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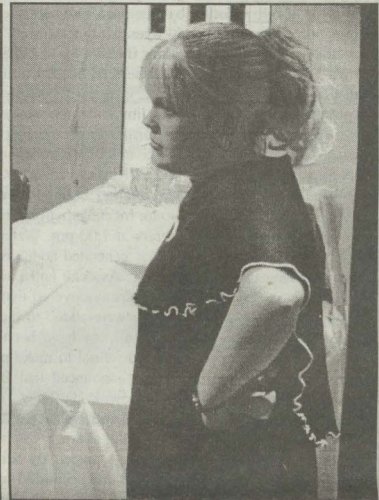


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DATE	NAME	FROM	LOCATION OF KILL	# POINTS
11/15	Gary Slauter	Dexter, MI	North of town	2
11/15	Fred Mulder	Wyoming, MI	Rollie's Place	5
11/15	Chris Kryger	Howard City	Airport	6
11/15	Bryon Pitt	Lake	Sueker River	3
11/15	Chad Frie	Livermore, CA	South Woods	unicorn
11/15	Will Millikin	Mt. Pleasant, MI	Middle Woods	5
11/15	Luke Munger	Cheboygan	N of town	3
11/15	Don Munger	G.M.	N of town	4
11/15	Mandy Munger	Cheboygan	N of town	Spike
11/15	Harold Ward Jr.	Algonac	S of town	8
11/15	Mike O'Brien	Mason	Adams Trail	Spike
11/16	John Wright	Fowler, MI	Same ol' tree	5r
11/13	Bob Beaupied/ Bow Kill	G.M.	East	Spike
11/15	Walt Mixon	Howell	Adams Trail	8
11/15	Donna Kisro	Newberry	In the Woods	6
11/15	Barry Ott	Biener Camp	S of G.M.	3
11/15	Rick Wallace	Davison	Denil Creek	4
11/17	Rod Paxton	Flint	H-58	4
11/15	Mike Butkovich	Engadine	Blind	4
11/15	John Langdon	Tawas	Woods	5
11/17	Mike Mixon	Howell	Adams Trail	4
11/18	Phil Hiller	Battle Ground, WA	Middle Woods	8
11/19	Matt Thompson	S.S.M. MI	Woods	5
11/16	Michael L. Beek	G.M.	Yeah There Too	7
11/19	Gary Knapp	Clio	Swamp	3
11/17	Bill Priesman	G.M.	Dagget Lake	6
11/16	Dick Miller	G.M.	West	3
11/20	Mike Savard	Frankenmuth	Lake Camp	6
11/24	Bill Nyman	G.M.	Camp Buck Blaster	Spike
11/25	Nadine Hull	G.M./Delton	Not Telling	4
11/24	Pat Rivera	Mackinaw/G.M.	By the Oak Tree	8
11/24	Jack Hubbard	G.M.	In the woods	6
11/26	Laura Krupla	Gwinn	Luke's Blind	Spike

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GRAND MARAIS LION'S CLUB NEWS

The regular meeting for December will be December 17, 2003 instead of the 24th because of the holidays.

You still have a couple more weeks to pick up your Lion's Club raffle tickets before the big drawing on December 12th.

The fifteenth drawing for the Grand Marais Lion's Club Raffle was held Friday, November 21, 2003 at the Community Center. Ron Whaley won the \$50.00 prize and Mike Clancy and Joe McDonald won \$25.00 each. On November 28, 2003 Art & Michel Grutter won the \$50.00 prize and Shiela Peters & Steve Webber and Mike Orhonen won \$25.00 each. There is still \$3300.00 to be awarded between now and December 12th. On December 12th six tickets will be drawn to win one of the \$500.00 grand prizes. After each weekly drawing the winning tickets are returned to the pot, so you have more than one chance to win. Only 200 tickets will be sold. For more information contact Lou Bailey at 494-2553 or call the Gazette at 494-2492.

Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board

Grand Marais Community Center
Grand Marais, Michigan

November 11, 2003 7:00 PM

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

Public Comment: Opened at 7:01 p.m. Mess on Cozy Corner Shop property was discussed. Durrwachter said that owners were notified and said that they would clean up. Closed at 7:07 p.m..

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Seibert, and seconded, to approve the agenda with additions. 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence/Petitions/Applications/Appointments/Resignations: Correspondence was read. No Petitions. No appointment, resignations or applications.

Minutes of previous meetings: Motion by Seibert, and seconded to accept the minutes of the October 14, 2003, and the October 20, 2003 Special Meetings. 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

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

Payment of bills: Motion by Benmark and seconded to pay bills as funds become available. 5 - ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Savage and seconded to reconsider the motion to bill \$1.00 per month to all Township Water Customers to be put into a water meter fund. 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

Monthly Reports: Cemetery - Jim Seibert announced that the cemetery is closing November 15th for the winter. RLF - Durrwachter announced that rough draft of the contract for purchase of Wilson's Grocery/Superior Hardware by the McKinstry is complete; Historical and EPA studies are not complete. Librarian - Lucy Pine is Chairperson of the Friends of the Library Group; Meetings will be held the 1st Thursday of each month at the Library at 1:00 pm. Water Dept Update - Aggressive collection activity has generated additional revenue. Five customers have been referred to the Assessor and Township Treasurer for Tax Lien. Seven properties were discovered that were never put into the billing system. All seven were added to the system and invoiced. Some homes and one business have been turned off and locked down for non-payment and refusal to make payment arrangements. Supervisor - Durrwachter announced that Board of Review will meet on December 11th at the township office.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A) Land Split: (E22535 H-58 East) #2003-04 - ON HOLD - Township attorney has not signed off yet due to questions about size/shape of parcel. B) Street Vacation - Charles Street; Motion by Seibert and seconded to refer this matter back to the petitioners to handle through the Circuit Court. Township will refund the \$125 to Marx - paid for a public hearing. Roll call vote was taken: Leavenworth-aye; Seibert-aye; Benmark-aye; Savage-aye; Durrwachter-aye. Motion carried. C) Update - Sno-Trail Association - Grooming: Special Meeting will be scheduled. D) Other: Request by Harold and Gerri Bailey to vacate alley next to their home. ON HOLD - Board to develop reasonable policy to handle these requests.

NEW BUSINESS: A) Planning Commission Recommendation: Blight Elimination - Motion by Seibert and seconded to approve recommendation of the Planning Commission to include proposed section on blight in the Zoning Ordinance. MOTION WITHDRAWN. Motion by Seibert and seconded to table action on this request until further discussion with the Planning Commission. 5 - ayes. Motion carried. B) Purchase New Equipment: Commercial Vacuum Cleaner - Motion by Seibert and seconded to purchase a Commercial Vacuum Cleaner. 1 - ayes; 4 - nay. Motion Denied. Lee to contact. C) Request to use Township Facilities for UP200 - Durrwachter to attend UP200 Meeting to make arrangements. D) Budget Workshop - November 18th at 6:00 pm at the Township Office. E) Other: Durrwachter to write letter to Kay Wampler in response to her request on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce Website to have access to the Grand Marais Web cam. Durrwachter will refer her to Marc Oglevie and Jim Seibert for access to the camera and General Store building.

Adjournment: Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Time recorded: 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Lori Savage, Township Clerk

These are the unapproved minutes of the November 11, 2003 regular meetings. Included in the body of these are all of the official actions taken by the Burt Township Board.

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FRIDAY Dec. 5
Beef Continental w/Rice - Carrots - Tossed Salad - Double Orange Whip

MONDAY Dec. 8
Veal Cutlet - Mashed Potatoes - Peas - Fruit

WEDNESDAY Dec. 10
Beef Cutlet w/Onions - Boiled Potatoes - Broccoli - Fruit

FRIDAY Dec. 12
Ham/ Scalloped Potatoes - Spinach - Dessert

MONDAY Dec. 15
Pasty Pie - Stewed Tomatoes - Pudding

WEDNESDAY Dec. 17
Beef Stew w/Potatoes - Carrots & Rutabaga - Coleslaw - Fruit Crisp

FRIDAY Dec. 19
Pork Chop - Parslied Potatoes - Savory Carrots - Apple Sauce

(Items subject to change.)

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



NOTICE

To the tax payers of Burt Township

In compliance with MCL211.44(2), I will be in my office on all Fridays in December. Taxes may be paid at any time the office is open or through the mail; the purpose of this notice is to comply with the existing law.

James T. Seibert
Burt Township Treasurer

BURT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Will meet Thursday, December 11, 2003 from 3 - 6 p.m. in the township offices for:

1. Corrections to the 2003 tax roll.
2. Approval of eligible homesteads.

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<p>2 inches = 1 column. 2 inches = 2nd. column</p> <p style="font-size: 2em;">4" wide x 3" high</p> <p style="font-size: 2em;">\$10.80</p>	<p>This year's Christmas issue will be released on December 18.</p> <p>Deadline to have cards in is DECEMBER 12.</p> <p>Larger cards are fine and will be printed at the same rate of \$1.80 per column inch.</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em;">Seas tings</p>
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A Message from the Supervisor
By Lee Durrwachter,
Burt Township Supervisor

Those who may be at Risk

The recent power outages renewed our efforts to continue to work towards solutions of those who may be at risk. As part of that evaluation we have begun compiling a list. If you would like to have your name included, please let us know by calling the Township office at 906-494-2381, and provide the following information:

Name:

Fire Number and Street:

Telephone Number:

What's your primary source of heat?

What type of stove do you use for cooking?

Are you on city water, or do you have your own well?

Do you have a generator?

Do you need help starting your generator?

If you have a wood stove to supplement your heat, would you need wood in an emergency?

Would you be interested in making use of the Community Center while the power is out?

If so, would you need transportation to the Community Center?

Normally, Hungry Jim leads with articles about our economy and the thrust of "crybaby's" midseason form, but the tip of that iceberg is here. The recent Energy and Water Bill, which excluded the funding of our Harbor Dike, due to funding the rebuilding effort from the war that's "over" in Iraq, included enough money to fund "Hooters" and "Polluters" in Shreveport, Louisiana. Now the government has stepped in and sent huge quantities of plywood overseas to Iraq adding even more problems to the nationwide shortage of plywood. Perhaps you haven't notice the drastic price spikes, but two years ago plywood sold for about \$5 or \$6. Now plywood is selling for about \$17. Of course other factors such as low inventories and a weak economy could be better reasons that the price has tripled since early summer. Other reasons cited for low plywood inventory included wildfires in California, where homeowners are rebuilding, severe storms that hit the East Coast earlier this year and the closings of some lumber mills in the South. Although, the dent in supply of plywood purchased by the government may be arguable, I still haven't heard what they (our money) have paid for it. If the uncertainty of the economy caused inventory shortages, is the recovery really here and more importantly, affordable? Now, I've heard steel price tariffs may be rolled back. One thing is certain, supporting the war in Iraq continues to take many forms of payment, which leaves us all short changed.

In the meantime, I hope you had a Happy Thanksgiving. I did spending time this holiday with my soon to be 97-year-old mother in Pennsylvania.

New

Murphy's Laws

- Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- I wonder how much deeper the ocean would be without sponges.
- Honk if you love peace and quiet.
- Pardon my driving, I'm re-loading.
- The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
- It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end to end, someone would be stupid enough to try and pass them.
- The things that come to those that wait may be the things left by those who got there first.
- It was recently discovered that research causes cancer in rats.
- Flashlight: A case for holding dead batteries.
- The shin bone is a device for finding furniture.
- It is hard to understand how a cemetery can raise its burial costs and blame it on the higher cost of living.
- He's not dead. He's electroencephalographically challenged.
- I feel like I'm diagonally parked in a parallel universe.
- She's always late. In fact, her ancestors arrived on the "Juneflower."
- When the chips are down, the buffalo is empty.
- If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.

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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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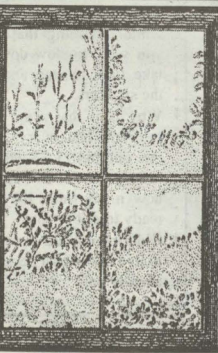
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SUMMARY

DATA is compiled by
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Date	Max.	Min.	Pr.	Sn
Nov. 19	45	38	.01	
Nov. 20	42	34		
Nov. 21	36	31		T
Nov. 22	N/A			
Nov. 23	40	32	.65	T
Nov. 24	53	32	.07	1.75
Nov. 25	37	17	.15	4.
Nov. 26	36	26		
Nov. 27	38	23		
Nov. 28	36	28		
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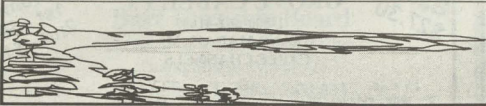
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**AROUND THE BAY:
BY EVELYN MORRISON**



Evelyn is in Florida this week helping her parents get settled for the winter.

Sandee Sibbald enjoyed Treva, Nolan and new baby Dana Louise for four days. mid-November, Baby Dana was the center of attention during her "Welcome to Grand Marais, Dana" party hosted by lots of friends, from Marquette, Chatham and G.M.. The back room of LSBC was filled with kids of all ages, moms and gifts!

Dick and Sheryl Houlden spent time at "The Green" during hunting season and Dick hunted with the Camp K crew per usual.

Camp Crab Orchard hosted several dinners for townies and one for their buddies "The Beer Slayers", and showed off the new addition, which is a replacement of the original camp.

The Altran bus from Munising picked up 18 serious Christmas shoppers this Tuesday, and transported them back and forth to Marquette for the day.

Lee Durrwachter spent Thanksgiving with his Mom and other relatives in Pennsylvania. He reports his flight back on 12-1-03; (another day the lights went out in G.M.) was a bit "bumpy".

J.C. Ogden and Diana Bell are on a 10-day trip to Louisiana to check on Mom and Dad Ogden's house and plan to stop and see Dick and John in Poland, Indiana on the way down.

Jim and Sherri Seibert spent the holidays with family in Marquette, further news on this event (you can be sure) in Hungry Jim's column.

Word from the locals is the Thanksgiving Dinner at the Senior Apt. building on 11-23 and the one hosted by the Lutheran Church on Thanksgiving Day were both filled with delicious food and good conversation.

Jack and Mary Alice Johnson had all "the kids", and their kids in recently for a weekend.

John Monache's daughters, Lisa and Sandy along with granddaughters, Morgan, Lauren and Jennifer were in to help him celebrate his birthday.

The Bell's are busy this month with birthdays for: Dianna, Michael and Jennifer, also racking up another year in December is Beav Sibbald, Terry "T" Hardy, Mary Shaw and truck driver gal, Bev Madore ("HI" Bev need to hear from you).

Get well soon to Blair Vickerman who is down state with his daughter Ann Hautimaki in Rochester Hills, Mi. Also to Ty Washell (Old Man of the Woods) who is in Marquette General Hospital, Room 383 Marquette, MI 49855. Get well soon and come home guys. A big wish for the merriest Christmas and the happiest of New Years' for all. As always, keep smiling. ...Evie.

Author to Sign Book

Local author Jean Auer of Shingleton (Van Meer), Michigan will be signing copies of her new best-selling book "YOOPER-GRAN'S BEST RECIPES" on Friday, Dec. 19, 2003 from 12 to 4 p.m. at B. Dalton Booksellers, Westwood Mall, Marquette, MI. "YOOPER-GRAN'S BEST RECIPES" is a lifetime collection of local favorites and features great tasting, easy to prepare dishes. Jean is the mother of Jeanette Bauknecht, Hilltop Cabins, and is a frequent visitor to Grand Marais.

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* Dorothy Morrison *

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*Ty Washell,
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Ty would appreciate your prayers and cards, and a visit if you're in the area.

Shallow Thoughts

- I encourage my children to read the newspaper, but they're holding out for a remote that turns the pages.
- Does anyone know? If you voted for the winning congressional candidate, can you take all your campaign promises in one lump sum?
- There's just something wonderful about a cold, cold winter morning that makes you want to slow down and take time to stop and smell the smokers.
- Why is it that some people can remember every detail of the dumbest joke you ever heard, but can't remember how many times they've already told it to you?
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Karla and Dorinda Wilson

With Sincere Appreciation

Thank you to Steve, Lou, Nancy Mc, Ronnie, Evie and Chuck for your quick response and gentle care while I was transported to HNJ Hospital. Also, thank you to Dorinda, Ronnie, Nancy Mc, Lou, Nancy W, Gee and Bob for checking on me and assisting me while I was recovering. It is in times when you feel the most vulnerable that kindness means the most. I count my blessings that I live in Grand Marais, where people still care about one another.

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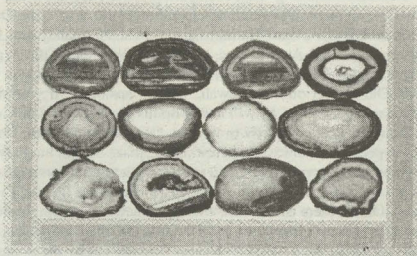
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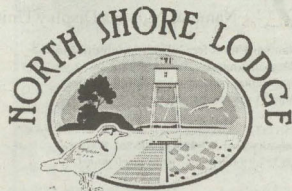
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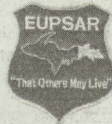
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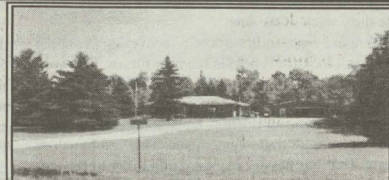
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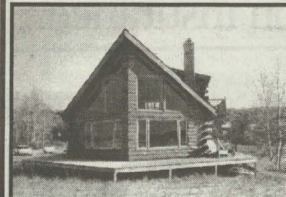
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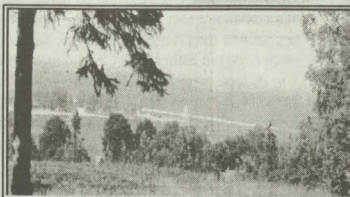
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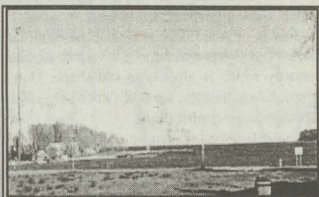
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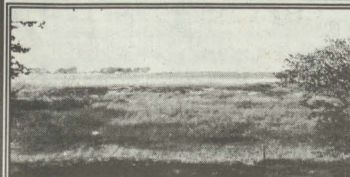
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By the time this issue goes to press Congress may or may not have passed Bush's Medicare Drug Bill. It was irresponsible for the House to pass it as quickly as they did. Not because it is good or bad, but because they had no way of knowing what the bill is. If people believe that these Congressmen actually took the time to read the 12000 or so pages of this bill, they will also buy land ten miles North of Grand Marais. Just the fact that the bill is so lengthy is a good indicator that there is a lot of stuff in the bill that has little if anything to do with drugs for seniors. The only reason that a bill would be this long is that the people in power want to hide something, more than likely "Pork". The AARP supports the bill saying it is better than nothing, there is a better chance that someone in AARP read the entire bill but it is still doubtful. Their statement that "It is better than nothing" may backfire on them. I am reminded of the statement that "Sometimes the good is the enemy of the best". This bone being thrown to seniors for their support of Bush in the 2004 elections may come back to haunt them; of course they won't know until 2006 when the bill takes effect if passed. By then it will be too late to throw the bums out and replace them with different bums.

The "Asses" are criticizing it as being too little to do much good and as a payoff to drug companies, HMOs and other large "Elephant" campaign donors. Duh! It would be the same if the Asses had come up with a bill only different people would get the payoffs. They however did nothing when they had control and left this campaign move for the elephants to cash in on. This move must however have "good republicans" rolling in their graves. It is Socialism plain and simple regardless of how it shakes out. I also can't see a true conservative (if any do exist) supporting welfare that will increase spending without paying for it and a bill that retards capitalism. I guess it boils down to the fact that nothing is sacred in politics.

In my "Credit where credit is due" category, I must give our President and Commander-in-Chief a big "Atta boy" for his Thanksgiving trip to Afghanistan. I am sure that it was a morale booster to our troops. It also showed a willingness to give up some of his time and safety to recognize the people that are doing the dirty work of the war.

There are more indicators of a recovering economy but don't look for it here in the near future. The word is that Bush is going to end the tariff on imported steel about a year and a half early. According to the administration spin-doctors, he is doing so because it is a violation of trade agreements. That is a bunch of crap! That has never meant a damn thing to this administration before, why now? The truth is that he is getting pressure from other countries and some industries in this country. There is legitimate argument as to whether the tariff is good. Some say that the bottom line is a negative, others that it is a positive, again both sides are manipulating the numbers to support their argument. I don't know what the bottom line is on a national scale but the elimination of the tariff will have a disastrous effect on our local economy which is already in sad shape. Don't look for much help though, we don't have many votes and large campaign contributors.

It would sure be nice to be able to turn the TV to

one channel and get the facts in an unbiased manner. Watching the Bush lackeys on FOX is somewhat humorous. After they criticize the liberals for exaggerating the problems in Iraq and ignoring the tremendous progress that has been made, they cut to a story about another attack and deaths of Americans. I seldom if ever have seen any lengthy story about our wonderful achievements in rebuilding Iraq by FOX or for that matter by anyone. On the other hand we have the liberal media (which is most of the media) concentrating on all the problems and mistakes that have been made there. The truth is probably something in the middle of the two extremes but we will never get that reported.

Snowmobiling will start soon around here and with it the few pros and many cons will take center stage at coffee klatches, town meetings and just plain old discussions. The absence of law enforcement in Burt Township will be widely known by the snowmobile enthusiasts and the bad apples will take full advantage of this fact. It boggles my mind how this State, especially the DEQ, can spend so much money on grooming snowtrails yet cannot afford to fund mandated programs. Our State is cutting revenue sharing by at least 6%; this has caused many counties, cities and townships to cut law enforcement. The DEQ on the other hand can budget millions to groom snow trails but cannot pay their property taxes, thus causing schools and communities to cut their budgets. I am not an anti snowmobiler, but I think we have our priorities screwed up here.

And finally, First and foremost I must apologize for giving the name "Kallio" only one "L" in my article last issue. Thanksgiving this year was held at the newlyweds' house for the Seibert/Blecker crew. I thought sister Jen was nuts when I heard that she was hosting the dinner. As usual there was an abundance of food; we couldn't invite the Armed Forces in to eat the excess this year though, Bush has them spread throughout the world. The dinner was great and everybody overate. The Packer-Lion game did not go as we wanted and during the game Sean could be heard in Detroit. My two daughters-in-law got up early Friday for the annual start of Christmas shopping. I can't see the draw of fighting people all day for a few bargains but then people go to unbelievable extremes for their favorite pastimes. I sat in Lambeau Field on December 31, 1967 to watch the Packers beat the Cowboys in the infamous "Ice Bowl". Lizard and Doc came down with some kind of flu and Sean and Dizzy were getting it when we left Sunday. I am hoping that our Flu Shots work despite the fact that the strain of flu this year is a little different than the serum used. After hosting the Turkeyday event, Jen proved that she was nuts by following it up on Saturday with a BIG 40-birthday party for John. She made enough chili to feed Mexico and half of Texas and we also had hot dogs, potato salad and all kinds of other stuff. John got the usual gag gifts and after the fire department arrived to put out the blaze caused by all the candles, we ate the cake. By the time I got home, 2:30 PM Sunday, I was ready for some R&R. I would do it all again and probably will in about a month.

And finally, finally. Did you take a little time on Thanksgiving to think about our service personnel, especially those overseas and in harms way? I did. I remember my first Thanksgiving in the Navy floating around the Gulf of Tonkin; the food might have been good but eating it off a metal tray in a chow hall sort of took away the spirit of the holiday. Stay well Josh, Mike, Jason and Jeff and all your comrades. Here's hoping you'll be eating Thanksgiving dinner at home next year. Until next issue. Hungry Jim

Old Geezers

"Geezers" (slang for an old man) are easy to spot: At sporting events, during the playing of the National Anthem, Old Geezers hold their caps over their hearts and sing without embarrassment. They know the words and believe in them. Old Geezers remember World War I, the Depression, World War II, Pearl Harbor, Guadalcanal, Normandy and Hitler. They remember the Atomic Age, the Korean War, The Cold War, the Jet Age and the Moon Landing, not to mention Vietnam. If you bump into an Old Geezer on the sidewalk, he will apologize. If you pass an Old Geezer on the street, he will nod or tip his cap to a lady. Old Geezers trust strangers and are courteously to women. Old Geezers hold the door for the next person and always, when walking, make certain the lady is on the inside for protection. Old Geezers get embarrassed if someone curses in front of women and children and they don't like and filth on TV or in movies. Old Geezers have moral courage. They seldom brag unless it's about their grandchildren. It's the Old Geezers who know, our great country is protected, not by politicians or police, but by the young men and women in the military serving their country. This country needs Old Geezers with their decent values. We need them now more than ever.

Thank God for Old Geezers!



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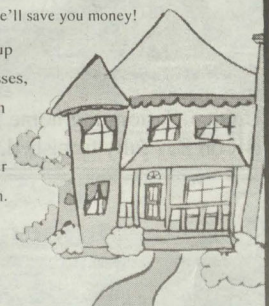
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DO THE RIGHT THING

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."

Last spring our aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln, with a crew and embarked air group of over 5000 men and women of the U.S. Navy, was en-route home from duty in the Iraq war on terror.

A "normal" deployment overseas for such a carrier would be for a period of six months. Just think: A whole half year away from home and loved ones, living in a high-pressure, confined environment and often working twelve hours a day or more, 7 days a week! How would you handle that? How about those you left behind - how would they do?

In actual fact, the Abraham Lincoln was heading home, at last, from a twelve-month deployment; the longest such mission for a U.S. carrier since the Viet Nam War! In addition, they had accomplished this grueling feat without the loss of a single air crew in combat or otherwise.

In recognition of the achievement of the Abraham Lincoln and her people, the Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. armed forces planned a visit to the ship as she approached the California coast. During this visit, he would express his appreciation, on behalf of the American people, for the contribution of all members of all our armed forces who had taken part through the end of major combat operations in Iraq.

Learning of his visit, and as part of their preparations for it, the Captain and crew of the Abraham Lincoln wanted to show their rightful pride in their own sacrificial performance by hanging a huge banner on the ship's superstructure which would read "Mission Accomplished." Any military unit receiving a visit by the Commander-in-Chief sends all their part of the advance planning to his staff for prior approval; after all, it's important not to "blind-side" or embarrass your boss when he's honoring you. The ship's plan was approved, including the wording on the banner which celebrated the incredible accomplishment of this great ship and her crew.

Ever since that visit by President Bush, critic after critic has ignored the facts and claimed the banner was the president's work and even put the words on it in his mouth. These claims began as errors of ignorance, have repeatedly been challenged, and are still being parroted; but now they are contemptible lies. The liars know better! If they don't, then their ignorance is unforgivable for someone who presumably deals in facts.

The latest of these untruths was uttered on 11-30-03 on Fox News Sunday by Juan Williams. Juan was weighing in on the President's Thanksgiving visit to Baghdad and complained that the Commander-in-Chief had erroneously proclaimed the end of the war when "He said 'Mission Accomplished' on the deck of the Abraham Lincoln." Wrong, wrong, WRONG!

Juan, you're one of my favorite liberals but you need to get your facts straight. The president never said those words and had nothing to do with the banner's origination. In fact, he warned us that the war was *not* over and that difficult and dangerous days lie ahead of us for the foreseeable future in this war against terrorists who would destroy all that we Americans hold dear. (He's only been saying this since September 11th, 2001, for goodness' sake!)

Please, DO THE RIGHT THING and support or criticize the president based on the facts and not on some piece of trash endlessly repeated in defiance of those facts. The next time you hear a lie such as this, get an address for the media outlet you read it in or heard or saw it on and let them know what you know and what you expect from them. Your country and the outstanding members of our armed forces deserve no less.

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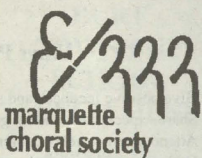
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Seniors and Holiday Depression - Depression is Never Normal

(Farmington Hills, MI December 2, 2003) - Depression is never normal at any age. The holidays however, can be an especially troublesome time for older adults. Seniors, their families, friends, and caregivers need to be sensitive to coping with depression around this time of the year.

The holiday season is traditionally a time to gather with family and friends and reflect upon the past while toasting the New Year ahead. For the elderly, the holidays can be an emotional time that can lead to depression.

"It's important to remember that events and traditions associated with the holidays can often trigger a heightened awareness of losses and limitations in older adults, resulting in the emergence or worsening of depression symptoms," said Albert Bayer, M.D. Dr. Bayer a geriatric psychiatry expert in private practice serves as clinical coordinator for MPRO, Michigan's Health Care Quality Improvement Organization.

"Depression is not a normal part of aging, nor is it a natural reaction to changes associated with aging," stressed Bayer. "Families need to be in tune to the emotional needs of loved ones. When symptoms of depression are effectively recognized, they are typically very sensitive to appropriate treatment."

Some of the more common symptoms of depression in seniors include:

- Persistent sadness
- Withdrawal from regular social activities
- Slowed thinking or response. Staring off into space
- Lack of energy or interest in things that were once enjoyable
- Weight changes/Changes in sleep patterns
- Inability to concentrate

"We all experience an influx of emotions around the holidays, but it's important to remember that older adults may feel more acutely the passing of time, the absence of loved ones who have passed away and the distance of children who may have moved away," said Vicki Boyle, RN, BSN, MPRO. Ms. Boyle is a project manager for a special study on depression in the elderly.

"If someone suspects a senior in their life is depressed, the best gift of all is seeking help for that individual," said Boyle. First steps are important:

- Talk to the senior and see if you can figure out what's bothering them
- Encourage the senior to see a physician, if they are apprehensive, go with them. An illness can trigger depression
- If the senior is in a nursing home, talk to the staff

"Support is necessary, be persistent until you get to the source of the problem," stressed Boyle.

The experts concur that depression is not an inevitable part of growing old. Depression is treatable. For questions on senior mental health see your physician. For information or questions on senior health care topics visit MPRO online at www.mpro.org. MPRO -Michigan's Health Care Quality Improvement Organization.

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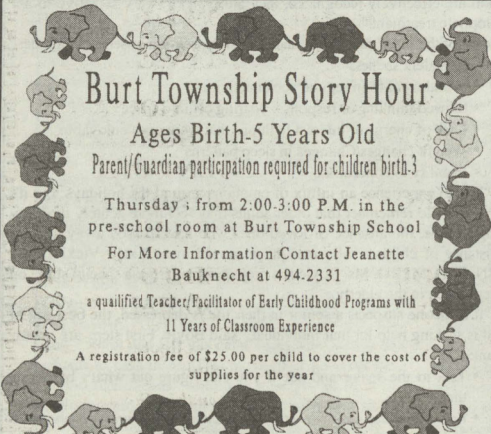
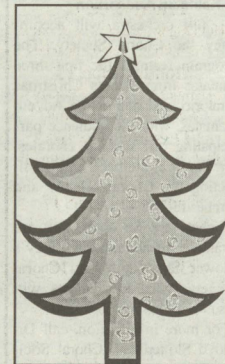
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The north wind is showing it's furry again today. The waves on the lake are as big as houses. In fact, the protected bay even has whitecaps. The sky is grey with snow clouds. The air is full of snowflakes blowing past. The weather this fall has been light on snow, but heavy with wind.

How different a day or two can make in the weather. One day it is sunny and calm and in the turn of a day, the wind can become so ferocious that you must hold on tightly to just maintain your balance. Today is one of the latter.

The winds this fall have brought with them challenges: the challenge to retain electricity to our community; the challenge to keep roads and lines clear of fallen trees; the challenge to keep warm; the challenge to be constantly prepared. The individuals who call Grand Marais home embrace these challenges, just as they do others; with a positive attitude. Knowing that this too will pass. Challenges are merely problems that will be solved. The tenacity and fortitude of our residents is remarkable and admirable. Others in today's society could learn from our example.

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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments regarding our school.

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School Fax 494-2522

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Happy Teaching!
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How safe is your child when surfing the web?
Children and internet perpetrators.
How do we protect our youth?

Trooper Hebner of the Michigan State Police will address these issues at an informational meeting on Tuesday, December 9th at 3:45 p.m. in room 106 of the Grand Marais school. A light meal will be served at 5 p.m. for those in attendance. Please RSVP at 494-2543.

Burt Township School District 2003-04 School Calendar

December 18 th	Christmas Program (December 22 nd Stormdate)
December 19 th	Progress Reports Due
December 24 th - January 2 nd	Christmas Break
January 5 th	School Resumes
January 16 th	End of first semester marking period
January 26 th	No School
February 6 th	Progress Reports Due
February 20 th	Homecoming / Parents' Night
February 23 rd	No School
February 27 th	End of fourth six weeks marking period
March 4 th	Parent Teacher Conferences
March 12 th	Community Talent Show
March 19 th	Progress Reports Due
March 22 nd	No School
April 7 th	Athletic Banquet
April 8 th	End of fifth six weeks marking period
April 9 th - 16 th	Easter Break
April 19 th	School Resumes
April 23 rd	Spring Carnival
April 26 th	Excellence in Education Week
April 27 th	Excellence Celebration in Munising
April 29 th	Excellence Celebration in Grand Marais (gd 4-6)

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

- Thursday, Dec. 4**
Hamburger Deluxe - French Fries - Carrots - Apple Sauce
- Friday, Dec. 5**
Pizza - Salad - Carrots - Fruit
- Monday, Dec. 8**
Chicken nuggets - French Fries - Apple Sauce - Carrots
- Tuesday, Dec. 9**
Sloppy Joes - Tatar Tots - Broccoli/Cheese - Pears
- Wednesday, Dec. 10**
Ham - Scalloped Potatoes - Corn - Fruit
- Thursday, Dec. 11**
Chili - Corn Muffins - Carrots - M' Oranges
- Friday, Dec. 12**
Hot Dog w/Buns - w/wo Chili - French Fries - Salad - Peaches
- Monday, Dec. 15**
Hamburger Deluxe - Potato Wedges - Carrots - Fruit
- Tuesday, Dec. 16**
Spaghetti - Garlic Cheese Bread - Salad - Orange Wedges
- Wednesday, Dec. 17**
Nachos w/Works - Refried Beans - Fruit Cocktail
- Thursday, Dec. 18**
Turkey - Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy - Stuffing - Cranberries - Salad
- Friday, Dec. 19**
Pizza - Salad - Carrots - Fruit

**** Milk, Bread, Peanut Butter, Jam and Salad Bar available daily.**

Elementary Students at Burt Township School were asked, "What did they want for Christmas?"

- Snowboard
- Skateboard
- Porsche
- Remote control Hummer
- CD Player
- Dune Buggy
- Nintendo
- Dirt bike
- Skatter
- Remote control Dirt bike
- Barbie
- Snowmobile
- Bird House
- Brat Doll car
- Dog
- Puppy
- Kirby the Video game
- CD's
- Brat Dolls
- and a Rubber Chicken



Grand Marais Elementary and High School Students Cordially Invite You To Our ANNUAL

Christmas Program 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 18, 2003
(Storm date: Monday, December 22nd)

Please plan to join us for song, fun and laughter.

COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE

NONPERISHABLE GOODS CAN BE SENT TO SCHOOL WITH A STUDENT OR DROPPED OFF OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

FOOD WILL BE USED TO STOCK COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Nonperishable goods will be collected through December 22nd.

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The Students of Burt Township School would like to thank the following members of our community for their assistance in putting on the "Great Ice Cream Scheme"

- Kevin Hughey
- Dorinda Wilson
- Cathy Beaupied
- Sue Bryers
- Lois Kinlaw
- Marla Overlin
- Chris Roberts

Your assistance made this production possible.

2003-04 Polar Bear Basketball / Volleyball Winter Schedule

**Basketball coach: John Bauknecht
Volleyball coach: Stacey Stachnik**

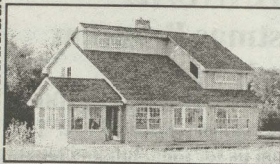


December 12	Munising Baptist	Home *6 p.m. start
January 9-10	Hannahville	Away
January 16-17	Mackinac Island	Away
January 23-24	Hannahville	Home
January 30-31	Beaver Island	Home
February 6	Munising Baptist	Away *6 p.m. start
February 13-14	Paradise	Away
February 20-21	Mackinac Island	Homecoming

**Friday Games start at 6:30 p.m. / Saturday Games at 9:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted. All games are played in coordination with volleyball games.*

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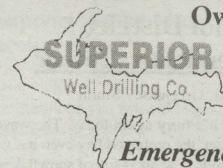
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LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONT: 323 feet of beautiful beach with no bluff. This 3.79 acre parcel is high and dry and located on a year round road. Priced at only \$175,000. VW-140

TWO TEN ACRE PARCELS IN THE "BOONDOCKS". These parcels are high and dry and heavily wooded with pines and hardwoods. Located off a seasonal road with deeded access eight miles East of Grand Marais. These would make a great hunting or snowmobile camp. \$19,500. Each. VL-133

LARGE RESTORED HOME IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS: This famous home was built back in the late 1800's and has been remodeled with new plumbing, roof, kitchen, bath, electrical, and much more. Located on a corner lot in the quiet area of town this is a real show place. \$189,500. R-153

TWO WOODED PARCELS CLOSE TO TOWN: Located on H-58 East of Grand Marais these parcels are 115 feet wide and several hundred feet deep. A new drive is being put in on each lot and they are being surveyed. They come with an on site septic approval from the local health department. These are nice wooded and dry and along a year round paved road. Electric and cable runs along H-58. This is a peaceful setting and the price is only \$25,000.00 each.

VIEW PARCEL: This is located along the ridge overlooking Lake Superior one mile East of Grand Marais. This heavily wooded site has acreage and a lot of privacy with access at the top of the hill off Webb Rd. the width of this parcel is 150 feet. It is priced at \$65,000.00. VW-131

ONE BEDROOM HOME ON WOODED LOT: Located two miles East of town, this cottage has had a lot of improvements done to it. Steel roof, vinyl siding, new bath and laundry room, new paint and new carpeting. Would make an ideal retreat at the edge of town. Priced at only \$62,500.00.

SEASONAL CAMP SEVEN MILES EAST OF GRAND MARAIS: This is a tiny cabin located on #416 which is the East snowmobile trail #8. The road is not plowed in the winter and there is no electricity. It has a partial view of Lake Superior and is on a 1.9 acre lot. It is really cute!! Only \$28,500.00

MAGNIFICENT VIEW PARCEL OVERLOOKING THE GRAND MARAIS HARBOR: This is unbelievable. The land is very deep and heavily wooded. It's 200 feet in width and the driveway is already in. Standing where a building site could be you can see downtown Grand Marais and the break wall. It looks like it could be on a post card. \$149,500.00

100 FEET OF VACANT SANDY WATERFRONT BEACH ON GRAND MARAIS BAY: This is located right downtown and would allow an owner to walk to all stores and restaurants. Grandchildren can walk to the ice cream store! \$119,500.00

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.

NICE HUNTING OR SNOWMOBILE CAMP WITH TWO CAR GARAGE: This is located two miles from Grand Marais and has a partially finished great room for a large group. Nice trees and plenty of room to roam. Priced at only \$64,500.00.

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.

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

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 175 foot parcel for \$75,000. The two parcels with the streams are side by side and can be purchased together.

GORGEOUS HOME ON LARGE LOT IN TOWN: This ranch style home is on five lots with a two car garage. Full basement, new carpet and decorating, and a beautiful yard with flower gardens and trees. Located across from Woodland Park it is in the quieter area of town. \$108,000.00

ONE BEDROOM HOME WITH DETACHED GARAGE ON THREE ACRES: This home is only two miles East of town with over 400 feet of frontage on Highway H-58. It could be split into three parcels. Nice trees and a lot of recent improvements to the home. \$64,500.00

NEWER CABIN ON A 100 FOOT LOT WITH NEW POLE BARN: This would make an ideal rental when you are not visiting Grand Marais. Located three miles out of town it offers a lot of peace and privacy. \$64,500.00

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 completely remodeled. There are sixteen rental units and they all have a new sewer and water system. There are 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.

TEN ACRES WITH GARAGE, MOBILE HOME, AND OUT BUILDINGS: This is a beautiful piece of property, full of good deer hunting and close to snowmobile trails. The mobile home is 17 feet by 60 feet and is only 10 years old. Very good condition. Two miles southeast of Grand Marais. \$72,500.00

CONDO: It is very rare that a condo on Grand Guard Point comes up for sale. This unit is an upper level, 2-3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath with some furnishings including a stackable washer and dryer. It also includes a storage shed. It is in immaculate condition and priced at only \$110,000. (C-105)

We are open all year, however, during the winter months by appointment only.

Please call ahead and we can make arrangements to show property even in the "deep" snow.

Please call for an update on new listings. For additional information call: Ed Bowen, owner/broker at 494-2700. FAX: 494-2353

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National Diabetes Month All Foods Can Fit!

November was National Diabetes Month. It is estimated that almost 500,000 adults and 6,200 youth under 18 years of age have diabetes in the State of Michigan. Studies suggest that over 200,000 Michigan adults have diabetes and are not aware of it and over 550,000 Michigan adults have pre-diabetes.

The Michigan Dietetic Association is committed to promoting healthy eating and well being for all people. People with diabetes have the same nutrition needs as anyone else. Along with exercise and medication, healthy eating is important for good diabetes control.

According to the American Dietetic Association, "medical nutrition therapy, provided by registered dietitians as part of a person's health care team, has been proven effective in treatment and prevention of nutrition-related diseases (such as diabetes). People receiving medical nutrition therapy, or MNT, have been shown to have fewer complications, fewer hospitalizations, and lower health care costs."

No food is off limits, but make a few healthy choices to help keep your blood sugar under control. A Registered Dietitian can help you work these guidelines into a healthy meal plan that will fit your lifestyle.

- Try to eat about the same amount of food at about the same time each day.
- Choose whole grain carbohydrates, such as whole wheat breads and pasta, whole grain cereals, and brown rice. Include dried beans and peas 2 to 3 times a week.
- Although sugar sweetened foods can fit—use them sparingly and balance them with other carbohydrates foods in your meal. Choose sugar free drinks or lower sugar food options when available.
- Eat a variety of foods, including fruits, vegetables, whole grains, low fat dairy foods, and lean meat, poultry, fish, or alternatives.
- Choose lower fat options and limit saturated fats and cholesterol.
- Use less salt. Use herbs and spices to taste, instead.

Remember that everyone can benefit from a healthy diet. Healthy eating now can help prevent type 2 diabetes later in life. A Registered Dietitian can help you build life-long healthy eating habits for you and your family.

For help or additional information, please contact Michigan Dietetic Association Media Representative: Kristy L. Fox, RD (906)632-5210 e-mail: kfox@saultribe.net

Social Security

(This is worth the read. It's short and to the point.)

Perhaps we are asking the wrong questions during election years. Our Senators and Congressmen do not pay into Social Security and, of course, they do not collect from it. Social Security benefits were not suitable for persons of their rare elevation in society.

They felt they should have a special plan for themselves. Many years ago they voted in their own benefit plan. In more recent years, no congressperson has felt the need to change it. After all, it is a great plan.

For all practical purposes their plan works like this: When they retire, they continue to draw the same pay until they die, except it may increase from time to time for cost of living adjustments.

For example, former Senator Byrd and Congressman White and their wives may expect to draw \$7,800,000.00 (that's seven million, eight-hundred thousand), with their wives drawing \$275,000.00 during the last years of their lives. This is calculated on an average life span for each.

Their cost for this excellent plan is \$00.00. Nada. Zilch. This little perk they voted for themselves is free to them. You and I pick up the tab for this plan.

The funds for this fine retirement plan come directly from the General Funds—our tax dollars at work! From our own Social Security Plan, which you and I pay (or have paid) into—every payday until we retire (which amount is matched by our employer)—we can expect to get an average \$1,000 per month after retirement.

Join The Grand Marais Women's Club!

Dues are \$10.00 per year. Volunteers are needed, and will be greatly appreciated, to help with club projects. You needn't be a member to attend.

Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of each month. Call Mary Alice Johnson for information 494-2644

The Last Time We Had Fresh Turkey For Thanksgiving

By Dayne Shaw

Years ago, in the nineteen forties, when I was young, we did not go the grocery and purchase a frozen self-basting turkey, with a plug stuck in it's breast that pops up when it is done. If we wanted to we could purchase one at the meat market that was cleaned and almost ready to roast.

Our family always gathered at my Uncle Russell's house, in the small town of Port William, Ohio. This is where we had our thanksgiving feast. My Uncle Russell always felt that a fresh turkey was absolutely necessary to make the meal a success. He was not satisfied with going to the meat market to get his fresh turkey, he would go to a local farm and purchase a large live turkey and bring it back to butcher on the morning of Thanksgiving.

This task was not an easy one; it consisted of killing the bird and then soaking the carcass in a tub of boiling water. The hot water made it easier to remove the feathers.

The feather plucking was done a hand full at a time. After the feathers were removed, he would have to cut the turkey open to take out the internal organs.

The whole process was no easy task and my uncle started very early in the morning. At the Thanksgiving dinner, as my uncle carved the golden brown turkey, surrounded with a table full of great things to eat and about ten hungry people, he would say, "If you want good meat it has to be fresh."

On the morning of our last really fresh Thanksgiving turkey, Uncle Russell started his process the same as previous years.

As gruesome as it may seem, to kill the turkey you cut off its head. To do this my uncle would stuff the live turkey into a large burlap bag. Only its head stuck out and the bag was tied shut with a string.

Almost everyone has probably heard the old saying, (Running around like a chicken with its head cut off). The reason for this saying is, chickens do not have very large brains, and when their head is cut off, they jump and flop around a lot with reflex actions. Thus, the saying came about.

A turkey is much bigger than a chicken but the reaction is the same. Uncle Russell always put the bag on the enormous turkey to keep it from flopping around. This time when my uncle brought the axe down on the big bird's neck, he also cut the string holding the sack closed.

The headless turkey got out of the burlap bag and took off running, not flopping, but running. It tore across the neighbors back yard and ran into the side of his garage, bounced off the wall of the garage and took off up the alley heading for main street, with Uncle Russell, still holding the axe, in hot pursuit.

My uncle lost track of the headless turkey and was following the blood trail when he passed Buck Barlow, a neighbor, sitting on his front porch. Buck had come out on his front porch to smoke his pipe; his wife would never let him smoke the old smelly thing in the house. My uncle, with a bloody axe in his hand, looked up at Buck. Buck said, "Did you lose something Russ?" My Uncle replied, "have you seen---" That was all he got out when Buck took his old corncob pipe out of his mouth and pointed the stem toward an old shed, across the street, about twenty-five yards away. My uncle knew by the big grin on Buck's face that he would never live this early morning chase down.

Uncle Russell found the dead turkey behind the shed where it had finally run out of gas. He took the bird back and finished cleaning it. He used the leftover hot water to clean up the mess the turkey had left on their foot race through town.

That thanksgiving the dinner was as good as ever but when Uncle Russell carved the turkey he did not make his usual comment, "If you want good meat it has to be fresh."

That was the last time he ever purchased a live turkey and another Thanksgiving tradition came to an end.

Have you ever noticed that, apparently, the only reason some people take trips is to get good gas mileage?

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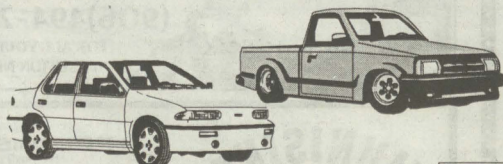
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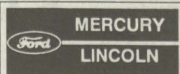
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AA-MEETING: Every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Methodist Church. 494-2364 or 494-2386

BINGO: Every Sunday at 7:00 p.m. at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church.

BURT TOWNSHIP BOARD: Every 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Comm. Ctr.

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.

GRAND MARAIS LIONS CLUB: 4th Wed. of the month. (Board) 6:00 p.m. Regular meeting 7:00 p.m. Community Center.

BURT TOWNSHIP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Every 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

LIBRARY HOURS: M-W-F Noon to 2:00 p.m.; at the Community Center.

GERMFASK-VFW HALL: Second Sunday of each month all you can eat breakfast from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

CURTIS LIONS: Third Sunday of each month all you can eat breakfast from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"OLD TIME GOSPEL HYMN SING": First Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Held at the Methodist Church.

COAST GUARD AUXILIARY FLOTILLA 28-12: Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. For more information call 494-2622.

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