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GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

PARTISAN BALLOT A

PRESIDENTIAL

Republican George W. Bush & Dick Cheney 161
Democratic John F. Kerry & John Edwards 174
Green Party David Cobb & Patricia LaMarche 0
U.S. Taxpayers Party Michael A. Peroutka & Chuck Baldwin 1
Libertarian Michael Baknirik & Richard Campagna 0
Natural Law Party Walter Brown & Mary Alice Herbert 1
NO PARTY AFFILIATION Ralph Nader & Peter Miguel Canejo 4

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REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

1ST DISTRICT

Republican Don Hooper 74
Democratic Bart Stupak 243
Green Party David J. Newland 1
Libertarian John W. Loosmore 0

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Libertarian Michael H. Miller 3
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Libertarian Thomas W. Jones 3
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Marilyn Kelly 172

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Judge of the Court of Appeals 4th DISTRICT

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Michael J. Kelly 142

Donald S. Owens 131

Judge of the Court of Appeals 4th DISTRICT

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STATE PROPOSAL BALLOT C

PROPOSAL 04-1

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE VOTER APPROVAL OF ANY FORM OF GAMBLING AUTHORIZED BY LAW AND CERTAIN NEW STATE LOTTERY GAMES

201 YES 145 NO

PROPOSAL 04-2

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO SPECIFY WHAT CAN BE RECOGNIZED AS A "MARRIAGE OR SIMILAR UNION" FOR ANY PURPOSE.

198 YES 137 NO

TOWNSHIP PROPOSITION BALLOT D

PROPOSAL A - MILLAGE RENEWAL

FOR TOWNSHIP IMPROVEMENT

239 YES 111 NO

TOWNSHIP PROPOSITION BALLOT E

PROPOSAL B - MILLAGE RENEWAL

FOR HARBOR RESTORATION

198 YES 149 NO

TOWNSHIP PROPOSITION BALLOT F

PROPOSAL C - MILLAGE INCREASE

FOR DPW/EMS BUILDING

162 YES 184 NO



ROSE HILL CEMETERY NOTICE

The Rose Hill Cemetery ordinance provides that all flowers, wreaths, papers and flower containers must be removed prior to November 15. Other material that you may wish to retain should also be removed at this time. All remaining material will be removed by Township employees and discarded beginning November 16. If you have any questions concerning this ordinance, call the Township Office at 494-2381

Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board

Grand Marais Community Center

Grand Marais, Michigan

October 12, 2004 7:00PM

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

Public Comment: Opened at 7:01 p.m. Closed at 7:02 p.m..

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

Correspondence: Correspondence was read.

Minutes of previous meetings: Motion by Benmark, and seconded to accept the minutes of the September 14, 2004, Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board. 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Accepted by Supervisor and subject to audit. Account balances: General - \$1,951.58; Payroll - \$506.15; Improvement - \$11,209.09; Youth Fund - \$108.39; Marina - \$1,626.13; Ambulance - \$8,501.02; Water Receiving - \$3,084.65; Water Operating - \$6,163.57; Water Bond & Savings - \$103,490.03; Fire Protection - \$14,945.02; Woodland Park - \$47,896.26; Harbor - \$64,851.82; Medical Center - \$61.90; Tax Account - \$8,545.45; Beach Access - \$39,066.93; Revolving Loan Fund - \$80,406.00; Fuel System - \$4,893.66.

Payment of bills: Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to pay bills as funds become available. 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

Refunds: Park/Community Center/Greenspace: Motion by Seibert and seconded to refund a Greenspace donation for \$1000 to Nadine and Wally Hull. 5 - ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to refund a Community Center deposit to the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce. 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Township Sewer System by UP Engineering - Timothy Klenow, Sr. Engineer with U.P. Engineering presented information about a sewer system in Burt Township. Mr. Klenow said that if there is interest the Township should contact Rural Development for a pre-application. Following that is a full application, and environmental report, a preliminary engineering report, letters of conditions meeting and then the project would begin. Mr. Klenow felt that if the Township started now - the sewer system project may be able to start as soon as next summer.

Monthly Reports: DPW/Water - Mike Beek: Reported that all 5 leaks found during Leak Detection have been repaired. Hydrant flushing is being done this week. Bayshore bathhouse and the Marina have been winterized. Snowmobile signs have been going up. Hydraulics are messed up on the backhoe - \$1000 of service already - Mike is contacting Nortrax. Been shutting off seasonal water customers and new water meter was installed at Superior Hardware. **Park** - Sheri Shafer: Reported that there are still campers in the park and that she would like to hold off closing the park until Monday. The bathhouse loan is paid in full and laundry was a success. The camp host left today. Mike and Tim need to put away the put put and the lawn mowers. Three out of five showers have been fixed. The roads in the park need to be the top priority for park maintenance this year. **Ambulance** - Evelyn Morrison: The annual picnic at the Woodland Park pavilion was nice. Burt Township Ambulance has been recognized as partners of the National Park. Bob and Nancy Weston were recognized for long-term service. Emergency snowmobiles are getting ready for winter - Evelyn is encouraging ambulance personnel to help with trail grooming this weekend so that they can become more familiar with the snow trails. Evelyn submitted ambulance budget to the county. EMT Class will be done mid November - there will be 3 new EMT's and 2 MFR's that are upgrading to EMT.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A) **Land Splits: GREENWALD** - Motion by Seibert and seconded to deny request for land split by Wayne Greenwald because it creates parcel that is in violation of our Burt Township Zoning Ordinance. 5 - ayes. Motion carried. **MUSTADIA** - Land split application is in the hands of Mark Maki. B) **Project Updates:** Letter from Army Corps received concerning Boat Launch Project. Needed this letter to begin project.

C) **Software Upgrades: Assessing** - TABLED - Mark Maki still checking. **Accounting** - Mike Grentz, Anderson Tackman suggested that we upgrade to current version of QuickBooks Pro - can be done as part of next fiscal years budget. **Fuel System** - need to purchase new software that will work with WINDOWS - system can not always run on antique computer in clerks basement. Will put expense into next years budget.

D) **Election** - Approval of the Election Workers - Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to authorize the following qualified election workers be eligible for hire as election inspectors for the General Election on November 2, 2004 - Helen Bailey, Nancy Fuller, Mary Alice Johnson, Pat Munger, Lucy Pine, Kay Powers, Sandra Sibbald, and Christine Smith. 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

E) Other

NEW BUSINESS:

A) **Appreciation/Memorial Day Dinner Request** - Motion by Seibert and seconded to cover the cost of meat for these community events. 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

B) **Snowplowing Bids** - 2 Bids were received. Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to accept the bid from John Monache for the winter of 2004/2005 snow plowing. 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

C) **Sno Cops Program** - TABLED

D) **Medical Center Changes:** Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to allow spending of up to \$100 from the Medical Center budget to create a children's play area in the small room adjoining the waiting room in the Medical Center. 5 - ayes. Motion carried. Several township residents are donating time and equipment to help make this happen.

E) **Septic System for Office/Medical Center** - Motion by Seibert and seconded to pay for the installation of a new septic system for the Office and Medical Center and pay for it out of Township Improvement Fund (account 976). 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

F) **DSL - Township Office/Library/Youth Center/Channel 29 camera:** DLS is in the Township Office. The library and Youth Center will be getting DSL connectivity if more money becomes available from UGLETI. The computers and Internet service for one year in the Library and Youth Center have been paid for by a grant from UGLETI for \$10,000 that was received last spring. With high speed internet (DSL) the Channel 29 camera could also be put on a Grand Marais website. Evelyn Morrison expressed concern about the cost of putting DSL in these locations.

G) **Fire Extinguisher Report:** Sandee Sibbald read the Fire Extinguisher Report received after the recent extinguisher inspection. Five new fire extinguishers are needed to comply with requirements. Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to purchase five new fire extinguishers to be placed in the recommended areas and paid for by Fire Fund (account #336978). 5 - ayes. Motion carried.

H) Other

Adjournment: Motion by Leavenworth to adjourn the meeting. Time recorded: 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Lori Savage, Township Clerk

These are the unapproved minutes of the September 14, 2004 regular meeting. Included in the body of these are all of the official actions taken by the Burt Township Board.

I had plastic surgery last week. My wife cut up my credit cards.

Applications for Land Use Permits Approved by Burt Township for 2004

NAME	ZONE	APPROVED	USE
Baetz, Chas.	LS/R	06/04/04	Add./Garage
Hayka, Douglas	R-1	06/02/04	Deck
Egerer, Wm	Bay	06/29/04 & 07/26/04	Garage
Brooks, Ernest	R-1	06/14/04	Patio
Dines, Robt.	R-1	06/16/04	Cabin
Bausman, Carol	LS/R	06/30/04	Storage Building
Antaya, John	Bay	06/30/04	Driveway
Sawyer, John	R-1	06/30/04	Storage Building
Marx, Edward	R-1	07/26/04	Storage Building
Whittingham, John	Bay	07/07/04	Add./Storage
Pierce, Jefferý	R-2	06/30/04	Deck
Nozf, David	Bay	07/21/04	Storage Building
Okerstrom, Eric	Bay	07/28/04	Deck
Crampton, Judy	R-1	08/24/04	Conditional
Parker, Daryl	C-2	08/04/04	House
Alexander, James	Bay	09/16/04	Storage Building
Harsh, Randy	R-2	08/12/04	House
Swift, Tim	Bay	08/12/04	House
Venturato, Joe		08/23/04	House/Garage
Morrison, John	R-1	09/01/04	Addition
Lico, Tony	Bay	09/01/04	Garage
Soldenski, Donald	Bay	09/22/04	Storage Building
Bauknecht, John	R-1	10/06/04	Cabin/Deck
Schur, Dennis	C-2	10/13/04	Addition
Jeffers, Jim/Curt	SD/TP-IBZ	10/13/04	Storage Building

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As winter will soon be upon us, the Alger County Road Commission would like to remind you of our policies regarding mailboxes and plowing of snow across roads.

MAILBOXES: Due to plowing operations the snow plow operators' visibility is restricted making it very difficult to see unmarked mailboxes--the Alger County Road Commission requests the cooperation of residents living along county roads to have their mailbox locations marked with a wooden pole approximately 1-1/2" in diameter and of sufficient length that it will extend at least 3' above the mailbox at all times.

The Road Commission will only repair mailboxes that comply with highway regulations and have been properly marked when damaged as a result of being struck by a snowplow unit. If damage is so severe that the existing box is beyond repair it will be replaced with a metal box, the size and style of which shall be at the discretion of the Road Commission. Unmarked mailboxes that are damaged and those that have been damaged by snow thrown by the plow will not be repaired/replaced.

PLOWING SNOW ACROSS ROAD: The Alger County Road Commission requests the cooperation of residents plowing private driveways not to leave snow, slush or ice on the roadway or plowed shoulders. Plowed snow, slush and ice hardens and can result in damage to the snow removal equipment and is a safety hazard. According to the Michigan Vehicle Code it is illegal to deposit snow, slush or ice on any roadway or highway.



**A Message from the Supervisor
By Lee Durwachter,
Burt Township Supervisor**

The Michigan Townships Association and the Michigan Municipal League have formed a partnership in support of cooperative land use planning among townships, cities and villages.

Last month, the W.K. Kellogg and Americana Foundations announced grant awards of over \$450,000 to LIAA that will be used to help cities, townships and villages protect the natural beauty and character of their communities. The program encourages creative intergovernmental cooperation to address planning issues as a means to preserve environmental and cultural resources.

The Township's November Calendar:

Nov. 5 Supervisor notifies township treasurer of the amount of county, state and school taxes apportioned in the township to enable the treasurer to obtain necessary bond for collecting taxes. (MCL 211.43(1))

Before the supervisor or assessing officer delivers tax roll to the treasurer, he or she must make a detailed statement of the valuations and taxes, and deliver it to the clerk. The clerk must immediately charge the amount of taxes to the township treasurer. (MCL 211.41) (No date given in act)

Supervisor/assessor prepares tax roll indicating property taxes to be levied and attaches the required warrant. (MCL 211.42) (No date given in act)

Nov. 16 Boards of county canvassers complete canvass of general election; county clerks forward results to secretary of state within 24 hours. (MCLs 168.822 and 168.828)

Nov. 22 Close of books for post-general campaign statements. (MCL 168.233)

Nov. 25 By this date, the board of state canvassers meet to canvass November general election. (MCL 168.842)

Nov. 28 Treasurer gives county treasurer a bond in the actual amount of county, state and school taxes. (MCL 211.43)

Supervisor's Posted Evening Hours for every Thursday evening from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Refreshments served! Please feel free to stop by or call with any questions or concerns. Normal Office Hours of the Township are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Township Office Phone Number is: 906-494-2381

SPECIAL: Some of my favorite presidential quotes:

President Bush said he was "troubled" by gay people getting married in San Francisco. He said on important issues like this the people should make the decision, not judges. Unless of course we're choosing a president, then he prefers judges.-- Jay Leno

There was an embarrassing moment in the White House earlier today. They were looking around searching for George Bush's military records. They actually found some old Al Gore ballots.-- David Letterman

This week, John Kerry was making campaign appearances with the guys whose lives he saved in Vietnam. Meanwhile, President Bush is campaigning with a guy that once took a math test for him. -- Conan O'Brien

President Bush released his new \$2.4 trillion federal budget. It has two parts: smoke and mirrors.-- Jay Leno
Bush admitted that his pre-war intelligence wasn't what it should have been. We knew that when we elected him!-- Jay Leno

President Bush wants to build a space station on the moon. And from the moon, he wants to launch people to Mars. You know what this means? He's drinking again.-- David Letterman

The White House has now released military documents they say prove George Bush met his requirements for the National Guard. Big deal, we've got documents that prove Al Gore won the election.--Jay Leno

President Bush said that American workers will need new skills to get the new jobs in the 21st century. Some of the skills they're going to need are Spanish, Chinese, and Korean, because that's where the jobs went. -- Jay Leno

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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**GRAND MARAIS
SENIOR MEALS
SCHEDULE**

FRIDAY Nov. 5
Cod w/Cream Sauce -
Boiled Potatoes -
Green Beans - Dessert
MONDAY Nov. 8
Salisbury Steak - Mashed Potatoes - Baked Beans - Apricots

WEDNESDAY Nov. 10
Hamburger - Vegetable Pie - Oregon Medley - M'Orange

FRIDAY Nov. 12
Braised Beef w/Mushrooms - Mashed Potatoes - Cauliflower w/Peas - Fruit

MONDAY Nov. 15
Beef Stroganoff w/Rice - Wisconsin Blend - Stewed Tomatoes - Fruit

WEDNESDAY Nov. 17
Pork Roast - Mashed Potatoes - Savory Carrots - Fruit

FRIDAY Nov. 19
Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce - Brussel Sprouts - Wax Beans - Garlic Bread - 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.

Four animals a Snake, a Cock, a Cat and a Centipede, all heavy smokers, were playing cards together. When the cigarettes ran out, the snake, the big brother, said, "Cock, go out and get some packs! You know, I have NO legs." "But why me?" said the Cock. "I have only TWO legs!" So, the task fell on Centipede with no doubt. Centipede said nothing and left the room. The left three waited and waited, but Centipede did not show up. One hour later, they couldn't wait anymore. "What's the devil Centipede doing?" Snake said impatiently. "Cat, go out and take a look!" When Cat gets to the door, he got frightened. Centipede was SITTING there!!!! So the angry Cat said, "What are you doing here?" "Can't you see? I'm putting on my shoes," said Centipede.

**WEATHER
SUMMARY**

DATA is compiled by Karla Bugg, Cooperative Weather Observer.

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec
OCT. 20	55	38	
OCT. 21	56	38	
OCT. 22	55	38	
OCT. 23	52	47	.80
OCT. 24	55	48	.35
OCT. 25	57	44	
OCT. 26	50	35	
OCT. 27	49	38	
OCT. 28	54	36	
OCT. 29	56	49	.07
OCT. 30	65	48	.95
OCT. 31	51	37	.26
NOV. 1	51	37	

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- 12 ESPN--Ent. Sports Network
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- 14 The Movie Channel... Premium
- 15 TNT--Turner Network TV
- 16 WKYC--Detroit (ABC)
- 17 R&E-Arts & Entertainment
- 18 The Discovery Channel
- 19 WMQF 19 Marquette (Fox)
- 20 Outdoor Channel
- 21 WWJ - Detroit (CBS)
- 22 USA Network
- 23 CNBC
- 24 PAX
- 25 THC--The History Channel
- 26 FOX Sports Channel
- 27 AMC--American Movie Classics
- 28 FX
- 29 G.M. Community Channel
- 30 Lifetime
- 31 Sci-Fi Channel
- 32 TV Land
- 33 FAM--The Family Channel
- 34 Home & Garden
- 35 Hallmark
- 36 Home Shopping
- 37 QVC--Shopping Channel
- 38 C-Span
- 39 CHS - Country Music Videos
- 40 The Weather Channel
- 41 FOX News
- 42 Court TV
- 43 The Disney Channel
- 44 Food Network
- 45 The Learning Channel (TLC)
- 46 Speed Network

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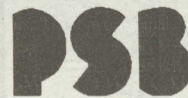
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AROUND THE BAY:
BY EVELYN MORRISON

We had a good night for trick or treating. Lots of great costumes this year and it was nice to see so many kids and adults out. Sailor enjoyed seeing everyone come to the door and tried to greet everyone.

"One night stand took" place at White Pine camp for its 8th annual party. There was lots of good food, good music and good friends.

Deer Foot Camp had a few of the boys in town. Sure they were all getting ready for deer camp too.

In town for an over nighter was Bruce Essex, and a few friends from White Hall. They were getting ready for deer camp. Also in town were Terry Hardy and Bob Heeter from GR.

In visiting Pat and Gorden Kniss was son Brad Kniss and friend Kandice from South Boardman. Son, Scott Kniss and his friend Clorissa, were in with son Dallas from Traverse City. Grandson Chad from South Boardman spent the weekend and his parents Brent and Annette came in for the day on Sunday with children Amy and Matthew.

Jeanne Fraser was in from Riverdale, to help out her daughter Kay Wampler after her surgery. Moms are so much help. I am sure we will be seeing more of her this winter too.

Dianna Bell was able to spend some time with daughter Jennifer at Grand Valley this month. She reports that Jennifer is getting along without her mother very well.

Many of our snow birds are flying away this month. Houses are beginning to look dark with everyone leaving.

Donna Oglevie is now in Oklahoma for the winter.

Also gone for the winter are Steve and Joy Block.

Mom and Dad (Andy and Gerrie Bailey) have left for the winter. A little earlier this year, they wanted to beat the snow. Now who is going to make those Thanksgiving pies!

Wendy (Morrison) and Steven Sohl were in with children Johnny and Evan for Wendy's 10 year class reunion. Also in town for the reunion were Brooke (Barney) Whaley and family, Jenny (Weiss) and family, Becky (Rochefort) and family, Debbie (Johnson) and family, and Jason Spurlock. Wendy says it was nice to see everyone and was glad she came up for the reunion.

Happy Birthday to our grandson Johnny Sohl who is going to be 3 years old on the 11th. Bob Beaupied also shares that date. Happy birthday to Renee' Beaver, Brooke Whaley, and Gerrie Bailey. Happy Anniversary to Andy and Gerrie Bailey.

Get well to Kay Wampler, and Tootie Tomovish. We all wish you well.

If you have any thing you would like to add to Around the Bay, let me know. See you Around the Bay. Keep on smiling... Evie

HUNTERS DINNER
(Liver & Onions, beef, pork, chicken and all the fixings)
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Thank You for your thoughts & prayers, your kindness & generosity, and your continued support since my diagnosis of breast cancer. I have a long, arduous battle ahead of me but feel that it will be successful due to the strength of community and belief everyone has shown on my behalf.

Again, Thank You and keep me in your prayers in the months to come.

Sincerely Yours,
Kay Wampler

Thanks to all of you!

Surgeries are not easy and with all the help in town it makes it so much easier. Thank you for all the visits, phone calls, emails, cards, food and flowers.

• Thanks to my Mom for helping me the first week, John for putting up with my whining and the Ambulance Crew for all their dedication throughout the year while I have been off on medical leave. Thanks to all my clients that have been so understanding about getting their hair done. You have all been great.

Thanks again.
Evelyn

From the Joan Alverson Hartman families.

We would like to express our gratitude and sincere thanks to all of our friends who called and sent Joan cards, letters and memo's wishing her encouragement and loving support during her brave struggle with her terminal illness. She gave it her all. God Bless each and everyone of you.

Larry Hartman and Family

THANK YOU

The family of Tim Swift wishes to express a deep thank-you to friends and neighbors of Grand Marais after the death of Tim's dad, Clayton Swift. The love, prayers and support from the community were deeply felt and appreciated. Grand Marais truly is more than a community, its family.

Thank-you.
Timothy, Star, Erica & Chantal Swift & Barbara Swift and the Family of Clayton Swift.

Address Change!!!

With the changing of seasons some of our readers will be returning to their summer homes. Please let us know if your address changes so your paper can be waiting when you get there.

OBITUARIES



JOAN MARIE ALVERSON

Joan Marie Alverson, 70, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 30, 2004, at the home of her son with her family at her side. She had cancer.

She was born in Rochester, Mich., on Jan. 9, 1934, the daughter of Frank and Vandetta (Rowley) Dzuris. She graduated from Rochester High School. She moved to Grand Marais in 1968.

She was employed at the Rochester Paper Company as a secretary. She then owned and operated the Alverson's Bar Restaurant and Alverson's Motel. She then was secretary for Hartman Excavating of Grand Marais. She retired in 1996.

Joan was a member of Holy Rosary Church.

Survivors include: her companion, Larry Hartman of Grand Marais; a son, Don (Theresa) Alverson of Escanaba; a daughter, Paula (Jim) Shapy of Escanaba; grandchildren, Jeff Alverson, Jennifer (Mike) Bradley, Sherry (Brian Griggs) Hartman, Kristine (Jim Dewep) Hartman, Larry, Petra and Alex Hartman, and Jamie (Chris Russo) sister, Carol (Dale) Muckenhirn of Troy, Mich.; a brother, Frank (Joyce) Dzuris of Rochester, Mich.; and her mother-in-law, Marion Humane.

A Memorial Mass will be held at the Holy Rosary Church in Grand Marais on Saturday, November 6, 2004 at 11:00 a.m.. Burial will be in the Holy Rosary Cemetery.

The family requests, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Delta County Cancer Alliance or Delta County Hospice Programs.

ETHEL MARY WIPP

Ethel Mary Wipp, age 87, of Park Avenue, AuTrain died on Sunday morning at 1:45 a.m. at the Tendercare Health Center in Munising. Ethel was born on April 29, 1917 in Grand Marais to the late Axel and Lena (Lumpioo) Newberg. She graduated from Grand Marais High School and had worked at the Ostrander Drug Store in Grand Marais. It was there where she met Pastor Konstantin Wipp of the United Methodist Church in Grand Marais. They were married on August 2, 1953. They served the United Methodist Churches in Norway, L'Anse, Escanaba, Gwinn and Munising.

Ethel was very active with the United Methodist Women and with the teaching of the children in the church. She taught Sunday School in their local churches and she was a licensed Lab Teacher of Christian Education for the District. She was involved with the church's newsletters and served as the children's choir director and organist, Ethel was instrumental in the UNICEF program at the Munising church. After Kon retired in 1978, they moved to AuTrain, Ethel enjoyed caroling, freezing and cooking. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and nieces and nephews. She enjoyed taking care of her family and having family gatherings. For years, her family would get together every summer for a Wippnic Picnic.

Ethel is survived by her husband of over fifty-one years - Pastor Konstantin Wipp of AuTrain; two children Sandra (William) Mannisto of Houghton and Dan L. Hill of Algonac, MI; four grandchildren - Marilisa (Scott) Moore, Mark (Karen) Mannisto, Michael (Michele), and Rene (Mark) Young; six great-grandchildren - Ann Lisa, Stephanie Samantha Rebecca Allyson and Michael; two sisters - Kathryn Picel of Grand Marais and Ruth (Frank) Mead of Grand Marais; brother John "Jack" Newberg of Bellaire, MI; and numerous nieces and nephews. Ethel was preceded in death by brothers, Otto, Archibald, Stanley, Charles, Philip, and Vernon Newberg and by sisters, Freda Hein and Frances Champion.

Visitation and funeral services were conducted October 28, 2004 at the United Methodist Church in Munising. Pastor Rosemarie Fahrion conducted Ethel's funeral service. Burial followed at the Rose Hill Cemetery in Grand Marais. Memorials in memory of Ethel may be directed to the United Methodist Church.

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Seeking family and old GM pictures for use in putting together an album for Historical Society, to preserve some of our old history. Also would like to have picture of all who have served, or are serving in the Military, as far back as WWI. I will simply scan the picture and give it right back to you.
Rosie (Della) Meldrum

FLASHBACK

By Mary Handrich

Some years ago, probably in the 1950's, I was working in our garden where the Arbor Gate Motel is now located. A man named Blake Towe stopped by. He and his wife, Syra, owned Towe's cabins at Sable Lake and lived in the log home just north of the Dune's Saloon on Lake Street. Blake asked if I knew of a woman or a couple who would be willing to live with his parents in Lansing. The Senior Towses were aging and in need of some assistance but still wanted to remain in their own home. I told Blake that I didn't know of anyone just then but that I would give it some thought.

Our denomination had a weekly periodical called THE GOSPEL HERALD, so I entered an ad. There was an immediate response by a MR. & Mrs. Beckler from Pigeon, Mich. Mrs. Beckler had been working in a nursing home for some time and felt that she would welcome a change. So the Becklers moved to Lansing and cared for the Towses until Mr. Towe died. Then the Becklers returned to Pigeon and took Mrs. Towe along and cared for her in their home until she passed away.

When the estate was settled, Blake and Syra made a contribution to the Grand Marais Mennonite Church in appreciation.

Father Joy Adimakkeel has been transferred to Vulcan effective Dec. 1, 2004. This will leave Holy Rosary Parish without a resident priest, hopefully temporarily. In the interim Father Paul from Newberry will say Mass and perform the sacraments here.

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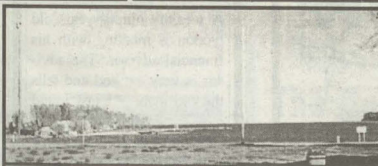
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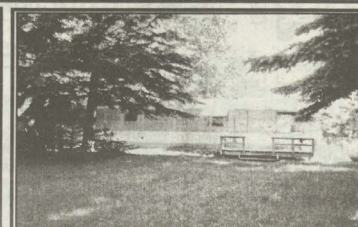


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"HUNGRY" BUTS & PASSES JIM

The election is history and hopefully we know how all the contests came out; although in the federal races I am sure the lawyers are hard at work. I am also sure that there are some angry voters because of the results. I hope that, in our local races, whoever won and whatever the fate of the proposals in Burt township that we will all work together for the betterment of this community.

The end of the ugly ads by the elephants and the asses will be a welcome change. I imagine that we will have to listen to a lot of crying and accusations for a while regardless of the margins of victory. Maybe in 2008 we will have someone running for president that will care about the people of this country more than his own agenda.

Osama bin Laden has apparently resurfaced making some serious threats. The timing is rather interesting. It was disgusting hearing the garbage from George Boy and his henchmen. They stated that they had killed or captured 75% of the Taliban suggesting that the Taliban is operating at 25% efficiency. Bull! The positions in the organization were filled by others as ruthless and radical and it is almost certain that the ranks of the willing "martyrs" and foot soldiers have swelled. George Boy said, "We will not be intimidated". Hello! I think we have been and still are; if not why are we spending billions on "Homeland Defense"? Kerry's response was not much less stupid. Anyone who thinks that our domestic tranquility has not been eroded by our enemies has on the proverbial rose-colored glasses.

Michigan's government has pulled a dirty trick that will increase their coffers at the expense of counties, cities, villages and townships. They have given counties their fixed allocation share of property tax in the summer (July 1-Sept. 15) as an imaginary revenue increase and taken state revenue sharing funds from the counties. They have however put restrictions on how this money can be spent that were not on it before. They have proven beyond a doubt that "Figures don't lie but Liars figure". Anyone who believes that this is a windfall for counties was in the bathroom when God handed out brains. In order to reduce the discontent by voters, the state has spread the change over three years making an accounting nightmare for cities, villages and townships. This leaves the rest of the county property tax and local property tax to be collected in the winter. Why they didn't change all property tax collection to the summer, saving local governments the expense of a second collection appears to be an indication of the absence of common sense. Does the state intend to compensate local governments for the additional labor and other costs to implement this ridiculous law? Hell no! This reminds me of Adolph Engler's similar accounting lie that allowed schools to collect their taxes early. Do you see schools rolling in the dough because of that one? Hell no, most schools are fight-

ing to stay solvent. I am waiting for the almighty and very devious state government to try a similar accounting lie on the cities, villages and townships thereby stealing all revenue sharing funds. Sorry to say that this state government lacks the courage to admit the truth. I thought the end of Adolph would be a big improvement. Wrong!

The World Series had some surprises for us. The Yankees and their fans are still numb after losing four straight to the Red Sox after winning the first three. The Yankees now hold the distinctive honor of being the only team to attain this feat and they did so with the largest payroll in the history of baseball. The Red Sox fans may still be in a trance after eight straight victories, four over the Yankees and Four over the Cards, to win their first World Series Crown since dirt was invented.

The flu shot hit some, Marc for example, soon after the injection. I was doing just fine until noon the next day when I felt as though I had been hit by a Mack truck. The fact that I had a pneumonia shot the day before might have increased the intensity of the reaction. Thanks to those who worked to get a flu shot clinic to come to Grand Marais. I know that Gee Petruske and Sandee Sibbald were involved in the effort and no doubt others.

And finally, Dizzy and Sean were here last weekend, the 23rd and 24th. It has become standard practice for Dizzy and Hoo to head directly for my chair and collect the change that has fallen out of my pockets since the last visit. I am sure the others will catch on soon. A couple of weeks ago while I was in Marquette and Marc and I were eating dinner at the Ponderosa. We got quite a surprise when we got up to leave. Lizzard, Doc, Sandy and some friends were sitting about ten feet from us for most of the time we were there and none of us noticed the others until Doc said, "Mom, isn't that grandpa over there?" What a bummer, I was in a hurry then and didn't have much time to visit. Guess I'll have to wait till Halloween to spoil them some more. We went to Marquette for Halloween and had a good time. Lizzard, Doc, Hoo and Too were there for the trick or treating, Dizzy missed the celebrations. I think Doc took the prize for the best costume, (an old man-maybe me?); the others were good too. Dick and Paula Johnson and their three were there along with some others. They got a lot of loot in trick or treating but didn't want to split with me. We had a Taco dinner before leaving for Grand Marais and arrived safely home about 9:00 pm.

And finally, finally. I saw Jeff and Josh while they were home on leave but missed Mike. They looked well and in good spirits. I also heard that Jason has been recommended for the "Silver Star", a very high military award and although fairly common for officers, very rare for an enlisted man. Even if he gets a lower award such as the Bronze Star, or for that matter none at all, being recommended for it is in itself a tremendous commendation. With Osamah back in business and other radicals doing their best to kill Americans these guys and their comrades in arms remain in harms way. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers and lets be a "Grateful Community". Until next issue.

Hungry Jim

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

Letters to the Editor

Dear Gazette,

Heaven forbid that Hungry Jim and I would agree on anything, but in fact we do agree on the government's role in the same sex marriage issue. The government should not make laws that seek to uphold some people's view of morality, or to keep a tradition from changing. This is true even if the majority of the people support a certain tradition (such as slavery), or the majority support a certain view of morality (such as attending church every Sunday). In a free society, laws should exist for only one purpose—to protect the rights of the people that make up society. We should have laws against crimes such as stealing and murder not because these acts are immoral, but because thieves and murderers violate the rights of other people. For a homosexual couple to marry in no way interferes with the rights of a man and a woman to enter into a traditional marriage. The idea that allowing homosexuals to marry will harm the institution of marriage is just as absurd as the idea that allowing Jews and Muslims to worship as they please harms Christianity.

Steven E. Hines

Dear Editor:

Sitting in our den behind me while I type are three of Grand Marais' finest, Jeff Kinlaw, Michael Kinlaw, and Josh Hicks. They are home on leave from the Air Force. Jeff says he is working on B-52's and assigned to control and structural maintenance. He is stationed at Minot, North Dakota after tours of duty which included Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean, Fairford, England and Guam U.S. A. He loves what he does and has been Airman of the Quarter and is up for the Lt. General Leo Marquez award for superior maintenance performance. He has 900 hours of Volunteer time since October 1st, 2003. Jeff is a Senior Airman after three—and a half-years.

Mike has been at Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota building a post office after a tour of duty which included Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri where he worked on building a new school for the base instructors. He is headed for Spokane, Washington, where he will work on the Fairchild Air Force installation building a jump tower. He will then go to New Mexico's Cannon Air Force Base to improve runway safety, Mike is a Senior Airman after enlisting three-and-half years ago.

Josh says he just finished his BA in Political Science through the Air Force University of Maryland extension school. He has accomplished five tours of duty in Prince Sultan Air Force Base in Saudi Arabia during Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. Josh also did a tour of duty in Incirlik Air Base in Turkey. Josh is a Staff Sergeant after enlisting from Grand Marais four years ago.

Jason Kinlaw is still in Iraq manning a fifty-caliber machine gun during convoy trips between Mosul and Tikrit. Jason is up for the Silver Star and also the Defense Meritorious Service medal for saving a soldier's life by using Field Medic technique after the soldier's Humvee hit a mine. Jason will be home in January.

The boys want to say they appreciate "the great welcome we get whenever we come home and the support we get when we're on the road." And may Lois and I say personally, we are as proud of these young men as we were of our own boys and Kathleen when they were in the service. These Grand Marais boys are a credit to all of us.

Sincerely,
Jim & Lois Leavenworth

Dear Editor

It is nice to know that people do read what I write and even nicer to know that Right Wing Extremists disagree with me. I want to thank George Kendall for proving my point. I do however wish that he would read what I write. Maybe I could give him a course in Reading 101 and charge him twice as much as he is going to charge me. I did not say the passage of this law would be "some kind of drastic change in the law". I did say that I believe that marriage is between a man and a woman but this CONSTITUTIONAL amendment goes much further and if we need a law to please extremists, okay pass a law but don't amend the constitution. Everyone believes that his or her pet project is important enough to rate a constitutional amendment but to continually add amendments only weakens the constitution.

As far as "natural law" goes, if we adhered to the "knowable" that right wing extremists profess, we would still be forced to believe that the Earth is the center of the universe. We would also be hunting and burning heretics and witches because they sneezed too much or had epilepsy. I also call your attention to the fact that I did not refer to all Christians, only self-righteous ones. I am betting sure that the amendment did pass and that we will discover, as with most constitutional amendments, that it is flawed but very difficult to amend. A law (P.A.) accomplishes the same thing without weakening the constitution. Sorry George, I didn't change my opinion and am positive that you haven't either. However send your check to me at my office for your reading lessons.

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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 you read this, the voting will be over. We hope and pray both parties will send their thousands of lawyers home in their executive jets with nothing to do.

Whether George or John prevails, we want a clear-cut result following the plan set forth in the constitution, which will indicate to all of us and our enemies that we are still a Representative Republic.

Whether George or John prevails, the winner must take seriously the threat to our homeland in regard to our uncontrolled borders and rampant illegal immigration. George hasn't done the job on this one and John hasn't criticized him on it, so both are lacking and suspect. The basic question remains: What number of undetected terrorists entering this country illegally is tolerable?

Getting closer to home, I was discouraged by events here in Grand Marais. By the morning of October 17, all of the Bush-Cheney yard signs in town but three had been stolen by a person or persons unknown. Then, on or about October 28, another person or persons stole most of the Kerry-Edwards yard signs in town. I don't know about you, but I was burned by both incidents. Whoever is responsible for these thefts is guilty of a misdemeanor crime by law, and has denied fellow citizens their first-amendment rights to freedom of speech, under the constitution.

I would encourage whoever was responsible for these illegal acts to think long and hard about what they did. Maybe they would consider writing an anonymous letter of apology and regret to the community, care of the Gazette. It would go a long way towards easing hard feelings and would be a lesson in courage and contrition to our younger folk.

Enough said. Whoever our president is, I hope we survive these next 4 years. We are not fighting a war on terror, we are fighting a war against Islamic fundamental extremists, who are employing terror, among other things, as a tactic to destroy us as a nation.

Please, DO THE RIGHT THING and support your president when he does the right thing and chew him out promptly when he doesn't. You may agree or disagree with me, but the important thing is to let the Commander in Chief know what you believe and what you expect from him, in a courteous manner. (Yes, you can chew him out courteously.)

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**Burt Township School Mock
Election Results**

Abbie Helsel, tenth grade student from Curtis, conducted a mock election at our school on November 2nd. Her mother, Cassie inspired her to do this civics activity. Miko Bryers, high school government teacher and Mrs. Smith encouraged Abbie to orchestrate the election and to publish the results in the Gazette. Abbie tabulated the votes, with the following results:

20 votes for Bush
11 votes for Kerry
2 votes for Nader

The winner of our election: George W. Bush

Thanks, Abbie for conducting the election at our school! Abbie is one example of the quality students at our school. She exemplifies what makes our students the best of all!!

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By Brenda M. Greenhoe / Smith
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This past period of time has been one of paradoxical proportions. The brightness of the day has diminished as the dark solitude of the night has evolved. The calmness of the summer breeze has been replaced by the ferocious gales of autumn. The cool green of pines intermix with vibrant colors of deciduous trees throughout the swamp and forest. The crisp cool air has overtaken the warmth of sunny days. The quietness of the season has replaced the joyful laughter emanating around the bay. Thus, 'the times they are a changing'. 'Seasons change and so do we'. What a beautiful reality, living in northern Michigan.

Changes are occurring at our school as well. The addition of new staff, lend new thoughts and innovative ideas. A revived enthusiasm for teaching and learning is present. As a new individual shares ideas and strategies with our school team, we learn from them as they learn from us. It is a refreshing experience, reminding each of us the importance of keeping an open mind. It emphasizes the importance of life long learning and how critical it is to remain open to new ideas. Our school is a learning community where we are stronger because we learn with and from each other.

Next week, I will be joining with other superintendents of the island schools. Our purpose is to determine how the three quarters of a million dollars will be allocated amongst our districts. The money, was added to the school aide bill this fall. The purpose is to protect the state's smallest, remote schools. It will insure minimal staffing and programming for these schools. The allocation's target is to obtain parity amongst these schools in regard to per pupil expenditures for instruction, supplies and programming. It will allow Burt Township School students comparable access to learning as students in other schools across our region and state. It will assist us to ensure that:

Everyone in the Burt Township School District will ensure that all students learn, achieve, and succeed to attain personal best.

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Happy Learning,
Happy Teaching!
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Welcome Jessie Soder!

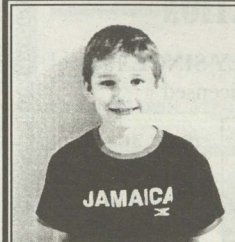
Burt Township School is happy to introduce you to our new kindergarten / fine arts teacher, Jessie Soder. Jessie is the daughter of Jon Soder of Curtis and Marty Soder also of Curtis. She has two sisters, Kristi and Kelsie, of Curtis. She is the niece of Joe and Deb Hoffenberger of Grand Marais. Jessie graduated from Tahquamenon Area Schools.

Jessie has a bachelors of fine arts degree from Central Michigan University. She also earned a master of arts in teaching from Bennington University. While earning her academic degrees, she has had the opportunity to live in many locations. These include Ireland, Peru and Vermont. Jessie brings to the classroom many life experiences. She has numerous experiences helping children learn and grow. She is currently teaching kindergarten each morning and fine arts in the afternoon to elementary students.

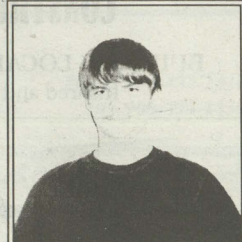
Jessie enjoys art, outdoor activities, reading and growing plants. She works in many different mediums of art, including pottery and paints. She is currently trying to locate a place to call home in the Grand Marais area.

We are pleased to have Jessie join our school family.

SEPTEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



LeRoy Ward-Harbaum was awarded the elementary Student of the Month at the October 11, 2004 regular meeting of the Board of Education, for his positive school attitude and general eagerness to learn. He is a third grader at Burt Township School. His parents are Lea and Rob Harbaum. He likes to ride his bike and go hunting. His jobs at home include feeding the dogs and horses. LeRoy's favorite subjects are math and spelling. He would like to be a zookeeper or veterinarian when he grows up.



Scott Purple was awarded Secondary Student of the Month at the October meeting. His parents are Mikki Purple and Jerry Purple of Grand Marais. Scott is a 10th grader at Burt Township School. His interest include hunting and outdoor activities. Scott is a member of the 2004-05 yearbook staff and is a cooperative and pleasant student to have in our school. His future plans include attending college.

PERSONAL ESSAY-GRADE 4 & 5 Mrs. A. Ross's Class

Becoming a Paleontologist

My name is Kyle. I am in the 5th grade at Grand Marais School. I am 10 years old and my hobbies include biking, drawing, and playing with my friends Jeremy and Dan. When I grow up I want to be a paleontologist. Being a paleontologist take lots of hard work and a lot of studying.

I spend a lot of my free time looking at books about dinosaurs. So far I have learned a lot about how dinosaurs traveled and what they ate. I have also learned that there are over a million species of dinosaurs!

I am dedicated to becoming a paleontologist. There are a lot of people that want to be something, but they give up too soon. I believe that if you try hard enough, you will make it. I am going to keep trying until I meet my dream head on.

When I Grow Up

Hello, my name is Michael. My father's job is a carpenter, because he can build a house. My dad is going to teach me to be a carpenter, and he will help me build a house. My dad can show me how to use a jigsaw and a nail gun.

What I Want to Be When I Grow UP

Hi, my name is Casey. I want to be a veterinarian when I grow up. I have two dogs named Fritz and Taz. I also have a cat named J.J. I usually play doctor on my dogs Fritz and Taz. I can't play it on my cat or it would bite me! I love animals, and that's why I want to be a vet.

My goal is to become a veterinarian. To become a veterinarian I have to get good grades, and that's not a problem for me. Even though you get good grades you still have to be focused. Animals are special to me, and they always will be.

The thing I am afraid of is having to diagnose an animal with a disease like heart worms, but I will try my hardest to help it. The most fun will be delivering babies. Anything other than a cow. To get the baby out you have to stick your arms in to pull it out! I'll feel good after delivering a baby, because I just brought a new life into the world.

It might be hard getting it, but I'll make it. Being a vet would be fun to me. I do a lot of studying on animals, which will help me along the way. Animals are my favorite things in the world, and I will help them forever. That is why I want to be a veterinarian.

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BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Thursday, November 4

Goulash - Corn - Peaches

Friday, November 5

Pizza - Salad - Fruit

Monday, November 8

Meatballs - Mashed Potatoes - Veggies - Apple Sauce

Tuesday, November 9

Chicken Patties - Curly Fries - Carrots - Celery Sticks - Fruit

Wednesday, November 10

Corn Dogs - Tatar Tots - Salad - Fruit

Thursday, November 11

Taco's w/Works - Dessert

Friday, November 12

Hamburger w/Works - French Fries - Fresh Veggies - Fruit

Monday, November 15

Fish Sandwich - Potato Wedges - Salad - Fruit

Tuesday, November 16

Lasagna - Breadsticks - Green Beans - Dessert

Wednesday, November 17

Chicken rings - Curly Fries - Salad - Fruit

Thursday, November 18

Hot Dogs - Tater Tots - Celery w/ Carrot Sticks - Jell-O w/Fruit

Friday, November 19

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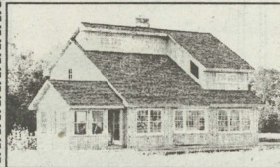
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BEAUTIFUL HOME WITH GARAGE ON 11 ACRES: This two bedroom, one bath home is located four blocks from downtown Grand Marais. The home and garage are only ten years old. Nice stone fireplace and large decks. \$149,000.00 R-160

LARGE HOME IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS. This home has three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, a basement, and a large garage. The interior has been completely remodeled. Beautiful kitchen, living room with fireplace, and nice great room. \$130,000.00 (R-159)

THE VOYAGEUR MOTEL: This is one of the nicest motels in the Upper Peninsula. There are 10 units plus a newer vacation rental home. The property sits on the top of the ridge south of town and overlooks the Grand Marais Harbor. Included is a 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home. Located on 7 acres there is lots of room to expand. Special conditions exist. C-200

TWO NICELY WOODED LOTS ON A SEASONAL ROAD: These beautiful lots have the electric in on a metered pole and a health department approved sewer/septic system. The property is ready for you to start your cabin. Located in a well planned development there are deed restrictions prohibiting living in an RV or Mobile Home. Priced together for only \$32,000. VL-138

40 ACRES ON A YEAR ROUND ROAD WITH ELECTRIC: This property is along Highway M-77 about 10 miles south of Grand Marais. About one half is low land and the remaining land is high and dry with nice trees. An old hunting camp remains. Price is \$60,000.00. VL-139

LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONT: 210 feet of nice beach with no large bluff. This ten acre parcel is located in Superior Dunes Development 9 miles East of town. \$150,000.00. (VW-141)

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 VL-130

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

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

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. VL-137

MOBILE HOME ON DEEP LOT IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS: Located only three blocks from downtown Grand Marais this is in excellent condition and would make an ideal second home in Grand Marais. \$58,500. R-136

SEASONAL 200 FEET OF VIEW PROPERTY: Located one mile from town this parcel has lots of Pine trees and a great view of Lake Superior. \$89,900.00. (VL-135)

VIEW PARCEL: This 100 foot parcel is heavily wooded and overlooks Grand Marais bay. \$60,000.00. (VL-136)

100 FEET ON GRAND MARAIS BAY. This wooded parcel is 1 1/2 miles East of town. The beach is beautiful. (VW-142)

TOTALLY RESTORED LOG CABIN ON SMALL CREEK: Located 1 1/2 miles from downtown Grand Marais this is absolutely beautiful. \$129,500. SALE PENDING

RANCH STYLE HOME: This four bedroom home has a nice walkout lower level with a one car garage. Nestled on a large lot with lots of trees it is only a short walk to town. \$82,000.00. (R-155) SOLD

BRICK RANCH HOUSE WITH ATTACHED GARAGE ON FIVE ACRES: This home features three bedrooms and two baths with a beautiful Georgia Marble fireplace. Two miles South of town. \$105,000.00 (R-154)

LAKE SUPERIOR WATER- FRONT: 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. \$275,000.00 VW-139

FOUR BEDROOM TWO BATH HOME WITH NEW POLE BARN: Located three miles from Grand Marais this home has been completely remodeled and is on a year round road. \$95,000.00 R-156

LOG CABIN HOME WITH 100 FEET OF FRONTAGE ON GRAND MARAIS BAY: This cottage has been completely remodeled with a walk down. to the beautiful sand beach. Price is only \$179,500. RW-96

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. \$112,000. Each. VL-133

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A Sign of the Times?

By: David Bryan Lawrence

*Signs, signs everywhere there's signs
clogging up the scenery breaking my mind
Do this, don't do that, cant you read the signs?*

Is that how the song goes? I don't know, but who cares? It doesn't matter whether you're taking a nice drive to Uncle Bob's house or just trying to get home, they're everywhere. Michigan is a battlefield, the war waged in a cornucopia of red, white and blue plaster board stuck in ditches and in front yards.

I have never seen anything like this in all my days. Are these signs indicative of the ideological separation between outspoken democrats and republicans? Or perhaps an indictment of the leadership of one or both parties? A sign of the times? Yes, I think so. Bush and Kerry are as opposite as night and day. Voters have already made up their minds, or at least they should have. This is an obvious war of ideology...but what is especially amusing is the war of signs. Neighbor's blocking each other's view... nocturnal transplanting of signs in the partisan neighbor's yard... an occasional bad turn that knocks a Stupak sign down? It is comical.

As some of you may know, in addition to being a Political Scientist, I have been a radio talk show host, but what you may not know, is that in recent days I have become the butt of someone's "SIGN" humor. I am so ashamed.

THE U.P. SUPPORTS KERRY / EDWARDS!

Oh yes, this message was the early morning greeting I viewed as I drove through the Upper Peninsula frost out of my yard less than two weeks ago. What to do, what to do? I laughed. The sign was funny, and I chose to leave it there, in fact, it stands in my yard as I write this article. The perpetrator of such an act of humor deserves at least a "paper" memorial to his vision and his trespassing skills.

Isn't it amazing how much and how little a sign can say. On the much side is the comic yanking, pulling, and re-installing that takes place. On the little side is what the sign actually means.

My favorite is: Kerry / Edwards: A Stranger America. When I was informed that the sign actually read "A Stronger America" I was incredulous... I laughed, that is like saying Bush / Cheney: Tough on Immigration!

Sometimes signs have less to do with the truth than the particular candidate has to do with the sign maker.

Michigan Sportsman for Kerry / Edwards! Okay...I guess it is Michigan Sportsman against the NRA as well.

The U.P. supports Kerry / Edwards! Well, some do, most don't... Bush won the U.P. in 2000 and looks to win it again.

U.P. Boilermakers for Kerry / Edwards! My hat is off to the union worker who votes the line, regardless of every economic indicator. I have never had the resolve to maintain that blinded one faceted vision.

Kerry / Edwards - A Stronger America! What can I say? I am still looking forward to the plan. Studying the Senate voting record has not proven fruitful and in fact is contrary to the strength the Kerry/Edwards ticket feigns to promote.

Bush / Cheney '04 I guess this is as bad as you can get. This is the only slogan I have seen by these two incorrigibles... of course, it is difficult to argue with the simplicity.

So, are these signs going to change anyone's mind? I doubt it. In fact, for the most part, the signs I have seen in yards convince me to first judge the person, and then the sign. I find it humorous that some people believe that they are so influential that a sign in their yard will convince the mass public to vote for their man.

I am informed that these signs cost between 4 and 7 dollars per sign depending on volume. How about we do this... let's count! Perhaps the best tact is to simply tally signs. Whichever candidate has more signs, vote against them! What an incredible waste of time, money and ink!

In a world of big ideas, there is no room for big egos, big money or big signs.

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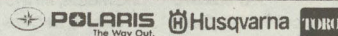
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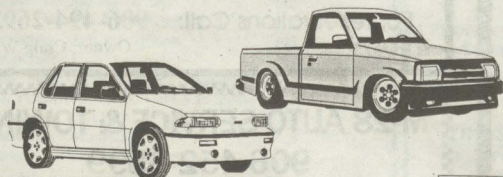


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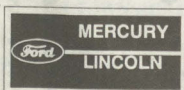
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GRAND MARAIS LIONS CLUB: 4th Wed. of the month. (Board) 6:00 p.m. Regular meeting 7:00 p.m. Community Center.
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