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ATTENTION: MARK YOUR CALANDER!

The Medical First Responder class begins Tuesday, April 1st, at 6:30 PM. The books have arrived and we are looking forward to a very informative, educational class. If you are a community minded citizen concerned about keeping our ambulance functional and feel you would like to take this training--PLEASE call Bob or Nancy Weston (494-2744) for information or application or Write: Box 414, Grand Marais, MI 49839.

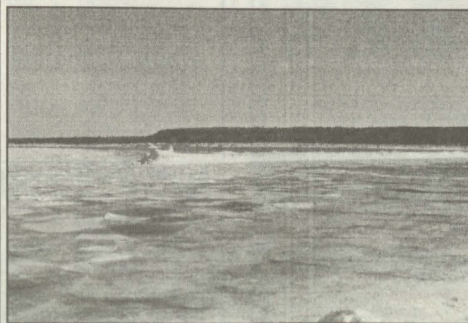
At the successful completion of this course you will be able to obtain a National Registry MFR license as well as a State of Michigan license.



Quick Response Avoids Potential Problem for Burt Township

During a routine inspection of the ambulance on Friday night, Steve Bell discovered that the ambulance would not start. After trying a few things that did not get the unit started, he called Alger County Road Commission mechanic, Joey Venturato. Joey rolled out of bed and drove down to the ambulance barn to take a look at the problem. After checking things out, Joey pronounced the unit unusable and in need of a trip to the shop on a wrecker. He thought it was probably an injector problem. This left Burt Township without an ambulance and minus their director and assistant director who were both out of town. The Ambulance Corp volunteers that were here, Marc Oglevie, Evelyn Morrison and Steve Bell took over and began the process of fixing the problem. A call to the Alger County Sheriff's department put the Munising EMS on standby to cover this area until Burt Township could get to Munising to pick up an ambulance to use while ours is in the shop. School Superintendent, Brenda Smith volunteered to go to Munising and drive the ambulance back, Hungry Jim was drafted to drive her to Munising. As luck would have it, an ambulance was leaving Munising as Brenda and Jim arrived. Unknown to them, the ambulance was headed for Grand Marais to handle a snowmobile accident personal injury. Brenda got a crash course on the ambulance and highballed for Grand Marais with Hungry Jim close behind. When Brenda got to town, Steve Bell was at the intersection of 77 and Airport Rd. to guide Brenda to the scene, just east of the tin shack. When she arrived, the Munising unit was released and the Burt Township crew took over. The patient was transported to Newberry Hospital, and the sick ambulance was towed to Newberry for repair. Burt Township is now using its previous unit that went to Munising when we got a new one. This is a good example how a major problem can be averted by the quick work of a few people and cooperation among agencies. Thank you to: Alger County EMS and Sheriff's Department, ACRC mechanic- Joey Venturato, Brenda Smith, Hungry Jim and the Burt Township Ambulance Corp volunteers for expeditiously and efficiently responding to and solving this problem.

CHANGE OF SEASONS IN GRAND MARAIS



With the warming trend this last week, spring seems to be just around the corner. Then again Mother Nature has the tendency to change her mind.

The snow we received this winter is starting to melt. The ice in the bay and near the shore of Lake Superior is starting to breakup. You can even find bare ground in the yards in town.

With the change in the weather, the frost under the roads is thawing making the shoulders are soft. Weight restrictions are in effect for all county roads.

Please be extra careful while driving.

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS SPRING CARNIVAL

FRIDAY APRIL 4TH 6:00 p.m.

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**BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

February 10, 2003

7:30 p.m.

School Library

-APPROVED MINUTES-

This meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Tester. Present: Tester, Venturato, Hubbard, Kinlaw, Wilson, Brooks, Gage, Superintendent Smith and Student Representative Scaife.

Others Present: Karen Brzys, Helen Scaife, Amy Ross, Rick Capogrossa, Lou Bailey and Dave Bell.

Absent and Excused: Gage was late.

Student of the Month presentations were awarded to Elementary: Breanna Parris and Secondary to Rachel Scaife.

Minutes of the January 13th and 20th, 2003 meeting were read.

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Gage that the minutes be accepted as printed. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Treasurer's Report: CD: \$200,000.00

The bills were read.

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

Superintendent's Report: Education Yes

Correspondence: Karen Brzys - Gitche Gumees Museum, and Rick Capogrossa concerned volleyball parent.

Motion by Brooks and supported by Kinlaw to correct agenda and approve two correspondence. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Gage to approve alternative educational place for a special education student until the end of 2002-2003 school year. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Kinlaw and supported by Venturato to approve Spanish Club trip to Costa Rica. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Brooks to accept second reading of the Neola Policy updates. No Child Left Behind

Motion by Kinlaw and supported by Venturato to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. to Executive Session. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Brooks to return to open meeting at 9:38 p.m. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Brooks and supported by Wilson to suspend Coach Scaife for the Beaver Island competition or the next two competitions for knowingly playing an ineligible player and continued controversial behavior. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Venturato to recess at 9:51 p.m. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Kinlaw and supported by Wilson to return to open meeting at 10:15 p.m. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Hubbard and supported by Venturato to adjourn at 10:20 p.m.

**BURT
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**FILING
DEADLINE FOR
BOARD OF
EDUCATION
POSITIONS**

A candidate who wishes to seek a position on the Burt Township School Board must file a Nominating Petition and an Affidavit of Identity no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 7, 2003. A minimum of 6 signatures; maximum of 20 is needed on the petition. A non-refundable \$100.00 filing fee may be submitted in lieu of a petition.

The regular school election will be held on Monday, June 9, 2003. Two positions on the Burt Township School Board will be filled at the election. Both positions are four (4) year terms, ending June 30, 2007.

Petitions and affidavit forms can be obtained at the office of the Burt Township School District, 27 Colwell Street, Grand Marais, Michigan. Office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

February 25, 2003

7:30 p.m.

School Library

-APPROVED MINUTES-

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

Present: Tester, Venturato, Hubbard, Kinlaw, Wilson, Brooks, Gage, Superintendent Greenhoe/Smith and Student Representative Scaife.

Others Present: Kristy Mattson, Jack Hubbard, Bret Gutknecht, Miko Bryers, Helen Scaife, Tom Scaife, Mike Ballard, Kathy Ballard, Amy Ross, Dianna Bell, David Bell, Pam Hicks, Elizabeth Venturato, and Lou Bailey and seven students.

Motion by Brooks and supported by Gage to approve agenda with added corrections. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Correspondence: Tara Beckwith, Pam Hicks, Ashleigh, Kristy Mattson, Jolene, Jennifer, Shayla, Devan, Corissa, Rachel, Heather and Sara.

Public Comment:

1. Jack Hubbard
2. Kristy Mattson
3. Shayla, Corissa, and Rachel
4. Brett Gutknecht
5. Shayla
6. Aleta
7. Heather

Motion by Brooks and supported by Venturato to recess until February 26, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Brooks and supported by Kinlaw to reconvene meeting from February 25, 2003, on February 26, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Motion by Gage and supported by Kinlaw to retain Helen Scaife as our volleyball coach, until the end of 2002-2003 season.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstentions: 1 (Hubbard)

Motion by Brooks and supported by Venturato to reconsider previous action. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstentions: 1 (Hubbard)

Motion by Brooks and supported by Venturato to amend motion to retain Helen Scaife as volleyball coach, which in no way contractually obligates Burt Township School or the administration. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstentions: 1 (Hubbard)

Motion by Venturato and supported by Brooks to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

WANTED/NEEDED

The Burt Township Board is in need of a Board of Review Member for the remainder of this year and 2004. This is an appointed position for a two (2) year term. Please inquire at the office or speak to one of the board members.

Also needed is a Land Division Reviewer, this is also an appointed position and information and a job description can be obtained at the office.

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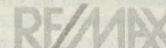
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A Message from the Supervisor

By Lee Durrwachter,
Burt Township Supervisor

2003 Taxes - Will They Be Lower Than 2002?

According to our assessor, this year's State inflation factor for the 2003 Taxable Values is 1.5%. He indicated this is the lowest since 1994. For most properties this means the taxable value will increase by 1.5%.

Although Burt Township has been one of a few who have been collecting our Summer School's Taxes for a number of years, the latest change by the State will benefit our township, too. The State is now requiring Summer Taxes for all units this year. As an inducement to comply and to help lessen the taxable burden for this change, the state will be reducing the State Education millage from 6,000 mills to 5,000 mills for this year's 2003 taxes only.

According to our assessor, in Burt Township the net result for those who qualify for homesteads should be down over 3% for this year's 2003 taxes. The non-homesteads and commercial property owners would typically only see about a 1% decrease in their 2003 taxes, for they pay the 18 mills for local school taxes. (Note: Homesteads do not pay 18 mills for local school taxes. For example, if you qualify for a homestead and your taxable value is \$10,000, you avoid \$180 in local school taxes.) The following chart reviews the breakdown listing of the Summer Tax Values:

Taxing Unit Mills -	2002	2003
State Education Tax	6.0000	5.0000
School Voted	18.0000	18.0000
MAISD Allocated	0.2184	0.2184
MAISD Voted	1.8598	1.8598
Total	26.0782	25.0782

As a reminder, the Board of Review, BOR, will have its final March meeting this year on March 26, 2003, between 4 and 8 p.m. at the Township's office. Since tax notices were sent out later this year, an extra meeting of the BOR has been added to address your questions.

Regarding those sightings last week of a U.S. Border Patrol vehicle in Grand Marais:

Since last August, The U.S. Border Patrol has beefed up their security in Michigan. According to its Sault Ste. Marie office, if you are "On the Ice", you are a border community with Canada, just like Marquette - only they're further away. They also informed me they have always patrolled in Grand Marais. One of the major differences, since August, is they no longer patrol in Grand Marais in unmarked cars. They are part of the Homeland Security Defense, but a separate entity from the U.S. Coast Guard. Now, if I can just convince them to patrol with "marked" snowmobiles, it could be another law enforcement agency for us to draw upon.

Interruption of Long Distance Service:

Last Friday, Alger County, parts of Schoolcraft County (Seney) along with areas of Marquette County were without long distance service, from around 9 a.m. until 10 p.m. A fiber optic line was accidentally cut in Michigan by a road commission crew's digging into frozen lines. That accident affected long distance service, 800 numbers, credit card transactions and cell phones. You could still manage to call out on 9-1-1 from here for emergencies. Other than the local telephone service the only other communication network available was the Internet, which has a local access number to dial out using computers.

Thrillionaire:

I would like to encourage everyone to become a Thrillionaire. A Thrillionaire is someone who knows the thrill of giving. If you want to tell us about something YOU are thrilled to give, call or write the Township Office for its list of areas needing your help, or what you would like to add to the list. Thank you.

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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The Times We Live In...

The businessman dragged himself home and barely made it to his chair before he dropped exhausted.

His sympathetic wife was right there with a tall cool drink and a comforting word. "My, you look tired," she said. "You must have had a hard day today. What happened to make you so exhausted?"

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DATA is compiled by
Karla Bugg.

Cooperative Weather Observer.

Date	Max.	Min.	Pr.	Sn.
Mar. 5	15	-7		
Mar. 6	21	-23		
Mar. 7	26	12	.18	2.2
Mar. 8	19	4	.21	2.5
Mar. 9	6	-2		
Mar. 10	15	-1		
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Mar. 12	20	-2	.08	1
Mar. 13	18	-14		
Mar. 14	44	11		
Mar. 15	51	25		
Mar. 16	54	38		
Mar. 17	51	31		
Mar. 18	38	28		

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Karla

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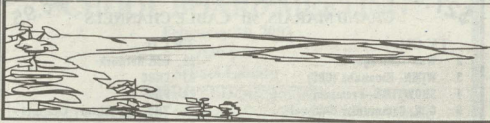


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**AROUND THE BAY:
BY EVELYN MORRISON**



Looks like the snow is slowly melting, and the roads in town are visible. The snow melting is causing mini floods. There are rivers running through yards, over roads, and into driveways. Be careful out there it is really slippery with all the ice.

Bob and Nancy Weston have returned home from their trip to Alabama. They are taking government training in chemical warfare. They will be sharing their knowledge during the MFR classes this spring and later on will be doing more with the ambulance corps.

Kay Wampler hosted a girl's party at her home to watch the movie Ya-Ya Sisterhood. Of course popcorn was served, along with countless numbers of sweet candy. It was a wonderful movie and we had a good time. Thanks for your home theater atmosphere. Eighteen of the local ladies had gone to the Dunes Saloon to see the movie as a group. You go girls! By the way, JC Ogden wants you all to know the Cajun pronunciation for "Baby" is Bay-bay, not Buh-bay. Spelled Bebe with an accent over the e.

Saint Patrick's Day was saluted by Bessie, Vicki, JC, Mary, Lynn, Bill, Tootie and Al with grasshoppers. Appropriate, wouldn't you say?

Tilli Metdepenningen was surprised down at North Shore Lodge this weekend for her 90th birthday. Friends and family joined in the celebration to wish Tilli a happy birthday.

The Alnights held their annual get together in McMillian this year. The Irish theme kept the group in stitches as everyone showed how creative they could be with their green outfits.

You will be seeing our old ambulance in town this week. Our new ambulance had to go in for an unexpected check up. We hope to get it back in town soon. Thanks to Steve and Marc for arranging the switch, and Brenda Smith and Jim Seibert for going to Munising to pick up the other ambulance.

Rachel Gage hosted a baby shower for Megan Desmond at Mom Bell's house. Heard she receive lots of wonderful things.

I was able to peek into Margaret Robert's house this week. It's coming right along. Margaret says she can not wait to get back into the house after the fire last month. She sees the progress and is very excited that things are moving along. The kitchen and bathroom still need to be worked on but she is hoping to get into her home soon.

You will see Wilma Smith driving around in different wheels. The tan pick up was traded in for a black Liberty Jeep. Nice looking vehicle Wilma.

Happy anniversary to Wendy (Morrison) and Steven Sohl. If you have anything to add let me know. See you Around the Bay. Keep on smiling..... Evie

You can e-mail any interesting tidbits to me at:

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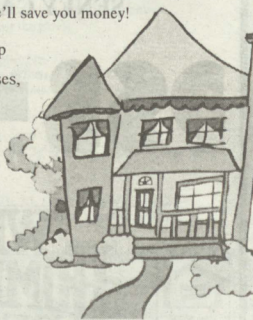
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Carol Shafer

**"It's time to start
thinking about
SPRING"**

The Alger Conservation District is now accepting orders for their Annual Tree Sale.

- Items included this year are:
- * Native and Wildlife trees and shrubs
 - * Wildflower plugs and seeds
 - * Apple trees
 - * Books, planting supplies and more!

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**GRAND MARAIS
SENIOR MEALS
LUNCH**

FRIDAY March 21
Broccoli/Cheese Casserole - Carrots - Buttered Noodles - Fruit

MONDAY March 24
Roast Pork - Parslied Potatoes - Squash - Fruit

WEDNESDAY March 26
Roast Beef - Mashed Potatoes/Gravy - Harvard Beets - Fruit

FRIDAY March 28
Cheese Lasagna - Mixed Vegetables - Garlic Bread - Fruit

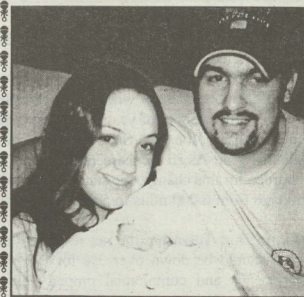
MONDAY March 31
Shepard's Pie - Cabbage/Carrot Salad - Upside Down Cake

WEDNESDAY April 2
Chili w/Combread - Cheese & Pea Salad - M'Orange Pudding

FRIDAY April 4
Macaroni & Cheese - Mixed Vegetables - Tossed Salad w/ Egg - Dessert

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

**Bethany and Steven Bell
announce the arrival of their baby boy
Jamison Camden Bell**



Born March 6, 2003 at St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Jamison arrived at 8:17 a.m. and was 7 lbs. 2 ozs. and 20-1/2" long. Bethany, Steven and Jamison went home the day after, to their apartment in Belleville, MI. Proud Grandparents include Teresa and Ron Tester of Dalton, GA, Vickie and Charles Saylor of Clawson, MI, and Steve and Ellen Bell of Grand Marais.

O B I T U A R Y

JOHN S. STROM

John S. Strom 90, passed away at Lutheran manor in Cadillac, MI. John was born in Grand Marais to John and Mary Strom. He was preceded in death by his wife Mary Ann, his brothers; Albin, George, Alfred and Phillip; and his sister Alva. He is survived by his sisters; Elsie of Cadillac and Ellen of Plainwell, MI. John has resided in Cadillac for the last three years. Arrangements were handled by Peterson Funeral Home of Cadillac. Any contributions can be made to Hospice of Michigan.

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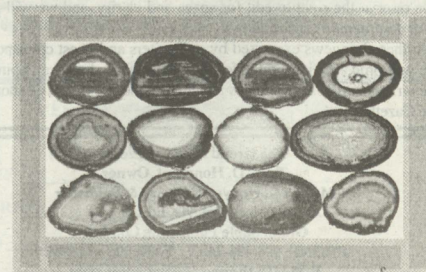
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The Festival includes numerous field trip destinations, booths and mini-workshops, evening speakers (including "Dr. Avian Guano," a.k.a. Denny Olson, and area birder Scot Stewart), and an evening banquet.

Birding field trips will venture across the central Upper Peninsula, exploring terrain and habitats including Lake Superior's cliffs and beaches, northern hardwood forests, mixed conifer forests, grasslands, and various inland wetland settings. Species of special interest include Kirtland's and other warblers, peregrine falcon, piping plover, sharp-tail grouse, and others.

When registering, birding enthusiasts may choose among field trips that combine their birding passion with recreation opportunities such as Lake Superior sea kayaking, mountain biking Grand Island National Recreation Area, lighthouse-looking, hiking Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, and touring Seney National Wildlife Refuge.

Organizers hope the festival will develop public appreciation for the significant birding opportunities in Michigan's central upper peninsula. In addition, the festival aims to introduce area children and adults to the popular hobby of bird watching.

Other sponsors of the event include Hiawatha Interpretive Association, Seney Natural History Association, Birders of the Central Upper Peninsula, and Eastern National.

For registration information, contact Munising Chamber of Commerce (906-387-2138) or online, visit: <http://midwest.fws.gov/seney/IMBD.htm>.

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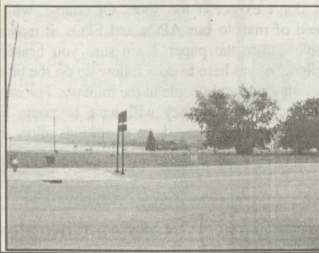


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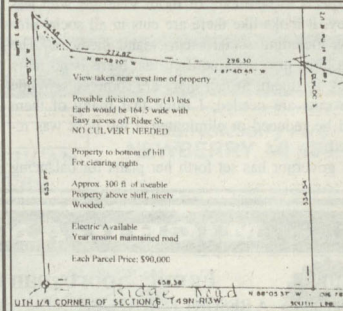
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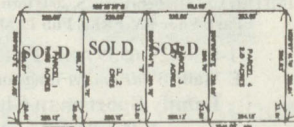
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"HUNGRY" BUTS & PASSES JIM

It appears that by the time you read this, we may have invaded Iraq. All signs point to the inevitability of that event. That will leave me with no alternative but to support the military actions of my country. I will not agree that the war was necessary, but can not risk sending the wrong message to our troops or to our enemies. This includes the ripping of our president and government. I am well aware that despite some of the people running this country, it is the best thing going.

Right off the bat, I want to tell you that our troops need our support and that even the better organized and directed anti-war demonstrations can be devastating to the morale of our troops. Ask anyone who spent any time in Vietnam if you need verification of that. The morale of these troops is critical; it can determine success or failure of a mission and life or death. Although freedom of speech must remain a cherished right, circumstances must restrict its use. The burning of flags and painting swastikas on them is never acceptable in my opinion, now it is tantamount to treason. Comparison of our president to Adolph Hitler may have been okay, but now is verboten. We must all do our part to keep the morale of our troops good and we must assure them that they will return to a grateful country.

The French thing has gotten way out of proportion. They, along with the vast majority of people in the vast majority of countries, do disagree with us. In fact, we are the only country that appears to support the war with the majority of citizens. Some of the retaliations that I have heard are pretty sad. I believe that our congress has better things to do than to try to change the name of French Fries to Liberty Fries. Exhuming all the Americans buried in France or sending back the Statue of Liberty are equally ridiculous. I am not an expert on WWII and may well be corrected on this point, but I don't think that the liberation of France was our major objective in WWII. I think our goal was to defeat Hitler and France was on the way. I am positive that the French people that were around during the mid-forties remain grateful, as do the peoples of many countries. Ask the vast majority of people in this country if they remain eternally grateful to the French for helping us gain our independence. Time seems to have a way of making everyone forget. I think that the government and people of the U.S.A. have much better things to do than to dream of ways to get revenge on the French.

I don't see much improvement on the economic front yet despite what some right wingers are saying. The Bush budget plan looks to be no help. It also calls for more cuts in VA funding. I don't know how he expects to take care of more Veterans with less money. It looks like there are cuts in all social programs including social security and medicare. The states have also been notified that there is no more money for them, in fact there are some cuts. While some cuts are needed, I think that many of them could be reduced or eliminated if the pork was removed.

Our governor has set forth her plans for balancing

the state budget and it looks as though some serious thinking went into it. Some programs may need to be curtailed and some services eliminated. The cuts in revenue sharing will hurt counties, cities and townships. Those in trouble now will have to get very creative and those who are okay will have to be careful. This Township is far from flush but is okay. We have one of the lower millage rates in the state but, due to park revenues and good fiscal management, we remain above water. I expect an 18-20% cut in revenue sharing this year, and the possibility of CFR and other payments to be reduced. One item of interest is that Jenny said "If there is a war, all bets are off". That sounds scary.

The weather lately has been refreshing but don't expect Spring to have sprung. I think old man winter has one or two more tricks up his sleeve. All the water lying around will no doubt be the cause of some of us testing the bounce of our butts. I usually do a few acrobatics this time of the year and Sherri has been known to try a back flip or two.

And Finally, Dizzy, Sean Angie and Mr. Wiggles were here for the weekend. Dizzy bolstered her Girl Scout cookie sales while here. I told her that she should have come here a couple of weeks ago and spent a couple of days making the rounds with Mr. Wiggles at her side. Who can say no to a cute little girl with her puppy. Even mean old Paul Pery was putty in her hands. We did not do anything too exciting while they were here; just a lot of talking and playing games. I heard that my son-in-law Boo pulled a good one last week. It seems that Boo was to pick up Hoo at school and drop him off to Poo who had Too in town. When Boo didn't show up with Hoo, Poo called and Boo said, "I forgot". When Boo didn't show up, Hoo got on the bus and went home. Hoo left a note that he was going to a friend's house and called Aunt Angie to let her know he was there. Poo was not happy with Boo; Hoo was cool and Too didn't much care. Do you have that straight Brenda? I talked to Lizzard and Doc on the phone and as usual Lizzard is playing at some sport or another all the time and every time I ask Doc what she is doing, she says "nothin". Based on conversations with Doc you would think she is a dull, quiet girl. Trust me, it ain't so. I also talked to Grannie Annie who sounds as chipper as ever. My nephew Jeff will be getting a visit from a girl he met in Afghanistan. That should be nice. If possible I would like to get down there to visit while she is there. Maybe learn a few things.

And Finally, Finally. How is it going, Josh, Mike, Jason and Jeff? I am in the process of writing a letter but don't expect it too soon. Of course, with the speed of mail to our APOs and FPOs, it may well arrive before the paper. I am sure you heard that Channel 6 was here to do a follow up on the bit they are doing on local people in the military, The camera malfunctioned and they will have to come back. Hope that you are as safe as conditions allow. May God be with you! Till next issue.

Hungry Jim

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the ground, or keep it going, thanks to the Upper Peninsula Sustainable Forest and Wildlife Endowment Fund.

Grant applications are now being accepted for projects that best reflect the fund's goal of encouraging collaborative efforts in the areas of education and natural resources, by maintaining and promoting the sustainability of the people, forests and wildlife in the upper peninsula. The general project guidelines include those that support research, youth, education, training, and wildlife habitat improvement projects related to forest and wildlife sustainability.

"Our goal is to reach out across the Upper Peninsula and support a wide variety of worthwhile projects," said the fund's advisory committee chair, Dr. Michael Altkins, president of Bay College. The application deadline for grants to be awarded this spring is Wednesday, April 9, 2003, and awards will be distributed within a month of the deadline. Application forms are available from the Upper Peninsula Sustainable Forest and Wildlife Fund (UPSF&WF), c/o Bay College, Office of the President, 2001 North Lincoln Road, Escanaba, MI 49829; or by calling (906) 786-5802, ext. 1133.

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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."

By the time this appears in print, it may be overcome by events, but I need to get it off my chest.

Anyone who has raised children knows what happens if you yell and threaten, but do no more than that, when those children choose to defy and disobey you. You do not regain the control and authority necessary to serve as a parent; you lose it completely.

In an adult/adult situation, argument and threats don't accomplish much, either. Think of a police department limited to those tools only in dealing with law-breakers; it would be a contemptible laughing-stock.

Now consider the international scene: In 1991 Iraq obtained an end to military action against it in the Gulf War (Desert Storm) by promising the UN to, among other things, divest itself of all of its "Weapons of Mass Destruction." This was to be done by voluntarily producing them all, along with their supporting infrastructure and production facilities, and destroying them, under the eyes of a UN Inspection Team (UNSCOM.) Since then, Iraq has willfully defied over a dozen UN resolutions on the subject, over a period of twelve years, steadfastly refusing to disarm. The sole UN response has been talk and deadlines, one after another.

At the present time, only because the U. S. has put the UN on notice concerning its ineffectiveness and has massed a quarter-million troops in the area, Iraq has agreed to re-admit the "inspectors" (forced out in 1998) and has "discovered" a few prohibited weapons, which it is ostentatiously destroying, (reportedly continuing production of the same type weapons in secret.) all the while protesting these weapons are not really illegal. The UN response to this charade is more blather, deadlines and threats.

Fools and dupes are insisting that the U. S. hold off and give the inspectors "another chance" to "find" more weapons, supposedly "finding" all of them in the long run. This is sheer lunacy and poppycock. The inspectors are not, never were and are totally ineffective as detectives, sent to discover and root out the prohibited weapons: They are WITNESSES, to testify to the existence and nature of the weapons voluntarily revealed by Iraq. They are there to verify that these weapons do, indeed, satisfy the burden of intelligence information concerning their existence and to check them off as they and their production and support systems are destroyed, in front of their witnessing eyes.

All members of the UN Security Council voted in support of the 2002 UN Resolution 1441, requiring immediate compliance with Iraq's mandate to disarm or face the most severe consequences. Now, they are threatening vetoes and interminable delay if Iraq is compelled to do anything more than it already is doing.

In 1967, Egypt ordered the UN out of the peace keeping role between itself and Israel so it could attack Israel. The UN left and Egypt attacked.

The UN stood by in 1995 while 8000 Bosnian Muslims were slaughtered in Srebrenica (where the UN had told them they would be safe.)

The UN is worse than useless; it poses as a moral force in the face of its moral bankruptcy. Count the hundreds of thousands dead in Rwanda, with no UN response. Where were they in Somalia - where are they in Sudan?

Saddam Hussein has the wherewithal to attack the US and anyone else he chooses, with weapons of mass destruction, and without a need for any sort of ICBM or other sophisticated delivery system. Time for him is up: We needed to strike weeks ago; and we must strike now.

Please, DO THE RIGHT THING and support our President in disarming and evicting Iraq's bloody dictator, now. I agree 100 percent with my friend Jim in asking that you keep our men Jeff, Jason, Mike and Josh and all their comrades in your prayers and would ask that you pray also for our President and other leaders that they may do what is right and acceptable, in God's eyes.

You may agree or disagree with me, but the important thing is to let our elected Commander-in-Chief know what you believe and what you expect from him, in a courteous manner.

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School of Hard Knocks

By Ty Washell

It is paradoxical that the vast majority of illness in our nation is not "physical" per se, but even that which is, is preventable, in most instances.

As an example it is said that about 150 different health problems can be brought on by not getting enough good calcium on a regular basis.

I am a living example of not getting proper amounts of calcium. I injured my back at the age of 16 and suffered almost constantly for 17 years, until an elderly physician took one look at me and said "you need calcium" and that was the end of the conversation. He gave me Bone Meal tablets the size of horse pills, but within three days, 17 years of pain was gone.

Please believe me when I tell you how important good calcium is to your health.

The lack of calcium is not just old people's problem.

OUR TASK

By Ty Washell

There is a certain question
That many of us ask
While living out our time on earth
What is our major task?

Of anything that we might do
what matters most of all?
Is it something we do the best?
And who should make that call?

The problems some are facing
Almost defy belief
Could it be that our main job
Is to offer some relief?

Perhaps we need to reach out
And try to be a friend
To those beset with sorrow
Or wounds that need to mend.

These years that we are living
Soon will be no more
Who knows if we'll be happy
On the other shore?

Don't waste time on asking
Just help out those in need
And when this life is over
There'll be others that can lead.

Beat me with the truth,
don't torture me with lies.

A New Chapter for the North Country Trail.

A local chapter of the North Country Trail Association (NCTA) is being formed in Grand Marais. This hikers club will be dedicated to the quality of hiking on, first and foremost, the North Country Trail, but also to the quality of hiking on all of the Grand Marais area hiking trails.

The North Country Trail is a hiking trail that runs from New York to North Dakota. The Upper Peninsula section runs right through Grand Marais from the School Forest and into Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. The Grand Marais Chapter would be responsible for the section of trail that lies between Munising and Deer Park.

The club's responsibility would be to maintain, groom, blaze and in general keep up our section of the NCT. Also, improvements of campsites, bridging of streams, boardwalking wet areas will all be a part of the club's activities. Of course it can't be all work, so hikes along our local trails will be part of the activities as well.

There is \$30 membership fee. Though some money goes back to the main NCTA office, money raised is earmarked for the chapter's expenses, activities and trail improvement. Members also receive a membership card, the NCTA's quarterly magazine the *North Star* and there is an availability of discounts for some publications and trips. The NCTA is a non-profit organization and the newly forming chapter will fall under that umbrella.

An organizational Meeting is planned for March 26th, at 7:00 pm at the North Shore Lodge in Grand Marais. There will refreshments and snacks. If you think you might be interested come to the meeting or call Dave Beckwith (906) 494-2284 or Mikel Classen (906) 494-2361.

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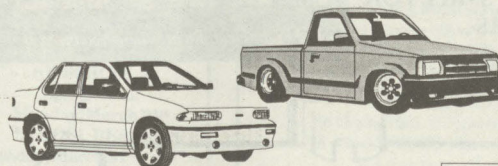
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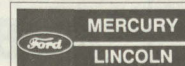
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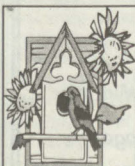
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 - * An announcement shall be made public February 15th by the Women's Club as to the application for these funds. (Gazette, school, in town.)
- APPLICATION:** The students who are interested in applying must do so by April 15th of the current school year to the Scholarship Committee of the Women's Club. The committee will set a date within a week to interview the candidate and review any * letters of reference.
 - * Letters of reference should be given to a committee member or the president of the Women's Club. These letters must be from adults other than family or relatives.
- SCHOLARSHIP performance:** Students will be judged by the committee on *scholastic achievement and citizenship, at school and in the community.
 - * A grade point average of C+ or better must be maintained.
- POLICY:** the scholarship funds must be used for a college or technical school enrollment. The funds will be released to the recipient at the end of the first marking period, confirming attendance.
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APPLICATIONS ARE DUE APRIL 15, 2003

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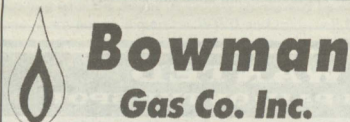
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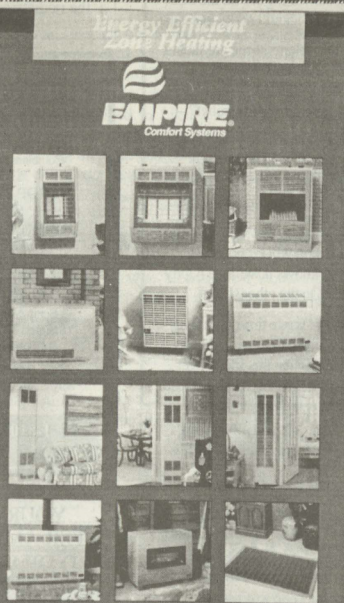
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Burt Township School District Superintendent's Corner

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The hint of spring and warmer weather is upon us. This past weekend was glorious. The promise that there will be fewer below zero days and snow covered nights looks to be a reality. The winter has been lovely, full of all the wonder and fun it holds. As one season wanes the next is on the horizon. I look forward to the quickly approaching spring and the opportunity to experience the awakening of spirit and growth.

It is important to hold onto the positive and look forward to warmer, brighter times. Each day holds this opportunity if one only takes the time to seek it. Even on the coldest of mornings, the promise of beauty is around you, if you look for it. If you choose, however, to look for the opposite that too you will find. Life is what you want it to be. Life is how you live it.

Recently, the governor released her plan for budgetary cuts. The education community worked diligently to inform the governor and educate her regarding hardships to public schools the proposed cuts might inflict. Superintendents throughout the Upper Peninsula met with legislators, Michigan Department of Education workers and representatives from the governor's office to plead our case. We held onto the ideal that it is critical to hold fast when times are the worst and that seeking positive options provides hope when there appears to be little.

This stance reaped benefits for the students of Michigan's public schools and our students here in Grand Marais. One proposal considered by the governor would have slashed money to school districts by close to 20% for the 2003-04 school year. Through our efforts and those supporting public education, we were informed that our foundation grant per pupil remains at the current level with no reduction for the upcoming year. The cuts will be felt in "categorical" spending. These areas are important to education, yet tend to be supplemental services and programs. We will need to consider cuts in those areas. Yet the promise is that we will be able to maintain core programming for our students. We remain optimistic that continued quality education will proceed for the students of the Burt Township School district.

Happy Living,
Happy Learning,
Happy Teaching!
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Manners

By: Joshua Brooks

I say to you mind your manners as well as your money and your problems will be few. If you value well behaving and other people being polite you will do well to be polite to them. Again I say unto you, mind your manners. Be sure to say "please" and "thank you" at all the wrong times. For example say thank you when someone does something that you do not like to see done. Being polite at the wrong times will set off anyone. Also you would do well to run down the street and insult random people as quickly as you would pick his or her pocket. The ability to insult someone is only developed by those only found in the highest part of our nation's society. If you are unable to insult someone your manners are lacking a great deal. Also if you come up short with an insult you can always resort to just punching someone. I have heard that punching someone is the best form of greeting there is, especially if it is in the gut. By doing this you are greeting them in a fine way. These are just a few of the manners commonly displayed by the greats of our society. People like "Bugs" Morane, Alphonse CaPone, and the people of your local police force. One last time I say to you, Mind Your Manners if you wish to be a great person in our society.

My Advice To Parents

By: Jennifer

My advice to all parents is as follows:

Always listen to what your children have to say, or pretend to anyway. It's always nicer to hear your kids talk then scream, and it might save you some of your hearing in the long run.

You don't have to ask your kids where they are going and what they are doing all the time. Sure its nice to know where your kids say they are going, but most of the time, what they say and what they do are completely different. You don't need to know what they are really doing. In most cases you probably don't want to know where they really are and what they are really doing. What you don't know can't hurt you, or them for that matter and besides it save you the time of worrying about where they are. If you don't expect them to be where they said they were, then you are already one step ahead of the game.

Don't ever punish your kids. Punishing them will only make them want to do it again. Kids like to be troublesome, and if you tell them what they did was wrong and punish them for it they will be dying to do it again once they get ungrounded.

You have to always set a good example for your kids. Do drugs, smoke, drink, cheat, lie, gamble and swear in front of your kids as much as possible. The more you do these things the faster they will catch on that it's the right thing to do. Most kids already know what's right and wrong so you don't have to keep telling them to do all these things.

Well hope I have helped out some parents who were in need of a little guidance. Always remember my advice and follow it. If you do, your kids will grow up to be perfect and succeed in everything they do.

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL

February
Student of the Month



Brittney Lowes was awarded Elementary Student of the Month at the March 10, 2003 Board meeting. Her parents are Perry and Shawna Haines of Seney. Brittney likes swimming, biking, ice-skating and bear bating. In school she enjoys helping others, doing jobs around the classroom and art class. Her favorite subjects are Math and Handwriting. Brittney works in the community of Seney by helping to keep the skating rink clean. Brittney looks forward to going to school to become a teacher when she gets older.



Joshua Brooks was awarded Secondary Student of the Month also at the March meeting. His parents are Tracy and Tina Brooks of Grand Marais. Josh enjoys playing video games and fiddling with computers. Varsity basketball has been his favorite school activity for the past several years. His favorite subject is Advanced Algebra with Mrs. Scaife. Josh is also a member of the Spanish Club and looks forward to their trip to Costa Rica in April. Upon graduating this May, Josh has already been accepted to Michigan Tech and plans to pursue a career with computers.

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT 2002-2003

SCHOOL CALENDAR
March 24th - 28th
NO SCHOOL -
Spring Break
Monday, March 31st
SCHOOL RESUMES
Monday, March 31st Pro-
gress Reports Due
Friday, April 18th
NO SCHOOL
Monday, April 21st
NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, April 23rd Six
Weeks Marking Period Ends
Wednesday, May 4th
Progress Reports Due
Saturday, May 24th
2:00 p.m. Graduation

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL STUDENTS' CORNER

Of this deserted castle

Sitting silent at her seating, hearing nothing but the beating
Of a heart so fiercely wanting air and escape from all this haunting.
Silver streaks so slyly dancing and sound of heart are so entrancing.
No escape from this dreary setting, pure and ugly terror continues haunting.
Sitting lonely in this dreary mansion and feeling the presence of haunting,
-Of this deserted castle.

Coats of arms and signs of fighting are lit up without any lighting.
Creepy creeping through the halls, before turning the weary visitor stalls.
She's alone and scared of darkness, though every hallway leads to more
Mazes and traps retain her here with echoing beats of heart through the hall
Help is not near enough to call and so she continues through hall after hall
-Of this deserted castle.

Rachel S.

Mock Raven

Once upon a morning brightly, while I staggered, tired and yawning
Ready to fly, with a person I've never flown with before
While I waited, nearly standing, suddenly there came a talking
As if someone calmly mocking, mocking somewhat ever more
"T" was overbooked," he muttered, as he will even more
-I must wait forever more

Ah! I shall wait till he calls again

I'm just a standby passenger sitting on the floor
Eagerly waiting, anticipating to hear my name so I can board the plane
"I'm at the bottom of the passenger list," as they call some more
For T" was 13 hours, such a bore
-I cannot wait anymore

Finally they called us one by one more

I have been waiting, contemplating from 7 a.m., even before
Names pronounced wrong, it seems to prolong, the last flights of the day
"T" was 8 p.m.," receiving my boarding pass, seemed to last some more
Yes it was our names, as slowly approached, walking to the door
-I will fly happily sore

Catherine B.

Poem

Broken promises always told, and all the lies are getting old,
Living in this big world, you're surrounded by secrets and mistrust,
All around you seems to be sins, which makes you realize you just can't win,
No one you can truly believe in, but making it through is a must,
Inside you're filled with hate and pain, but going on is a must,
-Whatever happens will be just.

All the pain has been created, when it's only me I've hated
All what's left are dreams of happiness, but I know they are not for real,
Looking in a shattered mirror, only to see my eyes filled with tears,
Deep inside I'm full of fear, it's hard to go on, it's all I feel,
My mind had been crippled, my heart broken, there's nothing more to feel,
-And closing my eyes the hates still real.

Ashleigh

Early on one dreary, foggy day
Looking out towards the still and silent bay
Never moving, still as night
Thinking of the lands beyond and far away
Never knowing what comes next on that day
Looking out at the glaring, gleaming clouds
Burning inside me so the anger of hell
Starting to come out, now hurting inside me ever so
Now the silence is broken with the church bell
Sitting looking out towards the tree lands now doing ever so well

Silence back, the mist is here engulfing me
No turning back, it comes so silently, moving slowly
It comes with no invitation, slowly taking me away
It is time now; I must go ever so boldly
Looking out towards the dreary lands so boldly

Christopher P.

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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.

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 vent 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.

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

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 \$112,000.

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.

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.

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.

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

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.

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 \$149,000.

30 ACRES IN SCHOOL FOREST: The woods, lots of privacy. Electric close by. Located on a seasonal road. \$20,000

TEN WOODED ACRES WITH SMALL HUNTING CAMP: Located two miles from Grand Marais on a year round road with electric, this camp has a new well and septic. \$49,900

LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONT: 597 feet of sugar sand beach on Lake Superior. This 10 acre parcel has mixed hardwoods and evergreen, in one of the most beautiful developments in the midwest. Underground electric and phone, paved plowed road, a full time caretaker, and only 32 home sites over 1 3/4 miles make this unique property a dream location for privacy. The drive is in and permits are in place for a home on the waterfront. \$299,500.00

502 FEET OF SANDY BEACH FRONTAGE ON LAKE SUPERIOR: Located in beautiful Superior Dunes Development this ten acre parcel offers lots of privacy. Priced at only \$275,000.

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.

WE HAVE SEVERAL COMMERCIAL LISTINGS: A nice grocery store and well stocked hardware store are some of our commercial listings. A Motel, Cabins, and a beautiful Bed and Breakfast are also available.

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.

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.

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Clergy Shortage in the U.P. airs March 29 on FM; March 29 & 30 on TV.
Not enough clergy to go around, seems to be the problem facing churches in the Great Lakes Region. Guests will talk about what they're doing to make up for the scant supply of clergy and if some religions are looking at closing churches.

2002 Tax Time airs April 5 on FM & TV; April 6 on TV.
It's that time again, do you have your taxes ready? Guests will update us on new tax laws and tips on how to better prepare for next year. We'll also hear a strategy for financial planning.

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CRIME STOPPERS
YOU MAY HOLD THE KEY TO SOLVING A CRIME
Reported by Sergeant Randy Graham
REMEMBER YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The MICHIGAN STATE POLICE NEWBERRY POST, as well as the NEWBERRY VILLAGE POLICE, are asking the public for assistance in solving a series of stolen snowmobile complaints that have occurred since February 22, 2003. Troopers, along with Village Law Enforcement Officers, have investigated at least five stolen snowmobile complaints since the 22nd of February 2003.

During the first reported incident the complainants advised that they had parked their two snowmobiles on a snowbank at the east side of the Comfort Inn on Saturday night, February 22, 2003, at approximately 7pm. They had left the machines there and returned at 9:45 pm the same evening and discovered both of their snowmobiles stolen. Reported to Troopers as stolen are two 2000 Arctic Cat snowmachines, ZR 600's. The machines were either green or black in color. The registrations on the machines were EY4779 and EY4780. The keys were not left in the machines and those responsible were able to defeat the ignition systems and steal both machines.

The second theft was reported to Troopers on March 1, 2003. The complainant reports that sometime between Friday, February 28, 2003, at 10:30 pm and Saturday morning, March 1, 2003, at 9 am person(s) unknown had entered the parking lot of Zellar's Motel Restaurant located on M-123 and stole the complainant's snowmachine which was described to officers as a 2002 Polaris, yellow in color, bearing a Michigan registration number of FQ6926. Again it is not known how those responsible were able to defeat the ignition system, but the keys were not left in the machine.

On the third and latest report of machines being stolen by the Newberry Village Police Department has reported the theft of one Arctic Cat and one Polaris from the Timber Charlie's Restaurant staging area on the north end of Newberry. In that report Village Officers stated that the complainants had entered Timber Charlie's Restaurant at approximately 9:45 pm on Wednesday, March 5, 2003. Upon returning to their machines at approximately 10:40 pm that evening they discovered that both of their machines were stolen. Stolen was one 2003 Polaris 700 Pro X snowmobile, red in color, with a registration of GF9368 an Arctic Cat 700 Firecat, black in color, bearing Michigan registration GG0642.

Both the Newberry Village Police, and the Newberry Post are asking for assistance from the public in solving this rash of stolen snowmobiles. Officers believe that those responsible are professionals and suggest that these machines are being unloaded into enclosed snowmobile trailers and taken to a neutral location.

If anyone has seen any suspicious activity in the aforementioned parking lots please contact Crime Stoppers at:

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The not necessarily well-prepared student sat in his life science classroom staring at a question on the final exam paper. The question directed: "Give four advantages of breast milk." What to write? He sighed, and began to scribble whatever came into his head, hoping for the best:
1. No need to boil.
2. Cats can't steal it.
3. Available whenever necessary.

So far so good - maybe. But the exam demanded a four-part answer. Again, what to write? Once more, he sighed. He frowned. He scowled, then sighed again. But suddenly, he brightened. He grabbed his pen, and triumphantly, he scribbled his definitive answer:

4. Available in attractive containers.

DUMB LAWS

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BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BOARD: Every 2nd Monday at 7:30 p.m. at School Library.

GRAND MARAIS WOMEN'S CLUB: Every 2nd Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at Community Center.

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