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4. NEWS FROM THE TOWNSHIPS

St. James Township

Verizon notified the Board that it wanted to upgrade the building at the base of the Donegal Bay Tower to make it larger. It would pay the Township \$3,100/month for the next five years for the tower lease.

The Board approved letting the Airport Commission apply for a \$100,000 loan at less than 4% over ten years, in case the low terminal bid exceeded available funds. The Board also approved abandoning a portion of the Airport Road and rebuilding it a little north to accommodate the new terminal siting.

Jean Wierenga's bid for lawn maintenance, at the same rate as last year, was accepted. Pam O'Brien's similar bid for caring for the Ferry Park and the pocket gardens was also accepted, although the rate was not stated.

The Christian Church would be unable to staff the Carnival this year so a new sponsor was being sought. Jim Wojan thought it was a shame that more people did not step up to keep alive this tradition.

Powers' Hardware had the low bid for the Resale Shop materials. Labor bids were due before May 13, when they would be opened. (A special meeting was held in mid-moth to open bids. Of two bidders to build the pole

barn, Greg Cary was selected, and of the two masonry bidders, the bid by Dave Schwartzfisher for the concrete work was accepted.)

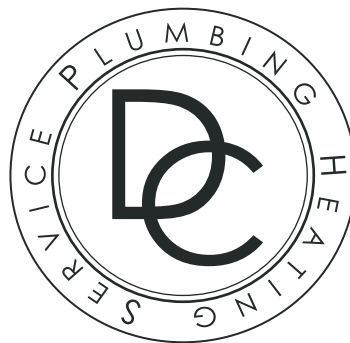
The remodeling of the Sheriff's substation was underway.

The Township was thanked for getting electricity run to the AmVets Park.

Three possible sites for the new county garage were being considered: south of the Welke Airport parking lot, east of the Transfer Station, and in the old Vineyard west of the Rectory.

Jim Wojan was pressing the Road Commission to pick up the sand and gravel from the downtown streets before it clogged the drains. He said the plows had thrown it to the side, where it was furrowed 8" deep in places. He also asked them to order our dust control with theirs to get us a better price.

A Waterways Grant of \$1,015,000 was awarded for dredging Paradise Bay, which we accepted at a special meeting on April 19. The exact channels to be deepened were not strictly defined, but it was hoped they would be more than was needed for the ferry – to the yacht dock and Marina as well. Because of the spawning season dredging could not be done until September. A request for bids will be put out by the Cheboygan firm which did the engineering.



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Peaine Township

The Treasurer reported that a few properties in the Township were going up for tax sale, and that the state had first option, the township second, the county third, and then they would be offered to the public—possibly in two weeks. He did not think any would be worth pursuing by Peaine.

The Airport Commission reported on the bid openings, saying it would meet with Mean & Hunt and the architect, as well as the low bidder, before determining how to proceed. There may be a delay in starting; if so, a request to extend the finishing date would be made. Permission to apply for a \$100,000 loan was requested, for ten years at 3.3%, and was provisionally granted: it could be applied for, but not accepted without a second Board approval. The Board approved moving the access road north.

Pam Grassmick reported that ~3 acres of *phragmites* had been discovered in the Greene's Lake Bog and was "ready to explode." It was also at Miller's Marsh. She asked Peaine to contribute \$3,000 to its elimination, and for the supervisor to sign a letter asking property owners to voluntarily donate \$50 (or more) to this cause. When such a letter was sent five years ago, 500 did so. There was \$12,000 in the *phragmites* fund. St. James would be

asked to contribute. Volunteers would be sought; last year 46 pitched in. The Board agreed.

The Wildlife Club offered to donate \$2,000 for two docks, one at Lake Geneserath, the other at Fox Lake. They might be 30' or 40', and be removed in the fall, stored on site, and put back in, in the spring. They are built in 10' sections. The 30' model costs \$1,800, the 40' \$2,400—both plus boat freight. The Township would have to contribute the difference and manage installation and removal. The Board took this under consideration and will look into liability.

The lignite application was set for June 3rd and would require closing the East Side Drive from Four Corners to the Welke Airport for a few days. A bin for green bags would be placed at either the Rectory or the Town Hall. Homeowners will be given access.

Matt Fogg offered to provide a 20,000 gallon storage tank for dust control solution if the Board would allow it to be set up at the Transfer Station; it would allow him to spread it at the best moment independent of shipping conditions. The Board agreed.

The Fox Lake grant application was submitted; the result will not be known until December.

A request to be allowed to research emergency phone

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6. *News from the Townships*, from page 5.
placement was made. One might be installed at Iron Ore Creek, at the Beaver Head Lighthouse, and/or the Wagner Campground. A phone would cost \$500 to place and \$20/month thereafter. The request was granted.

Jean Wierenga and Pam O'Brien each offered to continue their work at the same rate, and were approved.

Airport

Bids for both Beaver Island Airport projects were opened on May 8th, and



CREATING LEADERS

Leadership Charlevoix County is a comprehensive training experience for community members who would like to play a more active role in leadership. The program creates community awareness, networking opportunities, and focuses on leadership skill development through an educational and hands-on curriculum.

During the 9-month program, members participate in one full-day session monthly, exploring and working with proven community leaders, while developing their own leadership plan. Sessions are held throughout the county, including Beaver Island. In addition

to the sessions and a mentor who works with them, the class selects a community need to fulfill.

The class of 2013 kicked off its year with the opening teambuilding retreat on Beaver Island. The participants are currently engaged in sessions covering various aspects of the county as they hear from proven leaders from various industries and organizations. This year's class includes Lisa Luebke, Marcia Campbell, Nancy Mullins, Corey Bascom, Richard Christner, Randy Calcaterra, Jamie Caroffino, Monica Kroondyk, Cheltzi Wilson, and Beaver Island's Karen Johnson.

THIRD GARDEN TOUR BENEFIT

The 3rd Annual Garden Tour is happening on two days this year.

Tuesday July 9th will feature Peaine hide-aways, from 9 am to 1 pm. No set luncheon on this day but "noshing" will take place at each garden.

On Wednesday, July 10th the St. James tour will visit 3-4 personal gardens and one public garden. Afterwards we will have a sit-down luncheon in the Wellness Garden provided by Stoney Acres. They will

also provide their bus for that day.

We still need drivers for the Peaine Tour. We are hoping to fill the cars to cut down on gas emissions, cost, and parking clots. Details will be available at the Health Center website biruralhealth.org or by calling Betty (448-2275) or Leonor (448-2894). The tours are limited to 50 people. Both one-day and two-day tickets will be available. We sure hope to see you join us!

—Leonor Jacobson

they all exceeded projections. Five contractors turned in bids for the Terminal Building: \$1,579,040, \$1,117,000, \$1,024,600, \$942,600, and, from the one local contractor, Kevin McDonough, \$798,217. All provided proof of insurance and a bid certificate.

They each also bid on the three alternates. There were two bids for the site work: \$398,305, and, from McDonough, \$289,988.

The Commission said it would discuss the matter and announce its determination.



PURPLE TRIANGLES

Purple triangles are returning to ash trees this summer in an effort to detect any Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) activity that may occur on Beaver Island.

The emerald ash borer, an exotic beetle, was discovered in southeastern Michigan in the summer of 2002. The adults nibble on ash foliage but cause little damage. But the larvae feed on the inner bark of ash trees, disrupting the tree's ability to transport water and nutrients.

It arrived in the United States on solid wood packing material from its native Asia. It is also established in Windsor, was found in Ohio in 2003, northern Indiana in 2004, northern Illinois and Maryland in 2006, western Pennsylvania and West Virginia in 2007, Wisconsin, Missouri and Virginia in the summer of 2008, Minnesota, New York, Kentucky in the spring of 2009, Iowa in the spring of 2010, Tennessee in the summer of 2010, Connecticut, Kansas, and Massachusetts in the summer of 2012, and New Hampshire in the spring of 2013. Since its discovery, EAB has killed thirty millions of ash trees in southeastern Michigan alone.

Thankfully Beaver Island's 2011

EAB survey found *no* Emerald Ash Borers present in the 16 traps.

Last winter, assistance for the 2013 trapping season was secured from John Bedford, Pest Response Program Specialist, with the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, and Dr. James Buck, with the USDA-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

Federal funding has been severely cut for EAB monitoring in the Midwest; yet, these two agencies recognized the unique situation on Beaver Island and provided the quarantine signs, traps, lures, and entomology expertise to help prevent the devastation from reaching here.

Signs related to the archipelago firewood quarantine are in place at all points of entry in an effort to prevent EAB introduction. We appreciate the assistance of the Beaver Island Boat Company and the airlines in maintaining the firewood quarantine to protect our forests. The result of these efforts may make Beaver Island the final refuge for ash trees in the Midwest.

For more information contact Pam Grassmick, Beaver Island Association.

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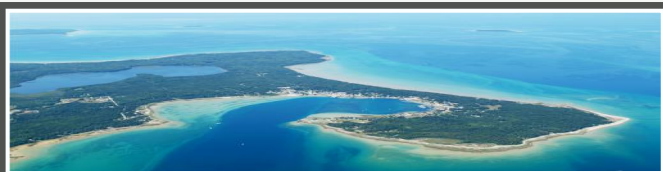
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SIMPLY MOVED

by Barbara Rahn

9.

Here are two native plants which perform well in the garden. They are probably already growing someplace on your property, and they can even be transplanted now if you can keep them watered for a couple of weeks after doing so.

They are both really tough. One is for mostly sun, and one for mostly shade.

Yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*) is sometimes described as 'the beautiful weed.' The soft, arching, delicate, fern-like leaves are reason enough to plant them, but they also bloom freely.

Our native yarrow has white flowers, and hybrid varieties exhibit yellow, pink, rose and peach flowers. They actually like poor soil and hot, dry locations, but if you transplant them now, water them regularly for about two weeks to let them get re-established. They grow to about 24" and bloom starting in mid to late summer and last



Yarrow



False Liriope will look like this now.



False Liriope as border

through fall. Plant them in clusters.

Yarrow has an interesting mythology. The plant's pollen was found in

Neanderthal graves 60,000 years old. It was once believed to ward off evil spirits. It was a 'lucky plant.' It was used on battlefields to stop bleeding, and was called 'soldier's wormwort.' Yarrow tea was used to reduce fevers. Its leaves are rubbed on the skin to keep insects away.

Carex pennsylvanica can also be called False Liriope ("lee-ry-o-pee") and is an outstanding edging plant to define flower beds, walkways and driveways. It grows to about 12" and has shiny dark green grass-like leaves.

As you mow your lawn, you can run the mower slightly into the False Liriope to keep it in bounds. It tolerates poor soil, but does not like full sun.

Like the Yarrow described above, if you transplant now, water it regularly for about 10 days to let it get accustomed to its new setting. *Carex pennsylvanica* is also available commercially.

PRELUDE TO LILACS

A misty moisty fog-bound morning cold!
Anticipation dampened by dust—
The progress of blossoms slowed to a crawl,
You might as well watch a car rust!

Spring so welcome and so long to come,
Trilliums, Paintbrushes~No scent do they bear—
Gently, Quietly a purple blush rises,
Like a song rising into the air...

Elegant boughs lift up tender buds,
After new mushrooms and leeks have awoken—
PLEASE Mother Nature warm us all up!
And give us Spring's perfume unspoken...

Borne on a Spring night's soft humid breeze,
A scent so lovely and fine...
The Lilacs come steal your heart away—
so gentle, so powerful...so Divine!

—Dawn George

YOUR OWN VICTORIAN

Many of you may be aware of the Victorian-style dollhouse complete with decor, furnishings, and family which has been donated by BJ and Phil Wyckoff and lovingly restored by Connie Wojan, BJ, Jean Kinsley, Cathy Jones, Phil, and Bruce Jacobson. It is now ready for the Wellness Garden Auction which is taking place at the BIRHC until August 15. Silent bids will be taken in the lobby as well as online and over the phone.

Go to miniatures.com to see this exquisite dollhouse and its decor. Considering all the care and hours of

preparation that these volunteers have given over the winter months, need we say more? "Priceless" is the word that comes to mind! Please stop by the lobby to get a first-hand look at this lovely home. Many people plan to make such a dollhouse for their children or grandkids, but never accomplish the task. In bidding, and possibly winning it, you would fulfill that dream!

We also have some furniture, decor, and extra building pieces that will suit a guesthouse for perhaps this home, or yours. We will have a "garage sale" afterwards. We will show them online at

biruralhealth.org later this summer.

Since dollhouses are something of a hobby for "miniature" enthusiasts, we have sent an article regarding the auction to three off-Island newspapers. The proceeds will be a donation to the BIRHC Wellness Gardens. No healthcare dollars or property taxes pay for plantings, fertilizer, mulch, etc... or for any volunteer. We still have a wish list of some big ticket items to add, including a pergola, an entrance arbor, some hardscape, two more picnic tables, and benches for the paths. We are hoping to start a stepping stone pathway near the main entry.

10.. BEAVER ISLAND CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

July 9-10 – **Wellness Garden Benefit Tour**; 7/9 from 9-1 in Peaine Twp
7/10 from 9-1 in St. James Twp ending with luncheon in the BIRHC Wellness Garden 1-2pm.

July 15-20 – **Museum Week 2013**

July 15 – **Music on the Porch**

July 17-19 – **Art Show** at the Gregg Hall, with great entertainment! Four noted authors will be on hand to sign copies of their new books.

July 17 – **Writers Talk**, 8:00 @ BICC

July 18: **Jim Gillingham's** famous "Nature Walk for Kids"

July 18 – **Notre Dame gigan**

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

July 19 – New **Amanda Trudell** film (2:00), and new **Darrin James** film about reviving the Island's Native American Culture – BICC, 8:00. Dennis Banks will be on hand.

July 15-19 – **MAD Camp**

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

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

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

July 26 – (Friday) 7:30pm: Benefit Concert @ BI Community Center.

July 27 – (Saturday) 7:30 pm @ BI Community Center

July 31 – (Wednesday) 7:30 pm @ CMU, Gillingham Center

August 1 – (Thursday) 2:30 pm @ Holy Cross Catholic Church

August 1 – (Thursday) 7:30 pm @ BICC

August 2 – (Friday) 7:30 pm @ Holy Cross Parish Hall

August 3 – (Saturday) 7:30 pm @ Holy Cross Parish Hall

August 4 – (Sunday) 2:00 pm @ Holy Cross Parish Hall

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 11 – **Vintage Vehicle Show**

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

September 5-10 – **Watercolor classes** offered in town

September 21 – The **Michigan Crankun T's**

October 5 – **The Bite & Island Boodle**

BIKE THE BEAVER

Remember seeing the huffing and smiling cyclists race past last year? The whizzing train of people seeing the

Island from their wheels? You could join in – all you have to do is register, dust off your bike, and get to the starting line.

CAMP Q'S COMING

Nancy Ferguson and friends will bring the Camp Quality Teen Campers to Beaver Island from June 14 through June 17. They'll take in the sights, bike around town, visit the Community

Center, Toy Store, and Museums. They'll spend time with Kayak Ken, and get an air tour from Island Airways. With campfires, ball games, and beach hikes, they won't have a free moment.

FLAG DISPOSAL

The annual flag disposal ceremony will be June 14, 2013 (Flag Day), at Doug Hartle's Stone House. The public is invited. Those with worn or frayed flags should give the old one to an AmVet for disposal.

COMMUNITY

The Beaver Island Community Center celebrates its 5th summer already with a lineup of great events, including a Simon and Garfunkel tribute, Native American hoop dancing, and more. *See page 43 for all the June events.*

THE OPENING OF MUSEUM WEEK

Museum Week will kick off on 7-15 when Antje Price, "the Protar Lady," opens the old log cabin where the Island's "heaven-sent friend" spent his last thirty-two years. Antje's research continues, and her perspective about the meaning of his life has broadened since her recent book. For those who miss her on Monday afternoon, she'll open the home again on Thursday.

will again host *Music on the Porch*. Last year it rained, so this year we're due for a good night. The order of the acts will be by draw, and the time between will be reduced. Both old Island favorites and new arrivals are slated to appear.

On Monday evening Kathy Speck

The Great Lakes Research Station will hold an Open House all day on July 16, with the staff ready to explain the amazing things they do and what they hope to find.

BLACKSMITHS AT HERITAGE PARK

Lance Olson and the Michigan Artist Blacksmiths will begin to set up their forges at the Heritage Park a few days before the main event, which will follow Dan Benjamin's wonderful Nature Walk to the inland lakes at 9:00 and the Pet Show at 12:00. The

Artsmiths will talk about their work as they create wonderful pieces in the morning and afternoon, and then gather on stage at the Community Center to discuss their philosophy of life in the evening, and why working with iron can be so rewarding. It's truly real.

ACT YOUR AGE!

Beth Urech's solo show, coming to the Community Center on July 23, *Act Your Age!* takes a bold look at life. This petite adventurer has transcended the tribulations of her roller coaster life with endless optimism. Telling hilarious and moving scenes from a 16-year old "sophisticate" in Fort Wayne, to an

unhappy hausfrau in the Swiss Alps; from a globetrotting consultant, to an adventurous Lake Michigan sailor, she offers insights to everyone about living life on your own terms. Despite death, divorce, and disappointments, ultimately Beth's unbounding energy and infectious enthusiasm shine through.

WHY SHOOT THE KING?

Amanda Trudell has spent the past year working on a film about the end of King Strang, using some local actors along with professionals. The film, her

senior thesis project at Detroit's College for Creative Studies, will be premiered at 2:00 at Beaver Island's Community Center on 7-19.



JUNE 20-22



JUNE 29



JULY 15



JULY 18-20



JULY 19

JULY 18-19



JULY 26 - AUG 3



JULY 27



AUGUST 11



SEPT 21



STRIKE UP THE BANDS

13.

No one knew what to expect when the Music Fest first opened over a decade ago, and the many guesses ranged all over the map. But as the years went by, more members of the community gave in to their curiosity and took in

a night or two, and a consensus evolved: they may call this 'alternative music,' but there's so much variety that it's hard to imagine what it's an alternative to.

The community has taken the Fest to its heart, especially now that it's

evolved into a *nonprofit* run for the good of the Island. The organizers learned more every year about ways to keep the flow of energy at a high level, and how to take what the Island has and give it a unique spin.

BAROQUE ON BEAVER - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Help us start our 12th season off on a high note and volunteer to lend a hand with the Baroque on Beaver Classical Music Festival. Whether you join us as a music enthusiast or as a good neighbor, BonB has a place for you. No musical experience necessary – just your time and talents will do.

Below is a list of many of the ways that you can volunteer – there will undoubtedly be more!

Before the Festival, distribute posters and brochures on Beaver Island

and/or on the mainland. Help put up banners on street lights and at the ferry dock. Prepare packets for musicians, name tags for volunteers. Prepare food for the Welcome Dinner (lasagna, bread or dessert).

During the Festival, greet musicians arriving on the *Emerald Isle* – help with transportation to lodging. Provide housing for one or more musicians in your home or guest house. Help at the dinner, at rehearsals, and concerts.

Afterwards, bid musicians farewell on the *Emerald Isle* after Sunday's concert – help with transportation. Clean up the Parish Hall on Monday morning; take garbage and recyclables to the Transfer Station.

And year-around, help with office work – mailings. Coordinate Island chorus rehearsals and workshops.

You can email Ruth Igoe at igoe.ruth@me.com to volunteer or to get more information about how you can help with *Baroque on Beaver 2013*.

LIVINGSTONE TURNS 20

Livingstone Studio is celebrating its twentieth season on Beaver Island this summer. Time has flown since Sue Thomson approached Walker and Ellen Hill with the idea of turning one of the Rustic Villa Cabins into an art gallery and gift shop. The Hills loved the idea of more people coming through and appreciating the unique cabins built by Carl Felix in the 1950s, as well as supporting the arts on the Island. The venture started slowly ... the green naughehyde couches and bed of the previous rental cabin were used to display the art of Cindy Ricksgers, the pottery of Jo Hooker, and Sue's

driftwood and found-object art – until it felt safe that the business would grow.

It did grow, and over the years the roster of artists came to include Ed Casper, Ruth Gregg, Ruth Denny, Eric Heline, Mary Blocksma, Frank Ettawageshik, and so many others who have come and gone from the Island. As the number of artists grew, a second cabin was opened as a gallery in 1999, and the courtyard used as display for garden art and crafts.

"The most rewarding part of having a gallery is taking the work of a new artist who has never sold anything before, and watching their confidence

grow and their work evolve as their work begins to sell." There are over forty artists and artisans displaying their art and fine craft at the galleries now. Some of them will be here on the Island celebrating the anniversary on Saturday July 27th at Livingstone's annual "Meet the Artist" show and sale.

Whether you come to view the beautiful creations or the buildings that house them, Sue is grateful to Walker and Ellen for the opportunity she was given all those years ago, and so are the many, many artists who have shown their work there.

BEAVER ISLAND VINTAGE VEHICLE SHOW & PARADE

Beaver Island Vintage Vehicle Show and Parade will return on August 11, with a gathering at Whiskey Point at noon followed by a slow crawl through downtown. Rumor has it that several

old jalopies that have been lurking in the field behind their owner's garage are being made ready, and will either be driven or towed to the Point on the appointed day. More important, their

accompanying stories – of how they were acquired or what memorable event they facilitated or were embroiled in – are being dusted off, embellished, and rehearsed to prepare for retelling.

CRANKUN 'T'S RETURN

Those for whom Henry Ford ranks right up there with St. Patrick and Babe Ruth will be delighted to hear that after a brief hiatus the Crankun Ts will be back to rekindle memories of those stories Gramps used to tell.

Some believe the Ts made true freedom more than just an abstract

concept, and venerate the era they ushered in. Others see the T as the first fruit of the mechanical age to impact every American and usher in a new way of life. Others admire the aesthetics of this revolutionary machine.

Helpers are needed to man roadside oil and water stands on the tour.

RED HATS DONNED

This year Beaver Island's *Red Hat Ladies* will celebrate their 10th Year!

They urge all the visitors or residents who can find or borrow or buy a bright red hat to join them when they take over the town. "It's not true that the men will mount a challenge by donning red socks on the appointed day."



Photographs by JoAnne Cashman

ANOTHER ROAD RALLY FOR THE RECORD BOOKS

Last year, *someone* said the clues for PABI's annual Road Rally fundraiser were too easy. So this year, things were taken up a notch.



The organizers may have anticipated some minor difficulties given the custom apparel printed



with "when in doubt, blame Joanie" (who wasn't able to be there this year) in advance. Leadfoots and sleuths united for another good jet around the Island for a great cause.

WE HAVE A WINNER!

In this year's Community Quiz Bowl, hosted by the Beaver Island High School National Honor Society chapter, seven teams of adults competed in a tournament of five rounds of challenging questions. The funds generated from the quiz bowl help the students do service projects, travel to quiz bowls at North Central Michigan College in Petoskey, leadership conferences, etc. Some of the service projects have been raking yards for senior citizens, running fun nights for the elementary students,

and putt-putt golf for the older students.



The NHS students also presented to the

older students that it is important to NOT text and drive. There are two apps (AT&T and Verizon) on the *itcanwait.com* website for your cell phone. The app will send out an automatic reply to anyone texting or calling you that tells them you are driving and cannot answer them at this time.

The winning team consisted of Cindy Riskgers, Denni Cady-Stid, Wendy White, Laurel Kayne, and Max Antinori. Congratulations!

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THANKS TO ALL WHO CAME AND WALKED

Beth, Dawn, Joanie, Kerry, Lynn Ann, and I would like to thank everyone who came and walked on Sunday May 26th. Not only did they make time in their day to walk and make the event a lot of fun, but they made the fund grow

by their generous donations! We raised over \$1,500 which will go to the Medical Center to give out.

The fund is for anyone who may need assistance with housing, gas, flights, etc. if they or their family has a

medical emergency.

Special thanks to McDonough's Market for donating water for the walkers, and to my fellow organizers. See you next Memorial Day Weekend!

—Lisa Vance-Gillespie

ALL WET

How many lakes do we have? Seven? Eight? A dozen?

What about all the bodies of water one finds in the Island's southern half?

However many we have, they are all unique, and fascinating.

If you have any doubts, sign up for Dan Benjamin's Nature Walk to the inland lakes on July 20, part of this year's Museum Week.

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Theresa McDonough—Congratulations!

GOODBYE

Eugene (Gene) Bonadeo, passed peacefully October 14, 2012.

In Gene's honor, please join the Bonadeo family at a graveside memorial ceremony to be held at Holy Cross Cemetery, Saturday, June 22nd at 11:00 am with a luncheon at the Peaine Hall following.

Gene was one of the first "modern-day pioneers" who dared venture into the wilds below the Jordan River to design and build a great rustic cabin on Beaver Island.



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16. ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

from Joyce Bartels

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday June 4, 1913 **Local News Briefly Told:** "Mrs. J. Donlevy and Miss R. Donlevy are in the city today." (Note: June 1 Drizzle rain 62 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday June 5, 1913 **Northern Michigan:** "J. O. Plank made a successful round trip to Fox Island in his new gasoline line Cruiser, *Fox Island No. 4*, which was built during the winter. He is more than

pleased with the working of the craft." — Traverse City Record.

Local and Personal News: "Rev. James Malone, of St. James, was over Monday, returning Tuesday."

Beaver Island News: "John Cheney, the candy man is visiting the trade."

"Fr. Malone returned Tuesday after a visit to Charlevoix."

"H. R. Boyle, of Harbor Springs, is

here visiting friends."

"J. B. Darragh, Deputy Factory Inspector is here on business." (Note: *James B. Darragh appears in the Hotel Beaver Register June 5, 1913*)

"James Cull and wife of Manistique, Mich. is (sic) here visiting his mother."

"J. H. Milford, County School Commissioner, is here visiting schools."

"Wesley Rousehorn of Escanaba, Mich., is here visiting his wife and family."

"Mrs. (sic) John Vincent of Naubinway, Mich., is here visiting his wife and family."

"Capt. M. J. Bonner was here last Sunday on a yacht he brought up from Boston, Mass."

"Married at the Holy Cross Church, Wednesday, June 4, Michael Cull and Mable Connaghan, also C. M. Melville and Tessie Connaghan."

"At a meeting of the farmers at the new hall Saturday evening Prof. Abbot of the B.C. & A. Ry. Land Commission gave quite a talk on alfalfa and good roads. Mr. W. Burns also gave a good talk on the future of the Island. James Donlevy was chairman of the meeting." (Note: June 6 - 8 Frost 30 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, June, 11, 1913 **Front Page Article:**

Y. M. C. A. BOY'S CAMP

SITE CHOSEN TWO MILES FROM ST. JAMES ON FONT LAKE
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"Camp Opens on Tuesday Afternoon July 8 and Closes on Friday Noon July 18 – Visitors' Day will be Tuesday July 15

Camping for boys is as old as time. Purposeful camping for boys is a comparatively new thing. A go-as-you-please camp or do-as-you-please camp soon becomes a place of moral deterioration. Character building might be given as the purpose of the Y. M. C. A. camp. It is to be a camp of ideals, not a summer hotel or a supplanter of the home. The principal reason for its existence is the providing of a safe place where parents can send their boys for a summer vacation, where, under the leadership of



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

Christian men, they may be developed morally, physically, mentally, and socially. The day of the extreme rough-house camp has passed. Boys have discovered that real fun does not mean hurting or discomforting others, but consists in making others happy. The boy who gets the most out of camp is the boy who puts the most into camp.

Growing things need the out of doors. Growing boys are in need of room and range. The medicine of the hills, the streams, and the woods will rest tired nerves and return every boy to his home with increased vitality. Boys need to place themselves where nature can speak to them. They should get close to the soil. They ought to be toughened by sun and wind, rain and cold. Nothing can take the place of stout physique, robust healthy good blood, firm muscles, sound nerves for these are the basis for character and efficiency. A trained brain is handicapped by an untrained and undeveloped body.

Parents should think of the camp, not as a luxury or good time only, but as something that is planned to meet the need in the lives of real boys. Many boys will come back with a new vision and inspiration for usefulness in their lives.

Equipment is not, but leadership is the foundation upon which a successful boys camp is built. An adult leader for six boys is necessary. These leaders have absolute control of all details concerning their respective groups and are at liberty to settle all questions that arise unless their importance makes it seem wise to refer them to the camp director. In securing camp leaders the aim of the committee is to secure young men of unquestionable character and moral leadership, men of culture and refinement, who are good athletes and understand boy life. Here is a form of altruistic (sic) service that should appeal to purposeful young men.

Charlevoix county is, of all the organized counties in Michigan, the best supplied with delightful camping sites. Along the shores of Pine Lake there are many, on the shores of Deer and Thumb Lakes are camp sites that would make the secretaries of southern counties full of envy. After considering all of the available sites on the main land Beaver

Island came up for consideration. It was found upon investigation that the Island possessed all of the qualifications of any place on the main land and had numerous additional advantages that made it, by far, the most satisfactory place to locate the First Annual Charlevoix County Y. M. C. A. Camp. The site chosen lies between Font Lake and the shore of Lake Michigan about two miles from the village of St. James. Here there


is a clearing large enough for the baseball games and the track meets that are an important part of the camp life. The site was donated by W. J. Gallagher, who has volunteered to do all that lies within his power to make the camp a success and thus insure the happiness of the campers.

Camp will open on the afternoon of July 8th and close at noon on the eighteenth. This arrangement will make it possible for all

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18. **One Hundred Years Ago**, from page 17. the campers to return home that afternoon. Tuesday, July fifteenth will be Visitor's Day and arrangements are being made for an excursion to the island on that day, thus making it possible for parents, members of the county committee and all other interested parties to visit the camp. However, if this date is not satisfactory to all who wish to visit the camp, they will be welcomed on any day that camp is in session.

A limited number of boys, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, and fifteen years of age may make application on the form provided.

Applications will be accepted in the order received until the limit has been reached. All applications must be in the hands of the county secretary, A. B. Ball, Boyne City, on or before the first day of July. Each application must be accompanied by an enrollment fee of one dollar and the balance of the camp expense, four dollars, is to be paid upon arrival at camp. This charge of five dollars pays for all items of camp expense but does not include transportation (sic) to and from St. James. From Boyne City and East Jordan the round trip will cost one

dollar and fifty cents and from Charlevoix one dollar.

Further information regarding the camp will be furnished if application is made to the county secretary."

Page 6 Articles:

DECLINES MANAGEMENT

"Rev. C. J. Strang, who was recently appointed manager of the Beulah Home at Boyne City, to succeed Herman I. Swift, has declined to accept. After a visit through the institute Rev. Strang said he did not care for the new appointment. He will remain in Johannesburg for another year at least, have been engaged as principal of the high school for the ensuing year."

DOUBLE WEDDING

On Wednesday, June 4, occurred the marriage of Tessie McDonough (sic) to C. M. Melville, and her sister Mable, to Mike Crell (sic) at Holy Cross Church, St. James. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Melville will make their home at Chicago, Ill. (Note: June 11 Martin Burns & Little Mary. F. Protar) [From Beaver Island Family Trees - J. Sunkes: Martin "Bob" Burns & Mary "Paddy the Rat" Boyle Marriage date: 11 June 1913]

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, June

12, 1913 **Front Page Article:**

HIGH ISLAND

HOUSE OF DAVID COLONY SUCCEED IN GETTING POSTOFFICE ESTABLISHED

"At the instance of Congressman Samuel Beakes Postmaster General Burleson has ordered the establishment of a new postoffice on the fourth class at High Island, which is situated in Lake Michigan thirty-three miles from Charlevoix and eleven miles from St. James on Beaver Island.

It will accommodate thirty families of the religious sect of the Israelite House of David, the headquarters of which are at Benton Harbor. High Island is visited infrequently by boats. The first postmistress there will be Miss Gladys Hill, who is the island's school teacher."

Local and Personal Notes: "The name of the well-known little passenger steamer *Millie M.* has been changed to *Rising Sun*. She is owned by the Great Lakes Transportation Co., of Benton Harbor, a branch of the religious colony know as the 'Israelite House of David.' The boat is to be operated between Benton Harbor and High Island. The company has another boat which bears

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the name *Morning Sun* and the change in the *Minnie M.* is made for the purpose of bringing out a title in harmony with their religious beliefs.”

“Mrs. James Mooney, of St. James, is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Albon Smith.” (Note: June 2 - 13 mostly stormy; 14 - 18 Fair 57 to 85 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday June 18, 1913 **Local and Personal News:** “Dr. Shockley of Beaver Island was in the city Tuesday on the way to Petoskey hospital with a patient.”

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, June 19, 1913 **Front Page Article:**

THE BEAVER ISLAND TRIP

OVER THE THIRTY-FIVE MILES OF BLUE WATERS TO THOUSAND ACRES OF BEAUTY SPOTS

The writer has made many—very many—trips to Beaver Island, provably a full hundred. Saturday last with not a ripple on the lake, he crossed on the steamer *Beaver*, and as he writes these lines on the lee side of the boat, with the throbbing engine driving her over the placid waters, memory carries him back to his first trip to the islands in 1870.

It was in Tim Smith’s Mackinaw

boat with a load of hoops and staves. Tim had a fishing outfit on Garden Island and, in those days, all fish were salted in half-barrels, and cooperage was an adjunct that shared equally in importance with the fishing itself.

We were all day, beating our way to the archipelago of the straits and did not reach Beaver Harbor until the following day. The only stores on Big Beaver Island were those of ‘Charlie’ Wright, at the ‘Harbor’, and the Dormer Fish Co., at ‘the point.’

It was all fish—fish—fish those days, and, mind you, the catches then were tons as compared with the pounds of today—believe me! On this particular trip Capt. Tim was curled up on the staves with Steve at the tiller. When a northwest squall came down upon us that threw our lee rail to the water’s edge. Capt. Tim, chewing a straw, leisurely made a single reef and with the writer well aft and badly ‘scared,’ the boat skirted the Island coast on a ‘close haul’ until land was reached.

We were entertained for a day by the parish priest, the late Rev. Peter Gallagher, and right there began the nearly half century of ardent admiration

for the natural beauties of Beaver 19. Island, and prophetic vision of its future prosperity.

During these years, more than forty years, we have seen Beaver Island develop into one of the most promising sections of this earth. Farming on Beaver Island in 1870 was a joke—now it is a reality—and a substantial fact. Then about all the Mormons had left was Nature, and Nature is there yet, plus agricultural progress. Then it was Manitou county, with the Fox and Manitou Islands silently acquiescing in the decrees of St. James. Now the ‘Beaver Group’ is an integral part of Charlevoix county, and is forging to the front on the map of Michigan.

But the ‘Beavers’ is in the development procession and is moving rapidly forward in the more intelligent and progressive processes of these latter days. Outside capital is being invested in Island lands, and orchards are being planted. The soil is equally as productive as any on the main land and silos are being built under the impulse of successful and profitable stock raising. There are sheep and cattle and colts in the pastures, the farms are well

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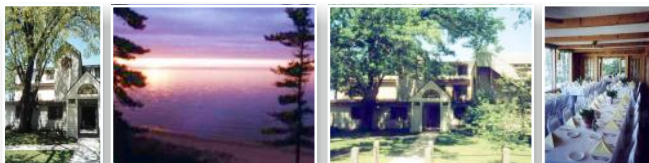
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One Hundred Years Ago, from page 19. fenced, and the fields are clean and most of them stumpless. Even the good roads enthusiasm has struck the Island, and a well directed movement is now on, toward which about everybody is contributing to build a gravel road from the harbor to the head. The microbe has worked itself under the skin of even the Islanders.

The schools of St. James, under the benevolent and intelligent control of the good Dominican Sisters, are doing wonders. There are five teachers in the central school and two in the school a mile from the harbor—all Dominican Sisters. If you should visit these schools and remain during a session, were it not for the garb of these gentle women you would not know, from any word or act, that the teachers were not strictly secular. If any religious instruction is imparted it is confined to those of Catholic faith, and before or after the regular school hours. There are nine sisters at St. James, all cultured, able women. Music, including piano and violin, is taught, and the influence of this parochial household is everywhere noticeable among the young.

The spiritual interests of the community, or the predominant portion thereof, are under the ministration of Rev. James Malone, a broad-minded, cultured priest, whose earnest, faithful work has won for him the love of his people and the respect of the Protestant population of the Island.

Everything is moving forward in the 'Beaver Group.' The larger outlying islands have been brought under the spell of the spirit of progress, and High and Garden Islands are being heard from. The 'Israelite House of David,' have acquired extensive building on High Island, and they have 190 people there, with a school and a postoffice. They have a sawmill and their own steamer connection with the mother house in Benton Harbor.

Considering all the islands as a unit, if you seek an area of natural beauty spots, behold it here. It is a paradise for the artist, an eldorado for the weary nervous business hulks like the writer whose soul is strengthened and digestion renewed by morning rambles under the magnificent evergreen clusters, with the breezes of Lake Michigan fanning the brow and reviving the waning mental forces. Try it."

Local and Personal News: "In overhauling the engine of the steamer *Beaver* Sunday, it was found that the cross-head pin was broken. Capt. Campbell left Monday morning for Montague to secure a new one. The steamer *City of Boyne* takes the Beaver Island run, and the gasoline boat *Arbutus* is making the Boyne City trips for Capt. Weaver."

Beaver Island News: "Earl Young of Charlevoix, spent several days here last week looking up insurance business." (Note: O. A. Young, Charlevoix appears in the *Hotel Beaver* register, June 14, 1913)

"Margaret Scheid returned home to Manistee after a few week's visit with her brother here."

"Mrs. C. Bissell and Mrs. Geo. Stevens and son Albert went to Milwaukee last week on a visit."

"Bill Armstrong and wife, of Traverse City called on Mr. and Mrs. James Donlevy last week."

"James Donlevy spent several days in Charlevoix last week on business."

"Robert Gibson was at Charlevoix last week on business."

"Mrs. Andy Roddy Jr. of Escanaba, is here for the summer."

"Joseph M Gallagher, of Philadelphia, was here several days last week visiting friends."

"Schooner *Harvey Ransom* brought a load of salt for our merchants one day last week."

"Williard A. Smith, editor of Charlevoix Sentinel spent Sunday here visiting friends."

"Gus Milke (sic) went to Charlevoix Saturday to look after the engine and boiler of the *Oneckema*."

"Andy E. Gallagher, assistant keeper on the Lansing Shoal lightship, spent several days last week with his family."

"Miss Mary O'Donnell of Escanaba, Mich., is visiting her friends here."

"Born to Mr. and Mrs. John V. McDonough, a son last week."

"The base ball game Sunday between the House of David and Beaver Island teams resulted in 6 to 5 in favor of St. James."

"James McCann went to St. Ignace and Mackinaw Island on business Monday."

"Mrs. Robert Simin (?), of Charlevoix, is here visiting her husband, who is engineer on the tug *Ryan*."

"Mr. Lane of Charlevoix, is here driving wells." (B. C. Lane, Charlevoix appears in the *Hotel Beaver* register.)

"D. C. Switzer (sic) bought a cargo of cedar ties for the P. M. R. R. He is loading the schooner *John C. Wright*."

"Mrs. James Mooney, who has been visiting her daughter in Charlevoix, returned home Tuesday." (Note: June 18/19 Thunder; rainstorm 61 degrees; June 19 - 24 Fair 61 - 85 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, June 25, 1913 **Local and Personal News:** "Lizzie O'Connor of Beaver Island was in the city Monday on her way to Ramona, near Harbor Springs, for the summer." (Note: June 25 Rainstorm, 72 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, June 26, 1913 **Front Page Article:**

Y. M. C. A. CAMP

PROGRAM OF THE BEAVER ISLAND OUTING FOR THE BOYS

"This week, a. Bruce Ball, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Made a trip to Beaver Island, says the Boyne City Journal, to complete arrangements for the first annual summer camp for the boys of Charlevoix County. The arrangements for driving the well, building the cook house, supplying the butter, eggs and milk, and for the trip amongst the other islands are now completed, and nothing seek to stand in the way of a successful and profitable outing. The campers will have at their disposal a plot of ground thirty five acres in extent with a frontage on Lake Michigan of a quarter of a mile and boating privileges on Font Lake, which lies just back of camp.

It should be remembered by those interested that no enrollments received after July first will be considered and that the sooner the enrollments are received the more satisfactory will the arrangements be for the boys when they arrive at camp.

A day's program usually takes the following form:

6:30 a.m. reveille, morning dip and setting-up exercises.

7:00 a.m. breakfast.

7:30 a.m. camp duties. Blankets out for airing.

8:00 a.m. morning inspection.

8:30 a.m. to 11:00 forenoon sports.

11:00 a.m. swimming period.

12:00 p.m. dinner. *continued on page 22.*

22. **One Hundred Years Ago**, from page 21.

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. rest period.
1:00 p.m. afternoon sports.
3:30 p.m. swimming instruction.
4:00 p.m. swimming period.
5:00 p.m. evening inspection.
6:00 p.m. supper.
6:30 to 7:00 Bible study.
7:00 group games.
8:00 camp fire, inspirational talks
and entertainments.
9:00 taps.

Local and Personal News: "The steamer *Beaver* resumed her Island trip last Monday after a week's lay off for repairs, and the *City of Boyne* which took the *Beaver's* place went back to her Boyne City trips.

Beaver Island News: "Frank Left went to Grand Haven to buy a tug Monday."

"H. Frankel went to Chicago on a visit Monday."

"Louis Gingrass of Traverse City, is here visiting friends."

"Anna Connaghan went to

Charlevoix for the summer."

"Supt. (Sic) J. W. Green went to Petoskey on business."

"Sheriff Ford Robbins was here last week on business."

"Mrs. James Martin is at the Petoskey hospital."

"Wm. Mitchell of Charlevoix, was here last week." (Note: *Will Mitchell, Charlevoix appears in the Hotel Beaver register, June 14, 1913.*)

"Prof. Ball of Boyne City, spent several days here last week getting ready for his outing." (Note: *A. Bruce Ball, Boyne City appears in the Hotel Beaver register, June 19, 1913*)

"Fr. Malone went to Petoskey last week on business."

"The school entertainment was a success last week with a very large attendance."

"The graduates of the 8th grade who received Diplomas: Myrtle Roddy, Lorratto O'Donnell, Mary Irene Gallagher, John Tracy Malloy, Charles McCann, Thomas T. McDonough,

Peter J. Gallagher and Patrick T. McDonough."

"Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jas H. Gallagher Monday, June 23rd, a girl. Mother and daughter doing fine."

"Married at Holy Cross Church Wednesday, Barnard Mooney and Rosaline Janack."

"Michael Mooney of Escanaba, Mich., is here to attend the wedding of his brother Barney."

"Mr. and Mrs. Albon Smith of Charlevoix are here on a visit."

"Wilbur F. Burns and two sons of Grand Rapids, are here looking over the Burns fruit farm." (Note: *W. Burns, Franklin Burns and Maurice Burns, Grand Rapids, appear in the Hotel Beaver register, June 19, 1913*)

"Miss J. Grasselli of Cleveland, Ohio, is here looking after the building of her cottage." (Note: *June 27 Thunderstorm, rainstorm, 76 degrees; June 28 - 29 Fair, 72 - 88 degrees; June 30 Fair, 89 degrees to thunderstorm, 78 degrees; June 30 Neily Dominick died. F. Protar*)

FRESNEL LENS UNDER REVIEW

The Coast Guard, which owns the fresnel lens in the Harbor Light, has been studying its lens, and has discovered two facts that may impact us. The first is that these hundred-year-old objects slowly deteriorate if left exposed to natural light, and that all the current protective glazings diminish their brightness, and hence their range.

The second is that people really

enjoy and are moved by getting up close to these magnificent artifacts, but many have difficulty climbing the flights of narrow stairs required to draw close. Some people get dizzy from the twist.

Consequently the Coast Guard has been moving them out of their towers and into protected places of easier access, such as museums, and replacing them with an LED lamp of at least equal brightness and far less power use. Only

17 original lenses are still in their towers.

Ours is being considered for moving into our museum. If the Michigan Historic Preservation Commission concurs, and a memorandum of agreement is accepted, a lamplighter may come down from Marquette to oversee the transfer into new, specially provisioned quarters within the Print Shop Museum in about two years.

THROUGH THE GLASS

The AmVets Ladies Auxiliary will be selling tickets on another stained glass window created by their own Jean Kinsley. The raffle will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. at

the Beaver Island Community Center.

Tickets (at \$1.00/each or 6/\$5.00) can be obtained from any AmVets Auxiliary member, or call Dee Gallagher at (231) 448-2262.

The window will be displayed in June and July in the storefront of Prudential Preferred Properties on Main Street.

OFF AND GROWING AT THE WELLNESS GARDENS!

The plans for Ellie's Walk are just about completed. In early May, Shawna Ross and her staff and the CMU Honors Students arrived and worked to complete the path through the wild-flower woods dedicated to Matt and Ellie Hohn.

Late May then brought us Ed Leuck and his dedicated volunteer Jim Luteyn, in with the BI collection of native

wildflowers. John Gordon, CMU station manager, had signs made and they are in the woods labeling the plants. The Lighthouse School made two benches for the pathway. Dan Burton is epoxying them; they will be added to the path in early June. We just hope nobody takes them out into the lake.

The last step is to highlight Ellie's

sunny disposition with a bright area of native, colorful, prairie flowers and grasses. Heidi Vigil, Cheryl Podgorski, Jeff Powers, Denise McDonough, and the Wellness Gardeners will provide the plants. Many people have donated memorial funds for the purchases. We intend to highlight this project following the Wellness Garden Benefit luncheon in the gardens on July 10th.



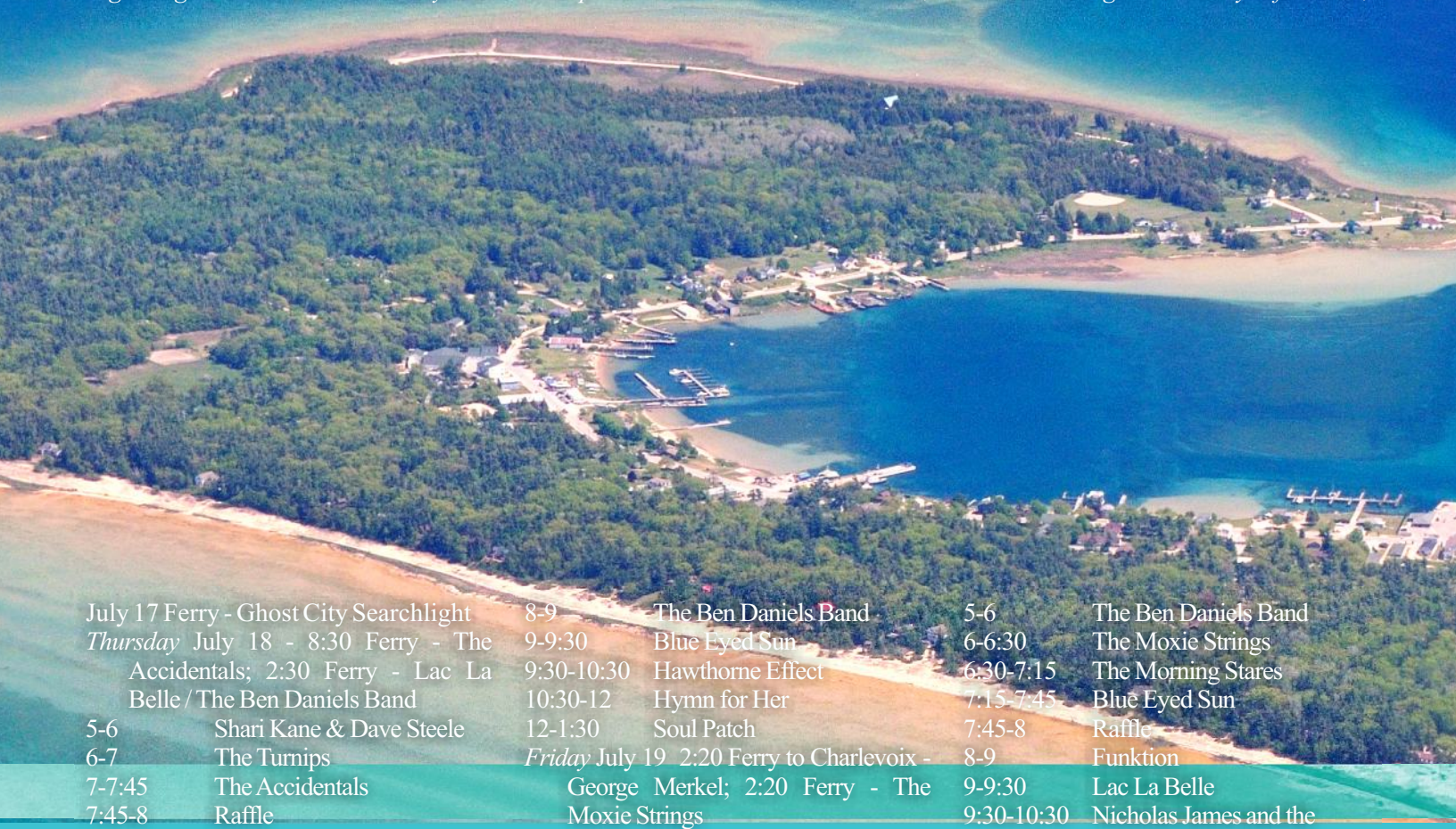


THE BEAVER ISLAND MUSIC FESTIVAL - THE FOCAL

The Beaver Island Music Festival provides a unique musical setting, beginning with music on the Ferry and

continuing in the beautiful woods off the West Side Road. This year the bands have promised to stalk the wild thrush,

whose natural evasiveness is soothed and disengaged by music. The group stalk will begin Thursday afternoon,



July 17 Ferry - Ghost City Searchlight
 Thursday July 18 - 8:30 Ferry - The
 Accidentals; 2:30 Ferry - Lac La
 Belle / The Ben Daniels Band
 5-6 Shari Kane & Dave Steele
 6-7 The Turnips
 7-7:45 The Accidentals
 7:45-8 Raffle

8-9 The Ben Daniels Band
 9-9:30 Blue Eyed Sun
 9:30-10:30 Hawthorne Effect
 10:30-12 Hymn for Her
 12-1:30 Soul Patch
 Friday July 19 2:20 Ferry to Charlevoix -
 George Merkel; 2:20 Ferry - The
 Moxie Strings

5-6 The Ben Daniels Band
 6-6:30 The Moxie Strings
 6:30-7:15 The Morning Stares
 7:15-7:45 Blue Eyed Sun
 7:45-8 Raffle
 8-9 Funktion
 9-9:30 Lac La Belle
 9:30-10:30 Nicholas James and the





POINT OF MIDWEST MUSIC

with all bands not scheduled to perform lining up on the access road in alphabetical order (Abba first, again) and head-

ing off into the woods, playing their best songs at full speed. The theory is, if they can surround it, they may lull it into a

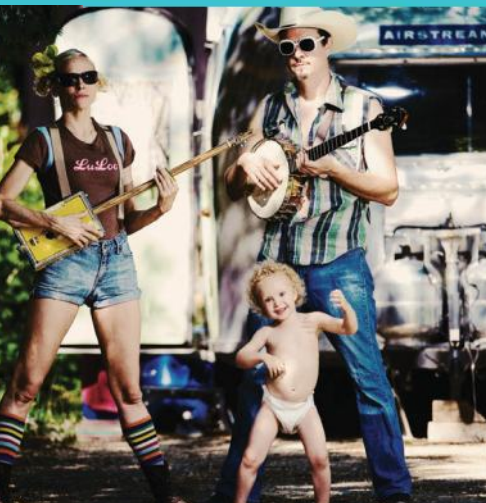
dream – in which case it can be brought up on stage in a glass cage and made the honorary Master of Ceremonies!



Bandwagon
10:45-11:45 Ghost City Searchlight
12-1:30 Crushed Out
Saturday July 20 - Open Mic 1-3
3-3:30 Dave Boutette
3:30-4 Lac La Belle
4-5 The Turnips
12-4 kids time - Synchroblissity Festival

5-5:30 The Accidentals
5:30-6:30 Nicholas James and the Bandwagon
7-7:45 Shari Kane & Dave Steele
8-9 Ghost City Searchlight
9-9:15 Raffle

9:15-10 The Moxie Strings
10-11 Soul Patch
11-12 Crushed Out
12-1:30 Funktion
Sunday July 21, 11:20 Ferry to Charlevoix
- Dave Boutette / Lac La Belle; 2:20
Ferry - Shari Kane & Dave Steele;
5:20 Ferry - Soul Patch





Ten Years Ago A draft of a possible Environmental Protection section for the revised Zoning Ordinance was presented to the Town Boards by the so-called Egg Lake Seven. Criticism included a claim that its terms were undefined, it was too restrictive, and it did not take into account existing rules for such areas as wetlands and sand dunes.

The Leadership Retreat held its 5th annual meeting, but dignitaries who were to speak could not arrive because of thick fog. Issues discussed included finding operating funds for the new Health Center, getting Homeland Security to waive its security impositions for the Island, getting the State to recognize the special circumstances of our school, and organizing the different fund-raising events of the many Island agencies.

PABI sponsored a Sunrise Breakfast on the first day of summer.

The Chamber hoped to have two Harrier jets fly over during the Parade.

Gary Morgan and Doug Tilly pitched in to dig a new walleye-rearing pond at Applewood. After 5,000 yards of dirt were removed from Joe Nuke's old algae pond, a rubberized tarp was put down on the bottom and sides. Besides the Wildlife Club, Jim Gillingham arrived with sixteen students to help. At least 25,000 fingerlings were expected to make this their new home.

Jerry LaFreniere was roasted.

Eleven students graduated from the BICS, its largest class in 50 years: Joan Adams, Meggan Heller, Adam Martin, Colleen McDonough, Joe McDonough, Hillary Palmer, Forrest Powers, Joshua Runberg, Kristen Russell, Joe Timsak, and Grant West.

Several Island groups (the Chamber, School, Boat Company, Health Center, and others) held a Lansing Reception and presented the case for Beaver Island to legislators and power brokers, thanks to Bill and Tammy McDonough.

Twenty Years Ago With the assistance of the Beaver Island Volunteer Fire Department, the house-numbering project got underway.

The Dockside Center project listed three goals: 1) finish cleaning up the contamination, and find a bank loan to

pay for the job; 2) purchase, rehab, and find a tenant for the building; and 3) solicit input to create a plan for the Community Center's purposes, activities, and programs. The goal, which was not met, was to open the new Center 100 years after initial construction, in 1996.

Chuck Hooker announced the beginning of a study of the possible impact of generating renewable energy on Beaver Island, sponsored by the U. S. Department of Energy and conducted by students with energy majors from MSU, U-Wisconsin, and the Jordan Energy Institute. It began with a workshop designed to help gauge energy needs, options, and costs. The Beaver Island Energy Project began in 1991, and this study promised to help achieve its goal of increasing energy efficiency and developing an energy self-reliance.

Antje Price pointed out that this was the centennial of the arrival on Beaver Island of Feodor Protar, and was to be celebrated during Museum Week.

Dave Gladish provided this warning in his Beacon Lite:

Watch out for watching TV news,
It feeds on greed for stark disaster.
It's addictiver than booze
And maybe hooks you faster.
The forty-second bite, the poll,
The violence—we're talking heady!
The government out to control
The stuff. Or do they already?

Thirty Years Ago The June, 1983 *Beacon*, which was printed in green, contained Part I of a history of the Civic Association, which was formed in 1954 to a) make Beaver Island a better place to live, and b) make Beaver Island an attractive vacation spot.

Its first major project was to raise funds to buy land and build the Medical Center. Next it took up the project of creating the Island's first newspaper in almost a hundred years, the *Beaver Beacon*. The first issue went to 538 people. The Civic played a role in getting the harbor dredged, a necessary project which, naturally, had its detractors; some claimed this was why the perch disappeared. It distributed brochures about the Island, and formed a committee that became the Game Club. It sponsored the annual Hunter's

Dinner in the fall, as well as the Fourth of July events. It instigated a spring clean-up of the harbor area, which it expanded into the countryside. It installed direction signs around the Island, and started a winter sports program for kids. One year it planted trees along the edge of the streets—which did okay until the streets were widened and paved.

A Charter party was held for the Sweet Adelines, which wowed the audience with its sensational barber-shop harmonies. The second annual 'Summer Serenade Dinner Dance' was announced for the coming August 27th, with music at a sit-down dinner provided by Rich Scripps and Richie Gillespie.

The graduating class of eight included current residents KK Belfy, Darrell Butler, and Robert Cole.

The *Beacon* carried an obituary for Catherin Connaghan, 91, who passed away that May. Born Catherine Malloy, she married Hugh Connaghan and they lived in the little white house next to Tim McDonough. She left 57 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren.

It was noted that the first two TV sets had arrived here in 1955, brought by Stanley Burns (for Pat Bonner) and Edgar O'Donnell (for Father Giles.)

Forty Years Ago The summer of 1973 was very promising; all the Island's accommodations were filled for Memorial Day.

The morel crop was unexpectedly bounteous, with a few apt hunters coming back with full bushel baskets. Bernie Whitcomb, who lived with her husband on High Island for three summers to study its wildlife, reported on a hunt spearheaded by Bea and Sheldon Parker. They drove to the center of the Island, where Bea and Sheldon quickly spotted several clumps—but Bernie couldn't spot any. Sheldon wandered off from morel to morel, and was soon out of sight. Bea and Bernie went back to the Parkers' jeep to move it a little forward, but morels were growing in the road and they kept driving further to pick just one cluster more. Finally they stopped, and Sheldon stepped out of the woods right there with a full basket. They all got in and started driving.

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28. **On This Date**, from page 27.

Wind-blown trees blocked the trail, so every so often Sheldon had to climb out and fire up his chain saw; each time, Bea would go hunting for more mushrooms to try catching up to her husband. They started home at 8:00, but had a flat tire—which Bea changed. A card party at Bill and Betty Welke's had been arranged, and when they didn't show up, Bill went looking for them—from the air.

The Castaway Restaurant opened in the Lakesports building, filling the niche vacated by the closing of the Killarney Inn. Archie LaFreniere opened a gift shop where Powers' Hardware now stands.

Russel Green, a crew member for 14 years as purser and assistant skipper, was named Captain of the *Beaver Islander*.

Phil Gregg's history of the Beaver, on the run during WW I, was illustrated by a drawing done by Dan Gillespie. Daniel Malloy's 1873 song *Lost on Lake Michigan*, was printed in full after being found by John Gannon in Escanaba and sent to Dick LaFreniere; it tells of seven Beaver Islanders who drowned while people helplessly watched the sinking ship from shore.

Several passings were noted: Dr. Russell Palmer, who had been our doctor until retiring in 1955; Bill Welke Sr, who had been coming to the Island since 1936; and 40-year Island resident Owen Chapman, who rode a little white motorbike with his dog in its basket. Also Mary (Gallagher) Sterling, born in 1885, who had married one of the train men for the Beaver Island Lumber Company and was preceded in death by 12 (of 17) children. And Ethel (Hamrock) Driggett, who lived at the Stone House Farm on Paid een Og's Road but moved to Charlevoix in 1915.

Fifty Years Ago With the temperature holding in the 80s for 1963's Decoration Day, 12 boats pulled into the harbor and tents popped up like mushrooms at the campground.

Mushrooms were reported to be ample, and the smelt run was a very modest success. Two fish tugs from Naubinway set gill nets around Garden and Hog and pulled into St. James to offer their catch for sale.

The Beaver Island Lodge hosted its first golf tournament.

The school had two graduates, Carol Ann O'Donnell and Evelyn

Palmer.

Phil Gregg had an interesting story to tell: "On the evening of May 31st, three boats left Harbor Springs for Beaver Island. Twelve miles out, one began to fall behind unnoticed by the other two. When the two leaders reached the 2-mile buoy, they finally discovered they were alone. They waited there for 40 minutes and then sped in to notify the Coast Guard.

"The sea was quite choppy, and the third boat had opened a seam, letting in enough water to stall the engine. The lone occupant fired off all his flares, to no avail. Without the engine he had no means of pumping out the rising water.

"After donning a life preserver, the operator decided to put himself in a frame of mind where he would not care what happened. This was accomplished by consuming all the bottled spirits he had aboard—a sufficient quantity to do a very thorough job.

"The Coast Guard crew came upon him some time later, sitting in his soggy boat and singing his troubles away. He was towed safely to the dock. Needless to say, this is not the recommended procedure to follow in such a case."

BOSTON MARATHON VICTIMS USE BLOOD

Approximately 180 people were seriously injured by the Boston Marathon bombing. Tragically, three victims died. Many more arrived at nearby trauma centers within minutes of bleeding to death. What saved the remaining 177: fast action by medical personnel and bystanders, and the availability of 500 units of blood from the Red Cross.

On July 25th Beaver Islanders will have the opportunity to save the lives of

accident victims and the seriously ill of all ages by donating blood to the Red Cross at the Rita Gillespie Memorial Blood Drive. It will be held from 12 to 6 PM at the Gregg Fellowship Center. Beginning in early July, volunteers will be calling to ask previous blood donors to make an appointment. In order to make our goal we will need lots of new donors as well. Please take the time to save the lives of up to three people with your donation. Begin now eating iron-

rich foods and taking an iron-fortified multivitamin so your iron levels will be high enough to donate.

Volunteers are also needed on the day of the drive to transport Red Cross nurses, load equipment, bake cookies, and register donors. Please call Lars Larson at 448-2470, Connie Wojan at 448-2379, or Jean Carpenter at 448-2893 if you can help.

—Connie Wojan

IN MEMORY: DONZELL SARAH RASCH

Donzell Sarah Rasch, 51, of East Jordan and Beaver Island, passed away Wednesday, June 5, 2013, at her home in East Jordan.

She leaves behind her husband, Daniel Mark Rasch of East Jordan and Beaver Island; son, Sgt 1st Cl Michael LaVerne Cherette of Sierra Vista, Ariz.; daughters, Rachelle Sarah Cherette of Vulcan, Theresa Louise Cherette of Norway; grandson, Cameron Leo Cherette of Vulcan; step-children, Daniel Mark Rasch, Jr., and Brandy

Jane Rasch both of Mundelein, Ill.; step-grandchildren, Christopher and Lillian; her mother and step-dad, Alvina Sara and Melvin Napont of Beaver Island; brother, Brian Joseph (Diane) Anthony of East Jordan; sisters, Teresa Marie (Fabian) Wabanimkee of Holland, Daneen Ann Anthony of Charlevoix; several aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Donzell was a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Chippewa and Ottawa Indians. She loved country music and

rock&roll of the 60s,70s,&80s; reading, drawing cartoons, Pow-Wows, shopping, and enjoying life with her family and friends.

Visitation will be 1-3 pm and from 6-8 pm Friday, June 7, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. Funeral mass will be 11:00 am, Saturday, June 8, at Saint Mary's Catholic Church in Charlevoix, the Rev. Matthew Wigton officiating. Burial will be in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.



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A large portion of the community came to the school on June 2 to honor Kitty McNamara upon her retirement after 34 years of service. Speaker after speaker told the audience how much they admired Kitty for her qualities, and how much their life had been touched by the empathy she brought to her job.

Debbie Robert started the parade of speakers by recounting how Kitty approached her and asked her to take a new position in the school when the Stambaughs retired. She was quite comfortable and initially resisted making the change, but Kitty asked her to ask herself if she was completely satisfied. No pressure; just a request to set some priorities. To be true to herself.

Maeve Green, Kitty's daughter, spoke about how when she entered school she assumed it

was her job to make her parents proud, but soon discovered it was going the other way around: the more she saw of how her mother did her job, how she treated people based on the strengths and not their weaknesses, the more she felt proud of her parent. What she learned from her mother was to believe in herself.

John Fiegen, who worked with her

for 21 years as a member of the Board (after being a teacher and administrator in Chicago), said she always took responsibility and never passed the buck. She was never flustered; she always rose to each daily challenge, remaining calm.

John told the story of how the Board sent him to the store just before Christmas break to buy presents for the teachers and staff, and he arrived at the school to pass them out. But Kitty sternly ordered him to

gather up the presents and put them back in his car. When they had a chance to talk, she explained that she was being interviewed by parents who were thinking of moving here with their children, and she did not think they would approve of his gifts. What he had selected on short notice was bottles of liquor and wine.

Barb Schwartzfisher, who, like



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John, had been president of the School Board, was honored and humbled by being asked to speak. She said what had stuck with her most strongly about Kitty's style was her favoring impact over details. She regarded Kitty as an innovative thinker, a mentor, steadfastly focused on dreams and goals. She always wanted what was best, and acted from her heart. She gave and gave, never wanting thanks.

In her honor a new fund was being created—the Kitty McNamara Scholarship Fund, which would award stipends to BICS grads going on past their first year of college, in conjunction with Twenty-first Century Learning.

Barb called her to the podium for a special presentation: a ribbon and her diploma, at long last, certifying her as a 2013 graduate of the Beaver Island



Community School.

The sentiments were echoed by Marissa Crandall, who thanked Kitty for having made the school as comfortable as home, where everything was handled with care and concern for the well-being of everyone involved. "School became part of my family," she said. "Kitty always made me feel I was special." The three other graduating seniors were there

to show their support. "We all felt the same way."

Former student and current progressive librarian Patrick McGinnity said he had so many memories of Kitty and they were so charged with emotion that he could not be sure which were real and which were the conglomerate of his heightened feelings. He selected one to recount, assuring the audience that most of it was probably true.

As a science project his class created a "spider box," and students brought in a variety of arachnids to observe. Everything was fine until one of them brought in a wolf spider with a leg span of five inches. It was put in the box, where it proceeded to kill and eat one after another of its cousins. When they were gone the students fed it by killing flies and other insects, first ridding the school and then moving to other hunting grounds *continued on page 32.*



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32. *Kitty retires*, from page 31.
to satisfy their voracious guest.

Everything went fine until the approach of Christmas vacation. Their teacher asked one after another if he would take it home and feed it during the break, but all declined. On the last day of school, Patrick came up with a brilliant solution: he would put it above the ceiling panels and let it fend for itself. Using a chair, he climbed on top of the pop

machine in the old hallway outside the gym, pushed a ceiling tile aside, and had a friend hand him up the spider box. He raised it above his head, and was considering just how to get the spider out without having it jump down on him when, from around the corner, Kitty appeared. One look told him she had not grasped that what he was doing was for the good of the spider. Kitty appropriated the eight-legged beast, and sent Patrick back to class.

The day after school had let out, a



package arrived for Patrick, which his father Mike, our NP, assumed was a Christmas gift from its wrapping. He set it aside, and by the time it was finally opened its contents – the school's pet wolf spider – had died of starvation. The lesson quickly dawned: he should have stepped up and taken responsibility for keeping it alive. Finishing the story, he seemed on the point of saying he had cast the body in amber and to this day kept it on his bed table as a reminder of

what he had learned, but one look at Kitty's skeptical expression told him his story had gone on long enough.

Connie Boyle seconded Patrick's experience, saying Kitty possessed a kind of intuitive radar that let her show up the moment some tomfoolery was afoot to nip it in the bud.

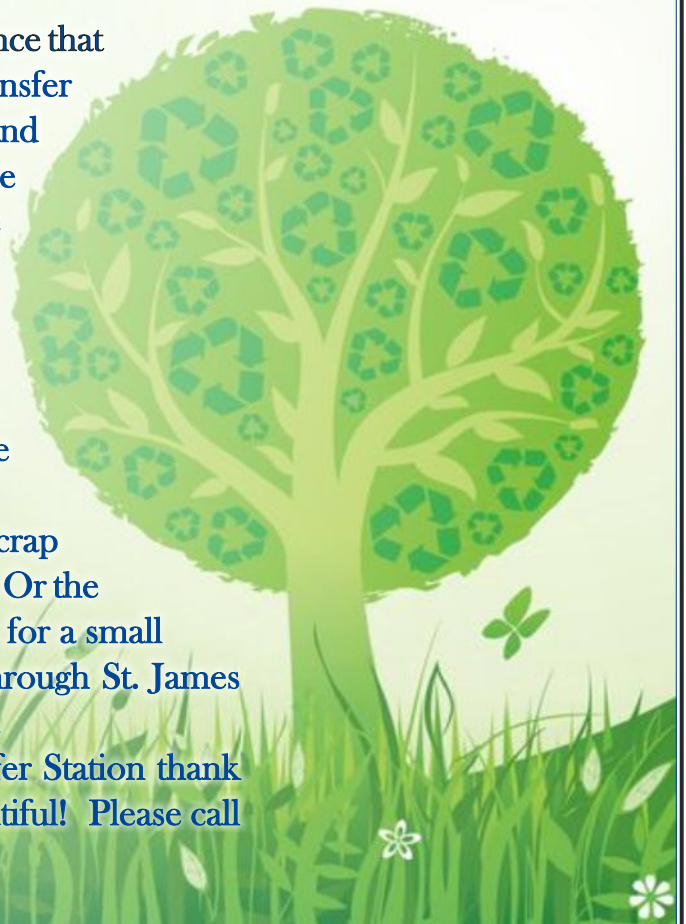
Connie praised her for always being accessible, for always being ready to hear someone's problems, for remaining calm and

not being judgmental. She had an open-door policy—"come talk"—and always made things happen. If ice skates were needed, she would round them up. She had a good sense of humor. She was dedicated to the staff. She recognized the importance of technology early on, and had created a great computer lab (and was instrumental in bringing the internet to Beaver Island in the early 90s). Because of her, our school was usually ahead of its peers.

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Former Char-Em superintendent Mark Eckhart talked about the many state and national educators who spoke about goals and ideals without necessarily realizing they were advocating Kitty's approach. Some did, though, and consequently Mark presented Kitty with a plaque signed by Greg McMaster, Howard Walker, and Governor Rick Snyder commemorating all she had done during her 34 years of service: securing funding for the school; organizing expansions and upgrades; forming the Northern Lights League; planning and facilitating conferences; developing a staff; and so much more.

Kitty was so moved she could barely speak. After a round of applause she was able to share some of her memories, some of the things some might not even notice but which were as crystal clear as the day they had happened—such as the time little Jimmy Ken caught a live fly and attached it to a long black strand of



Debbie DeRosia's hair to create a kind of insect-driven whirligig he paraded through the classroom as it went futilely around and around. She recounted a time early in her tenure when the harbor ice was so sheeny that she decided to go skating during her lunch break and was so caught up in the fun that before she knew it, it was three o'clock. She scurried up the hill, still in her skates, only to be met by then-principal Barb Rakowski's frown. "Luckily she understood the allure of the

rare blue ice, and I did 33. not get fired."

She briefly mentioned that she had experienced tragedies she would never forget as well, citing just one, the 1982 drowning of three young boys who were among her first students.

At the end of the hour she summed up her philosophy by talking about the century-old debate about nature versus nurture. "In my mind, you need the nurture of nature as one of the components in raising a

child. Especially now, when there's such a fascination with screens and iphones and texting and social media. I urge parents to break up these sessions every so often and take their kids outside, to play or to walk along the lake or through the woods. We are all children of nature, and we should not forget it. Especially here on Beaver Island. We live in a bounteous world. It is a blessing we should appreciate. We need to keep it as part of who we are to live a balanced life."



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REMEMBERING

Well over 150 people turned out on a bright day for a Memorial Day ceremony at the AmVets Park. Twenty-eight veterans gathered in two lines at the front as Bob Hoogendoorn commented about how wars have taken so many bright young men and women in

their prime, and urged us not to forget those struggling to cope with the recent tornado in Oklahoma.

Beaver Island has a wide reputation for a high level of patriotism – and has since WW II, which the Island had the highest percentage of its people serve in the Armed Forces.

Emily Boyle led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance before Bob Tidmore announced that there were 330 bricks and new ones would be placed before July 4th. Bricks were still available – not all the slots have been filled. Flags had been placed on 300 graves in the Holy Cross cemetery and



5TH/6TH – GRADE PLAY

The younger students demonstrated a real skill for being able to assume the

identity of a half-mythological character and act accordingly in the rehearsals for their class play. Recognizing their

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the list of Beaver Islanders who died in service from the Civil War through both World Wars to the Korean Conflict, keeping the memory of their sacrifice alive. Some were on their first mission; some perished in training activities. Many were just boys.

Brian Gallagher named the ten

Island Servicemen who had passed away in the previous year. "Ten, as far as we know," he said. "We're getting older all the time."

The ceremony closed with a playing of Taps, after which much of the crowd hung around to share their stories.



But afterwards an "unexpected consequence" set in: the performers were reluctant to abandon their roles,

and every so often reverted to the script, sometimes in class, sometimes at home.

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36. MASTER OF TIME

by Katelynn Martin

Most people here are on Island time. However, one man can tell you the time from around twenty clocks hanging on the walls of his house.

George “Satch” Wierenga’s first purchase was a watch for his father. He saw it in a window of a jewelry store in Grand Rapids for \$99.99 in the 1950s. “I told my mother, I’ve got twenty and

you’ve got eighty. Let’s put it together and buy it for dad.”

Satch still has the watch to this day, bringing it out on weekends for church. “I have to wind it up every morning. All my watches are wind ups.”

The piece he bought next was from a clock works in Massachusetts which had a replica of a clock in the Smithsonian Museum.

He got pieces of solid maple in the mail to build the body of the clock.

Only one of the clocks on his walls is battery operated. Most he winds up once a week.

Among all of the ticking clocks there is an array of pieces from around the world: a Dutch clock that boasts beautiful hand-painted tile, a two hundred year old French clock with a



Photographs by Katelynn Martin

WHERE DO THEY SWIM?

Researchers from Central Michigan University and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources recently studied movements of smallmouth bass in Lake Michigan’s Beaver Island Archipelago. The study addressed the questions: Do smallmouths remain in close proximity (within a 5-mile radius) of where they were captured; do they return to the same areas they occupied in previous years; and were there any specific movement patterns?

Everyone knows where the smallmouth abide: the south side of Garden, the south side of Hog, and on the south side of the shallow and rocky bars between. But knowing where they are does not tell us much about how they live.

To find some answers, sixteen

smallmouth bass (15 to 19" long) were outfitted with acoustic transmitters to determine movement patterns during three periods (prespawn, spawn, and postspawn) in 2007 and 2008.

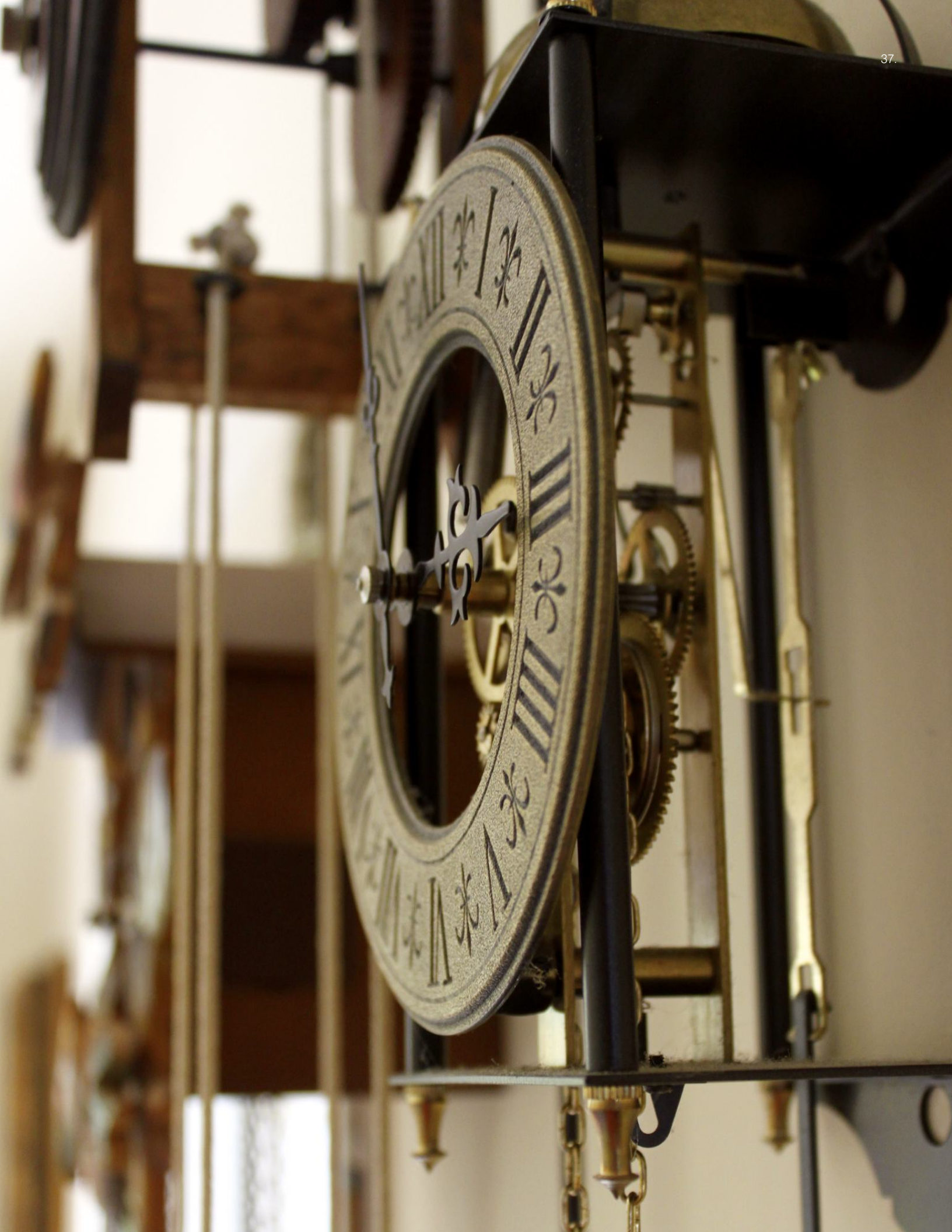
Most bass remained within the Beaver Island study site. Two fish moved more than 40 miles from the tagging site for reasons unknown – perhaps breeding rivalry. During postspawn, a high percentage of tagged bass were found in the same location as the year before. General movement patterns (moving roughly half a mile per day) indicated smallmouth bass remain close to shore during prespawn and spawn, but move farther offshore during postspawn (females move farther offshore than males).

Smallmouth bass were typically located in about 5' of water during

prespawn, 5.5' during spawning, and 13' during postspawn. Some bass were located near boulders, rockpiles, or drop-offs during postspawn, but there did not appear to be any trends in habitat use, as other fish were often found in areas lacking these characteristics.

This population is currently managed as a population separate from the rest of northern Lake Michigan. The findings from this study indicate that some smallmouths migrate from the Beaver Island Archipelago to other areas of Lake Michigan, thus identifying the potential need to revise views concerning the connectedness of northern Lake Michigan smallmouth bass populations.

Studies will continue. If we could figure out their habits and motives, we might be able to enhance the fishery.





porcelain face, and Wierenga's favorite, a cuckoo clock that hangs by the front door.

Some of the pieces have been handed down to him, like his grandparents' clock, and some will get passed down to his son, such as the grandfather clock that shows the moon cycle.

Not all of the clocks in his house came to him in the condition they are in now. He has worked on many of them to get them back to running, many times with the help of Bill Snyder, a professional from Lansing who owns Lester Connaghan's home on Barney's Lake Road.

Satch finds most clocks in antique

stores or at fairs. While he says he 39. has enough clocks, his method for buying is, "If I see a clock I like, I'll buy it."

The only problem he ever has is if someone asks him the time—it takes him eleven minutes to check all his clocks to make sure he's got it right.



Photographs by Katelynn Martin

LAKE G FROM 1400 AD TO THE PRESENT

On May 22 CMU hosted MSU's David Long, who presented his findings regarding the toxic history of Lake Geneserath to thirty interested people in the Biostation's Gillingham Auditorium. He had the results from Lake G's deepest spot, 57', just off the east side bank near the middle of the main body. From the color change in sediment he speculated that the lake had been *walled off* from Lake Michigan by a sand spit around 1400 AD.

Dr. Long used a PowerPoint show with animation and live footage to explain his procedure, which he developed over the course of several years investigating lakes all over the world. He had built a lightweight flat-bottom boat with a 6" draw for easy launching and use in shallow lakes. His technique is to take sediment samples from the bottom using a device that holds four clear plastic canisters perhaps 3" in diameter and 3' long. The fourplex is lowered in a pipe frame to the bottom; when the four tubes fill with sediment the bottom closes and the "catch" is brought to the surface.

Each cylinder has its water content

squeezed out, and then the solid core is sliced into thin sections (1/2 cm), each of which corresponds to deposits from a particular time. Each lake has a different sedimentation forming rate; Lake G's was such that 50 cm went back to 1280 AD.

Each disc is analyzed for several inclusions, such as DDT, PCBs, lead, mercury, calcium, aluminum, arsenic, and uranium. The uranium decay rate allows the date to be set. Then the results for each ingredient are graphed over time. The fallout from Chernoble was also distinct.

Some of the results were predictable. DDT, probably from airborne sources, peaked around 1976 and then, when the pesticide was banned, appeared in reduced quantities. Other results were mysterious, such as the mercury level, a brief spike in nitrogen in the early 1900s, and a decrease in Calcium in 1960.

A spike in the sand content of the sediment at the 1850 level was probably due to the Mormon effort to dig a canal out of the Lake. They hoped to lower the level enough to grow wild rice in the North Arm (it could be found in the Fox

Lake lagoon), but did not complete the job.

Lake Geneserath in general is in good shape, Dr. Long averred. But the high concentrations from the 60s and 70s are still at the surface of the sediments and not buried like they are in other lakes. Therefore the surface sediments are high in toxicants relative to other lakes, and there is potential for the toxicants to bioaccumulate in fish as they eat invertebrates that live in the sediments for some portion of their life cycle. CMU will conduct more sediment work, and measure these toxicants in fish tissue this summer. They will do a survey to determine if a lot of fish are even being consumed from the lake; even if the toxicant levels are high in the fish tissue, there is not much of a human health risk if people are not consuming very many fish.

The audience was fascinated by all the information, and asked several questions afterwards—the mark of good science is that it raises more questions than answers. Everyone appreciated Don Uzarski's efforts to bring in diverse speakers to provide more information about the Island to the community.

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40. WHAT'S IT LIKE AT THE LIGHTHOUSE SCHOOL?

Beth Urech and Mark Gillingham wanted to do something to encourage the vitality and creativity they discovered on Beaver Island so they established a scholarship fund for graduating students from the Lighthouse School, now in its 6th year.

Victor, what brought you to the Beaver Island Lighthouse School?

V i c t o r
Grabowski: I'm the youngest of five boys and my oldest brother had attended BILS a decade ago. He suggested that I come to the island. I'm glad I did. It's been an amazing experience.

What is the most important thing you've learned?

V: Respect. I now have respect for others as well as for myself.

Would you encourage others to attend the school?

V: Absolutely. If someone is up for new things!

Congratulations on being valedictorian of your class this spring!

V: Thanks, I am so proud. Check out my smile on the photos! As the valedictorian, I received the 10-10-10 Scholarship of \$800 which will cer-



tainly help with my studies.

What are your career goals?

V : M y nephew Xavier Mikhil was born pre-maturely, and the doctors and staff at the Helen DeVos Children's Hospital in Grand Rapids saved his life. Now I want to be a pediatrician. I'll start my studies at Ferris State University

in the fall. I know it's a long haul, but I was raised to go and get what I want!

What was the best thing about BILS?

V: The school was my home away from home! That's why I'm excited to be returning to the Island for the summer work program. Hopefully I'll be there on Tuesday, July 23 when Beth Urech performs her solo-show. All of us at the Lighthouse School are encouraged that she and her husband support the school with their 10-10-10 Scholarship to help students like me.

IN MEMORY: JUNE POWERS

June Adele Powers, 90, of Port Huron, died Friday, May 10, 2013.

She was born July 16, 1922 in Detroit to the late Walter and Della Darsee. She married Richard Woodruff Powers on January 29, 1944 in Detroit. He died in 1979.

Mrs. Powers was a member of First United Methodist Church. She was a Master Gardener and enjoyed nature, being outdoors and attending meetings of the Audubon Society. She liked to babysit and study her family's genealogy.

She is survived by three daughters, Sue Knight of Marysville, Lynne (Doug) Bebensee of Cheney, Kansas and Colleen (Allan) Dewey of Grand

Rapids; a son, Dr. Jeffrey Powers of Beaver Island; ten grandchildren, Cheryl (Jim) Warsinske, Lauri (Pat) Pringle, Beth (Chris) Janus, Amy (Tom) Taylor, Chris Bebensee, Allan (Vivien) Dewey, Dr. Jeffrey (Dr. Julie) Dewey, Dr. Stephen (Lindsay) Dewey, Jeffrey R. Powers and Dr. Forrest Powers; and 15 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a brother, Walter Darsee in 1945, and a sister, Geraldine Kitts in 2013.

Cremation has taken place and a private family scattering service will be held near Beaver Island this summer.

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FOUR BEDROOMS - PETS ACCEPTABLE: ON THE BEACH AT THE SOUTH END OF DONEGAL BAY - a stone's throw to the Kuebler Trail and the State Land at McCauley's Point. A wonderful home; everything works! Deck; balcony; and only \$1,050/week. Contact Patricia at (412) 779-0030, or denkoven@verizon.net

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

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

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.



GREAT LOCATION IN TOWN

and perfect view of the Harbor overlooking Veteran's park. Sleeps 8 - 10 with 2 full baths. Full kitchen, washer/dryer, many amenities. \$900 a week. Call for more info or pictures.
(231) 448-3038

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woods in Clarkston where she grew up.

Somewhere along the line she was introduced to Beaver Island, and fell in love. Her book, *Bamboozled on Beaver*

Island, has earned her many local fans.

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DEEP WATER HARBOR FRONTAGE FOR SALE - 66.5' Harbor Frontage; Deep Water; Space for four 45'+ Boat Slips; Main Street Frontage; 1570 ft² Building with Commercial/Residential Use; City Sewer; Option to purchase adjacent parcels; \$399,000. For more information Please Contact Jon Bonadeo at (231) 448-2489 or (231) 459-6861.

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

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

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

10 ACRES OLD FOX LAKE ROAD Beautiful, wooded, great building site; \$39,000. (231) 409-1214.

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

20 ACRES WEST SIDE ROAD - \$55,000; 16x18 rustic cabin. Apple orchard and deer blinds; (248) 766-4205.

TO PLACE AN AD - Call (231) 448-2476. E-mail beacon@beaverisland.net

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

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

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

A GREAT HARBOR VIEW - from a great "in-town" trailer. Perfect for a couple of working people. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Furnished and fully equipped kitchen. \$1500 a month. (231) 448-2235.

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.

Beaver Island Rental Cottages continued on page 46.



A BLOCK FROM TOWN, A BLOCK FROM THE BEACH: 3 BRs, 1 bath; wireless; \$625/week; call (231) 313-6225 or email abbieswest@yahoo.com
www.abbieswestcottage.com



BAY BREEZE - DONEGAL BAY BEACHFRONT:

A comfortable 3-bdrm/2 full bath with beautiful bay views and stunning sunsets.

This home features lake front living room, dining area and master bedroom. The kitchen, second and third bedrooms have lake views.

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Charming beachfront cabin nestled in the woods 50 yards from the water, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, full kitchen, washer/ dryer, queen beds in 3 rooms with two sets of xl-bunks in the 4th. Satellite TV. Perfect for families. \$900.

Security deposit. Available June-Sept.

Website: www.combscottage.webs.com
email: combscottage@yahoo.com; or call Nancy at (719) 599-3147



FOR RENT: 3 Bedroom, 1 bath. Sleeps 8-10. 1½ miles from town and beaches. \$500/week. (231) 547-6429 or (231) 448-2829



HARBOR LIGHTS: Unique log home looking out over Paradise Bay. Beautiful views of St. James Harbor, Garden, and Hog Islands. Enjoy the boats from the huge deck, or sit around the fire pit on the beach. Very secluded, sitting among lush cedars and pines. 3 bedrooms with 2 queens and 2 twins. One large bathroom and one half bath. All the amenities you could ever need. Immaculate home with "spectacular" views. \$1,150 a week. Home (630) 834-4181 Cell (630) 995-0507 harborlightsbim@aol.com



BEAUTIFUL WOODED LOT ON DONEGAL BAY: conv to beaches, hardwood floors, & cathedral ceilings. This chalet-style cottage is new, bright and airy with a large front room and cathedral ceiling, lots of windows, and double sliding glass doors. Convenient access to the best beach on the island. Only \$725/week. Off-season \$475. Call (517) 927-2374 nprawat@yahoo.com



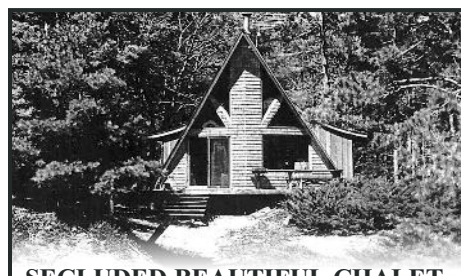
ALLEN HARBOR-LAKE FRONT: One block W. of marina. Sharp 3 bedroom, 3 bath, washer/dryer. Sleeps 8. Awesome view of harbor from living room, kitchen/dining room, and master bedroom. \$1,500/week. Call Patti Fogg (616) 399-5067 pfogg@charter.net or www.allenfoggcottages.com



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) 309-8033



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.



SECLUDED BEAUTIFUL CHALET FOR RENT: 10 Acres of pine with 360' of sandy Lake Michigan Beach. 2-BR (including loft), one bath, Great Room with 2 sofa sleepers. Fabulous views of the Lake. Large decks. Sleeps 7. Across from state land and hiking trails. Satellite TV. No smoking. Dogs allowed. \$700 per week. Call Ed Eicher (810) 629-7680



WATERFRONT HARBOR HOUSE FOR RENT:

Spectacular view of Paradise Bay! Large home with all the amenities, linens provided. 4 bedroom, 2½ baths, sleeps 8, washer/dryer, fully equipped kitchen, satellite tv. June – Sept. \$1250 a week. Short walk to the Stoney Acre Grill. Please call (231) 448-2235



WEEKLY RENTAL - Lakefront. "The Last Resort" 2 BR house on Sand Bay, great view, beautiful sunrise, laundry pair, 1 ½ bath. Phone Bill McDonough at (231) 448-2733 (days).

DONEGAL BAY - 3 BR 2 bath Home; sleeps 6; many amenities. \$980 a week. Reduced rates for off-season.

Visit Loveley's Bay House online at www.rentalbug.com/vacation-rentals/michigan/1244 (313) 885-7393, after 4:00 p.m.

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DONEGAL BAY COTTAGE: 3 BR, 2 BA, full kitchen, W/D, fireplace, secluded patio & deck surrounded by pines and bluff and overlooking one of Beaver Island's best beaches. \$850 per week June-September; winter rates available. Call (734) 996-3973 or loonlookout@comcast.net home.comcast.net/~loonlookout/site/



ISLAND AERIE: Overlooking harbor next to Nature Preserve, easy walk/bike to town, 3 bath, 4 BR; sleeps 12 w/ 2 king and 10 twin beds, large 1st floor decks, 2nd floor wet bar and deck, 3rd floor game room, all modern amenities and appliances, great for multiple families and groups. \$1800/wk, reduced off-season and extended-stay rates. Call John and Jan (989) 560-8639 www.islandaerie.net . Jan@islandaerie.net



LAKEFRONT:
2 bedrooms, 2 baths + large lower level with sleeping for 6. Sleeps 12 total. Washer/dryer, bikes, kayaks, wrap-around porch, views of sunset & Garden & Squaw Islands. \$1400/week. (773) 663-7772. Website: www.LinnsLakeLodge.com



SHORTY'S PLACE:
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



furnished. Bicycles, canoe, grill available \$700/wk; weekends available. (219) 863-2655 or email cehlah@urhere.net
HOUSE AND CABIN NEAR INDIAN POINT - Enjoy fine country living. A 2-BR, 2-Bath home @ \$650/month and a beautiful studio in a second bldng @ \$450/mo; phone (231) 448-2575.

DONEGAL BAY COTTAGE - Nicely furnished 3 BR, 1 bath, washer/dryer. On dune w/ beach access. \$775/ July & August \$600 off-season weekly. Dana Luscombe (248) 549-2701 eve or dana.luscombe@gmail.com
ADD A PLACE - (231) 448-2476 or beacon@beaverisland.net



BIRCH HOUSE ON FONT LAKE:
Close to town and Donegal Bay, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, fully furnished home. \$900.00/week. (630) 750-7870 lhmrinc@aol.com



HIGHVIEW - BEACHFRONT HOUSE FOR RENT: Exciting cottage with view of High Island from large deck. Open floor plan, huge windows on extremely private beach. 2 BRs with 2 full beds + loft with 2 twins. 1½ baths, TV/VCR, W/D, microwave, gas grill, all amenities. \$1200/week; spring & fall \$895. Limit 6 people. Now with wireless! Call (941) 921-2233 or (317) 769-6563 Photos at highview.beaverisland.net



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