (231) 448-2278

May 1 – **Bingo** at the Christian Church

May 3 – **"Born to Be Wild"** BICS play, 7 pm at the Community Center

May 5 – **PABI Annual Road Rally**, registration 12:30, start 1:30 at the Shamrock.

May 15 – **Bingo** at the Christian Church

May 18 – **Memorial** for Jane Schmidt

May 26 – **Memorial** for E. B. Lange

June 8 – **BICS Graduation** for the Class of 2013, at 1 pm

June 20-22 – **Beaver Island Bike Fest**

June 25-27 – **Vacation Bible School**

July 15-20 – **Museum Week 2013**

July 15 – **Music on the Porch**: bring a chair to the Museum; many new acts have promised to appear

July 17-19 – **Art Show** at the Gregg Hall, with great entertainment!

July 18 – **Notre Dame gigapan** team explains their new technology

July 18-20 – The **Artist Blacksmiths** at the Heritage Park

July 19 – New **Darrin James film** about reviving the Island's Native American Culture – BICC, 8:00

July 15-19 – **MAD Camp**

July 18-20 – **Beaver Island Music Fest**

July 25 – **Rita Gillespie Memorial Blood Drive** at BICC Gregg Center

July 26-August 3 – **Baroque on Beaver**

July 27 – **Livingstone Studio's 20th Anniversary Open House** and

Art Show starting at 12:00

August 4 – **Community Picnic** honoring the 50-year history of the Christian Church

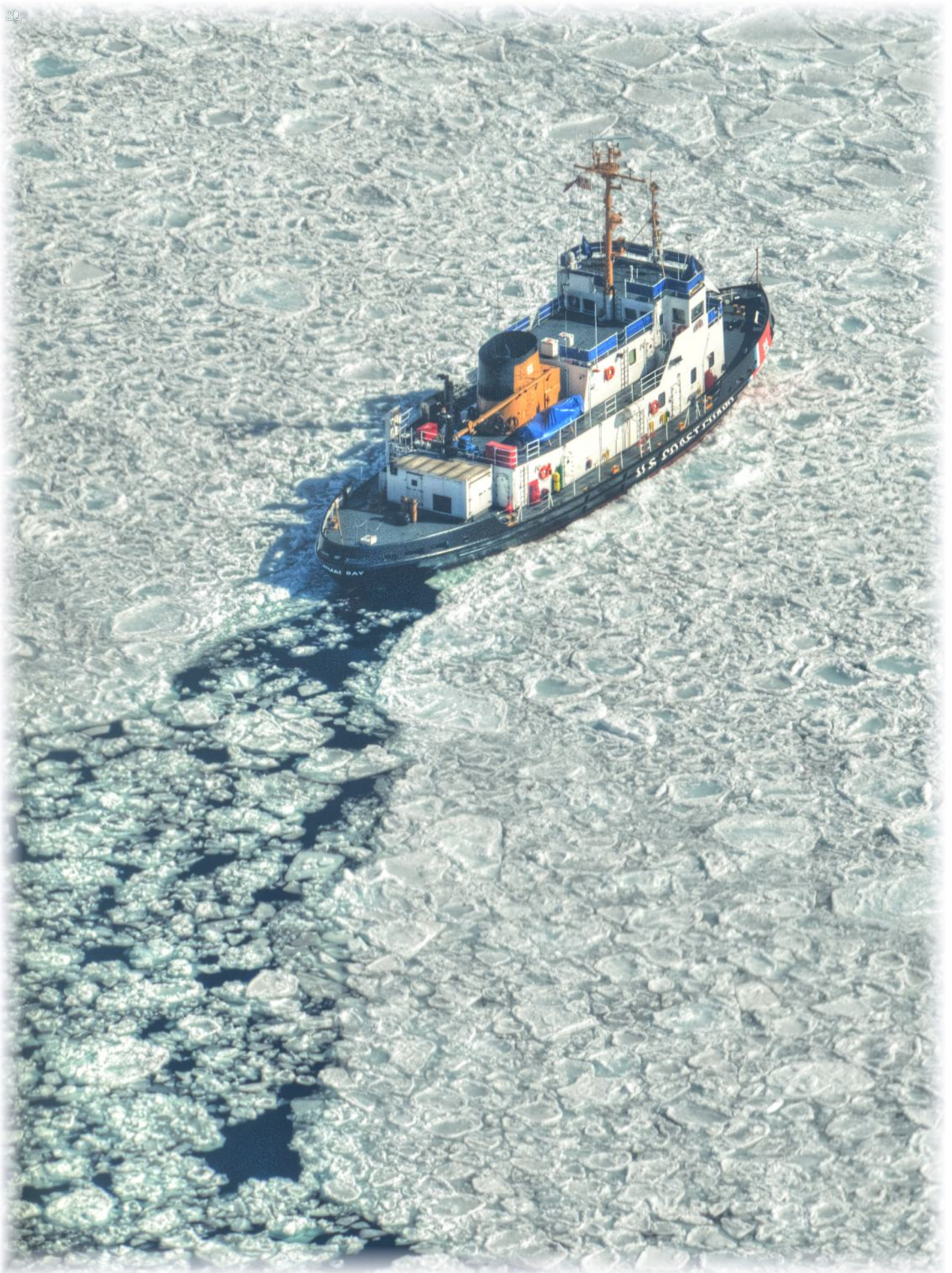
August 9-11 – **Homecoming**

August 10 – **Annual Bake Sale** 9:00 to noon at the Christian Church

September 21 – The **Michigan Crankun T's Club** will return on September 21 for a car show and cruise, sponsored by the Beaver Island Boat Co, the Shamrock, and the Chamber of Commerce. Club president Bob Fitzgerald said they had a wonderful time here in 2011. About 20 Model T Fords with a variety of body styles are expected for the weekend event.

October 5 – The **Bite of Beaver Island** and the **Island Boodle**

October 31 – **Trunk or Treat** at the Christian Church





FROM BEAVER ISLAND TO MANISTIQUE

CONNECTIONS WITH THE MAINLAND

March – the month that calls for a little adventure. The sun begins to

shine a little brighter, the days get a little longer, and the air brings the energy of spring to meet the peaceful beauty of

our Island winter.

Everyone knows that this has been a real winter, our first in many years.





Storm after storm hit the Island, mixed with freezing rain and single-digit temps. Frequently the snowmobiling was good, sometimes out on the ice. But occasionally the ice heaved and pushed up, and you had to just sit home.

Unless you had a plane, like Bud Martin. One day Bud and Adam took off from Beaver Harbor to survey the

ice. In recent years the Winterfest on Lake G allowed many of us, adults and kids, to experience taking off from a lake. But this year it was postponed because of a melt before a freeze, and it was nice to see a tradition not broken; we've all seen photos of the mail planes landing and taking off from the harbor before the airport was built in 1943.

Bud said Bill Welke had taught him to fly. "Never let yourself get distracted – you have to always pay attention."

The view from the air gives a great survey of the ice conditions from Beaver to Garden, around to Hog and Squaw, and then the iceberg stuck in a shallows approaching High, where the ice was tipped up in shingles. Some of





the small openings you would barely even see from a snowmobile until you were right on them. But from the air it was a grand map connecting the archipelago with smooth runs, long striations, and rough mountain ranges.

But you can't just go flying all the time. You need an excuse. So when Lyle Merriman asked Bud to bring half an

outboard engine from his fishboat to him in Manistique, Bud simply said "Thanks."

Manistique is the other end of Bud's fuel runs. He has a dock there that he found after Red Rowley flew him up to several port towns (before Bud started flying himself). He keeps an old car so he can visit his many friends.

Pulling up to Bud's dock, fish boats are lined up with some activity starting as the channel has open water. Adjacent to Bud's dock is a white boat with *J.R. Jensen* on the side, a boat capable of breaking the ice like the *Ruby Ann* – even a bit larger. Inside, Bob Jensen is cleaning it up, a practicing fisherman out of Manistique and the great grand-





son of Matt Jensen, known for homesteading the north shore of Garden Island after he'd fished from Squaw Island for a year (1884).

Arriving in America, he heard about the fantastic fishing in Lake Michigan, and came to Squaw, where

he met Dan Boyle. Dan wanted to try French Bay so he gave Jensen his shed. The two men were friends for a lifetime. Jack Larsen proposed settling on Garden, so they homesteaded next to each other at Dane's Clearing. Four of his seven children were born there.

Bud said when he wants to know the conditions in Manistique, Bob is the guy to call. But he's a real fisherman, so "if he says it's a little rough on the other side, it's going to be eight footers." On the way back to Beaver, Bud stopped at the Jensen fish market where they have





a store in the front selling nice fish while they work on nets behind. Out from Bud's dock was the dock where the old car ferry once landed.

We're so used to flying back and forth to Charlevoix. It provides a new perspective to connect with a different

point on the mainland, flying over the archipelago and the freighter channels. Passing over Garden conjures reflections on when boats came to Beaver from all over to stock up on wood, when people lived on the out Islands and traveled back and forth. It must have been

lonely to be stationed over on Squaw, or even on one of the light outposts with no land surrounding, when winter rations began to get thin and the ice bridge melted before the great Lake was quite open for boats to arrive.

The Coast Guard cutter, anticipated



at Beaver shortly to open the harbor, was breaking the way for a ship out past Lansing Shoal. Only a narrow band of ice still connected Squaw to the Garden Island-Hog Island-Beaver Island ice sheet. And Whiskey was in open water

with only an icy tail extending out into the lake. A small iceberg was frozen in off High a couple weeks previous, but now only a few small sheets of ice floated free. Hopefully the coyotes choose their destinations well for spring

before their Island bridges close for the season.

It's good to know Islanders who get out to explore the archipelago in winter. The future is wonderful, but this is what makes life here so rich.



Some people LIKE bare spots. Bare spots can give you a hint of what's to come. For example, one of our most gracious ladies here on Beaver Island very deliberately keeps a few patches of her landscape bare of vegetation, so that the sand beckons the observer to explore the beach just over the dune.

But for those who find bare spots to be vexing, three native ground covers are now available in the trade; Bearberry, Strawberry and Oak Sedge.

For dry sunny patches, Bearberry has no artistic rival. It is evergreen, has white flowers, red berries and red fall color. The rounded leaves have no spines to stab you. And who can resist anything named *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*?

For large areas with both sun and shade, no native plant will cover faster than strawberry, *Fragaria virginiana*. Its familiar white flowers and red berries are unabashedly

cheerful, and its leaves seem to warm up in the fall as they turn red and yellow. Native strawberry is ideal for covering septic fields and areas formerly deemed suitable only for lawn grasses. It with-

contrasts nicely with native strawberry, affording more visual interest in large areas than either plant does alone.

Some retailers are now carrying these plants. If you go to mnppa.org, you'll find Michigan's native plant growers, several of which may be on your way to Beaver Island.

Call ahead if you plan to buy in quantity.

So, although our more liberal neighbors here on Beaver Island may delight in exposing bare earth, the more civilized among us can delight in appropriate coverings.

— Barbara Rahn



stands light foot traffic, and blends well with stepping stones or flagstone.

For mostly shady spots, consider a

BEACHGRASS AVAILABLE

The Charlevoix Conservation District nursery is about to harvest American Beachgrass plants and make

them available for Island property owners. They are great for stabilizing a sandy slope.

NEW WEBSITE

Jeff Stone and Sarah Rohner of south Cable's Bay, who run Next Level Solutions, have done a *fantastic* job giving the Chamber's www.beaverisland.org website a fresh look and many new features. Last year the site got 105,000 views, with an average visit length of nearly six minutes. The website features a link to the Chamber Facebook page, Friends of Beaver Island. "It's part of our marketing effort. The focus is on good news about Beaver Island. It has earned nearly 1500 Facebook friends in a little over a year and is growing fast," said Chamber president Rachel Teague.

PURPLE BOXES

A second round of testing for Emerald Ash Borer will take place this summer, with the placement of 16 purple boxes on the Island. They became available when the fight to protect the ash trees in the Upper Peninsula was lost.

IT'S EASIER

The Charlevoix Beaver Island Boat Company office is now a stop on the Indian Trails Bus Line! This has been a problem since the last bus company pulled out of town. For more information, see: www.indiantrails.com

IGLOO, ANYONE?

The BICS 5th and 6th-grade students took advantage of our unusually heavy snowfall to build igloos this winter. They kept piling up more and more snow, which compressed and hardened from its own weight.

It became so solid that they were able to tunnel into it to create a cave—which could be used for shelter and a place to sleep in an emergency. Eventually they were all coaxed out, and went home.

The next day someone said three stray dogs had taken shelter in it during the previous frigid night.

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

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, April 2, 1913 **No Beaver Island related news.** (Note: April 2, Last ice mail. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, April 3, 1913 **Local and Personal News:** "There are visible signs of the opening of navigation. Work on the rebuilt steamer *City of Boyne* is reaching the finish and it looks as if she would be ready by the 10th or 15th. The *Beaver* is being fitted out."

"The Beaver Island mail carriers have probably made their last Cross Village trip. They left the Island Monday noon, arriving at Cross village at nine o'clock Tuesday, returning the same day."

(Note: April 2 - 4, Steady snow-rain storm. 32 degrees; April 5, Fair, 24 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, April 9, 1913 **No Beaver Island news.** (Note: April 6 - 9 Storms 30 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, April 10, 1913 **No Beaver Island related news.** (Note: April 10 - 11 Steady snow-rain storm to snow, 2 inches 30 - 34 - 28 degrees. April 11 - 16 Fair 30 to 44 degrees; April 15 First mail boat. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, April 16 **Local News Briefly Told:** "Under Sheriff Novak went to the Beaver Island Tuesday on business."

"The *Beaver* made her first trip to the Islands Tuesday morning."

"W. J. Gallagher of St. James, is in the city today." (Note: April 17 Storm 70 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, April 17, 1913 **Front Page Article:**

NAVIGATION OPENS

FAIRLY LAUNCHED INTO THE 1913
NAVIGATION SEASON - ONLY SMALL
FLOATING ICE FIELDS VISIBLE

"While the Straits are still closed, navigation for the port of Charlevoix is

fairly open. The fishing tug *Arbutus* from Chicago bound for Cheboygan reached Beaver Harbor Monday morning, but could not proceed north. On Tuesday the *Beaver* made her first trip to the Island with a good passenger list both ways."

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, April 23, 1913 **Local News Briefly Told:** "Captain Owen Gallagher of St. James, was in the city over Sunday."

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, April 24, 1913 **No Beaver Island related news**

(Note: April 18 - 24 Fair 36 - 68 degrees; April 25 Steady drizzle rain 49 degrees; April 26 - 30 Fair 38 - 52 degrees; April 28 - 30 Beaver Island Lumber Co. - big fire in the woods. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, April 30, 1913 **Local News Briefly Told:** "W. W. Boyle of St. James, is in the city on business."

A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE ISLAND FERRIES

Early on, the constant movement of fish boats between Beaver Island and Charlevoix provided the usual means for people to travel from one place to the other. Regular scheduled transport of people and goods had to wait until the mail contract was established, and at the onset, first with Cundy Gallagher and then with White Dan Green, the route led to Cross Village, a closer destination than Charlevoix. Big Neil Gallagher put his boat, *Joe*, on this run in 1900, under Captain Leonard or James Gallagher.

In 1890 Peter Campbell snatched the contract with his 60' steam tug *Nellie*, which soon gave way to a better boat, the *Erie L Hackley*. This made Charlevoix a feasible destination. Built in 1882 in Muskegon, she measured 79' by 17'. The *Hackley* sank off Menominee on October 3, 1903, with 11 lives lost; it's still remembered as Menominee's worst maritime disaster.

In 1902 Campbell had purchased an even better boat, the *Beaver*, although he sold it to Ben Newhall and then went to work for him as her master. This boat was built in Muskegon in 1892, and was first named the *Oval Agitator*. She was

98' by 19', and was the first hundred-tonner on the run. Captain Campbell's son P. D. took over in 1913; somewhere along the way he became her owner. She made the run until burning to the water line at the Charlevoix dock in 1915. She served as a scow in St. James for a few years, and then in Menominee.

The Roe Brothers of Harbor Springs grabbed the contract next, using their *City of Boyne*, an 88' vessel with a beam of 19'-8". She was built in Grand Haven in 1883, and brought north by Oscar Wilbur of Charlevoix. She was replaced by the *Columbia*. Charlie Roe was her skipper, O'Donnell her engineer. She caught fire at the Charlevoix dock in October of 1917, and burned until she sank.

Captain Harry Oldham, who built Charlevoix's Tower Hotel, saw a chance, and put his 78' steamer *Bruce* on the run in late 1917. She had a slower and smaller competitor, the *Irene*, for the next three years.

In 1920 Captain Oldham retired the *Bruce*. James E. Sanford bought a 100' boat and named it after himself, and the *James E. Sanford* dominated the run for

the next ten years. She was faster than her predecessors, taking only 5 ½ hours to cross. She opened at the stern, and could carry a car—the first ferry with this accommodation. After five years Sanford tired of the grind and turned over the task to Captain John Chambers, who manned his post until 1931.

Captain James Big Neal Gallagher took over, using the still-faster *Ossian Bedell*, which could carry several cars. But in 1933 he caught wind of a grander opportunity and sailed her to Chicago to service the World's Fair crowds. She had been the belle of the ball at the Island's first Homecoming the year before, and everyone was disappointed to see her leave.

An Island-built boat, the 65' *Rambler*, filled the gap until the *Marold II* was purchased in June of 33. This sleek, 133'-long craft was a wonderful sight. Owned by four Island businessmen, she promised an upturn in the Island's economy—until the disaster of January 1, 1937, when she blew up after salvaging airplane gas from the stranded tanker *J. Oswald Boyd*, killing all on board at Simmon's Reef.



"IT'S A LONG WAY... TO BEAVER ISLAND"

Unlike last year, when it was warmer in St. James than in St. Pete's, this year's St. Pat's Day festivities were sparked by the below-20° temperature. How cold was it, Johnny? "It was so cold, that the fish heads did not come off for the first fifteen throws!" "So cold my spilled

drink froze before it hit the ground!" "So cold the ducks could not leave the ice!"

Despite the chill, a good crowd assembled in front of the Shamrock for the opening games on Saturday afternoon—the 4-man ski walk, the buggy hop, the tire hop, and the tug of war (won again by the downhill side). Father

Nugent did his sideways jig, confusing every contestant. Hats off to 9&10's Corey Adkins for drumming up interest.

As usual, the crowd was anxious for the fish toss to get underway. Several contestants had practiced new ways to make a pike fly – whirling twice to build up momentum before letting go,





hooking the gills to get a better grip, or using both hands on an underhand lob. Some had practiced for weeks with any-

thing long and slippery, hoping to finally break into the top few spots. Brett Maudrie was home to try his hand.

Dedicated tosser Mike Verleger was desperate to move up in the rankings. Six-time winner Chuck Pop let it be known





he was intent on earning number seven. The audience had come from all over—New York, Ohio, Kentucky, even

Ireland. Bets were placed and pledges made. Drinks were downed, and then the fish began to fly. Three times the audi-

ence had to duck to avoid errant throws. Pop slipped, and his fish hit short of the mark. As contestant after contestant tried





their luck, the fish began to disintegrate. The audience laughed—and shuddered.

The winner was Jeff Morris of Grand Rapids. In accepting the trophy, he revealed this was his lifelong dream.

“My dad wanted me to work hard to become a doctor or lawyer,” he said. “But that didn’t interest me. Instead I put all my effort into learning how to grasp a fish and hurl it halfway to heaven. Today

I accomplished my lifelong dream.”

Once the scales were cleared away and the fish heads wrestled away from the hungry dogs, the games moved inside and continued until closing time.

THE GREAT DAY



A celebration was had at the school with Danny, Danny, Cindy, and Br. Jim spending the last hour of the Friday afternoon before St. Pat’s teaching the

newest generations how to dance.

It took a little bit of time for the digital age to come up to speed with an analog rhythm, but with a little extra drum-

ming and strumming, the auditorium whirled into motion. And the students and teachers used the afternoon to thank Kitty for all she does for our school.



Ordinarily the winner of the St. Pat's limerick contest is applauded, given a ribbon, and asked to buy the audience a round, but this year the tried and true routine was disrupted by a bellow of "No Fair!" from the back of the crowd.

The winner had just declaimed his alleged composition:

*There once was an island named
Beaver*

*Chopped from the mainland by cleaver
So a big bridge was planned
"The Lake will be spanned!"*

But the builder came down with a fever.

When the challenger, dressed in three shades of green, insisted the same limerick had been entered in the annual contest in 1989 by the winner's father, a

row threatened to break out. The winner had the advantage of still holding the mike. "Shouldna make no difference," he roared. "My grandfather entered it too, back in 1966, and that didna disqualify me old man 23 years later. So my old man's entry shouldna disqualify me here today. Besides, neither a them gents took the prize. Begorry, I'm buyin' this gol-danged round."

But the challenger would not capitulate. Climbing on a stool, he declaimed his own entry:

*Let's build us a bridge, from Beaver to
Hog,*

And on to Hat, then to Skillagalee Bog,

We'll end it at Cross Ville

Near the road by the the hill,

First across'll be an Irishman's dog.

The judges did not like it. One ³³ thought there was way too much talk of a bridge—"It ain't ne'er gonna happen." Another wanted to know which Irishman's dog; those that came quickly to mind were dismissed as deer chasers or nippers. Most agreed that those should not be accorded such a high honor, but then an old-timer cited a dog that was frequently mean-spirited and unruly but had been great for chasing off the deputy. For a minute the entire room teetered on the edge of a donnybrook. Then the first round was passed out and put on the initial winner's tab amid cries of "To yer health!"

To keep the peace, the challenger was allowed to buy the next. Just like that it became just another St. Pat's.

IN MEMORY: ROSEMARY BURGET

Rosemary E. Burget, 70, passed away at her home in Muncie on Thursday, March 21, 2013. She was born in Vincennes on June 7, 1942, the daughter of Roy and Nellie (Shackelford) Kern. She graduated from Monticello High School in 1960 and moved to Muncie. Rosemary graduated from Ball State University in 1964 and received her

Masters Degree in 1968. She spent her career teaching at Riley, Lincoln and South View Schools, was a member of the Muncie Teachers Association, the Indiana State Teachers Association, the National Education Association and the First Baptist Church of Muncie.

Rosemary also enjoyed spending time at her second home on Beaver

Island where she enjoyed volunteering in the community.

Survivors include her children, Brendan Burget (wife, Nicole) and Bethany Burget; a granddaughter, Olivia Burget; a sister, Karen Kern and a half-sister, Stacey Millspaugh. She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Dale Burget in 2008 and her parents.

IN MEMORY: JOHN PAQUIN

John H. Paquin, 86, of Glenn, Michigan died on March 7 at Borgess Medical Center in Kalamazoo. He was born November 8, 1926 in South Haven, MI to Howard and Joyce (Hadaway) Paquin. John graduated from South Haven High School in 1944 and from MSU with his degree in Agriculture. He was a fruit farmer his whole life, farming the land his father and grandfather farmed. John married

Joanne Penoyar on April 5, 1952.

John was also an insurance agent in Glenn for many years at the Paquin Agency, which began when his father started selling State Farm Insurance in 1958. He retired in 1989 and sold his business. He was a lifetime member of Casco United Methodist Church, and was active in Kiwanis Club and a member of the Masons. John was a former Ganges Township trustee and

volunteer fireman. John also enjoyed spending time at his cottage on Beaver Island.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife Joanne Paquin and a sister, Sarah McKerlie. John is survived by his children Tracy (Susan McDermott) Paquin of Pier Cove, MI and Scott Paquin of Grand Rapids. He also leaves behind his little dog Molly.

GAIL'S WALK

In honor of Gail Weede, each year we have a Memorial Weekend Walk to raise money to help Island families who experience unexpected or long-term medical treatment. This fund helps with bills or expenses. The 2013 Gail's Walk will be Sunday, May 26th, at 3:00 p.m.

A minimum donation of \$10 per person is asked for this 5k untimed event. Children five and under are no charge. If you are unable to join us, but would still like to donate, it would be appreciated. Commemorative Hats will be available

for purchase. Please make your check out to BIRHC – in memo please put: "Gail's Walk", and mail to: Beth Croswhite P.O. Box 143, Beaver Island, MI 49782.

This walk will begin and end at the Public Beach parking lot. Any questions, please call: Beth Croswhite 448-2820, email: bethjoddy@gmail.com; Lynn Cary 448-2575; Joan Banville 448-2092; Kerry Smith 448-2601, email: ryanandkerry@tds.net; Lisa Gillespie 448-2888; or Dawn Marsh 448-2910, email: demarsh@tds.net.

AT THE LIBRARY

Former BICS graduate Patrick McGinnity was recently offered the job as Library Director. He said, "I quite literally could not be happier. I want to thank the board for selecting me from amongst the many highly qualified folks who applied..." Plus, he and Larissa just had another child!

They have land and camping facilities south of Greene's Lake, but hope to rent a house in or near town. If you have a lead, contact him via email at crazykelt@hotmail.com.

Record attendance is music to the ears of the organizers of any arts event, and this is especially true of the Baroque on Beaver Classical Music Festival. Baroque on Beaver (BonB) has had steady increases in attendance numbers since its inaugural concert 12 years ago, which is surprising given the shaky state of the classical music audiences. While classical music venues are struggling to fill seats, BonB is booming.

"Attendance has been growing each year, which is a tribute to the dedication of our talented musicians and festival

leadership as well as the vision of founders Jane Maehr, Ruth Kelly and Jean Howell," says Anne Glendon, who Chairs the Beaver island Cultural Arts Association, the organization which oversees BonB. "Not only has attendance grown, but so has the willingness of local and off-island supporters to underwrite performances. In 2012 each major festival performance was underwritten by businesses or donors. We are hoping to repeat that record in 2013."

Not all classical music events are scaling new heights regarding attendance. Across the US audience atten-

dance at classical music events has been soft. According to The National Endowment for the Arts' statistics, classical music attendance has declined 29% since 1982, with the steepest drop occurring from 2002 to 2008.

The Baroque on Beaver Festival is expected to attract almost 1,300 people during the new and expanded 2013 season, up tenfold since 2001. However, there is ample reason for diligence in marketing and performance quality.

Nationally, the "Great Recession" has caused reduced attendance at all types of music and arts festivals. The press regularly reports how people don't have a lot of money and how high ticket prices to musical events further discourages attendance.

BonB does not charge for tickets, although performances are costly, which is why free-will offerings are requested. This could be one reason why attendance at Baroque on Beaver offerings continues to move into a higher range. Another draw for BonB is the Festival's location. Our festival is a unique experience, says Anne Glendon. BonB programming is arranged so audience members may come for a day or for a week.



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The Island atmosphere is tranquil and the scenery is idyllic, allowing for people to enjoy the music while relaxing. You can attend BonB concerts with family or friends without breaking the bank.

The Baroque Festival has been very responsive to audience feedback, and to that end Festival organizers have expanded programming to provide



HITS HIGH NOTE, BUCKING THE TREND

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attendees more options. For the 2013 season all Baroque on Beaver Classical Music Festival events are free, the only exception being the Gala Fund Raiser that takes place several days before the Festival officially gets underway.

In addition, Festival offerings will be spaced over ten days in 2013, from July 26 to August 4. The revised and expanded schedule allows for a more relaxed pace, reduces conflicts with local and mainland events and increases opportunities for casual performances around town. It also reduces pressure on the dedicated volunteers who are vital to the festival's operations. And, the extended time frame has prompted early discussions with the Beaver Island Boat Company and others to create travel packages that combine Festival events with environmental tours so visitors can explore Beaver Island's many natural and cultural attractions while enjoying the Island's unique setting.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation awarded BICAA a grant of \$5,500 to support this first year of expanding the Festival's timeframe. Spreading the Festival out over two weekends allows its artistic directors to



emphasize a variety of small quartets as well as larger works for the full Festival Orchestra and Chorus, further enabling audience members and participants to spend time on beaches, trails, waters and links.

BonB audiences recognize that the Festival is a great place to discover newer artists, said Robert Nordling, the Festi-



val's principal conductor and music director. One of its charms is that programs are varied and diverse and include classical and choral selections as well as appropriate repertoire to complement the lighter summer season. Most importantly, it is approachable and manageable. You can get good seats that almost allow you to reach out and touch the performer.

Artists are responding to the festival boom as well. Glendon says playing the BonB festival is seen as prestigious on a resume and attractive for emerging artists who seek to gain prominence and a following. A manageable festival like

BonB allows an artist more control and the audience more intimacy, something larger events are unable to offer. Long-time classical music supporters Joe and Marilyn Reed say, "It's been a successful run and a great value for lovers of classical music and our community. We here on Beaver Island are delighted with the results, for it has hit just the right note with year-round and seasonal residents, as well as summer visitors who are discovering the emerald isle for the first time."

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Yes, some kids are afraid of what Santa might do when he comes down their chimney while they're sleeping. And most kids are terrified of clowns, suspecting they are the only trying to distract them

with their slapstick routines so they can stuff them in their bag and take them to another town, where their parents will never find them. But *nobody* in all of recorded history has ever been afraid of the Easter Bunny, right? After all, he's

completely harmless, right? He'd never put sleeping powder in one of those eggs, right? *Right?*

One thing is sure: very little frightens a Beaver Island kid, and none of them could be scared when they're all having

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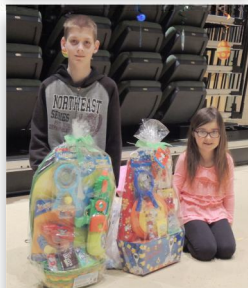
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so much fun. The Easter egg hunt at the Community Center (it had to be inside because of all the snow) is another great example of how so many people volunteer here to help enrich the community. This particular version was started by

Tina Walker, who got the merchants to contribute prizes and bought the bunny costume (and the beaver suit, worn in the Fourth of July parade). When she passed away, her friends decided to keep the tradition going. The kids were the imme-

diate beneficiary, but everyone on the Island enjoys the good cheer it brings each spring. So many games! So many balloons! So much candy! Plus the true meaning of Easter is imparted to the kids, and that's worth more than any prize.

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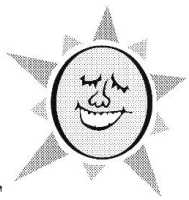
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Bids not hand delivered prior to bid opening shall be mailed to the **Township of Peaine and Township of St. James, PO Box 134, Beaver Island, Michigan 49782**. Mailed bids must be received prior to 2:00 pm (local time) Wednesday, May 8, 2013. All bids shall be sealed and shall have the name and address of the bidder clearly marked on the outside of the envelope. The envelope shall also be marked with the following: **New Terminal Building for the Beaver Island Airport, Beaver Island, Michigan**. Bids must be submitted on the bid forms (provided in the proposal).

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This project is being funded in part with Michigan Department of Transportation funding. All bidders are required to sign a certification that they will comply with all Federal and State non-discrimination laws and regulations. All state and federal guidelines must be followed.

A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2013, at 10:00 am for the New Terminal Building Construction Trades at the Peaine Township Offices, 36825 Kings Highway, Beaver Island, Michigan 49782. The pre-bid meeting is mandatory for general contractors intending to submit bid proposals.

In conjunction with the Terminal Building, a pre-bid meeting for the Parking Lot and Entrance Road including the area around the Terminal Building is scheduled for 2:00 pm, April 18, 2013 at the Peaine Township Offices, 36825 Kings Highway, Beaver Island, Michigan 49782. The Parking Lot and Entrance Road project is bid through MDOT letting process. The pre-bid meeting is mandatory for general contractors intending to submit bid proposals.

Scope of Work

The project will consist of construction of a New Terminal Building for the Beaver Island Airport.

Availability of Documents

Complete bidding documents will be available from the office of Traverse Reproduction and Supply, 1373 Barlow, Traverse City, Michigan 49686 upon receipt of a fee, by cash or check, for the Document sets.


Website for viewing and printing documents is available. For username and access, telephone: (231) 947-6284.

Bid Documents are also available at:

Kendra C. Thompson Architects, PC, 803 Cherry Street, Manistee, Michigan 49660

The Builders Exchange of Northwest Michigan, 1373 Barlow Street, Suite 4, Traverse City, Michigan 49686

Technical questions about the project should be directed to Kendra C. Thompson, Kendra C. Thompson Architects, 803 Cherry Street, Manistee, Michigan 49660, 231-723-4195.



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40. **TAXES: SEV CORRECTION**

Peaine property owners buying or selling property this year may have noticed a sizeable adjustment of the Assessed Value / State Equalized Value

(SEV) used for taxation, an ~18% reduction on many properties.

Meanwhile in St. James, some have witnessed a smaller reduction this year,

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Representative at the Beaver Island Branch. Cash handling, customer service and any bank experience preferred. Call

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FOR SALE BY OWNER: 40 ACRES INTERIOR WOODED, HUNTING - 32370 Kings Hwy. Great hunting area w/combo wetlands, no immediate neighbors, and State Land across road. Nestled next to Jordan River swamp/headwaters. Deer runs thru w/cedar forage. Includes fully-insulated, roughed-in, 2-story structure w/rough-electric ready for generator supply (generator included). No well/septic, but outhouse supplied! Make offer! (231) 448-2454.

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PORT ST. JAMES LOTS 607 AND 608 - A block from the Font Lake boat launch. (231) 675-2514.

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

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HAGGARD's SUMMER RENTAL HOME - Overlooks Paradise Bay across from the Maritime Museum. Sunset view of harbor and village of St. James is a winner. Comfortable custom home sleeps 8-10. 3 baths. Public sand beach 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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WATERFRONT COTTAGE - On the east side. Available by the week or weekend. One BR, full kitchen and bath. Enjoy the water and the woods, year round. Off-season rates. Complete privacy. (231) 448-2907.

7 PINES - Weekly Rental. Close to town (short walk to Dalwhinnie) Sleeps 6, 1½ bath, washer/dryer, linens not furnished, freshly remodeled, *DOG friendly*, \$850/week, Contact Gretchen Fogg at (616) 318-1424 or gabf24@gmail.com

SAND BAY - "BAY HAVEN" COTTAGE - WEEKLY RENTAL - Lake Front, Sandy Beach, 5 br, great view, laundry. East Side Dr.-only 4 miles from town. Awesome sunrises-walk to beach is straight and flat out the lower level. No pets and no smoking. Please email lauriesbos@chartermi.net or call Laurie Bos at (616) 786-3863 Photographs of Bay Haven can be seen at: www.bayhaven.beaverisland.net

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



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~8% on some property. Of course property owners who have their taxable value capped below the SEV saw a normal ~2.4% increase (vs. 2.7 last year).

Charie in Human Resources at (800) 547-6080 or email your resume to cmetevia@csbchx.com.

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

20 ACRES WEST SIDE ROAD - \$55,000; 16x18 rustic cabin. Apple orchard and deer blinds; (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.

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

BACK HIGHWAY CABIN, GREAT IN TOWN LOCATION - Newly remodeled. Close walking distance to anywhere in town. Sleeps 5 plus a baby crib if needed. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, futon in one of 2 living areas. No pets please. Reasonable rates at: Memorial day to Labor day, \$600 wk. Early May, September and October, \$400 wk. Contact: Linda (231) 448-2330 or (231) 330-4156. lindamcd50@hotmail.com

THE FISHERMAN'S HOUSE - Great 'In-Town' location across the street from St. James Harbor. Four bedrooms, three with double beds and one with

However, the correction should be a catalyst for Island real estate, better reflecting the values available in the current market.

PARADISE BAY COFFEE SHOP
Part-time help wanted for summer - flexible hours. Dale_Terry_Keyes@msn.com

FOR SALE: 80' OF BEACH FRONT-AGE ON FONT LAKE - Lot cleared for building: Lot 7 on Pine Chip Road, turn just past the Sub sign on the Donegal Bay Road. Marge Armstrong, (231) 448-2143 or (941) 729-2637 (cell).

WATERFRONT HOME FOR SALE
3 BR, 1 1/4 bath, at Sand Bay. Sandy beach, 2 lots: 1 w/ recently remodeled home and garage, 1 w/ large pole barn. Just appraised at \$285k. Call (231) 448-2034.

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

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 or tammymcd107@yahoo.com.

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.

LOCH WOOD SHORES - About four miles from town on the beach of Sand Bay. 3 bedrooms, 2 with double beds, 1 with two twin beds, one and a half bath, w/d, full kitchen, gas grill, large deck that you step off onto the beach, gas fireplace, and a gorgeous view of Lake Michigan. Call (231) 448-2733 or 448-2499.

DONEGAL BAY - 3 BR 2 bath Home; sleeps 6; many amenities. \$980 a week. Reduced rates for off-season. Visit Loveley's Bay House at www.rentalbug.com/vacation-rentals/michigan/1244 (313) 885-7393, after 4:00 p.m.

SECLUDED 1940s LOG CABIN - just one block from lake and market on one acre - Sleeps 4-6, pets welcome (\$100 deposit.) Washer, Dryer & linens furnished. Bicycles, canoe, grill available \$700/wk; weekends available. (219) 863-2655 or email cehlah@urhere.net

Beaver Island Rental Cottages continued on page 42.



FOR RENT: 3 Bedroom, 1 bath.
Sleeps 8-10. 1 1/2 miles from town and beaches. \$500/week. (231) 547-6429 or (231) 448-2829

COMBS COTTAGE ON SAND BAY:

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JUDE'S RENTALS: Pleasantly situated in the heart of it all! Jude's house is nestled among the peaceful nature of Beaver Island in addition to being just walking distance from the harbor, historical museums, shops, restaurants and the beach. Call Jude Martin (231) 448-2673 or (616) 726-2432



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In town with a beautiful view of the harbor and our beach lot across the street. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, sleeps 6. Dalwhinnie and McDonough's within walking distance. \$1,200 per week. Call Patti Fogg: (616) 399-5067 pfogg@charter.net Website: www.allenfoggcottages.com



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DONEGAL BAY COTTAGE - Nicely furnished 3 BR, 1 bath, washer/dryer. On dune w/ beach access. \$775/ July &



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**NORTH SHORE 300' BEACH**

FRONT: Newly remodeled Sunset Cabin overlooking Garden Island. Charming cabin with 3 season porch has Queen, Full/Twin bunk-bed and sleeper sofa. Located on Pine Street, easy walk to town. \$1,000. a week June through September. No pets please. Call (231) 448-2050 for more info.



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