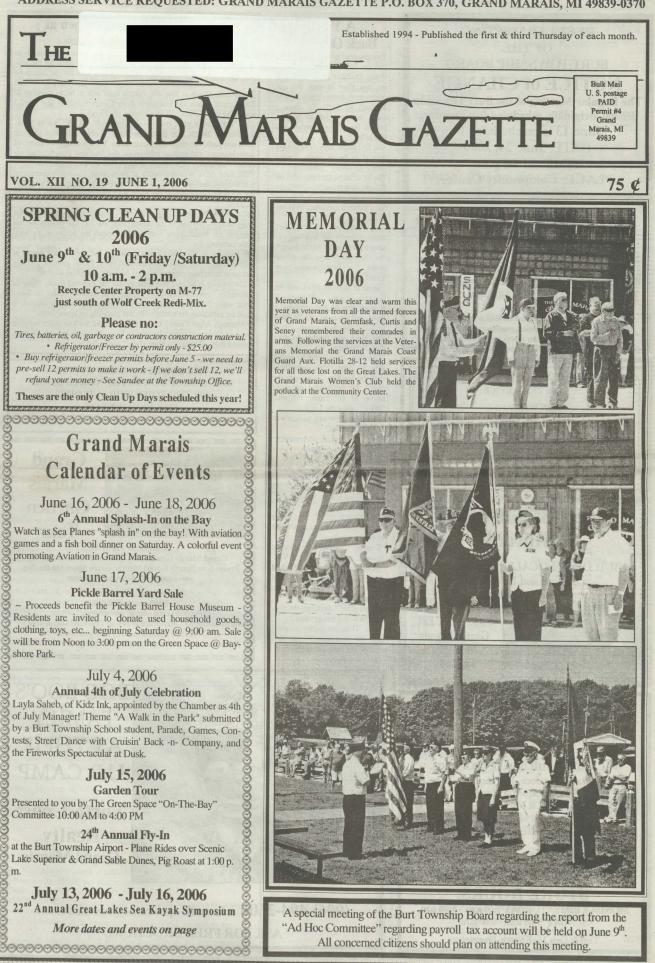
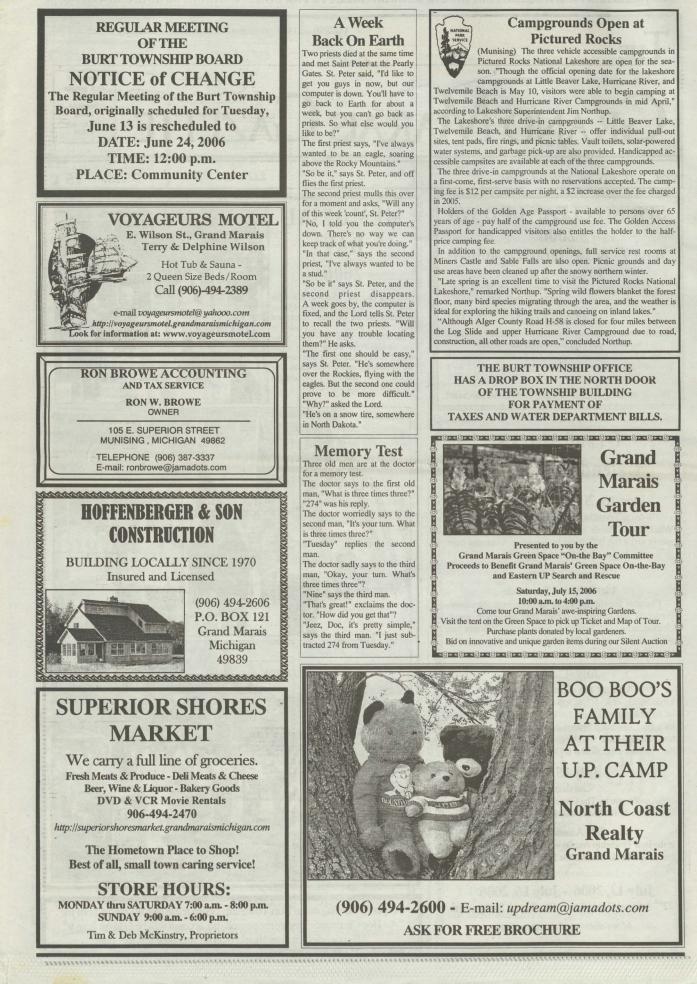
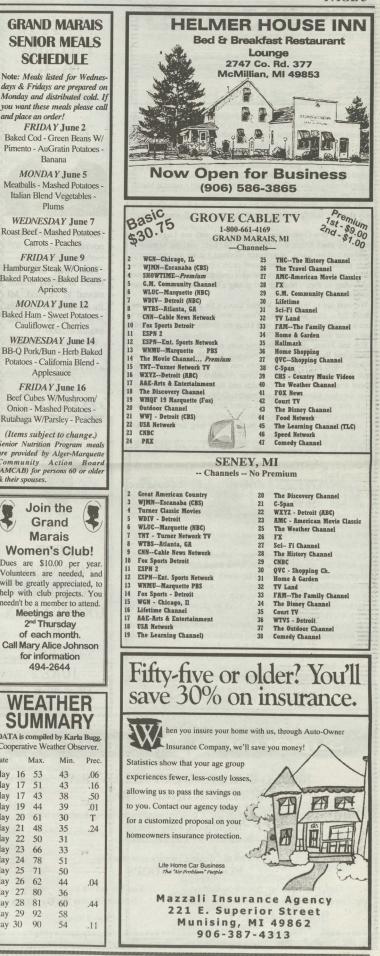
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ORV-ATV- ON ROADWAYS IN BURT TOWNSHIP

This is a repeat of an article from July 21, 2005. The problem still exists but if enough people complain to the Alger County Sheriffs Department, and both Michigan State Police Posts (Munising and Newberry) we might be able to get something done.

With all the complaints and comments about ATV's/ORV's, Golf Carts and other motorized vehicles around the area I requested an explanation of the motor vehicle laws by the Alger County Prosecuting Attorney, Karen Bahrman. Below is the letter I received from her in regards to my questions

To the Grand Marais Gazette

You have asked my opinion as to whether non-traditional ORV's such as golf carts and 6-wheelers with roll cages, are subject to ORV regulation including the obligation to wear helmets, to purchase ORV stickers and not to operate on highways.

According to MCL 324.81101(m), "ORV" means a motor driven offroad recreation vehicle capable of cross-country travel without benefit of a road or trail, on or immediately over land, snow, ice, marsh, swamp-land or other natural terrain. ORV includes, but is not limited to a multitrack or multiwheel drive vehicle, an ATV, a motorcycle or related 2wheel, 3-wheel, or 4-wheel vehicle, an amphibious machine, a ground effect air cushion vehicle, or other means of transportation deriving motive power from a source other than muscle or wind. ORV does not include a registered snowmobile, a farm vehicle being used for farming, a vehicle used for military, fire emergency, or law enforcement purposes, a vehicle owned and operated by a utility company or an oil or gas company when performing maintenance on its facilities or on property over which it has an easement, a construction or logging vehicle used in performance of its common function, or a registered aircraft.

The above definition is clearly broad enough to include golf carts and 6wheelers, so the next inquiry is helmets.

MCL 324.81133(b) provides that a person shall not operate an ORV unless the person and any passenger in or on the vehicle is wearing on his or her head a crash helmet and protective eyewear approved the by United States Department of Transportation. This subdivision does not apply if the vehicle is equipped with a roof that meets or exceeds standards for a crash helmet and the operator and each passenger is wearing a properly adjusted and fastened safety belt.

The burden is therefore on each operator to ascertain whether the roof on his/her vehicle meets such standards; this seems unlikely with respect to a golf cart but possible where vehicles are equipped with roll cages. Operators also need to realize that seat belts are required wherever helmets are not. Regarding licensure and use, ORV licensure is required (MCL

324.81115) unless the ORV is operated solely on private property (MCL 324.81102) and operation on highways is prohibited (MCL 324.81122). Local units of government may open highways under their jurisdiction to ORV use by ordinance, and Alger County has done so, but it must be remembered that this excludes state and federal highways and the traveled portions of all public roads; ORV's are permitted only on the shoulders and right of ways of Alger County roads. It should also be noted that it is unlawful to transport or possess open

intoxicants on ORVs or to operate them while intoxicated, and if these events occur while the ORV is additionally being operated (unlawfully) on highways, the operator will be subject to corresponding charges under the motor vehicle code because ORVs still qualify as motor vehicles.

Obviously there are many other regulations concerning ORV use, summaries of which are available at Forest Service and DNR offices, but I hope this clarifies for you their application to non-traditional ORV's. ncerely,

Karen A. Bahrman

Alger County Prosecuting Attorney

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We encourage our readers to use these pages as a community forum for a free exchange of ideas. Your letters are welcome.

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Memorial Service was very nice also very hot. It was near 90 degrees unusual for this time of year. I'm disappointed in the lack of people that show up. It is a great service they have at the war monument and then on the marina for people lost at sea. I miss seeing my Dad standing there with the color guard. I wonder who will make sure the flag gets raised at the proper time. He was a stickler for flag etiquette.

Sheri Shafer and mom Carol were able to meet Sheri's sister at Mackinaw City. They took a few days and played tourist.

Kay Wampler went down state for some schooling for the Clerk. She was also able to spend some time with her mom and do some daughter duties for her.

Jenny and Ben Cooley were up from Ithaca with son Logan. Jenny helped me plant several flats of flowers. The bugs were out in massive numbers and too warm for memorial weekend, but we got most everything planted. I even had Jenny crawl under Grandma Morrison's new porch and rescue some flowers that were covered up. Logan had a good time riding on Papa's backhoe and getting a lift in the condor. We also made it to the beach.

We went out to Bruce and Yvonne Essex's for a brook trout dinner. Bruce did a great job cooking, Yvonne was a great host. Pat Hulbert and son Al were there along with Doug the electric-man. Terry Hardy and Heeter were in too from GR.

Bob and Renee' (Beaver) Stocking were in from GR. Bob has been fishing and Renee' enjoying her visit with her folks and friends. Ryan Whaley came in for business and he was able to bring daughter Paige with him. Grandma Renee' and Great Grandma Beaver were able to spend some time with her. Grandpa and Nana Whaley were able to have daughter Rhonda and granddaughter Gabby for the weekend.

It is nice to see Mike and Chris Lawless back in the hardware. Hopefully they can stick around for a little while.

Cathy and Bill Egerer are here. Not sure how long they are in town for. But nice to see them around.

Richard Bell family is in for the weekend. It's always great to see them again.

I also got a glimps of Joe Barsky. Not sure how long you are in for but welcome back.

Ted and Karen Fairfield were in from IN. They enjoyed spending time at their property. They would love to spend more time up here and that is their goal.

John and Cobina Whittingham were in from WI staying at their little eabin in the woods

Jeff and Rachael Davis are in staying in their summer home on Campbell Street.

Stu Stuart is in for the summer from California. He will be here getting the Gallery opened and traveling to the Island doing his show Happy birthday to Evelyn (Tudy) Tornovish, Dorothy Morrison, Paige

Whaley and Kay Wampler. A get well to Bessie Capogrossa we wish you a speedy recovery! Our hearts go out the Barney family. Mark fought hard to stay with his

family. We all will miss him deeply. Our hearts go out the Senecal family too. Charlie Senecal was a good

man and a good friend to many. I will pick that favorite star out for both of you.

If you have any more news for Around the Bay let us know. Keep on smiling... Evie

> A man is incomplete until he is married. then he is finished.



OBITUARIES

MARK RICHARD BARNEY

Mark Richard Barney, age 73, of M-77 Grand Marais, died at 11:55 a. m. on Friday, May 26, 2006 at Marquette General Hospital. He was born on July 13, 1932 in Grand Marais to the late Ray and Edith (Trombley) Barney. Mark graduated from Grand Marais High School in 1950. He married Adele Mary Ann Mulligan on April 1, 1952. Mark joined the U.S. Navy in the early 1950's and served for four years. He continued his military career in the U.S. Coast Guard and retired after twenty years of service as a radioman. Mark briefly worked offshore for N.O.A.A. Following his retirement he and Adele returned home to Grand Marais. Mark was a member of the Holy Rosary Church, he enjoyed hunting small game and loved playing the piano. He enjoyed dogs (especially Sparky and Nick), spending time on the computer, and especially enjoyed taking long rides in the woods with Adele

He is survived by his wife of over fifty-four years – Adele Barney of Grand Marais; four children – Mark "Butch" Barney of Ishpeming, Gary (Kathi) Barney of Gwinn, John Barney of Grand Marais, and Cindy (Dennis) Elliott of Marquette; six grandchildren – Penny Barney, Brooke (Ryan) Whaley, Brenna (Jason) LaBeau, Trisha (Steve) Dodge, Elsbeth (Jason) Heyboer, and Chase Elliott; three great-grandchildren -Paige, Blaine, and Dillon; sister - Edith Miller of Rockford, Michigan; and numerous nieces and nephews. Mark was preceded in death by his parents and an infant brother.

A Memorial Mass was celebrated by Father Paul Karottekunnel on Tuesday, May 30, 2006 at 11:30 a.m. at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Grand Marais. Interment will be at a later date at the Holy Rosary Cemetery in Grand Marais.

Mark's obituary and guestbook may also be viewed at www. bowermanfuneralhome.net

CHARLES L. SENECAL

Charles L. Senecal; 61, of Grand Marais, died suddenly Friday May 26, 2006 in Grand Marais

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday June 2, 2006 at 11:00 am at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Grand Marais with Fr. Paul Karottekunnel officiating. Rite of Committal will follow at Holy Rosary Catholic Cemetery. Friends may call at the church on Friday June 2nd from 10:00 am until time of services.

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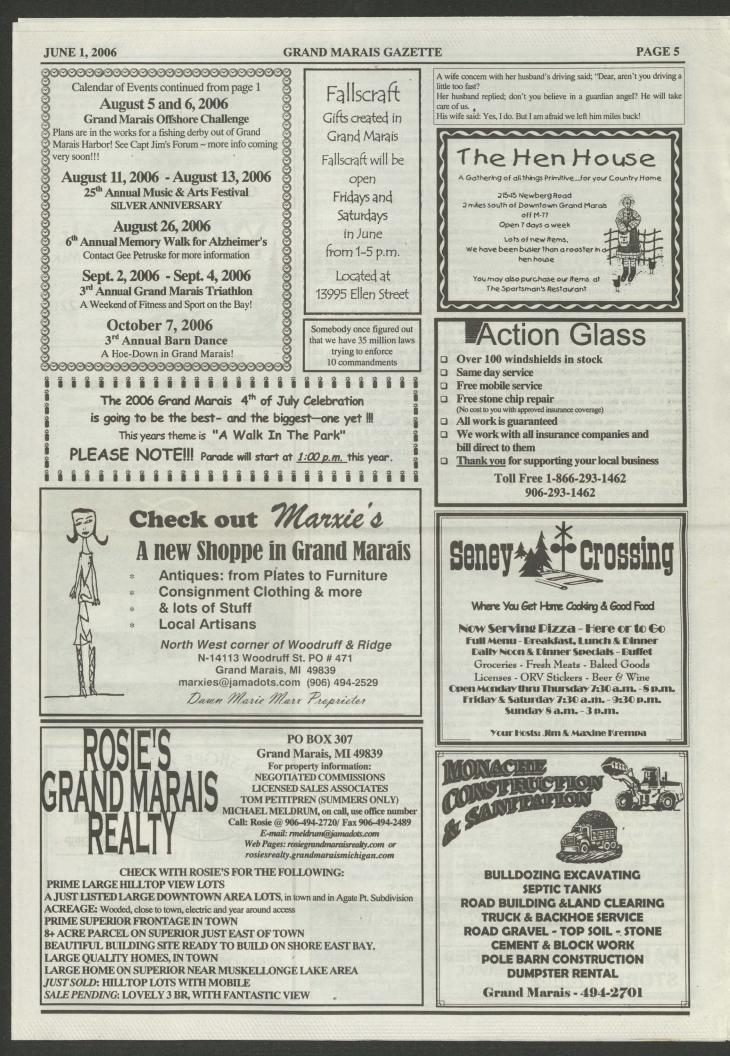
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"Big Brother" is getting bolder all the time. The FBI has acted as the Gestapo did in 1940 Germany. As I said previously, I didn't have a problem with most of the "Patriot Act" but I was concerned as to where it would lead. When the FBI illegally searched the residence of Congressman William Jefferson (Hm! Add a name and we have "Slick Willy") my fears materialized. This administration has brought this about using 9/11 as an excuse to violate citizens' rights, moving ever closer to a police state all the time. From the spying, lying & phone call investigation to the complete disregard for a citizen's rights, the comparison to the Gestapo has become more pronounced all the time. I imagine that there is sufficient evidence to justify a search warrant and thus follow the law that the FBI is sworn to uphold. That is, however not the major issue of my concern with this violation by the FBI. The threat of the Attorney General, FBI Director and some other "justice" big shot is unbelievable. What it is, is saying "If I can't break the law in order get evidence, I quit!" I was pleased to see Georgie Boy temporarily seal the "evidence" taken by the FBI but what good is a 45 day delay in using it to destroy this man in a country where we are supposed to be innocent until proven guilty? If this doesn't scare you about the direction that this administration is going, I don't know what will. Maybe I have watched too much TV but it seems to me that anything taken in this raid would be inadmissible as evidence in a trial. The real problem comes if our Congress doesn't prosecute those responsible for this crime. Without consequences we may as well put the shackles on.

Another example of the Hell of war has surfaced. This time it is a group of Marines that allegedly killed twenty-some Iraqi citizens. I certainly don't condone this kind of horror but it happens in every war. In my last article I reported that these same soldiers were not given the mental health tests that are required; had they, maybe this incident would have been avoided. If true, these allegations are the work of soldiers that were so angry that they became mad. We don't put mentally incompetents in jail or carry out capital punishment on them; we put them in mental health centers where they will be helped. It may be for the rest of their lives but they are at least treated like human beings. I don't know from personal experience but from observation, military personnel in military prisons are given few comforts. Why should civilians with mental problems be treated better than our veterans?

The Senate has bowed to the protests of criminals with the ridiculous bill it passed on immigration reform. Unlike the House Elephants and Asses who passed a real reform bill the Senate's pretty much follows Georgie Boy's demands. It is disgusting to me that this country's government will be rewarding law breaking in order to save a couple bucks on a head of lettuce or piece of fruit. I do agree that the best deterrent is to come down hard on the people who employ these illegals; however the border with Mexico must be made secure. A couple thousand National Guard troops won't do the job; it will take a commitment by this government to spend the manpower and money necessary. Cutting out the warmongering and nation building would save plenty of money to do the job

The amount of taxpayer money that is being spent to destroy a farm and its buildings in order to search for Jimmy Hoffa's body is also ludicrous. What difference will it make if they find the body? I imagine that restoring the property will cost a pretty penny too. I know that when I was working for the railroad every time a train hit a cow it was blue ribbon one that gave forty barrels of milk per day. At least it is good for a few jokes; the best of which I heard was delivered by David Letterman. "Jimmy Hoffa was last seen going duck hunting with Dick Cheney".

At a Michigan Township Association seminar last week I heard the probable fate of the Commercial Forest Act tax and it ain't good. For those who don' know, CFR is property that can not be used for any thing except a forest designated for harvest for com mercial purposes. To make a long story not so long the tax on it was frozen at \$1.10 per acre on the owner and \$1.20 by the state. The freeze was supposed to come off last year and if done so according to the original rules, the owner would pay \$4.40 per acre and the state \$4.50. That would mean our pre sent income from this tax would quadruple from \$24,000.00 per year to \$96,000.00 per year plus another amount because of the recent approval of the Emergency Service millage bringing our CFR in-come to over \$100,000.00 per year. The new proposal is \$.20 per year added each five years. If passed there is a question as to whether this hike will be retroactive or not. Regardless our income from the original act will be cut by at least 50%. I imagine that if the act was not changed, the state would cut our revenue sharing and other state aid.

And finally. The kids and grandkids were up last weekend for the annual paint ball fight and poker tournament at the "camp". While I did not participate in the paint ball portion, I did sit in at the poker game; I finished fifth out of nineteen but out of the money. It was however enjoyable and the crew treated this old man very well. I guess they have sympathy for old people like my daughter-in-law, man is she ever old! I really think it is nice that all these Grand Marais young adults still get together and party without any bad behavior (well not terribly bad). During the weekend Sean and I went fishing: caught a few pike and he caught nothing. Later w took Hoo, Dizzy and Too out to try their luck. We were skunked but in their defense the weather had changed drastically and by the time we came in the wind was blowing at 30 mph plus and the rain was coming down. Had a heck of a time getting the boat out; the little leak in it is bigger. On Saturday, Lizzard and Doc came to our house and the "five greatest grandchildren" were all crowded together in one bed. When I got home, midnight, they were all still awake. I have no idea who went to sleep when. Speaking of Lizzard, she becomes a teen-ager or Wed. June 3rd. Pug and Too celebrate their birthday on June 9th, Jackson and I on Fathers Day, the 18th. Am going with Mrs. Ross' class to Green Bay this (T,W&T); there ought to be a story in that and a trip by Lambeau Field. The rest of my family will come on Saturday for one of my nephew's graduation and the baptism of another nephews new twins.

And finally, finally. Memorial Day was Monday the 29th. I hope that we all honored those who have given the ultimate sacrifice for this nation. The me morial service here is always respectful and well attended. I will miss Andy Bailey this year. I recall him standing straight and tall at the ceremony. Two other veterans will also be absent for Memorial Day; Mark Barney and Charlie Senecal. I will never forge hearing about the cribbage games he and Saki Olli had; it depended upon whom you asked who was winning more games. Charlie was quite a character; he took after Pickle I guess. They will both be missed around here. My sympathy goes out to their families. I salute everyone involved with our Memo rial Day celebration. I hope that some day the leaders of the world will find a way to settle differences without the killing. I also hope that soon, our leaders will quit giving its veterans lip service and give us what we were promised and earned. I will also take a moment to pray for those young men and women in our armed forces today, especially those who find themselves in harms way. Until next issue. Hungry Jim



TAKE THE BOOKS, TOO

The bank robbers had tied and gagged the bank cahier after learning the combination to the safe and had herded the other employees into a separate room under guard. After they rifled the safe and were about to leave, the cashier made desperate pleading noises through the gag. "Please," whispered the cashier, "take the books, too. I'm \$7,500 short."

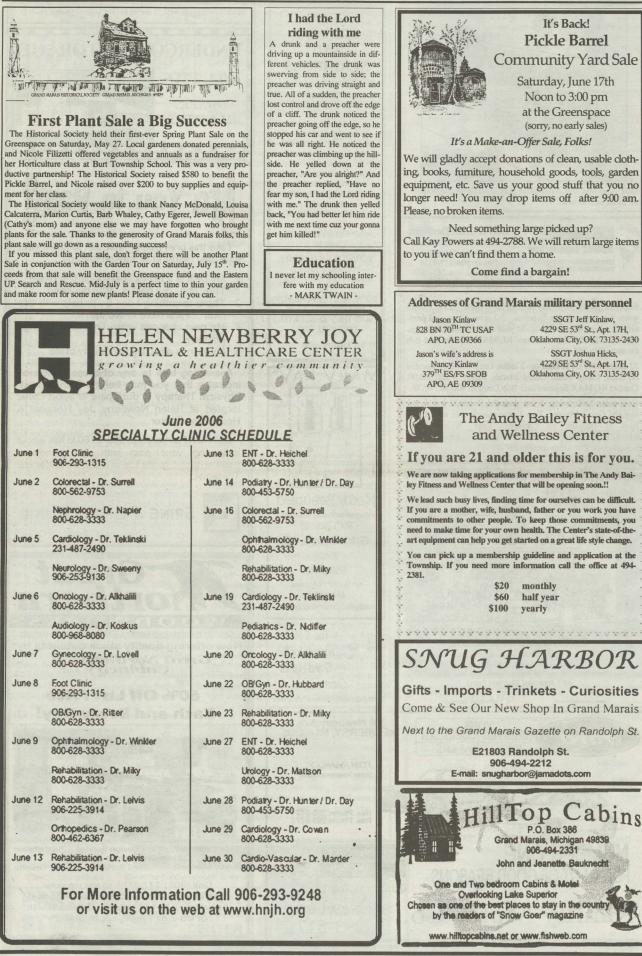


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favorite subjects in school were Physics and English. He likes to tutor kids at the youth center after school. He plans on joining the Air Force, go to tech school and hopefully take up accounting or become an electrical line tech.

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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

VIEW PARCEL: This 100 foot parcel is heavily wooded and overlooks Grand

TWO 40 ACRE PARCELS WETH MARKETABLE TIMBER: These parcels are located on highway H-58, Spars wert por and Marais in the National Park Buffer Zone. The road is seasonal, with the productivy. There is a substantial amount of marketable timber that has been appraised by a timber cruiser. \$65,000 each (VL-144 and VL-145)

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

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

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)

LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONT: 20 Due of nice beach with no large bluff. This ten acre parcel is located in Superior Dury University of the miles East of town. \$150,000.00. (VW-141)

COMPLETELY REMODELED HONCE ON TWO 100 FOOT LOTS: This manufactured home is located on a performed for about three miles from town. It has three bedrooms and two baths. There is a perverse, turnace, water heater, floors and walls, and a new fireplace. It looks "brand new" this is priced for a quick sale as the owners are moving. It would make a great weekly rental when you are not here. (R-167) \$68,500.

WOODED THREE ACRE PARCEL WITH SMALL CREEK: Located three miles from Grand Marais on a year relification, this property is very secluded. It is high and dry with beautiful hardwood track 849,500. (VL-143)

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LARGE RESTORED HOME IN DOWN O VN GRAND MARAIS: This fa-mous home was built back in the late 1800 k and the been remodeled with new plumbing, roof, kitchen, bath, electrical, an first is more. Located on a comer lot in the quiet area of

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

TOTALLY RESTORED LOG CASE SM D. CREEK: Located only 1 1/2 miles from downtown Grand Marait III. as so two-coautiful. \$129,000.00 (R-158)

LOWER LEVEL CONDO ON GRAND ALL'S BAY: This unit is on ground floor and allows one to walk out to the condo beach and using the stairway. \$120,00. (R-166)

UPPER LEVEL CONDO WITH TWO PER DOOMS AND TWO BATHS: The views are spectacular of the Bay and Generation 150,000. (R-167)

10 ACRES WITH LOG HOME AND LOC STE. GARAGE: This has to be one of the nicer wooded parcels in the area. It is the and the with mature maple and beech trees, located at the end of a year router of the bots of garden space and room to roam.

FORTY WOODED ACRES WITH A TEAR ROUND HOME AND GAd ocated on a year round road 13 miles south of her water heat, and a steel roof, this would make a great snowmobile or hunting repeat. \$147,500. (R-164)

UNIQUE TWO STORY HOME ABOVE. D. RGE GARAGE IN GRAND MARAIS: This home has had exter sive record in grand has beautiful views of Lake Su-perior and Grand Marais Bay, Goal it of a gear round road one block from downtown.

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Dang it pa

One day an old lady and an old man were sitting on their porch when the old lady says "Hey pa, why don't you run down to the restaurant and get us some ice cream." Pa said, "Ok I will go right now." Ma told him that she had better write it down for him, because he always forgets. He said no he would be fine, so off he went to the restaurant. When he got back he handed her a hamburger and she said "Dang it pa, I knew you would forget, I told you to get mustard on mine!"



Summer Travelers Reminded to **Not Move Firewood** Moving firewood spreads invasive species and diseases, including EAB, which has killed more

than 15 million ash trees in southeast Michigan since first discovered in 2002. State parks and recreation areas, which have been seriously impacted by this invasive green beetle, have stepped up enforcement efforts to prevent the movement of firewood into DNR-managed lands. Visitors to state parks and recreation areas across the state will see some changes in landscapes caused by EAB, exotic insects and other diseases. Trees have been cut down in some locations to help prevent the spread of EAB. The most dramatic changes can be viewed at Warren Dunes State Park in Berrien County. More than 8,000 ash trees, including 4,000 from the modern campground, were removed this spring after EAB was discovered.

"The EAB impact is very unfortunate and we are moving forward to seek grants and donations to implement a tree replacement program based upon a stewardship plan," said Ron Olson, chief of the DNR Parks and Recreation Division.

At Brimley State Park, the only location in the Upper Peninsula where EAB has been discovered, more than 300 ash trees were removed last year. The park staff and local community volunteers used a \$12,500 Forest, Mineral and Fire Management grant to replant 100 trees this spring, including 30 red maple, 20 red oak, 20 white pine, 15 spruce and 15 balsam fir trees. Volunteers from Brimley High School's environmental science class assisted with digging holes and planting trees. "If people would like to provide a tax-deductible donation for tree replacements, please contact your favorite state park or recreation area," Olson said.

If you are going to be traveling in Michigan this summer, purchase all your firewood when you reach your destination and burn what you buy on site

"Everyone can help us prevent further tree loss by complying with the laws prohibiting the movement of ash firewood and going one step fur-ther by not moving firewood of any species," Olson said.

Michigan residents and visitors should adhere to the state's ban on transporting hardwood firewood from quarantined areas or out of the Lower Peninsula. Violators face fines/penalties ranging from \$1,000 up to \$250,000 and face up to five years in jail if found guilty of transport ing hardwood firewood into the Upper Peninsula. Additionally, a Land Use Order by DNR Director Rebecca Humphries prohibits anyone from bringing ash firewood onto any DNR-managed lands.

For more information about EAB, invasive species and the laws governing firewood movement, visit the DNR Web site at www.michigan gov/dnr or go to www.michigan.gov/eab.

Project GO and Free Fishing Weekend Provide Opportunities to Enjoy the Great Outdoors

Whether it's a casting clinic, a fishing derby or a guided trail hike, June 10-11 will provide ample outdoor recreation opportunities for people to enjoy Great Lakes, Great Times and the Great Outdoors. The weekend honors both Free Fishing Weekend and Project GO-Get Outdoors with events that celebrate outdoor recreation opportunities.

including free fishing. For a complete list of events and locations, please visit the DNR Web site at www.michigan.gov/dnr. Michigan's annual summer Free Fishing Weekend provides two days when Michigan residents and out-of-state visitors can fish without purchasing a fishing license. All other fishing regulations apply.

"Fishing in Michigan is part of our cultural heritage, and a great family tradition. Free Fishing Weekend, in conjunction with Project GO-Get Outdoors, provides opportunities for individuals and families to learn about and enjoy the incredible natural resources this state has to offer," said Kelley Smith, chief of the DNR Fisheries Division. "It is an excellent time for those who fish frequently to introduce others to this enjoyable pastime and to mentor others about the importance of conserving the state's aquatic resources and our fishing heritage, today and for future generations.

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

"As gas prices continue to rise, these events provide people with opportunities to explore state parks, recreation areas, and water access sites close to home," said Ron Olson, chief of the Parks and Recreation Division. "Fishing, boating, camping, hiking, horseback riding, running and all other outdoor activities improve the quality of life for Michigan's residents and our guests."

All motor vehicles entering a state park or recreation area must display a Motor Vehicle Permit, available for purchase at the park or recreation area entrance. Cost is \$24 for resident annual and \$6 for resident daily. A nonresident annual is \$29 and a nonresident daily is \$8

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

U.S. Flag Disposal

On the 4th of July around 7:30 p.m., the Burt Township vets will hold their 2nd annual proper burning of our flag. A public address system an-nouncer will keep everyone advised to the goings on. If you have a flag that is damaged please contact us for disposal

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