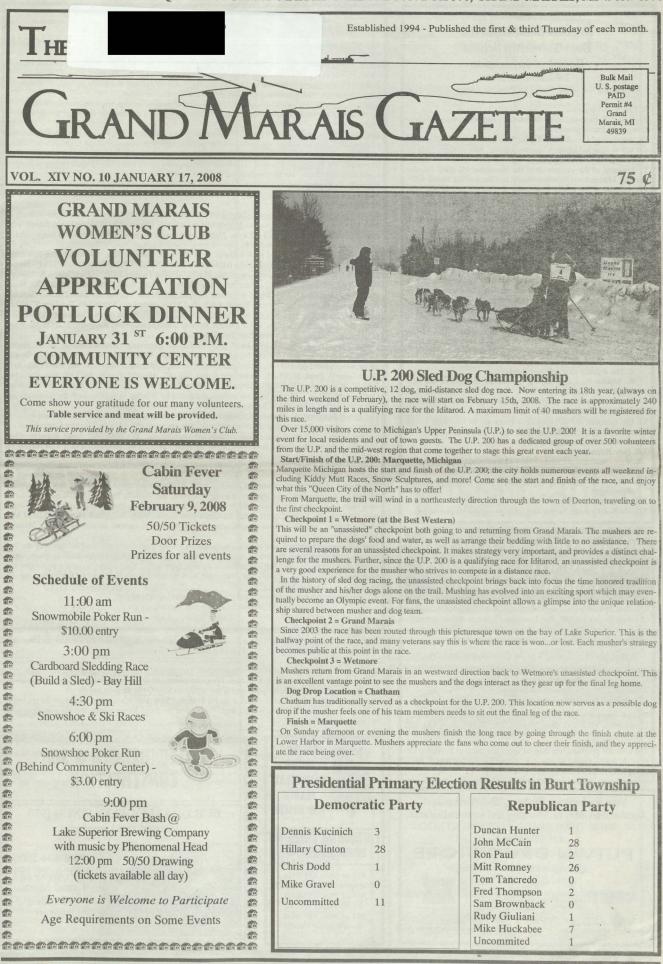
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#### Unofficial Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Burt Township School Board of Education December 10, 2007

I. The meeting was called to order by President Jeanette Bauknecht at 7:30 P.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call: Present: Baker, Bauknecht, Chamberlin, Gage, Kinlaw, Munger. Absent: Venturato

IV. Approval of agenda. Added under New Business; #1 Neola Policy and key to school. Motion to approve agenda with changes made by Gage, second by Baker. Passed 6-0

 V. Approval of the minutes from the November 12, 2007 Regular meeting. Motion made by Baker second by Chamberlain. Passed 6-0
VI. Students of the month were; High School: Kristine Blume, Elementary: Landon Stachnik

VII. There was no correspondence.

VIII. Superintendent's Report: The auction was a success with a \$600 profit for both the classes of 2011 and 2013 making a total profit of \$1200. The Senior class is making Christmas Wreaths. The basketball teams are doing well. The Christmas Program will be held Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. Hiawatha Phone will be checking our phone system to do some major updates. The class of 2007 left \$1500 (no class trip). It was decided to use the money for a big sign to go outside to tell about events happening at the school. Some of it will also go to spruce up the locker rooms. It has been mentioned that nothing on the Schools PA System works. Joe McDonald has new speakers donated by the Women's Club, the rest has been worked on. We need to get it finished, it should work well. The school is working with CERT to have a practice drill to know what to do if there is an emergency. **IX**. There was no public comment.

X. Business Items:

A. The deposits were acknowledged.

**B.** Motion by Gage, second by Kinlaw to approve the bills. Passed 6-0

C. Motion by Kinlaw, second by Gage to approve the Maresa balance sheet for 2007. Passed 6-0

XI. Old Business: We still don't have the money for the Power School Computer Program. Motion by Gage second by Kinlaw to table the Power School Program. Passed 6-0

XII. New Business:

A. First reading to set Neola Policy will be Wednesday, December 12 at 3:30 Chamberlin, Gage and Bauknecht to attend.

**B.** Gage will have a key to the school to be used for basketball scrimmages.

XIII. No public comment

XIV. Motion by Gage, second by Kinlaw to adjourn. Approved 6-0

### NOTICE OF BURT TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

The Burt Township Planning Commission is holding a Public Hearing on proposals to amend the Burt Township Ordinance. Public comments will be heard on February 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center concerning changes to Article X: Administration and Enforcement.

Change to the following sections will be discussed at the Public Hearing:

Article X Administration and Enforcement:

1. Section 1002: Administrative Standards and Procedures

2. Section 1006: Enforcement and Violation

3. Section 1304: Penalties and Remedies

Written comments will be received by the Burt Township Planning Commission, POB 430, Grand Marais, MI 49839 or by FAX (906) 494-2627.

The tentative proposed text may be viewed at the Burt Township Offices, E 21837, Grand Marais Ave., Grand Marais, MI 49839, Monday- Friday, 9 a.m. -12 noon and 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.



#### Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board January 8, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Jack Hubbard, Kay Wampler, L. Scott Wieting, Marc Oglevie; Lois Leavenworth Citizens: approx 20

Public Comment: Aleta Hubbard regarding article in Lakeland Boating and Munising News on the Harbor. Nancy Weston in regards to the CERT classes starting Monday, Jan 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Leavenworth, supported by Wieting to approve the agenda - 5 ayes Correspondence: One note from Pete Dame on the need for a sewer system.

<u>Approve Minutes</u>: Minutes of December 11 approved on <u>motion</u> by Oglevie, supported by Wieting -4 ayes, 1 abstain. Minutes of December 22 approved on <u>motion</u> by Leavenworth, supported by Oglevie -5 ayes.

**<u>Reports</u>**: Written report received from DPW/Water Dept and from Scott Wieting on the wellhead protection program, RLF, Rec committee and landfill closure project inspection. Assessor Susan Maki gave oral report on the status to date. Also requested an extension on the contract through the current board terms of office (November 08). <u>Motion</u> by Wampler to have Kirt Harmon draw up the extension – 5 ayes, <u>motion amended</u> to add have Jack (Supervisor Hubbard) sign if Okay – 5 ayes.

Supervisor's Report: Supervisor Hubbard reminded people of the court hearing on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. in Munising and asked that citizens attend. Reported on the new website under development for the Harbor effort and appropriations.

**Resignations/Hiring/Appointments:** Motion by Wampler, supported by Leavenworth to approve hiring of Jared Marshall as a firefighter – 5 ayes. Motion by Leavenworth, supported by Wampler to hire Joseph Venturato Sr. as Zoning Administrator – 5 ayes. Motion by Wampler, supported by Leavenworth to appoint Jim Siebert as an alternate on the Board of Review – 5 ayes.

Treasurers Report: Reconciled bank balances as of 01/04/08: General Fund \$18,006.14, Fire Protection \$7,923.73, Woodland Park \$3,210.85, Ambulance Corps \$24,273.90, Marina \$7668.32.14, Harbor \$23,774.52, RLF \$82,624.35, Improvement \$14,814.79, Medical Facility \$878.71, Fuel System \$13564.49, Water Op/Maintenance \$4415.82, Water Receiving \$5489.90, Water Bond Redemption \$27,223.50, Water Wellhead Protection \$100.00, Water – General Purpose \$6,120.29, Tax/Agency \$106,270.36. Savings: Beach Access \$8,757.17, Ambulance Trust \$28,445.75. CD's – Ambulance \$10,963.49, Fire Dept \$7,687.68 and 21,927.00, Harbor Fund \$21,927.00, \$13,142.84, and 22,815.29, Beach Access/Greenspace \$10,222.11, Water Bond Reserve 23,370.58, Water General Purpose \$10,000.00, Water Receiving \$12,835.38, Water supply system \$11,685.28, and Woodland Park \$10,311.83. Clerks Payment of bills: POST-Audit (Bills paid to be approved): General Fund \$8,337.95, Payroll \$12,009.26, Improvement \$2,385.92, Woodland Park \$53677.61, Water Operating \$1,568.64, Water Receiving \$12,009.76, Improvement \$2,385.92, Woodland Park \$53677.61, Water Operating \$1,568.64, Water Receiving \$12,009.76, Improvement \$2,385.92, Woodland Park \$53677.61, Water Operating \$1,568.64, Water Receiving \$12,009.76, Improvement \$2,385.92, Woodland Park \$53677.61, Water Operating \$1,568.64, Water Receiving \$12,009.76, Improvement \$2,385.92, Woodland Park \$53677.61, Water Operating \$1,568.64, Water Receiving \$12,009.76, Improvement \$2,385.92, Woodland Park \$53677.61, Water Operating \$1,568.64, Water Receiving \$12,009.76, Improvement \$2,385.92, Woodland Park \$53677.61, Water Operating \$1,568.64, Water Receiving \$12,009.76, Improvement \$2,385.92, Woodland Park \$53677.61, Water Operating \$1,568.64, Water Receiving \$1,568.64,

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Unfinished Business: A) Planning Commission Proposed Amendments: Attorney Kirt Harmon reviewed the proposed amendments and indicated no problems only one word change so the Planning Commission can proceed to the Public Hearing and steps to adopt the amendments. B) 2006/2007 Audit Report: Clerk Wampler indicated that we still have not received our audit report for the 2006/2007 Fiscal Year despite the letter sent last month, one email communication indicated he would take care of it but subsequent emails have not been responded to. Clerk Wampler requested permission to have the attorney send a letter with a 15 day deadline – board agreed.

<u>New Business</u>: A) Assessor Contract (See Reports). B) Fire Department Training (4 new firefighters): <u>Motion</u> by Leavenworth, supported by Wieting to approve the Training Request (\$10.00 per hour during class time, no mileage, Fire Pickup will be provided for transportation, starting in January through May, 2 days per week plus 1 Saturday per month for Christopher Purple, Shane Bugg, Josh Frazier, and Jared Marshall) – 5 ayes. <u>Motion</u> by Leavenworth, supported by Wieting to approve the bill for Training Materials \$341.76-5 ayes.

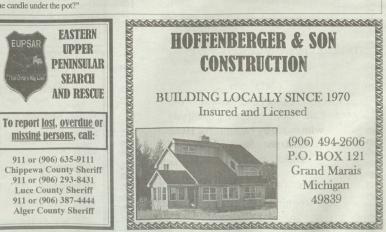
Public Comment: Supervisor Hubbard commented on a letter from Carl Levin's office regarding the Park Service desire to designate the Beaver Basin area as a wilderness and requested people to write letters opposing the designation. Evelyn Morrison requested we coordinate with a Veterinarian to come town to give vaccinations to cats and dogs – Sandee and Evelyn will work on it and let all dogs and cats know when the doctor will be in – possibly April.

Adjournment: Motion by Leavenworth to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m. Respectfully submitted, January 10, 2008: Kay L. Wampler, Clerk

These are the unapproved minutes of the January 8, 2008 regular meeting. Included in the body of these are all of the official actions taken by the Burt Township Board.

A circus owner walked into a bar to see everyone crowded around a table watching a little show. On the table was an upside down pot and a duck tap dancing on it. The circus owner was so impressed that he offered to buy the duck from its owner. After some wheeling and dealing they settled for \$10,000 for the duck and the pot

Three days later the circus owner runs back to the bar in anger, "Your duck is a rip-off! I put him on the pot before a whole audience and he didn't dance a single step!" "So?" asked the duck's former owner, "did you remember to light the candle under the pot?"



Jack

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#### **JANUARY 17, 2008**



I think we were all thinking the same thing. If it is going to be winter let it snow !! Finally, it has started to snow. Hopefully we can start to fill up the cabins and motels around here. Keep an eye on the SNO-Trails reports to find out the latest trail conditions

Thanks to all that wished me well during my recovery from emergency gall bladder surgery. The ambulance corps continued to do a great job and all turned out well. Kay pulled off writing Around the Bay. Secretly, I think she really enjoys doing it! Thanks again. Nadine gave my shop a face lift with a new coat of paint. Looks pretty

sharp. Talked with Nancy McDonald and all is well with her and Ira. She is putting together the EMT class for this spring. Anyone interested in attending get a hold of Lou Bailey. He will give you all the details.

Nancy Weston is putting on another CERT class so anyone interested get in contact with her. This class can help not only you in an emergency but the community.

Talked with Mom, Gerrie Bailey on the phone and she is doing well. She is staying busy visiting with Doctors. Good thing it is warm down there so she doesn't have to fight the snow.

Talked with Dick Casebeer. They are planning to come back to GM shortly after a warm vacation somewhere unknown. Sounds like fun! We are down to one animal now. Just our dog Sailor Boy. We had to put our cat, Madison down last week after battling with cancer.

The Sportsmans had a Taco and Margarita night last Thursday. That was fun and looks like many of the locals enjoyed the night too. Reminder: When out walking wear reflective tape or something so

drivers can spot you. Happy belated anniversary to Donna and Wally Parish. 65 years!

Happy birthday to Jon Brzys, Karen Brzys, George Kendall, John Dettwiler, Jenny (Morrison) Cooley, Wendy (Morrison) Sohl and John Morrison

Get well to Janet Ogden, & Nelmi Hermanson. Tutie Tornovish is or the mend and we are glad to hear it.

Until next time. See you Around the Bay. Keep on smiling .... Evie

Scaife - Rentmeester Rachel Scaife and in family, friends. tion Illinois.

Eddy Rentmeester were married December 22, 2007, Green Bay, Wisconsin. It was small but semigala affair .attended by close a few and a couple of Latin-American ambassadors. The newlyweds are recent graduates of Michigan Tech, and they are both working for Caterpillar Corporain Peoria,

Thank you to all of our Grand Marais friends for your prayers and thoughts during our son "Robbie" battle with injuries suffered in the auto accident in September. Your prayers helped keep him with us for awhile and for that we are eternally

grateful. Our love and thanks! Gene and Rosemary

It was a stormy night. A guy was driving in some mountain and his car broke down. He stopped it by a tree and walked down the highway looking for help. A headlight started to approach him from behind. He turned back and noticed a car coming forth very slowly. He walked up to it, opened the door, and sat on the passenger's seat. Then he suddenly notices that there was no driver, but the car was moving! Before the guy could decide what to do, a sharp turn appeared a few meters be fore the car and it seemed that the car was going to go off the cliff. The guy trembled in fright, but a pale hand came in from the open window and turned the steering wheel! When the car finished turning around the curve, the hand withdrew. Every time there was a turn, the same hand would come in and guide the wheels of the car to safety.

The guy could not believe all this. As soon as he saw the lights of some rest stop by the road he jumped off the car and ran into a bar, pale, wet, trembling, and telling everybody that he had a most creepy, super natural experience.

Then two young men dripping in mud came into the bar. One saw the guy and said, "Hey, that's the stupid fellow that got in our car while were pushing."

> In 2007 Fr. Joe's Mission

received \$3,500.00 from his Grand Marais friends.

If you would like to view the account ask at Peoples State Bank.



# **OBITUARIES**

**BEATRICE IRENE (KANE) PENEGOR** 



Through discomfort from end stage renal disease and congestive heart failure, Beatrice Irene (Kane) Penegor endured with a smile and sense of humor until her final day on January 4, 2008 at the Pine Crest Nursing Home in Merrill, WI. She was born in Aberdeen, WA on July 24, 1930 during the family's temporary relocation from Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Soon after her birth, the family returned to Grand Marais where Beatrice graduated from Burt Township High School in 1948 as class valedictorian. She moved to Detroit where she attended classes at Detroit Business College. After

marrying Earl Norman Penegor in 1951, she raised five children. In the mid-1970s, Beatrice returned to Grand Marais for a few years before moving to Merrill, WI where she was manager of Jumpin Jerry's for 14 years. She is preceded in death by her father Edward Kane, mother Elvie (Hill/Kane) Richards, step father Harold Richards, brother Ernest Kane, former husband Earl Penegor, and son Barry Penegor. Beatrice is survived by her children Karen Brzys, Sharon Hurst (husband Don), Sandra Penegor, Diana Mavis (husband Wayne), and Doug Penegor as well as her brother Doug Kane (wife Lynne), 9 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. Visitation was on January 11, 2008 from 5 to 7 pm at the Taylor Stine Funeral Home, 903 E Third St, Merrill, WI, phone 715-536-6244. A Memory Service took place at 6 pm. Memorial contributions can be sent to the American Diabetes Association, Memorial & Honor Program, PO Box 11454, Alexandria, VA 22312, phone: 1–800– DIABETES (mention Beatrice Penegor). After her near fatal heart attack in 1989, Beatrice had 19 additional years of positive attitude living and would want all those who knew her, as well as those who did not, to live each day with joy and happiness.

#### **ROBERT LOUIS GARDNER**



Robert Louis Gardner (born June 19, 1962) of Dunnellon, FL, son of Gene and Rosemary (Hebert) Duranseau, Grand Marais, MI and Ocala, FL and husband of Susan Gardner, passed away at Munroe Regional Hospital in Ocala, Florida on January 11, 2008.

"Robbie" fought a long hard battle with complications of diabetes worsened by an auto accident on Sept. 19, 2007. He is now with our Lord and loved ones that have gone before him, including his Grandparents Marguerite Hebert and Earl and Clara Gardner.

Rob leaves behind his wife Susan Gardner and two children, Tyler Cavileer, Tara (Carl) Frost and mother-in-law Lottie Fournier. His parents Gene and Rosemary (Hebert) Duranseau, sister Theresa L. Gardner in Traverse City, MI, step-sister Denise (Greg) Fields in St. Petersburg, FL, step-brothers Robert A. (Karen) Duranseau in Ocala, FL, Michael Duranseau in Traverse City, MI, Gene Duranseau in St. Louis, MO. His brother-in-law Tony (Sharon) Fournier in Colorado Springs, CO, many loving aunts and uncles, cousins, nephews and nieces

Rob had the kind of personality that kept you smiling with his quick wit and ready smile. He was a hard worker and very giving man who was happy to do anything for those he cared for. Rob retired early from Otis Elevator Company and he was especially proud of his time as President of the Keltics in Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. Rob will be dearly missed by many.

It is the wish of his family that should you so wish, please make a donation to the Diabetes Association in his honor.

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**Get Going:** Burt Twp. Ambulance Corps volunteers work in their own community, helping : neighbors and visitors in time of need. It's a great feeling – just ask a corps member.

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#### From the Pastor's Desk: Pastor Stephen Post Grand Marais Mennonite Church

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

If we accept Jesus as our personal Savior, He will truly change our hearts and lives. No calendar can do this. No New Year's resolutions can do this. Only through Christ can we have anew and eternal life.

Two guys met in the middle of the desert. One was carrying a car door, the other an umbrella. The one with the car door said to the guy with the umbrella, "Why are you carrying that umbrella around. It isn't going to rain in the desert." To which the guy with the umbrella replies, "Yeah", but it keeps me out of the sun! By the way, why are you carrying around that car door? You don't even have a car to go with it" The guy with the car door says. "Yeah, well at least if I get too hot from the sun I can just roll down the window!"

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Although I don't understand why Iowa and New Hampshire are considered so important in the primaries, they certainly have made this year's primary very interesting. They also show how polls and political reporters can be dead wrong. After Obama's sizable victory in Iowa and Clinton's third place finish it seemed as though almost all the "experts" pretty much buried Clinton's chances and predicted a landslide victory for Obama in New Hampshire. Several months ago the same "experts" said McCain was dead in the water. Well the voters of New Hampshire told these "experts" that the voters make the decision; not the press. I have noticed that there is a lot less predicting going on this week. I certainly hope that all the other states follow suit. The media have been fairly honest about the fact that they screwed up on their New Hampshire guesses but I seriously doubt that they will learn anything from their screw up. Unless Edwards pulls off a big surprise, a woman or a black will be nominated to be the Asses' candidate for President. There are no doubt many votes against Clinton because she ain't a he, and Obama because he is a black. I think that they will pretty much even out the prejudice vote. One pundit made this pretty clear when he said that people might say they are voting for a candidate regardless of the candidate's sex or color. However when they get into the voting booth where no one knows how they vote, the prejudice will take

As I write this the Michigan primary is in the future; as you read this it is in the past. The pundits are calling for a close race in the elephant contest and the asses race won't mean much because neither Obama nor Edwards is listed on the Democrats' ballot. That doesn't much matter to me because I won't vote for any ass candidate. I will probably vote for John McCain on the elephant ballot. I don't like his stance on Iraq nor illegal aliens but I do believe that he is upfront and honest, a rare quality for a politician. He also served our country in the Navy and went through a Hell most of us can't imagine as a POW in Vietnam. Maybe with a Veteran in the White House this country will stop giving its Veterans lip service.

It was good to see so many people show up in court last Thursday to support the township in its defense of the law suit that John Underhill brought against our township. There were 20 or so community members who took the time and expense to travel to Munising to give the township support; I am aware of no one there to support Underhill. From what I heard of the hearing, which was't much due to soft voices and my bad ears, and what people who could hear it told me, the township, represented by township attorney Harmon, prevailed completely. I sure hope that this ends Underhill's battle with our township and that our Township Board can concentrate on items and issues important to the residents of this community.

The economists are getting concerned about the probable recession now referred to as the "R" word. Hell, Michigan won't even know the difference; we've been in one for at least the past eight years. The national recession is already in effect although the economy hasn't reaches all the benchmarks that are required to have an "official" recession. The crash of the housing market that was bound to happen has put several huge financial institutions in major danger of bankruptcy. Our government is left with no choice but to bail out the banks and other financial institutions at

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the cost of the taxpayer; not to do so would spell disaster for the whole country-except for those who have profited big time from their own mismanagement. Sounds just like the Savings & Loan debacle: I heard that a CEO of one of these financial giants received \$100 million last year for his salary, bonus and severance pay; you and I will help keep his company afloat but he will keep his \$100 million. The economy was already the number one concern of the country. If we go into a full-fledged recession Bill Clinton's campaign motto, ("fit's the economy stupid!") will become the battle cry of all the candidates. Romney and probably all the rest will be telling us that they will get the good jobs, that Bush sent overseas, back to Michilem.

While Bush and his warmongers are making a case to invade Iran. North Korea has failed to meet the De cember 31, 2007 deadline for making their nuclear capabilities and programs, including past ones, and open book. I have said many timers that Kim Jong II was a maniac on a level or two above Sadam Insane and that Iranian leaders aren't in the same ballpark. Georgie Boy, who got used to a rubber stamp congress during his first six years can't believe that anyone would have the gall to cross him so he wants the UN to put tougher sanctions on North Korea. Isn't this the same Georgie who railed about sanctions being useless when he wanted to invade Iraq? Of course the man whose soul Georgie boy looked into, Putin has voiced major objectives and China has gone along with Putin. Maybe, just maybe if Georgie boy used a little diplomacy and stopped trying to buy allies and quit trying to tell the world how they should live, the USA just might have fewer diplomatic problems. The good news is that we have only about a year more of Georgie boy. The bad news is that even if a good president is elected it will take years to fix the mess that Georgie boy created.

And finally. First I must admit another case of oldtimers disease. I forgot to mention my mother's (Grannie Annie) 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday in my last article; her birthday was January 8. My brothers and sisters threw a birthday party for her and combined it with welcome home party for my nephew Jeff. Jeff, his wife and their twins were in Chilton on a vacation from Russia where Jeff is assigned by his employer. I am sad that I was unable to be there to see them but I didn't want to drive 250 miles by myself and there was no way that Sherri could stand the trip. I am sure that my city of birth was having a celebration Saturday as the Packers won their playoff game against the Seahawks. Unless you lived in Green Bay you have no idea how the Packers performance affects the mood of that city. They will be celebrating until the game against Jacksonville for the NFC championship; if they win that one the city will go absolutely bonkers. I ain't predicting anything, last weekend I was 2 & 2, but I will be rooting for the Packers. I made it to Munising to see my Granddaughter Lizzard play basketball. She did quite well and her team beat Munising. Pug is the coach of the team and has the girls playing well as a team. Doc was there too but was with some friends so I didn't see much of her, she did come down to say hi to me and I got a hug before I left. Poo, Hoo & Too came over for the weekend. They did some sledding and Poo helped do some housework. They had to leave early Sunday so Too could get to a birthday party.

And finally, finally. It surely doesn't look promising for getting our troops home. Too many warmongers in our government. Although I hope things will get better, I won't plan on it. Keep our troops in your thoughts and prayers and tell our federal and state governments that you are not going to put up with anymore lip service for their care.

Until next issue. Hungry Jim

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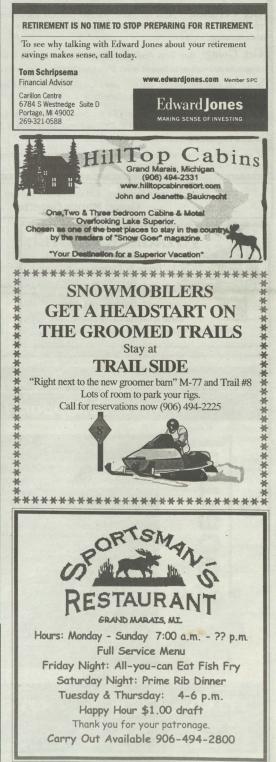
A farm boy accidentally overturned his wagonload of com. The farmer who lived nearby heard the noise and yelled over to the boy, "Hey Willis forget your troubles. Come in and visit with us. Til help you get the wagon up later."

"That's mighty nice of you," Willis answered, "but I don't think Pa would like me to."

"Aw come on boy," the farmer insisted. "Well okay," the boy finally agreed, and added, "but Pa won't like it." After a hearty dinner, Willis thanked his host. "I feel a lot better now, but I know Pa is going to be real upset."

"Don't be foolish!" the neighbor said with a smile. "By the way, where is he?"

"Under the wagon."



#### **JANUARY 17, 2008**

#### **GRAND MARAIS GAZETTE**

Psychologists have discovered that the manner in which people eat Oreo cookies provides great insight into their personalities. Choose which method best describes your favorite method of eating Oreos: 1. The whole thing all at once.

2. One bite at a time.

3. Slow and methodical nibbles examining the results of each bite afterwards.

- 4. In little feverous nibbles.
- 5. Dunked in some liquid (milk, coffee...).
- 6. Twisted apart, the inside, then the cookie.7. Twisted apart, the inside, and toss the cookie.

8. Just the cookie, not the inside.

9. I just like to lick them, not eat them.

10.I don't have a favorite way because I don't like Oreos.

#### Your Personality:

 The whole thing: This means you consume life with abandon, you are fun to be with, exciting, carefree with some hint of recklessness. You are totally irresponsible. No one should trust you with his or her children.

 One bite at a time: You are lucky to be one of the 5.4 billion other people who eat their Oreos this very same way. Just like them, you lack imagination, but that's okay, not to worry, you're normal.
Slow and Methodical: You follow the rules. You're very tidy and

3. Stow and Methodical: You tollow the rules. You're very tidy and orderly. You're very meticulous in every detail with every thing you do to the point of being anal retentive and irritating to others. Stay out of the fast lane if you're only going to go the speed limit.

4. Feverous Nibbles: Your boss likes you because you get your work done quickly. You always have a million things to do and never enough time to do them. Mental breakdowns and suicides run in your family. Valium and Ritalin would do you good.

5. Dunked: Every one likes you because you are always up beat. You like to sugar coat unpleasant experiences and rationalize bad situations into good ones. You are in total denial about the shambles you call a life. You have a propensity towards narcotic addiction.

6. Twisted apart, the inside, and then the cookie: You have a highly curious nature. You take pleasure in breaking things apart to find out how they work, though not always able to put them back together, so you destroy all the evidence of your activities. You deny your involvement when things go wrong. You are a compulsive liar and exhibit deviant, if not criminal, behavior.

7. Twisted apart, the inside, and then toss the cookie: You are good at business and take risk that pay off. You take what you want and throw the rest away. You are greedy, selfish, mean, and lack feelings for others. You should be ashamed of yourself. But that's ok, you don't care, you got yours.

8. Just the cookie, not the inside: You enjoy pain.

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9. I just like to lick them, not eat them: Stay away from small furry animals and seek professional medical help - immediately.

10. I don't have a favorite way, I don't like Oreos: You probably come from a rich family, and like to wear nice things, and go to upscale restaurants. You are particular and fussy about the things you buy, own, and wear. Things have to be just right. You like to be pampered. You are a prissy.

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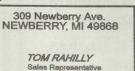
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### **BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DECEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**





#### **Jordan Bugg**

The Student of the Month for December for elementary grades is Jordan Bugg. Jordan is in Kindergarten and is the son of Shane and Jackie Bugg of Grand Marais. Jordan's favorite subjects are Math and gym class. He loves to play soccer and loves to play with his friends. Future plans for Jordan are "to become a soccer player and something else but I'm still thinking about it".

**Charlotte Bodak** For secondary grades, the December Student of the Month is Charlotte Bodak. Charlotte is the daughter of Mike and Penny Bodak of Grand Marais. Charlotte is an 11th grader and favorite subjects include Alpha and English Lit. Charlotte is involved in Basketball and Vollevball and she has interests in music, photography and biology. Future plans for Charlotte are to graduate in 2009 and attend college to further her education

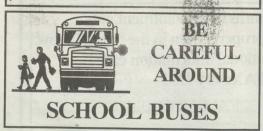
Creativity is allowing oneself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep. -- Scott Adams American Cartoonist

### SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER BY: Penny Barney

We're back at the books now that Holiday Break is over and this week marks the end of our 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the school year. We are now antici-pating the second half of the year and how quickly it has arrived! We hope the holidays were well enjoyed by everyone and send our best wishes to you for a great 2008.

One of our primary goals this school year is to develop a culture of courtesy, respect and dignity, bringing a sense of pride into our school. While we have not met our goal completely, we are proud of the progress we have made up to this point. Hopefully the second semester will take our goal to the next level. We have implemented school norms that will need to be revisited from time to time to keep them fresh in everyone's minds. With the help of the community, we can further impress the virtues of courtesy, respect and dignity into our culture

How can the community help, you may ask? First and foremost, mod-eling appropriate behavior helps. We all know the old adage of "treat others the way you wish to be treated yourself". When we treat people the way we want to be treated, it sends out a positive message stating "no matter how you want to treat me, I will always treat you in the same respectful manner which we all deserve". The result will likely produce more people treating others respectfully. There are many more things people can do to help. Simply by being supportive of our events holding each other accountable for our actions and following through with consequences, being helpful and kind to our kids, friends and neighbors all set the precedence for what it takes to have a culture of courtesy, respect and dignity. Let this be our new year's resolution: to consciously work toward treating others the way we want to be treated ourselves and remember that everyone has a past, a present filled with hopes and dreams and a future that can be even brighter if we all do our part and lend a hand.



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### **BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS ALGER COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

### **FILING DEADLINE FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION POSITICNS**

A candidate who wishes to seek a position on the Burt Township School Board of Education must file a nominating petition and an Affidavit of Identity no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 13, 2008. The number of signatures required on the nominating petition is 20. A non-refundable \$100.00 filing fee may be submitted in lieu of a petition.

The regular school election will be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2008. Three positions on the Burt Township School Board of Education will be filled at the election. All positions are four (4) year terms, ending June 30, 2012.

Petitions and affidavit forms can be obtained at the office of Burt Township School District, 27 Colwell Street, Grand Marais, Michigan. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

# 2007-2008 Grand Marais **Polar Bear**

### Girls & Boys Basketball Schedule

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Friday, January 18	Grand Marais @ Hannahville	6:00 P.M.
Saturday, January 19	Grand Marais @ Hannahville	9:00 A.M.
Tuesday, January 22	Ojibwe @ Grand Marais	5:00 P.M.
Friday, February 1	Mackinac Island @ Grand Marais	5:30 P.M.
Saturday, February 2	Mackinac Island @ Grand Marais	9:00 A.M.
Friday, February 15	Grand Marais @ Paradise	5:00 P.M.
Saturday, February 16	Grand Marais @ Paradise	9:00 A.M.
Friday, February 22	Beaver Island @ Grand Marais	5:30 P.M.
	Beaver Island @ Grand Marais	9:00 A.M.
Tuesday, February 19	Grand Marais @ Engadine JV	6:00 P.M.
Friday, February 29	NLL Tournament @ T.B.A.	T.B.A.
Saturday, March 1	NLL Tournament @ T.B.A.	T.B.A.

Note: J.V. and/or Girls Basketball games will be played first, followed by the Boys Varsity. Additional non-league games may be added later. Dates and start times T.B.A.

### **BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL**

ebruary 18	NO SCHOOL
arch 7	Spring Carnival
arch 17-24	NO SCHOOL Spring Break
arch 25	School Resumes
arch 27	Athletic Banquet - 6 p.m.
pril 2&3	Parent Teacher Conferences
pril 28	Excellence in Education Week
pril 28	NO SCHOOL
ay 9	Prom
ay 26	NO SCHOOL- Memorial Day
ay 29	Last Day of School
ay 31	Graduation @ 2:00 p.m.
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Month Thank you: Sponsors. Thank you for donating all of the certificates for Student of the Month. I really appreciate it and will enjoy them. Thanks again. Charlotte Bodak

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## TOWNSHIP SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Thursday, January 17 Fish Sticks - Tater Tots - Com/ Applesauce - Jell-O w/Fruit

Friday, January 18 Nachos - Apple - Cheerio Bars Monday, January 19

Hamburger Gravy - Mashed Po-tatoes - Mixed Vegetables/Pears -Butterscotch Pudding

Tuesday, January 21 BB-Q Chicken - Baked Beans Carrots - Mixed Fruit

Wednesday, January 22 Ravioli - Roll - Corn/Peaches Applesauce Cake

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Thursday, January 23 Chicken Sandwich - French Fries - Peas - Applesauce

Friday, January 24 Chili - Roll - Pears - Jell-O Monday, January 28

Macaroni & Cheese - Mixed Vegetables - Mixed Fruit Tuesday, January 29

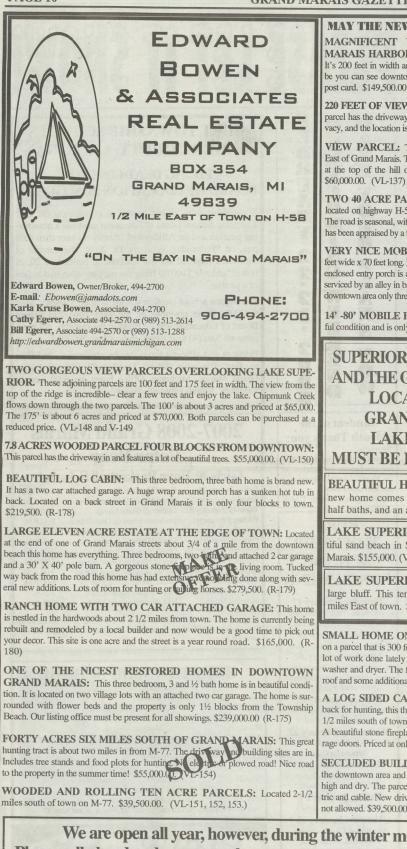
Hot Dogs - Baked Beans - Corn/ Peaches - Cake

Wednesday, January 30 Ham - Scalloped Potatoes - Green Beans - Applesauce

Thursday, January 31 Hamburgers - Pasta Salad - Carrots/Pears - Chocolate Pudding

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#### **GRAND MARAIS GAZETTE**



#### MAY THE NEW YEAR BRING YOU JOY AND HAPPINESS 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)

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)

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)

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)

VERY NICE MOBILE HOME ON A VILLAGE LOT: This mobile home is 16 feet wide x 70 feet long. Most mobile's are only 14' wide, this is very special. An additional new enclosed entry porch is along side and features a beautiful hot tub. The lot is extra deep and is serviced by an alley in back. A storage shed is located off the alley. Located in the center of the downtown area only three blocks from the public beach. \$69,500. plus hot tub (R-181)

14' -80' MOBILE HOME ON A 180' WIDE LOT: This 1991 home is in beautiful condition and is only four blocks from downtown. \$59,500. (R-185)

### 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.

**BEAUTIFUL HOME ON 223 FEET OF SAND BEACH:** This new home comes with all the furniture. Three bedrooms, two and one-half baths, and an attached two car garage. \$595,000. (RW-187)

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: a 0 report for finite beach with no large bluff. This ten acre parcel is located superior Dunes Development 9 miles East of town. \$150,000.00. (VW-141) Lot #14

SMALL HOME ONE MILE SOUTH OF GRAND MARAIS: This house sits on a parcel that is 300 feet on a year round road, and h 21) feet deep. The house has had a lot of work done lately such as: new electric or ice had wiring, new plumbing with new washer and dryer. The foundation a previous of the m good condition. The home still needs a roof and some additional maintenance work. \$68,500. (R-165)

A LOG SIDED CABIN WITH LARGE POLE B. RN: Wow with 36 acres in back for hunting, this three bedroom, one bath hom is ne. led in the pine trees on M-77 1 1/2 miles south of town. The house has had a to be tradeling including a new full bath. A beautiful stone fireplace is in the hump oom. The pole barn is new with two large garage doors. Priced at only \$119,500. (KT/6)

SECLUDED BUILDING LOT IN GRAND MARASS located four blocks from the downtown area and public beach, this property features in a hardwood trees which are high and dry. The parcel is 150 feet by 250 feat an fronts in a year round road with electric and cable. New driveway is in, sep. The set as approved. Residential mobile homes not allowed. \$39,500.00 (VL-141)

We are open all year, however, during the winter months by appointment only. Please call ahead and we can make arrangements to show property even in the "deep" snow. Please call for an update on new listings. For additional information call: Ed Bowen, owner/broker at 494-2700. FAX: 494-2353 GRAND MARAIS -----THE WHOLE POINT OF ALGER COUNTY!





