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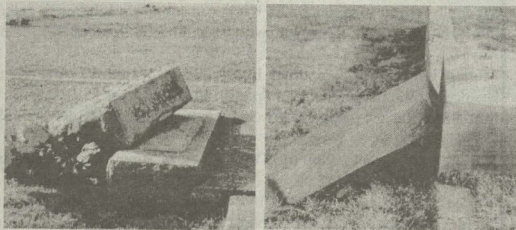
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## Grand Marais Cemeteries Are Not Snowmobile Trails

By Terry Honyoust

There were many complaints of destruction this year from snowmobilers riding their machines through the Rose Hill Cemetery. The accompanying photographs show a few of the headstones that were



knocked over by snowmobilers. Several complaints were voiced at township meetings that snowmobilers showed total disrespect of our town and it was suggested to enclose the cemetery with a fence in an effort to block the area from snowmobiling. This is probably something that should have been done at the beginning of the year by the Burt Township Board or the Cemetery Committee.

There was a fence at one time but was removed because of esthetic reasons. That fence, open at each end, still did not stop the snowmobilers from cutting through the cemetery.

The expense for any repairs will come from the Improvement Fund because the Cemetery Fund has very little money generated from the selling of plots.

The township Improvement Fund receives money from the our taxes.

This creates an aggravating situation where in the businesses need the snowmobilers to survive the winter, but local residents must bear the monetary expense for repairs taken from money set aside for improvements. It was stated that perhaps the snow was too deep for snowmobilers to see there was a cemetery there. But one would question how you could knock a 150 pound headstone over unless it's sticking above the snow?

Perhaps next winter, we will see a fence placed to avoid a repeat of this situation or a combined effort to re-route the snowmobile trails away from this area.

Your opinions and comments are welcome in "letters to the editor."

The Gazette wishes mothers  
everywhere

A Happy Mother's Day!



## The New Edition

Hello, my name is Jenny Morrison. I am a high school junior at Burt Township School. I have recently been given the opportunity to do a work study program with the Grand Marais Gazette. I have only been in the program a short time and I have learned many things from both Terry and Marian. Things I know will help me in the future. I look forward to learning more about the newspaper business and the business world in general. I would like to thank the school and the Gazette for this terrific opportunity.

Sincerely,  
Jenny Morrison

## Excellence In Education Week

The purpose of Excellence in Education Week is to recognize the important role that our schools play in the life of the community and the importance of local citizen interest in and support for education. Of equal importance is the occasion for public recognition of outstanding academic achievement.

For grades 3 through 8, The Burt Township Board of Education recognized seven students that academically achieved grade point averages of 3.6 or higher for the 1996/97 school year on Wednesday, April 23, 1997, 6:00 PM at the Sportsman's Restaurant. Jean Mehlenbacher began the ceremonies with a congratulatory talk about the students achievements and the importance of striving for higher learning in their future.

At the Professional Development Awards Luncheon sponsored by W. K Kellogg Foundation Friday, April 25, 1997, one of our Burt Township School teachers, Brenda Hines, was recognized for her outstanding academic achievement and enhanced teaching and performance in the classroom.



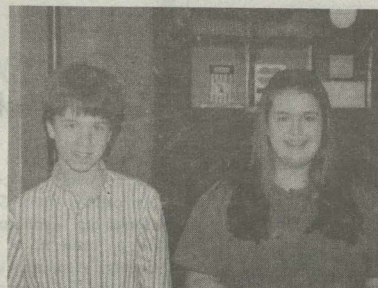
Grade 4  
Sara Hubbard



Grade 6  
Erin Hughes, Bridget Kelly and Rachel Scaife



Grade 5  
Jennifer Bell



Grade 8  
Shaun Hughes  
Jamie Kelley

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**Burt Township Board Meeting  
April 8, 1997 7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Bob Gardner, Marian Honyoust, Jim Seibert, Rose Benmark Victoria Petruske

**Approval of Agenda:** as amended on motion by Seibert, Benmark - 5 ayes.

**Correspondence and appointments:** None

**Public comment of agenda items:** none

**Minutes of previous meetings:** motion by Honyoust, Seibert to accept minutes of March 11, 1997 regular meeting and the March 25, 1997 Special Meeting - 5 ayes.

**Treasurer's report:** accepted by Supervisor.

General Fund \$54505.77, Improvement \$47691.72, Fire Fund. \$49807.94, Ambulance \$12364.11, Marina \$4800.48, Woodland Park \$24015.90, Recreation Program \$2041.44, Frail & Elderly \$8278.62, Water Bond & Int. Fund \$12895.75, Tax Account \$107489.15, Beach Access \$3213.64, Econ. Devel. Fund \$111263.98, Water Receiving \$30547.95, Water Receiving Savings \$27450.24, Water Operation \$17467.90, Sno-Trails \$4755.20, Medical -\$22.36, Medical Savings \$747.71, Harbor Fund \$4034.42.

**Payment of bills:** approved on motion by Gardner, Honyoust - 5 ayes. General Fund \$4761.15, Improvement \$1679.34, Fire Dept. \$1964.45, Sno-Trails \$525.55, Water Receiving Transfer to Operation \$3500.00, Water Op. & Maint. \$819.50, Woodland Park \$1116.14, Ambulance \$522.05, Marina \$152.85, Medical Facility \$516.32

**Reports: Committees, Attorney, Supervisor, Dept. Managers:** Supervisor Gardner presented letter just received from Township attorney referencing the Water System Improvements. The Attorney was in agreement with what was presented to him. He advised that we follow Mr. Pond's suggestion to bill with three different project codes, which are as stated: Preliminary Engineering Report, Environmental Assessment and Rural Development Application. Motion by Seibert, Benmark to accept as advised. 5 ayes

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** a) **Proposed Sno-Trails Resolution:** Acceptance of Resolution with two changes: Number one was to delete second sentence of 1st paragraph, and under number "2" to remove "a minimum of \$2000.00 of". Motion by Seibert, Honyoust. 5 ayes. b) **Job Descriptions:** To be covered later. c) **Water System Improvement Update:** Covered in letter from attorney.

**NEW BUSINESS:** a) **Greenhouse Request:** Letter received from Ellen Barney to run Greenhouse. Motion to accept Gardner, Benmark. With the stipulation that the Supervisor check as to where the funds from the previous Greenhouse Manager are at this date, and that all funds be handled the same way as all other Townships funds. - 5 ayes. b) **Michigan Waterways Commission Rate Schedule:** Motion to accept schedule presented. Benmark, Honyoust - 5 ayes c) **Alger County Road Commission Proposal:** It was decided to schedule a special meeting on April 23, 1997 to discuss proposal and prioritizing Road Projects for 1997. Motion by Seibert, Gardner. 5 ayes. d) **Burt Township Planning Commission Request:** Motion to accept by Seibert, Honyoust. - 5 ayes.

**Public comments:** None  
**Adjournment** on motion by Honyoust, Seibert - 5 ayes at approx. 7:45 p.m.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Victoria A. Petruske, Clerk

These are the unapproved minutes of the April 8, 1997 regular meeting. Included in the body of these are all of the official actions taken by the Burt Township Board.

**Editorial Policy**

We encourage our readers to use these pages as a community forum for a free exchange of ideas. Your letters are welcome.

The one stipulation is that letters to the editor must be signed. Pen names will not be accepted. We will not publish anonymous letters. We reserve the right to edit for space and clarity, and we will publish your comments as space allows.

Further, the views expressed by our writers and guest correspondents are welcome additions to the forum. They reflect, however, opinions of the writers and correspondents and are not those explicitly endorsed by the Gazette.

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**Burt Township Board  
Special Meeting  
April 23, 1997, 7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Marian Honyoust, Robert Gardner, Rose Benmark, Victoria Petruske. Absent: Jim Seibert

**Approval of Agenda:** on motion by Benmark, Honyoust - 4 ayes.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** None

**Current: Business: A: Alger County Road Commission Proposal & Prioritizing Road Repairs for 1997:** Motion made by Honyoust, seconded by Benmark to accept the Alger County Road Commission Proposal, for repairs of Lowder Road, as submitted, and that the township will pay our half. 4 ayes The following roads were listed and prioritized as to needing repairs in 1997 after the repairs to Lowder Road are completed: #1 Sharon Road (up by DeWolff's), #2 Carpenter Road (Hunter Road) by McFee's, #3 Ylimaki Road (Ridge Road), #4 Woodruff (Pollack Hill), #5 William Hill Road (Florine Abrahamson's), #6 Valentine Circle Road (by Carne's house), #7 Mixon Road, and #8 Newberg Road. We are waiting for response from the Park Service as to repairs on the boat ramp end of Lowder Road, as it is being torn up by summer boat traffic.

**Adjournment:** on motion by Benmark, Honyoust - 4 ayes at approx. 7:16 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Victoria Petruske, Clerk

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**Alger  
County  
Scholarship**

The Yard & Garden Club of Alger County is accepting applications for a \$300.00 scholarship. Applicants must be a resident of Alger County. Applicants must be interested in or pursuing a career relating to Horticulture, Forestry, Gardening, Floral and Landscape Designs, Wildlife Planting, Conservation, Environmental Science or Natural Resources. Applications can be picked up at Superior Central High School, Munising High School or Burt Township Schools. Deadline for applications is May 18, 1997. For further information please contact Geraldine Anderson at (906) 439-5257 (evenings) or contact the schools mentioned above.

**Minutes of Burt Township School Board of Education  
Held April 14 1997**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Morrison. Present: Morrison, Kinlaw, Hubbard, Tester, Barney, Student Reps. Scaife and Hughey.

Others Present: Chuck & Brenda Reeves, John Hersman, Geri Hill, Joshua Spurlock, Betty Goewey, Karla Bowen, Dave Bailey, Evelyn Morrison, Rachel Floran, Pam Hicks, Mary & Heather Ellis, Amy Ross, Jack & Margaret Roberts, Lou Bailey, Rick, Sheila, Jamie, Bridget and Jesse Kelly, Tom Scaife, Leroy Mast, Gordon Tester, Michale Kinlaw, Brandie Nyman.

Absent & Excused: Hughes & Leavenworth

Student of the Month presentations were awarded to Jesse Kelly for elementary and to Joshua Spurlock for secondary.

Minutes of the March 10, 1997 meeting were read.

Motion by Barney, supported by Tester that the minutes be accepted as presented. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Treasurer's Report: Balance on Hand: \$461,636.16 CD: \$300,000.00 Checking: \$161,636.16

Motion by Tester, supported by Kinlaw, that the treasurer's report be received as presented. Ayes 5 Nays 0

The bills were read.

Motion by Barney, supported by Tester that the bills be paid as received. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Superintendent's Report: 1.) April 21-25 is Excellence in Education Week.

Motion by Barney, supported by Kinlaw to support resolution to enter into joint operating agreement with Engadine for football. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Barney, supported by Hubbard to approve American History, 8th Grade English and Spanish III texts. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Barney, supported by Kinlaw to approve 1997/98 School Calendar. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Hubbard, supported by Barney to support resolution to operate 180 days in 1997/98. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Kinlaw, supported by Tester to support resolution on internet access grant. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Barney, supported by Hubbard to accept auditors bid from Makela, Toutant & Hill. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Barney, supported by Hubbard to accept bid on furnace from Pearson Boiler Works, Inc. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Kinlaw, supported by Barney to recognize David Becker's 28 years of service and purchase approximately 2 years of service time on his behalf. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Barney, supported by Hubbard to appoint Lou Bailey as new custodian. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Kinlaw, supported by Barney to approve Senior Class Trip. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Hubbard, supported by Barney to accept students under Section 105 of the State Aid Act. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Tester, supported by Barney to adjourn at 9:24 p.m. Ayes 5 Nays 0.

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**When: Wednesday, May 7th.  
Where: The Methodist Church  
Time: 6 P.M.**

We also wish to thank our local churches for donating to Clubhouse Ministries all the free will offerings received from the community Lenten Services and the Good Friday Service in support of our efforts to teach Christian principles to the young children of our community. Please note that no specific church doctrine is taught. The children who have been participating have been gathering every Tuesday after school in "their Club Room" in the recently renovated basement of the Methodist Church. Fun, projects and games, that's what it's all about as they learn to live "His Way." All children from grades K-6 are welcome to attend.

### SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS WHO ARE THEY?

**A sect? A cult? Mormons?  
Jehovah's Witness? Other?**

*This is the third in a series of articles that will define their beliefs.*

By Alice Hudson

**SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS BELIEVE:**

In Christ's life of perfect obedience to God's will, His suffering, death, and resurrection, God provided the only means of atonement for human sin, so that those who by faith accept this atonement may have eternal life, and the whole creation may better understand the infinite and holy love of the Creator. This perfect atonement vindicates the righteousness of God's law and the graciousness of His character; for it both condemns our sin and provides for our forgiveness. The death of Christ is substitutionary and expiatory, reconciling and transforming. The resurrection of Christ proclaims God's triumph over the forces of evil, and for those who accept the atonement assures their final victory over sin and death. It declares the Lordship of Jesus Christ, before whom every knee in heaven and on earth will bow.--  
Fundamental Beliefs, 9

**SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS BELIEVE:**

In infinite love and mercy God made Christ, who knew no sin, to be sin for us, so that in Him we might be made the righteousness of God. Led by the Holy Spirit we sense our need, acknowledge our sinfulness, repent of our transgressions, and exercise faith in Jesus as Lord and Christ, as Substitute and Example. This faith which receives salvation comes through the divine power of the Word and is the gift of God's grace. Through Christ we are justified, adopted as God's sons and daughters, and delivered from the lordship of sin. Through the Spirit we are born again and sanctified; The Spirit renews our minds, writes God's law of love in our hearts, and we are given the power to live a holy life. Abiding in Him we become partakers of the divine nature and have the assurance of salvation now and in the judgment.  
Fundamental Beliefs, 10.

### THANK YOU!

I would like to thank all my friends for all the cards and calls they gave me while being a patient at Marquette General and to Bob Nyman for all the help he gave us.

Paul Perry

### Native American Women and Wellness Conference

The American Indian Coordinating Council (AICC) is sponsoring a Native American Women and Wellness Conference on Saturday, May 17, 1997 from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm at the Women's Center in Marquette.

The purpose of this event is to share skills and knowledge that will enrich the lives of Native women from around the upper Great Lakes. Participants will choose between two workshops during the day. Youth are encouraged to attend.

The speakers are Native American women from across the Upper Peninsula and Northern Wisconsin. Topics will include:

Native Youth Today, Native Women's Roles in our Diverse Society, Healthy Personal Finance, Cancer and Health issues affecting Native Women and Teachings of the Grandmothers.

The cost is free and lunch will be provided for all those pre-registered. Pre-registration is a requirement to attend this conference. To register, please call Julie Snyder at the Great Lakes Recovery Center at 228-7611.

The registration deadline has been extended to May 10.

### WEATHER SUMMARY

**DATA is compiled by  
Karla Bugg.**

Cooperative Weather Observer.

| Date    | Max. | Min. | Precip | Snow |
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| APR. 15 | 56   | 30   |        |      |
| APR. 16 | 56   | 25   | .04    | .25  |
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| APR. 18 | 42   | 20   |        |      |
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| APR. 22 | 47   | 25   |        |      |
| APR. 23 | 47   | 30   |        |      |
| APR. 24 | 47   | 28   |        |      |
| APR. 25 | 48   | 24   |        |      |
| APR. 26 | 67   | 21   |        |      |
| APR. 27 | 63   | 38   |        |      |
| APR. 28 | 63   | 31   |        |      |

There is no snow on the ground at this time in town.

A foot or so in the woods.

That's all folks - Karla Bugg

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## Introducing the Candidates for Burt Township's School Board

The Gazette mailed requests to all candidates running for a position on the Burt Township's School Board. We asked the candidates to submit a brief biographical sketch and a statement that would best describe what they hope to achieve if elected to the Burt Township School Board. We informed the candidates we will publish their responses in the May 1, 1997, issue. The election is Monday, June 9, 1997. There are two positions for a term of four years. Here are the candidates' responses.

### Steven E. Hines

Thank you for the opportunity to tell the residents of Burt Township about myself and why I am running for a position on the School Board.

My family first moved to Michigan in 1991, when I accepted a position to work for Paul Bush, a Certified Public Accountant in Newberry. I earned a Bachelors Degree in Music and a Masters Degree in Business Administration from the University of Missouri - Kansas City, and am also a Michigan Certified Public Accountant. In the fall of 1996 my wife accepted a teaching position with the Burt Township School, so we moved from Newberry to Grand Marais. Our two children, Nathan (2nd grade), and Tabitha (kindergarten), are both students at the Burt Township School.

For the past two years I have been involved in the Hosts Program in the Newberry Elementary School, working with third and fourth grade students to improve their reading skills. The personal satisfaction of being a part of this program is very great, and I would recommend it to anyone who cares about education. The benefit these students gain from this experience is worth much more than the time spent participating in the program.

As for my educational philosophy, I believe that the primary responsibility for a child's education rests with his or her parents, and that in almost all cases parents should be the ultimate authority in matters concerning their children's education. This is not meant to diminish the importance of educators, any more than it would be to diminish the importance of physicians or other professionals. I also believe that one of the most important things we could possibly do for our children is to instill in them a desire to learn, to find out why things work the way they do and to try to make them work better. Learning has been a very exciting and fulfilling element in my own life, and I hope to be able to pass this on to my children, as well as to others that I come in contact with.

It would be a privilege to serve on the Burt Township School Board, if the township members

were to consent to my service. If not, I would look forward to service in some other capacity.

Sincerely,  
Steven E. Hines

### Brian Hoduski



Thank you for the opportunity to present myself as a candidate for the Burt Township School Board. I appreciate the importance of the office I am seeking and the value of education in the formation and success of our young people. School is also important as a community institution, so much of what a community identifies with is associated with its school. I understand this deeply coming from a family of educators. My parents are retired educators, one of my brothers and one of my sisters are teachers, my wife is a teacher, and I as a park ranger am responsible for educating visitors to the parks of the human and natural history they contain. Education is one of the cornerstones of a successful life. Combine education with faith, family, and country and you have a recipe for a productive and happy citizen.

As a parent of two children. I know I have a responsibility in that recipe. But a parent should know they have a concerned partner in the development of their children in their local school. My goal as a candidate for School Board is to ensure that the Burt Township School is a full and able partner to the parents and children of Grand Marais in those children's development as productive, happy citizens.

I have followed the often contentious events that have characterized this school year with great concern. I hope as a Board Member to facilitate more positive interaction between parents and school and school and children. I believe coercion is overrated as a method of controlling students. Students need to like school, look forward to going to school and learn things that they believe are good for them. Teachers need a friendly atmosphere where they are not being coerced or coercing others, where they are treated as professionals and are allowed to teach the curriculum as they believe is best for their students. There needs to be an emphasis on teaching the skills of speaking, writing, calculating, and problem solving, both as individuals and in groups. I believe a school should be in good order, clean, well maintained and safe. But overall a school should instill respect. For each other, for learning, and for citizenship. This is what I stand for and I hope it reflects what my fellow citizens stand for, as well.

Brian Hoduski

### Brenda Reeves



Hi, I'm Brenda Reeves. I moved to Grand Marais from Jackson after purchasing our home a year and a half ago.

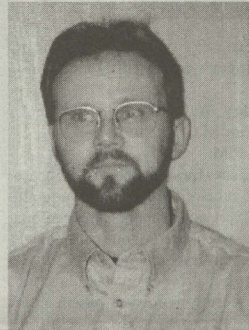
I worked for the Lansing School District as an aide and joined the PTA. During this time, I also owned and operated my own Office Efficiency Analysis Company. I set up accounting systems and taught employees/employers efficient office skills. After three years I entered the construction field as an insulation contractor and I formed a commercial fireproofing and insulation company.

After Chuck and I married, we purchased an apple orchard. I was now able to stay home with our five children. We worked as a family and provided tours of the orchard and cider mills for area schools. Our entire family has been involved in the Special Olympics of Michigan for over 10 years and has attended the state games yearly to watch our daughter, Jodi compete.

Since moving to Grand Marais, I formed the BTS/PTSA, which I am currently serving as secretary. I regularly attend the Burt Township Board Meetings. If elected to the School Board I will be instrumental in planning for future improvements which will prevent the need for large bond issues. For our students, I would like to see and work toward an increase in our technical training. Also include some vocational training to better prepare our students for today's high demands. I have no relatives currently employed at Burt Township School, therefore I can be impartial, objective and consistent in all decisions brought before the board.

Brenda Reeves

### John A. Morrison



John A. Morrison

In 1988 our dream came true to live in Grand Marais. Starting a business was a new experience for both of us. Having the confidence that I could make a living for my family was all that was needed. Now I have my own business, Big Marsh Builders.

I have been on the school board since 1990. I have served as Vice President and am presently President of the school board. I believe I am fair and try to provide a good rounded education for all the students. Running for another 4 year term is a lot of work but I feel it is very important to be a part of the educational system and even though it can be trying at times, the need is there and I feel I can make a difference.

I am very pleased to have moved here and was able to see two of my daughters, Wendy and Sara graduate from Burt Township High School. Jenny will be a senior this fall and I am very proud that all our daughters will have graduated from Grand Marais.

The Gazette would like to thank the candidates for responding to our request.

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**Stupak Seeks Funding for  
 Four National Parks**

Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Menominee, asked a House subcommittee today to restore funding to provide enough forest service personnel to administer timber sales and a long-term planned forest management agreement in the Hiawatha National Forest.

In testimony before the House Appropriation Committee's Interior and Related Agencies

Subcommittee, Stupak said such sales were needed to support the region's economy and to support local units of government, which otherwise would need special appropriations authorized by Congress in lieu of the lost timber sales revenue.

Stupak noted that, despite a planned increase in timber sales in the Hiawatha National Forest from 70 million board feet per year to 131 million board feet per year over 50 years, there actually has been a 32 percent reduction in the availability of timber sales from 1993 to 1997.

Not only are forest products the

main industry in the 1st Congressional District, Stupak said, but the continuation of timber sales in a management plan is essential to long-term health of the forests.

"This is not to say we should ravage our forests for the sole purpose of economic gain," Stupak said. "I believe that we can find a balance to ensure the future health and productivity of our forests, while also providing jobs and the many forest products and services that Americans expect today."

He also told the subcommittee that increased funding is needed

to help leverage private and state funds to develop Keweenaw National Historical Park in the 1st Congressional District.

Stupak offered support for the president's budget request of \$2.5 million for Isle Royale, \$1.3 million for Pictured Rocks and \$2.5 million for Sleeping Bear Dunes, three other national parks in his district.

Stupak said the administration's request of \$280,000 for Keweenaw should be increased to \$600,000 to provide additional rangers, technical assistance and preservation grants for one of the

nation's newest parks.

In other testimony, Stupak asked the subcommittee to act on his request to use funding previously authorized for a new lakeshore road in Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore to be used instead to upgrade an existing county road which provides access to the park. The change would limit damage to the park and save about \$5 million.

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Jacob Bronowski



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**UNIQUE CABIN ON DEADMAN'S LAKE**: Shelter Bay Forest, Inc. has asked me to help them sell my old cabin. For twelve years I enjoyed the peaceful and private setting which has to be one of the most magnificent spots in the Upper Peninsula. Built in 1940 by the State of Michigan for the local fire warden and his family, this cute white sided building looks just like a miniature Coast Guard station. It has green trim and still carries the building numbers on the front porch. Virgin white pines surround the cabin that sits on ten acres with over 340 feet of lake frontage. Electricity has been brought in at quite a large expense. The cabin has been going through a very nice restoration. New thermal pane wood windows, refinished hard wood floors, complete electric wiring, new insulation, and new drywall. It has electric heat with a nice wood stove for that special back woods feeling. The cabin can be used as is or you can continue with indoor plumbing, etc. There is a pitcher pump for water in the kitchen. The lake is what we call an "ecology lake". It is about a mile long with ducks, muskrats, turtles, and an occasional beaver. It's fun to canoe, however, is not suitable for swimming. This would be a perfect spot for late summer visits, hunting, or an ideal snowmobile camp. Call me for a "cooks tour"; I can show you where we shot some huge racks at deer season. I also know the cabin and the area inside out! Ed Bowen-906-494-2657 Reasonably priced.

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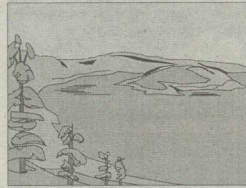
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**AROUND THE BAY:**  
BY EVELYN MORRISON



The Juniors held the annual carnival at the school last week. Lots of games for the kids, plenty of food and bingo for everyone. Good job juniors. Prom is the next event for the Juniors. Good luck with the dance.

Bruce Essex and Pat Hulbert from Muskegon drove up for a few days. They did make it out to camp with a little help from the tractor. I'm sure we will be seeing them as regulars this summer.

A few of our local boys were out scouting roads that should be opened. If they weren't they succeeded in getting their trusty vehicles through the mud and snow without too much difficulty. The barbie jeep was the first to hit pavement back and Pat Hulbert made it to town first. No prizes were given out. Maybe next time.

At the home of Kay Wampler last week a birthday party luncheon was held for JC Ogden. Sandee Sibbald made two soups to choose from with a delicious cake. Lots of good gifts. Happy birthday J.C.

It is nice to see everyone out with their rakes trying to clean up the yards. Even though we are still raking around snow piles! Spring is getting here.

The fishermen are starting to arrive. The fishing hasn't been that great but they are having fun anyway.

Any news you would like to add let me know. See you around the bay. Keep on smiling.....Evelyn

**4th of July Band**

Anyone interested in playing an instrument for the 4th of July please call Lois Kinlaw after 3:00pm at 494-2500

**EAGLEBEAK SEZ**

by Eaglebeak Spruder

I've heard that old question about whether or not a sound is made when a tree falls in the woods and there's nobody there to hear it.

Well, I'm not so sure I know the answer to that, but I had a fellow ask me another one the other day that maybe hits a bit closer to home for a lot of us. What he asked was this:

"If a man says something in the woods, and his wife isn't there to hear it, is what he says true?"

Eaglebeak sez, think about it!

(Eaglebeak Spruder was a boyhood friend of Michigan's premier taxidermist, the late Leon L. Pray of downstate Dowagiac.)



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# "HUNGRY" BUTS & PASSES

JIM

Although I am in the Milwaukee V. A. Hospital recuperating for some plumbing repairs to my heart I don't intend to miss my deadline. There are tubes, probes, wires and other miscellaneous devices going into and coming out of nearly every part of my body but that doesn't affect my ability to express my opinion and therefore I will continue my series on the demise of our public school system. This article will be devoted to the teachers, administrators, school boards and labor organizations representing them; saving my favorites - the politicians for my last article of this series.

The most critical piece of the puzzle of education is the teacher and although I feel that they have been "dumped on" by society in general they still need to take their share of the blame. Most teachers begin their careers with noble aspirations but lose momentum after hitting a few roadblocks in the system. They give up their goals, settle in, and become part of the problem. Teachers need to be vocal about the priority that academics get. They need to speak loudly to administration when classroom supplies, books and other materials are short, missing or outdated. They need to let the school board know in no uncertain terms when policies and decisions adversely affect their ability to teach. They need to inform their labor organizations that they want to be teachers again. They need to communicate openly and honestly with parents and effective P.T.O.s need to be reestablished with teachers taking an active leadership role. If teachers don't change, all the work that everyone else does will be useless. Certainly teachers need lots of help and support but they must be the prime movers.

Administrators have become middlemen and yes men in order to keep politicians, parents, school boards and staffs somewhat satisfied. Paper justification, brown nosing and plain old B. S.'ing have become

more important qualifications than good education qualities. They become bogged down with reports and studies and wind up playing number games in order to justify their own existence. They too may have altruistic ideals at first but become part of the system if they want to survive and, therefore, part of the problem.

School boards wind up concentrating on money and public relations giving very little time to academic development. True, they are not teachers, but they are elected to monitor the schools and should be demanding real results from teachers, administration and support staff.

Although - especially in this state - the state and federal governments have usurped a lot of local school board power, they are still a powerful body if they exercise their authority. Local school boards must change their agendas and priorities or they will remain part of the problem too. Here I speak with some experience; been there, done that, am a guinea pig.

Professional labor organizations have a responsibility to their membership to use their power to gain increased wages and benefits and for doing this I don't find them at fault. However when they demand tenure laws which make getting rid of a bad teacher almost impossible, they become part of the problem. When they absolutely refuse to even admit that there is a problem, they add to the problem. When they fail to use their power to improve education they generate continuation of the problem. They could be a powerful ally in the battle to get our public school system fixed.

And finally, Words do not exist to fully express my gratitude to everyone for their prayers, calls, cards and help during my hospitalization and recovery. Maybe it doesn't "take a village" but it is sure nice to have one!

Till next issue.

"Hungry" Jim



**GRANOLA SERIAL**  
By Jean Mehlenbacher

Now, getting back to FreeCell (a nifty solitaire game that came with our Windows 95). Thanks to Terry's mentoring, I am making much better scores and I do believe that, as pronounced by the game promoters, every game is winnable. The trick is to do it on the first try. (You have no idea how hard it is to sit here to write this column when I could be playing the game instead of writing about it, especially since Skip just went out the door and I wouldn't get caught at it.)

I guess it is pure guilt that makes me think he'll be upset if he catches me playing too much. So far, he has just laughed indulgently - or said in a pointed fashion that it REALLY is time for bed.

I have tried to set limits for playing but the moon coming up seems to be the best reason to quit. I thought I would try playing until I won and then playing until I lost. But I got pretty good at it so that didn't work too well. If I set a time limit, I would have to use a timer because my sense of time passing goes whacko when I am having so much fun. One lovely evening, I was looking at a clock that hadn't been sprung ahead and got in a whole extra hour before I realized the truth. Talk about feeling remorseful after wondering why Skip had gone to bed so early.

Our son Steve has clued me in on a couple of cheating techniques, one of which I might use. If you click on the right

keys, you can get a loss to record as a win, so that you don't mess up your winning streak. If you play the same game until you win it, that really isn't cheating. Is it?

Steve told me about some other goodies. They are called Easter eggs and are cutsie-pie things that are imbedded in programs but not included in the documentation so not very many people know about them. In one game, if you click on the right keys, and then on the nose of one of the characters, he squeaks. In a Monty Python game, there is a witch wearing a fig leaf. If you make the right moves and type in "noleaf", the flora disappears. And if you are playing "Minesweeper", there is an "egg" that lets you peek to see whether a square has a mine in it or not. Now THAT'S really cheating.

I used to say that smokers were the world's greatest rationalizers, but I'm not so sure now. Here are my reasons for playing FreeCell frequently. (I think that is a nice adjective to use. It doesn't sound too addictive.)

I have come to realize that FreeCell is an important part of my health regime. When I am playing, I am not eating; therefore it is an essential component in my weight loss program. (Well, I did appear one day with a stack of Girl Scout cookies, but they are all gone now.)

No. 2: All the articles I've read lately say that puzzles are good therapy to keep brain deterioration at bay. Therefore it is my duty as a responsible member of this family to put in sufficient hours of practice so that I will not be the first one on the door step of the nursing home. I do believe Skip adheres to this theory, too, since he is now a Master Detective chasing Carmen Sandiego.

Who knows, more good reasons may yet occur to me. In the meantime, All Hail FreeCell - Road to Health!!

Note to Linda and Jack Smith who summer on Wilson Street - No, we didn't go through Litchfield on our way to Albion but thanks so much for your lovely letter. Hope you're going to be back in Grand Marais soon. The snow is almost gone!

## Variance OK'd for Restaurant/Diner.

At the public hearing on April 16, 1997, the Zoning Board of Appeals gave the OK to Rick Guth and Ellen Airgood to continue with their plans to convert their existing home into a restaurant/diner.

The variance is necessary because of the train boxcar type diner they plan to add to the front of their property.

Train boxcar diners of the 50's have seen a reemergence in popularity in the last several years.

The variance was granted with an agreement by Rick and Ellen to adjust the original plans of three feet in the east/west direction, which otherwise would have left a zero feet tolerance in one direction.

There were several letters objecting the building of a restaurant in what appears as a residential neighborhood. John Markes, of the Zoning Board of Appeals, took the time to explain quite clearly that the zoning board was not the entity to grant or deny the building of a commercial business. The location (from the school to McMillian St.) has been zoned commercial since 1972. It was explained further that if Rick and Ellen had not requested a land use variance so they could add to their existing structure, there would have been no need to have a meeting at all.

Several objections were made by residents as to not knowing of the C-1 (commercial) rating of the area in question. John Markes explained the necessary steps for residents to appeal the C-1 rating, and change it back to a residential rating.

It was decided to forward all communications concerning the matter to the Alger County Building Department, the Burt Township Supervisor and the Alger County Health Department.

The next step for Rick and Ellen will be to comply with the regulations of the above mentioned departments.

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**DO THE RIGHT THING**

By Lee Goewey

As I write this, our President and his star-studded collection of "experts" is about to convene a high-profile "Summit for America's Future" on the subject of volunteerism, for the benefit of our children.

By the time you read this we will, no doubt, have been buried in news of the wonderful things that will be coming our way in the aftermath of this love-in, all courtesy of our benevolent government, at a cost of mere billions.

We are virtually drowning in the noxious stew created by our compassionate leader's various expeditions off the beaten path into ever wider and wilder fields of endeavor in which the federal government has absolutely no business sticking its nose, and this excursion is no exception.

AmeriCorps, one of the President's most egregious examples of tinkering in these areas, funds the "volunteer" efforts of thousands of people at an annual cost to taxpayers of about \$26,000.00 per "volunteer." This kind of lunacy we can and must do without, yet it is the President's "showcase" example for this "summit."

In the words of our founding fathers, the duties of the federal government were to be "few, and well-defined." The lust for power and control of our anointed elite and their burning need to impose their will upon us ignorant masses have led them, in the late 20th century, to make a shambles of those constitutional limits.

Consider the married couple recently in the news who will each pay tens of thousands in fines, spend months in prison (sequentially, so one or the other will be available to care for their children at all times), and years of probation for what?

Why, for the federal felony of having the HUD-approved and designed septic system fail at the home they built, thereby violating EPA anti-pollution regulations.

How, in God's name, does the federal government get involved in such draconian punishment of

"crimes" such as this? By government run amok, that's how! Remember the dictum: Any government big enough to give you everything you want is big enough to take away everything you've got. (And, by the very nature of the beast, it will!)

At a time when the policies and programs of the federal government are directly responsible for unprecedented levels of crime, illegitimacy, drug abuse, illiteracy and general social and moral decay, the only honorable course for government is to butt out and leave the business of everyday life to the people of this country.

Whatever comes of this "summit," if federal monies are going to be involved, then so will federal control and bureaucracy be involved and those who propose that any such additional disaster and devastation be heaped on us must be told "NO!" in the most unmistakable terms.

We have a desperate need to turn the federal monster around and return it to its lawful, constitutional duties, leaving the rest to the states and the citizens, as the Constitution requires. Please, DO THE RIGHT THING, and remind your elected public servants of the limits that need to be maintained on the federal government. Let volunteerism be left to the private sector, where it belongs and where it enjoyed exceptional success until driven from the field by the feds years ago.

You may agree or disagree with me, but the important thing is for you to let your elected representatives know how you feel and what you expect of them, in a courteous manner. You may reach them at the following addresses:

President William J. Clinton, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20500 (202) 456-1414

Senator Carl Levin, 459 Russell Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510 (202) 224-6221

Senator Spencer Abraham, 105 Dirksen Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510 (202) 224-4822

Representative Bart Stupak, 1410 Longworth Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515 (202) 225-4735

Don't forget to include your name, address and phone number!

**Carnival Thanks**

The Junior Spring Carnival was a complete success for everyone involved. Grades 7th through 11th participated in the games. Along with games, the Juniors were in charge of food, admission, ticket sales, and bingo. Bingo was a complete success; Dorothy Morrison was the bingo caller and the lucky winner of the night was Jason Kinlaw, winning several games.



On behalf of the Juniors

we were glad to see everyone having a good time and we would like to thank all for coming. We would also like to give a special thanks to all the businesses and all the individuals who contributed to the success of bingo and the carnival. Evelyn Morrison, Dorothy Morrison, Marilyn Johnson, Rod Schultz & Chris Swanson, Jim & Sherri Seibert, Dorothy Peterson, Betty Goewey, Debbie Hoffenburger, Kay Wampler, Terry & Marian Honyoust, Nancy Fuller and John Monache. Bayshore

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 Kevin Brzys  
 Josh Balbierz  
 Jokin Etxarri  
 Dylan Capogrossa  
 Warren Scaife  
 Steven Bell  
 Jonathan Brzys  
 Josh Hicks - Most Improved Player  
 Jamie Kelly  
 Jason Kinlaw  
 Jeff Kinlaw

### Varsity Basketball

Ray Scaife  
 Kevin Brzys - Most Improved Player  
 Josh Balbierz  
 Jokin Etxarri  
 Warren Scaife - Most Valuable Player

Dylan Capogrossa  
 Jonathan Brzys  
 Bryan Rachel

### Junior High Basketball

Jesse Ballard  
 Lee Beek  
 Candace Capogrossa - Most Improved Player

Shaun Hughes  
 Jason Kinlaw  
 Jeff Kinlaw - Most Valuable Player  
 Josh Spurlock  
 Matt Butkovich

### Girls Volleyball

Billie Jo Bauman  
 Tami Beckwith  
 Amber Mack  
 Joie Hoffenberger - Most Improved Player

Marcy Butkovich  
 Elsbeth Barney  
 Jamie Kelly - Most Valuable Player  
 Becky Somes

### Cheer leading

Amber Mack - Captain  
 Jamie Kelly - Co-Captain  
 Heather Ellis  
 Becky Somes

### Northern Lights League All League

#### Soccer

Tim Ballard  
 Ray Scaife  
 Michale Kinlaw

#### Girls Volleyball

Tami Beckwith  
 Jamie Kelly

#### Basketball

Ray Scaife  
 Warren Scaife

### Northern Lights League - Honorable Mention

#### Soccer

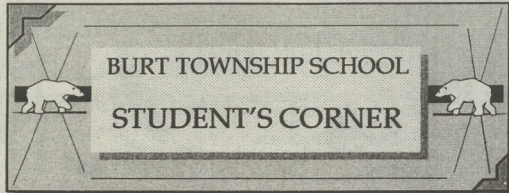
Joshua Balbierz  
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#### Girls Volleyball

Billie Jo Bauman  
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#### Basketball

Kevin Brzys



| BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 1996-97<br>4TH MARKING PERIOD |              |
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| 11TH GRADE  | 8TH GRADE    |
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### MARCH 1997 STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



**JESSE KELLY**

Jesse, the son of Rick and Sheila Kelly, is in the fourth grade. His favorite school subjects are Social Studies and Math. Basketball is Jesse's favorite school activity. He enjoys other sports such as golf, basketball and football. He member of CCD. After school activities include helping with household chores. Jesse plans to attend Nortre Dame University.



**JOSHUA PAUL SPURLOCK**

Joshua is the son of Jim and Cindy Spurlock and the grandson of Geri Hill. He is in the seventh grade. His favorite school subjects are Michigan History and English. He enjoys playing basketball. Joshua is looking forward to being "the professor" in the Spring Play. His hobbies are collecting stickers, anything on animals. He enjoys fishing with his dad and brother. He plans on becoming a veterinarian and having lots of animals.

### Woman's Club Scholarship

Graduating seniors who wish to apply for a Woman's Club Scholarship should get their application and three letters of recommendation to the Scholarship Committee, Box 263, Grand Marais by May 25, 1997

### SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

A "Fine Arts" college scholarship may be awarded to a graduating senior of Burt Township High School in 1997.

The scholarship, first given in 1996 to Sara Morrison for pursuit of studies in graphic art, is presented by Grand Marais Cottage Industries, the parent organization of "The Market Place."

Seniors interested in this scholarship must have an established record of interest and performance in one of the fine arts, such as painting, drawing, sculpture, creative literature, drama, music or the dance, and must be planning to actively pursue that interest as a career through college-level study.

Applications should be submitted to the Burt Township School, which will forward the names of qualified students to the donor organization. In the event there are no qualifying applicants in a graduating class, the donor may choose to present the award to a previous year's recipient. Prior awardees should apply to the Burt Township School, if interested.

## "READING RAINBOW" WRITING CONTEST

### LOCAL WINNERS ANNOUNCED:

Reading Rainbow, public television's long-running, Emmy Award-winning series designed to introduce children to the excitement and adventure of the written word, recently conducted a nationwide writing and illustrating contest for students in kindergarten through third grade.

The contest was designed to reinforce the series' "I can do anything" message to young viewers by encouraging them to express their hopes, dreams and imaginations through words and pictures. Now, one regional Upper Peninsula winner has been selected from each grade level, and winning entries have been sent on to New York for national judging.

The *Young Writers and Illustration Awards Competition* required each young entrant to write his or her own original story and to create illustrations to go along with it. Nearly one hundred entries were judged on the basis of originality, creative expression, storytelling, and integration of copy and illustrations.

Regional winners include: kindergarten student John Yeager of Ishpeming, who created "The Dark Corner"; first grader Joshua Shaw of Skandia, who wrote "My Dad Will Always Be My Best Bud"; second grader Laura Klein of Bark River, who authored "Buff- a - Little"; and third grader Adam Tester of Grand Marais, who composed an entry entitled "Reading and Me."

Judging on the national level for the *Young Writers and Illustrators Awards Competition* will take place in May, with the winners to be announced in June at the PBS Annual Conference.

## Congratulations Adam Tester!



Public TV 13 sent Adam's story on to New York City for the national contest. Adam dedicated his poem to Mrs. Susan Mustatia, Burt Township School librarian, as she is the only one he knows that loves books as much as he does.

### Reading and Me

What can I tell you to help you see,  
 How much reading means to me.  
 The adventures experienced forth and past,  
 Into my memory they'll ever last.

"Houston, the *Eagle* has landed,"  
 I called from the ship I had commanded.  
 To walk on the moon what would I find,  
 As I took one giant leap for mankind.

The South American jungle can be quite a pleasure,  
 For an archaeologist like me looking for treasure.  
 How about a whale who is large and white,  
 It could give sailors in a small boat quite a fright.

I hopped in my invention that travels so fast,  
 Into the future or back through the past.  
 In *Captains Courageous* I sailed the sea,  
 They made a cabin boy out of me.

I've cried over Civil War soldiers fighting their brothers,  
 Who wrote letters home telling their mothers.  
 Lincoln was killed in Ford's Theater,  
 The murderer must have been a ruthless betrayer.

Reading can be used to follow directions,  
 For building models and other connections.  
 Baking a cake for my mother's birthday,  
 Wow, I can make her feel special that way!

How 'bout that Science Fair project of mine?  
 That pretty blue ribbon sure shows up fine.  
 Bernoulli's Principle and theories of flight,  
 The Wright Brothers' plane sure was a sight.

How can I travel so far and do so many things?  
 I turn the pages to see what reading brings.  
 The story could be of a computer or robot,  
 Or perhaps the tale of an animal being caught.

Playing piano or dialing 911,  
 Reading is needed and can be fun.  
 Tomorrow maybe I'll visit a zoo,  
 If I read out loud I can bring my brothers and sister, too!

By Adam Thomas Eli Tester

## "The Way It Was"

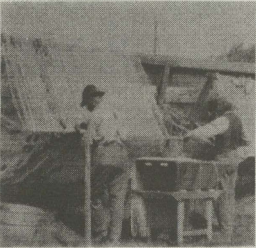
Memories of My Childhood at Grand Traverse Lighthouse  
by Bette McCormick Ollie

The following is the second episode. This publication is reprinted with permission. Continued from the April 17, 1997 issue.

### Earning Money for School Clothes

During severe storms, the fishermen were unable to lift their nets. Large pieces of net and the corks which kept them afloat were torn loose and floated ashore. After these storms had died down, we combed the beach in search of the corks. We would take them into Northport and sell them back to the fishermen. Sometimes we probably sold them to the same fishermen who lost them in the first place.

Some corks were made of wood and others were made of aluminum. We were always thrilled to find a string of aluminum ones because they would bring us a nickel apiece and we got only two cents for the wooden ones. As a bonus, we were allowed to watch the fishermen boil the wooden corks in linseed oil in the huge black cast iron cauldron or to watch them wind their nets onto the reels to dry. It was also quite an experience to see them deftly mend their nets and dress the fish.



Fishermen repairing their nets.

We had seen Pa do the same thing numerous times, but it was just the idea of being able to go down to the docks that seemed to make it more fascinating.

We walked about a mile and a half or so to pick cherries at Cherry Home which was said to have the largest Montmorency sour cherry orchard in the country. I think we got anywhere from fifteen to twenty-five cents for a lug. A lug was a wooden oblong box which held about sixteen quarts of cherries. There were many transient pickers whose whole life was spent following the fruit. They arrived with only the barest of necessities tied to old trucks which looked as though they were about to "conk out" at any time. As soon as their little kids were old enough to reach the lower branches, they picked cherries right along with their parents. The infants had to be left unattended for most of the day. At times they were lying in the hot sun and were covered with black dust stirred up by the blowing wind or the tractor hauling lugs of cherries. There would be sand in their eyes and sand in their mouths and up their nostrils. They cried all day long and there were white

streaks down their cheeks where the tears had run. However, they were ignored by the parents who were probably dog tired and trying desperately to make enough money to keep body and soul together.

It was a tiresome, dirty job. When we got thirsty we would sometimes eat cherries or just suck the juice. I'll bet we ate more than our share of spray dope in our time. We would come home sticky and dirty so we would take a bar of soap to the lake and scrub up while we were swimming.

In the fall there was potato digging vacation and a lot of the school kids went digging potatoes. Sometimes these were beautiful fall days and at other times the winds were raw and bitter cold. We became rather adept at the digging, never slicing the potatoes nor leaving a single one in the ground.

Leon and Doug caddied for the resorters or summer people. Sometimes they had to carry two heavy bags of clubs around the course and were often scolded if they lost sight of the ball or didn't know exactly which club the golfer needed. Some of the golfers would pay the least amount of money that they could get away with while others gave rather generous tips. The boys walked four and a half miles in the morning to get to the golf course and after caddying all day walked the four and a half miles home again.

A couple of the boys went pea roguing. That is, they were picking certified seed peas and had to pick the good seed peas from the rogue or unwanted peas. That is how the name pea roguing came about. The peas were then brought to the pea factory in Northport where the good seed was separated from imperfect seed - mostly by women working at a moving belt.



Courtesy Randa Fredrickson Collection  
Pea Factory Workers

After completing our jobs we would get out the Montgomery Ward, Sears or Spiegel May Stern catalogs to select our school clothes all the while making comparisons to see how we could get the most for our money. We figured right down to the last penny and tried to make every red cent count.

Next issue "Long Johns and Leggings"

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On May 15-16, 1997, over 200 students grades 5-9 and their teachers from around the Great Lakes Basin will gather in Buffalo, NY to participate in the second biennial Great Lakes Student Summit - Exploring our Watersheds. This international event is a unique learning experience, designed to educate and inspire students in local watershed and Great Lakes protection.

During the two day conference, attendees will act as ambassadors from their watershed, while they participate in student presentations and project sharing sessions, attend workshops on Great Lakes & watershed issues, and tour the Buffalo River watershed. Representatives from the U.S. and Canadian governments and the International Joint Commission, including IJC Commissioner Alice Chamberlin, will take part in an open discussion with the students on the future of the Great Lakes.

In addition to being exposed to many new issues, The Great Lakes Student Summit offers students an opportunity to present and exhibit classroom projects which focus on grass root efforts to protect local watersheds and Great Lakes ecosystem. Summit Coordinator, Tina Preston said, "We have groups presenting projects from as far away as Pewaukee, Wisconsin and Columbus, Ohio". She added, "Many attendees are not making formal presentations, but are coming to just talk about what impact their watershed has on the Great Lakes Basin and to learn about ways that they can take a more active role in watershed/Great Lakes protection".

Registration fees are \$120 (\$160 Canadian funds) for students and \$145 (\$195 Canadian funds) for teachers. The fee includes registration, two nights lodging, meals and field trips. Day-rates excluding hotel accommodations are also available as are a limited number of scholarships.

For further information contact: Tina Preston @ Great Lakes Student Summit, 95 Franklin Street, Room 1077, Buffalo, NY 14202, telephone (716) 858-6370, fax (716) 858-7713, or e-mail: [ecdep@moran.com](mailto:ecdep@moran.com).

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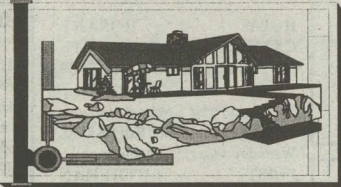


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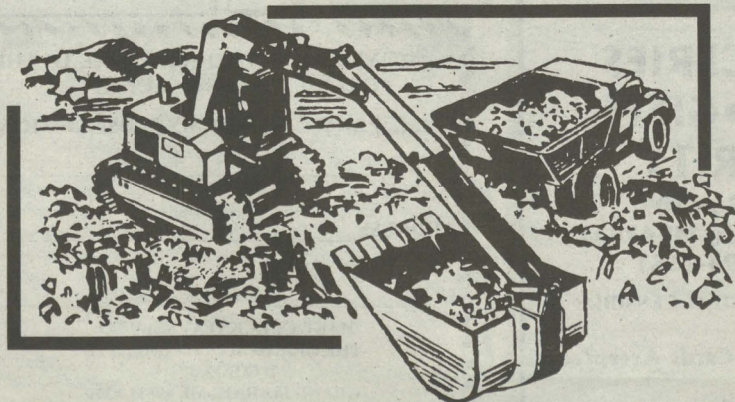
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Jim Isleib, MSU Extension, Alger County, will speak on THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF GARDENING IN ALGER COUNTY, a down to earth (pun intended) approach to improving our efforts. Bring your family, a dish to pass and your table service at 6:00 pm for a potluck dinner. The program will begin at 7:00.

**HOUSE GIVES OK TO UNDERGROUND  
TANK CLEANUP FUNDING**

By a voice vote late Wednesday the U.S. House approved a bill that could put more than \$800 million in the hands of states to clean up leaking underground storage tanks.

Co-sponsored by Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Menominee, and Rep. Dan Schaefer, R-Colorado, the bill would make available to states 85 percent of a fund created by a one-tenth of a cent gas tax collected through December 1995.

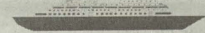
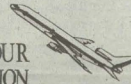
An identical bill was approved by the House without opposition in the last session of Congress but failed to win passage in the Senate, where budget battles dominated legislative action prior to the election recess.

Stupak on the House floor called on the state of Michigan to recommit its own funds to clean up what he called "the single biggest cause of groundwater contamination in the nation."

"Michigan's LUST fund is insolvent, due to improper management," Stupak said. "The state needs to give priority to this cleanup effort for the well-being of its residents, for the state's economic future, and for the protection of groundwater, our most important resource."

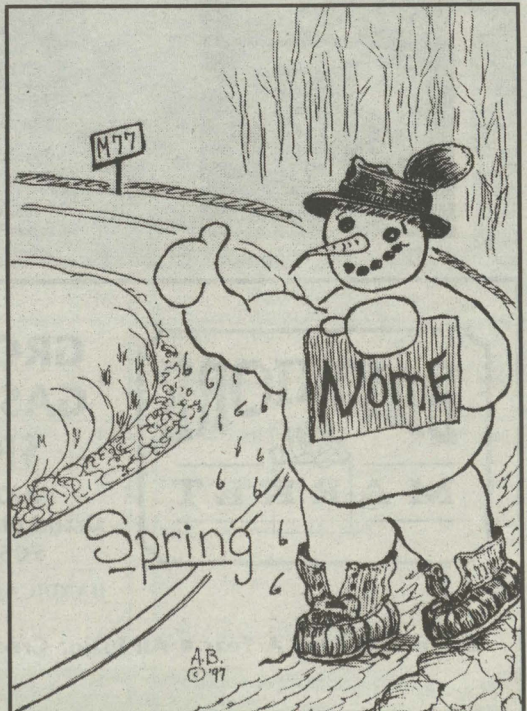
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