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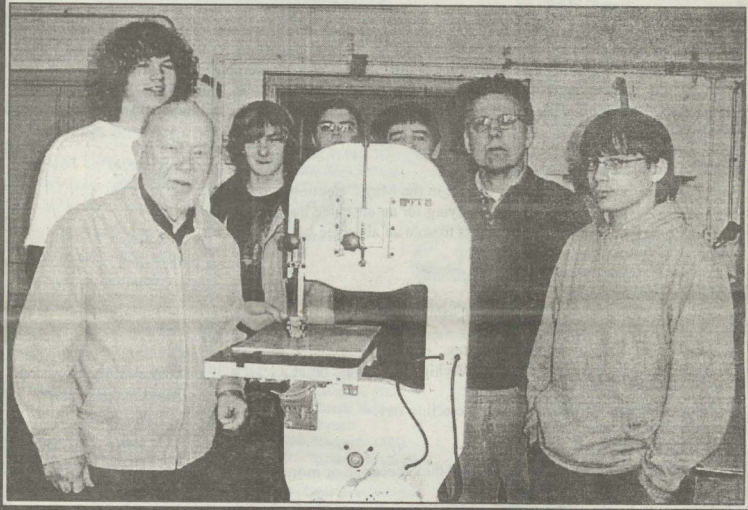
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The Annual Meeting of the Electors will be held on March 23, 2006 at 7:00 pm at the Community Center. At this meeting the 2006-2007 budget will be presented and the supervisor will ask for your input on proposed projects and Township provided services. At this meeting you will also be asked to vote on the salaries of the Township Board members.

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL RECEIVES NEW BANDSAW

The Burt Township School shop has another piece of new equipment to go with the new table saw. Board President Frank Mead picked up a Jet band saw in Escanaba and brought it back to town on March 7. At the school it was loaded on a cart, wheeled to the shop, and set up by the members of Mike Bryers' shop class. All then posed for a publicity photo. The purchase of the saw was made possible by donations from Dave Bell, Ray Gage, Wally Hull, Frank Mead, and Tom Scaife. Thanks one and all for your commitment to the revitalization of the school shop. Some of the older shop equipment is being put up for sale on bids. Call or stop by the school for information.



COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES

Wednesday, March 15th, Lutheran Church, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, March 22nd, Methodist Church, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, March 29th, catholic Church, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 5th, Mennonite Church, 7 p.m.
Maundy Thursday, April 13th, Lutheran church, 7 p.m.
GOOD FRIDAY, April 14th, Methodist church, 1 p.m.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME

EASTER DAY COMMUNITY DINNER

EASTER SUNDAY

April 16, 2006 4:00 P.M.
@ FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

EVERYONE WELCOME NO COST

Please sign up by calling in reservation to 494-2709 or signing sheet at any local church Please give your name and number of people attending.

Daylight
Savings Time
begins
April 2nd

Don't Blow Up Show up!

By Marc Oglevie

The annual meeting of the electors is Thursday, March 23rd and it will be held at the Community Center. There has been a great deal of controversy lately concerning several issues that remain topics of concern. The annual meeting is the place that the electors have an opportunity to change things. While it is true, with one exception, that all suggestions are advisory only, board members rightly give considerable weight to suggestions that are supported by a majority of the people present. The greater the number present and the larger the majority the more the likelihood that the board will accept the suggestion and act upon it. The one decision made by the electorate that is binding is the salary of the elected officials. The people there can decide to either increase the salary or keep it as is. With the exception of election (of the board members) years the people can not lower the salaries. Input and questions concerning issues important to the citizens of Burt Township will be accepted by the supervisor. This meeting is not a regular board meeting; the supervisor conducts the meeting, the clerk is the record keeper and the rest of the board, if present, are citizens and have the right to vote on any issue, either binding (salary) or advisory (straw poll). No doubt this year's meeting will have discussions concerning the Breakwall project, the new water well, possible sewer installation and water system improvements, Green Space, road and sidewalk repair, salaries and benefits and of course the budget. The budget will be discussed in depth and all questions will be answered unless the information is not readily available; in that case the supervisor should get back shortly to the person and for that matter the citizenry with the answers. This is the people's meeting and is a good means to have your voice contribute to the direction your township board goes and how it gets there.
BE THERE, IF YOU WANT A VOICE IN HOW THINGS ARE RUN.

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Fun

Concessions

ELECTION DAY - May 2, 2006

Three (3) local proposals are going to be listed on the Burt Township Ballot on May 2, 2006. They are:

**OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL
NON-HOMESTEAD AND NON-QUALIFIED
AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY**

This millage will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills against non-homestead and non-qualified agricultural property required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation guarantee.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, exempting therefrom homestead and qualified agricultural property as defined by law, in Burt Township School District No. 2, Alger County, Michigan be increased by 3 mills (\$3.00 on each \$1000.00 of taxable valuation) for a period of 3 years, 2006, 2007, 2008 inclusive to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2006 is approximately \$24,000.00 (this millage is to restore the "Headlee" deduction)?

**MILLAGE INCREASE FOR
CONSTRUCTION OF AN EMERGENCY SERVICES/FIRE BUILDING**

Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Burt Township imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased by 1 ½ Mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of 3 years from 2006 through 2008 inclusive for the construction of an Emergency Services/Fire Building in Burt Township; and shall the Township levy such increase in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated \$45,000.00?

**MILLAGE INCREASE FOR
MAINTENANCE OF AN EMERGENCY SERVICES/FIRE BUILDING**

Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Burt Township imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased by ½ Mill (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of 3 years beginning after construction of the building is complete and a permit of occupancy issued for the maintenance of an Emergency Services/Fire Building in Burt Township; and shall the Township levy such increase in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated \$15,000.00?

ELECTION DATES DEADLINES

April 3, 2006 - Last day to register to vote in the May 2 election.
April 29 at 2:00 p.m. - Deadline for applying for an absentee ballot by mail
May 1 at 4:00 p.m. - Deadline for voters to vote an absentee ballot in person
May 2 - Election Day

VOTER REGISTRATION

Anyone who wishes to vote in Burt Township must:

1. Must be a citizen of the United States.
2. Must be a resident of the State of Michigan and must be at least a 30 resident of Burt Township by election day.
3. Must be at least 18 years of age by election day.

ABSENTEE VOTERS

Voters may apply for an absentee ballot if they meet one or more of the following criteria:

1. I expect to be absent from the community in which I am registered for the entire time the polls are open on election day.
2. I am physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another.
3. I cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of my religion.
4. I have been appointed an election precinct inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where I reside.
5. I am 60 years of age or older.
6. I cannot attend the polls because I am confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial.

To apply for an absentee ballot, please contact the Burt Township Clerk at (906) 494-2381, or go to the Burt Township Website www.burttownship.com and look under Elections.

Lori Savage
Township Clerk

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STUPAK ANNOUNCES FUNDS TO ASSIST FIREFIGHTERS

WASHINGTON - Congressman Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) announced that beginning March 6, 2006 the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) began accepting applications for Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG). The deadline for the AFG "fire grant" applications is 5:00 p.m. eastern daylight time on April 7, 2006.

"Grants like these are a great opportunity for firefighters to improve the quality of their work and ensure their safety," Stupak said. "We must not forget that firefighters put their lives at risk every day in order to protect citizens and their property, and we have a duty to make sure that this is done in the best and the safest way possible."

According to information from DHS, AFG applications are automated and accessible via the AFG web site: www.firegrantsupport.com. The web site contains important information on the AFG, including the FY2006 funding priorities and program guidance, a web based tutorial on the application process, a listing of frequently asked questions, and other materials. Fire departments that have questions regarding this grant opportunity should contact the Help Desk at 1-866-274-0960 or at firegrants@dhs.gov.

The AFG is administered by the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Grants and Training in cooperation with the U.S. Fire Administration. The AFG program assists rural, urban and suburban fire departments throughout the United States. In addition the AFG accepts applications from nonaffiliated EMS organizations for the activities (equipment, training, vehicles, etc.) for which fire departments are also eligible to apply.

The AFG program office offers three grant opportunities in each year. AFG "fire grant" funds are used by the nation's firefighters and first responders to increase the effectiveness of firefighting and emergency response operations. The application period for SAFER grants is scheduled for June of 2006. SAFER grants provide funding for the hiring of firefighting personnel and incentives for volunteer recruitment and retention. The third grant opportunity will be in September 2006 when the AFG program office opens an application period for Fire Prevention and Safety grants.

These grants support not only fire departments, but also other organizations experienced in fire prevention and in firefighter safety research. Through the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act of 2006, Congress provided \$648 million for the Assistance to Firefighters Grants, with \$108 million of the funding specified for SAFER grants and a minimum of \$27 million for the Fire Prevention and Safety grants.

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The one stipulation is that letters to the editor must be signed. Pen names will not be accepted. We will not publish anonymous letters. We reserve the right to edit for space and clarity, and we will publish your comments as space allows.

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

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GRAND MARAIS SENIOR MEALS SCHEDULE

Note: Meals listed for Wednesdays & Fridays are prepared on Monday and distributed cold. If you want these meals please call and place an order!

FRIDAY March 17

Baked Cod - Green Beans w/ Pimento - AuGratin Potatoes - Banana

MONDAY March 20

Meat Balls - Mashed Potatoes - Italian Blend Vegetables - Plums

WEDNESDAY March 22

Roast Beef - Mashed Potatoes - Carrots - Peaches

FRIDAY March 24

Hamburger Steak w/Onions - Baked Potatoes - Baked Beans - Apricots

MONDAY March 27

Shepard's Pie - Wisconsin Blend Vegetables - Strawberries/Pineapple Tidbits

WEDNESDAY March 29

Turkey - Mashed Potatoes - Spinach - Blushed Pears

FRIDAY March 31

Spanish Rice - Broccoli - Diced Beets - Banana

MONDAY April 3

Beef Stew w/Stew Vegetables - Coleslaw w/Pineapple - Peaches

WEDNESDAY April 5

Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce - Garlic Bread - Oregon Bean Medley - Tossed salad w/Spinach - Pears

FRIDAY April 7

Country Steak - Mashed Potatoes - Corn O'Brien - Fruit Juice Jell-O

(Items subject to change.)

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

WEATHER SUMMARY

DATA is compiled by Karla Bugg, Cooperative Weather Observer.

Date Max. Min. Prec. Snow

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.	Snow
March 1			N/A	
March 2	26	15		
March 3	25	16		
March 4	32	16		
March 5	35	6		
March 6	35	19		
March 7	42	7		
March 8	40	19		
March 9	39	31	.11	
March 10	41	31		
March 11	53	29		
March 12	52	33		
March 13	42	31	.50	.5
March 14	35	23	.68	4.0

Karla

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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	WNNM--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	PRX	47	Comedy Channel

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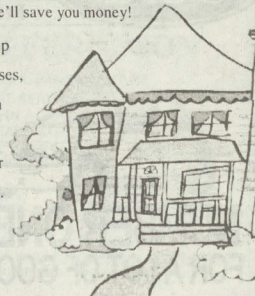
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5	WDIV - Detroit	23	AMC - American Movie Classic
6	WLUC--Marquette (NBC)	25	The Weather Channel
7	TNT - Turner Network TV	26	FX
8	WTBS--Atlanta, GA	27	Sci-Fi Channel
9	CNN--Cable News Network	28	The History Channel
10	Fox Sports Detroit	29	CNBC
11	ESPN 2	30	QVC - Shopping Ch.
12	ESPN--Ent. Sports Network	31	Home & Garden
13	WNNM--Marquette PBS	32	TV Land
14	Fox Sports - Detroit	33	FAM--The Family Channel
15	WGN - Chicago, IL	34	The Disney Channel
16	Lifetime Channel	35	Court TV
17	A&E-Arts & Entertainment	36	WTVS - Detroit
18	USA Network	37	The Outdoor Channel
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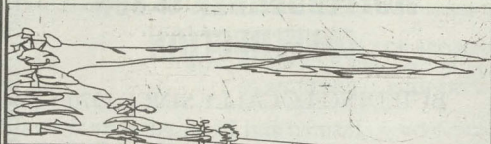
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**AROUND THE BAY:
BY EVELYN MORRISON**



Snow is starting to melt. We have a long way to go but it should be gone by May anyway. The snowmobile traffic is slowing down with it being harder to get into town, but many of the snowmobilers say there's still lots of snow in the woods and trails.

Mike O'Brien, from Mason called me while I was in Fl. He wanted me to add something for Around the Bay, but he didn't leave me his number. So you will have to email your story. I do believe you were up here over the dog sled race.

Jeff and Rachel Davis from Northville were in for a few days staying at their cabin on Campbell St. It was great to see them. Hope you have a great vacation down south.

Tim and Deb McKinstry took a trip to the Soo with the kids and then went down state to the food show. They were able to have a good visit with Tim's parents.

Ryan and Brooke Whaley were in town visiting from Marquette along with daughter Paige and son Blane.

Jennifer Bell was home for spring break. Then back to Grand Valley. Jennifer is hoping to transfer to Marquette in the fall.

Sandee Sibbald and Dianna Bell are planning a trip to see Karen Brays the end of the month. They will drive back to Grand Marais the beginning of the month

Happy birthday to Ray Scaife, Al Tornovich, Bob Weston, and John Bauknecht. A happy belated birthday to John LeClair and Lynn Platt.

Our hearts go out to the Hubbard family who lost a son, brother, uncle and Dad... Scott will be missed by all.

If you have any news for Around the Bay send it in or email it to [moris3@jamadots.com](mailto:morriso3@jamadots.com). Keep on smiling..... Evie

THANK YOU

I've seen the sun coming up over the mountains in the Northwest. I've seen the Northern Lights dance in the sky over the tundra of North Quebec. I've watched the sun set over the frozen beaver ponds in the U.P. But the nicest sight I've seen was all of my friends and family surprising me at my 50th birthday party.

And in my time of sorrow with the loss of my brother, Scott, all of my friends have once again rallied to help.

Thank you so much for all your kind words, prayers and cards.

Jack Hubbard & family

Notes from Gee

The Fr. Joe's Pasty Dinner went well, it can always go better, but we did receive donations (so far) of \$565.00. We, the churches of Grand Marais and all the ladies who worked to make it work, either there or from the home kitchens, thank you!

Please get your worn out flags to Gee. The 4th of July is not that far off. The Vets of Burt Township will thank you for them.

Aug. 26, 2006 mark it down! We will have our 6th Memory Walk for the Alzheimer's. Each year more of us are touched by this dreadful problem. Please support this cause. The money collected stays here in our area.

A big thanks you to all.
Gee Petruske

OBITUARY

SCOTT RICHARD HUBBARD



Scott Hubbard of 121 Wintergreen Trail, Marquette, died unexpectedly at Marquette General Hospital on Sunday evening, March 5, 2006. Scott and his wife, Kenlyn (Sturdy) were the owners of Scooters Motorsports here in Marquette. He has three sons, Charlie, aged 12, Kenny, aged 10, and Michael, aged 7.

Scott was born July 24, 1958 at Marquette General Hospital and graduated from the Marquette Senior High School in 1976. He graduated from Michigan Tech in June 1985, and married Kenlyn later that summer on August 31, 1985. He was a civil engineer, specializing in bridges, building up and down the Eastern Seaboard for Peter, Kiewit and Sons

for 13 years. Kenlyn, also an MTU graduate and civil engineer, worked at his side, as always. In 1998 Scott and Kenlyn moved back to Marquette because they so loved and missed the Upper Peninsula. His greatest joy was spending time at his camp on the Hurricane River surrounded by his family and friends.

Besides his immediate family, Scott leaves behind his parents, John and Barbara Hubbard; sister, Dee Hubbard all of Marquette; brother, Jack (Aleta) Hubbard of Grand Marais; and sister, Jamie (Rod) Mick of Newport Richey, Fl. Also surviving are nieces, Katherine, Kristie, and Lilli Khatibi, and Sara Hubbard; nephews, Logger and Luke Hubbard. Our hearts are broken.

Visitation was held at Grace United Methodist Church, Marquette, on Friday, March 10. Funeral services followed with lifelong friend, Rev. John Grenfell and Rev. Charles West, officiating.

The Fassbender Funeral Home is serving the family. Condolences may be expressed online at www.fassbenderfuneralhome.com

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THINKING ABOUT RHEA

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Now she's with Him forever!

Can you imagine seeing Jesus, face-to-face?

We hadn't seen each other for years and years,

So there was a lot of catching up to do.

We graduated from high school in 1954.

She is with our Lord, now.....

Way up there on that other shore!!!

She's up there singing with the Angels.

Can't you just hear her beautiful voice?

She is praising Jesus, her Lord and Savior.

Yes, she made the right choice.

Now she's with Him, forever and ever,

There are no tears in Heaven.

Heartaches, pain and death are forever gone!

Our Savior took care of those things for us,

When He shed His Precious Blood on that cross!!!!

We thank You, Lord, for Your saving grace.

We thank You for Your Amazing Grace!!!!

{Psalm 116:15}: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

{John 14:19}: "Because I {Jesus} live, you shall live also."

{1 Thessalonians 4:17}: And so shall we ever be with the Lord.

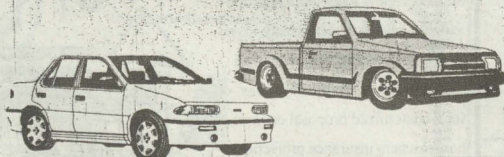
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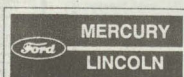
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TO ALL BURT TOWNSHIP TAX PAYERS

By Rosie (Della) Meldrum

After the last Township monthly meeting, following my letter in the GM Gazette, and mailings to almost all of the property owners who were in town prior to that meeting, lack of response has made me decide it is really not worth the effort, time and cost I have put into it to proceed further. A small number did make the effort to attend and a lot of questions, and opinions were presented to the board, but after all discussions I do believe that many left the meeting feeling nothing had really been resolved.

The main topics of concern that brought about a group requesting my help, was in regard to the township board having voted full medical benefits, for themselves and spouse/family, and also the amount of salary they are getting since those positions are not full-time.

The surveys that were done indicated that Burt Township Board members were the highest paid board members of almost all the other townships, many with a population much greater than Burt. Even more questionable was the fact that none of them received any medical benefits, and that included all the townships within our own county. The boards response was to inform the people that this township had many other factors that would justify this difference, though no specifics were provided.

We, (the group) had thought to further notify every taxpayer within our township, but with the seemingly lack of interest, by the small attendance, and also follow up calls indicating people's apathy and not wanting to become involved, I certainly do not intend to spend the time, energy and cost to continue this. If the majority do not have enough interest in what their tax dollars are spent on, then I don't think they should complain. The board did offer to hear each and every individual's complaints and questions, to hopefully resolve the animosity that exists. It is apparent that not enough really care to make any effort to try and have it resolved, or be motivated to run for an office to create any changes.

The annual meeting will be held on March 23, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. at the Community Center. I would urge all who do not agree with the Township Board on any problem to make it a point to attend, or at least write. This is the time for you to be heard. You do have a vote, and voice in these matters.

The other matter that was of discussion in the February monthly meeting, concerned the violation of the contract with Edmund Warren, for the uptown lots, or "Greenspace" as they are designated. Supervisor Durrwachter was a bit upset with me at that meeting because I had read Mr. Warren's comments to me, in that he was upset by the Supervisor's attempt to have him sign a document by which he would support his request to allow snowmobile parking. The Supervisor informed me that he did not believe this was a violation of the contract, and also that he had consulted an attorney.

I also sought out a legal opinion, by a very qualified attorney, and this is his interpretation of what the board members feels is not a binding fact. "Paragraph 12 of the recorded contract is abundantly clear to Subparagraph A, the land is subject to the contract is only to be used "for a park open to the residents of Burt Township, and the general public.". And, pursuant to Subparagraph B, only parking "incidental" to use of the land for "park purposes" is to be allowed.

In conclusion he states: "This land is NOT TO BE USED FOR GENERAL PARKING OR FOR SNOWMOBILE PARKING.

To those board members who still seem to question the use of the word "incidental" in relation to the parking, I suggest you seek Webster's definition. It seems exceptionally clear to me: "Occurring or liable to occur in connection with something else; happening in fortuitous or subordinate conjunction with something else- casual or accidental".

I would hope this would finally resolve this matter. I did inform Supervisor Durrwachter, who took issue to the fact that I have no "legal" position in which to speak, or act for Mr. Warren, my loyalty still is to him, as he did everything to make this purchase a possibility for our village, as he did for the Historical Society to purchase the Pickle Barrel and property. I will continue to "police" the property to see that it is used as was agreed upon by all, and especially in keeping with Mr. Warren's wishes. He is a very fine person, especially after the unfair actions taken by past boards against this same property, to still want the people of Grand Marais to always have this ownership.

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First Lutheran Church of Grand Marais
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"HUNGRY" BUTS & PASSES

JIM

Will wonders never cease? Georgie Boy actually backed off a little bit on the UAE-Port issue. The facts that his own party was ready to fight him and the public support was close to nonexistent surely had something to do with his decision. To say he is unhappy about having to eat a little crow is a gross understatement. How would you like to be the person who told him that it would be political suicide to refuse to back down a bit? Despite all the evidence, the overwhelming opposition of this deal by members of all political persuasions and walks of life, he still refuses to believe that the UAE was not a peace loving terror-fighting nation. Georgie Boy says this is a bad message to send to the Arabs. Hello! I think his war on Iraq, the incarceration of thousands of Arabs for years without any charges being leveled and no trials, his hard line with several Arab nations etc. have sent a much stronger "Bad Message" to Arabs. No wonder most elephants that are running for reelection are running from him instead of to him.

Despite the low approval rate of Georgie Boy the Asses appear to be lost without a compass. They are unorganized and have no platform to stand on except that they are anti-Elephant especially against Georgie Boy and crew. One would think that after the 2004 election that the Asses would have their act together. They assured us by their lack of a platform and pee poor campaigning, four more years under the Bush Dictatorship and the continuation of an Elephant controlled Congress. No such thing has happened in fact they are more disorganized except for their anti Bush and Elephant stance. If they don't get it together soon you can count on at least two more years of what we have now. The Elephants on the other hand are claiming the improved economy is a result of their great leadership. What good economy are they talking about? I am not making any more money than I was when they took office; in fact I am making less in buying power. Every time that I turn around I hear of a major company laying off thousands of employees who have higher than average wages and benefits. The latest being AT&T-Southern Bell that has announced job reductions of thousands. Gas, heating fuel, health insurance and around here utilities have skyrocketed during this administration. If this is "Good Economy", stop it the bounty is killing people.

Slobodan Milosevic, aka the "Butcher of the Balkans" is dead. Although he still has staunch supporters, so does Hitler. Unless I have been completely brainwashed this maniac was the closest thing to Hitler in my lifetime. Ya ya, I know that Lenin, Stalin, Mao, Saddam Insane etc. were also mass murderers. Slob, for short (pun intended) however was killing based on ethnic cleansing, not political differences. Slob did not differentiate between children and adults, men and women, infirmed and total healthy or any other category. If you were Islam you died and often in horrible fashion. At least we can stop paying exorbitant costs for keeping him confined. The same should happen to Saddam. Why is it that we

allow mass murders that are political leaders to live out their lives costing the public lots of money that could be used for something good and yet execute those who have committed one or two murders. Murder is murder and your political, economic or other status should not determine the punishment. The problem with bringing Slob and people like him to justice is that you can only kill him once.

The situation in Iraq continues to deteriorate and if it isn't in civil war by definition yet, it soon will be. The overwhelming majority of citizens of this country say that the war and attempted nation building there is going poorly or is lost. It is interesting that England in pulling 10% of its troops out and just before elections. They only had 8,000 to begin with. Hm, a little imbalance maybe? Iran has finally been recognized as a threat, number two in my opinion when Bush declared war on Iraq; North Korea was number one.

Jenny was in Seney last Saturday to do a little snowmobiling in the Veteran's Snowmobile Run. I hope that this is a sign that Michigan will get off the bottom of the barrel when it comes to Veterans' Benefits. I saw a news clip recently that stated that the VA higher echelon have been telling this congress and executive branch that the VA can not take care of the additional cases caused by the Bush war. That doesn't surprise me in the least; they haven't been able to care for all the veterans that needed help before the war began. This isn't a new development, just a larger problem. A grateful and supportive nation, my butt; this issue will not get much if any attention in the upcoming election.

And finally. Hopefully the spring type weather will dampen the hate and discontent in Grand Marais. The differences have gotten far too mean and personal. So far we have had one application for the clerks job. Being such a lucrative position because of the tremendous pay and benefits, this part time position apparently has not caused a stampede of people vying for this appointment. - FLASH: NOW THERE ARE TWO!

Stayed at Poo's on Saturday night while attending Lizzard's and Doc's basketball tournament. After the games I had expected a good meal but apparently Too had eaten almost everything in the house because we were stuck with leftovers and frozen pizza. Have to admit that the pizza was pretty good. Dizzy was asleep in my favorite chair but woke up long enough to give me a hug. Hoo was involved in some video game or something with Uncle Sean. Paul came over after the games and we had a good bull (and cow) session. The girls' teams both went on to capture first place on Sunday with undefeated records. This past weekend they had another tournament down state where there is much better competition. Both teams took second place. I heard that Lizzard was quite indignant when she was given an A- in physical ed. She said "I beat all the boys at everything we do. How can I get an A-? Don't worry about your phys. ed. grade Lizzard, keep getting those A grades in math, science, English, social studies etc.

And finally, finally. Unrest seems to have increased in the world and our government seems to still believe that we need to be the world's police. As long as we keep putting the type of people in our government leadership positions that are there now, more and more of our troops will be in harms way. Don't forget them! Keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Until next issue.

Hungry Jim

IRISH DEATHBED JOKE

The old priest lay dying in the hospital. For years he had faithfully served the people of the nation's capital. He motioned for one of his aides to come near. "Yes, father," said the aide.

"I would really like to see Ted Kennedy and John Kerry before I die," whispered the priest.

"I'll see what I can do, father," replied the aide.

The aide sent the request to the Senate and waited for a response. Soon the word arrived. Kennedy and Kerry would be delighted to visit the priest. As they went to the hospital, Kerry commented to Kennedy, "I don't know why the old priest wants to see us, but it will certainly help our images after the number the Republicans have done on us." Kennedy couldn't help but agree. When they arrived at the priest's room, the priest took Kennedy's hand in his right hand and Kerry's hand in his left. There was silence and a look of serenity on the old priest's face. Finally Senator Kennedy spoke "Father, of all the people you could have chosen, why did you chose us to be with you as you near the end?"

The old priest slowly replied, "I have always tried to pattern my life after our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

"Amen," said Kennedy. "Amen," said Kerry.

The old priest continued..."He died between two thieves. I would like to do the same."

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Letters to the Editor



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TO GRAND MARAIS PEOPLE
From Rosie Meldrum

We certainly do not need any more trouble between the people here and the Township Board, but receiving this fax with the notice of a SPECIAL MEETING, for the purpose of discussing options regarding new threats from myself and Attorney Ferguson, and putting the Township Greenspace property in jeopardy, including foreclosure, was too much for me to sit down and ignore.

After the discussion of the contract being violated by someone having a portion of this property plowed, then used by snowmobiles, it was clear that many members of the board do not feel the contract clause was enforceable by their interpretation. After Supervisor Durwachters attempt to have Mr. Warren go along with this assumption, also stating they had legal advice in regard to it, I read Mr. Warren's indignant response at the meeting. Following that I decided to seek Attorney Ferguson's legal opinion on the contract, and informed Supervisor Durwachter I had done so. He asked for a copy of the reply, which I sent him. This brought about the Special Meeting Notice, since they decided that the Attorney and I were placing the purchase of the property in jeopardy, as well as threatening a Foreclosure. I follow this with my reply to the board.

LETTER CONCERNING VALIDITY OF LC LANGUAGE BETWEEN WARREN AND TOWNSHIP: LC Dated March 30, 2005

"The Land Contract referred to above was recorded at the office of the Alger County Register of Deeds, on April 5, 2005, in Liber 200200919.

Paragraph 12 of the recorded contract is abundantly clear. Pursuant to Subparagraph A, the land is the subject of the contract is only to be used "for a park open to the residents of Burt Township, and the general public." And, pursuant to Subparagraph B, only parking "incidental" to use of the land for "park purposes" is to be allowed.

This land is not to be used for general parking or for snowmobile parking.

I would believe that his comment to me to tell Mr. Warren, if he feels obliged to proceed, he would be pleased to represent him in an action to either specifically enforce, or foreclose, the contract. This certainly would be the last option that any of us would choose, but since the Township Board seems to feel this is "not binding", all of this turmoil was meant only to try and prevent any such action. I would hope for some of the people to let their opinion in this matter be heard.

Dear Editor:

I understand there is a lot of fuss being made over the use of the new park property the Township is purchasing, referred to as the Greenspace Property. Apparently a local contractor continued to plow an area for trailer parking, as he has for the past fifteen years. People visiting our community staying at places throughout the downtown area parked their trailers there. The Township had not given anyone permission to plow or use the area for parking. The plowing was stopped over a month ago, however, tempers have been flaring over it. We need to lighten up a bit.

The wording in the contract with the seller states, and I'll paraphrase, parking is permitted as long as it is for park purposes and incidental to the use of the park. The property is available for all of us to enjoy 12 months out of the year. People enjoying the use of the Park can get there any way they choose. They could be on a bicycle, or a motorcycle. It may be a snowmobile or a Hummer. It could be a SUV, ORV, or a school bus. In my opinion, as long as they are on Park property the parking of their vehicle must be incidental. They may be having a picnic, taking pictures, or enjoying the beautiful view of the Bay and the downtown area.

Where we have a problem is if they leave the Park and their vehicle is still there. If they decide to walk around town or visit one of the local stores we have a problem. The way the language reads it could be a violation if they just walked across the street to the pavilion or the beach.

We have to be careful. If someone dislikes the people on the property, or the vehicle they used to incidentally park there, the language in the contract could be enforced to the letter of the law if they were not on the property at all times. So, does this mean we can't park our cars there early in the morning on the 4th of July so we can come back at dark to enjoy the fireworks? What happens during our concerts or cookouts? Could the Pickle Barrel people leave a trailer overnight during their annual yard sale? Could a popcorn wagon, ice cream trailer, or band concert stage on a trailer be there overnight? No.

Lets not throw the baby out with the bath water folks. Lets let the Township Board with the help of our Planning Commission work on these issues. That's why we have them. We need to work together. Over 85 people have contributed money to help with the purchase. Lets all sit back, take a deep breath and calm down. We are so fortunate to be Americans. We live in the U .P. on beautiful Lake Superior. The seller, Mr. Edmund Warren has been very philanthropic with us so we could afford the property. We have little crime. Our children and grandchildren are free to ride bikes or walk around town without fear of danger. Why don't we shift our attention to spring? Lets have a contest to see who spots the first Robin on the Park property.

Sincerely
Ed Bowen
Grand Marais

MANAGEMENTS NEW POLICYS

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BEREAVEMENT LEAVE:

This is no excuse for missing work. There is nothing you can do for dead friends, relatives or coworkers. Every effort should be made to have non-employees attend to the arrangements. In rare cases where employee involvement is necessary, the funeral should be scheduled in the late afternoon. We will be glad to allow you to work through your lunch hour and subsequently leave one hour early, provided your share of the work is done.

OUT FROM YOUR OWN DEATH:

This will be accepted as an excuse. However, we require at least two weeks notice, as it is your duty to train your own replacement

RESTROOM USE:

Entirely too much time is being spent in the restroom. In the future, we will follow the practice of going in alphabetical order. For instance, all employees whose names begin with 'A' will go from 8:00 to 8:20, employees whose names begin with 'B' will go from 8:20 to 8:40 and so on.

If you're unable to go at your allotted time, it will be necessary to wait until the next day when your turn comes again. In extreme emergencies employees may swap their time with a coworker. Both employees' supervisors must approve this exchange in writing. In addition, there is now a strict 3-minute time limit in the stalls. At the end of three minutes, an alarm will sound, the toilet paper roll will retract, and the stall door will open.

LUNCH BREAK:

Skinny people get an hour for lunch as they need to eat more so that they can look healthy, normal size people get 30 minutes for lunch to get a balanced meal to maintain the average figure. Fat people get 5 minutes for lunch because that's all the time needed to drink a Slim Fast and take a diet pill.

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In addition, the following scholarships were approved: Lloyd C. Artibe - \$1000, Joseph B. Brey - \$200, Thelma N. Cotey - \$ 1000, Joseph C. Hamel - male \$500 and female \$500, Lois Chaltry Hamel - male \$500 and female \$500, Alger Kiwanis - two at \$500/recipient, Paul & Alice Simonen - \$500, Carl "Star" Kjellin - \$200, S.H.I.N.E. - \$1000, Scott Cromell - two at \$1000/recipient.

In other business, the Board welcomed new board member, Tom Scaife, Superintendent of Burt Township Schools. Officers for the upcoming year are: President, Tom Luckey; Secretary, Margi Beauchine; and Treasurer, Mary Bowerman.

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Drivers Ed

I pride myself on being patient when teaching driver education, something I have done for 30 years. I have encountered many, many students, who didn't seem to be able to hit the floor with their hat. But one incident was just too much.

I had a sweet young thing behind the wheel for the first lesson of the semester. She had volunteered to go first and seemed ready to show the other two kids how well she could drive. We left the rural school and started toward town.

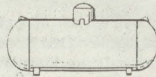
As we approached the first stop sign, the young lady gave no sign that she saw it. We got closer, but she still did not slow down. Finally, I used the "teacher's brake" pedal, on my side of the car, to get us stopped.

When I asked her why she didn't slow down to stop for the stop sign, she replied, "but, Mr. Smith, the speed limit is 35 ALL the way to the stop sign!"



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Tom Scaife's 2005 Costa Rica Trip



The Villafuerte and Scaife families enjoy Christmas.

Dec. 26 After we left our car at the agency, one of their employees gave us a ride to the bus station in Liberia, where we learned that the morning buses were sold out. Not to worry, our companion said, if we waited at the crossroads outside of town, buses would be returning from the Nicaraguan frontier on a regular basis, and within moments after getting our bags out, we were chucking them into the side of a bus and heading back to San Jose. On the way back we had to take a detour somewhere in the mountains because of a holiday traffic problem, and as a result we got into the station with an hour delay. From there we took a taxi to Rigo's house, where we scarcely had time to catch our breath before Jose Delgado arrived. He is an old friend from Santa Maria de Dota (a group of kids from there came to Grand Marais a number of years ago), a pretty town in a coffee growing region southeast of San Jose. His wife Cecilia and children Rebeca, Paul, and Raquel would be waiting for us there after we finished the twisty, foggy trail through the mountains. Rebeca is married to surveyor Valerio, Paul is employed by Intel near San Jose, and Raquel is finishing high school. Mom and Dad are retired schoolteachers. After getting caught up on recent history, including Paul's training in Germany, Jose and I ran downtown on an errand, stopping at the coffee processing plant for an informal tour. The coffee harvest had just begun during the last few weeks, and there was a hum of activity at the mouth of the plant where backlit workers were taking shipments of coffee fruits from all makes and sizes of trucks. The drivers of these trucks were taking turns backing up to the 10-cajuela measuring boxes, shoveling and scooping their loads into the metal boxes, each load of which was leveled, recorded, and then dumped into holding vats, where the fruits would be washed, defleshed, washed again, dried, dehusked, and finally dried to a greenish-gold color: ready for export in huge bags. The job of roasting is left up to the purchaser. Costa Rican coffee enjoys renown as a flavor coffee, and much of it is exported to Europe. At home we had a good arroz con pollo, Rachel's favorite, watching some soccer and a digital slide show of Paul's trip to Germany.

Dec. 27 In the early part of the day we visited Rebeca at her house in town. Her husband Valerio and she, parents of baby Josue Luis, are building a house right across the street from Jose and Cecilia. We then drove up into the hills with the other kids and took a hike uphill from a restaurant owned by Valerio's aunt and her husband. The invigorating stroll flanked a mountain stream, one stretch of it running through a rainbow trout farm, and Helen paused here and there to pick some flowers to press, including some tiny orchids, a species of which there are many in Costa Rica. Back in town Jose gave me and Helen a coffee tour, one part in the plant I had visited the night before, another in another plant that specialized in sun drying the beans. Each plant had a storefront coffee counter and vertical roasting oven. The coffee we bought at each store had been harvested, processed, and roasted within the last couple of weeks. The roasting was going on under our noses: MMMM. The rest of the day was spent visiting, eating, and playing cards. During one epic game of UNO, Cecilia glanced up at the light swaying over the dining room table and cried, "¡Temblor!". At that same instant the house gave a huge shrug, back, then forth. The area had been shaken by an earthquake that—we later learned—was the largest of 2005: 5.1 on the Richter scale. It was the strongest of several tremors I have felt down there. Paul had to leave during the evening, and the rest of us played cards and watched soccer until we turned in.

Dec. 28 After taking our leave, we were chauffeured by Jose back to San Jose in the middle of the day, where we shared coffee with Hortensia before he motored back into the hills. Helen, the girls, and I walked to the bus stop so we could go downtown to do some souvenir shopping en el centro. First we went to the Mercado Central, a covered market on the edge of the downtown area and later located La Casona, a well-known souvenir shop in the heart of town. After resting with a snack upstairs at Manolo's, a restaurant great for watching the throngs of people on the streets below, we found our bus and rode back to Rigo's to rest.

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Honor Roll Fourth Marking Period 03/08/06

4th Grade
Gregory Bowler
Elizabeth Scaife
LeRoy Ward-Harbaum

5th Grade
Michaeja Bauknecht
Miranda Potter
Jesse Ross

6th Grade
Rachel Bodak
Ashley Bowler
Casey Brock
Britney Lowes

7th Grade
Travis Bauknecht
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9th Grade
Brad Bauknecht
Charlotte Bodak
Shawna Brekke

10th Grade
Michael Bell

11th Grade
Andy Bauknecht

12th Grade
Ashlea Cook

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

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Friday, March 17
Pizza - Veggies - Fruit

Monday, March 20 - 24
Spring Break

Monday, March 27
Mac & Cheese - Veggies & Fruit

Tuesday, March 28
Burgers - French Fries - Fruit

Wednesday, March 29
Chili - Grilled Cheese - Fruit

Thursday, March 30
Chicken Nuggets - Veggies & Fruit

Friday, March 31
Spag. w/Meat Sauce - Fruit - Rolls

Monday, April 3
Chili - Corn Bread - Fruit

Tuesday, April 4
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BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL January Student of the Month



Brittney Lowes

Brittney Lowes was awarded Elementary Student of the Month at the February 13, 2006 Board meeting. Her parents are Shawna and Perry Haines of Grand Marais. Brittney enjoys bike riding, swimming, and walking. Her favorite subject is Language. Brittney intends to become a nurse.



Michael Bell

Michael Bell was awarded Secondary Student of the Month at the February meeting. His parents are David and Diana Bell of Grand Marais. Michael is a member of the soccer and basketball teams. His favorite subject is history. Michael plans to attend college in 2008.



Nutrition Class

Elementary students at Burt Twp. School have been participating in a year long nutrition class. Deb McPherson, from the Michigan State Extension Office in Munising, visits the school once a month to teach the students about nutrition. Each class period is highlighted with the creating and eating of a nutritious snack.



Field Trip

Students in the elementary classes took advantage of one of the last nice days of our winter balmy weather. A snowshoe trek out to the School Forest was enjoyed by all. A midwinter picnic and fort making were some of the activities that made the day special. Students were also able to visit their trees from their adopt-a-tree program.

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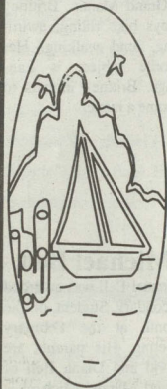
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LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONT: This is a ten acre parcel located in Superior Dunes Development east of Grand Marais. It has 225 feet of beachfront. \$170,000 (VW-146)

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)

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)

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)

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)

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 CREEK: 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. \$50,000. (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 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. \$189,000.00 (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 a truly 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. \$120,000. (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)

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. \$149,500. (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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Tom Scaife's 2005 Costa Rica Trip

up for tomorrow's big event: Mildred and her sisters' Grandma Alvarez' birthday party in Atenas at Rigoberto's newly constructed getaway in the hills above the town, his birthplace. Mildred and Jose had other ideas, however, and we wound up goofing with the Gutierrez until much later in the evening. "Winston" the white van had been experiencing overheating problems, but he got us home OK.

Dec. 29 One of my great dilemmas in middle-age journal writing is that I sometimes abandon them in transit, sometimes for days or weeks. Such is the case now on January 26 as I desperately try to accurately recall when and where and what the heck took place. I'm trying to polish this thing off... here goes nothing Rigo came home bright and early from Atenas, about 30-40 k west of the airport, where he had been laying the groundwork for the birthday party. His three sons were still there. He gathered us, Hortensia, and her sister Cuca up for his next shuttle. It was another nice, sunny day. He told us that he had hired a marimba band to play at the party and that the Gutierrez would be arriving by bus because of their van's mechanical problems. On the way into town, we stopped at the La Negrita coffee warehouse to pick up my 10 kilos of whole bean dark roast, our preferred brand among a number of good ones. It comes out to about 22 lbs. for \$40. Rigo's "camp" is high up in the hills above town, next door to his dad and stepmom's place. The house perches above a steep slope that is dotted here and there with fruit trees and some hardwoods. At this time the tangerines were ripe and delicious, very much to Elizabeth's liking, so I had to climb the tree several times, going face to face with a sprawling spider to get her some more. The house has a glassed-in sitting room and kitchen, bedroom, and bath. Out front were a couple hammocks and a rope swing that provided endless amusement when all the cousins were there, fourteen in all. Rigo and I now took a quick side trip to visit Sergio and Lorena (his niece) Gonzalez near town. They are a family I have stayed with several times during my comings and goings. He is a beekeeper and they are the parents of two boys and one girl. His honey gathering season was just getting underway. Back at the shack Alvarez people were showing up in increasing numbers and in various order, but by the time Rene and Hortensia Alvarez, the guests of honor, showed up, their six daughters—Hortensia, Mildred, Marlene, Rosemary, Cuca, and Lilliana and all of their children had appeared. The band also showed up, some austere-looking gentlemen in pressed pants and light-colored shirts with collars. The oldest of the three was barefoot. He and another guy, both of whom chain-smoked, played the marimba, tossing their lit cigarettes on the ground as they tinkled into the next number and retrieving the still smoldering butt when the song was over. They stood behind their instrument, a kind of wooden xylophone that emits a distinctly Caribbean sound when struck by soft-tipped mallets. One hammered out the rhythm track on the bottom end while the other played the melody on top. The third guy played a squeezebox, and they had the crowd going in short order. There was plenty of food, dancing, and drink, and before it was all over, we found ourselves witnessing the cake cutting and a heartfelt speech by Rene about his wonderful wife, their daughters, and all the grandchildren. It was now getting dark and the kids were pretty much played out, so the guests began to fade into the darkness and filter back into San Jose. After yet another series of wonderful people, places, and episodes, one more visit to Costa Rica was drawing to a close. We would be spending the night in Atenas before rising early to get to the airport in time to get squared away for our international flight, this one going through Dallas and Chicago.

Dec. 30 Rigo had told me that the bird life at his place was interesting, and it sure was. There was a huge BOOM like a cannon going off, stopping everyone in his tracks. Helen spotted a bird lying outside the plate glass, stunned, as it turned out, for it eventually recovered and flew off. Well, soon it would be our turn to fly off, so we organized our luggage and hauled it to the car. Fernando, the youngest son, rode with his parents and us to the airport. There on the departures parking ramp we entreated each other to come and "see us again soon", exchanged adios y gracias, gave healthy hugs all around, and brought yet another chapter of our Costa Rican relations to a close.

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A conference for gardeners will be offered on Saturday, April 29. The all day event will be held in the J.L. Heirman University Center on the campus of Bay de Noc Community College in Escanaba. Twenty one classes will be offered. Participants will be able to choose to attend four.

Sue Robishaw, U.P. Organic Gardener, Author & Artist from Cooks will give a month by month tour of building, managing and growing seedlings and food in a simple, attached solar pit greenhouse. Learn to eat fresh greens year around and have plenty of transplants for your garden.

Brian Black, Science Teacher, Bay College, Escanaba, will discuss gardening with native plants. Class will include a tour of the Bay College greenhouse and an introduction to seed collecting and starting your own native wildflower garden.

There are nineteen other sessions offered at the conference. Topics include: begonias, growing vegetables in cold climates, container gardening, garden design, plant bio-diversity, hydrangeas, houseplants, cooking with herbs, bats, mushrooms, peonies, roses, garden hose wreath, Siberian iris, and perennial gardening.

The cost of the program is \$30.00 per person. This includes morning refreshments, lunch and up to four classes. Registration deadline is April 19. Only pre-paid registrations will be accepted. For a registration brochure and more information contact MSU Extension in Delta County at 906-786-3032 or in Alger County call 906-387-2530. The program is open to anyone with an interest in gardening. The program also qualifies for Master Gardener educational credit.

**New organization to fundraise on behalf of the
 four U.S. National Parks on Lake Superior**

The National Parks of Lake Superior Fund (NPLSF) is a newly organized, privately funded effort to fund special projects in the four U.S. national parks on Lake Superior, over and above current appropriated funds. The Fund's mission is to support the stewardship of the natural and cultural resources of Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, Isle Royale National Park and Grand Portage National Monument, and to enrich the experience of those who visit these special places.

The National Parks of Lake Superior Fund is affiliated with the National Park Foundation, the nonprofit partner of the United States National Park System.

"With diminished Federal funding for operations for all national parks, friends organizations are one way that we can maintain trails, support environmental education, research, natural resource management and historic building restoration," said Chair, Rita Hodgins, of Marquette, Michigan.

"The kinds of special funded projects the NPLSF will help support are such things as endowed trails, endowed lakeshore environmental education, stabilization of lighthouses and research on the declining coaster brook trout populations," stated Dave Miller, board member from Superior, Wisconsin. "These parks are the best of Lake Superior and people who visit the parks, love them. Enhancing the visitor's experience is part of our mission."

"We currently have an eight member board and two advisors and are seeking additional board members from around the country who have strong ties or connections to these great parks. We are so fortunate to have four National Parks on Lake Superior, this country's largest body of fresh water," said Hodgins.

Board member, Pam McClelland of Washington, D.C. states, "Our fundraising efforts will include writing grants, seeking funds from foundations and corporations along with individual donations from people who visit and love these parks and want to sustain the cultural and natural heritage for future generations."

To learn more about the National Parks of Lake Superior Fund, or to donate to the fund, please contact us at: 906.228.7914, PO Box 632, Houghton, MI 49931, www.nationalparksoflakesuperior.org or info@nplsf.org

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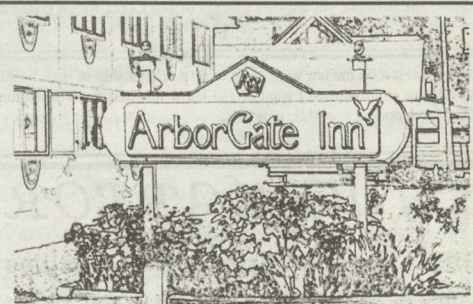
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