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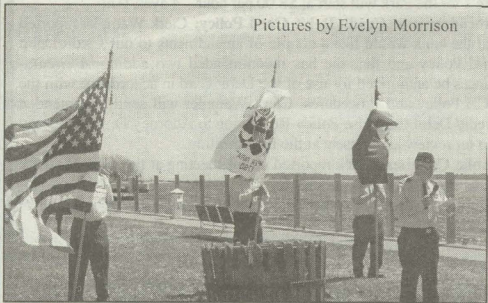
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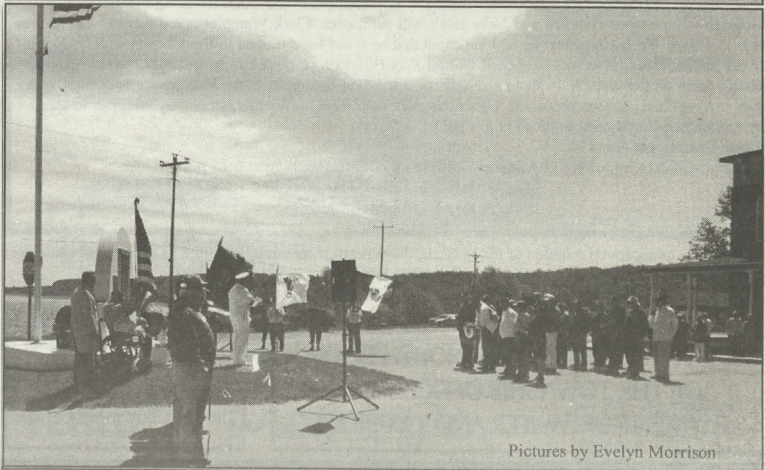
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MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES 2009



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Community Yard Sale, June 20

The Giant Community Yard Sale will return on Saturday, June 20th. We'll accept donations starting at 9 a.m., the sale will run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and all leftover "stuff" will be taken to the Dump Day location. This is one of our most successful fundraisers, and everybody wins! You clear out stuff you don't want, come find some treasures you DO want, and the Historical Society raises funds. Save your no-longer-needed items for us! A tax donation receipt is available for you if you like.

Burt Township's Clean Up Days

June 19TH and 20TH

10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. each day

@ the Recycle Center on M-77
No Contractor Debris, Tires or Batteries or
Household Garbage

Monache Sanitation will take Metal, Washers &
Dryers (motors disconnected), Refrigerators &
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Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board

May 15, 2009, 4:00 p.m.

Attendance: Jack Hubbard, L. Scott Wieting, Marc Oglevie, Lois Leavenworth, Kay Wampler.

Citizens: approx 10

Public Comment: Nadine Bailey regarding Park Manager position.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion offered by Leavenworth, second by Wieting to approve the agenda with addition of Posting Employee Positions, Grants under New Business items F & G - 5 ayes

Correspondence: Several pieces of correspondence were received. 1) Request received from Friends of Pam Scaife to plant a tree in Woodland Park in her memory with a plaque. They also requested assistance from the township for placement and digging the hole — Motion offered by Leavenworth, second by Wampler to approve the request — 5 ayes. 2) The Decision from the Attorney Discipline Board was received dismissing our complaint. 3) Two letters received from the Great Lakes Sea Kayak Symposium — one requesting use of the stage behind the Community Center on Saturday, July 18 from 9:00 pm to 12:00 midnight for a live band with an open invitation to the community to enjoy as an exception to the Noise Ordinance — Motion offered by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve the request — 5 ayes. The second letter was requesting permission to add use of flares in the Kayak Safety training on Friday July 17 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. — Jack sent a letter authorizing their request as it has been allowed in the past. 4) Sally Brooks requested use of the Green Space for a memorial party for Ernie on August 1, 2009 from 3:00 pm until 11:00 pm serving alcoholic beverages — Motion offered by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve the request. Discussion over use of green space, bandstand and agate beach boardwalk concluded in a general consensus that they should be added to our community center rental contract for reservation purposes to avoid conflicts in use with no charge or security deposit required by residents. 5) Grossman Forestry Company requested an extension on the timber sale administration agreement for one tract until January 2, 2011 which Supervisor Hubbard had signed and returned last week.

Approve Minutes: Motion offered by Wieting, second by Leavenworth to approve Minutes of April 14 and May 1, 2009 with amendment to April 14 to indicate Fitness Center Membership to be for one year — 4 ayes, 1 abstain.

Department Reports: Written reports received from Mike Beek for the Water and DPW and from Sheri Shafer for the Woodland Park and Marina. Report from Library was read by Nikki Darrow of the Friends of the Library. Some complaints and one request was referred to the Water Advisory Board for resolution; meeting to be held on Friday (May 22) at 4:00 p.m. at the township office. Resignations/Hiring/Appointments: Motion offered by Leavenworth, second by Wampler to accept Ronnie Wissinger's resignation from the Ambulance Corps with regrets — 5 ayes. Application received from Heidi Fishburn if any departments are in need of workers.

Supervisor's Report: Supervisor reported on the Small Harbor Coalition going Great Lakes wide, Senator Levin appropriation request for dredging and adding infrastructure for our harbor. He also reported about his conversations with Fish and Wildlife about the biological studies for the breakwall and they are now working with the Corps of Engineers.

Treasurer Report and Payment of bills: Motion offered Treasurer Report and Payment of bills: Motion offered by Wieting, second by Leavenworth to approve both the post-audit and bill sheet with additions for Susan Maki & ZBA Members — 5 ayes. Treasurer Report, Bill Sheet and Post Audit Reports are available for inspection. Motion offered by Wieting, second by Wampler to pay off the current water bonds/loan with Rural Development on the water system — 5 ayes. (The interest rates on the Water Fund CDs have fallen to half or less of the interest rate we are paying out on the loan. Additionally, we are now showing too much surplus for rural developments liking to fund a new water project. So, the bonds will be paid off roughly 10 years early out of the accumulated CDs and other accounts (except the meter CD) as they come to maturity or before if the cost doesn't outweigh the benefit of breaking them early.)

Unfinished Business: A) Ginop Sales — New Equipment Quote(s) — Update on financing: Jack spoke with the bank and they would be willing to loan us \$49,041.69 at around 4 to 5%. The supervisor will set up a Special Electors meeting to get approval. B) Wellhead Protection — Engineer — Update: Jack discussed with Bruce Hawkinson and will discuss with another engineer. C) Revisit — Chamber of Commerce Request from April 14th meeting: Motion offered by Wieting, second by Leavenworth to approve the Chambers request to erect a 24 X 32 Ft. frame structure on a concrete slab on the M-77 property for storage of Chamber property — 5 ayes. (Steve Bell will coordinate with Jack Hubbard and Mike Beek on the placement of the building to avoid conflicting use of space.) D) Amendment to Credit/Debit Card Policy — Update: Clerk Wampler sent the proposed amendments to Robb Ferguson for review and he indicated that the policy needed to be rewritten to meet statute — he has dictated the new policy but his secretary won't get to in time for this meeting. E) Tree Removals & Replacements including Stump Removal: Jack and Shane Bugg will get in touch of people to get this done. F) RLF - Bauknecht request (added at the end of the meeting) — John and Jeanette Bauknecht requested amending their RLF contract payment schedule to six payments of \$1000 each from June through November each year for 4 years with a final balloon payment of approximately \$18,000 at the end — Motion offered by Wampler, second by Wieting to approve the request — 5 ayes. Jack will work with MEDC to get the new contract and amortization schedule written.

New Business: A) Proposed Letterhead changes with ADA requirements for Rural Development Grant — Motion offered by Wieting, second by Leavenworth to approve the new letterhead layout — 5 ayes. B) Lickety Split/Gage Water Rate Request: Referred to Water Advisory Board. C) Marina Opening Date Clarification: Clerk Wampler wanted clarification as to when the Marina officially opens — when boaters are able to launch — Transient Date is set by the State. D) Fire Fee Ordinance: Motion offered by Wampler, second by Wieting to remove the rates from the fire fee ordinance and put them with our policy sheet for easier amendment - 5 ayes. E) Sidewalk replacements for 2009: Replacement of the sidewalk along the greenspace was discussed - Supervisor Hubbard and Mike Beek will get quotes. Clerk Wampler noted that she had spoken with Tim Swift/Wolf Creek and he had indicated that he could have it done in time for 4th of July. F) Employee Hiring/Postings: It was suggested that all Park Positions be posted in March for 2 weeks, including posting them on the website — there was a lot of discussion over posting the Park Manager position every year — no official decision was made. G) Grants: Motion offered by Wieting, second by Wampler to approve the Ambulance Corps grant application for AED's — 5 ayes.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Motion offered by Leavenworth to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, May 20, 2009:

Kay L. Wampler, Clerk

These are the unapproved minutes of the May 15, 2009 regular meeting. Included in the body of these are all of the official actions taken by the Burt Township Board.

THE BURT TOWNSHIP OFFICE
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cemetery please contact
the Burt Township Office.

Special Meeting of the Burt Township Board

May 1, 2009, 10:00 a.m.

Attendance: Jack Hubbard, L. Scott Wieting, Kay Wampler, Lois Leavenworth, Jim Seibert-Deputy Treasurer. Absent & excused: Treasurer Marc Oglevie.

Citizens: 2

Public Comment: None.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Leavenworth, second by Wampler to approve the agenda as submitted. 4 ayes, 0 no

ZBA - Appointments: Motion by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve appointments of Fred DesJardin and Chuck Wittenberg on the Zoning Board of Appeals — 4 ayes, 0 no.

Woodland Park - New Hire(s): Motion by Wampler, second by Scott Wieting to approve Jack's (Supervisor Hubbard's) recommendation to hire Dore Stevens in the Park starting at \$11.00 beginning Monday, May 4th — 4 ayes, 0 no (Jack interviewed Dore Stevens and Nadine Bailey for the Park Manager position. Dore will be groomed for the position on a 2 week trial with a review at the end of the two weeks; Sheri Shafer will remain Park Manager until further notice.) Motion by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve Shirlee Caldwell for hire in the park as needed to start at \$8.00 and all other new hire's for the Park will start at \$8.00 per hour — 4 ayes, 0 no.

Amendment to Credit/Debit Card Policy: Clerk Wampler reported that the bank would like a couple of amendments to our Credit/Debit Card Policy and that she has recommended two additional circumstances be authorized for use of the Debit Card in accordance with the ACH Policy and Procedures. Clerk Wampler will send the amended Credit/Debit Card Use Policy Resolution to Attorney D. Robb Ferguson for review and present at the next meeting.

Public Comment: Jack reported on his meeting at the MEDC - RLF yesterday and the new policies for RLF funds.

Adjournment: Motion by Leavenworth to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, May 1, 2009:
Kay L. Wampler, Clerk

BURT TOWNSHIP LAND USE STATUS 2009

Name	Zone	Approved	Use
Lawless, Mike	C-1	05/11/09	Roof
Gusler, John	SD/TP-IBZ	pend /ZBA	Sand Removal
Wittenberg, C	R-1	05/11/09	Shop
Hunt, Aaron	Bay	05/05/09	Garage
Hurlin, Ken	R-1	pend	Trailer
Wilson, Rich	C-2	05/12/09	Garage/House
Hebert, Al	R-2	05/02/09	Storage
Fierstine, Jeffery	LS/R	05/26/09	Cabin/Garage
Cold Springs Forestry	RP	05/26/09	Barrow Pit
Whittingham, John	R-1	05/26/09	Storage
Rowe, Carl	R-1	pend/ZBA	Trailer Location

BURT TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING JUNE 18, 2009 6 P.M. COMMUNITY CENTER

The Board has received a request for a variance from Carl and Carol Rowe, concerning property zoned "R-1", parcel # 002-106-017-24, located in Section 6, Township 49 N, R13 West. This request is to protest the allowance of trailers in this area.

Copies of the Burt Township Zoning Ordinance and map may be viewed at the Township Offices, located at E21837 Grand Marais Ave., Grand Marais, MI. Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Written comments will be received by the Burt Township Zoning Board of Appeals, POB 430, Grand Marais, MI 49833—or by FAX (906) 494-2627

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OBSTETRICS	Family Practice	June 4, 18
	Residency/OB	
ONCOLOGY	Dr. Acharya	June 5, 19
<i>(Cancer treatments including Chemotherapy)</i>		
OPHTHALMOLOGY	Dr. Garrett	(Surgery Only)
<i>(Afternoon Only)</i>	Dr. Ulrickson	June 9
	*1-800-628-3333	
ORTHOPEDIC	Dr. T. Phillips	Tuesday's & Thursdays
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TUESDAY JUNE 8
Swedish Meatballs - Mashed Potatoes - Corn - Peaches

MONDAY JUNE 15
Glazed Ham Slices - Sweet Potatoes - Steamed Mixed Vegetables - Spiced Apple Rings

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



U.S. Flag Disposal

On the 4th of July around 4:00 p.m., the Burt Township Veterans will hold their 5th annual proper disposal of our flag. A public address system announcer will keep everyone advised of the progress of the ceremony. If you have a flag that is damaged please contact us for disposal.

We are still looking for more members. See Gee Petruske or Chuck Cardinal, for more information.

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7 WDIY--Detroit (NBC)	30	Lifetime
8 WTBS--Atlanta, GA	31	Sci-Fi Channel
9 CNN--Cable News Network	32	TV Land
10 Fox Sports Detroit	33	FAM--The Family Channel
11 ESPN 2	34	Home & Garden
12 ESPN--Ent. Sports Network	35	Hallmark
13 WNMU--Marquette PBS	36	Home Shopping
14 The Movie Channel... Premium	37	QVC--Shopping Channel
15 TNT--Turner Network TV	38	C-Span
16 WXYZ--Detroit (ABC)	39	CBS - Country Music Videos
17 A&E-Arts & Entertainment	40	The History Channel
18 The Discovery Channel	41	FOX News
19 WMQF 19 Marquette (Fox)	42	Court TV
20 Outdoor Channel	43	The Disney Channel
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23 CNBC	46	Speed Network
24 PAX	47	Comedy Channel

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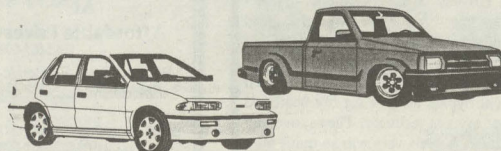
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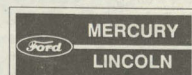
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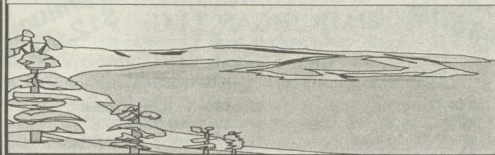


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AROUND THE BAY: BY EVELYN MORRISON



The holiday weekend was busy in Grand Marais. Many camps were being opened, lawns getting mowed, and families getting together after a long winter.

The Historical Society had their annual plant sale in the green space. Plant expert Nancy McDonald was there to answer gardening questions. The Historical Society also has a new book out. It is put together very well with lots of old photos. Don't forget the yard sale coming up on June 20th and the silent auction over the 4th of July.

Big dump day is also coming up June 19th and 20th. This is a great service the township provides.

The Grand Marais Women's Club had a successful Venison Dinner at the Community Center a few weeks ago. In May the Women's Club elected a new president, Judy Kaye is now president. Mary Alice Johnson steps down to enjoy some traveling this winter. She assures us she will still be a part of Women's Club. Thank you Mary Alice for all your hard work throughout the years.

The Memorial Service at the monument and the marina were very nice, as usual, this year.

The 4th Annual Grand Marais Garden Tour and Art Fair will be June 27th.

As we all have been reading in the paper the school is having financial difficulties. We are not the only school to suffer from lack of students. This is happening all over and when numbers go down unfortunately jobs have to be eliminated. Hopefully the teachers that lost their positions here will be able to find other employment.

In for a fast weekend was our daughter, Wendy and hubby, Steven Sohl, along with children Johnny, Evan, and Charlie. They enjoyed riding the Papa's back hoe and helping dump compost in the garden.

Pat Audette from IL. is in staying in her summer home. It was nice to see her.

Graduation was a tear jerker this year. Why is it people cry at weddings and graduations? It certainly isn't a sad event. Speaker Louis Bailey did a fine job. It was very touching and though I didn't know some of the graduates you can tell they were very well liked and will be missed roaming the halls next year.

Happy birthday to Dorothy Morrison, Paige Whaley, Jessica Moore, and Kay Wampler.

Happy Anniversary to Ed and Karla Bowen on the 11th, Dick & Carol Miller on the 15th, John and Evelyn Morrison on the 16th.

We say goodbye to Bob Beaupied Sr. Bob passed away peacefully last week. He was an all around great guy. I can remember when he and my dad would share their jokes trying to top each other. I will miss seeing him at the post office, and on some of the jobs sites.

Another goodbye to Robert Gardner. Bob was not only the Lutheran Minister; he took care of the food pantry, organized getting food for families in need at Thanksgiving, and Christmas, and helped with kids club. He was the representative to Alger Delta in our area. Bob did a great deal for the community and will be missed by many.

In the sky we look and see two new bright stars are added, one for each of the Bobs. You won't be forgotten.

See you Around the Bay and keep on Smiling... Evie

To My Many Friends In Grand Marais:

Thank you for all your cards and well wishes during my recent surgery. I love all of you very much.

I would like to share with you a very unique experience while I was in the Hospital.

As many of you know I have been building a kit airplane over the past nine years. It is called a Zenith 701. This past winter I worked on it almost every day finishing the controls, seats, doors, and painting many of the parts. I would go out to my garage in the mornings to turn up the heat and say hello to my 701. At the end of the day I would say goodbye. This sounds crazy but I would talk to my plane. When I couldn't get rid of my chest pains a few weeks ago I decided to head for the hospital. Before I left I told my wife I have to say goodbye to my plane. I went out and told my 701 I would be right back and I leaned over and kissed it goodbye. My wife Karla just laughed! When we got to the Hospital I underwent bypass surgery for my heart and neck. The Doctors were amazed at my fast recovery. They moved up the heart operation a day early because my recovery was so quick after neck surgery. While I was in the ICU my recovery was so good they sent me home a day early. I asked the Doctors where I was and they said you have been in Room 701. I couldn't believe it. When we got home the first thing I did before going in the house was go in the garage and I kissed my 701. As I said thank you the tears were rolling down my face. What an unbelievable coincidence. Maybe not.

Ed Bowen

Grand Marais Offshore Challenge Fishing Tournament

It's time to mark your calendars for the 4th Annual Grand Marais Offshore Challenge. The dates for this year's tournament are July 11 and 12.

The kickoff event for the weekend will be the All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner to be held at the GM Community Center on Friday, July 10 starting at 5:30 pm. The spaghetti dinner includes cole slaw, garlic bread, desserts and beverages. Donations will be gladly accepted. Immediately following the dinner will be the Captain's meeting. All entries will be given their flag and number and all rules will be explained and questions answered.

Fishing will start Saturday morning at 7 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. and on Sunday from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Cash payout will be based on number of entries, with prizes also going to the biggest trout of the weekend and biggest non-trout species of the weekend. The winning boat last year was the Fillet Station with a two-day total of 57.75# of fish. They also took home the prize for the largest trout of the weekend, reeling in a beautiful 18.7# trout.

More specific information on the rules and online registration is available at grandmarais-michigan.com in the events section.

There will also be a 50/50 raffle going on all weekend along with a separate prize raffle with many prizes to be given away.

For more information contact Logger Hubbard at 906-494-2797 or Aleta Hubbard at 906-494-2324.

This event is put on by the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce and sponsored in part by Fox Negaunee and Fox Marquette.

Hope to see you there. It is a great time for the whole family.

OBITUARIES

ROBERT E. BEAUPIED

Robert E. Beaupied Sr., age 92, passed away peacefully at Marquette General Hospital, in Marquette, MI on May 27, 2009. He was born in Larium, MI, on December 5, 1916 to the late Arthur and Theodora (LaRochelle) Beaupied. He spent most of his life in Southern Michigan, but moved back to the U.P. for the last seven years in Grand Marais, MI. He was very active until the time of his death. He loved his family and was very proud of everyone. He had a great sense of humor, enjoyed telling jokes, and enjoyed looking at homes and lakes. He was a very devout Catholic. Bob is survived by his loving children: Nancy (Charles) Goff of Whitmore Lake, Robert (Kathleen) Beaupied Jr. of Grand Marais, Mary Bridget (George) Gooch of Jackson; 8 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; his sister: Dolores (Donald) Frank, sisters-in-law Laura Beaupied, Peggy Beaupied; and several nieces, nephews and many friends. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 48 years Mary Veronica "Bunny" Brennan, their daughter Linda A. Caryl; his second wife of 9 years Francis Dorcy; and 7 brothers and sisters. A Funeral Mass was held on Monday, June 1, 2009, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 Lafayette, South Lyon.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date at Holy Rosary Church in Grand Marais, MI. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

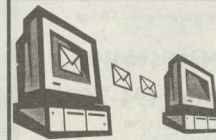
ROBERT GARDNER

Robert "Bob" Gardner, age 76, of Grand Marais, went home to be with his Lord early Saturday morning, May 30, 2009 at Marquette General Hospital. He was born on August 18, 1932 in Highland Park, Michigan to Morley and Edith Gardner. Bob graduated from high school and joined the National Guard. He married Marilyn and together they raised five children. Bob was mostly self-employed in the furniture business. He helped furnish and was involved with many aspects of building the Pontiac Silverdome and also on Bay Valley in Bay City. Bob and Nancy were married on April 26, 1984. They retired from their furniture business and moved to their retirement home on Round Lake. Bob sold real estate for State Wide in Munising until God called him to be a pastor for the First Lutheran Church in Grand Marais. Bob was an integral part of the Grand Marais community. He served as Township Supervisor, was an Alger Delta Director, worked with the AMCAB Community Program, and the food pantry in Grand Marais. Bob worked, worked, worked, slept a little and worked some more. He enjoyed giving his time, talent and treasure in serving others. He served God by giving of himself.

Bob is survived by his wife of twenty-five years - Nancy; four children - Bonnie Wise, Kathleen Gardner, Mark (Judy) Gardner, and Karen (Scott) Lenning; step-children - Jennifer (Rob) Rottweiler and Brian (Gina) Birnbaum; sister - Mary; fifteen grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, son James "Jimmy" in 1989, and sister Donna.

Services for Bob were held at the First Lutheran Church in Grand Marais on June 1, 2009. Visitation and an ecumenical funeral service were held. Interment followed at the Rose Hill Cemetery in Grand Marais.

Bob's obituary and guestbook may be found and signed at www.bowermanfuneralhome.net



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Mark your calendar now for Saturday, June 27, 2009 for the 4th Annual Grand Marais Garden Tour. This year the tour will feature ten creative gardens including two vegetable gardens and the Grand Marais Public School's Edible School Yard. One of the vegetable gardens is a sustainable organic garden. That morning begins at 10 AM with the sale of \$10.00 tickets in the "Green Space" behind the Pickle Barrel. The purchase of the ticket will include all gardens and a drawing for a garden cart (\$325.00 value), a massage (\$65.00 value), and a gardening goody basket (\$75.00 value). There will be beautiful music performed by Two Track Ramblers – Blue Grass Band, Ann & Will Rowland - Folk Duo, Liz Magyar – Classical Flute, and The Schlabach Family – Old Time Dulcimer & Fiddle Music. Gardeners will share their gardening experiences. At 11:30 AM Nancy McDonald who was editor and columnist of American Cottage Gardens has graciously agreed to talk in her garden about "Saving Money by Starting Heirlooms and Perennials from Seeds and Cuttings."

The annual plant sale will include a wide variety of tried and true plants, including hostas, roses, perennials, trees, and drought tolerant plants. The unparalleled silent auction will have an extensive variety of goods and services such as art, trough planters, sail boat ride, dinners, brunches, weekend spa package and much, much more.

Whether you are looking for fresh ideas or just want to see what's behind the gate this tour will offer an enjoyable experience. There will be art and music through out the tour. Complimentary refreshments will be available in some gardens and galleries.

Get great ideas for creating outdoor space for your family and a vegetable garden that will save you money and provide succulent taste of fresh vegetables. What a great way to have fun and support worthy causes. Grand Marais Garden Tour proceeds go toward purchase of the Green Space, Upper Peninsula Search and Rescue, and Grand Marais School Edible School Yard.

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JIM

General Motors follows Chrysler into bankruptcy and its stock falls to 75 cents a share. Once considered the bluest of blue chip stocks at nearly \$50.00 a share it now is removed from the New York Stock Market. I know that I am not an expert in economics but why is the taxpayer anteing up another \$32 billion if the corporation is declaring bankruptcy? When, or should I say if, it comes out of bankruptcy as a viable business we, the taxpayers will own 65% or so of the corporation. Along with a comparable percentage of Chrysler we ought to be able to get a free car every year. I figure that the crooks that were getting seven digit bonuses didn't own nearly as much of the company as we do so we deserve at least that much. Want to bet that we get more than a royal screwing instead?

Some elephants and right wing blowhards are considering OhMama's choice for the new Supreme Court Justice a mistake. All based on one stupid statement she made. They couldn't be more mistaken. Already extremists like Rusty Limbo are making damn sure that anyone except far right elephants will not return to the party and that it, the elephant party, will not make inroads into the Hispanic vote. Her stupid statement has been made into a plus for the asses and for her senate approval instead of a detriment that it should be. Even Newt Gingrich who, in my opinion is usually pretty shrewd has blown it this time. Already many elephants are shying away from the critics and the centrists and left wingers who consider Limbo and others as elephant spokespersons are making what should have been a negative for OhMama into a plus. Recently I heard Sessions, the elephant senator who is the top elephant on the judicial senate committee singing her praise and promising a dignified hearing. We'll see! Actually, I don't care too much about her stupid statement, her record as a judge should be what she is judged by. Regardless of OhMama's choice the far right would find problems with him/her and unless a lot more negative stuff is found and proven about her, she will eventually be appointed. The elephants, I think will be hurt less if they stick to the facts that matter concerning her ability to be a reasonable interpreter of the constitution and not a legislature like so many of the elephant appointed incumbent supreme court justices. Besides if one stupid statement is grounds for condemnation, I don't know a politician or for that matter anyone who is safe from capital punishment.

Again the stock market's performance seems to defy reality. Two of the major corporations in America have declared bankruptcy recently and several other banks and companies have gone under yet the stock market continues to climb. Regardless of whether Chrysler and/or GM get back on their feet, a lot of good jobs will be lost. I guess the crooks on Wall Street will be happy if more good jobs are lost and wages are lowered to third world levels. That way profits will go up and they can again get richer at the expense of the little guy. I am not sure of how important this fact is concerning the improvement of our overall economy but I am sure that it is more important than the elephants give it credit for and less than the asses do.

The Veterans' Day services in Grand Marais were solemn, well performed and well attended thanks to

our friends from Germfask VFW, the Grand Marais Coast Guard Auxiliary, local veterans and all attendees. After twenty years of dedicated service to our veterans by Chuck Givens, he retired from the job of placing flags on the graves of all veterans buried in both Grand Marais cemeteries. Thank you for your service Chuck. His replacements, Lee Dirtwalker and Hungry Jim, are of somewhat questionable ability as rookies and may need help to do the job right; so if you are aware of any veterans' graves that were not honored by the placement of a flag on Memorial Day contact Burt Township office at 494-2381, Lee at 494-2790 or yours truly at 494-2364. We don't want to miss any veteran!

I missed several local memorial services; some because of my old-timers disease and some because I was out of town. I had every intention of going to Bill LaCombe's but didn't remember it until too late. His loss takes another Grand Marais legend from us. I don't think that I ever heard anyone utter a disparaging remark about Bill and don't think I ever heard Bill utter one about anyone either. I served on the Township board with Reverend Bob Gardner and am aware of a lot of good things that he has done for people in this community regardless of their religion. I knew Bob Beaupied from church and from the little exposure I had of him he seemed like a nice guy too. I didn't know Ernie Brooks very well either but have heard nothing bad about him either. I am sure their loss is painful to all their family and friends and my sympathy goes out to them. Hopefully we won't be losing anymore Grand Marais citizens for awhile.

And Finally. Sherri and I went to Marquette last Monday to have some tests done on her at Marquette General. As of yet we don't have the full results except for the sore butt that I got sitting in the waiting area for the better part of six hours. It could have been worse though, I could have been the one who had to swallow the device they used to do a TEE (I won't even try to spell or for that matter pronounce what the technical term is). Although she hadn't had anything to eat since dinner on Sunday she wasn't into eating a big lunch after being released; ice cream was about it for her. We stayed for Too's soccer game and were planning to stay for Doc's and Dizzy's softball game too but it was too cold. Too did very well in his game and his team won 4-2. I am sure that Doc and Dizzy also held their self in good stead and Sean told me that they won 9-2. On Saturday I went to an inter-group meeting in South Range, a very small community near Houghton. I used the opportunity to take a tour of my old haunts from my days at Michigan Tech. Man has that area changed but I imagine that someone returning to Grand Marais after being gone for 48 years would say the same about GM. I ran into a few people that I knew and heard that a good friend of mine, Dave Krause, suffered a terrible loss in the recent forest fire there; his house was a total loss. Dave is the father of the brothers who married Jenny and Brenda Schultz (Rod's daughters") of Grand Marais. Just when I think that I might have a problem something like this happens to make me put my problems in proper perspective. When I talked to Dave he seemed to be handling his loss as well as can be expected which is a Hell of a lot better than I would be handling it.

And finally, finally. Just because Memorial Day is over don't forget how much our veterans gave and current service personnel are giving us. There were a couple of these guys in town for Bill LaCombe's burial service; Jason and Jeff Kinlaw. I hope everyone who got a chance thanked them for their service. I hope that they will continue to be safe and that this nation gives them more than the lip service that many of our politicians are now giving them. Let our elected officials know how you feel about our heroes.

Until next issue.
Hungry Jim

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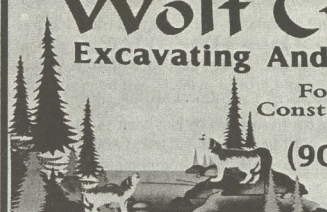


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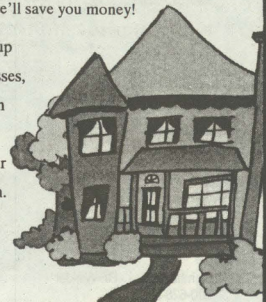
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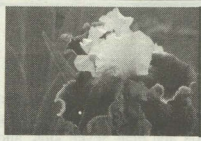
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SEEKING OLD IRISES

Nancy McDonald

The publication of the Historical Society's wonderful new book of old Grand Marais photos reminds me of a project I've been playing with for years: to collect and display Grand Marais heirloom garden plants. Heirlooms like furniture, china, and photos are passed down through a family, and plants may be, also, with one big difference: plants make more of themselves, and so can be shared with friends and neighbors, too. Sadly, like non-living heirlooms, they may also be lost accidentally or just if no one cares about them. That has happened with many heirloom garden plants in many places, and it would be a pity if we let it happen here.

The plants I want to focus on right now are bearded irises. The beard is simply the part kids call the "caterpillar" on the lower petals of these familiar flowers. Bearded irises send up pale green, spear-shaped leaves from fat horizontal structures that grow part in, part out of the ground. Although most gardeners call them roots or bulbs, these are technically called rhizomes, and serve as storage reserves for the plants. Historic bearded irises are strong, tough plants, easy to swap and share. They bloom in late spring and early summer.

If you have a patch of old bearded irises, I'd love to hear from you. If possible, I'd like to photograph the plants in bloom, to see if we can identify the variety. Using photos of the flowers, leaves, the base of the leaves, the branching of the flower stalks, and so on, as well as measurements for size and notes on scent and any history known about the plants, the Historic Iris Preservation Society (HIPS) can help us identify these old treasures. Of course I'd be delighted if anyone wants to share a "toe" of an old iris as well. Irises, like everything else these days, are considered antique if they're 50 years old or more (suddenly I feel very special and valuable), but HIPS lists irises bred as recently as the 1960s, because they are in danger of disappearing.

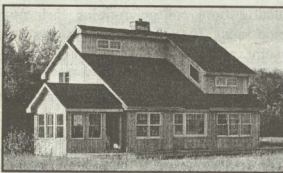
I'm hoping to interest the Grand Marais Garden Club and the Historical Society in helping us preserve local heirloom plants, the living history of this town. Aside from being of interest historically, they have another special quality: they're beautiful.

If you're interested in learning more about old irises, you may wish to visit the website of the Historic Iris Preservation Society at <<http://www.hips-roots.com>>. Membership is only \$10 per year; you may join online or write to Membership Secretary, Judy Eckhoff, 7911 S. Yoder Rd; Haven, KS 67543-8114. The website is fun; among other things, it shows photos of many historic irises. HIPS also has an annual historic iris sale.

If you have bearded irises from the 1960s or before, and would like to see them become part of this project, or if you'd like to be involved in the project yourself, please phone me at 494-2697.

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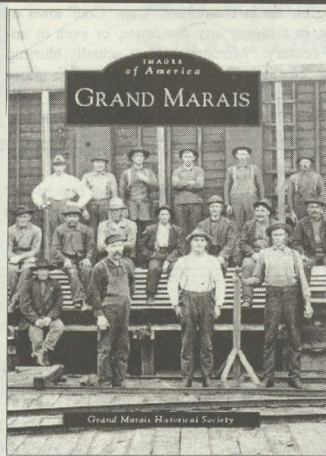


The judge frowned at the tired robber and said, "then you admit breaking into the same store on three successive nights?" "Yes,

your honor."
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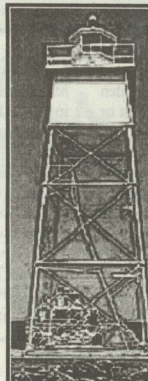
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Why do seagulls fly over the sea?
If they flew over the bay, they'd be bagels

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Speaking of Paradise, can anyone forget the converted cafeteria made into their gym? I remember hitting the ceiling on a couple shots, and half-court was about where the three-point line is today. If they're still using it, it may be the smallest high school gym in the state. We also played Mackinac Island two double-headers (with players and cheerleaders staying at the host's houses). I tell my students we traveled to games by sleigh ride, as we did unless transported by snowmobile. Engadine, Big Bay de Noc, Cedarville, Perkins, Trenary, Eben, and Alba (downstate) were other towns we faced.

Once you got into seventh grade, part of the focus was raising money for the eventual Senior Trip, and some of the ways we raised it were by the usual stand-bys of bake sales and raffles, but also the tradition of the Senior Pasty Sale started with either the class of 1977 or 1978. My own Class of '79 had Jim Becker (social studies teacher at that time) as auctioneer, and we had a pretty profitable auction one Friday night. Kenny Laeder and most of the rest of us cut and sold orders of firewood also in the fall of 1978, and we had many other fundraisers so all 16 of us could go on the trip.

What about summer jobs? All three of my sisters and I worked at Welker's Restaurant and Lodge, my sisters as waitresses and I first helped with the mowing, getting the garbage to go to the dump with Wayne Pirlot (Betty Welker's daughter Diane's husband, retired from the Coast Guard) or Geogina Mixon). Later I washed dishes and one summer helped as a cook. I remember Kayleen LeFebvre and Marilyn Mixon being waitresses a couple summers, as well as Natalie Coles and Cindy Barney. Over at the gathering place in town, the Kozy Korner, Bob and Sue Hicks ran the show and were always ready with a smile (albeit sometimes a grumpy one from Bob) and some general chit-chat as you sat and had coffee at the "Local Table" (or whatever it was called, I forget). Bob's kids and many others worked waiting on the tourists (and locals) and in the back with cooking and dishes. Around 1976 or so he had Mel McFee put blocks on the back and Bob put in some pinball games and things for a "Teen Room." Jeff Heacox and Chris Lundquist worked at the gas station for Chris' dad just across from the Kozy Korner.

Mel McFee was where Dennis Elliott worked hard as mason tender and cement finisher for several summers. I joined a year or two later, and I remember Dennis passing on words of advice as to how to "keep Mel happy" (which could be tough if the cement was hardening up too fast or he didn't think we'd gotten enough of the wall or chimney done that day). Dave Becker employed Dennis and a couple others, as well as his own son, Mike, and Jeff Sibbald before Mel. The fall of 1977 I joined and helped as Dave finished up the big job of putting a foundation under Bess Cappogrossa's Superior Hotel.

Others worked at Willard Handrich's sawmill when they turned 18, or Smith's or the third one was started later.

Of course summer wasn't just work. We played tennis and basketball on the park court, punted footballs to each other

in the baseball field, rode bikes (sometimes to Sable Lake, and if we had money, we could buy something at Dee Hubbard's Cubbard that was there for a time), had bonfires on the beach at the bay or out on Lonesome Point. In the early 1980's, Dennis Elliott and Jeff Heacox would play their banjos and for a couple years, Jerry (helped out at the Catholic Church—a friend of Fr. Jim's, I think) would sing and play his guitar at bonfires on the beach or often at Dennis' house while we had a few beers.

Grand Marais' summer men's softball team (there was a women's team for a few years as well) was fairly competitive for many years, though I don't remember us ever winning the league over the Curtis Swampers or any of the Engadine/Naubinway/Gould City teams. We also played weekend tournaments in the summer, at Gernfask (I think it was always the first one, Memorial Day Weekend), Curtis, and Newberry (and once or twice in Marquette). We had tall Charlie Chapin at first base, Mike Ballard sometimes at second (or third or the outfield, as he was a very good athlete) along with Mike Morrow, first Pat O'Driscoll and then Dennis Elliott at short, and Jeff Sibbald or Jeff Mallory (Coast Guardsman) at third. Speedy Ricky Cappogrossa, Ray Gage, Jack Hubbard (also caught), and I played the outfield, while Lee Keith (Coast Guardsman), Tom Baker, Ballard, Gage, and John Fishbeck were some of the pitchers I recall. Those double-headers on Wednesday nights gave us something to look forward to as we worked during the day, and "replays" to go over at night in the Dune's saloon over pizza and beer.

Chess was something I remember we did when the weather was bad outside.

Beginning in fifth and sixth grade in Mrs. Olli's class if we had all our work done, and going on into junior high, Russell Nibblelink, Randy Becker, Troy Potter and a couple others were really good. I recall. In the winter, I remember Tim Stier, Pat Rivera, Mike Morrow, Mike Becker, and others and I would play pool at Bill Britz, Sr.'s Dune's Saloon as the winds howled outside and adults sat at bar stools and talked.

Some of the names in town were Ted Soldenski (who just passed away about a year ago), George Trevehan (handyman builder), Bill LaCombe, county foreman (recently deceased), Larry Nyman, Sr., Bill Bailey, the Dombrowskis (who owned the Halfway Cabins (probably had a different name, I'm thinking) when we moved to GM in 1971. Bruce Klotz and his wife and kids ran the Green Haven, and who can't recall what wonderful pizza they had. They'd have the big barrel stove roaring in the winter as you came in the door, and snowmobilers frequented that bar before heading into town to go to Jerry Alverson's Sportsman's and the Dunes. In fact, do some of you remember when snowmobile races were held on the bay?

Other of the "town pillars" were Arvo Kallio with his hardware (before Bill Stier and his family bought it in about 1974), Oiva Ylimaki and the IGA (later taken over by Dick Perlick and Gerry Marshall), Don Morrow (carpenter)

along with Joe HOFFENBERGER, some of the Coast Guardsmen when there was a full-time Station in Grand Marais, Doug (builder) and Marge Thompson and their seven kids, and Jack (jack-of-all-trades) and Joyce Bezotte (who took over the Kozy Korner).

I can hardly walk by what used to be the Kozy Korner (now a tourist/craft shop I believe) without remembering all the days sitting drinking a pop after working with Mel or having a cup of coffee and seeing the Bay out the big picture window. You could see storms coming off Lake Superior and people scurrying by if it was cooler and windy out. In the winter, the snow would blow up in the corners of the windows as it did to most of the businesses on Main Street, and sometimes you could feel as if Mother Nature was swallowing you up in snow and cold. There weren't obviously many businesses for teens to go into, but we'd play hockey in our boots on the road behind my mom's house, with big clumps of snow as the goal posts, snowshoe sometimes, and sometimes cross country ski.

It's a small place, Grand Marais, but small places can make solid people and people who have dreams just like those graduating from bigger places. Hopefully Burt Township School can hang on for a long time, despite the current economic struggles.

Barack Obama was born in 1961, like most of us who graduated in 1979. When I read about his ascendancy to the presidency, it makes me wonder why some people accomplish so much in their lives, while others have dreams (not probably to be president!) that go unfulfilled. What hopes, dreams, loves, or goals did you have as you graduated from BTS (or even just went there and moved somewhere else to graduate)? Some Grand Marais graduates may have planned to get married and have a family but didn't or couldn't. Some possibly wanted to go into the service, go to college, or start their own business but haven't yet. A few of you maybe have had bigger dreams, such as flying an airplane, restoring a car, running a marathon, inventing something new and useful—who knows. Some ex-Polar Bears maybe have already achieved some of their dreams of seeing other countries, joining the military service or Peace Corps, building their own homes, graduating from college, running their own business, raising good kids. There's obviously always time left to accomplish some goals we've always had or perhaps have recently thought of.

And so as we age and our own kids go through school (or already have), if you're like me, some of what they go through reminds you of our time at Burt Township School, a time honestly (pardon the cliché) sort of "frozen in time" for me. Almost all childhoods and high school years can be mostly good times mixed in with periods of anxiety, whether you grew up in the remote "Cape Cod" town of Grand Marais, in a bigger city downstate, or even in another state or country. Memories—if not actually blurring due to time or selective memory—become nostalgic, warm thoughts in our mind, sometimes making us wish for those simpler, more fun-loving times of our youth.

Grand Marais Memories

By David Minor

Historical Society

Fourth of July Silent Auction - we're going to hold a Silent Auction in the Old Post Office on July 4th, even if the museum isn't quite finished. We want everyone to be able to come in and see how it looks, and last year's silent auction was a huge success! Do you have an item or two you can donate?

For more information on these activities, contact Pat Munger at 494-2404 or Cathy Egerer at 494-2570.

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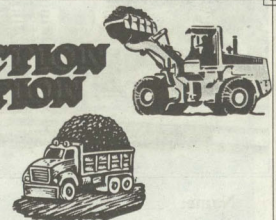
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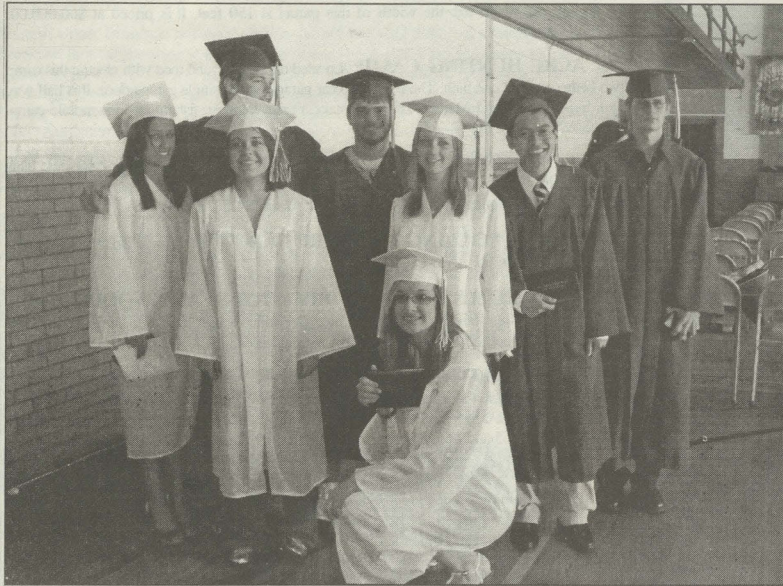
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BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS 2009 GRADUATING SENIORS



Back L to R Kevin Blank, Brad Bauknecht, Dat Nguyen, Jeremy Norris. Center L to R Charlotte Bodak, Kristin Bloom, Lucy Jarosova. Front Jessica Reeves.

32 years ago, I cried at my high school graduation. At the time, I didn't take the time to analyze why, I just did. When I graduated from Central Michigan University in 2006, I cried. I analyzed that one, and decided the overwhelming emotion was connected to the fact that my parents couldn't attend. Yes even at 47 years of age it mattered. This year, when the graduating class of 2009 took the stage I wept, even sobbed. I was terribly short on tissues, and the one Mrs. Filizetti was kind enough to give me was soggy before the first speaker could be re-seated.

After three years, these students have become more than my students. Every year this is the case, but this year there was a certain unnamable chemistry within this class that sparked love, hope, and the seed of possibility, not to mention moments of frustration and defeat. As Brad Bauknecht stated in his speech, they had become a

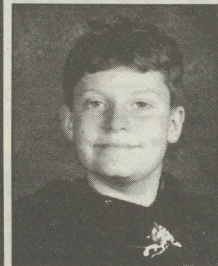
weird dysfunctional family and we were their not so distant relatives.

I am certain that this class has taught me much more about life than I ever taught them about American Literature. While Brad teased and picked, Kevin reminded me how important it is to laugh. Charlotte reinforced the importance of The Dream, and Kristin never backed down. Jeremy found his niche, Jessica refused to let others define her soul, and Lucy was so much more than that beautiful smile. She dug deep and worked hard to survive in a culture very different than her native Chez Republic. Dat is beyond my ability to define. He is wise and naive, giving and selfish, he is foreign yet family. Dat reminds me that we are all nothing more than humans, full of promise and insecurities. He has taught me that the community of "man/woman" is everything.

While this rambling of words has been nothing more than my feeble attempt to define my overwhelming emotions, I wish these students the best. The staff and fellow students of Burt Township Schools look for things great and small from these students, because they all have made a difference in our lives.

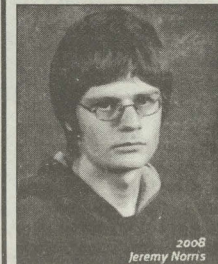
Dixie McCormick

BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL MAY STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Jerry Conner

Student of the Month for elementary grades is Jerry Conner. Jerry is in the 6th grade and is the son of Nancy Winnie of Grand Marais. Jerry loves to go swimming and his favorite subject in school is Math. Jerry's future plans are uncertain.



Jeremy Norris

Student of the Month for secondary grades is Jeremy Norris. Jeremy graduated with the Class of 2009 on May 30th. He is the son of Carol and Bernie Conlon of Germfask. Jeremy was involved with the Drama Club and Science Olympiad. His favorite subject was Digital Photography. Future plans for Jeremy are to attend NMU in Marquette and he hopes to own a music store someday.

There is still lodging available in Grand Marais for reunion attendees. Go on line to grandmaraismichigan.com to get phone numbers.

Burt Township School Reunion

The Grand Marais school reunion is less than three months away, and tickets are coming in for the evening event—a gala dance at the Community Center with music by the Evergreen Seven, regional and commemorative snacks, door prizes and a photographic trip down memory lane.

If you haven't yet sent in your fee for the tickets, do it now. At the same time, dig through your mementos and send along (copies of) your photos to share. The dance is for former students and teachers and their guest only. If child care is needed plan ahead.

The school will be open for tours during the afternoon. The high school students will be preparing and selling a delicious spaghetti dinner to be available before the dance. During the dinner, speakers representing various decades of the school will entertain us with a recap of that decade. This would also be a good opportunity to reacquaint with classmates and old friends and make additional plans to get together while you're here.

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150 ACRE PARCEL WITH CREEK: This land is rolling with beautiful hills that overlook Lake Superior. At the bottom, along the edge of the property, are the headwaters of the Hurricane River. Located 11 miles southwest of Grand Marais along the Rody Creek Truck Trail, this would make an ideal retreat. Snowmobile Trail #888 cuts through the corner of the property. The road is unplowed in the winter and there is no electricity. \$168,000. (VL-193)

NEW LISTING: A VERY UNIQUE SNOWMOBILE OR HUNTING CAMP. This is a forty acre parcel located ten miles west of Grand Marais in the National Park Buffer Zone. The Rhody Creek Brook Trout stream flows down through the entire 40. There is an old three room hemlock cabin about 100 feet from the creek. The cabin has a new steel roof and new chimney. The cabin is still primitive. While a lot of work has been done to fix it up there still remains a lot to do. It will be a fantastic place when finished. The trees surrounding the camp are 100 year old pine trees and about three feet in diameter. This is accessible in the summer by car and in the winter by snowmobile. This is leased land from a local Timber Company. Special conditions exist and this is an exclusive listing with Ed Bowen. Call for details. \$38,000. (firm) (CF-152)

LIKE NEW HOME WITH GARAGE OVER LOOKING GRAND MARAIS BAY: This two bedroom, one bath home is almost brand new. You can wake up every morning with a view of the Bay! It is located on a wooded one acre parcel five blocks from downtown. \$158,000. (R-195)

DOWNTOWN HOME WITH GUEST HOUSE: Located right downtown across from the village marina you can watch the boats at the marina dock! The lot is extra big with beautiful large trees. The home features two bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, a large detached garage and a fireplace. The guest house has one bedroom and 1 bath with a partial kitchen. Ride your bike to all the attractions in town. \$179,500. (R-190)

SPECTACULAR THREE BEDROOM, THREE BATH HOME WITH VIEW OF GRAND MARAIS BAY: This home has everything. Attached two car garage, full basement, fireplace, and it's only three blocks from town. The house sits on a large 195 foot lot and has been very well taken care of. Ready to go, the sellers have moved away. \$315,000. (R-189)

LOCATED OFF OF HIGHWAY H-58 TWO MILES EAST OF TOWN, THE LOT IS EXTRA DEEP AND 175 FEET WIDE: This parcel has 175 feet on both Grand Marais Bay and the Old Sucker river. We don't feel there is a parcel of property in Grand Marais that is prettier. The setting is unbelievable. The drive winds through the woods to a clearing that used to have an old fishing camp. Right in front is the old Sucker River which is now a beaver pond. This spring fed "Walden's Pond" has two beaver houses, one right in front of the property. You can sit on the bank, tilt your head down and watch the beavers at work and then raise your head a little bit and watch the freighters on Lake Superior. It's just fantastic. \$249,000. (VW-146)

HOME ON M-77 1 1/2 MILES FROM TOWN: This home is on a 100 foot wide X 200 foot deep parcel on a year round highway M-77 close to town. There is a basement, small garage, and the house is heated by a remote wood burning furnace. There are three bedrooms, one bath, utility room and upstairs a large finished recreation room. The well has excellent water. \$59,000. (R-193)

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)

FOUR ACRE HUNTING CAMP: Located on a year round road with electric this camp has two bedrooms and one bath. There is a two car garage with a single garage door. It is half way between Seney and Grand Marais. This will make a great hunting, fishing or snowmobile camp. Priced at \$48,500. (CF-151)

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)

WOODED AND ROLLING TEN ACRE PARCELS: Located 2-1/2 miles south of town on M-77. \$39,500.00. (VL-151, 152, 153.)

TEN ACRE PARCELS HIGH AND DRY WITH HEAVY WOODS: These 10 acre parcels are a square 660 X 660" and located five miles South East of Grand Marais. Seasonal road with no electricity. This would make a great retreat! \$27,500. Each. (VL-152)

TWO WOODED LOTS IN AGATE POINT SUBDIVISION: These lots are 100 feet by 200 feet each and side to side. Together they are 200 X 200 feet in size. The electric is in underground. The road is seasonal. Beautiful log homes are being built in the development. They are lots #65 and #66. \$14,000. each or \$25,000. for both (VL-151)

TWO GORGEOUS VIEW PARCELS OVERLOOKING LAKE SUPERIOR. These adjoining parcels are 100 feet and 175 feet in width. The view from the top of the ridge is incredible- clear a few trees and enjoy the lake. Chipmunk Creek flows down through the two parcels. The 100' is about 3 acres and priced at \$65,000. The 175' is about 6 acres and priced at \$70,000. Both parcels can be purchased at a reduced price. (VL-148 and V-149)

VERY NICE MOBILE HOME ON A VILLAGE LOT: This mobile home is 16 feet wide x 70 feet long. Most mobiles are only 14' wide, this is very special. An additional new, enclosed entry porch is alongside and features a beautiful hot tub. The lot is extra deep and is serviced by an ally 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. \$63,000, plus hot tub (R-181)

FIVE BEDROOM THREE BATH HOME WITH TWO CAR GARAGE: \$79,900.00. (R-194)

BEAUTIFUL REMODELED HOME IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS: This 3 bedroom, one bath home is only 3 1/2 blocks from the Bay and public beach. There is a new 2 car garage and master bedroom. The whole house has been completely remodeled with new roof, insulation, electric, plumbing, windows, vinyl siding, lan screening, etc. This is one of the best values in Grand Marais. Priced to sell. \$156,000. (R-187)

40 ACRES WITH A THREE ROOM HUNTING CAMP: Located about three miles southwest of town this heavily wooded parcel is on a year round road. Lots of deer! \$89,500. (R-191)

20 ACRES WITH AN OLD LOG CABIN: This is very rustic and in need of some tender loving care but would make a beautiful log, chinked camp. It's on a year round road. \$59,500. (R-192)

LARGE ELEVEN ACRE ESTATE AT THE EDGE OF TOWN: Located at the end of one of Grand Marais streets about 3/4 of a mile from the downtown beach this home has everything. Three bedrooms, two baths, and attached two car garage and a 30' X 40' pole barn. A gorgeous stone fireplace is in the living room. Located way back from the road this home has had extensive remodeling done along with several new additions. Lots of room to roam. \$259,500. (R-179)

RANCH HOME WITH TWO CAR ATTACHED GARAGE. Located 2 1/2 miles from town on a year round road, this home has three bedrooms, two baths, and a fireplace. It is currently being remodeled by a builder. \$129,000. (R-180)

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You may have seen us on Friday across from the National Lakeshore Visitors' Center, crawling across the meadow from 8:00 in the morning until 10:30 that night (yes, we took some breaks).

Tracking at night proved to be challenging, but the most difficult time to see the tracks was twilight. We moved out to the School Forest, just beyond the cement bridge, for Saturday and Sunday's sessions. Although the weather was lovely on Friday, Saturday's wind and snow presented extra challenges. Sunday's cold, sunny weather came as welcome relief. Tracking in the School Forest was very different from tracking in the meadow, due to differing terrain and vegetation. Even experienced hunters learned a great deal from this course; tracking humans is quite different from tracking wild animals.

All participants in the course said they found it interesting and well-taught; most are enthusiastic on going to the next level. For now we are all at the beginner stage, but at least we know enough to get started and to keep people from stomping all over the tracks of a lost person. This is a truly worthwhile subject of study for search and rescue personnel, as well as crime investigators - it has saved many lives. We feel privileged to have had such a fine introduction to it.



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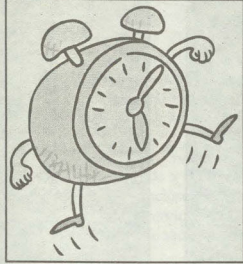
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