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## 4. NEWS FROM THE TOWNSHIPS

### St. James Township

Don Vyse reported that after working on the Whiskey Point Light Tower since 1998, the restoration work was finally about to begin in earnest. Bids had come in ranging from \$87,600 to \$161,900, and the low bidder, who had an excellent reputation, was given the contract. The Lighthouse Fund had about \$150,000 to work with, so after the contracted work is done there will be funds to continue. The current plan is to fix the exterior (many bricks will have to be replaced), put in a new entry door, and make repairs to the stairway. The work, which will include damp-proofing, the restoration of wood windows, and the repair of interior walls, should start around June 28 and finish by early August. The architect will design a sign. The next stage will focus on ironwork and interior woodwork.

BITA asked the Township to approve the creation of a Harbor Light stamp for the passports lighthouse fans like to have stamped at the lighthouses they visit. The request was provisionally approved.

BICAA asked the Township to install brackets on the streetlight posts in town and to install, change, and take down banners advertising various events during the summer—if the

BICAA's grant request for funds to buy the banners and brackets is approved. The BICAA hoped the BIHS, the Music Fest, and other agencies would take part. The Board agreed to look into the matter. It was concerned about the look of empty brackets, the weight, the legality, and the degree of work the project required.

Pam Grassmick asked the Board to approve the mailing of letters to beach property owners requesting donations to the phragmites fund. This was done successfully before, and is needed now because the State has no money for this.

Lisa Welke resigned as the Phragmites Administrator. The job opening will be posted.

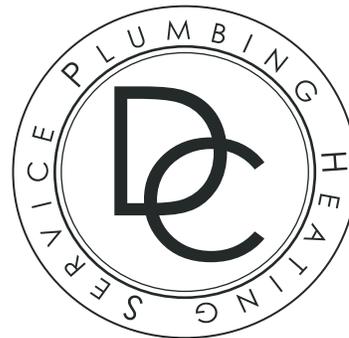
The Board discussed asking to have two barges removed from the land they acquired on the Harbor in exchange for Whiskey Island.

Bids will be posted for installing electric heat in the Town Hall.

Verizon's equipment was expected to be in place by the end of June.

A Skid Steer tractor was offered to the Township by the County (which hasn't used it for 7 years) on a 5-year lease for \$1/year, after which St. James would own it. It needs work but has a significant value and would come in handy.

Ray Cole resigned from the Board.



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There were two applicants, Rick Speck and Brian Cole, but Brian was on the School Board and the attorney said that would be a conflict of interest. The Board members endorsed Speck, citing his many years of good service for several agencies.

Dredging would begin in September, with the hope that more than just the ferry channel would be deepened. The project engineer would handle the bidding.

Rick Speck was appointed to the Airport Commission and Bill Haggard to the Planning Commission.

Both Townships were approved for electronic voting booths next year.

### Peaine Township

Sandy Birdsall reported that the NRESC would undergo a final revision to accommodate all the comments received during a 45-day period, and then submitted to the Townships at their July meetings for approval.

The streetlight brackets were discussed, but questions about how their use would be allocated could not be answered. One person said, "We don't want it to look like downtown Charlevoix." The grant application for funds to purchase the banners had not been submitted. A Board member thought the Township maintenance

man was already overworked.

The portable dock purchase was discussed—putting them in and taking them out, and making repairs, would be more work for the maintenance man. Doug Tilly said the Trails Committee might take this on, and the Health and Human Services Commission might help with the purchase (the Wildlife Club offered \$2,000). There would be no liability to the townships. The matter was referred to the Planning Commission.

Don Welke was trained and certified in hazmat handling.

The difficulty of bike trails on the State land (or the part acquired by certain federal funds, with accompanying limitations) and on some trails (such as the Kuebler) was discussed. It was felt that not enough information was on hand to proceed with a recommendation.

### Airport Commission

Thanks to an all-day work session in mid-June with McDonough Construction, the chosen contractor, Mead and Hunt, the consultants, Kendra Thompson, the architect, and a representative of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, the new terminal building and grounds will now go forward.

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6. *News from the Townships, from page 5.*

Two primary specifications shifts resulted in some savings. The geothermal array will now be horizontal instead of vertical. And the roof will be asphalt and not metal. Other lesser changes in pillars, foundation walls, countertops, and windows brought the price down further.

Still, there were costs beyond the construction bids: advertising, site work contingency, building contingency, oversight, and the fireplace (the only bid alternative accepted—because it will be paid for via local donations). The total cost reached ~\$1,200,000, which will be paid for with the original \$650,000 grant, a state “gap funding” transfer of

## SMALL SAILBOAT REGATTA

**A**fter a decade-long lapse, the Small Sailboat Regatta is returning this summer! The first, originally set for June 30, is being rescheduled due to an extra tug

and barge trip needed to haul vehicles and freight before the 4<sup>th</sup>. The boats will loop the Harbor again on July 21 and August 11.

Boats must be 15' or less to enter,

## SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED

Beaver Island AmVets Post 46 is offering a \$1,000 scholarship. Eligible for consideration are BICS graduates

who have completed at least one year of post-high school education and not already received an AmVets scholarship.

## BLOOD DRIVE JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>

The annual Rita Gillespie Memorial Blood Drive will take place on July 25<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 6 PM at the Gregg Fellowship Hall. Picture ID or Red Cross Blood card are now required in order to donate.

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another \$300,000, the federal annual allotment of \$180,000, a ten-year \$100,000 loan, and the fireplace donation. To obtain these funds, a local match of just over \$25,000 is required.

In a joint meeting of both Township Boards, several multi-part resolutions were unanimously passed to authorize the various components of the project.

unless they receive special permission from the judges. A Captains meeting will be held before each race. Points will be accrued, and awards presented at the conclusion of the racing season.

We are accepting applications in electronic format at the following e-mail address: [amvetspost46@yahoo.com](mailto:amvetspost46@yahoo.com)

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We would like to express our most thankful and caring thoughts to all who have sent their cards. They were very comforting and heartfelt, and we were happy to know each and every one of you as friends.

We are in good company.

### Natural Resources

7.

On June 29<sup>th</sup> the NRESC discussed the many comments made from 520 viewings of its Natural Resources Plan, made a few changes to the final draft, tweaked the Glossary and the Appendices, approved the addition of a Letter of Conveyance, and agreed to send it to the Town Boards for approval.

There are two classes: beginning sailors and experienced sailors.

To register, call the Paradise Bay Dive Shop (3195), or contact Captain Mike Weede (2708).

The deadline is August 31<sup>st</sup>, and the scholarship will be awarded not later than September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Our dear Daughter Donzell will be sadly missed, but she will be in our hearts and minds forever. Too soon the Creator called her Home. She is in a good place.

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"I know I've been here too long when I know everybody's dog's name." Mike Williams, pilot, was walking toward an Island Airway's Britten-Norman 9-seat plane for his next flight from Charlevoix to Beaver Island. Two dogs on this one.

Our Island was named Beaver hundreds of years ago. But there's a lot more dogs here than beavers. If it had to be named today, perhaps *Canis lupus familiaris*, the common dog, man's best friend, would get the nod. Many Islanders are dog lovers. My wife Deb and I have three pugs, but that's not many compared to some "dog families" here. And an incredible number of visitors bring their dogs to the Island. How many exactly? I set out to conduct a Beaver Census of Doggies.

Every year the Beaver Island Boat Company sells about 1,500 one-way tickets for pets and, yes, says BIBCo General Manager Margo Marks, most of them are for dogs that "Ride the Boat" (on the upper deck). Add in perhaps 200-300 more dog trips a year that don't need a ticket, because dogs weighing less than 10 pounds ride for free.

About as many dogs get to and from the Island through the air as by water. In 2011, Island Airways flew 1,133 dog trips. The peak month was, of course, July—with 174 dogs airborne. "About 20 times a year," says Island Air President Angela Welke, "we have flights with more dogs than people!" This probably doesn't annoy Angel and husband Paul; they have so many dogs at home they sometimes lose track. But, Angel adds, the Island Air number is an undercount since it doesn't include small dogs that don't need their own seat. "It's probably double that for the little guys we don't charge for!"

Dog-mania is the rule at Fresh Air Aviation too. "Not a day goes by that we do not fly a dog," says General Manager Rachel Teague. "On busier holiday weekends we usually see at least one dog on every flight, if not more." Dogs may not get frequent flier miles, but they get other benefits. "a lot of the dogs we fly remember where we keep the treats

under the desk and head for that spot every time they come in."

Let us do the dog-trip math: Roughly 1,500 from BIBCo + roughly 1,300 from Island Airways + some 300-400 more via Fresh Air. A total of maybe 3,400 doggie trips a year. (How many *beavers* go back and forth?) And we haven't added in the number of dogs that arrive on private sailboats and motorboats. Think of it this way. If you loaded the *Emerald Isle* up with 340 dogs—that's way more than the capacity



limit on people—it would take 10 boatloads to get all of the traveling dogs across the water. (And a lot longer to swab out the boat afterwards.)

Check out the dog-e-nomics of this: 3,400 trips @ \$15 each (a blended rate for the transportation services) = \$51,000. And that's just the beginning of cash flowing. All these dogs need to be fed (even if they're also finding "meals" in the woods or on the beach). Some of their owners bring food bought in mainland stores and some even make food for their dogs. But most shop for their pets at Powers Hardware Store, McDonoughs' Market, or Andy's Grooming and Boarding Barn. Those places sell dog food by the pound, in bags up to 40 or 50 pounds, but we're talking about *tons* to feed this many dogs. Scary thought. And that doesn't include fancy canned dog food or the extra delicious stuff a dog will eat. Powers Hardware caters to the carnivorous instincts of dogs with bins containing premium pig ears, 4" smoke beefy bones, smoked knuckles, pork femur bone chews, pig skin twists (with

chicken), and meat-in-the-middle bone packs. Next door at Jeff Powers's veterinary clinic, dog food comes in clinical varieties: puppy, adult, mature adult, light, skin support, urinary tract health, active longevity, and gastrointestinal health.

If you figure an average of 500 dogs eating roughly 50-cents of dog food every day of the year, that's gross sales of \$91,250. So between food and travel, we're talking about a \$142,000-a-year market. And that doesn't include boarding, grooming, or vet bills. It's not unreasonable to think that Islanders with dogs and visitors with dogs spend as much as \$200,000-a-year on these pets. That's enough money to nearly fund a township budget for a year or to throw an all-you-can-drink party at the Shamrock for hundreds of Islanders nearly every Friday night of the year.

So here's a modest proposal for the Island's economic development: go to the dogs! We're already dog-friendly, now become dog-welcoming.

Become the Great Lakes destination for dog lovers. In the next 10 years, let's triple the number of dogs with visitors. The airlines, boat company, and retailers will benefit. Of course, there could be a few, uhm, unpleasant environmental impacts. So we'll need to add a new item to the Transfer Station's list of recyclable materials—*Canis poopus familiaris* (very familiaris). There may not be a market yet for this product, but at least it's natural.

Perhaps it's rude to think of man's best friend in these grossly economic terms: revenues and profits instead of licks and wags. Consider the fate of the beaver when, a few centuries ago, it was "monetized" (without its consent) as fur for the European hat market. Monetized to near extinction so that when the great explorer Douglass Houghton tramped through the North Country's forests, there were nearly none to be found—170 years ago.

So, never mind—don't change the Island's name. Let's keep our doglandia a secret.

—Pete Plastrik

## 10. BEAVER ISLAND CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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**, p.27

July 15 – **Music on the Porch**

July 16 – **Jingle Jangle Bingo** @ the Hall

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

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

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

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

July 19 – New **Amanda Trudell** film (2:00) "**Why Shoot the King?**"

July 19 – **Darrin James** film "**Meeting on Beaver Island**" – BICC, 8:00. Dennis Banks will be here.

July 15-19 – **MAD Camp**

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

July 20 – **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Archipelago Challenge Boating Event** / Poker Run. Saturday, Noon Registration at the Shamrock. Boats set off at 1:00. \$100 per person. Door Prizes for most contestants. Auction of a Wild Card. Dinner included! Your entry fee is well worth it – a fun event! #1 Prize will be 25% of take so bring your friends! Call Eric Hodgson (231) 409-6034 to Register or bicomcommunitycenter@tds.net. Boats will be stationed around Beaver, High, & Garden Islands to give out poker cards. All are welcome – cruise on your boat or we'll get you on a boat!

July 21 – **Small Sailboat Regatta**. (231) 448-3195 or 448-2708. *See page 6.*

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

July 26-August 3 – **Baroque on Beaver**. *See page 41 for the expanded schedule!*

July 27 – **Livingstone Studio's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House** and **Art Show** starting at 12:00

August 4 – **Community Picnic** at the Christian Church, 50 years!

August 9-11 – **Homecoming**

August 11 – **Small Sailboat Regatta**

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 – **Michigan Crankun T's**

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

## YOGA

For the fourth summer Lisa Wartinger is teaching yoga at the Community Center. She donates all her time to the Center for teaching.

The classes are free-will donation. They have been thrilled with the

support. The yoga schedule is on the Beaver Beacon website, on the *Forum*, and at the Community Center.

Remember, Jack and Jill must be nimble to be quick.

## EVE GLEN MCDONOUGH FOLK SCHOOL

For the second year the Folk School is offering instruction from Trea McMaken, who received his masters degree in storytelling, traditional music and regional studies from East Tennessee State University's music program. He is fondly remembered on the Island from his work at the Hardware Store and his mastery of the Pat Bonner catalogue.

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course, sit on command.

The performance will be held downtown in front of the public restrooms right after the parade.

Feel free to leave a donation for our furry performers. All donations will go to the F.B.I. Animal Fund, which provides financial support for critters like these two lost kittens. We hope to see you there!





**T**he Detwilers found their key to living the good life by accident over fifteen years ago. Their daughter Virginia had gotten a job at an injection molding plant down state and decided to come to the Island

for a weekend before starting work. She fell in love with the beauty, and decided to stay, finding a job at the Marina. So awhile later her parents came up to see what was so alluring.

It was obvious to them from the

moment they entered the harbor. “It looked like paradise,” Bill said. Once they looked around, they knew this was where they wanted to be.

It took them a few years to wrap up their lives downstate and settle on what



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property to buy here. Bill grew up on an 80-acre dairy farm, but spent his working life as an industrial electrician. While they were looking at Island real estate, another long-held desire came to the fore: to live off the grid, and to be as

self-sufficient as possible. When he and Shirley saw a 38-acre parcel on the lower West Side Road, they knew it was the right place. The cost of bringing in power (~\$60k) presented the opportunity to mix skill and ingenuity and

explore energy independence.

First they had to create a clearing in the thick woods, which they did through a deal with Bob Graves, who bought some timber for cash and work. Gary Morgan and other friends came over to



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help pull the stumps, and soon the new arrivals were part of a community network. As a life-long mechanic and tinkerer he had talent to swap.

Bill and Shirley began modestly eleven years ago. They built a pole barn, parked a motor home in it, and put up a 100' wind tower. Mel Bellamy witched a well—calling the water exactly right at 22'. It supplied his home *and* his garden.

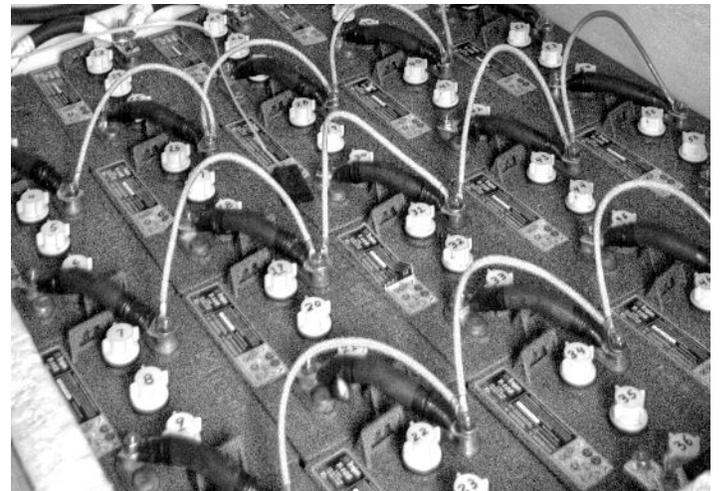
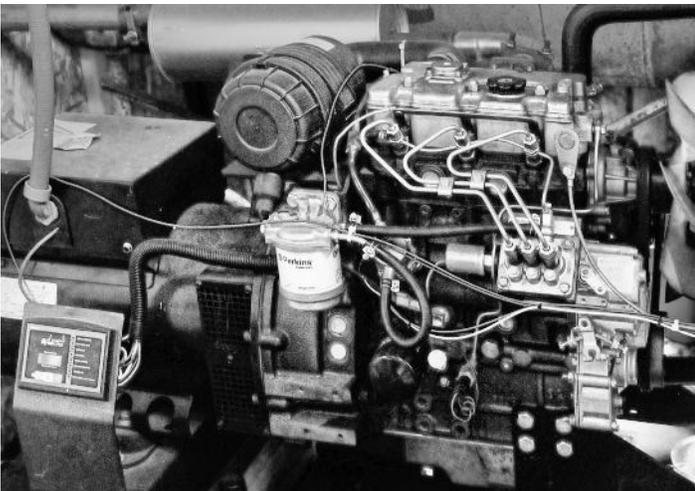
He had a small farm tractor he used to excavate for a 32' x 32' wood base-

ment home: shop, storage, canning, and a library down; two bedrooms, living room, bath, kitchen, and storage up. He ran all the wire in conduit so it's easy to adapt for anything the future requires, and put in a wood-burning furnace. They heated with wood until cutting several cords every fall became too time-consuming. So they switched to propane which also handles higher refrigeration and cooking loads.

He built a generator house with a

3-cylinder diesel generator with an Italian head. The generator turns on automatically once a week and runs for 20 minutes. He built a wind tower, but it blew down—twice. “There's too much turbulence from the trees. The wind sometimes *boils*.” The second time an 80 mph breeze made the blade hit the ground with such force that he needed his tractor to pull it free.

“The sun is more reliable than the wind down here,” he said. And quiet. He



now has ten 64-watt solar panels for his independent energy supply. He designed and built a sun tracker to turn his array next—adding over 25% to its output.

He uses 20 6v golf cart batteries with an inverter. His homestead can run four to five days without sun. Through careful use they don't need more than 30 amps. His last set of batteries lasted ten years.

They tried raising chickens, which the racoons really appreciated. “They won every round of the fence game we played. So we gave up our fresh eggs.”

His garden is ringed by a fence too high for deer to jump. He has an automatic sequence of feeds to several soaker hoses strung through his raised beds—fertilized by compost and worms from his all-coffee-grounds worm farm. Similar to his solar approach, the thoughtful application allows his well to provide ample water for all the plants.

Shirley is known for her wonderful baking—particularly pies, thanks to their garden's peach, pear, and apple trees, their rhubarb and kiwi and plum

and blueberries. And their strawberries. Every Thursday you'll find them at the Farmer's Market at the Paradise Bay Coffee Shop, hoping they don't sell out and can bring something back home.

The homestead they've carved out from the west side woods now provides a perfect spot for them to enjoy Island life, creating new things, or talking with friends. People are drawn to them, just as they are to anyone who lives this well and has put their life on a manageable, human scale.



## ROLL WITH SUPERHEROES

You are invited to a Beaver Island Music Festival event on the Fourth of July after the Parade until 8:00 p.m. Bring chairs or blankets and enjoy live music: "Rootstand," from Ann Arbor, an acoustic country blues, bluegrass, Celtic roots, rock and reggae band, following the Kevin White Trio featuring Miranda Rooy. The parade's Super Heroes will be on hand for photo ops for awhile. A water soaker game will be fun too. Grilled brats, snacks, soda, cotton candy and popcorn will be available.



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## VINTAGE VEHICLES

The 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. Several old jalopies 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.



## CONCERT AT RED DEER

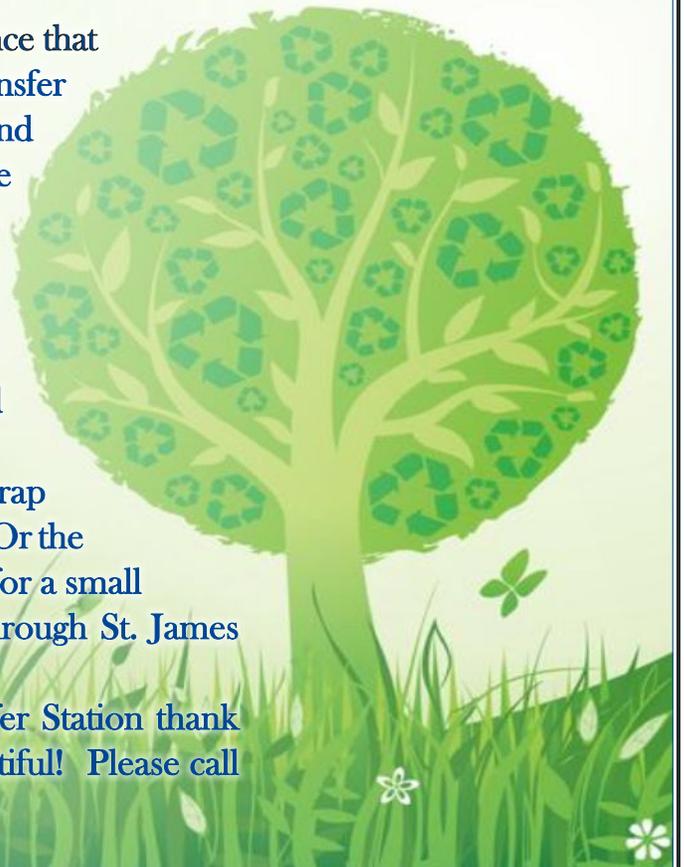
On July 6 – the Glen McDonough Memorial Concert at the log cabin on the King’s Highway will start at 7 pm. Donations for the Glen McDonough Memorial Music Scholarship Fund will be appreciated.

This low-key event has been growing in popularity, and provides an introduction to the modern version of good, old-time Beaver Island music. Many of our best musicians make it a point to take part. You can, too; just bring your grandfather’s fiddle!

**St. James Marine Co.** is pleased to announce that we have joined efforts with the Beaver Island Transfer Station in our continued work to promote Island scrap metal clean-up. Scrap metal will now be collected at the more convenient location of the Transfer Station only, not the St. James Marine dock. There will be a large container at the transfer station for large metal items (wood and plastic attachments removed, no refrigerated items) and small items will continue to be collected inside.

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St. James Marine and the Beaver Island Transfer Station thank everyone who continues to keep our island beautiful! Please call 231-448-2228 if you have any questions.



# 18. ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

from Joyce Bartels

Charlevoix Courier, Wednesday, July 2, 1913:

## DROWNED AT MILWAUKEE NEIL GALLAGHER, 1<sup>ST</sup> MATE ON CAR FERRY NO. 16 FALLS OVERBOARD

"The remains of Neil Gallagher of Beaver Island First Mate on Car Ferry No. 16 running between Ludington and Milwaukee, reached the city last evening.

From what can be learned, it is supposed that while the car ferry was at Milwaukee, Mr. Gallagher who had been ashore, returned to the boat at night and in some manner slipped and fell into the water while going aboard.

The remains were taken to Beaver Island last evening on the Tug *McCann* where burial will take place.

Mr. Gallagher was 35 years old and was born on the island. He is the son of Domonico (sic), and leaves a wife and two children.

**Local News Briefly Told:** "Neil Gallagher of Escanaba was in the city Tuesday night. Mr. Gallagher was the first supervisor from Chandler No. 2,

Beaver Island, at a special session April 23, 1905."

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, July 3, 1913 **Front page article:**

## ISLAND WEDDING

"One of the most notable wedding that has occurred on Beaver Island in years occurred at St. James on the 25<sup>th</sup>, when Mr. Bernard Mooned was united in marriage to Miss Rose Gereck.

The ceremony was celebrated at Holy Cross Church, Rev. James Malone, officiating, and was attended by a large concourse of friends and relatives.

The wedding supper was at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Briggs, and was elaborate in every detail. More than 300 wedding gifts were bestowed by friends at home and abroad."

**Local and Personal Notes:** "Neil Gallagher, of St. James, first mate on one of the car ferries, was drowned at Milwaukee Sunday. He was a brother of Dominic Gallagher, keeper of the Beaver Island head lighthouse. The remains arrived here Tuesday on their way to St. James."

"Neill (sic) Gallagher, of Escanaba, a pioneer of Beaver Island was in town Tuesday on his way to St. James to attend the funeral of a relative."

**Beaver Island News:** "Mrs. Emily Schaub of Boyne City, is here visiting her mother."

"Mrs. Chas. Tilley went to Petoskey hospital Friday. P. E. Gallagher and wife, went to Escanaba on a visit last week."

"Beatrice Gallagher went to Chicago for the summer. John P. Maloney of Chicago, is visiting his mother here."

"Mrs. Madge Boyle, of Butte, Mont., is here visiting her niece, Mrs. W. J. Gallagher Jr."

"Capt. M. J. Bonner is home for the summer."

"Albon Smith of Charlevoix, spent Sunday visiting friends."

"Ed. E. Pratt went to Manistee, Mich. to take the salt baths. Mr. Pratt arrived home from Lake Superior where he was working for the Booth Fisheries."

"Fanny McCafferty of Charlevoix, was visiting friends here last week."

"H. P. Boyle went to Escanaba last

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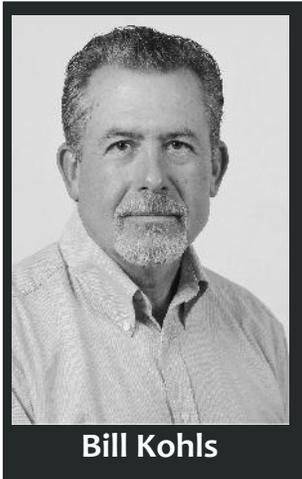
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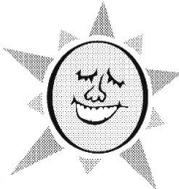
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Notes from F. Protar's diary with the help of Antje Price

week on a visit. Miss Mary McDonald returned home to Escanaba after a month's visit with friends."

"Mrs. M. Herricks went to Charlevoix last week."

"Ball game played at High Island Sunday resulted in a victory for High Island."

"Fr. Malone gave an excursion to Garden Island Sunday afternoon to the 16 sisters the alter boys and the choir."

"Mr. John Lighton and Mrs. Margaret Herrick were married at Petoskey June 28<sup>th</sup>."

"James Martin and wife, returned home from Petoskey on Monday."

"Wm. Cook and Barney Harrington of Charlevoix, are here plastering Miss Grasselli's cottage."

"B. C. Lane of Charlevoix, is driving wells here this week."

"Dr. Newman was called here for vetenary (sic) surgeon work Monday."

"Mr. and Mrs. Geo. LaBleau and family, of Loraine, Ohio are visiting."

"Mrs. Wm. Kerns (sic) is here for the summer."

"Beebee, the photographer of Kalkaska is here doing work." (Note: E. L. Beebee, Kalkaska, Mich. appears in the Hotel Beaver register June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1913) (Note: July 1 - 4 Fair 72 to 89 degrees; July 4/5 Rainstorm 76 to 82 degrees; July 5 Temperature drop 32 degrees!!; July 6 Storm 50 degrees. F. Protar)

Charlevoix Courier Wednesday, July 9, 1913 No Beaver Island news.

Charlevoix Sentinel Thursday, July 10, 1913 **Beaver Island News:** "The remains of Neil D. Gallagher, first officer on Car Ferry No 18, who was drowned at Ludington on the night of June 20, arrived here last week for burial.

The funeral was held from Holy Cross Church, where, on account of the popularity of the young man, a large concourse of people had gathered to witness the ceremonies.

It is not known how the accident occurred, but the supposition is that after the car ferry had finished loading that night, Mr. Gallagher, who had been ashore, returned to the boat, and in some manner slipped and fell into the water

while going aboard. He was not missed until the boat was well on her way to Milwaukee.

The fact did not worry the captain any, imagining that the boat had pulled out without Gallagher, and that he would show up again on his return to Luddington. On making inquiries the captain found that nobody had seen or heard of Gallagher since Thursday night. Early Monday morning some fishermen found his body floating in the water.

The deceased was born on Beaver Island about thirty-eight years ago, and for the past fifteen years has followed the lakes, holding numerous responsible positions on different boats, and at the time of his death held first-class pilot's papers for all the lakes.

In June 1910 he was married to Miss Mamie Gallagher, daughter of Capt. John C. Gallagher, and one of the island's most popular young ladies. Two children was the result of this union. The youngest being less than a year old.

Besides his widow and two children he is survived by

*continued on page 21.*



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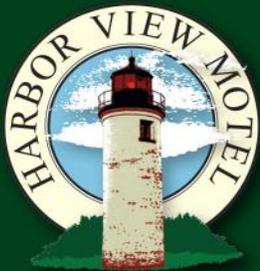
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**One Hundred Years Ago**, from page 19. four sisters and two brothers; one of the brothers, Owne, first officer on the steamer Racine, who accompanied the remains to the Island, received a message the next day after his arrival announcing the death of his oldest son at Milwaukee. He left at once on the first boat for the above city.

The self-sacrificing nature that characterized our deceased friend is shown by the following incident: 'A few years ago while acting as mate on one of the lake boats, the boat ran aground on the captain's watch, knowing that a real hardship would befall the captain and his family if he was compelled to give up his position, he shouldered all the blame, resigned his position as mate and left the boat.'" (Note: July 7 - 10 Fair, 50 to 76 degrees; July 11 - 13 Furious rainstorms, 52 - 64 degrees. F. Protar)

*Charlevoix Courier* Wednesday, July 16, 1913 **Front page articles**

#### VISITORS DAY

"Tuesday, July 22, will be visitors day at the Y.M.C.A. Camp at Beaver Island, and all who can possibly attend are urged to do so, especially to view the work being accomplished and instructions given the boys who were fortunate enough to be one of the members.

An excursion will be run to the island on the date above mentioned, the steamer *Beaver* to leave Charlevoix after the arrival of the *Boyne City* and *East Jordan* boats. The leaving of the *Beaver* from the island is set at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and special rates will be made."

#### HAVE NEW LAUNCH

#### STATE GAME WARDEN BOAT TO BE UNDER CHARGE OF S. M. ROSE

"S. M. Rose left Friday for Detroit, where he will take charge of the new gasoline boat recently completed, which will be used by the state game warden department.

The new boat is 60 feet long propelled by the most modern of gasoline engines, and will probably make Charlevoix her headquarters. She will be under charge of Captain Rose as skipper and C. M. Smith of Walloon Lake, deputy state game warden."

*Charlevoix Sentinel* Thursday, July 17, 1913 **Local and Personal News:** "Miss Rachel Donlevy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Donlevy, of St. James, spent a few days last week with friends in this city. *continued on page 22.*

## IN MEMORY: CHARLOTTE MCDONOUGH

Charlotte Irene McDonough, aged 83, of Wyoming and Beaver Island, passed away on Wednesday, June 19, 2013. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert "Holiday" McDonough, two daughters, Judith Lynn and Roberta Kay, her parents, Sarah and Wilbur Martin, a sister, Mary Margaret Long, and two brothers, William James Martin and Bernard Vincent Martin.



She is survived by her children, Mary Sue (Michael) Anderson, Kathleen (William) Graham, Sally Koeze, Philomena (Alan) Heintz, Beth Ann (Craig) Behrens, Gail (Charles) DeLeeuw, Sharon (Kent) Grove, Patricia Iciek, Robert S. McDonough, Colleen (Mike) Sellers, Margaret (Andrew) Vavere, John McDonough (Christine) and Kevin Barry (Theresa) McDonough; 30 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren; her sisters, Catherine Kohn and Ilene Zimmerman, and her brother, Wilbur Jude



## IN MEMORY: PAUL SIMPSON

In Loving memory of Paul Scott Simpson, formally of Saginaw, who died suddenly in Lake Orion on December 19, 2012.

He was born August 18, 1959 in Hastings, MI to Robert D. and Paula S. Simpson. He is survived by his father, Robert D. and wife, Sandra of The Villages, FL and Beaver Island (formally of Saginaw), his daughters, Paulina and Jillian Simpson and their mother, Nancy of Spring Lake, and his sister, Robin Fields of Kalkaska, along with aunts Millie Batte of Hilton Head and Mary Menhart of Grand Rapids; cousins Sue and Gary Williams, Pam and John Mills

Martin (Dena), brother-in-law Lawrence McDonough of Beaver Island, sister-in-law Dee Martin, and many nieces and nephews.

Charlotte was a nurse who worked private duty cases and retired from the Michigan Veterans Facility. She enjoyed her summers on Beaver Island and found her greatest happiness in her family. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11:00 a.m.

Saturday at St. Pius X Church, 3937 Wilson SW, Grandville, with Fr. Chris Rouech presiding. Interment will take place at Resurrection Cemetery. The family will meet relatives and friends Friday 5:00-8:00 p.m. at Matthyse Kuiper DeGraaf Funeral Home, 4031

Clyde Park SW, Wyoming, and Saturday 10:00-11:00 a.m. at St. Pius X Church. A Rosary will be held Friday at 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to St. Pius X Church, Grandville, Michigan, or to Holy Cross Church, Beaver Island, Michigan.

of Phoenix, Steve Whaley of Santa Rosa, and John and Leslie Menhart of Grand Rapids, and their families.

He was predeceased by his mother, Paula S. Smith Simpson.

Paul graduated from Eisenhower High School and Michigan State University. A family memorial and cremation has taken place. Burial will be on Beaver Island.

A Family Memorial/Reunion celebrating Paul's Life will be held July 6-13 on Beaver Island. Thank you in advance for welcoming them and Celebrating with us in Spirit during this week.

22. **One Hundred Years Ago**, from page 21. Miss Donlevy, in addition to other marked scholastic attainments is a graduate of a leading Chicago school of education, and in our opinion, is richly entitled to the gold medal which she won there on her graduation."

**Beaver Island News:** "Morris Boyle of Escanaba is here for the summer. A. Bruce Ball and wife, of Boyne City, are here looking after the Y. M. C. A. crowd. Van VanLeuvan, of Charlevoix, is cooking for the boys."

"Earl Green, of Traverse City, spent several days here on business." (Note: *Earl Grove, Traverse City appears in the Hotel Beaver register in July – no specific date.*)

"Bertha C. Bell, of Chicago, is at the Beaver Hotel." (Note: *Bertha C. Bell, Chicago appears in the Hotel Beaver register in July with no specific date.*)

"John B. O'Donnell is building a new barn. They are building a new side walk in St. James."

"C. M. Whitney and wife, of Detroit, is at the Beaver Hotel." (Note: *C. M. Whitney & wife appear in the Hotel Beaver register in July with no specific date.*)

"The ball game Sunday between the Beaver Island club and the U. S. S. Hyacinth club was won by the Island team."

"C. W. Robinson, of Chicago, is spending a two week's vacation here. C. R. Brain, of Chicago, is here for a visit."

"A large crowd went to Charlevoix last week."

"About forty boys came here to spend their vacation under the care of S. B. Ball, manager of Charlevoix county Y. M. C. A."

"Mrs. James Martin went to the Petoskey hospital last week."

"C. C. Gallagher has put a new porch on his home."

"J. J. Timmons, of Chicago, joined his family here for the summer."

"Carl Morris, of Chicago, is here on a visit."

"Ray Karns, (sic) of Chicago, is here for the summer."

"Mrs. E. DeVincent, of Rogers City, is here visiting her relatives and friends." (Note: *July 14 - 20 Fair, 50 - 76 degrees. F. Protar*)

*Charlevoix Courier* Wednesday, July 23, 1913 **No Beaver Island news.**

*Charlevoix Sentinel* Thursday, July 24, 1913 **Local and Personal News:** "Capt. John McCann, of St. James, came

over with his tug Saturday with a badly injured eye. While at work in a blacksmith's shop at the anvil a piece of iron struck him in the eye, and for a time it looked as if it was a serious matter, but the surgeons say the sight will not be permanently affected."

**Beaver Island News:** "Miss Mary C. Lindon and mother, of Chicago, are here. F. I. Webber, of St. Louis, spent several days here last week."

"E. L. Beebe, of Kalkaska, is here on business." (Note: *E. L. Beebe, Kalkaska appears in the Hotel Beaver register July 17, 1913.*)

"Mathew and Edward Lyons, of Grand Rapids are visiting their aunt, Mrs. M. J. Bonner."

"S. Rosenbegan and Amie E. Wolfsen, of Chicago, is (sic) at the Beaver Hotel." (Note: *Sophia R. Deukergen, Kansas City, Missouri, and Anna E. Wolfson, Kansas City, Mo. appear in the Hotel Beaver register July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1913.*)

"F. W. Coon and son, of Benton Harbor, made the Island a visit last week."

"Dr Geoffrey, of Gilchrist, spent Sunday here. Mary Jones, of Detroit, is spending a few days on the Island."

"Edgar H. Ryan, of Davenport, Iowa, is here on a visit."

"Dr. Ben Hardy, of Davenport, is at the Beaver Hotel." (Note: *C. Bernhardt, Rock Island, Ill. appears in the Hotel Beaver register July 22, 1913.*)

"Capt. W. Kerns (sic), of Chicago, is here with his family on their ranch."

"Karns and Bradley, of Chicago, are here for the summer. They have two motor cycles which they rode from Chicago."

"Mrs. Owen D. Gallagher, of Milwaukee, is visiting her brother, R. Gibson. Mrs. P. O. Boyle and Mrs. P. E. Gallagher went to Charlevoix last week. Mrs. Tom T. McDonough went to Charlevoix on business."

"Hugh McLaughlin, of St. Ignace, is here visiting friends." (Note: *Hugh McLaughlin, St. Ignace appears in the Hotel Beaver register July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1913.*)

"The steamer *Beaver* had an excursion Tuesday."

"May Gallagher returned to Petoskey after spending three weeks home."

"The ball game Sunday between the Island team and the Naubinway boys resulted in a victory for Naubinway. The score 2 to 1."

"The Booth Fishing Co. has four tons of white fish stored in their freezer in this city."

*Charlevoix Courier* July 30, 1913, **Front Page Article:**

### **CHARLEVOIX COUNTY'S Y.M.C.A. CAMP IS HISTORY.**

"Two special outings were enjoyed by the boys due to the kindness of Captain Bonner and Mr. John Stevens. The former took the boys to Garden Island in his sail boat to visit the Indian cemetery, and the latter made it possible for all to take a trip to the head of Beaver Island on the narrow gauge logging road. A special car was provided for the party and every convenience that the road affords."

**Local News Briefly Told:** "W. J. Gallagher of St. James was in the city first of the week visiting friends."

"James Donlevy of Beaver Island and Dr. Conner of Rock Island Ill., one of the pioneer resorters at the Island, were in the city the first of the week."

*Charlevoix Sentinel* July 31, 1913, **Beaver Island News:** David Murry, of the Soo, was here on business."

"Frank Vansaw and wife returned from Montreal where they visited friends for two months."

"Mrs. Lizzie Ferguson, of Alpena, is here visiting friends."

"James Donlevy has improved the looks of his store by putting on a new porch."

"Mads Jensen went to Charlevoix last week on business."

"Annie C. Gallagher went to Grand Rapids on a visit."

"Michael Mooney and wife, of Escanaba, is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Mooney. Mrs. James Hamrock and daughter went to Petoskey on business. Mrs. Emma DeVincent of Rogers City returned home Saturday."

"John B. O'Donnell built a new barn."

"George Williams was over last week buying cattle for Boyne City parties. Superintendent Wil Gallagher went to Boyne City Saturday."

"Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ball returned to Boyne City Saturday after spending two weeks on the Island."

"Mr. and Mrs. Lou Briggs spent several days in Harbor Springs and Petoskey last week."

"Jas Donlevy and Jas Conner went to Charlevoix on Tuesday, returning Wednesday."

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# COME FOR THE BIKING, STAY FOR THE BEAVER



The weather was perfect for the bike rally on June 22 – mid sixties temperature, and a mist that imparted a mystic ambience to the terrain and kept everyone cool.

A hundred and thirty-two bikers registered for the event, and over a hundred were at the starting line—with stragglers drifting in a few minutes late.

They came from all over the Midwest, not just Michigan. Many had never been to Beaver Island before, and were proud of their adventurousness. Most made a week-end of their expedition.

The cyclists milled around for a half hour before the start, chatting with Islanders and comparing bikes. A third had the new rotor brake on at least one

wheel – an outer disc connected to the axle with slots for gripping by a clamp to absolutely stop the wheel's turning. Most had thick cross-country tires. One and only one bike had a front basket.

These bikes were designed for both speed and endurance. T-rek was the most popular brand – Lance Armstrong may have lost credibility, but the bike



he rode to seven championships has not, at least among the touring class.

Flash Gordon's paramour was

among the notable entrants.

There were a few "for-two"s with kids energetically peddling from the

rumble seat, and one four-wheel bike—two two-wheelers bracketed together. Both drivers had to turn in

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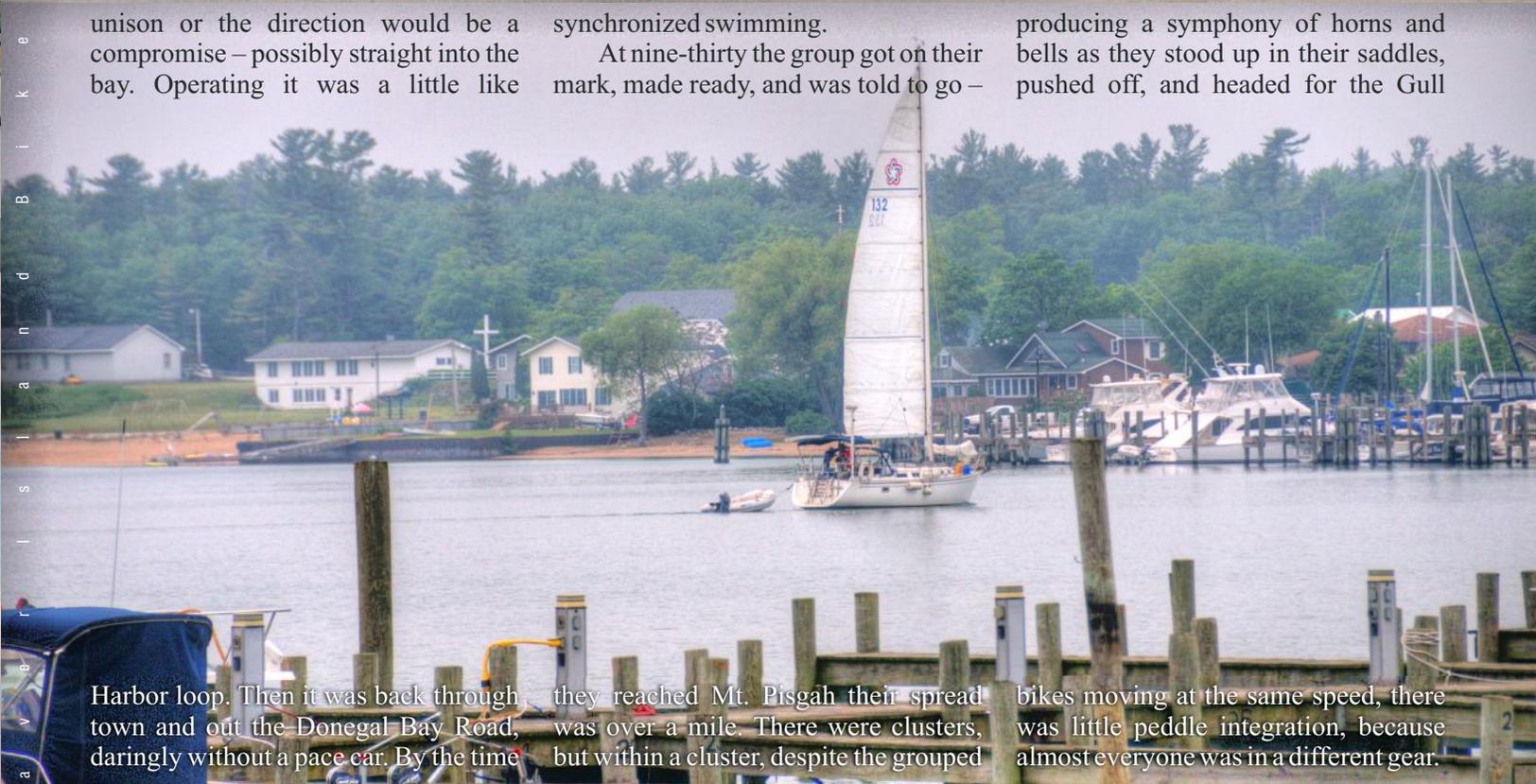


unison or the direction would be a compromise – possibly straight into the bay. Operating it was a little like

synchronized swimming.

At nine-thirty the group got on their mark, made ready, and was told to go –

producing a symphony of horns and bells as they stood up in their saddles, pushed off, and headed for the Gull



Harbor loop. Then it was back through town and out the Donegal Bay Road, daringly without a pace car. By the time

they reached Mt. Pisgah their spread was over a mile. There were clusters, but within a cluster, despite the grouped

bikes moving at the same speed, there was little peddle integration, because almost everyone was in a different gear.





“No one trespassed on the Kuebler Walking Trail, and no one fouled the woods.”

The roughest spot was on the Donegal Bay Cut-through, where a tree had fallen the night before and efforts to clear it had turned a stretch of road into a sand trap. Some people stopped at its beginning to push their bike through; others made it half way; and one or two

gutted it out to stay seated for the entire hundred feet, but then had to stop and dismount to catch their breath.

A few riders lost their way and stopped at cottages to ask directions. One couple stayed for dinner but completed the course afterwards, arriving back in St. James in the dark – just in time to catch one of the rocking pub parties.

Everyone had a wonderful time, and vowed to tell their friends about the unique hidden treasure of Beaver Island. Several wanted to stay through the Music Fest. One seasoned biker expressed his enthusiasm by paraphrasing Ernie Banks’ *Let’s play two*: “Hey, let’s go around twice!” No one took to their wheels that late at night, though; they were too busy having fun.



No admission (except for *Nature Walks*). A suggested \$5/item (or less for more) donation for *Antiques Roadshow* appraisals. Events will be at the Community Center unless otherwise noted.

**Monday, July 15:** Museum Week kicks off with Antje Price opening the **Protar Home** for visitors from 1:00 to 3:00. Year by year her understanding of the significance of this man grows, and she delights in sharing her insights.

**Music on the Porch** will kick off at the Print Shop Museum at 7:30, with MC Kathy Speck hosting new and returning musical acts – including some highly regarded performers. Last year it rained, twice, so this year we'll have a beautiful evening! If you can, bring a chair – only 120 are provided, and the crowd usually tops 200.

**Tuesday:** Alvin LaFreniere and Barry Pischner will tell the story of the “**Storm of the Century**” at 2:00 in the afternoon – on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This fierce gale ravaged the Great Lakes, sinking numerous ships. Some of Beaver Island’s many sailors were in harm’s way, and perished.

All day the **Great Lakes Research Station**, the multi-University facility headed by CMU at the former Coast Guard Boat House at Whiskey Point, will give tours of its experiments, and explain what the consortium of universities is learning about the biochemistry of our water.

At 6:30 the doors open at the Parish Hall for **Pinky’s Bingo**, which will start at 7:30. Everyone still talks about the time Budger won \$200! This is the place to meet your friends and swap stories – which of course are all true. Prizes galore (thanks to the generous Island merchants), an entertaining intermission, and more!

**Wednesday: The Art Show** begins its three-day run at the Gregg Fellowship Hall. Not only will there be excellent artists showing (and selling) their work, a few demonstrations of technique, honest answers about what kind of energy and discipline is required, and live music in the background, but four authors of books with an Island theme will be on hand to sign their latest work.

At 2:00 the Odawa biologist **Jackie Pilette**, an acknowledged expert, will discuss **plants with cultural significance**, showing pictures and describing their history, habitat, and uses. Much of her material comes from her book – plus her ongoing research.

At 8:00 Patrick McGinnity will host an evening of “**Meet the Writers**” beginning at 8:00. Pulitzer Prize winner Sheryl James (*Michigan Legends*), children’s author Lori Taylor (*Bamboozled on Beaver Island*), and novelists Dan Hendricks (*The King’s Daughter*) and Bill Wellman (*No Need for Goodbyes*) will read from and talk about their latest work, and answer questions from the audience, including about the problems of publishing and marketing one’s work.

**Thursday: Jim Gillingham’s much-loved Nature Walk for Kids** will depart from the Biostation parking lot at 9:00 for a fascinating three-hour tour of several kinds of our habitat. Kids never forget this. Be sure to register in advance (at 448-2254) so we know how many vans will be needed. This is the trip dozens and dozens of kids have gone on and loved, grown up, married, and sent *their* kids on. Don’t miss it!

**Antje Price** will open the Protar Home a second time from 1:00 to 3:00. She always has something new to say.

**Artist Blacksmiths** will arrive on the Island and begin to set up at the Heritage Park, although many won't get here until the next day or two. It's amazing what they can do with a forge and a hunk of iron.

An **Antiques Roadshow** event will be held from 1:00 to 5:30 at the Community Center. Ward Paul and Chuck Schoenknecht, professional appraisers, will give their ideas on the value of antiques (except for coins, stamps, or weapons) for a donation to the Historical

Society of \$5/item (or less for multiple items). Collectibles can be dropped off on Wednesday after 3:30, when registration can also be made – so Ward and Chuck know what to expect (and can do some research where necessary).

At 8:00 Paul Turner and Kevin Abbott, two Notre Dame professors, will demonstrate the latest **GigaPan** technology for recording the details of historic and archaeological research involving Beaver Island sites. Begun in 2008, GigaPan provides a means for shooting, viewing, and exploring blended high-resolution gigapixel images.

**Friday** is Film Day. Amanda Trudell’s dramatic film, *Why Shoot the King* (using some local actors, and filmed here), will kick it off at 2:00, with the Filmmaker answering questions after the showing. This project started as her senior thesis but has received a distribution offer!

A **World Premiere** will start at 8:00 with the showing of Darrin James’ *Meeting on Beaver Island*, a film which recounts the efforts of Dennis Banks to create a unification of the American Tribes centered around the gift of a Dance Drum to the community. Leaders of several First Nations have been invited to attend. Afterwards the filmmaker, the producer, and the star will conduct an impromptu forum.

**Saturday** begins with a wonderful Nature Walk to the **Inland Lakes** by biologist Dan Benjamin, a font of interesting knowledge. \$25 includes lunch and chat afterwards. Leave from CMU at 9:00; register first at 448-2461.

At noon Liz and Paul Niehaus’s **Kids Pet Show** will be held at the Print Shop at noon.

The full compliment of **Artist Blacksmiths** will be at the Heritage Park through the day, and then they'll speak at the Community Center at 8:00 in the evening, talking about their philosophy and the regards (and difficulties) of their life and craft.

Don't miss Beth Urech’s one-woman show, *Act Your Age!*, on **Tuesday, 7-24** – on its triumphant return from Ireland and other distant venues. Tickets are required – get them from the Community Center.



# 28. THE INDIAN CEMETERY ON GARDEN ISLAND

—an open letter to the People of Beaver Island—



The Indian Cemetery on Garden Island is private property owned by the Miniss Kitigan Drum, Inc. (MKD). This cemetery is legally protected by the Native American Graves and Repatriation Acts of both Michigan and the United States, and is designated both a National and State Historical Site. It is an active Cemetery, a part of the cultural heritage of the Beaver Island Archipelago and a place of beauty in your own backyard.

As the stewards of these holy grounds we take seriously our responsibility to honor the people buried there and to preserve and protect the cemetery for current and future generations. We have posted signs explaining the rules and regulations that are in effect as of May 1, 2013.

The signs read:

*Garden Island Cemetery*

*Protected by the Native American*

*Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.*

*Removal or destruction of anything in this cemetery is a Federal Offense.*

*National Register of Historic Places—February 17, 1978.*

*Michigan Register of Historic Places—July 26, 1973.*

*No entry after dark unless you have family buried here.*

*No commercial filming or photography.*

*No Drugs or Alcohol.*

*No Hunting, Camping, or Geocaching.*

*No Bikes or Motorized vehicles.*

*Do not alter the natural environment.*

*Do not disturb the spirit houses or any of the grave markers.*

*This sacred place of giving back is held in trust by the MKD on behalf of all the descendants of those buried here. We have a responsibility to honor the*

*ancestors, to maintain this as a place for on-going burials, and to protect it for future generations. Sexton, PO Box 49, Kewadin, MI 49648.*

We invite the people of Beaver Island to share with us the responsibility to preserve this cherished cultural area. Please do not advertise the Cemetery as a tourist attraction. If you bring people to the Cemetery please inform them that it is protected by Federal Law. Removal or destruction of anything from a Native American Cemetery is a Federal Offense punishable by a \$100,000 fine and 12 months imprisonment for the first offense.

Migwetch (thank you), for respecting the Cemetery, for honoring the Ancestors buried there and for helping to protect this important and sacred land. We wish all the People of Beaver Island

Blessings & Balance,  
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30. FROM BEAVER ISLAND TO GALLUP, NEW MEXICO

During the summer of 2012, Adam Wirth did some tile work in our cottage kitchen here on Beaver Island. While he was working he took note of the picture of our son, CW02 Chris Johnson, a Green Beret soldier who was killed while serving in Iraq. Adam immediately was interested in the story and as we talked about his death, the tragedy, we also told him about how through Chris's death, many little children have also been blessed.



there was enough money in the fund to build a PreK for Rehoboth Mission School on the Navajo reservation near Gallup, NM. My husband taught middle school there for 17 years and I taught in various early childhood programs on and around the reservation. We have been coming to Beaver Island for 40 years and our son, Chris, also loved being up here



with Grandma Marion Johnson as he was growing up. (We are retired and live in Holland now.)

When the project Adam was working on was finished, we asked him for the bill. He told us the amount and said, "I am not going to take the money but I want you to send it to the PreK in Rehoboth. I consider Chris my 'brother'; we in Special Forces are brothers. I am so proud of him and his service, I want to do something

IN MEMORY: ANNA BERNELL BURKE

Anna Bernell (Greene) Burke, wife, mother, grandmother, sister, caregiver, bread-baker and quilt-maker extraordinaire died June 26, 2013, after battling the effects of Parkinson's disease for several years. Bernell was born

on December 20, 1922, on Beaver Island, Michigan, to Anthony and Mary Greene. She married her childhood next door neighbor, Patrick Burke, on the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary, October 7, 1950, in Chicago. They left city life and purchased a farm in

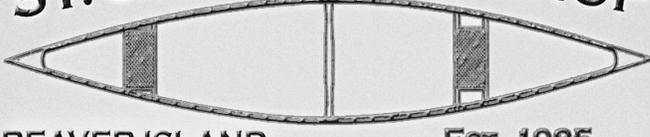
Breedsville, Michigan, in 1963. "The Farm" was the site of many lively gatherings of family and friends. In 1976 they moved to Ludington. The light and laughter in Bernell's eyes dimmed when Pat preceded her in death in 2000, one day after celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wed-



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for that PreK that bears his picture and name.”

That is not the end of the story –

My husband, Chuck, and I went to Rehoboth to volunteer this past February, and Adam and his daughter also showed up to work. He came to “give back” to help the PreK with any projects they needed to have done and to see the little Navajo kids. He and his

daughter built two quality shelving units the teachers needed but never had



now the best preschool in the area, with parents on waiting to get their kids in. We

enough money to buy. Adam Wirth fell in love with the entire mission of the place and vows to come back each year to help. While there, he visited our son’s grave up in the rugged mountain cemetery. He is intent on getting other SF guys to give to and work for this special cause. The PreK is full,



need to expand and know that Adam and his “brothers” will be there to help.

We are honored to have Chris’s brick in the Beaver Island Memorial Park here on the Island.

Those who would like to join in honoring Chris by helping to bless more precious little ones yet to

be reached by this exciting new educational endeavor may contribute through the ongoing Christopher Johnson Memorial Fund at Rehoboth School, Rehoboth NM, 87322. You can see the PreK pictures on the Rehoboth site, [www.rcsnm.org](http://www.rcsnm.org) —Mary Johnson

ding anniversary. In 2005 Bernell moved to the noisy home of her daughter Mary in Grand Rapids.

She is survived by her children, Donna (Kim) Harvey and Mary (Mike) Faber; her grandchildren, Lee (Tara) Coy, Jessica Coy, Douglas Coy, Jason

(Alisha) Coy, Hannah Faber, Nick Faber, Moriah Faber, Michaela Faber, Clare Faber, and Burke Faber; six great-grandchildren; her brother, Anthony (Betty) Greene; her sisters, Rose Connaghan, Lill Left, and Mary Margaret (Ed) Breden; her sister-in-law Pat

Greene; and many nieces and nephews, including very special goddaughter Mary Beth Nelson. Bernell’s brothers, Dan, Hubert, Russell, and Peter, and sister Francis, preceded her in death. Interment at Holy Cross Cemetery on Beaver Island.



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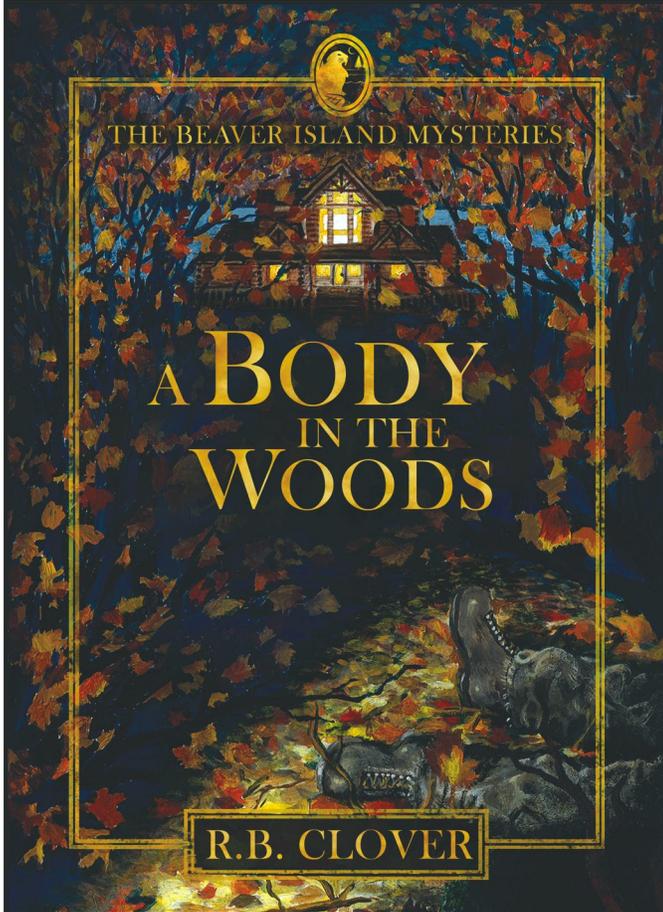
32. AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR AND SCHOLAR TO

Professor Ari Berk will be reading from his works at the Beaver Island District Library Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. Berk's most recent books include *The Undertaken Trilogy* (*Death Watch*, *Mistle Child*, and *Lych Way*), along with the beautiful

children's book *Night-song*. There will be a fascinating presentation geared toward children at 4:00, and a reading for adults (and young adults) at 7:00, with reception to follow.

Berk is also the author of *The Secret History of Hobgoblins*, *William*

*Shakespeare: His Life and Times*, *The Secret History of Mermaids and Merfolk*, *How To Be A Viking*, *Coyote Speaks*, and *The Secret History of Giants*. In addition, he has collaborated with world renowned artist Brian Foud (designer of *The Labyrinth* and



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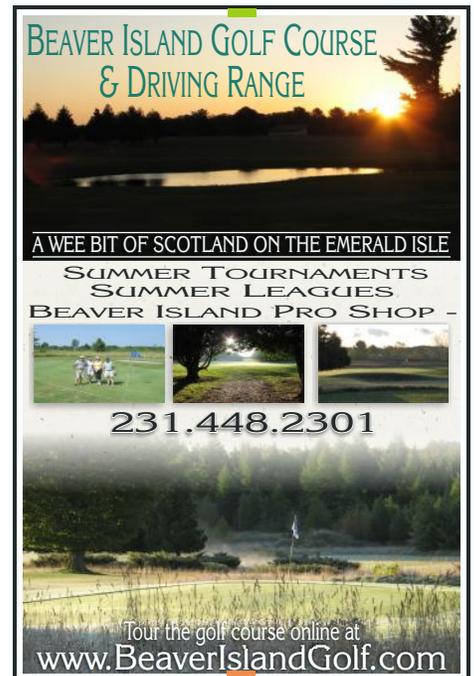
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—Patrick McGinnity

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## LETTERS

Dear Editor,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation for what you do and the quality of the monthly paper that you provide. It is always a worthwhile and exciting wait for the *Beaver Beacon* each month.

I say this as not only a business owner who is proud to advertise with your paper but as a resident of Beaver Island. There is no better example of island life than the great pictures, stories, the mixing of past and present, current events, and coverage of events than the *Beacon*. It is an all around excellent way to stay informed and up to date with the happenings of Beaver Island.

What a wonderful way for us to share with all of our family and friends, a paper we can all be proud of and trust. It is our Christmas gift each year and will continue to be so for years to come. Thank you for all of the hard work that you do to show Beaver Island at its best.

Sincerely,

—Carol Burton

## A GRADUATE

On May 4, 2013 Maeve Green graduated with honors from Northern Michigan University. Maeve has a degree in Elementary Education and Social Studies.

She has passed her Michigan Teacher Certification Exams and has been issued a Michigan Teacher Certification.

Maeve is excited to enter the workforce and hopes to land an elementary teaching position in northern Michigan.

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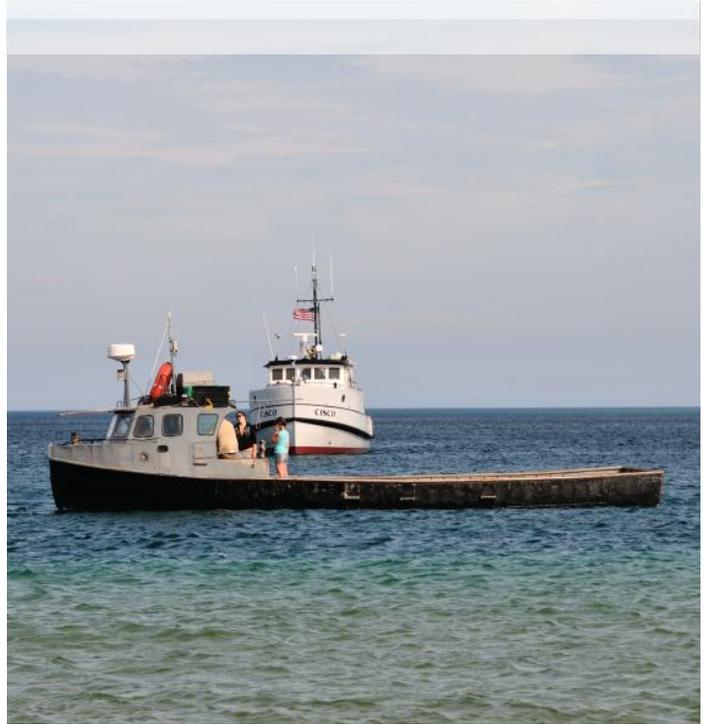
## TEAMWORK AND COORDINATION

On June 25<sup>th</sup> our emergency response team sprang into action at supper time, earning kudos for their intensity and coordination even before people heard

that something had gone wrong with the *Emerald Isle*.

The all-volunteer Fire Department, the Beaver Island EMS, and the BIBCo ground crew quickly assembled at the

Ferry Dock. Several Fire Department members and pieces of equipment boarded the *Beaver Islander*, which set off a moment later to meet the bigger boat.

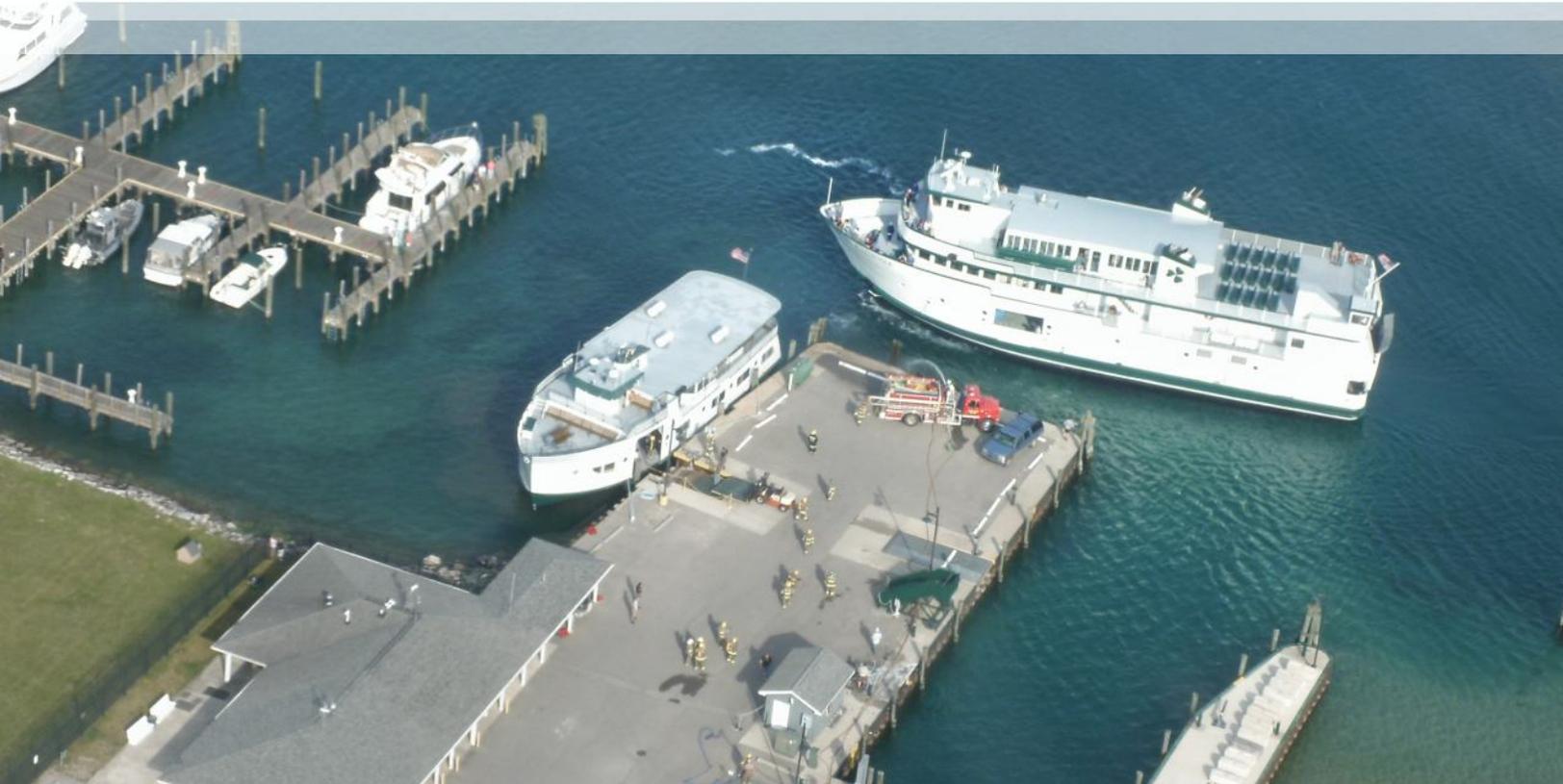




Paul Welke kept patrol overhead. Robert Gillespie set off in the *Cisco*, just in case a tow was needed, and Skip Duhamel took his fish boat out in case passengers had to be off-loaded. In the

meantime the crowd gathered on the dock was asked to step back behind the security fence, whose gates were closed to eliminate distractions from the returning ship.

The *Emerald Isle* had left Beaver Island a half hour earlier but the failure of one engine interrupted their trip. The *Emerald Isle's* crew got the emergency under control, and she turned around





and headed back on the other engine.

The *Beaver Islander* docked first as the bigger ship was turning around, short an engine. As the *Emerald Isle* eased into her berth, foam was pumped to contain any leaking fluid just in case.

The passengers, cars, luggage, and freight were unloaded, and a few minutes later calmly loaded onto the smaller boat – all except a truck that couldn't fit. The precision was reminiscent of a pit stop.

Caterpillar mechanics were sent for, and arrived the next day to determine what had gone wrong. The damaged engine was removed to begin repairs. Once the problem is fixed, the Coast Guard will have to inspect.





Until then the *Beaver Islander* will make several round-trips every day with the crew working longer hours, leaving Charlevoix at 2:30 am, 8:30 am, 2:30 pm, and 8:30 pm, and leaving the Island at 5:20 am, 11:20 am, 5:20 pm, and

11:20 pm. (Check for new schedules.) Car-top carriers are being discouraged, and vehicles taller than 6'-4". Trailers will be taken on a "case by case" basis. The Boat Company is also chartering the St. James Marine Co.

barge to bring over vehicles and freight. Everyone is pulling together to get through this inconvenience, once again making us proud of our traditional Beaver Island friendly spirit and ability to come together and get things done.



**Ten Years Ago** Seventy invited guests attended the second High Tea at Deerwood, the new B & B a mile south of McCauley's Point, held to benefit the Beaver Island Music Fund. Chef Debra Harwood prepared such creative delicacies as chocolate dipped cherries rolled in crushed pistachios, smoked whitefish canapés, bruschetta with pears and feta spread, and vegetarian sushi. Martha Guth delivered four sets on related themes; the first stage covered compositions by such luminaries of the American stage as Leonard Bernstein, Steven Sondheim, and Aaron Copland.

Eight experimental Dick Rutan airplanes staged a surprise fly-in at the Municipal Airport.

Mike Martin decided to restore his father's 1928 Model A, and loaded it on the ferry to ship it to the mainland and then tow it to his shop.

Thanks to the generosity of Gary Voogt, a six-car parking lot was graded and paved at the Heritage Park, where work was underway after a twenty-year dormancy.

To raise support for her upcoming Aids Marathon run in Chicago, Tara Palmer organized a House Party, with help from Island musicians Barry Pischner, Cindy Gillespie-Cushman, Jody and Stryder Crosswhite, Bill Markey, Kevin White, John McCafferty, Danielle Cary, and Cory Sowa, as well as her father and sisters.

A new business was opening on the King's Highway. Sheila Evans and Cindy Ricksgers, sisters, opened a shop to reflect their interests and concerns and fill a need for Island visitors and residents. "Seven Sisters" – on the west side of King's Highway, near Four Corners – offered earth-friendly products for kitchen, garden and bath.

The question of spending \$2,000 to draft a potential new section to the Zoning Ordinance to cover environmental sensitivity was raised, but some suggested the cost could reach ten times that amount because of the potential for lawsuits by the owners of affected land. Some thought the idea of protecting our fauna by mandating migration corridors ("snake corridors" was mentioned as being included in the draft) was excessive. Others believed it was important.

**Twenty Years Ago** The *Beacon*

reported that four pairs of loons were nesting safely on the inland lakes. Two other stories seemed avian-related, but were not. The Young Eagles in one of them referred to a program started by Paul and Ellen Welke for students, in which each of them was allowed to take the controls of a Piper Cub for ten minutes; the 13 students were absolutely thrilled. The other story, *The Eagle Has Landed*, concerned the plight of new editor Chuck Hooker's Jeep Eagle, which somehow decided it was time for a bath and wound up in the harbor.

The Wildlife Club announced its four priorities: mow, fertilize, and plant fields with rye, clover, and buckwheat; place mineral blocks; eliminate poaching; and reduce predation by live-trapping coyotes.

The court case against the Road Commission was postponed because their witness list was too long. A recreation grant of \$10,000 was received from the Frey Foundation to help complete the Master Plan and to create the Gull Harbor Nature Preserve. Peaine Township tabled a bid from Processing Concepts Limited to computerize its records for \$7,950 plus \$120 a month.

Jewell Gillespie won the Michigan Heritage Award for serving as a bridge between the lilting jigs he grew up with and more modern tastes. He taught himself to play the ocarina, mouth organ, piano, and fiddle, and began entertaining his family and friends as a teenager. Over the course of his career he wrote many songs as well, including his signature tune, *On the Beach at Beaver Island*. The award was generated by the popularity of Beaver Island music that resulted from field recordings made by Ivan Walton and Alan Lomax, in which he was featured as back-up guitarist for Pat Bonner's fiddle.

Ray and Claire Cull celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in a party hosted by Rich Gillespie, with Tammy McDonough and Barry Pischner acting as soloists in the preceding mass. Their ten children, twenty grandchildren, and three great grandchildren led Ray and Claire into the Parish Hall.

**Thirty Years Ago** The July, 1983 *Beacon* was an unusually thin issue. The primary story concerned the candle-light installation ceremony for the

Sweet Adelines, organized through the efforts of long-time near-professional barbershopper Harriet Rafferty and her equally talented daughters.

The Civic Association raised money by raffling a lot in the Port of St. James, donated by Morty Brous at the insistence of Ed Wojan. The winner decided to build a house on it and stay on the Island: our own cross between Bob Dylan and Burl Ives, Joddy Crosswhite.

The Game Club was worried about inbreeding in the deer herd, descended from twelve bucks brought to the Island sixty years before. They hoped to introduce some new blood, but inducing deer to swim over from the mainland was proving difficult.

Passings noted were Elsie O'Donnell, 93, who left 7 children, 33 grandchildren, and 36 great-grandchildren, and Gilbert High, a brother to Fred, Albert, Arthur, and Lydia Lewis.

The *Beacon* contained a poetic paean to the Island by Godwin Heights valedictorian Daniella Williams that concluded with these lines:

*Here on Beaver Island in full array  
All the boats lined up in the bay;  
Wildflowers, ferns, and sandy shores,  
This is Nature, opening her doors.*

**Forty Years Ago** The July *Beacon* contained the story of Jewell Gillespie in the *American Girl* towing his barge, the *Oil Queen* back from Charlevoix when rough seas caused its deck load to shift. Jewell stood helplessly watching as it began to roll and then turned over. He managed to get the capsized barge into Sand Bay, and then obtained Coast Guard permission to tow it to Paradise Bay. To remove the fuel, he plugged up the vent pipes and then unscrewed the drain plug, and pumped it out. The next step was to attach cables to the bottom from two cranes and a winch truck, and other cables tied to the *American Girl* and the *Eager Beaver*. The *Oil Queen* flopped back over, with only minimal seepage. He could always find a way.

Two separate cases of the Coast Guard helicopter flying ill Islanders to the Little Traverse Hospital were reported.

The Island Players began rehearsing Neil Simon's Plaza Suite for an August performance.

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# BAROQUE ON BEAVER

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## **Ensemble Popourri**

Collage Concert

July 31 (Wednesday), 7:30pm; CMU Biological Station, Gillingham Auditorium — A trip into the woods with the Festival musicians



## **Beaver Island Brass Quintet**

Afternoon Concert

August 1 (Thursday), 2:30 pm; Holy Cross Catholic Church — A new world just steps from the beach

## **Something Old, Something New...**

Baroque Music Reimagined

August 1 (Thursday), 7:30pm; Community Center — New settings of classical standards



## **Back to Bach**

The Master and His Friends

August 2 (Friday), 7:30pm; Holy Cross Parish Hall — Featuring the full orchestra with Chamber orchestra

## **Midsummer Noel**

Choral Spectacular

August 3 (Saturday), 7:30pm; Holy Cross Parish Hall — Festival chorus and full orchestra with Mariha Guth, soprano and Ricardo Lugo, bass

## **Gaelic Blessing**

Season Finale Concert

August 4 (Sunday), 2:00pm; Holy Cross Parish Hall — Festival chorus and full orchestra celebrate our musical heritage



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42. *On This Date*, from page 40.

The Island ferry, the *Beaver Island*, was laid up for a week with a broken clutch. During repairs the former ferry, the first *Emerald Isle*, was leased from the Arnold Line. Captain Russ Green flew to Mackinac Island to bring her back. Does history ever repeat?

Frank Nackerman retired as Postmaster after serving for 34 years; Mary Minor, who had been his assistant, took his place.

An episode in the ongoing *Beaver Tales* series recalled the history of the Silver Top Saloon – so-called because that was the brand of beer they served. Johnny Green, a musician, businessman, and politician, had a lot on Main Street where he decided to build a two-story structure. Started on a Saturday, it was finished the following Saturday. The lower level served as a tavern run by Willie Boyle; the living quarters upstairs became such a common site for card games that a hole was cut in the floor to allow drinks to be sent up in a box on a rope.

When prohibition arrived, the building became a tailor shop; this was where Frank Nackerman was fitted for his first pair of long pants. After the tailor

moved out, the doors disappeared, and dogs, cats, and even cattle could be seen milling around inside. In 1923 the building became the Post Office, with Willie Boyle serving as Postmaster, the 14<sup>th</sup> on Beaver Island.

Joe Moore, a student at Grand Valley State, took part in an overseas program in which he studied in Vienna for six weeks.

**Fifty Years Ago** The *Beacon* opened with a fish story: tired of all the broken lines and loosened hooks “amateur” fishermen were reporting from Lake Geneserath, Walter Wojan and two of his sons decided to show the world how it was done. They rigged up to go after the big ones people were whispering about, and pushed off early in the day. Walt hooked onto a real lunker, but managed to stay with it. Within fifteen minutes he had guided it into his net. Its size was such that they immediately jumped in their truck and headed for town to have it weighed. Three separate scales averaged 23 ½ pounds for the 42"-long pike. Two weeks later Ron Wojan went back on his own and caught another 42" northern, this one weighing a respectable 18 pounds.

LaDonnis and Eleanor Mooney were blessed with twin daughters, Terri and Sheri.

The Historical Society received a windfall from James Dormer’s daughter, who ran a store here in the 1800s – including King Strang’s personal Bible (which he didn’t quite believe).

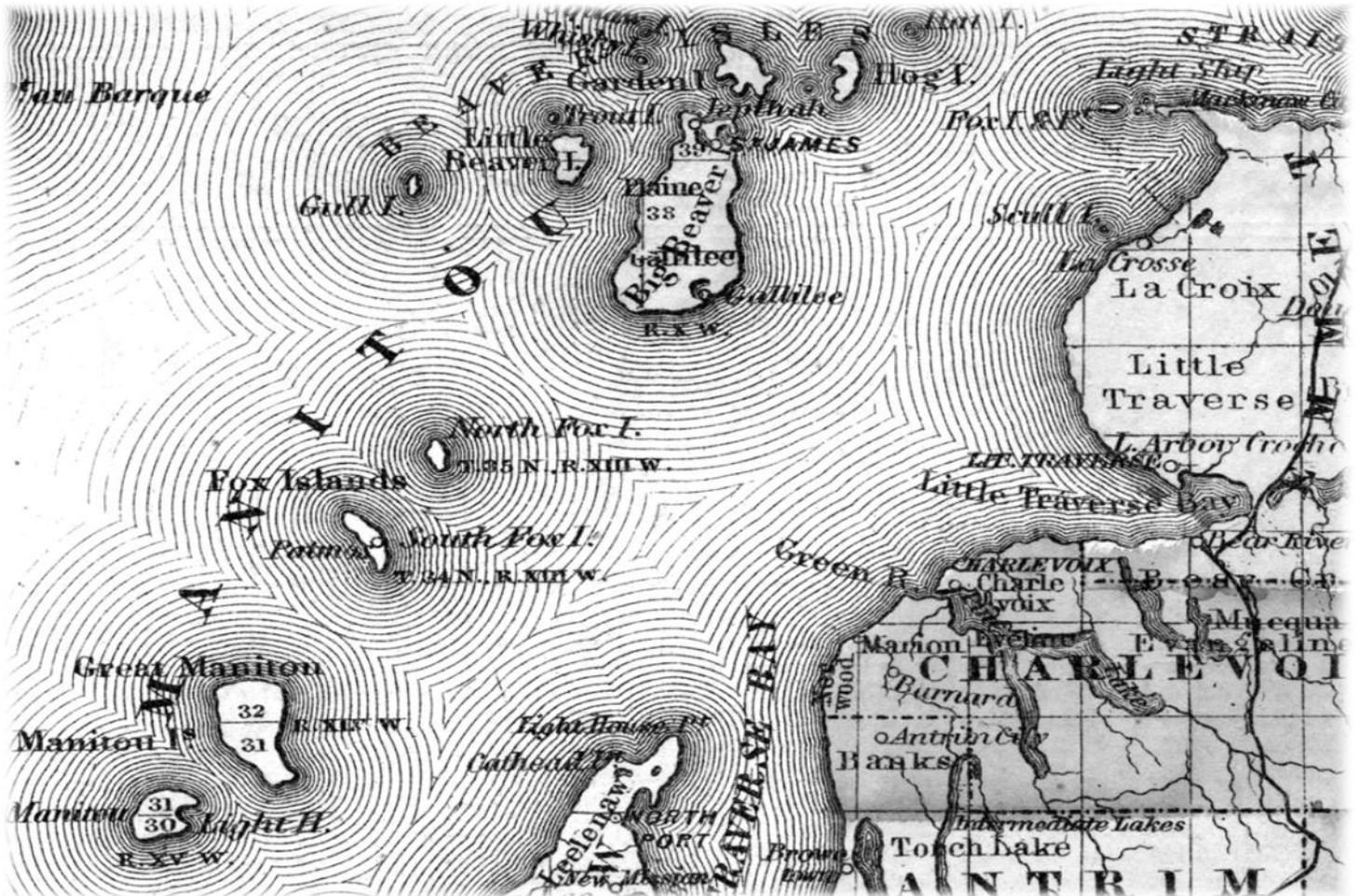
Plans were announced for a log chapel to serve as the St. James Mission, with a vicarage nearby scheduled for the following summer. Right Reverend Charles Bennisson, Bishop of Western Michigan, planned to dedicate it on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Walter Chase came to see the site where his brother, David Chase, was killed in a train wreck near Protar’s Tomb. John Hett was born the next day.

The 1<sup>st</sup> annual Golf Tournament was held at the Beaver Island course, owned by the Beaver Lodge. The winning score was 73, with Doug Wilson of Ypsilanti and Ted Kondratko of Dearborn tied.

Dr. Sorensen announced he would take appointments for dental work in August at his Beaver Island office.

Turkeys previously planted on the Island were sighted on Mrs. Redding’s Trail. “Too far from town to bother us.”



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**Thurs, 7/11 8pm**  
**Best of Beaver Theatre** The ultimate BI variety show featuring the “Best of” the *Beaver Tales & Beaver Island Comedy Group* performance series. Your favorite all-original BI songs, skits, stories & videos!  
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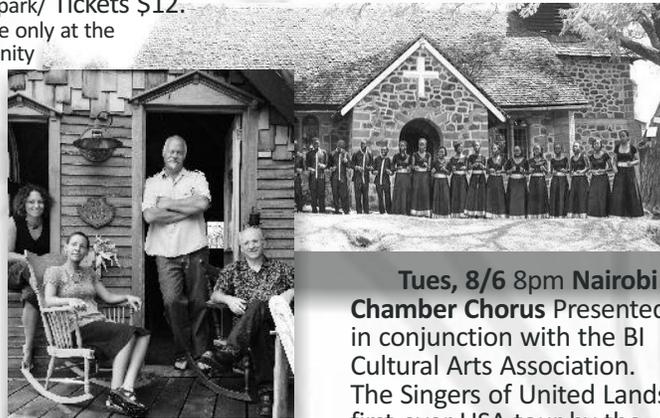
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[www.nairobichamberchorus.org](http://www.nairobichamberchorus.org)  
Tickets: Adult/\$25, Student/\$15.

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She has illustrated other books as

well, such as *Magical Adventures in Michigan* and *There was an Old Woman*. Her love of the Island should lead to more of her books set here.

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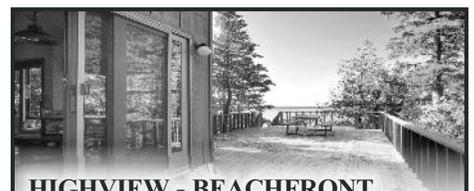


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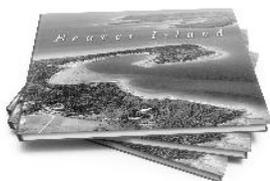


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