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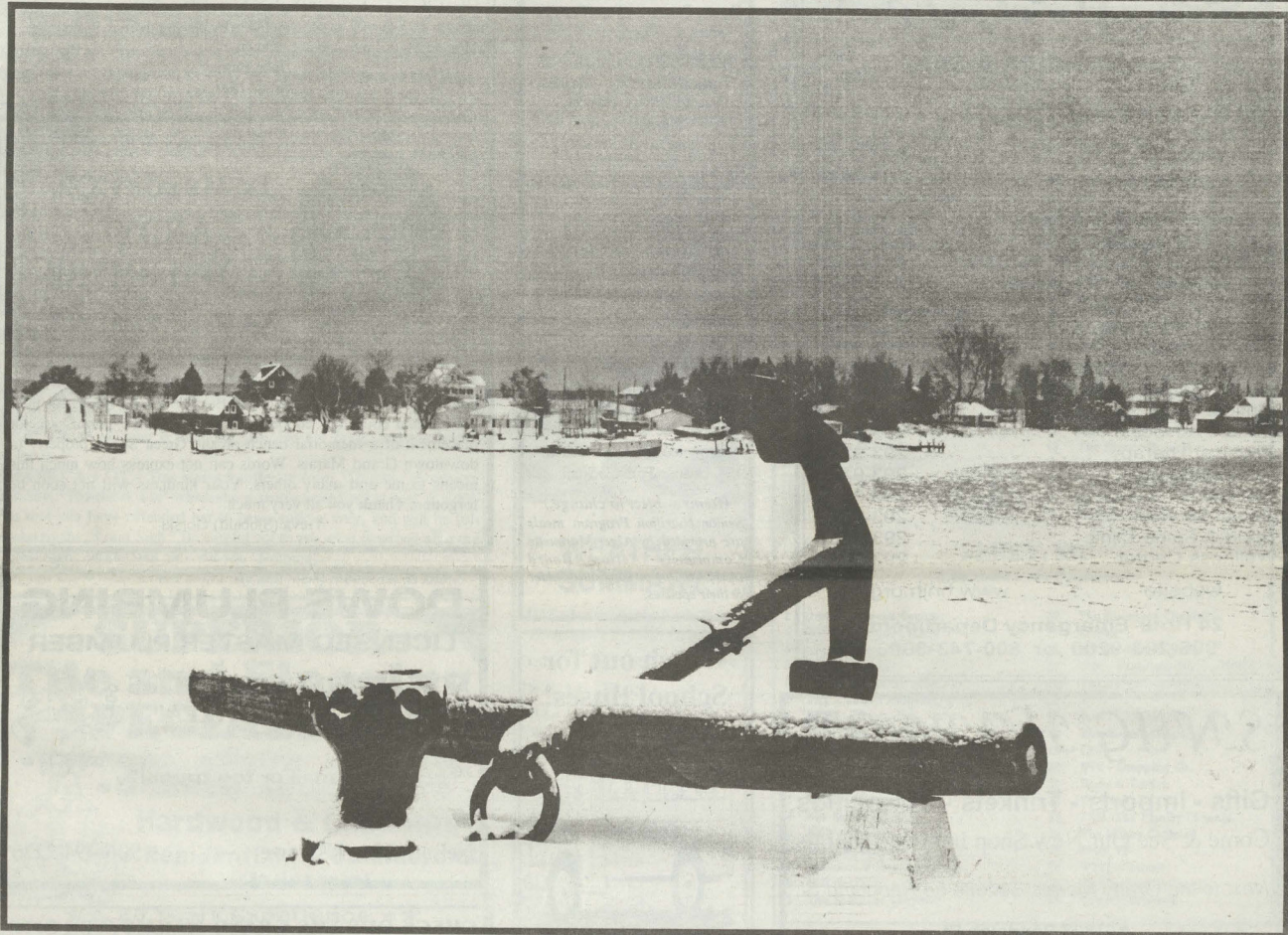
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UP COMING EVENTS IN GRAND MARAIS

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

POTLUCK DINNER

February 8TH 6:00 P.M.

Community Center

Cabin Fever Saturday -

Snowmobile Poker Run, Chili Feed,

Kids Cookie Decorating Contest,

Cardboard Sledding Contest, Snowshoe Poker and the annual Cabin Fever Bash at Lake Superior Brewing Co.

February 11, 2006

Chocolate Sunday

February 12, 2006

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February 17 - 19

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YOUTH CENTER REOPENS

At a special meeting of the Burt Township Board held Tuesday January 17th at noon in the community center a decision was made to re-open the center on an abbreviated schedule on Wednesday, January 18th. A group of concerned persons represented by Lea Ward-Harbaum presented a plan for its operation. Supervision will be provided by volunteer adults and rules of behavior will be strictly enforced. The schedule is as follows:

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays...3:30 pm till 9:00 pm
Saturdays...12 Noon till 4:00 pm & 5:00 pm till 9:00 pm
Closed.....Tuesdays, Thursdays & Sundays

There will be two movies shown on Saturdays, one at 1:00 pm for K-5th grades and one at 6:00 pm for 6th grade and up. Several changes in the Youth Center's operation will be in force immediately and children and parents of those children will be required to sign a form acknowledging the rules and agreeing to comply with them. The Township will provide some services, utilities and other necessary items. Those responsible for the operation and the Township Board will ask utilities, vendors doing business here and organizations to make donations of services, products and/or money. There has already been one donation made by the McMillan Methodist women and an offer made by Mr. & Mrs. Caldwell. If you would like to help support the operation of the Marilyn Johnson Youth Center of Burt Township contact Lea Ward-Harbaum or the Township Office.

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 days & Fridays are prepared on
 Monday and distributed cold. If
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 and place an order!*

FRIDAY January 20
 Swedish Meatballs - Mashed
 Potatoes - Scandinavian Blend -
 Cherries

MONDAY January 23
 BB-Q Pork Ribs on Bun - Oven
 Brown Potatoes - Peas/Carrots -
 Plums

WEDNESDAY January 25
 Turkey w/Stuffing - Mashed
 Potatoes - Baked Beans -
 Pumpkin Bars

FRIDAY January 27
 Veal Bird - AuGratin Potatoes -
 Green Beans - Chocolate Cake
 w/ Chocolate Frosting

MONDAY January 30
 Meatballs - Mashed Potatoes w/
 Gravy - Spinach - Fruited Jell-o

WEDNESDAY February 1
 Baked Chicken -
 Mashed Potatoes -
 Wisconsin Blend - Cherries

FRIDAY February 3
 Sloppy Joe 's w/Bun - Oven
 Browned Potatoes - Baked
 Beans - Fruit Cocktail

*(Items subject to change.)
 Senior Nutrition Program meals
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 School Buses!**




*Letters
 to the Editor*

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.

To Whom It May Concern:
 Recently a barricade with a universal Snowmobile Prohibited sign and a
 traffic arrow pointing south were placed on what appears to be the un-
 plowed right-of-way off H-58 near Woodruff Street. I'm not sure of the
 intent of the barricade and signs, but it has resulted in the routing of
 snowmobiles to what is probably the most dangerous intersection in
 Burt Township. Increased snowmobile traffic is going up Woodruff St.
 to Ridge Road to M-77. The M-77/Ridge Rd. intersection is extremely
 hazardous in optimal conditions for a car, which rides much higher than
 a snowmobile. Traffic speeds are high and visibility is very limited.
 From this intersection, M-77 does not offer safe snowmobiling in either
 direction.
 I think those in charge of placing signs and barricades would be wise
 and also do a service to snowmobilers by placing them to discourage
 traffic on M- 77, into and out of town.
 John Barney
 Grand Marais

**IN MEMORY OF
 ANDY
 STOTTLEMYRE**


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On behalf of family and friends of Andy Stottlemire, I wish to
 publicly thank the members of the Burt Township Board for their
 prompt and courteous cooperation in giving their permission for
 placement of a memorial bench on the Green Space property in
 downtown Grand Marais. Words can not express how much this
 means to me and many others. Your kindness will not soon be
 forgotten. Thank you all very much.
 Treva (Sibbald) Gorski

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MEN KEEP THIS IN MIND

FINE - This is the word women use to end an argument when they feel they are right and you need to shut up. Never use "fine" to describe how a woman looks - this will cause you to have one of those arguments.

FIVE MINUTES - This is half an hour. It is equivalent to the five minutes that your football game is going to last before you take out the trash, so it's an even trade.

NOTHING - This means "something," and you should be on your toes. "Nothing" is usually used to describe the feeling a woman has of wanting to turn you inside out, upside down, and backwards. "Nothing" usually signifies an argument that will last "Five Minutes" and end with "Fine"

GO AHEAD (With Raised Eyebrows) - This is a dare. One that will result in a woman getting upset over "Nothing" and will end with the word "Fine"

GO AHEAD (Normal Eyebrows) - This means "I give up" or "do what you want because I don't care" You will get a "Raised Eyebrow Go Ahead" in just a few minutes, followed by "Nothing" and "Fine" and she will talk to you in about "Five Minutes" when she cools off.

LOUD SIGH - This is not actually a word, but is a non-verbal statement often misunderstood by men. A "Loud Sigh" means she thinks you are an idiot at that moment, and wonders why she is wasting her time standing here and arguing with you over "Nothing".

SOFT SIGH - Again, not a word, but a non-verbal statement. "Soft Sighs" mean that she is content. Your best bet is to not move or breathe, and she will stay content.

THAT'S OKAY - This is one of the most dangerous statements that a woman can make to a man. "That's Okay" means that she wants to think long and hard before paying you back for whatever it is that you have done. "That's Okay" is often used with the word "Fine" and in conjunction with a "Raised Eyebrow."

GO AHEAD! - At some point in the near future, you are going to be in some mighty big trouble.

PLEASE DO - This is not a statement, it is an offer. A woman is giving you the chance to come up with whatever excuse or reason you have for doing whatever it is that you have done. You have a fair chance with the truth, so be careful and you shouldn't get a "That's Okay".

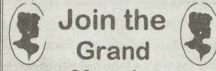
THANKS - A woman is thanking you. Do not faint. Just say you're welcome.

THANKS A LOT - This is much different from "Thanks." A woman will say, "Thanks A Lot" when she is really ticked off at you. It signifies that you have offended her in some callous way, and will be followed by the "Loud Sigh." Be careful not to ask what is wrong after the "Loud Sigh," as she will only tell you "Nothing".

If you know what a man might say and mean please let us know.

When a man sits with a pretty girl for an hour, it seems like a minute. But let him sit on a hot stove for a minute and it seems longer than an hour. That's relativity.

Albert Einstein



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

Adam and Eve had an ideal marriage. He didn't have to hear about all the men she could have married - and she didn't have to hear about the way his mother cooked. - Robert Orben



WEATHER SUMMARY

DATA is compiled by Karla Bugg, Cooperative Weather Observer.

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.	Snow
DEC. 14	29	15		
DEC. 15	38	24	.13	2
DEC. 16	38	24	.20	2
DEC. 17	29	20	.12	2
DEC. 18	25	10	.26	4
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JAN. 11	36	17		
JAN. 12	41	30		
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JAN. 15	26	20		
JAN. 16	25	16		
JAN. 17	26	19	.26	4

Karla

We have only had 53.5 inches of snow reported in town so far this year.

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5	G.M. Community Channel	28	FX
6	WLUC--Marquette (NBC)	29	G.M. Community Channel
7	WDIV--Detroit (NBC)	30	Lifetime
8	WTBS--Atlanta, GA	31	Sci-Fi Channel
9	CNN--Cable News Network	32	TV Land
10	Fox Sports Detroit	33	FAM--The Family Channel
11	ESPN 2	34	Home & Garden
12	ESPN--Ent. Sports Network	35	Hallmark
13	WNNMU--Marquette PBS	36	Home Shopping
14	The Movie Channel... Premium	37	QVC--Shopping Channel
15	TNT--Turner Network TV	38	C-Span
16	WXYZ--Detroit (ABC)	39	CHS - Country Music Videos
17	A&E--Arts & Entertainment	40	The Weather Channel
18	The Discovery Channel	41	FOX News
19	WMQF 19 Marquette (Fox)	42	Court TV
20	Outdoor Channel	43	The Disney Channel
21	WWJ - Detroit (CBS)	44	Food Network
22	USA Network	45	The Learning Channel (TLC)
23	CNBC	46	Speed Network
24	PAX	47	Comedy Channel

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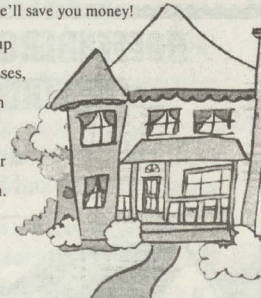
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Further, the views expressed by our writers and guest correspondents are welcome additions to the forum. They reflect, however, opinions of the writers and correspondents and are not those explicitly endorsed by the Gazette.

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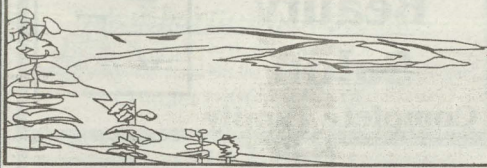
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AROUND THE BAY: BY EVELYN MORRISON



Subbing for Evie this issue is Kay Wampler.

Evie is in Florida with daughter, Sara Scaife, visiting with Mom and Dad, Gerrie and Andy Bailey, so she's asked me to do her article this week. Before y'all ask, she says "Dad is doing ok ... Tired, but looking forward to coming back to GM." Keep a stiff upper lip Andy! We are all praying for you!

So, What's going on *Around The Bay*? ... It's raining, it's snowing, ... that's what! So which will it be? Rain, Snow, Drizzle... Who knows, but I'm looking forward to our first good snow storm of winter to arrive! I love winter and am pretty sick of the drabness. Jack Hubbard assured me that winter is coming and we will have 6 weeks of it, it's just a matter of when it will start! This may not be the popular thing to say but, I'm holding you to your word, Jack!

The annual 500 Mile Snowmobile Endurance Run came off without a hitch once again. 20 years and still going strong! It even made the Channel 6 Early News! They had 73 entrants this year and raised a bit of money to help out Sno-Trails. The Wrap UP party at the Dunes Saloon was also a hit with karaoke, the 50/50 raffle and the Merchants Drawings. Good work Pam, Karen, Evie, Janie, Pat, John B, Norm, and the rest of the pit crew along with North Shore Lodge, Lake Superior Brewing and the Curiosity Corner for managing the registrations and check ins. I never knew Chris Sarver could sing, I guess Erin's bringing out some hidden talent there. And, what about Joe Roberts? Pretty Good, Joe!!

Plans for the Silver Anniversary of the Music Festival are well underway. The Music Line-up is posted on www.grandmaraismichigan.com and it looks like another great year. The Chamber is looking for someone to help out with organizing the Crafters and Camping. If you can help, please, call Pam at North Shore Lodge.

The Sportsman's Restaurant reopened on Wednesday, the 11th, and I've heard nothing but good! Dennis and Amy (and Mom and Dad) have apparently put together a great menu and even better prices! I know they've been pretty busy since they opened the doors! Good Luck and Thanks for resurrecting another Grand Marais landmark!

The Superior Hardware is getting another face-lift; this time on the inside! Owners, Mike & Chris Lawless are busy sprucing up the inside and re-arranging shelves while they are here for the winter. Ya, I know what you're thinking and I've heard the murmurings around town. That kind of stuff is usually done, in the spring but Mike (a farmer) will be back in the fields come April.

The kids really played hard against Paradise this week; I hear they have a pretty good team this year though. The next games are this Friday and Saturday against Hannahville. It was nice seeing our college kids over the holiday break, they are all back in school now: Heather Hicks, Jennifer Bell, Corrisa Ross, Rachael Scaife, Matt Beaupied, Will Simpson and Ashleigh and Candace Capo. Hope I didn't miss anyone. ... Oh, and did you know Clay Wilson is now living at the North Pole? Well, North Pole, Alaska...

Grand Marais recently lost a few more old friends; Norm Weyher from Crab Orchard, Mary Shaw, and Bill Hawk - you'll all be missed.

Celebrating birthdays in January are Wendy Sohl, Jenny Cooley, Marion Martin, Dapper Dan, Karen Brzys and John Dettwiler. Happy Birthday! (and everyone else having a birthday this month - there, I can't miss anyone that way!)

I hope I didn't leave out anyone or anything, if I did, I'm sorry!! I'm not as good at this as Evie! As she always says; "We hope to see you Around the Bay. Keep on Smiling. . . ." Kay, the Sub

Thanks Kay and you did a great job.

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OBITUARIES

William "Hawk" Hawk

Dr. William "Hawk" Hawk, 76, a resident of Grand Marais since 1998, died at Marquette General Hospital on Wednesday, January 4, 2006 following a massive stroke on New Years Day.

Born on March 17, 1929 in Bayshore, New York, a son of the late William & Dorothy (Gordon) Gerritsen, he graduated from Bayshore High School. Following graduation, Hawk, enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corp. Following his discharge, Hawk attended several universities, eventually obtaining his doctorate in Anthropology. Hawk was a college professor in Fond Du Lac, WI for a short period and then moved to Portales, New Mexico where he was a tenured professor at the University until his retirement in 1998. Hawk had a multitude of friends and former students worldwide and was fluent in 6 languages. He always enjoyed reading the many letters from his former students to his friends in their native language. Students that didn't write, he kept in touch by phone. He had many students visit him following his retirement after he moved to Grand Marais.

Hawk is survived by a cousin Barbara Cole. According to his wishes, Hawk was cremated and will be interred at a later date.

Beaulieu Funeral Home in Newberry assisted with arrangements.

Mary Catherine Shaw

Mary Catherine "Mickey" Shaw, age 80 of E21682 W. Wilson Street, Grand Marais, died on Thursday, January 5, 2006 at 1:15 p.m. at Marquette General Hospital. She was born on December 20, 1925 in Denver, Colorado to Forrest and Anna (Hunt) Ostrander. Mickey was an "Army Brat" growing up as her father was an Army Colonel Physician. She attended the University of Texas and then Ohio State University. It was there where Mary Catherine met her future husband, Richard Shaw. She and Dick were married on September 6, 1946. She was a homemaker and raised their two sons, Mike and Bill, in Columbus, Ohio. Mickey was active in the YMCA and volunteered for the American Cancer Society in Columbus. She and Dick moved to Grand Marais and she was a member of the First Lutheran Church in Grand Marais where she also served on the Church Board. Mary Catherine was also a member of the Women's Club in Grand Marais and she enjoyed gardening, walks in the woods, bicycling, and snowshoeing.

Mary Catherine is survived by her husband of over fifty-nine years - Richard Shaw of Grand Marais; son - William (Barbara) Shaw of Columbus, OH; daughter-in-law - Francine Southers of Davenport, IA; 3 grandchildren - April Shaw of St. Paul, MN, Robyn Shaw of Park View, IA, and Wendy Shaw of Ames, IA; great-grandson - Carter; cousins - Rhea Becker of Coos Bay, OR, Dawn Willis of Marquette, and Jacqueline Ostrander of Marquette; and numerous friends in Columbus and Grand Marais. She was preceded in death by her parents, her son Michael Forrest Shaw on March 4, 1991, and her brother Russell Ostrander.

A Memorial Service will be held at the First Lutheran Church in Grand Marais in the spring.

Norman C. Weyher

DUNDEE - Norman C. Weyher, 66, of Dundee died Friday while vacationing in Las Vegas.

Cremation has taken place. Private burial took place in Maple Grove Cemetery. Cover Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements.

Born Oct. 1, 1939, in Dundee, he was the son of Enno and Helen (Croitori) Weyher. He married Bonnie Wilson Sept. 23, 1961. She died Sept. 28, 1995. He married Wilma Marie Morlock July 12 in Las Vegas.

Mr. Weyher farmed in Dundee most of his life. He also had been a local carpenter, a truck driver for Standard Oil Co. and a Monroe County Sheriff's deputy.

Mr. Weyher was treasurer of the Crab Orchard Hunting Club in Grand Marais, a member of Ye Ole Hunt Club of Dundee and a two-term member of the Dundee Community Schools' Board of Education.

He graduated from Dundee High School in 1958 where he played basketball. He was chosen as an all-state player that year and was the leading scorer in Monroe County. In 1958 he won the Ham Munson Trophy for outstanding senior high school athlete. He enjoyed tractor pulling and ran his tractor "Oh Bonnie" in the Wolverine Pullers.

Surviving are his wife; a son, Troy (Laurie) of Temperance; two daughters, Kelle (Ron) Snell of Dundee and Nikki (Rick) Meyer of Lake Somerset; two stepdaughters, Connie (Mike) Kazmeyer and Lisa (Gary) Kohl, both of Perrysburg, Ohio; a brother, Richard (Liz) of Walled Lake; two sisters, Barbara (Jerry) Wenzel of Tennessee and Delores (John) Cowen of Ida; eight grandchildren, and two step-grandchildren.

In addition to his first wife, he was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be made to the Norman Weyher Scholarship fund at Dundee Community Schools.



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"Logo Art Contest"

February 1 is the deadline for entries in the 2006 Hiawatha Music Festival logo contest. The 28th Annual Hiawatha Traditional Music Festival is slated for July 21-23, 2006, at the Tourist Park in Marquette.

In exchange for the rights to the selected artwork, the logo-contest winner will receive \$100, weekend Festival passes for two, and a festival t-shirt and mug with the winning design.

The logo image should be original artwork, should represent the Hiawatha Music Festival experience and should be colorful and visually appealing. For specific requirements, please visit the Hiawatha website at www.hiawathamusic.org and select "Logo Art Contest" from the left column of the main page, or contact the Hiawatha office at 906-226-8575 or email hiawatha@portup.com.

Please send entries to the Hiawatha Music Co-op, PO Box 414, Marquette, MI 49855, by February 1, 2006. Entries may be created electronically but should be submitted on paper.



Park Invites Public to Come Ski

(Munising, Michigan) Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore is extending a renewed invitation to the public to come enjoy the groomed cross-country ski trails in the park.

The park maintains two groups of groomed cross-country trails, one east of Munising and one west of Grand Marais. Each group contains 11 miles of trails for

a total of 22 miles of groomed trail in the park. The trails are groomed for traditional diagonal stride skiing, and both systems offer trails that range from easy to difficult.

The Munising Ski Trails are accessed from two trailheads east of town off county road H-58. The first trailhead is 500 feet east of the Connors Road intersection. The second trailhead is at the end of East City Limits Road.

The Grand Marais Ski Trails are also accessed from county road H-58, west of Grand Marais at the National Park Service's Grand Sable Visitor Center.

Superintendent Jim Northup said, "This is a wonderful time of year to come out and enjoy the park. These ski trails offer a tremendous opportunity to enjoy beautiful Pictured Rocks scenery in the midst of winter and, because they are less crowded than many other local cross country ski trails, also offer great opportunities for quiet and solitude in the north woods."

For more information on area ski trails, please stop at the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore - Hiawatha National Forest Interagency Visitor Center at 400 East Munising Avenue, telephone 906-387-3700.



A famous scientist developed a formula to bring statues to life.

He went to a local park to try it out on a statue of Gen. Ulysses Grant.

After application, Gen Grant began to move and soon was completely alive.

The scientist asked, "What's the first thing you'll do, General?"

The general answered while drawing his pistol "I'm going to kill about a million damn pigeons!"



**From The Pastor's Desk:
Pastor Stephen Post
Grand Marais Mennonite Church
494-2724**

"...I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." John 10: 10 (NIV)

January is always thought of as the month of new beginnings. We wave goodbye to the past year and celebrate the coming of the new year with laughter, music and fireworks.

However, when the celebrations are over we come to the reality that our lives and circumstances have changed little with the new calendar. Everything looks very much the same as it has for the past few years. The regrets about some of our poor decisions still linger. The memories of some happier times have faded and we yearn for something that will again bring peace and joy to our hearts and minds.

It is as if we would like to start our lives all over again. Wipe the slate clean and live a new life--a life that is again filled with all the wonder and promise of our youth.

But that is impossible. Our past has us firmly in its grip and our future is uncertain at best. The world offers us many ways to a new life but they always seem to end in failure or disappointment.

A man named Jesus came to this earth to offer us an abundant life. This was not a life filled with material possessions, power or success as measured by the standards of this world. He said these things shall pass away or be taken from us. (Matt. 6: 19)

The abundant life He offered would be filled with joy, peace and the forgiveness of our sins. He was willing to do for us what we could never do ourselves. That is, take our old life of sin and failure and give us a new and eternal life with Him and His Heavenly Father.

He was willing to do this because He loves us with an eternal and everlasting love, a love not based on how well we have run the race of life, but anchored on the bedrock that He created us and desires us to live with Him forever.

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Surprise, Surprise! This ungrateful government is facing a class action lawsuit because it has screwed its troops. Seems that because of inadequate housing, **active duty** soldiers were forced to pay to live and eat off base. When I was in the service some of us did that and were given "COMRATS", a reimbursement of sorts. It generally did not cover the entire expense but took care of most of it and often times it was not a forced situation. Well, the many soldiers and sailors who have been serving this country because some of its warmonger governmental leaders decided to declare war on various countries in the guise of fighting terror, have had the gall to expect to be treated fairly by state and federal governments. I have not heard Michigan mentioned as one of the culprits but based on Michigan's terrible rating for helping its veterans, I won't be surprised when it is included. Most of those being screwed are members of the National Guard and can not afford the extra drain on their income especially when they have to leave their well paying civilian job for a lower paying job in the Armed Forces. Of course the right wing chauvinists will label these guys unpatriotic and the left-wingers will use the excuse that the republicans are in charge, therefore they are unable to correct the problem. BS, this kind of treatment of its present and veteran service personnel has gone on since this country declared independence, with democrat leadership as well as republican. I do believe in Heaven and Hell and am certain that if any of these self-centered bums ever gets to Heavens Gate, St. Peter will immediately give him/her a transfer.

In another big surprise this lobbyist-congressmen scandal is expanding. Right now it seems to be concentrated on the elephants but the asses are just as guilty of selling their votes. Some politicians are very careful, for a while, to keep their shenanigans secret but sooner or later their ego gets the best of them and they think they are untouchable. Then someone makes an accusation of influence pedaling and someone else breaks and pretty soon you have a giant sized scandal that takes some people down. I sure hope this one does and I also hope that it starts with Delay. I don't think he is much if any worse than a lot of his peers but his "holier than thou" attitude is worse than most. It will be interesting to see who squeals, who falls and who walks.

Afghanistan is creeping back into the headlines; it never should have been out of them. The destruction of three helicopters shows that the enemy has not given up. The bombing of a house full of civilians because our dependable intelligence reports that Al Quaida's second in command might be there is criminal. Our leaders say that we are fighting terror; kind of looks to me like we are creating some of our own. Even if the crud was killed, the backlash will

make the bottom line a failure. Might not though; I am not sure that the respect of Bush and Company can get much worse in some places.

Stand by for the reinstallation of the draft; the warmongers are making serious accusations about Iran's nuclear program. I think it rather ironic that this administration that a couple of years ago told the U.N. to go to Hell now wants the same corrupt organization to force the issue with Iran. Sanctions have been mentioned; if this doesn't sound familiar you have been in a cave for the past several years or you are a vegetable. The reason the draft will be necessary is that this volunteer Armed Forces will continue to shrink as the members are screwed by our ungrateful government and we won't have enough soldiers and sailors for the Bushites to send into combat, death and injury. Of course any of the big shots' kids will not have to serve in any dangerous place. I heard that one child of a U.S. Congressman is serving in Iraq. Why so many?

And finally. When this publication goes to press, a local serviceman Josh "Cheese" Hicks will be getting very short in Iraq. For you uninitiated this "short" means the time for his departure is close. He will have four days and a wakeup to go. We need to welcome him home and thank him for his service, this goes for all those returning from where ever they have served.

I see that the Sportsman has reopened much to the pleasure of many even though it will take business from other restaurants in town. It will give our major industry, tourism, another choice for eating and help take care of them when we are super-saturated with tourists. Welcome to Grand Marais. Hope you are here for a long time.

The Youth Center will be opened again. Lois Leavenworth, Janie Dowe and Sandee Sibbald have been working on a feasible plan for its operation. Lea Ward-Harbaum volunteered to organize volunteer chaperones for the times that the center is open. She and other concerned citizens presented an acceptable plan to the Township Board and the Board agreed to reopen the center. Thanks to them for their time and effort.

Haven't heard much from the kids or grandkids; hopefully "no news is good news". My pick for Super Bowl champ, Indianapolis, is out of the race. Much to the delight of my old daughter-in-law, Pittsburgh beat them in Indianapolis. My second choice, New England also went down in smoke. My sister-in-law Jen wasn't too happy with Chicago's defeat maybe now I'll root for Seattle, I do like Holmgren. At least these teams made it to the playoffs, my Packers' 4 wins and 12 losses wasn't quite good enough to make it. At least they will get a high draft choice.

And finally, finally. It looks like our service personnel will be spread all over the globe for a long, long time and our governments actions are making them targets for retribution. It doesn't appear that that will disappear in the foreseeable future either, at least as long as this government is in power. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Until next issue.

Hungry Jim

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The class will be using the tape series: "Dreamtending" by Dr. Stephen Aizenstat, Director of the Pacifica Graduate Institute. Required textbooks: Creative Dreaming by Patricia Garfield (\$13) and the workbook Dreams and Spiritual Growth, by Savary, Berne and Williams (\$18.95) can be purchased at Canterbury Book Store and Book World. Classes will be held Mondays, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm, January 23 - March 6 (no class on February 13). Class fee is \$75. For more information and to register call 786.5802, ext. 1227. Registration deadline is Monday, January 23.

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Beginning and end:

We are all born into this world naked with nothing and when we die, we leave this world with only memories. Looking back on our lives, no one ever says: I wish I had spent more time at work or what a great time it was watching TV. It's the times that we were challenged the most, our achievements and the fun times with family and friends





Timber Taxation

Bill Cook, Forester & Biologist
MSU Extension, Upper Peninsula

Did you sell timber in 2005? If so, it's time to figure out what you owe Uncle Sam. The idea is to make the tax as low as possible and retain as much income as possible for yourself. The IRS tax code and good records will help you do that, along with a tax preparer familiar with the rules.

Surprised that you might owe taxes for selling timber? If so, now is a good time to learn about what you need to do.

The most important way to reduce the tax burden is to claim the income under capital gains and not ordinary income. Ordinary income comes from salaries, wages, and the like. Capital gains income is taxed at a much lower rate.

It is easy for most people to meet the eligibility rules for capital gains treatment.

Capital gain is the increase in value of an investment, in this case timber. You don't have to pay taxes on those dollars already invested in the timber. You do have to pay taxes on the income beyond what has been invested. This may require a little explanation.

The value of timber is separate than the value of the land. At the time of acquisition, the timber had a value. You may have paid for the timber or inherited the timber, but in either case it had a value at acquisition. This value is called a "basis". Typically, a higher basis is beneficial.

All or part of the timber basis can be subtracted from timber sale income. If you sold all of the timber, then you can use the entire basis. If you sold 50 percent of your timber, you can use 50 percent of the basis. The proportion of your basis subtracted from the gross income is called "depletion."

Often times, figuring the value of just the timber at the time of acquisition can be a problem. Foresters and real estate agents can help crank the numbers. If the timber has been owned for over 20 years, it is usually not worth the cost of calculating the timber basis. If the timber has been owned less than 10 years, then it is usually worth figuring out the timber basis.

Under capital gains, you also don't have to pay self-employment taxes, which comes to 15.3 percent of the income. Avoiding this, alone, will save a forest owner quite a bit.

The capital gains tax rate for timber sold after 6 May, 2003 is 15 percent. If you fall into the 10 or 15 percent ordinary income tax brackets, the capital gains rate is 5 percent. This is a good deal for most people.

Many deductions from the timber sale income are also eligible, such as consultant fees, workshop registration fees, timber sale promotion costs, etc. These deductions reduce your taxable net income, which saves you money. Receipts are essential.

Keep in mind that no two timber sales are the same, so there aren't many standard values to apply to every situation. That's why you should seek the services of a professional tax preparer familiar with timber sale IRS codes.

These folks can also help you work through a maze of forms, such as Form T (revised), Schedule D, Schedule F, and other documents. IRS forms can be obtained at [www.irs.gov] or 1-800-829-3676. You won't find all of them at the local library.

You'll need good records. It's hard to claim something without receipts. Having a written management plan, prepared by a professional forester, goes a long way in establishing the most favorable tax category for you. Memberships in organizations such as the Michigan Forest Association, or having a certified Tree Farm, are other excellent ways to help define you as an "active participant".

If you want to learn more about federal timber sale income taxes, there is a really good Internet source [www.timbertax.org]. This website contains many articles, topics, tips, and current information provided by the nation's top forest taxation experts. Most forest owners will have only one or two timber sales in their lifetime. It is usually a good idea to work with a tax preparer familiar with timber taxation.

MSU Extension has a newly revised publication "Minimizing Federal Income Tax for Forest Landowners." Contact the County Extension office for a copy. You can also obtain an on-line copy at [http://web2.msue.msu.edu/bulletins/intro.cfm] using inventory number 343.

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The photographer for a national magazine was assigned to get photos of a great forest fire. Smoke at the scene was too thick to get any good shots, so he frantically called his home office to hire a plane. "It will be waiting for you at the airport!" he was assured by his editor. As soon as he got to the small, rural airport, sure enough, a plane was warming up near the runway. He jumped in with his equipment and yelled, "Let's go! Let's go!" The pilot swung the plane into the wind and soon they were in the air. "Fly over the north side of the fire," said the photographer, "and make three or four low level passes." "Why?" asked the pilot. "Because I'm going to take pictures! I'm a photographer, and photographers take pictures!" said the photographer with great exasperation. After a long pause the pilot said, "You mean you're not the instructor?"

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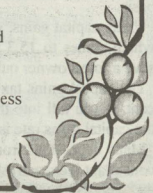
Their lives are full of northern breezes cold winter and gentle in summer, stirring wild bushes low to the ground where picking requires a stooped position.

He straightens first using gnarled hands to rub his aching back then reaches to massage hers saying it's time to go.

She laments through blue stained teeth that it is such a shame to leave so many berries to rot on the forest floor.

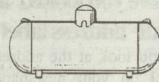
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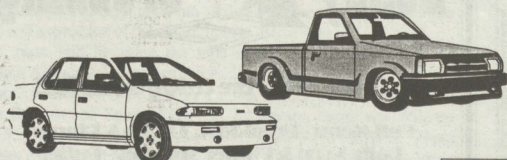
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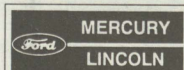
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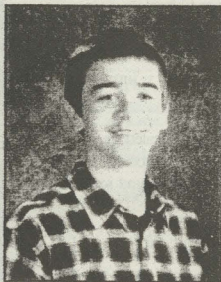
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Dakota Stachnik

Dakota Stachnik was awarded November Elementary Student of the Month at the December 12, 2005 Board meeting. Dakota is in second grade. He is the son of William Stachnik of Grand Marais. He enjoys playing games and being outside. His favorite subject is writing and he likes meeting with his mentor, Mr. Petruske. Dakota wants to be a police officer when he grows up.



Eric Blume

Eric Blume was awarded November Secondary Student of the Month at the December Board of Education meeting. He is the son of Candace Blume of Grand Marais. Eric is in 10th grade and on the basketball team. He enjoys woodworking and building replica models. His favorite classes are woodshop and English. Eric hopes to pursue a career in auto repair and restoration.

December STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Natasha Conner

Natasha Conner was awarded December Elementary Student of the Month at the January Board of Education meeting. Natasha is in kindergarten. She is the daughter of Dena Conner of Germfask. She enjoys playing games and being outside. Her favorite subject is painting. Natasha wants to be a nurse when she grows up.



Jacob Rivera

Jacob Rivera was awarded December Secondary Student of the Month at the January 9, 2006 Board of Education meeting. He is the son of Scott and Tammy Chamberlin of Germfask. Jacob is in the 7th grade and on the JV basketball team. His favorite class is math. When he's not in school, Jacob enjoys hunting and family activities. He wants to become a member of the United States Marine Corp.

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Giraffes

By: Joshua Stachnik
A giraffe is the tallest animal in the world.

This Is About Deer

By: Kaytlyn Honore
What is an animal that has antlers? Deer are mammals. Fawns have spots on their coats. A female deer is called a doe. A male deer is called a buck. A baby deer is called a fawn. I think deer are pretty.

Lions

By: Landon Stachnik
What is an animal that hunts mostly at night? Lions hunt mostly at night. Lions live 15 or 20 years. Lions sleep about 18 hours a day. Lions are awesome.

Wolves

By: Logan Stachnik
What animal can weigh up to 225 pounds? It is a wolf. They can jump far. They are gray. They can be 6 feet long. Wolves are mammals. Wolves are 100% cool. I like wolves.

Squirrels

By: Molly Conner
Squirrels are my favorite animals. Squirrels have 2 to 8 babies. They live in tree nests. Squirrels are mammals. I wish I had a squirrel.

Panda Bears

By: Connor McKinstry
What kind of bear lives in China? Panda Bears are mammals. No one had seen a Panda until 1869. One Panda can eat 40 pounds of bamboo. Panda Bears do not hibernate. I think Panda Bears can eat a lot of bamboo.

Zebras

By: Natasha Conner
Zebras eat plants and drink water to stay healthy.

Rattlesnakes

By: Noah Hassenzahn
What reptile has a rattle? Rattlesnakes have poison that comes out of their teeth. They hunt at night for their food. The rattle is used for warning. Rattlesnakes have one lung and three layers of skin. I like snakes.

Big Tigers

By: Erin Savage
What is the sneakiest animal in the world? It is a tiger. A female tiger weighs 100 pounds less than the male. Fewer than 40 Chinese tigers live in China. They are cool.

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Thursday, January 19

Goulash - Veggies - Fruit - Rolls

Friday, January 20

Burgers - Pasta Salad - Fruit

Monday, January 23

NO SCHOOL

Teacher's TRAINING

Tuesday, January 24

Hot Dogs - Baked beans - Fruit

Wednesday, January 25

Baked Chicken - Rice - Fruit & Veggies

Thursday, January 26

Mac & Cheese - Green Beans - Fruit & Rolls

Friday, January 27

Sloppy Jo's - Fruit & Veggies

Monday, January 30

Spag. W/Meat Sauce - Veggies - Fruit - Rolls

Tuesday, January 31

Chicken Nuggets - French Fries - Fruit

Wednesday, February 1

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Thursday, February 2

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Friday, February 3

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BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL POLAR BEARS 2005-6 VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE



Volleyball Coach: Stacey Stachnik

1/20-21	Hannahville @ Grand Marais	6:30PM/9:00AM
1/24	Bay de Noc @ Grand Marais	6:00PM
1/27-28	Grand Marais @ Mackinac Island	6:30PM/9:00AM
2/2	Grand Marais @ Munising Baptist	6:00PM
2/9	Ojibwe Charter @ Grand Marais	5:00PM
2/10	Grand Marais @ Hannahville	6:30PM
2/11	ENGADINE VB TOURNAMENT	TBA
2/17-18	Mackinac Island @ Grand Marais	6:30PM/9:00AM
2/24-25	Beaver Island @ Grand Marais	6:30PM/9:00AM
3/3-4	Copper Country @ Grand Marais	6:30PM
2/28-3/4	DISTRICT TOURNAMENT WEEK	



BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL 2005-06 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE



Varsity Basketball Coach: Rick Capogrossa

1/20-21	Hannahville @ Grand Marais	6:30PM/9:00AM
1/24	Grand Marais @ Engadine	6:00PM/9:30A.M.
1/27-28	Grand Marais @ Mackinac Island	6:30PM/9:00AM
1/31	Maplewood Acad. @ Grand Marais	6:00P.M.
2/2	Grand Marais @ Munising Baptist	6:00PM
2/9	Ojibwe Charter @ Grand Marais	5:00PM
2/10-11	Grand Marais @ Hannahville	6:30PM/9:00AM
2/17-18	Mackinac Island @ Grand Marais	6:30PM/9:00AM
2/24-25	Beaver Island @ Grand Marais	6:30PM/9:00AM
3/3-4	Copper Country @ Grand Marais	6:30PM/9:00AM
3/6-11	DISTRICT TOURNAMENT WEEK	

J.V. Schedule

Coach: John Bauknecht

1/20-21	Hannahville @ Grand Marais	5:00PM/9:00AM
1/24	Grand Marais @ Engadine	6:00P.M.
1/27-28	Grand Marais @ Mackinac Island	5:00PM/9:00AM
2/6	Superior Central @ Grand Marais	6:00P.M.
2/10-11	Grand Marais @ Hannahville	5:00P.M.
2/17-18	Mackinac Island @ Grand Marais	5:00PM/9:00AM

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LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONT: This is a ten acre parcel located in Superior Dunes Development east of Grand Marais. It has 225 feet of beachfront. \$170,000 (VW-146)

TWO 40 ACRE PARCELS WITH MARKETABLE TIMBER: These parcels are located on highway H-58, 11 miles west of Grand Marais in the National Park Buffer Zone. The road is seasonal, with no electricity. There is a substantial amount of marketable timber that has been appraised by a timber cruiser. \$65,000 each (VL-144 and VL-145)

LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONT: This parcel, located in Superior Dunes Development just 9 miles east of Grand Marais, has 210 feet of beach frontage. It is a ten acre parcel. \$155,00 (VW-145)

LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONT: 3.79 acres with 273 feet of beautiful sand beach in Superior Dunes Development, about 9 miles east of Grand Marais. \$155,000. (VW-143)

SMALL HOME ONE MILE SOUTH OF GRAND MARAIS: This house sits on a parcel that is 300 feet on a year round road, and is 216 feet deep. The house has had a lot of work done lately such as: new electric service and wiring, new plumbing with new washer and dryer. The foundation appears to be in good condition. The home still needs a roof and some additional maintenance work. \$74,500. (R-165)

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 \$165,000. (VW-140)

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 breakwall. It looks like it could be on a post card. \$149,500.00 (VL-130)

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 \$60,000.00. (VL-137)

200 FEET OF SEASONAL 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 parcel is 100 feet wide and heavily wooded. It is located along the ridge about one mile east of downtown Grand Marais. \$60,000.00 (VL-140)

VACANT PARCEL WITH WELL AND SEPTIC IN GRAND MARAIS: This parcel has 150 feet on a year round road and is 290 feet deep. It is high and dry and located 4 blocks from downtown Grand Marais; it has a Board of Health approved well and septic already in place and a temporary electric pole with service connected to the electric company. A completed foundation for a garage and a small home has been finished. The property is ready to build on. Remember, living in an RV is limited to 15 days per year in Burt Township. \$52,500. (VL-142)

SECLUDED BUILDING LOT IN GRAND MARAIS: Located four blocks from the downtown area and public beach, this property features nice hardwood trees which are high and dry. The parcel is 150 feet by 250 feet and fronts on a year round road with electric and cable. In the winter views of Lake Superior can be seen. \$39,500.00 (VL-141)

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

WOODED THREE ACRE PARCEL WITH SMALL CRÈEK: Located three miles from Grand Marais on a year round road, this property is very secluded. It is high and dry with beautiful hardwood trees. \$149,000.00 (VL-143)

100 FEET OF VACANT SANDY WATERFRONT BEACH ON GRAND MARAIS BAY: This is located right in town and would allow an owner to walk to all stores and restaurants. Grandchildren can walk to the ice cream store! \$119,500.00 VW-144

LARGE RESTORED HOME IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS: This famous home was built back in the late 1890'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. \$189,000.00 (R-153)

NEWER HOME ON TWO ACRE WITH VIEW OF GRAND MARAIS BAY: This cute chalet has a one car attached garage on a year round road. Located four blocks from downtown. This home was just completed two years ago and is on a very nicely wooded and peaceful parcel of land. \$149,500. (R-160)

TOTALLY RESTORED LOG CABIN ON SMALL CREEK: Located only 1 1/2 miles from downtown Grand Marais this is absolutely beautiful. \$129,000.00 (R-158)

LOWER LEVEL CONDO ON GRAND MARAIS BAY: This unit is on ground floor and allows one to walk out to the condo beach without using the stairway. \$120,00. (R-166)

UPPER LEVEL CONDO WITH TWO BED ROOMS AND TWO BATHS: The views are spectacular of the Bay and Grand Marais. \$150,000. (R-167)

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 \$32,000.00 (VW-178)

10 ACRES WITH LOG HOME AND LOG SIDED GARAGE: This has to be one of the nicer wooded parcels in the area. It is high and dry with mature maple and beech trees, located at the end of a year round road. Lots of garden space and room to roam. \$150,000.00 (RR-148)

FORTY WOODED ACRES WITH A YEAR ROUND HOME AND GARAGE: This parcel is high and dry and located on a year round road 13 miles south of Grand Marais. With 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, hot water heat, and a steel roof, this would make a great snowmobile or hunting retreat. \$142,500. (R-164)

UNIQUE TWO STORY HOME ABOVE A LARGE GARAGE IN GRAND MARAIS: This home has had extensive remodeling and has beautiful views of Lake Superior and Grand Marais Bay. Located on a year round road one block from downtown. \$158,000 (R-163)

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Can you give me a push?

A man is in bed with his wife when there is a rat-a-tat-tat on the door. He rolls over and looks at his clock, and it's half past three in the morning. "I'm not getting out of bed at this time," he thinks, and rolls over. Then, a louder knock follows.

"Aren't you going to answer that?" says his wife.

So he drags himself out of bed and goes downstairs. He opens the door and there is man standing at the door. It didn't take the homeowner long to realize the man was drunk.

"Hi there," slurs the stranger. "Can you give me a push?"

"No, get lost. It's half past three. I was in bed," says the man and slams the door. He goes back up to bed and tells his wife what happened and she says, "Dave, that wasn't very nice of you.

Remember that night we broke down in the pouring rain on the way to pick the kids up from the baby sitter and you had to knock on that man's house to get us started again? What would have happened if he'd told us to get lost?"

"But the guy was drunk," says the husband.

"It doesn't matter," says the wife. "He needs our help and it would be the right thing to help him." So the husband gets out of bed again, gets dressed and goes downstairs.

He opens the door, and not being able to see the stranger anywhere he shouts, "Hey, do you still want a push?"

And he hears a voice cry out, "Yeah, please."

So, still being unable to see the stranger he shouts, "Where are you?"

And the stranger replies, "I'm over here, on your swing."

Marquette Monthly 16th annual Short Story Contest

MARQUETTE—The *Marquette Monthly* staff is pleased to announce our 16th annual Short Story Contest, open to Upper Peninsula residents. The winning story, chosen by a panel of judges, will be published in the April 2006 issue of *Marquette Monthly* and the author will receive a cash prize of \$250.

Contest guidelines are as follows:

- All entries must be works of fiction no longer than 2,500 words, never before published, typed and double-spaced
- The author's name, address and phone number, plus the story's word count, should be typed on a cover sheet only
- The contest is open to Upper Peninsula residents
- A \$5 entry fee must accompany the submission
- One submission per writer
- Entries will not be returned
- *MM* purchases first North American Serial Rights (the author is free to seek further publication and retains copyright)

The deadline is January 31, 2006 (we can honor postmarks or deliveries until this date only).

Send your submission to:

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Timber Sale Workshop for Private Forestland Owners

Do you own forested land? Is a timber sale part of your management plan? If so, consider attending the upcoming MSU Extension Timber Sale Workshop in Munising.

Many timberland owners enter into timber sale agreements without considering what is best for their land and how to determine and achieve their goals. In most cases, timber harvests are a necessary part of managing your woods for a variety of outputs including timber production, wildlife habitat development, and recreation. Being well-informed before entering into a timber sale agreement can help you achieve your objectives.

An educational program to help private landowners understand the "ins-and-outs" of timber sales will be held on Monday, January 23, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at the Munising Township Hall in Wetmore. Schoolcraft County Extension Director, Dave Anderson, a professional forester with many years of experience, will be presenting information on forest management options including recreation, aesthetics, timber production, or simply holding the land without any management practices. Dave will cover sources of professional assistance, issues you need to consider, and timber sale contracts. A follow-up program on managing taxes from timber sale income will be offered in Munising on February 20, 2006 featuring Dr. Karen Potter-Witter, MSU Forest Economist.

Pre-registration is required and a registration fee of \$5 per individual will be collected at the door. For families or couples, the first person pays the full fee and additional people pay \$2. Please pre-register by calling the Alger County MSU Extension office at 387-2530.

Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by calling the Alger County Extension Office at 906-387-2530 by January 18, 2006 to ensure sufficient time to make arrangements.



"You're sorry...?"

Two women were talking at a party, and one said, "Look at that awful-looking man over there... isn't he hideous? I think he must be the most unattractive man I've ever seen in my life!" "That happens to be my husband!" said the second icily. "Oh dear," said the first, covered in confusion, "I'm so sorry." To which the unfortunate wife replied, "You're sorry...?"

Project GO-Get Outdoors Encourages Visitors to Explore Winter Recrea- tion in State Parks and Recreation Areas



Visitors to state parks and recreation areas during Project GO-Get Outdoors will be able to sample winter recreation activities across the state without a motor vehicle permit Feb. 18-19.

Competitive trail runs, guided snowshoe hikes, and cross-country skiing on lantern-lit trails are some of the activities planned to celebrate outdoor recreation - winter style. For a complete events listing, please visit the DNR Web site at www.michigan.gov/dnr. Click on "Camping & Recreation" and then on "GO - Get Outdoors."

The Winter GO coincides with Free Fishing Weekend and is designed to provide expanded free recreation opportunities for Michigan residents and visitors.

"More and more people are discovering that winter is a great time to GO!" said Ron Olson, chief of the parks and recreation division. "I encourage everyone to bundle up and get outdoors to enjoy improved health and fun, family times together."

A summer weekend of fun events is planned for June 10-11, also during Free Fishing Weekend; however, motor vehicle permits will be required to participate in state parks and recreation area events during these dates.

"This is a good opportunity to come and check out your local state park or recreation area or travel to one you've never seen before," Olson said.

Project GO-Get Outdoors, started in July 2005, celebrates Michigan's outdoor recreation opportunities and they role they play in improving the quality of life for residents and visitors.

The DNR is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the state's natural resources for current and future generations.

Little Emily was complaining to her mother that her stomach hurt. Her mother replied, "That's because it's empty. Maybe you should try putting something in it." The next day, the pastor was over at Emily's family's house for lunch. He mentioned having his head hurt, to which Emily immediately replied, "That's because it's empty. Maybe you should try putting something in it."

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A little girl was talking to her teacher about whales. The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though a whale is a very large mammal, its throat is very small. The little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale. The teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human, it was impossible. The little girl said, "When I get to heaven I will ask Jonah". The teacher asked, "What if Jonah went to hell?" The little girl replied, "Then you ask him!"

A biology teacher wished to demonstrate to his students the harmful effects of alcohol on living organisms. For his experiment, he showed them a beaker with pond water in which there was a thriving civilization of worms. When he added some alcohol into the beaker the worms doubled-up and died.

"Now," he said, "what do you learn from this?" An eager student gave his answer. "Well the answer is obvious," he said "if you drink alcohol, you'll never have worms."

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