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The Burt Township Board is seeking applicants to fill the following Position:

Full time, Township Manager

Duties: See Job Description at burttownship.com or stop at the township office for a copy.

Length of Posting: The application period for this posting will end at 4:00 p.m. on **Monday, October 16, 2006.**

Application Process: obtain an application by calling 906-494-2381 or by visiting www.burttownship.com and click on Employment then print the application form provided. Mail completed application with resume and qualifications specific to the position to the address below. Upon review, selected applicants will be notified to appear at a meeting of the board for interview.

Mail To:
Burt Township Board
Township Manager Position
PO BOX 430
Grand Marais, MI 49839-0430

H-58 Paving Project Nears Completion

by Kay Wampler



Above, once an extremely steep hill, this section now cuts through the peak and provides a long, gentle slope.

As the Fall Color season approaches, so does the end of the paving project on H-58, for another year. The final stages of the project, blacktopping almost a 4 mile stretch between the Log Slide Road and the Upper Hurricane Campground, is scheduled to begin on Monday, October 2nd. The project foreman, Mario, promised that the work will be done by mid-October! I was fortunate to gain his permission to drive the new road so I could update everyone on what it looks like out there. For the latest information, call (906) 387-3700 or (906) 494-2660.



Merging back into the original roadway.

Motorists are going to enjoy the trip through one of the prettiest sections of the National Park. You'll experience gentle, sweeping curves and gradual inclines along with steep banking on the sides where they lowered the road bed. As many times as I've traveled H-58, this was a totally new experience. I had to ask where the road into my old camp is now! I can't wait to see it this winter from the Groomer! I think snowmobile tourists are in for a treat this winter on Trail #89. Well, see for yourselves:

BARN DANCE!
WITH FLAP JACK AND HAYSEED
OCTOBER 7 ~ 7:00 P.M.
AT THE RECREATION CENTER
Cider and Donuts - Bring a dish to share - BYO Beverage

H-58 Phase II Ribbon Cutting

You are invited to attend a ribbon cutting for the Grand Re-Opening of H-58 Phase II project...

Monday, October 16, 2006

10:30 a.m. Refreshments

11:00 a.m. Ribbon Cutting at the Grand Sable Visitors center

Alger County Road Commission



Harvest Dinner

October 14th 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

at Community Center

Roast Pork - Baked Potatoes - Baked Beans -
Coleslaw - Corn Casserole - Deviled Eggs -
and of course Desserts.

Adults - \$7.00 Children (5-12 yrs.) - \$4.00
Under 5 - Free

Another Women's Club Project

Community Health Screening Cholesterol, Blood Sugar and Blood Pressure Testing

Friday, October 27th 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Grand Marais Community Center

Blood Sugar/ Cholesterol - \$5.00

Blood Pressure - free

For accurate blood sugar and cholesterol results,
a 12 hour fast is necessary prior to testing.

To properly fast, eat nothing and drink only water.
Do continue to take your medications.

For more information contact Aimee at 906-293-9274 or visit us on the web at www.hnjh.org brought to you by: Helen Newberry Joy Hospital

NEW WELL UP AND RUNNING



Mike Beek the Burt Township DPW/Water Operator Foreman advised us that the new well is up and running with a few small computer control glitches. He said that hopefully in the next week everything will be operating at 100%. This project is funded by a \$190,000 grant and a \$90,000 Water Dept. contribution.

Special Meeting of the Burt Township Board

September 27, 2006 – 6:05 p.m.

Attendance: Karen Brzys, Kay Wampler, Gordon Kniss, Lois Leavenworth (Kathy Correll-Absent) – **Citizens:** approx 30 – **NOTE:** Hunter Capogrossa video taped the meeting which will be aired on Channel 29.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve the agenda with the addition of two public comment periods, at the beginning and end – 4 ayes

Public Comment: Marc Oglevie noted the request of 100+ voters/taxpayers by petition to extend the deadline for applications to the Township Manager position.

Agenda:

A) Memorandum in support of application to Sault Ste Marie Tribe funding assistance to dredge the boat launch – on motion by Wampler, second by Leavenworth, the following resolution was adopted "Resolution 2006-41: Resolved, That the Burt Township Board of Supervisors approves submitting a request for funding assistance to the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians for \$8000 to help cover part of the cost of dredging the Burt Township Boat Ramp" – Roll Call Vote: Lois Leavenworth – Aye, Gordon Kniss – Aye, Kay Wampler – Aye, Karen Brzys – Aye.

B) Extension of application period for Township Manager position per petitions – Motion by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve the request per the petitions extending the deadline to apply for the Township Manager's position to October 16, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. – 3 ayes, 0 nay, 1 abstain.

Public Comment: Aleta Hubbard thanked the Board for "paying attention to the people" regarding item B). Jim Seibert wants to get the investigation done as soon as possible since it is tearing up the community, Lori Savage filed suit against the Township on September 21, 2006. Brenda Reeves asked if anyone had notified Kirt Harmon that he is no longer the township attorney, Supervisor Brzys said yes, a couple of weeks ago. Carol Rowe wants to see the Township Manager position go to someone from outside Grand Marais since we are such a close knit community and an outsider may have a more objective perspective on things. Janie Dowe wants to go back to just a Supervisor at \$3200, also wants to know where the money is coming from to pay the position and asked if the Loan is being used to pay the Twp. Managers salary. Norm Geiger noted that the money was to be used to pay off the illegal loans.

Aleta Hubbard asked Supervisor Brzys why she couldn't answer the questions; Supervisor Brzys stated that we don't have sufficient information yet from the investigation. [Public comments continued with similar comments but the Clerk was unable to keep up in note taking; the complete proceedings are available in digital audio and video formats.]

Adjournment: Motion by Leavenworth, seconded by Kniss to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m. – 4 ayes

Respectfully submitted: September 28, 2006,

Kay L. Wampler, Township Clerk

These are the unapproved minutes of the September 27, 2006 special meeting. Included in the body of these are all of the official actions taken by the Burt Township Board.

Last day to Register to Vote for the November General Election is October 10th, 2006

You may register on-line, at the Secretary of State office or in person @ the Burt Township Clerk's Office

NOTICE

Absent Voter ballot Applications for the November General Election can be requested through the Township Clerks office by calling (906) 494-2381, or on line at burttownship.com and click on elections.

Little short of a full deck

When my husband and I arrived at an automobile dealership to pick up our car, we were told the keys had been locked in it. We went to the service department and found a mechanic working feverishly to unlock the drivers side door. As I watched from the passenger side, I instinctively tried the door handle and discovered that it was unlocked. "Hey," I announced to the technician, "its open!"

Some of the Resolutions our Township Board have passed!

RESOLUTION No. 2006-08

RESOLVED, that the following procedures be immediately instituted to be in effect at the next regular meeting of the Burt Township Board involving resolutions passed by the Burt Township Board, as follows:

- Resolutions shall be made a part of the official minutes of the meeting as required by law;
- If the Township attorney is not present at the meeting, the minutes will be forwarded to the Township attorney who will consider the legal appropriateness of any such resolution;
- The resolution passed will then be reduced to a separate writing with an object title and assigned a number beginning with the year it is passed, followed by a dash, the number of the resolution in sequence for that year and then be submitted to the next following Burt Township Board meeting for approval;
- After approval at the following meeting, the Clerk shall sign and date the resolution and file it in a "resolution book" in the chronological sequence in which it was passed; and
- The "resolution book" will be made available to any member of the general public during normal business hours of the Burt Township Office without requiring a formal request made pursuant to Michigan's Freedom of Information Act.

Adopted on motion by Seibert, second by Leavenworth – 4 ayes.

RESOLUTION No. 2006-09

RESOLVED, all records and papers in any way involving Burt Township operations in any respect shall remain at the Burt Township Offices, the only exception being that the Officers shall be allowed to remove materials for specific work projects they desire to accomplish at their homes after which any such records shall be returned to Burt Township Offices within 48 hours.

This Resolution is not designed to prevent the Burt Township Officers from having copies and/or duplicates of written materials to work on at home for longer periods of time including duplicate computer records.

Adopted on motion by Leavenworth, second by Kniss – 4 ayes.

RESOLUTION No. 2006-15

RESOLVED, it is hereby ordered that a special meeting of the Burt Township Electors will be held no sooner than 15 days and no later than 20 days to consider the following issues:

A) Whether Burt Township should seek a loan and/or mortgage on the Smith Brothers beach property located on the south shore of Grand Marais Harbor for \$150,000.00 or in another amount found appropriate, on just and appropriate terms, the proceeds of which may be used:

- First, to pay off all unlawful loans made during May and June of 2006, which were used to pay back employment taxes, fines and/or penalties assessed by the IRS, in the approximate amount of \$70,000.00;
- Second, to pay the cost of the audit being conducted of the Burt Township financial records for the past approximately 5 years as well as the normal financial audit of the books and records of Burt Township for fiscal year ending March 31, 2006;
- Third, to reimburse the Burt Township General Fund for all monies paid for back employment taxes, fines and/or penalties to the IRS arising out of Burt Township's failure to pay employment taxes in a timely fashion (approximately \$25,000.00);
- Fourth, to pay the expenses associated with the investigative special hearing set for August 19, 2006 (Transcript, filing fees, subpoena costs, etc.); and 5) Fifth, to deposit the remaining loan and/or mortgage proceeds into a new account designated the "Rainy Day Fund" to be distributed only by further resolution of the Burt Township Electors and/or Burt Township Board to apply to the loan and/or mortgage, defray any future expenses connected to Burt Township's failure to pay the employment taxes described above and/or any other payment found appropriate from time to time.

B) Whether the salary currently awarded to the elected Burt Township Supervisor should be reduced, with the supervisor's written consent, in the amount of \$10,000.00 (from \$13,200.00 to \$3,200.00) and the \$10,000.00 savings paid to fund the new Township Manager position.

C) Whether the Burt Township Board, in the future, shall be allowed to indebted the township in any fashion without a lawful resolution duly passed at a meeting of the Burt Township Electors.

The above resolution was adopted on motion by James Seibert, seconded by Lois Leavenworth and the Special Meeting of the Electors is scheduled for August 22, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at the Burt Township Community Center – 4 ayes.

RESOLUTION No. 2006-19

RESOLVED, That the treasurer's office will come out of the dark reaches of the township office basement into the sunlight on the first floor for all to see and to facilitate wide and open communication with the clerk.

Adopted on motion by Kay Wampler, second by Karen Brzys – Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes

RESOLUTION No. 2006-20

RESOLVED, That the new Burt Township Treasurer shall immediately consider what it will take to set up a separate set of records between the Treasurer and the Clerk for purposes of monthly reconciliation and shall report to the Burt Township Board on any recommendation(s) to accomplish that task at its next regular meeting in September 2006. This resolution is intended to bring all financial record-keeping in compliance with Michigan law, Michigan Department of Treasury rules and procedures, governmental accounting standards, grants, special millage fund requirements and/or generally accepted accounting standards.

Adopted on motion by Lois Leavenworth, second by Gordon Kniss – Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes

These are my comments on the above resolutions by number.

Think about these resolutions and whether we are following them. Marc Oglevie - Editor


2006-08 This one is a little misleading and confusing; first it says that the Resolution will be part of the official minutes of the meeting as required by law. What else would you do with them? Next it says that if the township attorney isn't present at the meeting, the minutes will be forwarded to him who will then consider the legal appropriateness of the resolution. Then it will be reduced to a separate writing with a title and number assigned and then it will be resubmitted to the Twp. Board at the next meeting for approval. I guess one approval isn't enough by the board. Any idea why we need to further complicated these steps? Sounds like we are creating a job for the attorney. Think about this people, do we really need to make things this confusing? Oh by the way, this resolution was never voted on for the second time so it didn't pass completely, needless to say it was a waste of time and energy, but its still on the books.

2006-09 This one is interesting, I requested on Sept 21, some information that was presented at the Sept. 12 Board meeting, nothing much. Well it took them till the following week to get me the information because it wasn't even in the township office, it was at someone's home on their personal computer. I guess this doesn't apply to this board.

2006-15 This one you can have all kinds of fun interpreting. Just read the resolution and think about it a little. Who is really writing these resolutions? What are they really saying? Are the Board members so challenged that they can't do the right thing and have to have everything spelled out for them. One of the people writing these resolutions doesn't pay taxes or vote here.

2006-19 Was this really necessary to take up the time of the Board Members and the attorney to do something so simple as move the office from the basement to the main floor?

2006-20 Again is this really necessary, the only thing I see is it takes the attention away from more important things like the condition of the township budget. Oh by the way I don't think this was done at the meeting either!



WE NEED YOUR HELP

Sno-Trails is offering each business in Grand Marais an opportunity to "Adopt a Trail" and help our Snowmobile Trail Grooming Program! Our grooming club is second in the state to the Gogebic Association of Snowmobile Trail Grooming Clubs. We want to be first! But with only a handful of active members, we need your help. Without your participation, we will not be able to open the trails this season!

Businesses will be responsible for signing and brushing their adopted trail segments before the end of October so we can be inspected and make corrections before the snow flies.

Contact Norm Geiger at (906) 494-2639 or Kay Wampler at (906) 494-2729 to sign up!

Stop taking your troubles to bed

A woman went to the doctor complaining of insomnia. The doctor gave her an exam and found nothing physically wrong with her. "Listen," the doctor said, "if you ever expect to cure your insomnia, you need to stop taking your troubles to bed with you."

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

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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 October 6
Sloppy Joe W/Bun - Oven
Brown Potatoes - Baked
Beans - Pineapple /M'Orange

MONDAY October 9
Veal Cutlet - AuGratin Potatoes - Pea/Carrot - Plums

WEDNESDAY October 11
Roast Beef - Mashed Potatoes - California Blend - Tropical Fruit

FRIDAY October 13
Spanish Rice - Tossed Salad W/ Spinach - Broccoli - Jell-O W/ Juice Topping

MONDAY October 16
Spaghetti W/Meat Sauce - Spinach - Cauliflower - Garlic Bread - Fruit Sorbet

WEDNESDAY October 18
Turkey W/Dressing - Mashed Potatoes - Country Blend - Fresh Apple

FRIDAY October 20
Boiled Dinner
W/Carrots/Cabbage/Potatoes - Stewed Tomatoes - Banana

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


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7 WDIV-Detroit (ABC)	30	Lifetime
8 WTBS-Atlanta, GA	31	Sci-Fi Channel
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10 Fox Sports Detroit	33	FAM-The Family Channel
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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
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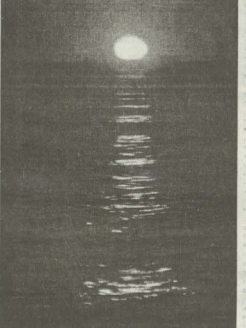
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WEATHER SUMMARY

DATA is compiled by Karla Bugg, Cooperative Weather Observer.


Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Sept. 19	62	43	.44
Sept. 20	53	46	.09
Sept. 21	61	44	
Sept. 22	60	39	.01
Sept. 23	62	53	.05
Sept. 24	58	46	.40
Sept. 25	56	41	.20
Sept. 26	61	43	.09
Sept. 27	61	47	.20
Sept. 28	52	41	.13
Sept. 29	55	32	.11
Sept. 30	54	43	.10
Oct. 1	57	45	.07
Oct. 2	77	44	
Oct. 3	76	52	

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AROUND THE BAY: BY EVELYN MORRISON



We are at peak with our fall colors. We have had lots of visitors pass through town talking about the beautiful leaves are coming into town. So if you have not been out, you best do it soon.

Soccer is going well for the Grand Marais school kids. They are doing their best and having fun.

The barn dance is coming up this weekend; check the signs in town or the paper for details.

Visiting with Gerrie Bailey was daughter Maggie Smith. Maggie was able to help out after Gerrie was in the hospital.

Visiting with the Whaley's, Beaver's, and the Barney's were Brooke and Ryan Whaley from Marquette. Ryan celebrated his birthday while he was here with a homemade cake that his Mom, Barb made. It was delicious.

John and Rita Dagys are in from IN. for a few weeks. They have been walking the beaches with the dogs. Fun, fun, hopefully we will be able to visit while you are here.

Jeff and Rachael Davis are in for a week with their little dog Gladys. They are enjoying the warm weather and trying to get some R & R. With the long distance phone service out for one day they were able to really enjoy the day with no interruptions.

John Sheriff was in for a day staying at his place on the point.

The blacktopping is starting to go down on H 58 West. It should not take long to finish, they will have it completed by Oct. 16th.

October Fest will be held on the 14th by the LSBC with Music, Food, Games, and more.

In visiting John and I, was daughter Sara and husband Ray, along with grandson Reid. We had a great visit. Ray was able to go hunting with his dad Tom, and their dogs. They even had good luck. Between the rain showers they were able to enjoy the woods, and took some great walks. The following week daughter Wendy and husband Steven Sohl were in with grandchildren, John, Evan, and Lenz. They enjoyed the warm weather, the beautiful fall colors, and were able to go out to camp.

Bob Stocking from Grand Rapids made it in for a long weekend. He and Renee' took a ride to Marquette to visit with daughter Brooke, grandchildren Paige and Blane.

Happy birthday to Brendon McKinstry, Fran DeWolf, Kathy Beaupied, and Lou Bailey. Happy Anniversary to Dave and Dianna Bell and Bill and Fran DeWolf.

Get well to Gerrie Bailey.

If you have any news for Around the Bay, make sure you get it to the Gazette or email it to me. See you Around the Bay. Keep on smiling...

Evie morriso3@jamadots.com

Mentally Challenged

The spotlight on the corner buzzes when its safe to cross the street. I was crossing with an intellectually challenged coworker of mine. She asked if I knew what the buzzer was for.

I explained that it signals blind people when the light is red.

Appalled, she responded, "What on earth are blind people doing driving?!" She was a probation officer in Wichita, KS.

Thank You

The Park Ogden family wishes to thank all of you from the bottom of our hearts for all of the kind word, cards, calls, prayers and comforting from our wonderful extended family known as Grand Marais. As cousin Lynn Ogden put it well: "He was already in Grand Marais and there's only one place he could go that would be better."

G.M. Sno-Trails

Brushing/Signing Work Day

October 21, 2006

Meet at Wolf Creek Redi-mix and Excavating @ 8:00 a.m.

Need *not* be a Member to Participate

Dinner & Party at Green Haven Lodge afterward

You can do it all!

No matter how overwhelming the task in front of you, remember you have the same 24 hours as George Bush has today and Albert Einstein, Thomas Edison, Leonardo da Vinci and many other big producers had before. The answer may well be in how well we use those same hours using basically the same golden rules of time management like planning, prioritizing, delegating, dividing big task into smaller ones, measuring progress, etc

ALGER REGIONAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ASSISTS BURT TOWNSHIP CERT PROGRAM

CERT - COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM are members who have trained to help themselves, their neighbors, and then the community during an emergency or disaster.

In CERT'S continuing effort to assist our community Nancy Weston applied to the ARCF for \$500.00 to purchase emergency cots to be set up where needed should the community have to set up a Neighborhood Help Center. Women's Club had purchased blankets to assist with this project. The Cots are stored in our DISASTER trailer so they can be moved to where they are needed. For more information about CERT go to the website (cert@burtownship.com)



The ARCF assistance money and cots were presented to the BURT TWP. BOARD at the regular September 12th, 2006 meeting. The photo shows Nancy Weston and Lois Leavenworth accepting one of the Cots this Grant supported. We were able to purchase 7 regular and 2 oversize Cots with this money...

Also received at this time was a \$300.00 Grant from the J.E.A.N. fund that is one of the ARCF available Grants. The Grant was named after Jean Mehlbacher in her memory as she was extremely committed to bringing Art and Cultural Events to the Grand Marais Community. Coming up this winter is a series of CREATIVE ART workshops for any interested person wishing to communicate with their creative spirit or to just have fun. Watch for upcoming dates. The workshops will be in CLAY, WATERCOLOR, and DRAWING. The classes will be at NO COST because of JEAN Grant support...There will be something for all ages and skill levels... Interested persons should call Nancy Weston 494-2744 for information and participation in these workshops.

Women's Club donated a multi functional tool to the CERT TEAM kit. These were distributed at the last gathering of the CERT members when they practiced setting up triage areas for medical assistance and tried putting up the new CERT COTS. They also tried out access to the CERT Disaster trailer. An Ongoing THANK YOU to the Women's



Putting up cot at CERT practice: Ed Marks and Sue Allyn.

Club members who work so hard during the year to support so many community projects.

Thank you to the Burt Township Board for being PROACTIVE in their support as a financial agent. All these Grants are fully funded and are of NO COST to the Burt Township.

LET THE LENDER BEWARE

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Letters to the Editor



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

To the editor,
 I object to the fact that we are going to have a township manager - what is the justification? We only have a population of about 350 permanent residents. We could have kept the Supervisor at his present salary to do what he always did. What is the manager going to do for \$21,000 a year plus benefits, there are not going to be any employees to supervise. The township will have to lay them all off in order to pay for the few salaries we will have - also you can only write so many grants, & you can hire someone to do that & pay them a percentage of the grant for their wage.
 This township will still be in a financial bind in the future, because of the money we will put out for salaries & benefits. The township secretary's salary & benefits, the DPW foreman's salary and benefits, the new Manager's salary & benefits, the Park manager's salary & benefits and I am sure the township attorney will want a retainer fee in the near future. I also don't believe just because the manager doesn't do what the electors want him or her to do we can fire her or him, I do not believe it's that easy.

J.G. Roberts

Hi Marc,
 Read your article in the Sept. 21st. issue and I absolutely agree with your assessment of the township board workings.
 I'd like to see an open and cooperative board but not a rubber stamp board. The jousting and power plays need to end! I'm not totally sold on the manager position that we rushed into. It sounded like a good idea at the time, however, it may be creating more problems than it's solving. I think everyone on the board is very capable and I wish them well.

Marla O.

Something to ponder

Keep your words, soft and sweet,
 just in case you have to eat them.



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Dear Bubba:

I am feeling pretty bad because it looks like I won't be able to plant my potato garden this year. I'm just getting too old to be digging up a garden plot. If you were here, all my troubles would be over. I know you would dig the plot for me.

Love, Dad

A few days later, he received a letter from his son.

Dear Dad:

For heaven's sake, Dad, don't dig up that garden. That's where I buried the BODIES.

Love, Bubba

At 4 a.m. the next morning, FBI agents and local Police showed up and dug up the entire area without finding any bodies. They apologized to the old man and left.

That same day, the old man received another letter from his son.

Dear Dad:

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JIM

Is there no end to the congressional scandals? It seems like every time I turn around there is another Congressman in trouble. This time it is a Representative from Florida who emailed a 17 year old boy some weird requests. Foley, the culprit, says he was just mentoring the boy. He resigned under pressure from his own party big shots plus of course the opposition. As I understand the incident took place last year and was reported to the man in charge of the Page program but little corrective action was taken. He supposedly agreed to not do it any more. Later stories say this was known about for as long as five years and nothing was done to stop it. After the incident surfaced it appeared that there were other filthy emails that might surface and they did. If it weren't so sick, it would be ironic that the man who co-chaired the Congressional missing and exploited children's caucus was a child molester himself. Talk about putting the fox in charge of the hen house!

In testimony of how life has little value to a lot of people these days, there were two more school shootings last week in which one person was killed in each incident and one the week in which five were killed. While Georgie boy is claiming he is making the world safer with his war on terror, it appears as though he has forgotten about the home grown terrorists. Our violent crime rate is going up in part, I believe, because we have cut law enforcement officers all over the country, including locally. This "War on Terror", that most people believe has been counterproductive, has to be approaching the Trillion dollar mark for spending on all related programs. If this government of ours had spent ten percent of that amount on USA law enforcement we could have hired millions of police officers for hundreds of years. That would certainly reduce the crime rate including murders. Then if we spent another ten percent on feeding and giving care to the destitute in this country and the rest of the world, MILLIONS of lives would be saved. Had we done this instead of invading Iraq and Afghanistan, we would have saved nearly 3,000 American service personnel's lives, thousands of injured, tens of thousands of Iraqi and Afghan lives not to mention all the grief caused by the war and hundreds of billions of dollars that we don't have. According to the warmongers I am sure I am unpatriotic, a bleeding heart liberal and a cut and run proponent. If so, so be it, at least I am not an accomplice to murder.

Rum Dum (Rumsfeld) is being picked on a lot lately, deservedly I think. His policies and decisions are being criticized by more people daily including many retired High ranking career military officers. Rum Dum responds that there are lots of Generals in the Armed Forces that support his performance. Duh! If I were a career officer hoping to retire with four stars, I don't think that I would be criticizing him either. If I did I had better have them now and be ready to retire or plan to never get them. I believe that Rum Dum is making many of the bad decisions but Georgie boy remains the number one warmonger. According to Bob Woodward's new book, Georgie's Chief of Staff recommended at least twice that Bush fire Rum Dum. Hell, why would Bush

want to fire one of his better brown nosers. Besides if things get too hot Bush could blame everything on Rum Dum.

I read a story about an Iraq Veteran who is running for Congress in the Chicago area as an Ass to replace Elephant Hyde who is retiring. Seems this ex-Captain (now promoted to Major in the National Guard) who lost both legs when the chopper she was copiloting was hit by rocket fire doesn't agree with the warmongers. I wonder if she is unpatriotic or a cut and run proponent? Her response to Georgie's remark at a fund raiser that "the party of F.D.R. and Truman had become the party of "cut and run" was: "I didn't cut and run" she said she like so many others did her duty and paid a price. She also said that Georgie's slogans are designed to win an election not to "accomplish the mission". My chopper was shot down well after Bush proclaimed "Mission Accomplished"

The state gubernatorial race continues to stress who made jobs and who lost them. Jennie can't claim much progress on Michigan's terrible environment for businesses but Adolph Engler and the Elephant controlled state legislature hasn't done much either.

And finally. The idiots of the rumor mill are alive and active in Burt Township. The community isn't in enough turmoil for them apparently. These clowns continually start and or pass on information that is false and or unsupported for some unknown reason. Maybe they just enjoy trying to drag people down to their own level. I recently heard that I was the force behind the recent petition requesting that the deadline for applications for the new Township Manager position should be extended. Well folks, that is a big fat lie. I did sign the petition and agree with the request; apparently the Township Board did too as they passed a motion to extend the deadline. I commend those who did organize and solicit signatures for the petition. They did it openly and as far as I am concerned correctly and the Board responded properly to it. I certainly don't want to steal their thunder. If you have a question about what I did or didn't do, ask me. I have never been shy or bashful about my opinion or what I do and say, albeit quite frequently un-diplomatically. If you have something to say, take it to a meeting or write an editorial.

Poo, Hoo and Too were down the weekend of the 23rd and moved the firewood that had arrived into the wood shed. As usual Hoo did a yeoman's job and Too even helped this time, Poo too. I got to watch the movie "Home Alone" again, I was getting a little tired of animation so it was a welcome change. Pug tells me that Lizzard has started basketball on the Marquette 8th grade team and is doing quite well. She has been playing power forward and despite her short stature is more than holding her own. Doc also plays power forward but she is built for it. Haven't heard anything from Sean about Dizzy lately but I imagine that she is doing fine. Now that Sherri and I are semi-retired, maybe we can get to Marquette during the week for some of the "Greatest Grandkids" school activities.

And finally, finally. Despite what the warmongers are telling us, the "war on terror" is going badly. The newest report from our intelligence big shots is that things are getting worse in Iraq and Afghanistan and that these military actions have increased the number of terrorists. With a lot of them willing to die themselves in order to kill our troops, our troops will continue to be targets anywhere, anytime. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers and tell our government to take care of all Veterans instead of giving us lip service. Until next issue.

Hungry Jim

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore Invites Public to



40th Anniversary Celebration

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore is inviting the public to join in celebrating the 40th anniversary of the authorization of America's first National Lakeshore on Saturday, October 14, at 10 a.m. at Miners Castle. In the event of inclement weather, the event will be held at the Mather Auditorium at 411 Elm

Avenue in Munising.

Following the celebration, a light lunch will be served and special tours of key locations in the park will be offered, led by members of the national lakeshore staff. Round trip transportation will be offered for individuals or families participating in the tours. Tour offerings will include a trip to the Au Sable Light Station, the Grand Sable Dunes and a hike to Chapel Beach.

"We hope very much that the entire community will come out and join us in celebrating the existence of this very special unit of the national park system," National Lakeshore Superintendent Jim Northup said.

The celebration will include presentations by Native American drummers and a special recognition of former Congressman Raymond F. Clevenger, who was instrumental in the establishment of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore.

One Smart CEO

One CEO always scheduled staff meetings for 4:30 on Friday afternoons. One of the employees finally got up the nerve to ask why, the CEO explained, "I'll tell you its very simple - it's the only time of the week when none of you seems to want to argue with me."



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HR: Heaven and Hell

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"Welcome to Heaven," said St. Peter. "Before you get settled in though, it seems we have a problem. You see, strangely enough, we've never once had a Human Resources Director make it this far and we're not really sure what to do with you."

"No problem, just let me in," said the woman. "Well, I'd like to," replied St. Peter, "but I have higher orders. What we're going to do is let you have a day in Hell and a day in Heaven and then you can choose whichever one you want to spend an eternity in."

"Actually, I think I've made up my mind, I prefer to stay in Heaven," said the woman.

"Sorry, we have rules..." And with that St. Peter put the executive in an elevator and it went down-down-down to hell. The doors opened and she found herself stepping out onto the putting green of a beautiful golf course. In the distance was a country club and standing in front of her were all her friends - fellow executives that she had worked with and they were all dressed in evening gowns and cheering for her. They ran up and kissed her on both cheeks and they talked about old times. They played an excellent round of golf and at night went to the country club where she enjoyed an excellent steak and lobster dinner. She met the Devil who was actually a really nice guy (kinda cute) and she had a great time telling jokes and dancing. She was having such a good time that before she knew it, it was time to leave. Everybody shook her hand and waved good-bye as she got on the elevator. The elevator went up-up-up and opened back up at the Pearly Gates and she found St. Peter waiting for her.

"Now it's time to spend a day in heaven," he said. So she spent the next 24 hours lounging around on clouds and playing the harp and singing. She had a great time and before she knew it her 24 hours were up and St. Peter came and got her. "So, you've spent a day in hell and you've spent a day in heaven. Now you must choose your eternity," he said. The woman paused for a second and then replied, "Well, I never thought I'd say this, I mean, Heaven has been really great and all, but I think I had a better time in Hell." So St. Peter escorted her to the elevator and again she went down-down-down back to Hell.

When the doors of the elevator opened she found herself standing in a desolate wasteland covered in garbage and filth. She saw her friends were dressed in rags and were picking up the garbage and putting it in sacks. The Devil came up to her and put his arm around her.

"I don't understand," stammered the woman, "yesterday I was here and there was a golf course and a country club and we ate lobster and we danced and had a great time. Now all there is, is a wasteland of garbage and all my friends look miserable."

The Devil looked at her and smiled. "Yesterday we were recruiting you, today you're staff..."

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"I've always wanted to have someone to hold, someone to love...
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"I must admit, you brought Religion in my life...
-- I never believed in Hell until I met you."

"As the days go by, I think of how lucky I am...
-- that you're not here to ruin it for me."

"As you grow older, Mum, I think of all the gifts you've given me...
-- Like the need for therapy."

"Thanks for being a part of my life!!!!...
-- I never knew what evil was before this!"

"Before you go...
I would like you to take this knife out of my back.
-- You'll probably need it again."

"Someday I hope to get married...
-- but not to you."

"You look great for your age...
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"When we were together, you always said you'd die for me...
-- Now that we've broken up, I think it's time you kept your promise."

"I knew the day would come when you would leave me for my best friend...
-- So here's his leash, water bowl and chew toys."

"We have been friends for a very long time...
-- What do you say we call it quits?"

Citizens Voice Concerns

Because of concerns about the short time deadline for receiving applications for the newly created Township Manager's position, several Burt Township citizens coordinated the writing and circulation of a petition to extend that deadline. They collected 112 signatures of voters/taxpayers and presented the petition to the Township Board at the special meeting of September 27, 2006. The petition requested the board to extend the deadline from September 29th to at least October 15, 2006. After receiving the petition and a short discussion the board voted 3 Ayes, 0 Nays and 1 abstention to approve the request. Because September 15 fell on a Sunday, the board revised the deadline to October 16.

Although there was no "Public Comment" scheduled for this meeting, the board agreed to the request from the audience to amend the agenda to include a "Public Comment" session both at the beginning and end of the meeting. During public comment several citizens made comments about the Township Manager position. They included comments concerning from where the money to pay for this position would come with the tight finances that the Township is experiencing. How can the money be spent without being budgeted? A non-resident would be more objective than a resident. A conflict of interest would or could exist if the same person was Township Supervisor and Township Manager. Do we really want to have a Township Manager?

Other comments were made at the September 27th meeting concerning the distribution of the money from the mortgage of the Township Hall and Medical Center properties, the turmoil that exists necessitating completion and final disposition of the ongoing investigation and other related issues. Also noted is the fact that there is still no amended budget approved, noting unbudgeted spending is illegal. There were also comments that we need to be patient and give the new board time to revamp procedures and straighten out finances.

Attendance was way down from other recent meetings but based on the agenda posted showing no public comment many people might have decided to stay at home. The main purpose for the meeting was to approve a resolution to request Sault Ste Marie Tribe contribution for dredging the marina boat launch area, this resolution to request \$8,000 was passed unanimously. Despite lively participation the meeting was completed in approximately twenty minutes.

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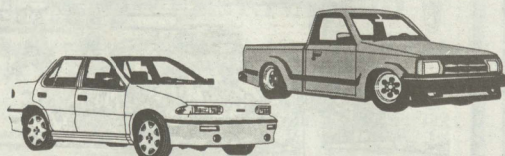
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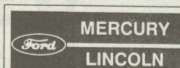
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Grand Marais Women's Club News

The first meeting of the 2006-2007 Grand Marais Women's Club was September fourteenth at the Community Center at seven o'clock. Dues of ten dollars were due and paid at this time.

Our first project of the season is the annual Harvest Dinner on Saturday, October 14th. This roast pork dinner with all the trimmings will be served at the community center from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. or until the food is gone. All profits from this dinner will be used for local projects.

We also have a raffle beginning October twelfth and the winning tickets will be drawn at the Community Christmas party. Tickets are available from club members and also at Peoples State Bank.

Although the Sled Dog races are not until February, please keep in mind our need of soup donations. It is such a great help to our club. It usually takes nearly fifty gallons of soup and that is a lot for this club to come up with.

Please remember that our club is open to everyone and membership is ten dollars a year. You can be as active as you wish. If you cannot help, we understand and accept that. If you love to be busy and have good laughs doing good things - welcome.

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PICKLE BARREL HOUSE

GRAND MARAIS HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

BY Cathy Egerer



LIGHTKEEPERS HOME

The Historical Society held the second Community Yard Sale over Labor Day Weekend, to benefit the Pickle Barrel restoration project. Thanks to the generosity of many, we raised almost \$1500. A special thanks to Max and Jerry, who helped carry the leftover items to the curb for the "Free" pile. Next summer, we are planning one large sale rather than two, and it will be held closer to mid-summer. If you do any housecleaning this winter, how about setting things aside for the next sale?

The restoration of the Pickle Barrel is just about complete. The money we are raising now is going into a permanent maintenance fund, so the building will always be kept in good condition. When the maintenance fund is complete, the building will be completely self-supporting.

A new Michigan Historical Marker is being cast for the Pickle Barrel, as the building is now listed on the Michigan Register of Historic Places. This large, two-sided marker will look similar to the one next to the anchor at the harbor. It will be delivered over the winter and will be erected in the Pickle Barrel garden area next spring. We'll hold a dedication once the marker is in place.

Down at the Lightkeepers House, plans are underway to renovate one of the upstairs bedrooms, which is now showcasing clothing and sewing artifacts, into a new Maritime and Archives Room that will feature items from the fishing and Life Saving eras of Grand Marais. Plans call for the construction of a new showcase with locking cabinets below, where archival documents can be kept. Visitors to the museum will be able to access the archives with the assistance of the docent on duty. Items from the now-closed Maritime Museum in the Coast Guard building will be moved to the Lightkeepers House. Some of the artifacts from the old Maritime Museum will be moved to a new display area at Au Sable Light. We will keep you updated on our progress!



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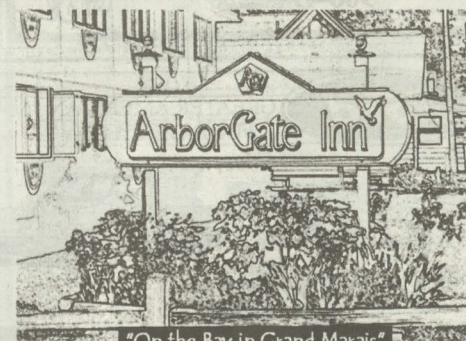
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Dixie McCormick is the new High School Language Arts teacher. She and her husband decided that when she got her teaching certificate they would only look for a job above the 45th parallel. She and her husband Gary are from Riverdale, MI. Dixie is a graduate of Central Michigan University. She says, "I am really enjoying it here. The staff and the community have been extremely

welcoming and I would like to thank everyone for his or her well wishes and support."



Laurel Frazier is the new early elementary teacher at Burt Township School. She is a native of Autrain, MI. For the past 5 years, she has taught at the Cross Creek Charter Academy in Byron Center, MI. She is pleased to return to the UP with her husband Josh and daughter Addie. Laurel abides by this piece of folk wisdom: "Measure twice; cut once."



Kidz Ink

Kidz Ink kingpin and soccer aficionado Bud Caryl joins son Ryan and Edgar Venturato from the soccer team on one of the new portable benches donated to the school by the fabulous fundraisers of Kidz Ink.

Come on out and see the new benches at the next soccer game on Tuesday, October 10th when the Polar Bears play the Ojibwe Charter team at the school, the game starts at 5:00 p.m.

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Thursday, October 5

Chili - Fruit - Rolls

Friday, October 6

Hot Dogs - Baked Beans - Fruit

Monday, October 9

Meat Loaf - Scalloped Potatoes - Veggie - Fruit

Tuesday, October 10

Pork Patties - Veggie - Fruit - Roll

Wednesday, October 11

Hamburger Gravy - Mashed Potatoes - Veggie - Fruit

Thursday, October 12

Goulash - Fruit - Roll

Friday, October 13

Chicken Sandwich - Tater Tots - Veggie - Fruit

Monday, October 16

Chicken Nuggets - French Fries - Veggies - Fruit

Tuesday, October 17

Mac & Cheese - Veggies - Fruit

Wednesday, October 18

Ham - Mashed Potatoes - Veggie - Fruit

Thursday, October 19

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Friday, October 20

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**Summer Vacation Memories
2nd - 4th grade
From Mrs. Ross's Class**

This summer I went to Cedar Point. I went with my mom, sister, and Dave. We went on two water rides and got really wet! We also went on a ride called the Corkscrew. It was scary! My vacation to Cedar Point was the best!

Stormi - 4th grade

My trip was fun. I got to go to Washington, D.C. It was not boring. I went through Washington Monument. I went on the Metro.

Dominik - 4th grade

I had an awesome time at King's Island. My dad and I went on a new ride. It was called the Flier. On the Flier you are hanging by a cable, and another cable pulls you up really high. My favorite ride broke down, and that really stunk!

Jerry - 4th grade

I went camping at the Petoskey State Park. We went biking. We rode scooters and had a campfire. We roasted marshmallows. We went to get ice cream.

Timothy - 4th grade

I went to Bay Cliff. I had a lot of fun. I made new friends. Their names are Jimmy and Jessie and Cris and Matt and Jake. We played lots of ball games. Then we read lots of books.

Dakota - 3rd grade

I went goose hunting with my family. We could tease my brother Carl if Robert got a goose. My brother Carl only got a doe deer. It was very fun because I never got to go goose hunting before.

Cynthia - 4th grade

I had a lot of fun at Thunder Falls Water Park in Mackinaw City. I wish to go again. This time I want my mom and dad to come. I wish we could go for a school trip. I hope to see my aunt soon. I had so much fun I want to go again.

Kelcie - 4th grade

We are building a house in Grand Marais. We got our house package yesterday afternoon. We are getting a different load. My dad is getting paid to do his basement.

Austin - 4th grade

I went to King's Island. I went with my dad. I felt good.

Molly - 2nd grade

I went to Adrian. It was fun. I was with my family.

Noah - 2nd grade

I went camping out of town. I was camping with my grandma and grandpa. I felt good because I was with my grandma and grandpa.

Connor - 2nd grade

I went fishing with my dad. I felt happy. I was at the Bay.

Landon - 2nd grade

I was in my imagination. I was with Joshua. I way happy!

Erin - 2nd grade

I went to Wal-Mart to buy clothes. I was with my mom, Scott, Nathan, Bryce, Le Roy, and Mark. I felt really good.

Chease - 2nd grade



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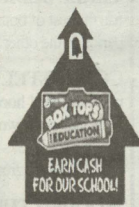
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VIEW PARCEL: This 100 foot parcel is heavily wooded and overlooks Grand Marais Bay. \$60,000.00. (VL-136)

40 ACRES WITH RUSTIC HUNTING CAMP: THIS PARCEL IS LOCATED ABOUT 4 1/2 MILES SOUTHEAST OF Grand Marais. The Sucker river runs through the property. \$185,000. (R-174)

220 FEET OF VIEW PROPERTY OVERLOOKING LAKE SUPERIOR: This parcel has the driveway in, also a building site has been cleared. Lots of nice trees and privacy, and the location is only two miles from downtown Grand Marais. \$125,000 (VL-146)

THREE BEDROOM HOME WITH ATTACHED TWO CAR GARAGE: This home sits on over three acres only one and one half miles from Grand Marais. It includes another one car garage with garage door in both the front and the rear. The house sits back from the road in a beautiful setting with lots of nice trees. \$129,500 (R-169)

NICELY WOODED CORNER LOT 5 MILES EAST OF GRAND MARAIS: This parcel is in Agate Point Subdivision of School Forest Road. \$15,000 (VL-147)

COMMERCIAL BUILDING ON LARGE CORNER LOT: This partially remodeled building is located one mile south of town on M-77. There is a remodeled one bedroom apartment in back. This is an excellent business location. \$110,000 (C-202)

TWO COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS, ACROSS FROM THE PUBLIC BEACH: these buildings currently have three year-round tenants, and there is an additional area with space for two more stores, making a total of five tenants. A lot of work has been done, such as new roofs, to improve the property. There is also a large area upstairs which would make an apartment. The property has city water and an updated septic/sewer system. \$175,000.00 (C-204)

A GREAT FIXER-UPPER: This home is located on Highway H-58, three quarters of a mile East of Grand Marais. The house has nice windows and interior wood walls and flooring. The property has city water and an updated septic/sewer system. The decks need to be replaced, and some trees need to be trimmed around the house. \$86,500.00 (R-173)

NEW: THREE BEDROOM, TWO BATH HOME ON M-77. This home is almost brand new. It sits on three and one half acres only one mile south of Grand Marais. It is easy to get in and out of in the winter. \$129,500.00 (R-166)

MAGNIFICENT VIEW PARCEL OVERLOOKING THE GRAND MARAIS HARBOR: This is unbelievable. The land is very deep and heavily wooded. It's 200 feet in width and the driveway is already in. Standing where a building site could be you can see downtown Grand Marais and the breakwall. It looks like it could be on a post card. \$149,500.00 (VL-130)

VIEW PARCEL: This is located along the ridge overlooking Lake Superior one mile East of Grand Marais. This heavily wooded site has acreage and a lot of privacy with access at the top of the hill off Webb Rd. the width of this parcel is 150 feet. It is priced at \$60,000.00. (VL-137)

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. New driveway is in, septic perk test is approved. Residential mobile homes not allowed. \$39,500.00 (VL-141)

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. \$68,500. (R-165)

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 SOLD and -VL-145 Available)

SUPERIOR DUNES IS A GATED COMMUNITY AND THE GATE MAY OR MAY NOT BE OPEN. LOCATED NINE MILES EAST OF GRAND MARAIS ON BEAUTIFUL LAKE SUPERIOR. A REALTOR MUST BE PRESENT FOR ALL SHOWINGS.

LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONTAGE WITH ALL THE D.E.Q. PERMITS. This parcel has 210 feet of frontage with the drive already in, the permits are in place and it is ready to build a house on. \$159,000.00 (VW-149) Lot #16

LAKE SUPERIOR WATERFRONT: This ten acre parcel located in Superior Dunes Development east of Grand Marais. It has 225 feet of beachfront. \$170,000(VW-146) Lot #15

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) Lot #29

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) Lot #14

BEAUTIFUL LAKE SUPERIOR PARCEL WITH NO BLUFF: Located in Superior Dunes this is an end lot next to State land. There are 137 feet of frontage. Won't last long!! \$221,000.00. (VW-147) Lot # 1

THREE BEDROOM HOME ON GRAND MARAIS BAY: This well maintained cottage has a beautiful fireplace and is only two blocks from downtown. The home is down below the bank across from the school. There is no bluff and the beach is absolutely beautiful. \$239,500.00. (R-170)

NEW: CUTE HOME ACROSS FROM THE BAY IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS: This home has two bedrooms, one bath, and a two car garage. It is located on two lots with a nice yard across from the village public beach and has an alley in back. The inside is beautiful with a large fireplace. \$149,500.00 (R-168)

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 record 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)

A WELL BUILT RETREAT THREE MILES FROM GRANDMARAIAS: Includes a large pole barn. \$95,000 (R-172)

THREE BEDROOM HOME WITH GARAGE ON GRAND MARAIS BAY: This has the best of both worlds. There is a small lake full of ducks and geese in front with big Lake Superior on the other side. The view is spectacular. \$198,000.00 (R-171)

COMPLETELY REMODELED HOME ON TWO 100 FOOT LOTS: This manufactured home is located on a year round road about three miles from town. It has three bedrooms and two baths. There is a new roof, furnace, 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 round road, this property is very secluded. \$49,500. (VL-143)

FOUR BEDROOM, TWO BATH HOME WITH LARGE POLE BARN: This home is in excellent condition and at the edge of town on Webb Rd. It is on two 100 foot lots with nice trees and lots of privacy. \$139,000.00 (R-167)

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. \$130,000.00 (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. This home was just completed two years ago and is on a very nicely wooded and peaceful parcel of land. \$149,500. (R-160)

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Management Is A Solution

By Bill Cook

In these days of growing environmental awareness, forest management and the use of wood should be re-visited by many. In terms of securing a plentiful future for our children and grandchildren, forest management is more of a necessity than it is an option. Neither is it something we need to "put up with" to maintain our accustomed lifestyles. Rather, forestry is a viable and exciting solution to many of our environmental challenges.

Frequently, I hear the question about why forest management is necessary. After a bit of clarifying, the focus usually comes down to timber harvesting. And then, most commonly clearcutting. And for many folks, the whole forestry thing is the same as forest removal for land development.

First, land development is not forestry. At best, these "terminal harvests" are sold for wood products, rather than burned or taken to a landfill. However, that is not forestry. That's land development.

More accurately, harvest practices within the context of good forest management do at least two of the three following things. One, harvest generates wood products, which we all use in significant and increasing quantity. Two, harvest helps regenerate the forest, which is the main idea behind clearcutting certain forest types. Three, harvest leaves behind a better quality forest than what was there before the cutting.

On average every day, each person in the United States now uses about 4.5 pounds of wood. That's roughly 675,000 tons of wood per day as our country reaches the 300 million person mark. Without management of this renewable and environmentally sound raw material, forests are at increased risk of degradation. Most people nod their heads in agreement when they see the connection between use and management.

Keep in mind that of all our raw materials, wood is by far the most environmentally friendly. This is especially true when measured against energy use, long-term sustainability, and impacts on natural systems. Metals, concrete, oil, and plastics don't come close to wood. So, it makes far more sense, from the "green" point of view, to use paper cups rather than plastic. The same holds true as the young guy at the grocery store packs your groceries.

Harvesting encourages forest regeneration, especially when using science-based and properly applied forest management. Forests have a wide variety of habitat requirements, as do individual trees species. These ecosystems are filled with variety and can be rather complex. Nevertheless, decades of research, application, and experience have provided keen insight into the workings of forest ecology. Forest management uses that body of knowledge, and a variety of techniques, to create optimum environmental conditions that favor forest regeneration.

Most harvesting goes unnoticed, because the majority of harvest involves partial cutting in forest types where this makes the most sense. These forest types are most common in our landscape and are becoming increasingly more common as time passes. Most harvest objections are about clearcutting, most probably for the visual impact and erroneous associations attached to habitat degradation. When done within the context of forest management, clearcutting provides the habitat conditions needed to reproduce certain forest types, such as aspen, paper birch, and jack pine. Clearcutting may, indeed, be ecologically sound, but all the science in the world can fail to overcome social objections. Unfortunately, visual quality is a particularly poor measure of ecological health and habitat quality. Yet, it is the measure too often forced upon public forest management agencies and adopted by a great number of private forest owners.

Lastly, harvesting should enhance the quality and health of a forest. In forests where partial cutting is more appropriate, the remaining stand should have an improved balance of age classes and overall tree health.

Remaining trees should have access to sunlight and be among the genetically best. The corrupt practice of "select cutting" (best and leaving the rest) is called high-grading and has little application in good forestry. It is also sometimes called "select cutting" under the guise of making it sound like good forestry.

Even clearcutting leaves the next stand in better condition, which might sound odd to many folks. The removal of the parent stand does not spell doom for the forest, although this is an easy conclusion from a purely visual frame of reference. In fact, the sunny and dry conditions promote regeneration of the same sort of forest. That young forest will be more vigorous and holds a promise for the future that would otherwise be compromised by benign neglect.

Forestry involves an in-depth understanding of forest ecology and the wide variety of forest conditions that exist in the landscape. Professional foresters have the ability to work with forests and forest owners to meet an equally wide range of interests and demands. It's a whole lot more than just cutting down trees.

Bill Cook is an MSU Extension forester providing educational programming for the entire Upper Peninsula. His office is located at the MSU Upper Peninsula Trec Improvement Center near Escanaba. The Center is the headquarters for three MSU Forestry properties in the U.P., with a combined area of about 8,000 acres. He can be reached at cookwi@msu.edu or 906-786-1575.

Good night beautiful

By the time the soldier pulled into the little town, every hotel room was taken. "You've got to have a room somewhere", he pleaded with a proprietor. "Well, I do have a double room with one occupant, but he is an Air Force guy" admitted the manager, and he might be glad to split the cost. But to tell you the truth, he snores so loudly that people in adjoining rooms have complained in the past. I'm not sure it'd be worth it to you.

"No problem," the tired Army guy assured him, "I'll take it." The next morning the soldier came down to breakfasts bright-eyed and bushy tailed. "How'd you sleep?" asked the manager. "Never better", said the soldier. The manager was impressed. "No problem with the other guy snoring all night long?" "No, I shut him up in no time", explained the soldier.

"How'd you manage that?" asked the proprietor. "Well, he was already in bed, snoring away, when I walked into the room, so I gave him a kiss on the cheek" explained the soldier. "Then, I whispered in his ear 'Good night beautiful', and he sat up all night watching me."



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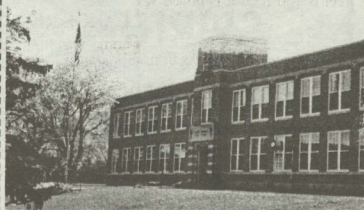
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