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## OPEN LETTER TO SNOWMOBILERS

Welcome to the Grand Marais area for the 2002-2003 snowmobile season, I hope that you enjoy yourselves while you are visiting us in Grand Marais. Snowmobiling can be a fun and enjoyable way for you to see the area where we live. It is very special to all of us in Grand Marais or else we would not live here.

I ask you to please respect and help us to protect the peace, quiet and natural beauty of our community. Most of the people riding snowmobiles have the desire to see the beauty of nature in its winter clothing. You come from both the upper and lower peninsulas of Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and other states in the Midwest. The citizens who live here get to enjoy the natural beauty and tranquility most of the year.

I request that you, the visiting snowmobilers, respect our rights and property as if they were your own. Groomed snowmobile trails are abundant in our area, they are signed, and approved by the State of Michigan DNR and the Alger County Road Commission. PLEASE ride on the trails! Some snowmobiles are riding through private property. You have the right to ride on the trails, but not on private property. How would you like it if people rode their snowmobiles next to your house or through your yard at all hours of the day and night?

During the first major snowfall of the year we had three snowmobile accidents (two relatively minor and one fatal), in the Grand Marais area. Speed was a factor in all three accidents. Weather and trail conditions change all the time. Take the time to enjoy your ride. Slow down, look around, and enjoy your riding experience. If you see someone riding in an unsafe manner or harming someone's property please try to curtail their behavior. Some riders are ruining it for all of you!

Editor  
Grand Marais Gazette



GREEN SPACE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

The Green Space Committee is still working very hard on trying to acquire property in town for a Community Park.

Please help make this effort a success by sending all donations and pledges to the Burt Township Green Space, P.O. BOX 455 Grand

## CHRISTMAS DINNER GRAND MARAIS STYLE



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## Sixteenth Annual Grand Marais 500 Mile



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FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL:

Karen Cook 499-3347

## 2002 IN REVIEW

During the year several projects got underway and several homes were built or remodeled keeping our construction workers busy. The township began a pavilion in Woodland Park with the majority of the funds coming from Tom Marcin in memory of his wife Sharon (Spencer) Marcin. It will be ready for use this spring.

Father Joy Adimakkeel replaced Father Glenn Theoret as Pastor of Holy Rosary Church. Pastor Stephen Post and his wife Mary Ellen arrived to take charge of the Mennonite Church.

The general election of November 5 had only one unopposed candidate for the Township Clerk's position. The election of a judge position was the close race, it resulted in a recount with Alger County DA, Mark Louma defeating incumbent judge Plackowski. A county millage to fund MSU Extension service passed but one for a county administrator failed.

The "Green Space" Committee was formed by the Township Board to try to acquire downtown property for a park. Many people have donated and they have raised nearly \$25,000.00 toward the project and have several pledges.

Our school said goodbye to George Hronkin and welcomed Brenda Greenhoe-Smith as the new Superintendent. The class of 2002 consisted of six students with Josh Spurlock as valedictorian and Meaghan Brauer as salutatorian. The Polar Bears girls volleyball team won the district tournament.

Our Emergency services got a boost when five members completed the EMT course.

A Lions Club was formed in Grand Marais with approximately 40 charter members.

PRNL welcomed Karen Gustin as the new Superintendent.

Frank Meade received a NMU distinguished Citizen Award.

Our ongoing annual events continue to grow and get better. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Splash-in, 15<sup>th</sup> 500 Miler, 18<sup>th</sup> Kayak Symposium, 20<sup>th</sup> Fly-in, 21<sup>st</sup> Music Fest, July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration and Memorial Day ceremony all saw increased participation.

Snow fall for the 2001-2002 winter was 158.75 inches with 97.5 of it falling after Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>.

We said goodbye to Florence McNickle, Marion (Tomkiel) Easter, Ruth Pell, John Glaza, Bill Morrison, Eileen Enright, Mary (Dutcher) Mendoza, "Homer" Pat Huey, Bev Rogers, Richard Burton Stone and Ella Sayen.

HAVE A SAFE AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

**Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board**  
 Grand Marais Community Center  
 Grand Marais, Michigan  
 December 10, 2002 7:00 P.M.

**Present:** Lee Durrwachter, Lori Savage, Jim Seibert, Rose Benmark, Lois Leavenworth  
 Sixteen visitors.

**Public Comment:** Opened at 7:02 p.m. Closed at 7:08 p.m.

Lou Bailey requested that the township build a new Ambulance/Fire building because the existing one is not large enough and it is a safety hazard.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Seibert, and seconded, to approve the agenda. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**Correspondence/Petitions/Appointments/Resignations:** Correspondence was reviewed – the following correspondence was received: Dept of Environmental Quality letter received 11/3/02 stated that the fuel system at the marina facility is approved; Letter from Tom Marcin which accompanied his second \$9000 donation toward the Sharon Spencer Marcin Memorial Pavilion at Woodland Park; Letter from James Carter with a pledge of \$500 for the Greenspace; Letter from the Women's Club of Grand Marais requesting assistance to fund the cost of a bagpipe band for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. Motion by Seibert and seconded to put \$250 toward the cost of the Bagpipe Band for the Grand Marais 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade/celebration. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. Letter from Wally Parish suggesting improvements that can be made in Burt Township; Letter from Larry Roggenbuck, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, authorizing a grant of \$5000 for tree planting in Woodland Park; Letter from Gee Petruske complaining about the condition of the Community Center following a Women's Club activity on November 30<sup>th</sup> and requesting compensation for cleaning; Letter from JC Ogden concerning help needed putting a rubber roof on the Pickle Barrel building. Board agreed that the DPW employees can help install the rubber roofing. Unsigned Letter presented to the board by Gee Petruske regarding the history of the community center. Letter from the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians declining a request to provide money for the Restoration of the Grand Marais Harbor Dike. Letter from the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians announcing a check in the amount of \$5000 for the dredging of the boat launch. No petitions. Motion by Seibert and seconded to appoint Howard Baker, Ed Massey, and Gee Petruske as members of the Board of Review for 2003 and 2004. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. No resignations.

**Minutes of previous meetings:** Motion by Leavenworth, and seconded to accept minutes of the November 12, 2002, Regular Board Meeting as written. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's report:** Accepted by Supervisor and subject to audit.

**Payment of bills:** Motion by Seibert and seconded to pay the bills. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**Monthly Reports:** Review of Committee Reports: **Snowmobile Committee Report:** Ed Bowen reported that there is no sheriff patrol or snow cop funding available for Grand Marais – also reported that the Alger County Road Commission does not want any snowmobile signs posted in Alger County. Motion by Seibert and seconded to have Lee write a letter to the ACRC in support of the new trail system and posting signs for snowmobilers. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. Alger County Road Commission meeting is scheduled for December 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at the new county garage in Wetmore; **Airport Committee:** Sandee Sibbald said that the airport is closed and signs have been posted to deter snowmobiling in that area – State Law prohibits riding snowmobiles on airport property; **Cemetery Committee:** Ed Bowen said that snowmobile signs were posted and Mike Beek put up fencing to deter snowmobilers from riding through the cemetery; **Greenspace Committee** – meeting scheduled for December 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at the Township Office; **Employee Policy Committee** – no report; **Delinquent Land Committee** – no report; **Planning** – no report; **Zoning** – no report; **War Memorial Committee** – Jim Seibert announced that Mary Alice Johnson and Normajean Bennett are on the committee – report will be given at next board meeting; **Youth Center/Recreation** – Lee Durrwachter announced that Mary Gage would like to continue to schedule volunteers to keep the Youth Center open during the school year. **RLF Committee:** Hilltop Cabin purchase is moving along – CUPPAD study is complete and next level of requirement will be complete on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Supervisors Report:** Supervisor reviewed his meeting with AMCAB senior meals representatives.

**Policies/Resolutions/Refunds:** No Policies were presented. No Resolutions were presented.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** (A) **Five-Year Recreation Plan** – including second basketball court, skateboard park, pickle barrel, Agate Beach Boardwalk, walk/bike path to Cemetery Road: Tabled for special meeting on December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Township Office. (B) **Commercial Water Meters:** Fees, data collection, bill procedures (late fees/collection options). Tabled. (C) **DNR Land Swap at Airport:** Lee to follow up on this. (D) **Fuel Purchase Bids:** Motion by Seibert and seconded to accept the fuel purchase bid from Norman Oil. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. (E) **Other**

**NEW BUSINESS:** (A) **Develop Bidding Guidelines:** Contractors are being asked for their input to help the board develop bidding guidelines. (B) **Compensation Change-Zoning:** Motion by Seibert and seconded to amend the wording of the existing Zoning Administrator policy for pay on Land Use Permits from 75% Commission per application to \$30 per application. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. (C) **Unemployment-"Volunteer" employees:** Durrwachter to contact Township attorney for assistance in handling this. (D) **Natureinabundance Website:** Savage asked if the park or beach access fund could give money toward postage for marketing done for the township by the individual running the website. Request denied. No motion was made.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Time recorded: 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  
 Lori Savage, Township Clerk

These are the unapproved minutes of the December 10, 2002 regular meeting. Included in the body of these are all of the official actions taken by the Burt Township Board.

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- \* Never tell your computer that you're in a hurry.
- \* We pretend to work because they pretend to pay us.
- \* "The reason there are two senators for each state is so that one can be designated driver." - Jay Leno

**BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL**

**Board of Education Meeting**  
 November 11, 2002 7:30 p.m.  
 Approved Minutes

This meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Tester.

**Present:** Tester, Venturato, Hubbard, Kinlaw, Wilson, Brooks, Gage, Student Representative Scaife and Superintendent Greenhoe-Smith. Student of the Month presentations were awarded to Cody Musselman in the Elementary and Devlin Tapert in the Secondary area.

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Gage to approve agenda with additions to new business, presentation of health texts and timber sales allocation. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

**Correspondence:** Letter from Rick Capogrossa concerning Jr. High basketball team.

**Public Comment:** Nancy McDonald -concerns about high heels and growing children. Bone problems. Lou Bailey -concerned about heeled persons and floor being slippery. More rugs.

The minutes from October 7th and October 14<sup>th</sup> meetings were read.

Motion by Hubbard and approved by Brooks to accept the minutes as presented. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

**Treasurer's report was presented.** Balance on hand: CD: \$250,000.00 and checking: \$253,847.20.

Motion by Kinlaw and supported by Gage that the Treasurer's report be received as presented. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

**The bills were read.** Motion by Hubbard and supported by Kinlaw that the bills be paid as received. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Brooks and supported by Hubbard to extend probationary gum chewing period until the end of the semester. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Brooks to accept first reading of Policy 3242. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Hubbard and Supported by Kinlaw to advertise a three-hour position for Special Education teacher for remainder of the school year. / Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Brooks to commit \$5,000.00 of last check from school -forest plan to be earmarked for school forest.

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Gage to adjourn at 9:36 p.m. Ayes: 6 Nays: 1

**VETERANS MEMORIAL UPDATE**

During the week of January 20, 2003, the Memorial Committee will meet to compile a list of names for a new plaque to be added to the Veterans Memorial. We must complete this task soon so that it may be ready for mounting before Memorial Day 2003. Do not let someone be left off this plaque who belongs on it! If you know a veteran from Burt Township who attended high school here or was inducted from Burt Township and is not already on the memorial, let one of us know. Contact Mary Alice Johnson, Norma Jean Bennett or Jim Seibert. Information can also be sent to Burt Township PO Box 430, Grand Marais, MI 49839 or call 906-494-2381.

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### A Message from the Supervisor

By Lee Durrwachter,  
Burt Township Supervisor

By the time you receive this, it's either New Year's Day! Kwanzaa ends (USA). Or it's the Day after New Year's Day (NZ), and Bank Holiday (Scotland)

#### Flashback 2002 - Township in Review:

- Fund raising efforts to acquire downtown properties in Grand Marais to preserve as a park. Applied for acquisition funding through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund.
  - The beginning of a state's solution to make available high-speed Internet for our area, known as Link Michigan..
  - Installed pan and tilt capability on our Harbor Cam, broadcasting over local cable's Channel 29, soon to be on the Internet.
  - Hired a new seasonal park manager for Woodland Park.
  - Constructed a new park pavilion, known as the Helen (Spencer) Marcin Pavilion.
  - Requested public input on establishing new Guidelines in using the Community Center, its associated buildings and recreational facilities.
  - Rebuilt the damaged Green House attached to the Community Center.
  - Signed a contract with the United States Coast Guard (USGC) and our Auxiliary validating its continued support of our harbor, as a Harbor of Refuge.
  - The Army Corps of Engineers is again looking into the restoration of the harbor dike, due to the efforts of Senator Levin and Congressman Stupak.
  - Honoring Frank Mead with the President's Award for Distinguished Citizenship by the President of Northern Michigan University.
  - Applied for a FEMA Grant for Fire Fighters Assistance for the first time entirely over the Internet.
  - Prepared and implemented township's 2002-2003 Budget.
  - ACRC made preparations to pave H58, West through the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore.
  - State Police introduced the idea of a possible Trooper-in Residence Program here to assist in on-site law enforcement.
  - The installation of commercial water meters took place.
  - State Revenue Sharing program is in jeopardy; resulting in less money for the township.
  - This year's Property Taxes were mailed out!
  - The increased property tax valuations has increased our township's ability to borrow up to \$329,250, this year.
  - A Lions Club has been enthusiastically formed here.
  - Area construction continues to be strong in the township.
  - School got a new superintendent.
  - And finally a thank you to the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians for their generous financial contribution to help with the dredging of the boat launch area.
- Happy New Year! Let's make it the best year, ever!

### SNOWMOBILE RALLY

The Sault Ste. Marie Snowmobile Club will have the Great North American Snowmobile Rally on Jan. 24-25. There will be a poker run with cash prizes and a chance to win a 2 up trailer. Attendees will be eligible for door prizes, dinner, kids games and much more fun.  
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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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### Shallow Thought!

I'm willing to make mistakes if someone else is willing to learn from them.

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### WEATHER SUMMARY

DATA is compiled by Karla Bugg,

Cooperative Weather Observer.

Date	Max.	Min.	Pr.	Sn.
Dec. 17	32	7		
Dec. 18	35	23	.02	
Dec. 19	44	34	.29	
Dec. 20	36	30		
Dec. 21	32	27		T
Dec. 22	30	26	.06	1
Dec. 23	28	21	.13	4
Dec. 24	29	21	.06	1
Dec. 25	30	23		
Dec. 26	31	28		
Dec. 27	36	16		
Dec. 28	34	21		
Dec. 29	34	21		
Dec. 30	35	21		

As of the writing, we have 4 inches of snow on the ground in town.  
Since November 1<sup>st</sup> we have had 37.2 inches of snow reported in town.

Karla

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8 WTBS--Atlanta, GA	28 FX
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10 Fox Network	30 Lifetime
11 ESPN 2	31 Sci-Fi Channel
12 ESPN--Ent. Sports Network	32 TV Land
13 WNMU--Marquette PBS	33 FHM--The Family Channel
14 The Disney Channel	34 Home & Garden
15 TNT--Turner Network TV	35 Hallmark
16 WXYZ--Detroit (ABC)	36 Home Shopping
17 H&E--Arts & Entertainment	37 QVC--Shopping Channel
18 The Discovery Channel	38 C-Span
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20 TNN--The Nashville Network	40 The Weather Channel
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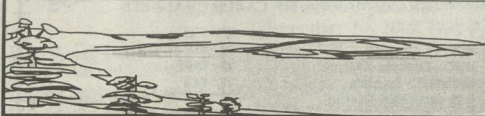
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**AROUND THE BAY:  
BY EVELYN MORRISON**



As the holidays come to an end for us, the snowmobile season is kicking in, full force. Lots of them. Unfortunately it will take them a while to understand the new trail system. All snowmobile traffic is to go through the park and down the old Seney Road. H58 east through town is no longer a through trail for the main traffic flow. It is not being groomed. Please stick to the trails.

There were several activities last week. Caroling through the senior center was nice. Ina Mattson opened her door so she could hear them. Ina broke her wrist and is homebound right now so it was nice to bring a little Christmas to her door. The churches all gathered and sang songs and the bell choir performed last week too. All making it a nice Christmas holiday for many of us.

The Lutheran Church had a big Christmas dinner for anyone that wanted to join them.

Ray Scaife was up from Pleasant Lake with dog Sosa. He spend time with his family and taking sisters Rachel and Elisabeth out for some fun.

Sara Morrison was able to make it in for Christmas this year from Pleasant Lake. We had a quiet Christmas, but very nice. Wendy, Steven and Johnny Sohl came up later in the week and we will all have Christmas when Jenny and Ben come up over New Years.

Dianna and Dave Bell hosted a very nice Christmas Eve open house this year. You guys did a great job, and it's nice to get together with everyone.

Renee' Beaver and Bob Stocking were in town from Grand Rapids for Ruth and Neil Beaver's 60th wedding anniversary, and was able to enjoy Renee's grandchild, Paige's first Christmas. Also in from Marquette were Brooke (Barney) and Ryan Whaley with daughter Paige. They spent time between Paige's grandparents the Whaley's, Beaver's, and Barney's.

Rhonda and Gabby Whaley, in from Traverse City, visited with her parents Ron and Barb Whaley. John, Sara and I were guests at the Whaley's for Christmas dinner. We had a full house, but that is what Christmas is all about.

George Kendall was able to get away and have Christmas with his family in Clare.

I see some of the Bell family around town. George and Helen Bell, and Richard Bell and family are here. Joe and Tina Barsky are in from Minnesota.

Trudy McDonald was able to be in Grand Marais for the holidays this year. Son, Joe, now lives here in town, so makes it easier for her to get back. It was nice to see you.

Jon and Barb Mead were in with their family along with sister Andrea, husband Ralph and son Ben. Katie and Robert Alexander are in too for a month, maybe longer.

Scott and Chris Roberts are in from Mt. Pleasant, staying at the new "Love Shack". (Not sure if the name has been changed).

Theresa Swain was able to go visit son Jim down state for Christmas. Bill and Dorothy Peterson went to WI before Christmas to celebrate with family. Bill's daughter Sue will be up with her family from Il after Christmas for the week.

Reggie and Vic Hughey will have family up this week for Christmas. I understand Santa made a special trip back to their house after Christmas.

Bill and Nadine Bailey went down state to see the rest of the Bailey clan.

Norm Geiger & Kay Wampler were able to get down Christmas day to see Kay's mom, and Norm's family. Short trip but a nice one.

Happy birthday to Helen Bailey, Norm Geiger, Marion Martin, Bob Phillips and Karen Brzys.

See you Around the Bay and keep on smiling.....Evie

**GOOD AFTERNOON  
GRAND MARAIS**

I wish to once again THANK ALL WHO GAVE & GAVE AGAIN. We were able to send Father Joe, a total of \$2700.00, out of a grand total deposited, this year, of \$2358.00. This leaves us with a balance of \$1158.12 in his account. Thank you again for your generosity.

Gustav Petruske Jr.

**GRAND MARAIS  
SENIOR MEALS  
LUNCH**

**WEDNESDAY Jan. 1  
NEW YEAR'S DAY  
NO MEAL SERVICE**

**FRIDAY Jan. 3**  
Meatloaf - AuGratin Potatoes -  
California Blend Vegetables -  
Fruit Shortcake

**MONDAY Jan. 6**  
Chili w/Crackers - Fruited  
Salad - cake

**WEDNESDAY Jan. 8**  
Cook's Choice - Potatoes -  
Mixed Vegetables - Fruit

**FRIDAY Jan. 10**  
Beef Cutlet w/Onions - Baked  
Potato - Broccoli/Cheese  
Sauce - Fruit

**MONDAY Jan. 13**  
Meatballs - Boiled Potatoes -  
Brussel Sprouts - Dessert

**WEDNESDAY Jan. 15**  
Pasty Pie - Stewed Tomatoes -  
Pudding

**FRIDAY Jan. 17**  
Beef Stew w/Potatoes - Car-  
rots & Rutabaga - Coleslaw -  
Fruit Crisp

*Items subject to change.)*

Senior Nutrition Program meals are provided by Alger-Marquette Community Action Board (AMCAB) for persons 60 or older & their spouses.

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**OBITUARIES**

**RICHARD BURTON STONE**

Richard B. Stone, age 62, died in his sleep November 19, 2002. He was the fiancé of Georgia Siemen. He was survived by sons: Kevin, Kirt, Ken and Richard; his mother, Dorothy Stone; sister, Sandra Bailey; nieces, nephew, grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded by his father, Harry B. Stone and his brother, D.P. (Stoney) Stone.

Richard and the entire Stone family spent many happy days at Grand Marais.

Services were held in Dearborn for American Legion Post 364 and the Fairlane Eagles.

**BEVERLY J. ROGERS**



Beverly J. (Mann) Rogers 74, passed away at her residence in Middlebury, IN on December 19, 2002. Beverly was born in Indianapolis, IN January 30, 1928 to the late George & Nellie (Bentley) Mann.

Beverly married James L. Rogers, January 6, 1951 at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Middlebury. Beverly was a member of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church. She was an avid Bridge player and a strong Animal Rights Advocate.

She was survived by her husband James Rogers; sons, Michael J. Rogers, Nashville, TN; Richard W. & Manette Rogers, Elkhart, IN; John E. Rogers, Key West, FL and Theodore Rogers, Rockford, MI; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Mary Ann Cart.

Services for Beverly were held on Sunday, December 22, 2002, with Rev. James F. Simpson and Rev. Thomas Herbon at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Middlebury.

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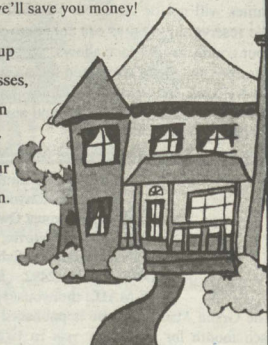
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By Ty Washell

I hesitate to criticize the "elite," the "wealthy," or the "brain trusts" of the world for fear of being considered prejudiced against those who may or may not be doing all they can to help make this world a better place for all and not just a precious few.

Anything that any human has is a gift from somewhere. Most of us do not "earn" spit, in the strictest sense of the word, because anything we have (monetarily) is based on what someone else is willing to pay us. You can work your ever loving tail off, but if no one "buys" your product, you might better be fishing.

Free trade of course is the answer, but not necessarily between nations. For instance, if we import a shipload of stuffed toys we don't need and trade several shiploads of food products that we don't need, then someone is getting shafted. Could it be the American Farmer?

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And mistakes were very few

He devoted years of labor  
To these works of art  
That could thrill an angel  
With the sound that they impart

I see these works of beauty  
And marvel at the sight  
He was the master craftsman  
That always did it right

So when it comes to craftsmen  
That ply the fiddle trade  
Stradivari was the master  
With the violins that he made

By Ty Washell  
OLD MAN OF THE WOODS

**Shallow Thoughts!**

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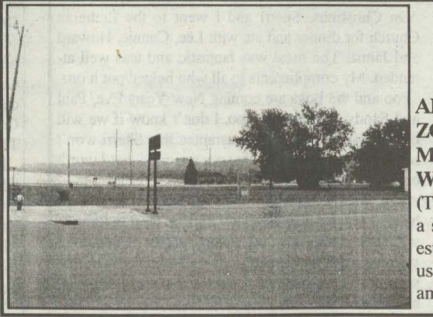
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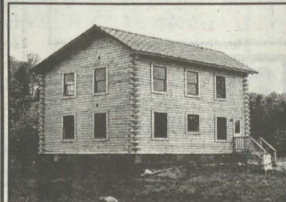
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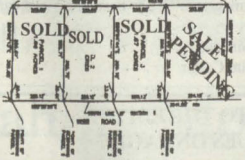
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**"HUNGRY"  
BUTS & PASSES  
JIM**

By the time you read this issue, the New Year will have arrived and with it, all hope for the Peace we wished each other will be gone. Another 25,000 troops are on their way to stations in the Mid-East and they ain't goin' there for R&R. It is obvious to anyone but a complete moron that "Crybaby" is going to go to war with Iraq come Hell or high water. North Korea poses a bigger threat to the world than Iraq ever could, yet we will use diplomacy to control them. Don't be too surprised if we lose South Korea to the North, just like Vietnam, and the entire Korean Peninsula becomes a nuclear threat. It seems like our war on terror has all but come to an end except the spending which goes on at record levels. Our "Homeland Security" boys have yet to face the biggest problem to our security, our porous borders, despite the fact that everyone on both sides knows it is the number one problem. Now we have five more terrorists running around the country because they "slipped by immigration". They probably asked for directions and were welcomed to America by the officers.

I received an interesting attachment with a tax bill that hits the bull's eye as far as I am concerned. I don't think it was the main message that I was supposed to get from it but then to each his or her own. A small boy asked his dad what started wars. His dad replied "Well, in W.W.I, the Germans invaded Belgium." His wife broke into the conversation saying "Tell him the truth, it was because someone was assassinated". The husband retorted "Are you answering the question, or am I?" The wife storms out of the room and slams the door. After the room stops vibrating, the boy says "Daddy you don't have to tell me how wars start. Now I know!" No wonder Pride stands first of the Capital Sins.

I followed my tradition this year by watching my favorite version of Dickens's "Christmas Carol", the one starring Alistair Simm. The haunting message of the end of the Ghost of Christmas Present needs to be heard and heeded by our leaders. I am referring to his reference to the two ragged children, "This boy is ignorance, this girl is hunger, beware of them both but especially beware of this boy." Well we have a lot of both in this country but the world abounds with them. Maybe we ought to consider doing something about them instead of making the world "do it our way."

The elephants continue to lie about the state of our economy and continue to do things to make it worse. My right wing son-in-law is continuing to send me propaganda, one of the latter ones was about a denial to help bail out Boeing with some big time pork. If this is true, I give those responsible KUDOS, it is a small beginning to a huge task that I have little hope that either side will work to eliminate. I also hear a bold faced lie repeated every time an elephant is questioned about the economy. "The recession is over, things are better, signs are positive". If they would end their statement "I am full of s---!" they would at least be telling one truth. Not only do good jobs continue to decline but also unemployment continues to climb. Homelessness is a bigger problem now than ever, even people who work can not afford housing. The Crybaby lie that "Faith Based Initiatives" would pick up the slack hasn't happened. Because of the rotten economy giving is down and re-

quests for help are up. Another interesting accomplishment of the elephants, with help from Slick, is that in 1960, two thirds of Americans had jobs with health insurance provided. Today the number is one third and declining every year. Now that federal income is down, and if the right wing has its way it will get even lower, the elephants are spending at record levels further eroding any confidence investors have in this administration and congress. At this rate, I see no hope for improvement in the near future. Where is the utopia the elephants were going to give us? They won't have the Senate to blame for everything pretty soon. I wonder what their lies will be then.

I got my invitation to "Jenny's" inauguration, did you? She had better enjoy her few days of pomp and circumstances; Adolph has left her a state in sad shape. It would not surprise me if he were to further sabotage the state before he leaves, if it is possible. Not only has he bankrupted the state but he has stolen money from local governments putting counties, cities and townships in serious financial straits. Don't count on any harbor, water or sewer projects; the Feds and State have Pork to pay for and bills to pay.

And finally. Happy 87th Birthday to Grannie Annie on January 8. For some reason, I thought she was only 85. She is in pretty good shape considering that she reared seven children, two of which were real challenges. It is a good thing she had me, the second eldest, on whom she could rely.

On Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup>, Sherri and I drove to Iron Mt. so that I could be X-rayed from head to foot as preparation for my MRI. We were going to stop at Marquette for the kid's Christmas program but school had been cancelled and the program rescheduled. We spent the night at Lizzard and Doc's; all the kids and their parents came over to exchange gifts.

Paul and family came down the following Monday to bring in some wood and assemble Sherri's presents. He and Marc did a fine job while I supervised. Doc said that my moustache looked like walrus tusks so I had to have Sherri trim it. Lizzard now has a secret hiding spot. Dizzy called from Florida to tell me she had a doggy, his name is Wiggles. While on the phone with her, Mary, whoever that is, picked up another line and we had a short conversation which Dizzy did not like at all. Hoo and Too called but were too busy playing with their new toys to say much.

The Brat brought her grandsons over for a visit and I pulled a few gummy worms out of their ears. Cameron was quite impressed and told his parents how cool it was; Andrew could have cared less. They both had a ball playing with my toys while the adults cringed because of the music the toys made.

On Christmas, Sherri and I went to the Lutheran Church for dinner and ate with Lee, Connie, Howard and Janna. The meal was fantastic and was well attended. My compliments to all who helped put it on.

Poo and the boys are coming New Years Eve, Paul and Sandy and the girls too. I don't know if we will be baby-sitting but I can guarantee that Sherri won't see 2003 arrive and the chances are good that I won't either.

And finally, finally. With 25,000 more troops headed for the Mid-East, it won't be long before we will attack Iraq. Keep our young service personnel in your thoughts and prayers. It won't be long before some of them give the ultimate sacrifice. Keep in mid also those left behind who worry constantly. Until next year.  
Hungry Jim



Your letters are welcomed. The views expressed by our writers and guest correspondents reflect the opinions of those writers and correspondents and are not those explicitly endorsed by the Gazette.

Dear Editor:  
**WAKE UP GRAND MARAIS  
YOU ARE BEING VIOLATED.**

It's time that the Burt Township Board and the business community extract their heads from wherever they hide them and face reality--

**Control the snowmobiles. Or, have snowmobiles banned!**

The Burt Township Board has facilitated infrastructure repair but doesn't do a damn thing about protecting the health and well-being of the citizens who pay their salaries

**PUT UP OR LOSE YOUR SEATS!**

The business community builds profits on the back of local citizens by not doing a damn thing to moderate the snowmobile problem. WAKE UP! Money from each business that profits from snowmobiles (toward control) would show the citizens your good intent. Then, it wouldn't be necessary to seek a VOTE TO BAN.

This might be the time that the Burt Township and the business community meet and discuss an ethical solution. If the Board considers throwing money in the pot (the park is a "cash cow") and the business community contribute, such a combined effort would be a beginning to solve a terribly disruptive snowmobile situation!

Larry Allyn (A disgusted payer of local taxes for 21 years!)

Editor:

Surprise:

We have heard for years about our young people who cannot read, but, just a look at the older kids on the snow machines who absolutely cannot read as they are traveling at such high speed and can't even see signs.

Question also. What is being done about a sewer system? Could help whole town.

Wally Parish

Editor,

**A MESSAGE TO SNOWMOBILERS**

The citizens of Grand Marais are happy to have a new, well groomed trail for the Snowmobilers this year. This was created to eliminate the eastern entrances to town.

Unfortunately, a good number of you seem to enjoy driving through peoples yards, racing down both sides of the road and what's with the constant revving of your engines? Those of us that like to walk in the winter have to put that on hold or daily risk getting run over by a snowmobile traveling at way more than the 25 mph that the cars are doing.

The new trail was planned in an effort to make the snowmobile season good for all. It's too bad that a few rude and disrespectful individuals make some of us dread the coming of winter.

So snowmobilers.....try the new trail and when in town show some respect for the people that live here.

Mary Heacox

Dear Editor:

On November 22, the three-judge panel of the Michigan Court of Appeals, in a unanimous decision, affirmed the judgment of the Alger County Circuit Court in the case involving the status of land within the old Burton Ave./Summit St. right-of-way in Grand Marais. The Appeals Court decision is not being appealed to the Michigan Supreme Court. Therefore, the decision of the Appeals Court is final.

The court's two-page decision came sooner than expected. It said that when a portion of the plat of West Grand Marais was vacated in 1894 by the Grand Marais Mill Company, the streets and alleys, as well as the lots affected, reverted to the ownership of the company, and that "...the Mill Company was free to convey the vacated property, including the former right-of-way, in any manner that it saw fit." A copy of the decision (case #237-868) is available from the Appeals Court in Lansing.

Over the past century, more than two dozen parcels within the former right-of-way were sold by the Grand Marais Mill Company and its heirs. In 1999, a study by the Township's Zoning Board of Appeals Chair John Markes, commissioned by the Township Board, raised serious questions about the validity of deeds to property within the right-of-way. Markes went so far as to say that the right-of-way had never been vacated and therefore remained public land. A release of the study to Grand Marais Post Office boxholders raised a storm of controversy and caused widespread confusion over the status of land title within the right-of-way. This led to the litigation now finally resolved by the Appellate Court.

In addition to the controversy and confusion experienced by the community, the study has caused major difficulties and stress for those of us who own property within the former right-of-way. It has been a sorry chapter in the history of Burt Township, and--after the necessary actions have been taken to repair the damage which has been done--we can put this all behind us.

Sincerely,  
Jim Carter

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## DO THE RIGHT THING

By Lee Goewey

*"The mere existence of conservatives should be proof enough to liberals of the fallacy of their belief in the perfectibility of mankind."*

As we move from the specific to the general, from the personal to the anonymous, we often find that we move from the sublime to the ridiculous. In the following four examples, I offer you three of the former and one of the latter, by way of illustration.

In his sermon on the mount, one of the things Jesus taught his twelve disciples was what we know as *The Lord's Prayer*: His summation of what we need to take into account when we pray to God totals 66 words.

Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, an immortal message of healing and hope to our nation while embroiled in civil war, consisted of only 286 words.

In 1776, fifty-six representatives of the United States of America addressed the nations of the world, pledging their lives, fortunes and sacred honor in our Declaration of Independence. This totaled but 1322 words.

In 2002, the U.S. Government rules and regulations for the sale of cabbage amounts to 26,911 words. Are you able to figure out which of these four examples is ridiculous?

Our founders clearly understood that government was a necessary evil, and that the less there was of it and the fewer and simpler its powers, the freer and safer we would be. Unique among the nations of the world, the American people held all power at the outset. Only power that the people gave the government was power the government legitimately possessed. Government, in other words, could not ever legally possess any power not already possessed by the people. (This is a test which you may apply to law and regulation today.) The people also understood that each transfer of power to government lessened the freedom of the people; therefore the powers of government needed to be kept few and specifically enumerated in the Constitution.

Generations of Americans since then have incrementally handed over more and more power, losing more and more freedom in the process. In recent years, the courts have been allowed to usurp legislative power, making law themselves, illegally, by judicial fiat, and they have not been successfully deterred in doing so. Aggravating this process has been an accelerating trend of failure of adult citizens to pass on to succeeding generations of children the value and importance of our heritage and history. Today, all cultures are held to be of equal value and our own is given short shrift. This is a sure route to national suicide, and many of our intellectuals in positions of influence and authority, especially in education, hold that not to be a bad thing.

Regulations for the sale of cabbage are an excellent example of the insane mountains of minutiae produced by an ever-more powerful government, to the attendant paralysis and diminution of our freedom. We are surrounded today on every side by bureaucracy run amok and, because it all takes place so slowly, we are like the proverbial frog who began to be boiled alive in a cool pot of water atop a cold stove. We don't realize what's happening to us until it's too late.

It's long past time for us to DO THE RIGHT THING and reclaim the freedom we have lost by giving the government powers it doesn't need, to do things better left undone, or that we should have done for ourselves. (Done at the local level where we have a prayer of controlling and directing them.) We must be especially vigilant now to avoid losing precious freedoms in the name of "homeland security." All options must be carefully considered.

Your first step must be to educate yourself on the situation and then insure that you and your schools teach your children what they need to know to save themselves and their country from the lunatic lovers of big government. Always remember the "KISS" principle: Keep It Simple, Stupid: We don't need twenty-seven thousand words to tell us how to sell cabbage!

After these things are accomplished, let your elected officials know what you believe and what you expect from them, in a courteous manner. You may contact your public servants at the following addresses; be sure to include your name, address and phone number if you snail or e-mail them, and HAPPY NEW YEAR!:

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### A Bottle Of Perfume

After being away on business, Tim thought it would be nice to bring his wife a little gift.

"How about some perfume?" he asked the cosmetics clerk.

She showed him a bottle costing \$50.00.

"That's a bit much," said Tim, so she returned with a smaller bottle for \$30.00.

"That's still quite a bit," Tim complained.

Growing annoyed, the clerk brought out a tiny \$15.00 bottle.

"What I mean," said Tim, "is I'd like to see something really cheap."

The clerk handed him a mirror.

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Editor:

#### DECISION RENDERED ON THE BURTON/SUMMIT-CONTROVERSEY

After so many years of turmoil, harassment and costly legal fees for many of our local property owners, this controversy has been settled.

It was caused by the 70 some page report, compiled by John Markes, and sanctioned by our Township Board upon the request of one property owner, then mailed out to all Burt township residents. I was tremendously upset upon receiving this report, as I knew he had to be in error, and rudely asked him why he would do such a thing. Like the old cliché of "opening a can of worms," I predicted he had opened one that would never be closed and some neighbors would never be good neighbors again. The decisions rendered first by our Circuit Court, and being appealed, again by the Appellate Court, has solved this matter beyond question.

This report, questioned a strip of land, known as the Burton Avenue/Summit Street right-of-way, which stretched from Cowell Street west for seven blocks. His whole report was based upon the fact that this so-called right-of-way was actually still in Township ownership, therefore anyone who had been deeded any part of it over the past 100 years or more, did not have good title to it. Unfortunately, or perhaps I should say lack of thorough research in not obtaining a copy of the document proving that it had been vacated, legally, in 1894 brought about this drawing out conflict...

I know the majority of the Grand Marais people, who received Markes report, not understanding it, just set it aside. Others, who were more knowledgeable of events that had transpired in the past, did not, and many were upset that this was allowed to happen. If the individual who sought this information to be legally researched, feeling they had justification that past land transactions were not done as law demanded, certainly it should have been done by a licensed attorney, qualified to do such a search, instead of someone, who felt they had the expertise to challenge records from over a hundred years past, and more important, having our own elected representatives, go along with it.

Many involved, who were once good neighbors, will never be again. In the process of doing this search, and disseminating a personal, unqualified opinion, two people, both of whom had devoted most of their lives to our town, were critically and publicly demeaned, to the point where their reputations were jeopardized.

On the basis of this one man's, and again I will use the word, "unqualified", opinion neighbors cut into neighbors property, others actually, and deliberately placed old cars and trailers, woodpiles and such upon a neighbors beautiful lawn, without seeking out a legal opinion as to whether or not they had such a right. When our law officer was called he then threatened to arrest the people who had suffered this trespass if they were to try and remove what was placed on their property. This certainly was enough to shake the faith of a lot of people as to the fairness of our elected, or appointed township representatives, and law officer. Even when presented with documented proof, that this unqualified person's opinion definitely needed to be questioned, our board simply ignored it. In answering peoples questions as to the status of the situation, they also claimed having no part in it.

In all fairness, all of our residents should demand that, both, or at least the Appellate Court of Appeals decision should be made public to all Burt Township residents. I would hope this may set a precedent that might prohibit this ever occurring again, and that our elected officials will seek competent legal guidance before they concur with such a misguided, report, such as the one they allowed, that initiated all these problems.

Many of you might say that since I personally was not affected by any of this, it's none of my business. I disagree and feel these things need to be known by all of our people, as, whenever any questions were brought to our Township Board, in regard to this conflict, they always claimed they really did not have any responsibility in it.

The entire conflict was based upon the fact that it was the Township who supposedly owned this disputed area, and since they never even questioned the facts rendered by this unqualified person, and that they had sanctioned his doing this, they could not truthfully claim they were uninvolved. By allowing this to have been sent to all the people, and even within its content, the author claiming it was under the Township auspices, how could they not be involved?

I watched my neighbors suffer through all this turmoil, causing them even some health problems, not to mention the years it has taken to have this resolved, and the money they have had to spend to have it proved that the property they purchased, and vastly improved, was theirs.

I definitely believe some apologies should also be made, especially to Frank Mead, and James Carter, both whose integrity was questioned. Most of you folks have known both of these men for many, many years, and of their devotion to Grand Marais. I'm of the oldest generation here now, and I do not know any living person today who has more documented proof of land transactions, and of Grand Marais history than Jim Carter. He printed his very first publication when he was ten years old, and is still working on an update. Everyone who cares and treasures the past events of our town, should thank him for this, as it is the only way we will have this to pass down to our future generations. After all the years of dedication to our town, these men did not deserve to be treated so upon the basis of such a report prepared by an unqualified, and fairly newcomer to this town.

Della Meldrum



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### Burt Township School District Superintendent's Corner

Turning the calendar to a new year prompts one to reflect on the year gone by. It also inspires one to plan and prepare for the year ahead. As we embrace 2003, I reflect upon changes and inspirations which touched my life during 2002 and am encouraged at prospects for the upcoming year.

Moving to Grand Marais has been a delightful experience. The people of the community, the staff of the school, the students and their families are sincere in desire and action. Everyone is extremely helpful and welcoming. The greatest inspiration to me daily is working with the students of Grand Marais schools. This reinforces my commitment to making a difference at our school and in this community.

The school will face challenges in 2003. The ongoing challenge to keep our doors open and provide a safe learning environment for our students and this community continues. The staff will be challenged to implement No Child Left Behind legislation and the Education Yes! initiative. We are faced with a new accreditation format and method of measuring school success combined. This is combined with budgetary constraints.

One significant component of the NCLB/Education Yes! process is insuring student success. This is addressed in both academic and social areas. The staff began training in positive behavior supports last August. This ongoing training assists the staff as they work with challenging youth. The training focuses on intervention. Staff work to intercede in situations without escalating them. The intent is to assist students in forming socially acceptable methods of dealing with stressors.

As educators, we prepare students for the world. We focus on Rules, Responsibility and Respect. Learning these three R's will help students be successful in school and beyond. Positive Behavior Supports is only one component of this learning for our students.

We reflect upon where we have gone thus far, in preparing for the journey ahead. We take stock of where we are to this point in order that we may move forward productively and effectively. We rejoice in overcoming hurdles and depend upon our tenacity to facing the future. 2002 has proven to fit this pattern. Here's to 2003 and our continued success!

Until Next Time,  
Happy Learning  
Happy Teaching  
Happy Living  
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### BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL LUNCH SCHEDULE

**Thurs. January 2**  
Lunch - Cook's Choice - Corn - Fruit

**Fri. January 3**  
Lunch - Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup - Tuna /PBJ Sandwich - Pears

**Mon. January 6**  
Lunch -Baked Potato - Broccoli/ Cheese - Orange Slices

**Tues. January 7**  
Lunch - Ravioli - Breadsticks - Carrots - Fruit

**Wed. January 8**  
Lunch - Nachos - Corn - Apple-sauce

**Thurs. January 9**  
Lunch - Scallop Potatoes - Kielbasa or Hot Dog - Rolls (Home Ec)

**Fri. January 10**  
Lunch - Pizza - Corn - Pears

**Mon. January 13**  
Lunch - Corn Dogs - Corn - French Fries - Pineapple

**Tues. January 14**  
Lunch - Soup & Sandwiches (Tuna/PBJ) Green Beans - Fruit

**Wed. January 15**  
Lunch -Tacos - Carrots - Pears

**Thurs. January 16**  
Lunch - Chicken Patty on Bun w/ Cheese - Green Beans - Peaches

**Fri. January 17**  
Lunch - Ravioli - Breadsticks - Carrots -

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Menu planned and formatted by Mrs. Scaife's High School Home Ec Students.

### My Version of the Hunting Song

By: Rusty

As I sit in my deer blind  
Hoping to see a deer or two  
Singing my little chant for luck  
Caula, caula, caula

The chant worked at first,  
A couple of deer walked in.  
As I watch them eat, I still chant  
Caula, caula, caula

After the second of the chanting  
A buck walks in, but too small  
Not quite big enough to shoot,  
Caula, caula, caula

The evening fades to dark  
Happy to see a buck, and happy  
To let him go. But I still sing  
when I'm there  
Caula, caula, caula

### BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL STUDENTS' CORNER

#### To his Excellency Sammy Sosa

By: Rachel Scaife

Such bulky arms and thighs and friendly frame,  
So many pitchers you have put to shame.  
You made those long balls trademark of your game,  
The Cubs I love can't win and you're not to blame.  
The years to come will hopefully bring out wins,  
I can't wait until a new year begins.  
As twenty-one comes running through the field,  
As fierce as a bull, how many stats will he yield  
Remains to be known by loyal fans of the game,  
They watch with tender hearts as he gets fame.

#### To His Excellency Mark Mancuso

By: Catherine Bodak

As you stand in front of a big blue screen,  
You tell me where the snowstorms will be seen.  
Always telling the weather everyday,  
You're the best meteorologist I have to say.  
Working for the Weather Channel, telling the folks  
About jet streams, lows and fronts with Bob Stokes,  
There is Heather Tesh and Vivian Brown,  
But you're still my favorite weatherman in town

#### To his Excellency James Wanden

By: Tara B.

I always thought you were so cute, who knew?  
Knew that one day it would be just us two.  
Now it has been ten months and sixteen days.  
You make me happy in so many ways.  
I may only see you on the weekend,  
But you still are my one very best friend.  
Now you and I are approaching one year,  
Trying to tell myself, nothing to fear.  
But if we're not together, me and you,  
At least you're there as someone to talk to.

#### Waterfalls

By: Ashleigh

The rushing waterfalls  
And the calming stream  
The natural beauty  
We all have seen  
The essence of nature  
And the creation of new life  
With help of mother earth  
Who watches us throughout the night  
The bright new day  
Fill with sunshine  
Giving up way  
Throughout all the day

### BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT 2002-2003 SCHOOL CALENDAR

January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2003 SCHOOL RESUMES

Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> Six Weeks Marking Period Ends

Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> Progress Reports Due

February, 21<sup>st</sup> NO SCHOOL -

Professional Development Day in Grand Marais

Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> Six Weeks Marking Period Ends

March 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL - Spring Break

Monday, March 31<sup>st</sup> SCHOOL RESUMES

Monday, March 31<sup>st</sup> Progress Reports Due

Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL

Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup> NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> Six Weeks Marking Period Ends

Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> Progress Reports Due

Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> 2:00 p.m. Graduation

Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day

Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> Six Weeks Marking Period Ends

Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

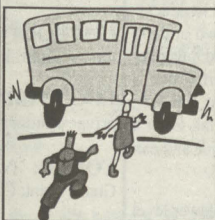
### BURT TOWNSHIP 2002/2003 SPORTS SCHEDULE BASKETBALL

1/3 - 1/4	Grand Marais @ Hannahville	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM
1/13	Engadine @ Grand Marais	6:00 PM
1/17 - 1/18	Mackinac Island @ Grand Marais	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM
1/24 - 1/25	Hannahville @ Grand Marais	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM
1/31 - 2/1	Grand Marais @ Beaver island	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM
2/4	Grand Marais @ Engadine	6:00 PM
2/7	Grand Marais @ Munising Baptist	6:00 PM
2/14 - 2/15	Paradise @ Grand Marais	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM
2/21 - 2/22	Grand Marais @ Mackinac Island	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM

### VOLLEYBALL

1/3 - 1/4	Grand Marais @ Hannahville	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM
1/13	Engadine @ Grand Marais	6:00 PM
1/17 - 1/18	Mackinac Island @ Grand Marais	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM
1/24 - 1/25	Hannahville @ Grand Marais	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM
1/31 - 2/1	Grand Marais @ Beaver Island	6:30 PM / 9:00 AM
2/7	Grand Marais @ Munising Baptist	6:00 PM
2/8	Engadine Tournament	9:00 AM

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**400 FEET OF BEAUTIFUL FRONTAGE ON A SMALL INLAND LAKE:** This parcel has lots of pine trees and a sandy beach. Located five miles from Grand Marais with underground power at the site. The road is a seasonal road offering lots of privacy. \$200,000.

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**NICE WOODED LOTS:** 100 X 200 feet with power on property. \$19,900.

**TEN ACRES WITH GARAGE, MOBILE HOME, AND OUT BUILDINGS:** This is a beautiful piece of property. Lots of good deer hunting and close to snowmobile trails. The mobile home is 14 feet by 60 feet and is only 10 years old. Very good condition. Two miles southeast of Grand Marais. \$74,500.00

**660 FEET ON LAKE SUPERIOR WITH 25 ACRES:** Located in pristine setting, this one of a kind parcel is unique to the Midwest. Can't be duplicated. Access off a plowed road, electric close by. \$350,000.

**MOBILE HOME ON DEEP LOT IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS:** Located only three blocks from downtown and a short walk to the beach. This is in excellent condition and would make an ideal second home in Grand Marais. \$58,500.

**HILLTOP CABINS IN GRAND MARAIS:** This resort has it all. Located one mile east of town, this beautiful vacation paradise sits on top of the Grand Marais ridge that follows the Lake Superior shoreline. The views are spectacular. Several of the year round cabins and motel rooms have been completely remodeled. The three bedroom, two bath home has also been remodeled. There are sixteen rental units and they all have a new sewer and water system. Close to snowmobile trails, hiking trails, and public beaches. Nice trees and plenty of room to roam make this one of the nicest vacation spots in the Grand Marais area. Reasonably priced at only \$450,000.

**THREE VIEW PARCELS:** These are located along the ridge overlooking Lake Superior one mile east of Grand Marais. All of these heavily wooded sites have acreage and a lot of privacy, with access at the top of the hill off Webb Rd. Two of them have a nice stream meandering across the property. The stream tumbles and falls over a rock bottom with several waterfalls. One parcel has a spectacular waterfall that is registered in the book of Michigan Waterfalls. The parcels vary between 100 feet, 150 feet, and 175 feet. Prices are \$65,000 and \$75,000. The large waterfall is on a 100 foot parcel for \$65,000. The two parcels with the streams are side by side and can be purchased together.

**RANCH STLYE HOME:** This 4 bedroom home has a nice walkout lower level with a one car garage. Nestled in a hardwood setting, it's only a short walk to downtown. Quiet and peaceful on one of Grand Marais' side streets. \$83,000.

**FIVE ACRES WITH HOME AND GARAGE:** This is really nice. The 30' by 36' garage is only four years old. The two bedroom, one bath home has a nice fireplace and den plus a warm living room. Completely furnished, the price is only \$86,000.00

**CONDO:** This is one of the upper units with 1 1/2 baths. A large picture window looks out over the bay. Nice six panel deck, washer/dryer combo and storage shed. \$105,900.

**VERY NICE HOME ON 20 ACRES WITH STREAM:** This picturesque site borders the National Park on a year round road. The 2 bedroom, 1 bath home has a full basement and lots of privacy. The stream meanders along side the 20 acres on its way to Lake Superior. Priced at \$122,000.

**TWO BEDROOM ONE BATH HOME IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS:** Located only one block from the main business district on a 45 foot lot this would make an ideal rental when you are away. In very good condition. \$70,000.00.

**FIVE ACRE PARCEL WITH NEW HOME UNDER CONSTRUCTION:** This will be a two bedroom home, one bath, with a two car garage. Nice wooded parcel with year round electric and cable. Price includes siding, roof, rough in electric, all windows and garage door. Ready to finish the interior. Priced at only \$60,000.00

**TWO 100 BY 100 FOOT LOTS IN THE SCHOOL FOREST AREA:** These lots are side by side so the parcel would be 200 feet wide by 100 feet deep. Electric is in and also a health department approved septic system. Located off School Forest Road this would make an ideal hide away. The road is a seasonal road-not plowed in the winter. \$16,000. for both lots.

**LARGE HOME TWO MILES EAST OF GRAND MARAIS:** This home has over 1600 sq. ft. of living area with an attached 1 1/2 car garage and large dry basement. Three bedroom, 1 3/4 baths, on a large lot with plenty of trees. Includes a two bedroom guest house which is an ideal rental. An outbuilding contains a nice workshop with a storage lean-to. Priced at only \$88,500.

**REMODELED HOME WITH THREE BARN ON FORTY ACRES:** This wooded 40 has a view of Lake Superior from the top of the hill. The 3 bedroom 2 bath home has attached car garage and a full basement. Two barns are older, one is a new pole barn. The home is beautiful inside with a stainless steel kitchen. \$169,500.

**A CUTE HOME WITH GARAGE IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS:** This two bedroom home is very clean and has a like new two car garage. New bath, nice kitchen. Only two blocks from beach. Reasonable at \$69,500.

**FIVE BEDROOM THREE BATH HOME IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS:** This home has had extensive remodeling over the past few years and is in excellent condition. The view overlooking the bay is spectacular. Three car garage, and a corner lot. Would make an ideal Bed and Breakfast. \$125,000

**1.1 ACRE PARCEL HEAVILY WOODED WITH NICE STREAM:** This would make an ideal cabin site. The stream runs year round and is nestled in a very beautiful setting. The property is located on a year round road, with electric and cable, about two miles out of town. The trees are mixed hardwood and in the front yard is an apple orchard. Good deer hunting and close to the snowmobile trail. \$28,500.

**187 FEET OF SANDY BEACH FRONTAGE ON GRAND MARAIS BAY:** This deeply wooded parcel has a nice upland building site with a driveway down to the beachfront. Priced at \$149,500.

**TWO BEDROOM HOME ON CORNER LOT:** This bungalow home is on a corner lot in the downtown area and has a view of the water. \$51,500.

**CONDO:** Two bedroom lower level unit in Bayview Condominiums on Coast Guard Point. Includes a storage shed. \$65,000

**LOG CABIN:** This cozy little two bedroom log cabin is nestled in back of a privacy cedar hedge just outside of Grand Marais on H-58.

**CONDO:** Two bedroom lower level unit in Bayview Condominiums on Coast Guard Point. Completely remodeled with new appliances and new carpet. \$96,000.

**30 ACRES IN SCHOOL FOREST AREA:** Nice woods, lots of privacy. Electric close by. Located on a seasonal road. \$30,000

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In the middle of the night, the villagers woke to the sound of blood-curdling shrieks coming from the pasture. As they carefully approached, they saw the hunter on the ground, groaning in pain. There was no sign of the lion.  
"What happened, Joie? Where is the lion?" asked the chief.  
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**BINGO:** Every Sunday at 7:00 p.m. at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church.  
**BURT TOWNSHIP BOARD:** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Comm. Ctr.  
**BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BOARD:** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 7:30 p.m. at School Library.  
**GRAND MARAIS WOMEN'S CLUB:** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at Community Center.  
**GRAND MARAIS LIONS CLUB (Board):** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. Regular meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. of the month. 7:00 p.m. Community Center  
**BURT TOWNSHIP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:** Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center.  
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