



## Face of ancient Egypt makes U.P. appearance

GRAND MARAIS — The Upper Peninsula will host a visitor from ancient Egypt Sept. 24-Oct. 6 as the Detroit Institute of Arts brings "The Changing Face of the Sphinx" exhibit to the Burt Township School.

For 4500 years, the Great Sphinx at Giza has loomed as one of the most fascinating mysterious images of Egypt, an image stared at, studied, excavated, restored and speculated about by archaeologists, engineers, writers, artists, scholars and tourists.

In the institute's Show on the Road exhibition, visitors and students will see the Sphinx documented in some 35 photographs of illustrations for books as early as 1579, drawings, paintings and cartoons, as well as newspaper and magazine coverage of the excavations of the past 200

years.

The exhibit will be on view at the school weekdays during school hours and this Tuesday evening. Otto Bufe of the Burt Township School is coordinating exhibition events.

The show was organized by William H. Peck, curator of Ancient Art at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

"Present opinion is that this lion bodied human-headed demon was made at the time the pyramids were built," Peck said, "as a portrait of Chephrem, a fourth dynasty king (2570-2450 B.C.). But it is of multi-purpose significance because it also represents the Egyptian sun god, Horus, and the alert crouching posture makes the Sphinx a guardian figure for the royal tombs at Giza."



AGENDA  
Monday September 25, 1978

POT LUCK DINNER - 6:30 p.m.

Dave Gillis of CUPPAD - Guest Speaker for Pictured Rocks Task Force

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kay O'Brien - General Welcome and Comments  
Mary Dempsey - Secretary's Report  
Evelyn Stier - Treasurer's Report

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS

Wayne Pirlot - Business  
Kay O'Brien - Historical and Beautification  
Karen Cook - Social and Recreation  
Joe Massey/Jim Becker - Political  
Rose Marshall/Ruth Beaver - Publicity

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Rose Marshall/Marvin Williams/Diane Pirlot - Constitution

SPECIAL REPORTS

Sandee Sibbald - Breakwall Status  
- UPTRA(Upper Peninsula Travel and Recreation Association)  
- OEDP(Overall Economic Development Plan)  
- CUPPAD(Central Upper Peninsula Planning and Development)  
Edna Jean Johnson - Pictured Rocks Task Force

OLD BUSINESS

Sandee Sibbald - Smile Button Report  
Chamber of Commerce Information Booth 1979  
Evaluation and constructive criticism of - Dedication of Donahey Woods  
- 4th of July activities  
- Flower Show  
- Backpackers Welcome  
- Senator Griffin visit

Your Pleasure

NEW BUSINESS

Bulletin Board and Calendar  
Agenda for new year  
Budget for new year  
Chamber of Commerce Closet and Inventory  
Nominating Committee  
Membership Drive  
Your Pleasure

SMILE AND PLAY IN GRAND MARAIS '78

# Be alone with autumn where U.P. roads end

9/24/78

By GEORGE CANTOR  
News Staff Writer

GRAND MARAIS, Mich. — At dusk, the harbor signal starts crooning its lonely call to Lake Superior.

The only other sound is the rush of waves against the long, stony beaches. Traffic has long since dwindled to an infrequent pair of headlights coming up from Seney on the lone paved road into town.

Night life is an occasional click of the cue ball at the Skipper's Cove or scampering images on the television screen that purport to be coming from Marquette and Escanaba, but look as if they're being beamed from Bombay.

The grand getaway, Michigan style. Grand Marais is only 108 miles from the Mackinac Bridge, but it could easily be 10 times as distant for all the connection it has to the Lower Peninsula.

**THIS IS THE PLACE** to come to be alone with autumn and the greatest of the Great Lakes. But Grand Marais is only one spot on Lake Superior that offers such splendid seclusion.

The towns of Big Bay and Copper Harbor, farther to the west, enjoy equivalent isolation and equally fine surroundings.

These are road's-end places. You do not pass through on the way to somewhere else. You come here because you simply cannot go any farther.

Grand Marais is 25 miles north of Seney and M-28, the main road across the top of the Upper Peninsula. Big Bay is 22 miles northwest of Marquette along a county road. Copper Harbor is at the tip of the Keweenaw Peninsula, 46 miles from the cities of Houghton-Hancock at the base.

"I think really it is the isolation that is the big appeal," says Mrs. Yvonne Stortz, who operates the Big Bay Hotel. "People are looking to escape the more complex life and they certainly can do that here."

**MRS. STORTZ** and her husband bought the hotel in 1976 after it had been shut down for 12 years. The place has a lively history for such a remote location.

It was built around 1910 as a general store in the booming lumber town that Big Bay used to be. When that industry moved on to the west, the town declined, shrunk and finally was purchased whole by Henry Ford. The automaker renovated the old store and opened it as a hotel in 1942. The suite built for Ford's own use, overlooking Lake Superior, now rents for \$25 a day.

The hotel was used in several scenes of "Anatomy of a Murder" when the best-selling novel was filmed in the area in 1959. Director Otto



By ROBERT J. RICHARDS OF THE NEWS

Preminger built an annex, now used as a restaurant, for some interior filming.

Five years later it closed up and remained shuttered until discovered by the Stortz family. Now with frontage on both the big lake and inland Lake Independence, Big Bay has revived as a getaway.

**COPPER HARBOR** is probably the most visited of these three remote towns. It is the point of departure for the boats to Isle Royale, and Port Wilkins State Park is just outside of town. The attractions bring in a steady stream of summer visitors.

The town was the focus of a huge copper boom in the 1840's. Thousands of miners made the boat trip to this frontier port to stake their claims. Just as they would go gold a few years later in even more distant California.

The biggest strikes were hit farther down the Keweenaw Peninsula and the corporations that controlled the mines sent their ore by rail to other ports. Copper Harbor turned into a picturesque shadow. Today it is not even incorporated legally as a city.

**THERE ARE SEVERAL** motels in town which stay open through October. The most interesting restaurant is the Harbor Haus, which bills itself as Michigan's northernmost restaurant, on Lake Superior.

Housed in a 135-year-old government land office, the restaurant commands a lovely view of the harbor and Porter Island.

Owner Fritz Joachim Ehlers prepares German specialties, rounded off by a Black Forest cherry torte that may convince you the body of water outside the door is the Bodensee rather than Lake Superior.

And then there is Grand Marais. Situated midway between Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore and Big Two-Hearted River country, it is surrounded by prime tourist territory.

The town has thoughtfully provided two parks, one for watching sunrises, the other for viewing sunsets. Bay State Park faces east from the center of town across the harbor; Woodland Park looks west to the open lake.

**JUST WEST** of town is Sable Falls, one of the most graceful of the Upper Peninsula's collection of torrents. Slightly beyond that is Grand Sable Lake, an inland body of water cut off from Superior by huge sand dunes.

Grand Marais' harbor has been known to Lakes sailors for more than 300 years, since French voyageurs put in there on their journeys of exploration.

It, too, experienced a boom era when the lumbering crews came through in the late 19th century. In 1896 it reached a population of 2,000.

**THAT'S WHEN** Saulson's Dry Goods Store was built. When the lumber was cut and the railroad ended service in 1910, Saulson moved away. But his building remained as a bar and restaurant. It's still going strong today as Alverson's Sportsman's Bar and Grill, an annex to a modern motel building overlooking the harbor.

Doubles at Alverson's go for about \$19. For that you get a spacious room with a water view, a TV set with those scrambled pictures from distant points and the harbor signal singing through the night.

You get that — and all the isolation you can handle.

## Fall color by the numbers

For up-to-date information on Michigan's fall color scene, call the Michigan Travel Commission, toll-free, at 1-800-292-2520.

- Regional travel data is available from:  
U.P. Travel & Recreation Association — 906-774-5480
- Western Michigan Tourist Association — 616-456-8557
- Eastern Michigan Tourist Association — 517-895-8823
- Southeast Michigan Tourist Council — 313-557-1663.



Sable River rushes into falls near Grand Marais.



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GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
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Chamber of Commerce Newsletter 8

October 1978

SEPTEMBER MEETING NEWS

Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce members gathered Monday evening September 25, at The Community Center for their regular monthly meeting after a summer recess of two months.

The meeting was preceded by a pot luck dinner with guest speaker Dave Gillis of CUFPAD. Mr. Gillis has worked with The Pictured Rocks Task Force and asked for support for the choice of access road chosen by The Task Force for The Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. Support was given by a majority vote of members present.

Treasurer Evelyn Stier asked that each committee head draw up a proposed budget and get it to her so that she may present a proposed budget for the new year.

The agenda for the new year was discussed with winter events being a snowmobile poker rally scheduled for February 3, and a cross-country caravan scheduled for March 3. Members who can donate some time on planning and setting up for these events should contact Executive Secretary Sandee Sibbald or President Kay O'Brien.

A resolution was adopted supporting the efforts of The Alger County Board of Commissioners, who are opposing the inclusion of certain lands in Alger County into The National Wilderness Preservation System under the RARE II project.

The Historical and Beautification Committee suggested a "Light up Grand Marais Night", the same

night as the school PTO has their caroling. Residents would be asked to turn on all their Christmas lights and "Light up Grand Marais".

NEW MEMBERS

We are welcoming Andy and Helen Hunt as our new members this month. Our membership roll now boasts a total of 53!

STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT VISITORS

Bob Helwig of UPTRA (Upper Peninsula Travel and Recreation Association) escorted a group of twelve men and women from The Michigan State Highway Department through Grand Marais on September 28. The group was on a tour of the Eastern part of the Upper Peninsula, taking pictures of the area and generally acquainting themselves with the points of interest in the various towns. The pictures will be used on a video tape television set in one of the Highway Travel Information Centers in the Lower Peninsula, as a pilot program. If this proves to be successful, all of the Travel Information Centers will use these video tapes, thus further informing the traveling public of the many and varied things to see and do in the Upper Peninsula.

The group had breakfast at Walker's Lodge, took pictures of our harbor and then proceeded to Sable Falls and the Logslide and then over to Munising through The Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore.

SUPPORT FOR LIBRARY

The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce was asked by our school recently to write a letter of support for a proposal request to The Cleveland Cliffs Foundation for a public

MILLIKEN BACKS GRAND MARAIS *12/17/78*

GRAND MARAIS — A 10-year logjam to secure funds for repair of the deteriorated pile dike in Grand Marais harbor may have broken recently with the announcement that Gov. William G. Milliken has pledged his support to seek state funding for the project — a move undertaken by state Rep. Dominic Jacobetti, D-Negaunee.

Milliken, in a letter to U.S. Sen. Robert P. Griffith, R-Mich., said he felt the federal government retains responsibility of repairing the breakwall but "in order to force the action I will commit my support to a state financial commitment for this project."

Grand Marais harbor is the only small boat refuge along the 90-mile stretch of Lake Superior coast between Sault Ste. Marie and Munising.

The pile dike, which protects the harbor from the lake, was built in 1894 and has not been properly maintained for many years. Total cost to rebuild has been estimated at \$6.5 million.



library for Burt Township, and did so promptly. What a great addition to Grand Marais this library would be. The request includes a proposal for the initiation of a book delivery and loan program for our home-bound residents, specifically handicapped and senior citizens. We hope that with our support and letters of support from our other community organizations, this request will be approved. Good Luck Mr. Bufel!

#### PUBLICITY

Grand Marais has been in the news quite a bit lately in the various media. The Upper Peninsula Sunday Times ran an article showing maps of the various color tours, with Grand Marais being listed on map number six. The U.P. Times also featured the news release issued by the school on their "Changing Face of the Sphinx" exhibit. The Detroit News and Detroit Free Press (Sunday September 24 issues) both carried articles on Grand Marais, and Governor Milliken recently had a news release out concerning our pile dike. Perhaps you have seen some news articles in other papers that we have not seen. The Chamber of Commerce has a scrap book of news clippings and we would appreciate any news articles concerning Grand Marais that you may want to contribute.

#### UPTRA UPDATE

The Upper Peninsula Travel and Recreation Association, of which The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce is a member, as is our Burt Township Board of Supervisors, puts out a "Who's Host in Michigan's Upper Peninsula" and sends this book to people who write for information on the Upper Peninsula. This book lists places of business and also lists our points of interest for our many tourists to visit. The Chamber has recently worked with the UPTRA staff on updating our featured attractions. Au Sable Lighthouse will now be listed with

Sable Falls, the Logslide, and the Sand Dunes as things to see in Grand Marais and our cross-country ski trails and snowmobile trails will be listed with the things to do in Grand Marais.

#### GRAND MARAIS SKI TRAIL LISTED

Through the efforts of The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce, The Grand Marais Cross-Country Ski Trail located in The Burt Township School Forest which was opened to the public just this past winter, has been listed in The Michigan Cross-Country Skiing Atlas (Second Edition) published by Dennis R. Hansen of Lansing.

The book divides Michigan into four regions and lists the various trails in these regions with maps showing the lengths and terrains of the trails. The book also gives a brief history of Nordic skiing.

Anyone wishing further information on this book may contact Sandee Sibbald or The Burt Township School.

#### CALENDAR COOPERATION

Letters from The Chamber of Commerce again have been sent to the various organizations asking for cooperation with keeping our Calendar of Events current and accurate. If anyone wishes a community meeting or event posted or notices something in error on the Calendar, please notify Sandee Sibbald.

#### HO-HO CORNER

An elevator operator grew so tired of having people ask him the time that he hung a clock over his head.

Now all day long, people ask, "Is that clock right?"

The old jalopy jerked and sputtered out just as it made it to the toll-gate.

"Fifty cents," said the toll taker.  
"Sold," said the driver.

Social tact: the art of making your guests feel at home, even if you wish they were.



CHORAL GROUP

Watch for announcements on a choral group from Newberry coming to Grand Marais for a concert during the holiday season.

MEMBERSHIP DUES - 1979

Dues for the new year may be paid at any time now to either Evelyn Stier, Treasurer or Sandee Sibbald, Executive Secretary. Dues are \$5.00 per person.

OCTOBER MEETING

The next regularly scheduled monthly meeting of The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce is set for October 23. The meeting will be held in The Community Center and will begin PROMPTLY at 7:30 p.m. and will adjourn PROMPTLY at 9:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

LUNCHEON MEETINGS

The informal luncheon meetings will now be held the Wednesday before the monthly meeting and the Wednesday after the monthly meeting. The October 18 luncheon meeting will be at Alverson's and the October 25 luncheon meeting will be at the Kozy Korner.

MICHIGAN FACT

Michigan was the first state to provide in its Constitution for the establishment of public libraries.

VOTE ON NOVEMBER 7!

*Happy  
Halloween!*





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The Upper Peninsula  
Sunday Times

# Perspective

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## State funds loom for Grand Marais Harbor

By JIM CARTER  
Special to the Sunday Times

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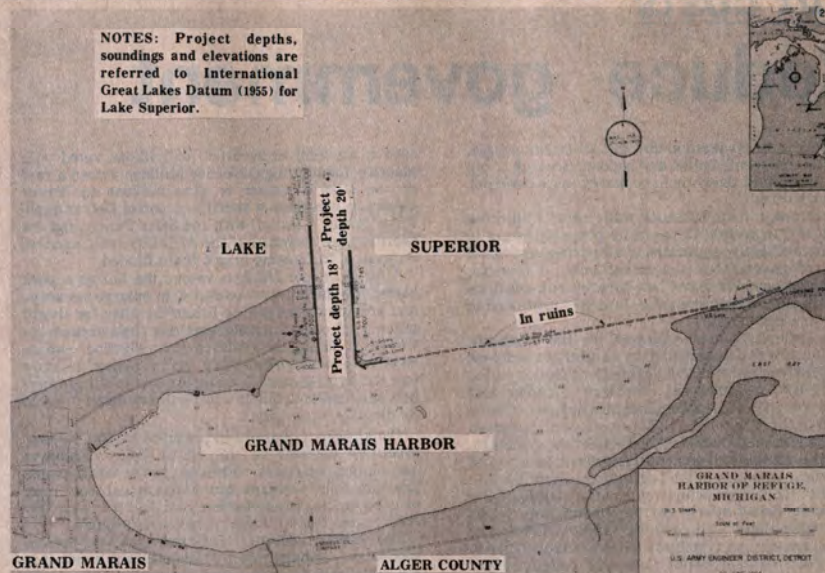
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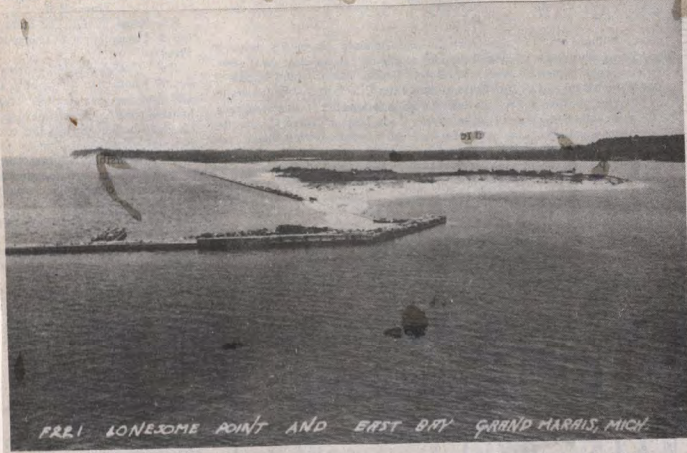
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The above U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' map details the Grand Marais Harbor. The pile dike stretching across has been in disrepair. Efforts are now moving at achieving state and federal funding to rebuild the dike. Left, a 1939 aerial photo of the Grand Marais Harbor and pile dike.



# MILLIKEN SUPPORTS STATE FUNDS FOR PILE DIKE BACKS REP. JACOBETTI'S PROPOSAL



View of the Pile Dike and Gull Island taken in the early 1940's. The remains of the Pile Dike and of Gull Island are now completely submerged, in some places barely 1 2-15 feet beneath the surface of Grand Marais Harbor. (Photo courtesy of Dave Becker)

(From the U.P. Sunday Times)

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## U.P. The Week in Review

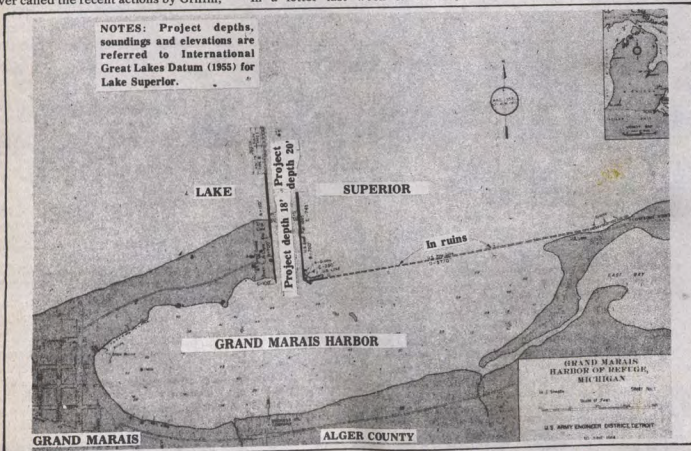
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GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

AGENDA

OCTOBER 23, 1978  
7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Welcome to Members and Guests-----Kay O'Brien  
Minutes of Previous Meeting-----Mary Dempsey

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report-----Evelyn Stier  
Correspondence-----Santee Sibbald  
Brochures-----Wayne Pirlot  
Task Force-----Edna Jean Johnson  
Pile Dike Status-----Santee Sibbald  
Constitution Committee-----Diane Pirlot, Marvin Williams, Rose Marshall

OLD BUSINESS

Newberry Choral Group

NEW BUSINESS

Snowmobile Polar Rally  
Cross-Country Caravan  
December Meeting  
July 4th Celebration Date

YOUR PLEASURE

NOVEMBER MEETING

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## CORPS MOVES ON PILE DIKE

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Friedly, special assistant to Gov. William Milliken, and Michigan Department of Labor director, Pat Babcock were in Grand Marais to discuss the Governor's support of a supplemental appropriations bill to make state funds available for rebuilding the pile dike. The bill has been introduced to the Michigan House of Representatives by Rep. Dominic Jacobetti.

Over 45 townspeople turned out at the Community Center to hear Friedly report that the Corps is completing another report on the pile dike and that a definite course of action will be recommended by mid-November.

Development of a tentative proposal, calling for partial reconstruction of the dike, came out of a meeting of Keith Wilson, director of the Michigan Waterways Commission, and Corps officials in Washington, D.C. Within three weeks Corps representatives from the Detroit District and Chicago Regional offices will visit Grand Marais and make recommendations concerning the feasibility of the new proposal. Funding of the project would be totally by the Corps and would be a part of their 1979-80 budget.

Friedly also reported that the Upper Great Lakes Regional Commission was supportive of the pile dike project and that funds from the Commission could become available - and from the state - should the Corps opt for a shared-cost funding arrangement. *Rid M 2/78*



## BACKPACKERS REACH GOAL

By Rose Mary Marshall

"The most spectacular scenery of the entire trip." That's how backpackers, Carolyn Hoffman and Lou Ann Fellows described the Grand Marais area of the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore as they celebrated the end of a seven month long, 3,500 mile hike from New York state to North Dakota.

Their trip ended with a bottle of Champagne garnished with a freeze-dried strawberry at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, October 14, delayed a week when their packs were stolen (later recovered).

The two young women enjoyed two days in Grand Marais where they picked up and dispatched mail and were welcomed and entertained by the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce.

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Cold, snowy, windy, below zero weather dampened the beginning of their hike in March and several other backpackers gave up for that reason, only Lou Ann, from LaMesa, California and Carolyn Hoffman of Dillsburg, Pennsylvania endured.

Wintry weather also met them head on as they reached the end of the trip. High winds, cold, hail, sleet, and snow battered them in the Badlands of North Dakota.

But during the good times they picked berries, enjoyed the scenery, met "reams" of wonderful people, and observed the wilderness at very close range.

While in Grand Marais, Carolyn related one of the most bizarre adventures. She was awakened with the sound of something sliding down the tent flaps. Snowshoe rabbits, as she observed, played games and slid down the tent in the middle of the night. It was a most surprising observation and she related the story with some reluctance thinking that none would believe her.

"One thing Carolyn and I both agree on after 3,500 miles and over seven months, the prettiest scenery of the entire trip was along Lake Superior and the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. I really mean that. I know I'll be back someday," wrote Lou Ann Fellows when she thanked the people of Grand Marais for their hospitality.

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Cold, March, snowy, windy, below zero weather dampened the beginning of their hike and several other backpackers gave up for that reason, only Lou Ann, from LaMesa, California and Carolyn Hoffman of Dillsburg, Pennsylvania endured.

Wintry winds also met them head on as they closed the trip. High winds, cold, hail, sleet, and snow battered them in the Badlands of North Dakota.

But during the good times they picked berries, enjoyed the scenery, met "reams" of wonderful people, and observed the wilderness at very close range.

While in Grand Marais, Carolyn related one of the most bizarre adventures. She was awakened with the sound of something sliding down the tent flaps.

"This is hard to believe...but it is true."

Snowshoe rabbits, as she observed, played games and slid down the tent in the middle of the night. It was a most surprising observation and she related the story with some reluctance thinking that none would believe her.

But, there is no problem with believing it. Such snowshoe rabbit antics were reported by the Upper Peninsula's William Davenport Hulbert in a book called Forest Neighbors written about animal life and nationally published early in this century

"One thing Carolyn and I both agree on after 3,500 miles and over seven months, the prettiest scenery of the entire trip was along Lake Superior and the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. I really mean that. I know I'll be back someday," wrote Lou Ann Fellows when she thanked the people of Grand Marais for their hospitality.



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NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Grand Marais High School Seniors will again host the Annual Turkey Shoot just West of Grand Marais this November 12, beginning at 12 noon, with a total of possibly eight divisions.

Classifications are as follows:

22 rim fire Junior Division (under 16 years), 22 rim fire Open Division, and Large Bore Open Division. Each Division will include classes for open sights and scopes.

Bring your pistol, if enough interest is shown there will be a pistol shoot.

The Grand Champion Contest for the traditional Thanksgiving bird will be for best score, large bore, offhand. (No rests or sandbags)!!

Entry fee is \$1.00.

Prizes presented in all contests will be donated by The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce members and other supporters of the senior class. Refreshments will be available.

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Friedly reported that Keith Wilson, Chief of Michigan Waterways Commission had conferred with the Corps of Engineers in Washington on Monday October 23 and reported the Corps would make a decision on the Grand Marais Harbor pile dike "within three weeks."

Approximately 48 townspeople were present at the meeting, called by Supervisor Neal Beaver, and voiced their concern and asked questions about the Corps' proposed "abbreviated version" of the pile dike. This abbreviated version would be totally funded by the Corps and would be a part of their 1979-80 budget.

#### NEWBERRY COMMUNITY CHORUS

The Social and Recreation Committee has been working for several months to get the Newberry Community Chorus over for a program, and now have a confirmed date of December 17.

The program, which begins at 3:00, will be held in the Burt Township School gym and will be approximately one hour long.

The group is composed of approximately 35 members and is well known in the Newberry area.

#### NEWS RELEASE

The Chamber of Commerce has had two news releases this past month in the various media. The first being the article written by Rose Mary Marshall on the backpackers, and the second article announced the Turkey Shoot scheduled for this Sunday November 12, beginning at noon and sponsored by the Senior Class.

Thank you to all members who gave donations for this event.

#### LUNCHEON MEETINGS

The next luncheon meeting will be at Audrey's Trading Post on November 22. The November 29 luncheon will be at Alverson's.

#### UPTRA MEETING

Executive Secretary, Sandee Sibbald attended the most recent UPTRA meeting held in Iron Mountain November 3.

New Officers were elected at this meeting and they are as follows:

Glenn Anderson, President  
Jerry Bell, Vice President  
Donald Doyle, Vice President  
George Norr, Treasurer

The advertising committee displayed their ads and radio announcements for this winter season. Copies of these will be on display at the next Chamber of Commerce meeting.

#### HOUSING FOR RENT OR LEASE

The Grand Marais Coast Guard has requested persons with homes or apartments to rent or lease please call the Officer in Charge at 494-2551.

#### CORPS TO HOLD MEETING

Mr. Phil McCallister of the Detroit Corps of Engineers and Mr. Keith Wilson of Michigan Waterways Commission will be here Tuesday November 21, at 7:30 p.m. for an open public meeting for discussion of the Corps of Engineers stand on the pile dike. The meeting will be held in the Community Center.

#### NOVEMBER MEETING

The next regularly scheduled monthly meeting will be November 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

The Calendar and Budget for the new year must be approved. All members are urged to attend.

#### MICHIGAN FACT

So great is the variety of Michigan foods that Michigan comes closer to setting the family table completely -- breakfast, lunch, and dinner -- than any other state.

#### HAVE A VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

#### **BREAKWALL PLAN UNVEILED**

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But plans were apparently less than area residents had expected. Many wanted the 5,770-foot pile dike completely reconstructed. The dike, which extends from the inner end of the east pier to the tip of Lonesome Pine Road, was originally constructed by the corps in 1897.

The federally-funded proposed project calls for the construction of a segmented rubble mound breakwater extending 1,600 feet on the diagonal southeast from the south end of the present pier to within 700 feet of the shoreline. It is anticipated construction will begin in the summer of 1981.

*E.P. Turner 11/26/78*



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GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN  
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### OCTOBER MEETING NEWS

The regular monthly meeting was held October 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

Members present voted to order an additional 10,000 brochures for this winter and spring. The brochures will again be purchased from The Voyager Press.

Edna Jean Johnson reported that the Pictured Rocks Advisory Commission has accepted the Task Force's recommendation for the road to be used through the Lakeshore.

Discussion was held on the Snowmobile Poker Rally which is scheduled for February 3. Thus far, "Pug" Endress, Dick Perlick, and Cliff Beek are volunteers to set up the trail for this event. We need at least two more workers for the trail and workers to register the drivers and handle the concession booth in the Community Center. Help! Help! We need YOU.

Guest at the meeting was Otto Bufe, who has graciously offered to set up the events for the Cross-Country Caravan scheduled for March 3. Mr. Bufe was in charge of setting up the trail through the Burt Township School Forest and is experienced in cross-country skiing.

The Constitution Committee has recommended that the following changes be made in the Constitution:

Article IX (Amendments and By-Laws)  
Old: "The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended at a regular and annual meeting by a full 75% of the registered voting members."  
New: "The Constitution and By-Laws

may be amended at a regular and annual meeting by the registered voting members present."

Article II Membership - Meetings  
Old: "Meetings will be held the second Monday of the month."  
New: "Meetings will be held the fourth Monday of the month."  
These changes must be made at the annual January meeting.

### BACKPACKERS SAY "THANK YOU"

Backpackers, Carolyn Hoffman and Lou Ann Fellows reached their destination point of New Town, North Dakota on October 13, thus ending a 3,500 mile hike which included a two day stay in Grand Marais this past July.

The girls wrote the Chamber of Commerce to say "thank you" for the hospitality shown them when members of the Chamber took them to dinner their first night here.

In their letter, the girls said "the most spectacular scenery of the entire trip was along Lake Superior and the Pictured Rocks. There were a couple of beautiful places in North Dakota, but Michigan in your area wins the prize."

Rose Mary Marshall, Co/Publicity Chairman, wrote an article on their letter which appeared in several local papers.

Carolyn of Dillsburg, Pennsylvania, and Lou Ann of LaMesa, California, are both members of The International Backpackers Association.

### PILE DIKE MEETING

Glen Friedly, special assistant to Governor Milliken and Pat Babcock, Michigan Dept. of Labor, hosted a meeting at the Community Center on Wednesday October 25 to discuss the Governor's stand on the pile dike.



GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

AGENDA

NOVEMBER 27, 1978  
7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Welcome to Members and Guests.....Kay O'Brien  
Minutes of Previous Meeting.....Mary Dempsey

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report.....Evelyn Stier  
Correspondence.....Santee Sibbald  
Publicity.....Rose Marshall  
Pile Dike Status.....Santee Sibbald

OLD BUSINESS

Brochures  
Choral Group  
Snowmobile Poker Rally  
Budget  
Christmas Carolling  
Other

NEW BUSINESS

Slate of Officers  
Other

NEXT MEETING - REGULAR AND ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 22, 1979

COMING EVENTS - CROSS-COUNTRY CARAVAN - MARCH 3, 1979  
SNOWMOBILE POKER RALLY - FEBRUARY 3, 1979

We wish you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS!



## U.S. unveils breakwall proposals

By CHRIS ZISKOVSKY  
Journal Staff Writer

GRAND MARAIS — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers unveiled a \$1 million breakwall project proposed for the deteriorated Grand Marais Harbor Tuesday night.

But the plans were less than area residents had hoped for. Many wanted to see the 5,770-foot pile dike completely reconstructed. The dike, that extends from the inner end of the east pier to the tip of Lonesome Point, was constructed by the corps of engineers in 1897.

The federally-funded proposed project calls for the construction of a segmented rubble mound breakwater extending 1,600 feet on the diagonal southeast from the south end of the present pier to within 700 feet of the shoreline. The rubble mounds would be built in four separate segments at 200-foot intervals.

Early in the meeting, Philip McCallister, chief of the engineering division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, warned the 48 area residents present: "We are not going to restore the

original pile dike. What we are going to do is maintain the present integrity of the harbor."

"Is this all we can hope for?" asked Joseph Massey, Alger County Commissioner after the plans had been presented.

"Yes, in all honesty you really only have two choices: One, we can do something, or two, we can do nothing," said Keith Wilson, chief of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Waterways Commission, who supported the corp's position.

"There is no economical justification for the replacement of the original pile dike," he added.

The harbor is the only designated "harbor of refuge" along a 90-mile stretch of the south shoreline of Lake Superior. It is strategically located 40 miles east of Munising and 49 miles west of White Fish Bay.

The corps of engineers feels that the segmented breakwater will effectively reduce wave action in the exposed harbor, greatly dissipate sand deposits collecting near the east pier and keep the present harbor channel open from Lake Superior and navigable to recreational craft.

McCallister said the corps had been instructed by Major Gen.

Charles McGinnis, director of civil works, U.S. Corps of Engineers, to develop an "economical plan to reduce future corps maintenance costs of the harbor."

McGinnis had earlier rejected a \$3.5 million scaled down version of the original pile dike which was to have been funded under the Federal Major Rehabilitation program in June of this year.

Local residents voiced concern about the serious erosion problems that have evolved in the harbor area, particularly the shoaling built up on the east bay of the harbor.

"We are not trying to stop erosion, we are trying to stop sedimentation," McCallister said.

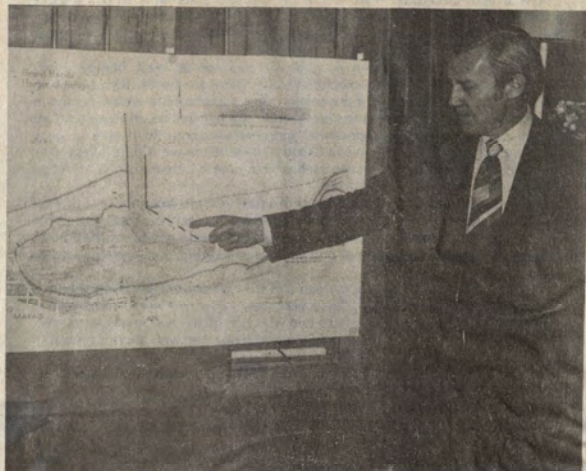
But he added that the corps planned to release the results of a study later in the year that would include recommendations to reduce the erosion problems in the east bay area.

For the most part, the presentation was accepted quietly by those present.

Final approval of the project is expected from the director of civil works in Washington, D.C. and it is anticipated that construction could begin in the summer of 1981.



## CORPS UNVEILS PLAN FOR HARBOR BREAKWATER



Phil McCallister of the Corps of Engineers Detroit office points to proposed abbreviated breakwater.

The U.S. Corps of Engineers unveiled a plan for construction of an abbreviated breakwall in Grand Marais Harbor at a meeting here Tuesday, Nov. 21.

Over 60 area residents gathered at the Community Center to hear Phil McCallister, chief of the engineering division of the Corps' Detroit office, describe a plan calling for construction of a breakwater extending 1,600 feet southeast from the south end of the east pier to within 700 feet of the shoreline. The breakwater would consist of four segments, 250 feet in length, of rubble mound with three 200 foot openings between the segments. The proposed structure would have a top elevation of four feet above low water and is estimated to cost \$1,060,000. The proposed project would be funded entirely by the federal government.

The plan outlined by McCallister and Keith Wilson, director of the Michigan Waterways Commission, was less than some residents had hoped for. Many still held out hope that the Corps would reconstruct the 5,770 foot-long pile dike extending from the inner end of the east pier to the tip of Lonesome Point which was originally constructed by the Corps in 1897.

McCallister was firm in pointing out that the Corps could not justify the tremendous expense of reconstructing or "rehabilitating" (a term he called misleading) the old pile dike and that the plan he presented was the only alternative feasible. Wilson said that if

the plan was accepted by residents the chances for it being approved by Corps officials in Washington were very good and that construction could begin in the summer of 1981, perhaps sooner.

There was considerable comment from residents about the prospects of the Corps providing some protection for East Bay and reopening East Bay River to empty into the harbor. Once again, McCallister firmly stated that the Corps' responsibility was to maintain the harbor for navigation purposes and that East Bay was not considered a part of the harbor. As for the reopening of East Bay River, that matter was more properly a responsibility of the Waterways Commission rather than the Corps of Engineers, he said.

There may be some relief in store for East Bay, however. An erosion study recently completed by the Corps indicates that the 802 foot extension of the west jetty in 1960-62 is a major contributing factor to the sand filling in East Bay and, to a lesser degree, the erosion of Lonesome Point. Recent federal guidelines provide that up to \$1,000,000 in funding can be made available for rehabilitation or repair when it can be demonstrated that such work is necessary because of the construction (west jetty extension) of a government project.

McCallister will be returning to Grand Marais to detail the results of the erosion study and the impact the findings of the study may have on the future of East Bay and Lonesome Point.

## CHRISTMAS SONG FESTIVAL SCHEDULED

The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce and the Burt Township School P.T.O. are co-sponsoring a Christmas Song Festival featuring the Newberry Community Chorus on December 17 at 3 p.m. in the school gym.

A special family ticket will be available for \$5. Individual ticket prices are: \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and Senior Citizens. Refreshments, included with admission ticket, will be served after the performance. Advance tickets may be purchased at the IGA store and at the First National Bank.

Senior Citizens needing rides to and from the school should call Adrienne Becker at 494-2561 before 6 p.m. and at 494-2565 after 6 p.m.

Proceeds from the concert will go toward the purchase of new stage curtains for the school gym.



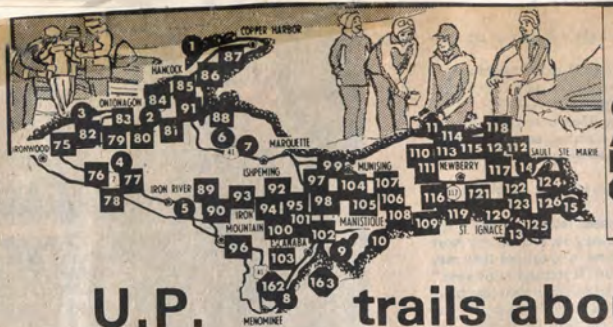
# Sunday Times Outdoor Calendar

**DECEMBER**  
 Through March 31, Cotton tail rabbit and snowshoe hunting season  
 Through Jan. 31, Raccoon hunting season  
 Through March 31, Bobcat hunting season  
 Dec. 1-10, Muzzleloader deer hunting season  
 Dec. 1-15, Bow and arrow deer hunting season  
 Dec. 2, Wild Fur Sale, Amasa  
 Dec. 2, Cross-country Skiing Race, Swedetowne Ski Area, Calumet  
 Dec. 6-8, NASTAR Midwest Pace-Setting Trials, Ski Brule, Iron River  
 Dec. 16-17, Wendell Trepp Memorial Mid-America Ski Races, Pine Mountain Ski Area, Iron Mountain  
 Dec. 30, Snowy Fun Run, noon, Munising  
 Dec. 30-31, Sled Dog Races, Range Snowmobile Club, Atlantic Mine

**JANUARY**  
 Jan. 34, Cliff's Ridge Mid-America Challenge Ski Races, Cliff's Ridge, Marquette  
 Jan. 8, "Song of the Northern Prairie," Audubon Wildlife Film Series, 7:30 p.m., University of Wisconsin Center, Marinette County theater, Marinette, Wis.  
 Jan. 12-14, Jaycee Winter Fest and Fishing Derby, Gladstone  
 Jan. 21, Copper Country Cross-Country Skiing Championship, Swedetowne Ski Area, Calumet  
 Jan. 31-Feb. 5, Michigan Tech Winter Carnival, Houghton

**FEBRUARY**  
 Feb. 3, Snowmobile Poker Rally, Grand Marais  
 Feb. 10, 1-500 Snowmobile Race, 1-500 Race Track, Sault Ste. Marie  
 Feb. 16-18, Winter Carnival, Newberry  
 Feb. 17, U.P. Snowmobile Ride-In, Iron County Armory, Iron River  
 Feb. 17, Women's AIAW Midwest Skiing Championships, Ski Brule, Iron River  
 Feb. 17, Poker Rally for snowmobilers, Drummond Island  
 Feb. 18, Men's Midwest Collegiate Skiing Championships, Ski Brule, Iron River.  
 Feb. 18, Men's Midwest Collegiate Skiing Championships, Ski Brule, Iron River.  
 Feb. 18, Cross Country Ski Tour, Calumet to Hancock  
 Feb. 18-19, Ishpeming Ski Tournament, National Competition, Ishpeming  
 Feb. 27-28, Central Division Championships, Mid-American Series Finale, Indianhead Ski Area, Wakefield

**MARCH**  
 March 1-2, Central Division Championships, Mid-America Series Finale, Indianhead Ski Area, Wakefield  
 March 3, Cross-Country Caravan, Grand Marais  
 March 3, Brockway Mountain Ski Race, Copper Harbor  
 March 3-10, Sled Dog Races, 4 Mile Corners, Newberry  
 March 3-4, Freestyle Skiing Competition, Ski Brule, Iron River  
 March 7-10, Intercollegiate Women's National Ski Championships: Downhill: Cliff's Ridge, Marquette; Cross-Country: Suicide, Bowl, Ishpeming  
 March 10-11, Ski Brule Cup Dual Slalom Races, Ski Brule, Iron River  
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 March 10-11, Spring Carnival, Blackjack, Bessemer  
 March 15-17, NCAA Division II Swimming and Diving Championships, NMU, Marquette  
 March 17, Snowmobile rally, Delaware to Copper Harbor, Delaware  
 March 17-18, Big Brule Bash, Ski Brule, Iron River  
 March 17-18, Lumberjack Festival, Blackjack, Bessemer  
 March 17-18, Spring Carnival, Indianhead, Wakefield  
 March 18, Spring Carnival, Big Powderhorn Bessemer  
 March 24-25, Bikini Races, Indianhead, Wakefield



**1979 LEGEND**

- SNOWMOBILE TRAILS
- STATE PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS
- SOUTHERN GAME AREAS
- STATE FORESTS
- NATIONAL FORESTS

Map by

## U.P. trails abound

- STATE PARKS**
- 1 MC LAIN, near Calumet, 365 acres.
  - 2 TWIN LAKES, near Winona, open area, 165 acres.
  - 3 PORCUPINE MTS., near Ontonagon, 35 miles of trails.
  - 4 LAKE GOGEBIC, near Marais, 345 acres.
  - 5 BEWAIC, near Crystal Falls, 120 acres.
  - 6 CRAIG LAKE, near Neshota, 4,047 acres.
  - 7 VAN RIPER, near Ishpeming, 1,025 acres.
  - 8 WELLS, near Cedar River, 875 acres.
  - 9 FAYETTE, near Garden, 200 acres.
  - 10 INDIAN LAKE, near Manistique, 375 acres.
  - 11 MUSKALONGE LAKE, near Deer Park, 125 acres.
  - 12 TAHQUAMENON FALLS, near Paradise, 14,300 acres. Groomed trail.
  - 13 STRAITS, near St. Ignace, 120 acres.
  - 14 BRIMLEY, 45 acres.
  - 15 DETOUR, near Cedarville, 400 acres.
  - 16 WILDFIRE, near Mackinac City, 15 miles of trails.
- STATE FORESTS**
- 75 CAMP 9 TRAIL, 2 mi. W. of Connoville.
  - Trail: 2 mi.
  - 76 MARENISCO-PRESQUE ISLE, Wis., Iron Range State Forest, in Maraisco. Trail: 12 mi.
  - 77 RAMSEY-MARENISCO, at Maraisco. Trail: 33 mi.
  - 78 MARENISCO-BERGLAND, at Maraisco. Trail: 24 mi.
  - 79 BERGLAND-PORCUPINE MT., 1 mi. N. of Bergland. Trail: 18 mi.
  - 80 BERGLAND-VICTORIA, Mishwabic State Forest, at Bergland or Victoria. Trail: 20 mi.
  - 81 BILL NICHOLS, Mishwabic State Forest, at Mass. Trail: 40 mi.
  - 82 PORCUPINE MT., Porcupine Mtns. St. Pk. Trail: 29 mi.
  - 83 MISERY BAY, Mishwabic State Forest: 2 1/2 mi. N. of Winona along M-26. Trail: 14 mi.
  - 84 ALSTON-WINONA, Mishwabic State Forest, at Dorken. Trail: 30 mi.
  - 85 ATLANTIC-FREDA, Mishwabic State Forest: 1/2 mi. W. of Atlantic. Trail: 9 mi.
  - 86 KEWEENAW, Mishwabic State Forest: 1/2 mi. SE of Laurium, also in Copper Harbor. Trail: 50 mi.
  - 87 LAURIUM-LAKE LINDEN, Mishwabic State Forest, in Laurium and Lake Linden. Trail: 5 mi.
  - 88 LAC VIEUX, Baraga State Forest: 3 mi. W. of L'Anse on Munge Creek Rd. Trail: 17 mi.
  - 89 CRYSTAL FALLS-BATES JCT., Iron Range State Forest: 2 mi. NW of Crystal Falls off US-141. Trail: 18 mi.
  - 90 STAGER GRADE, Iron Range State Forest: 1 mi. E. of Crystal Falls on M-69 or 1/2 mi. E. of Alpha on US-141. Trail: 10 mi.
  - 91 LANSE-ALSTON-SIDNAY, Ottawa National Forest, at L'Anse, Alston or Sidnay. Trail: 51 mi.
  - 92 PALMER, Michigan State Forest: 4 mi. NE of Palmer on M-35. Trail: 7 mi.
  - 93 KELSO-CRYSTAL FALLS, Iron Range State Forest, at Kelso Jct. Trail: 6 mi.
  - 94 SILVER LAKE-FLOODWOOD, Ford River State Forest: 5 mi. N. of Channing on M-95. Trail: 40 mi.
  - 95 CHARLEY LAKES, Ford River State Forest: 6 mi. NE of Ralph. Trail: 6 mi.
  - 96 LORETTO-FELCH, Ford River State Forest: 1 1/2 mi. E. of Waucedah off US-2 or 2 1/2 mi. S. of Poster City. Trail: 25 mi.
  - 97 LITTLE LAKE, Escanaba, River State Forest, in Gwynn and Little Lake. Trail: 5 mi.
  - 98 SAND PLAINS, Michigan State Forest, off M-35 at New Swartz. Trail: 21 mi.
  - 99 CHATHAM BRANCH, Bay de Noc State Forest: 2 mi. E. of Chatham off M-94. Trail: 6 mi.
  - 100 FELCH GRADE, Bay de Noc, Menominee and Ford River State forests, at Felch. Trail: 44 mi.
  - 101 PIPELINE, Sturgeon River State Forest: 1 mi. S. of Ralph on Co. Rd. 581. Trail: 17 mi.
  - 102 SKUNK CREEK, Sturgeon River State Forest: 2 1/2 mi. N. of Felch on Co. Rd. 581. Trail: 23 mi.
  - 103 LAKE ANTOINE, Sturgeon River State Forest: 2 mi. E. of Waucedah, at Beaver-Petes. Trail: 10 mi.
  - 104 HOVIE, Grand Sable State Forest: 15 mi. S. of Munising on Hwy. 13. Trail: 6 mi.
  - 105 ENSIGN-ROUND LAKE, Grand Sable State Forest: 16 mi. S. of Munising on Hwy. 13. Trail: 7 mi.
  - 106 N. HAWATHA, Grand Sable State Forest, at Shingleton. Trail: 48 mi.
  - 107 SUNRISE, Grand Sable State Forest: 1 mi. N. of Shingleton on Co. Rd. H15. Trail: 40 mi.
  - 108 HAYWIRE, Manistique River State Forest: 5 mi. N. of Manistique on M-94. Trail: 21 mi.
  - 109 HIGH ROLLWAYS, Manistique River State Forest: 10 mi. N. and 1 mi. E. of Manistique on Co. Rd. 448. Trail: 15 mi.
  - 110 GRAND MARAIS, Lake Superior State Forest: 24 mi. N. of Newberry on Co. Rd. 427. Trail: 17 mi.
  - 111 PINE STUMP-TAHQUAMENON FALLS, Lake Superior State Forest: 20 mi. N. of Newberry on Co. Rd. 407. Trail: 32 mi.
  - 112 PARADISE-PINE STUMP JUNCTION, Lake Superior State Forest, in Paradise and Pine Stump Junction. Trail: 10 mi.
  - 113 DOLLARVILLE DAM, Tahquamenon River State Forest, links Newberry with trails to Grand Marais and Tahquamenon Falls. Trail: 18 mi.
  - 114 NEWBERRY-UPPER TAHQUAMENON FALLS, Lake Superior and Tahquamenon State forests: Charcoal Grade, 1 mi. N. of Newberry, or Tahquamenon Falls State Park. Trail: 25 mi.
  - 115 NEWBERRY-TAHQUAMENON RIVER, Tahquamenon River and Lake Superior State forests: 1 1/2 mi. N. of Newberry off M-123. Trail: 22 mi.
  - 116 McMILLAN, Tahquamenon River State Forest: 3 mi. S. of McMillan on Co. Rd. 429. Trail: 13 mi.
  - 117 PARADISE-RACO, Lake Superior and Munisong State forests, at Paradise or Raco. Trail: 35 mi.
  - 118 PARADISE-UPPER TAHQUAMENON FALLS, Lake Superior State Forest: 1 mi. W. of Paradise on M-123. Trail: 14 mi.
  - 119 PULLUP LAKE, Mackinac and Tahquamenon State Forests: 2 mi. E. of Nubway on US-2 to M-28, 4 mi. S. of Newberry. Trail: 20 mi.
  - 120 CARR RIVER, Mackinac State Forest: 3 mi. NE of Brewton on Worth Rd. to 2 mi. SW of Trout Lake. Trail: 16 1/2 mi.
  - 121 REXTON, Mackinac State Forest, at Rexton. Trail: 25 mi.
  - 122 KINROSS-RACO, Munisong State Forest, at Raco. Trail: 12 mi.
  - 123 RUDYARD-TROUT LAKE, Munisong State Forest, at Rudyard. Trail: 24 mi.
  - 124 SOO-RACO, Munisong State Forest, Sherman Park, 1 mi. E. of Sault Ste. Marie. Trail: 21 mi.
  - 125 CASTLE ROCK, Mackinac State Forest: 4 mi. N. of St. Ignace off I-75. Trail: 18 mi.
  - 126 CEDARVILLE, Munisong State Forest: 1 1/2 mi. N. of Cedarville on M-129. Trail: 26 mi.



## New trails...

Snowmobilers jaunting about the Upper Peninsula this winter can take advantage of several new trails and connections to existing trails.

These passageways include:

- Amasa-Canton Trail (25-mile extension), Amasa to north of Cable Lake, ties into area north of Perch Lake, Iron County;
- Torch Lake Trail (extension), follows Bootjack Road 20 miles from Lake Linden to Jacobsville;
- Berma Road Loop, Keweenaw County, 10 miles;
- Keweenaw snowmobile trail (extension), from Lake Linden to Calumet, 7 miles;
- Marquette to Big Bay (extension), runs off to L'Anse, Marquette and Baraga counties;
- Republic to Floodwood Trail, Marquette County, 10-mile connector trail;
- Trail connecting Curtis and Seney to Grand Marais Trail, Alger, Mackinac and Schoolcraft counties, 23 miles;
- Rockland, Mass, Victoria, Bruce Crossing, Ontonagon, 60-mile trail ties into Bill Nichols Grade, Ontonagon County;
- Lake Antoine (Waucedah to Foster City), 15-mile extension trail, Dickinson County;
- Ishpeming through Republic, down to Iron Mountain, 6-mile connector trail, Marquette County



## REC. CENTER GOAL OF BURT BOARD

The Burt Township Board has formed a new recreation committee as a result of a special meeting with Mr. Dave Bonczyk of the Central Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Regional Commission (CUPPAD).


The committee, chaired by Jim Becker of the Lion's Club, will be made up of representatives from the Chamber of Commerce, the Women's Club, Senior Citizens, two high school students, and Arvo Kallio, who will serve as liaison to the township board.

The committee is charged with drawing up a five-year plan for a recreational center for the township. The plan will be presented to the Land and Water Conservation Fund and the Coastal Zone Management Fund for potential 50 percent funding

by the federal government. Both of these funds are administered by the Department of Natural Resources. The proposed plan must be completed by March 1. If accepted for consideration by the Land and Water Conservancy, a representative from that agency would then make an on-site visit to review the proposal.

Indications are that the plan most favored by those who attended the meeting would call for construction of a sheltered ice rink and a township recreation building. The committee hopes that at some point in the future rentals would pay for the upkeep of the facility being considered.

As soon as all appointments to the committee have been made, regular meetings will be scheduled and the support and participation of interested area residents encouraged.



**THE GRAND MARAIS**  
*Chamber of Commerce*

wishes you Peace, Happiness and every Joy for

Christmas and the New Year

Eastern Gateway, Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, Grand Marais, a village of friendly people. Fishing, Hunting, Hiking, Beachcombing, Swimming, Camping, Rockhounding, Snowmobiling, Cross-Country Skiing, Snowshoeing. Miles of Wilderness, Many inland lakes, Lake Superior, Sable Falls and Grand Sable Lake, Log Slide, Lighthouses.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1978

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Dec. 16 - Special Board Meeting at the Community Center at 7:30 p.m.  
Eighth Grade Bake Sale at the IGA.
- Dec. 17 - Christmas Song Festival at 3 p.m. in the School Gymnasium.
- Dec. 18 - The Medical Center is open from 1-5. Contact Edna Jean Johnson for an appointment.
- Dec. 19 - Senior Citizens Luncheon at Noon in the Community Center. For information on luncheons, bus trips and other Senior Citizens activities contact Edna Jean Johnson.  
Home Basketball Game.
- Dec. 20 - Women's Club Card Party at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center.
- Dec. 21 - Burt Township School Christmas Program at 7:30 p.m. in the school gym.
- Jan. 4 - A meeting for all women interested in playing softball will be held at the home of Sandee Sibbald on Masse Hill at 7:30 p.m.



## CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

### Grand Marais School

The joy and excitement of the holidays will be reflected in children's sparkling eyes, the ring of traditional carols, and Santa's familiar "Ho, ho, ho" on Thursday, December 21 at 7:30 P.M. when Burt Township School presents its annual Christmas program for the community.

Special music will be provided by Karen Bufe's 5th and 6th graders, both vocally and with their song flutes, while rhythm instruments will provide an appropriate background for songs by Virginia Minor's kindergarteners and first and second graders. Selections by the school chorus will include "Shepherds and Kings", "Simple Gifts", "Puer Natus", a Gregorian Plainchant, and "Songs in the Night".

In the spirit of the season, "The Adventures of Nicholas" will be presented by the third and fourth grade under the direction of Carol Peterman.

Highlighting the program will be a dance production staged by Caline Webb's 6th hour Enrichment Disco class.

The community is warmly invited to share this special evening at the school.

### Newberry Chorus

The Newberry Community Chorus is bringing a very special Christmas program to Grand Marais. The combined chorus of 35 voices will present a program of Christmas music entitled "We need A Little Christmas". Sponsored by the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce and the Burt Township P.T.O. the performance will be on Dec. 17 at 3 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

Advance tickets are now on sale at the IGA store and the First National Bank. A special family ticket is available for \$5. Individual ticket prices are: \$2. for adults and \$1. for children and Senior Citizens. Cookies, hot chocolate, and coffee will be served immediately after the performance. Refreshments are included in the price of admission.

The program will consist of traditional Christmas Carols, Spirituals, and popular Christmas Songs. All proceeds from the concert will go toward the purchase of new curtains for the school stage.

Everyone who will be in town on Dec. 17 is urged to attend this first celebration of the holiday season. Senior Citizens needing rides to and from the school should contact Adrienne Becker at 494-2561 before 6 p.m. and at 494-2565 after 6 p.m.

THE NEWBERRY COMMUNITY CHORUS

PRESENTS

"WE NEED A LITTLE CHRISTMAS"

GRAND MARAIS HIGH SCHOOL  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1978  
3:00 P. M.

NEWBERRY COMMUNITY BUILDING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1978  
8:00 P. M.

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THE GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE and THE BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL P.T.O.

PRESENTS

"WE NEED A LITTLE CHRISTMAS"

BY THE NEWBERRY COMMUNITY CHORUS

DATE: December 17, 1978  
TIME: 3:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Burt Township School

Refreshments are included in the price of this ticket.  
Proceeds will go toward the purchase of curtains for the school stage.  
Senior citizens needing transportation may call Adrienne Becker at 494-2561  
or 494-2565.

ADMISSION: \$1.00 senior citizen or child

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PLACE: Burt Township School

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Proceeds will go toward the purchase of curtains for the school stage.

ADMISSION: \$2.00 Adult

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PLACE: Burt Township School

Refreshments are included in the price of this ticket.  
Proceeds will go toward the purchase of curtains for the school stage.

ADMISSION: \$5.00 Family

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NEWBERRY COMMUNITY CHORUS CONCERT

Sunday, December 17 at 3 p. m.

"WE NEED A LITTLE CHRISTMAS"

Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and the P.T.O.

Tickets are on sale at the bank, the IGA and will  
be available at the door. Proceeds will go towards  
the stage curtains fund. Refreshments following the  
concert are included in the price of the ticket.

Do Come!





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#### NOVEMBER MEETING NEWS

The November meeting was held Monday November 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

A budget-Financial Statement was handed out to members to look over. This report showed the 1978 proposed budget, actual money spent in 1978, and the proposed budget for 1979. The proposed budget for the new year was approved.

Discussion was held on the Snowmobile Poker Rally to be held February 3, 1979. We still need volunteer workers for this event. Trophies left over from previous snowmobile functions were on display and can be used for the Poker Rally, with the addition of updated plates.

The correspondence report included a letter from Mr. Don Gillespie, Superintendent of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, in answer to our letter of inquiry on a replacement for Ranger Jim Johnson. Mr. Gillespie replied that they are trying to have this position filled as soon as possible.

A reply from Mr. Martin Hendrickson, Superintendent of Alger County Road Commission on the work schedule for Masse Hill road that work is now scheduled for spring of 1979.

It was suggested that at the next meeting, discussion be held on having a sign on M-28 for Grand Marais.

#### PILE DIKE MEETING

Approximately 41 townspeople attended a meeting on November 21, hosted by Mr. Keith Wilson,

Chief of Michigan Waterways Commission and Mr. Phil McCallister, Chief Engineering Division, Corps of Engineers Detroit District.

Mr. McCallister introduced a new proposed plan for the pile dike, which is much abbreviated from the original 5,770 foot structure which previously sheltered the bay of Grand Marais.

The plan is formulated for reducing future project maintenance and consists of a structure of segmented rubble mound breakwater with four segments and an opening of 200 feet between the segments. The breakwater would extend 1,600 feet southeast from the south end of the East Pier. The segmented breakwater would dissipate the wave energy to the extent that sand movement would be greatly reduced in the area of the harbor which would be maintained for navigation purposes. In addition, accretion would occur offshore of the East Pier, which would reduce the future amount of riprap required to protect the East Pier.

The first cost of the recommended plan is estimated at \$1,060,000.00

A show of hands at the close of the meeting indicated almost unanimous support of the proposed plan.

#### NEWBERRY COMMUNITY CHORUS

The posters are up, the tickets are on sale, the publicity is out, the refreshments are being prepared, all this in great anticipation of the Newberry Community Chorus' program of "We need a Little Christmas."

This is the first LIVE community musical group Grand Marais has had since the "FANTASTICS" were here March 17, 1976. The group is composed of 35 members and they have a selection of 17 songs on their program. So take

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1979

#### NOTICE

The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, January 22, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center.  
Payment of membership dues - \$5 - can be made at the meeting. One must be a member in good standing prior to voting at the annual meeting.  
Everyone is invited to attend.



note, all you music lovers, December 17, at 3:00 p.m. in the school gym, The Newberry Community Chorus.

This is a coordinated community program, co-sponsored by The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce and The Burt Township School PTO.

Advance tickets are on sale at the IGA store and the First National Bank.

A special family ticket is available for \$5.00. Individual ticket prices are: \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children and senior citizens. Senior citizens needing a ride to or from this event may call Adrienne Becker at 494-2561 or 494-2565. Refreshments are included in the price of the tickets.

Proceeds from the ticket sales will go to the PTO fund for the purchase of new curtains for the school stage. So let's all help get those new curtains and at the same time enjoy some Christmas music on a Sunday afternoon.

#### SNOWMOBILE POKER RALLY

You're not exactly sure what a snowmobile poker rally is?? It is indeed a poker game on snowmobile.

You must register your machine, (and the kids' machines too, for this is a family event) at the Community Center on February 3, at 12:00 p.m. and then be led to where the trail starts and follow the marked trail. There will be five check points on this trail and at each check point, you will pick an envelope which will contain one playing card. Whoever completes the course and has the best poker hand wins!

There is no time limit and the trail will not be hazardous, so the whole family can join in this week-end fun event.

There will be refreshments at the Community Center before and after

the event, so plan on a day of fun on snowmobile with the family.

#### UPCOMING DATES

We realize that Christmas is the only thing you've got time to think about right now, but if you'll jot down a few dates, you'll have something to look forward to in the quiet months following the holiday season.

SNOWSHOE WALK - January 7, 21,  
February 4, 18  
(meet at the Community Center 1:00p.m)

SNOWMOBILE POKER RALLY - February 3,  
12:00 p.m. at the Community Center  
for registration.

CROSS-COUNTRY CARAVAN - March 3, Burt  
Township School Forest.

PRO SNOWSHOE SOFTBALL - March 4, 1:00  
p.m. on the school grounds

#### NEXT ISSUE - NEXT MEETING

In our next issue of the newsletter, the President will submit a list of accomplishments of the Chamber in 1978 and proposals for 1979.

Our next meeting will be our annual meeting and regular meeting on January 22, 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

Bring your dues - \$5.00 per person, and be present for the nomination and election of new officers.

Any changes to be made in the Constitution must be made at this meeting.

#### "QUOTE", "QUOTE", "QUOTE"

We thought it might be interesting to get some comments from some of our Chamber members on how they feel this past year has been, as far as business is concerned, and how they feel about the Chamber and their community. This is what we heard:

Jan Mehlenbacher: "Skip and I are happy to be a part of the community and of the Chamber. We're looking forward to another good year."



Dick & Darlene Perlick: "Our business was average or a little above average and we feel Chamber was involved in more things this year and perhaps without the news releases in the various media, business might not have been as good."

Ruth Beaver: "I think it's been a very good year for the Chamber, an excellent job has been done on promoting events and getting the news releases out. Business was not so good - I'd say just so-so."

Adrienne Becker: "I thought Chamber did a real good job - I think the Wednesday luncheon meetings kept people in touch. Our bank business was up this year."

Joe Massey: "Business was better than expected."

Father Jim: "Beautiful!"

Debbie Beek: "We were satisfied with what we did for our first year, and we got a lot of help from the other business people. I thought the 4th of July fireworks could have been better."

Jan Consier: "It wasn't the best year for business, it was down a little and hunting season was down. I don't know where they get the money for postage, but I think Chamber's doing a great job."

Jim Carter: "The town has faced up to basic problems this year, such as the water problem. I think Chamber has been more active as a whole and organization has greatly improved. The work on the pile dike seems to be paying off after many years. The completion of the Medical Center is great for the community, they seem to have a healthy community spirit of getting things done and working together, such as the Donahey Woods Dedication."

#### HO-HO CORNER

The doctor recommended a patient lose 75 pounds of excess weight. He told him to run five miles a day for the next 200 days. Exactly 200 days later the patient called him and complained that he was unhappy with the program.

"Didn't you lose weight?" asked the doctor.

"Yes, of course," admitted the patient, "but I'm a thousand miles from home."

Along the roadside: "Cider is easy to get now. Will be hard later."

Travel agency slogan: "We have a large bag of treks."

#### MICHIGAN FACT

Michigan is the hub of the rich Great Lakes industrial market area. Over 75 million consumers are within 500 miles of Michigan's capital.

"WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS, WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS, WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!"





**View from the Pilot House**

Governor William Milliken has once again supported our efforts to gain some protection for Grand Marais Harbor. In a letter to Major General C. McGinnis, head of the U.S. Corps of Engineers, Milliken strongly supported the Corps' plan for an abbreviated pile dike. He also promised his support of the Michigan Congressional delegation in securing federal appropriations for the project. Again, in his State of the State message, Governor Milliken specifically discussed the need for protecting the integrity of Grand Marais Harbor.

While some people have sincere reservations about the abbreviated pile dike plan, it is beginning to look like it is the only hope we have. Perhaps we should let the governor know that we appreciate and support his efforts on our behalf.

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There are sometimes problems with second-class mail, the classification of the Pilot. Too many times a copy of the Pilot "disappears" between our house and your house. If that should happen to you, let us and your local postmaster know. Much as we don't like paying to mail your paper twice, we'll do it. But the most important thing is to let the U.S. Postal Service know that you want to receive all of your mail.

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GRAND MARAIS WINTER ACTIVITIES

SNOWSHOE WALK - January 7 & 21 (meet at Community Center at 1:00 p.m.)  
SNOWSHOE WALK - February 4 & 18 " " " " " " " "

SNOWMOBILE POKER RALLY SPONSORED BY THE GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
February 3, 12:00 p.m. (register at the Community Center - no age limit - refreshments will be available)

CROSS-COUNTRY CARAVAN SPONSORED BY THE GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
March 3, 1:00 p.m. (register at the Burt Township School Forest - no age limit - refreshments will be available)

SNOWSHOE SOFTBALL GAME SPONSORED BY THE BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL PTO  
March 4, 1:00 p.m. (teams will assemble on the school grounds - refreshments will be available in the school cafeteria)



GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

AGENDA

January 22, 1979  
7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of Minutes of Previous meeting

Correspondence

Treasurer's Report

Old Business: Snowmobile Poker Rally - February 3, 1979

Cross-Country Caravan - March 3, 1979

Newberry Community Chorus Christmas Concert

Snowshoe Walks - January 7 & 21 - February 4 & 18

Pile Dike Status

Smile Buttons

Election of Officers: President

Secretary

Treasurer

Trustee # 1

Trustee # 2

Chairman of Committees: Social and Recreation

Historical and Beautification

Publicity

Political

Business

Annual Meeting: Vote on Constitutional changes

New Business



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#### NEWBERRY COMMUNITY CHORUS

On December 17, The Newberry Community Chorus visited Grand Marais and put on their program "We Need a Little Christmas."

The program, held at the school and sponsored jointly by The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce and The Burt Township School PTO as a community project, had approximately 90 men, women and children in attendance.

The audience seemed to enjoy the program, applauding after each of the 17 songs, 3 of which were solos. A resounding round of applause was given, when at the end of their performance, the Director, Earl Barber announced that their portion of the proceeds would be turned over to the PTO fund for the purchase of new curtains for the school stage. The choral group had learned that the proceeds were earmarked for that fund and as Mr. Barber said, "We're happy to be able to help." What a great gesture from our neighboring town of Newberry!

The total proceeds, \$172.00,, should be a big help in getting those new stage curtains, as will the proceeds from the PTO Softball Game scheduled for Sunday March 4 at 1:00 p.m. on the school grounds.

Following the choral program, coffee, hot chocolate and cookies were served in the school lunchroom.

Letters of Thank You were sent to the Newberry Community Chorus from the Chamber, the PTO and the school, with hopes that

we may have them over again someday.

We take this opportunity to Thank all of our Chamber members who worked on this project and the PTO members. We can work together for the betterment of the community.

#### PILE DIKE UPDATE

A copy of the letter written to Major General C. McGinnis of the Washington office of the Corps of Engineers, from Governor Milliken was received this past week. Following are paragraphs quoted from this letter:

"My staff has had an opportunity to review the report internally and also to discuss the report with the resident of the area. It is their conclusion that the recommended improvements will, if the engineering assumptions upon which these recommendations are made are sound, result in the closing of the existing opening in the easterly portion of the harbor and protect the integrity of the harbor for the future. This conclusion is also that of the vast majority of residents of Grand Marais.

My staff is also of the opinion the project is well justified by the savings in future maintenance costs predicted by the report. If anything, it appears the future savings in maintaining the easterly breakwater may be considerably understated. However, even without increasing these costs the project attains a most favorable cost-benefit ratio which clearly establishes the desirability of the project.

I am personally hopeful that this report will result in a much-needed project to restore the integrity of Grand Marais Harbor. I realize that merely authorizing a project does not assure its completion, and I pledge to work with the Michigan Congressional

#### GRAND MARAIS PILOT & PICTURED ROCKS REVIEW



Admiring trophies to be awarded winners of the Grand Marais Snowmobile Poker Rally, Feb. 3, are (left to right) Sandee Sibbald, Kay O'Brien, Pat O'Brien, Marge Soldenski, and Mike Becker.

#### G.M. CHAMBER ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual meeting of the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce was held Monday with 93% of the membership present. Kathryn O'Brien was re-elected president of the chamber with Jean Mehlenbacher serving as secretary, Evelyn Stier as treasurer, Darlene Perlick as first trustee and Adrienne Becker as second trustee. Committee chairpersons were also appointed. Joe Massey will again head up the Political committee; Kay O'Brien, Historic and Beautification; Rose Marshall, Publicity The Social and Business Committee positions remain unfilled.

Last years slogan 'Smile and Play in Grand Marais' has been retired. The chamber will sponsor a contest for the best slogan for the 1979 promotion campaign. Everyone is eligible to enter as many slogans as they wish. Simply write your proposed slogan, your name, and your telephone number on a slip of paper and drop it in one of the boxes at the IGA or at the First National Bank The last day for entries is Monday, February 19. Prize for the slogan chosen is \$5.

It was also decided by the membership to donate \$75 toward a CPR machine for the ambulance corps. Through a joint effort of the PTO and the Chamber of Commerce, \$171 was raised toward the purchase of curtains for the school stage at the Christmas Concert. The Chamber voted to add \$54 to this making a total of \$225.



delegation to secure the required appropriations for the project."

In a phone conversation with Mr. Keith Wilson, Chief of Michigan Waterways Commission, he told us he too had received a copy of the Governor's letter, but that the Corps has yet to give it's go ahead on the project.

#### POKER RALLY

The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a snowmobile poker rally Saturday February 3 at 12:00 noon.

The registration for this event will be at the community center. There is no age limit for this event, so bring the kids' with their machines. Entry fee is \$2.00 for each machine. We will have refreshments in the Community Center.

The prizes will be for the three best poker hands. Trophies for first, second, and third place are waiting to be taken home.

We still need volunteers to work in the Community Center with refreshments--how about you??

#### LUNCHEON DATES

Our next Wednesday luncheon meeting will be January 24 at Alverson's. The February dates are the 21st. and the 28th. All members are invited to attend the meetings.

#### NEWSLETTER/AGENDA

We are trying something new this month, with the newsletter and Agenda combined. We thought this may be a way to save money on postage and perhaps having the newsletter just prior to the monthly meeting may keep those ideas fresh in your mind.

#### HO-HO CORNER

"What do you have?" the receptionist asked the man in the doctor's waiting room.

"Shingles," he said. She gave him a medical record form to fill out.

Later a nurse asked him, "What do you have?"

"Shingles." She asked him to go into the examining room and undress.

At last the doctor appeared and asked, "What do you have?"

"Shingles."

"Where do you have them?"

"Out in the truck. Where do you want me to put them?"

#### CROSS-COUNTRY CARAVAN

A reminder of our first try at a cross-country type event.

The Cross-Country Caravan will be held March 3 at 1:00 p.m. in the Burt Township School Forest. Anyone interested in this sport can participate.

We are trying to get a company who has skis for rental to come in for that day, so that those of us who haven't tried cross-country skiing can do so.

#### SNOWSHOE ACTIVITIES

Following is a list of snowshoe activities for all ages:

SNOWSHOE WALK - Jan. 21 at 1:00 p.m.

SNOWSHOE WALK - Feb. 4 & 18 at 1:00 p.m.

These walks are for enjoyment and recreation and the entire community is invited. The Community Center is the gathering place and we will join there at the end of each of these walks for coffee, hot chocolate and cookies.

SNOWSHOE SOFTBALL GAME - March 4 at 1:00 p.m. on the school grounds.

This is the second year the PTO has sponsored a snowshoe softball game. There will be refreshments in the school lunchroom.



## ANNUAL MEETING

The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, January 22, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

Payment of membership dues - \$5.00 - can be made now to either Treasurer Evelyn Stier or Executive Secretary Sandee Sibbald or can be made at the meeting. One must be a member in good standing prior to voting at the annual meeting.

The nominations and elections of new officers will take place at this meeting.

The needed changes in the Constitution must be made at this annual meeting.

Plan to be present at this meeting and vote in the officers of your choice, and plan to do your part to make the Chamber of Commerce a functioning organization.

## MAGAZINE ARTICLE

The Chamber of Commerce is always looking for publicity to let folks know of this great area we live in. We have been working for months now with SNOWGOER magazine, setting up for them to do an article on our great snow-mobiling country.

The plans are now finalized and a feature writer will be here January 29 for three days of gathering information and picture taking for an article. This article will be in one of SNOWGOER'S fall issues.

## KAY'S KOMMENTS

Hello members of The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce. Let's stop the time clock, pause a moment - look backward, review accomplishments, dream of the future - then proceed forward quickly - to make up for our lost time.

Contrary to many ideas of the motives of Chamber of Commerce organizations whose sole purpose is to promote business - our organization's goal is "to form a more perfect organization and more effectively to promote the best interests of the residents of the village of Grand Marais."

We have 52 individuals in Grand Marais who are concerned citizens and belong to the Chamber of Commerce. We appreciate their interest and want to thank them for their support. We would like everyone to "talk chamber" to friends and neighbors and raise our membership. That is one way to express our feelings about how we feel about our beautiful community. We would like everyone to belong to the Chamber.

This past year the following goals were achieved:

Social: Bingo at Community Center  
4th of July program  
Beachcomber Festival

Treasurer: Budget set up  
Budget approved for 1979

Beautification and Historical:  
Dedication of Donahey Woods  
Flower Show

Political: Election information on  
Bond issue, School Board,  
ballot proposals, August  
Primary and November General

Community: Letter from Grand Marais,  
Louisiana, turned over to  
the school for the 2nd  
grade class to correspond  
with their class

Stationery: New letterhead designed and  
printed for official busi-  
ness - 1,000 sheets and  
1,000 envelopes



Backpackers: Chamber of Commerce  
hosted backpackers  
to dinner

Community Service: Bulletin Board  
moved to Post  
Office, Calendar  
of Events, letters  
to churches, clubs  
for upcoming dates

Publicity: Posters on pile dike &  
Beachcomber Festival, news  
releases on radio, T.V.,  
newspapers & magazines,  
Events listed in various  
newspapers, magazines &  
bulletins, Chamber News-  
letter, brochures, 4th of  
July literature, agenda's,  
Christmas greeting in Pilot,  
scrapbook of publicity

Business: 30,000 brochures designed &  
printed, 29,000 distributed,  
Business & Service Directory-  
Businesses contributed to  
brochure printing, Bingo,  
Beachcomber Festival, Flower  
Show, Turkey Shoot, 4-H.  
Flowers and Welcome letters  
were sent to new businesses

Meetings: Two Executive Board meetings,  
luncheon meetings at various  
restaurants, monthly Chamber  
meetings

Communication: Thank you letters were  
sent by the Chamber to  
various businesses that  
contributed to furnishings  
for Medical Center, 117  
personal letters of request  
answered & brochures sent,  
brochures sent to shows in  
various cities, brochures  
sent weekly to requests  
received through UPTRA.  
P.O. Box acquired for Chamber  
use

Storage: Closet acquired to store Chamber  
belongings, new shelves added,  
room painted, inventory taken,  
lock installed

Guest Speakers: Chief Patzwald, U.S.C.G.  
Mr. Bob Helwig, UPTRA  
Mr. Dave Gillis, CUPPAD  
Mr. Arvid Norlin, County Extension Director



Affiliation & Representation  
in the following organizations:

State of Michigan Commerce Dept.  
Upper Peninsula Travel & Recreation  
Association (UPTRA)  
Central Upper Peninsula Planning &  
Development (CUPPAD)  
Overall Economic Development Plan  
(OEDP) Alger County  
Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore  
Task Force  
National Park Service  
Alger County Board of Commissioners  
Alger County Extension Service  
Alger County Sheriff Dept.  
4-H Clubs  
Women's Club  
National Backpackers Assn. of America  
Comprehensive Employment & Training  
Act (CETA)  
U.S. Coast Guard  
United Methodist Church  
Holy Rosary Catholic Church  
Grand Marais Mennonite Church  
Burt Township Community Center  
Burt Township School  
Burt Township School PTO  
Burt Township Fire Dept.  
Burt Township Ambulance  
Burt Township Board  
Burt Township Recreation Committee

**Pile Dike:** One of the main thrusts of The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce has been to alert any person or organization for our need for a pile dike. This has been accomplished through letters, posters, personal contacts, telephone calls, and numerous news releases.

Our campaign in this direction led to a personal visit by Sen. Robert P. Griffin after he introduced the bill to Congress (Grand Marais hit the Congressional Record) and wide spread interest in our plight to include acknowledgement of it by the Governor of the State of Michigan, The Honorable William G. Milliken.

You can see from the foregoing that Grand Marais is making it's presence felt through communication with "the big boys." Rah! Rah! Grand Marais!

**Smile Buttons:** With the slogan "Smile and Play in Grand Marais", these buttons were distributed to the various businesses for sale. This was the theme for 1978, that year is over, but let's continue to smile.

**Thank You:** Special thanks to Sandee Sibbald who has been faithful, efficient and has been an invaluable worker for the Chamber. Special thanks also to our many volunteers who helped with projects this past year



- What's Next?:
- Theme for Fourth of July parade in Grand Marais for 1979.
  - Work on information center for Chamber of Commerce.
  - Develop and print local area fishing guides.
  - Try to have official daily weather reports of Grand Marais sent to T.V. and radio stations.
  - Gather information and purchase 2 cross-cut saws (one for replacement to Mr. Carpenter) and one for our use on July 4.
  - Continue disseminating information on the pile dike status.
  - Purchase speaker for P.A. system to replace "lost" speaker.
  - Purchase several records to play on P.A. system.
  - Develop the following contests:
    - fishing
    - kite flying
    - sand/ice sculpture
  - Expand winter sports in area
  - Join Alger County Historical Society(\$3.00 per year)
  - Businesses develop architectural & landscaping themes

We're an action group and plan to keep up with or be ahead of the times.

Thanks --- I hope this will be the best year ever for The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce.

Kay  
Kay

GRAND MARAIS "Four Seasons of Fun"



THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1979



Playing in the snow

Snowshoe Walks  
January & February  
1979



Snowshoeing up a hill



## GRAND MARAIS SNOWMOBILE RALLY FEB. 3

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Green Bay** - Sno Ball at Kutska's Hall, 2598 Glendale Avenue. Sponsored by Ashwaubenon Sno-Snoopers.

**Millston** - 5th Annual Snowmobile Trophy Run and Roast Beef Dinner. (Snowdate Feb. 10). Sponsored by Millston Volunteer Fire Department.

**Barnes** - Family Ride & Spaghetti Feed at the VFW. Ride at 11:00 am. Serving spaghetti from noon to 5:00 pm. Sponsored by Barnestormers Snowmobile Club.

**Grand Marais, Michigan** - Snowmobile Poker Rally.

**Mountain** - 7th Annual Snowmobile Drag Race. Stock, Super Stock, Mod and Open Class. Also Junior and Powder Puff. Registration 9:00-11:30. Drivers Meeting at 12:00. Race at 12:30. Location is 5 miles So. of Mountain on Chute Pond at Doze Inn. Sponsored by Near North Snowmobile Club.

**Theresa** - Annual Snowmobile Dance at Fireman's Park. Dancing from 8:30-12:30 with music by the Andy Justman Orchestra. Sponsored by the Pioneer Snowmobile Club.

**Ripon** - Snowmobile dance at Country Corners. Sponsored by Ripon Ridge Riders.

**FEBRUARY 4**  
**Jefferson** - Second Annual Poker Ride. Sponsored by the Twin River Riders of Jefferson.

**Mouaton** - 100 Mile Snowmobile Rally sponsored by Castle Rock River Runners Snowmobile Club, Woodside Ranch, 9:00 am., starting time.

**Muskego** - 9th Annual Snowmobile Drag Race at Hwy Y & Woods Rd. For race information write, Box 225, Muskego, WI 53150. Sponsored by Muskego Iceironouts

Snowmobile Club.

**Waterloo** - Snowmobile Drag Races. Registration in by noon. Races at 1:00 pm., on the river behind Cocky's Stein, Hwy 19 West of Waterloo. Sponsored by the Waterloo Snowmobile Club.

**Barnes** - Ice Fishing Contest. Sponsored by Barnestormers Snowmobile Club.

**Beloit** - 8th Annual Snowmobile Drag Races at Izaak Walton Clubhouse, Prairie Ave. Registration 7:30-12:30. Races start at 11:00 am. Sponsored by Rock County Snowblowers.

**Allenton** - Poker Run. For more information call 629-5681. Sponsored by Allenton Sno-Pacers.

**Dorchester** - 7th Annual Snowmobile Races. Stock, superstock, mod & open class, powder puff, Jr. & Grandpa & Grandma races. Registration from 8:30-11:00 am. Driver's Meeting at 11:15 am. Racing at 11:30. For more information call: 715-842-4724 after 5:00 pm. Sponsored by The Midnight Riders Snowmobile Club & Dorchester Park Corp.

**Merrill** - Snowmobile Dance at Wall's Country Inn. Dancing from 2:00-10:00 with music by Bill Beyer and Carl Voigt. Sponsored by Devil's Creek Stump Jumpers.

**La Crosse** - Lions Tri-State Cross Country Race starting on the north end of French Island on Lake Onalaska. Sponsored by the Lions and Tri-State Snowmobile Club.

**FEBRUARY 4-FEBRUARY 18**

**Campbellsport** - Poker Run. Stops in Ashford, Waucausta, Campbellsport & Elmore. Sponsored by Campbellsport Sno-Cougars.

**FEBRUARY 9**

**Pewaukee** - "Sweetheart Dance for Cancer" beginning at 8:30 pm., at Marchese's Danceland, W249 N6424 Hwy J & 74, Sussex. Sponsored by the Pewaukee Sno Drifters.

**Francis Creek** - Ride-In Dance & Membership Drive at Hilltop Haven. Dancing from 8:00-12:00 featuring Bob Irish Record Show. Sponsored by Manitowac Co. Snowmobile Alliance.

**FEBRUARY 10**

**Appleton** - 7th Annual Snowfest Dance at the Outagamie Conservation Club, Mayflower Drive. Music by Vern & The Country Crossroads from 8:30-12:30. Sponsored by The Old Flagstones Snowmobile Club, Inc.

**Arbor Vitae-Woodruff** - Annual Dance at Woodruff Community Building. Sponsored by Arbor Vitae-Woodruff Cross Country Cruisers Snowmobile Club.

**West Bend** - Annual Snowmobile Dance at Turner Hall at Fillmore. Dancing from 8:30-12:30. Sponsored by Kettle Trail Blazers of West Bend.

**FEBRUARY 10 & 11**

**New Richmond** - 1st Annual Snoedeo. Saturday registration starts at 9:00 am. Events start at 11:00 am. Located at the New Richmond Golf Course. For more information write New Richmond Trail Blazers, Box 128, New Richmond, WI 54017. Sponsored by New Richmond Trail Blazers.

**FEBRUARY 11**

**Greenville** - 2nd Annual Drag Race to be held at the Greenville Community Park. For further information contact Jim Jentz, Rt. 2, Hortonville, WI 54944 or call 414-779-6323. Sponsored by Green Knights Snowmobile Club.

**Two Rivers** - Annual Poker Ride. For more information, listen to Snow Scene on the WCUB Radio Station. Sponsored by Two Rivers Sno-Gulls.

**Stoughton** - Annual Rally on Lake Kegonsa.

**FEBRUARY 16-18**

**Green Bay** - AWSC Convention.

**FEBRUARY 17**

**Bangor** - 3rd Annual Snowmobile Dance at Don & Nell's Log Cabin. Dancing from 9:00-1:00 with music by Chuck & the Woodchucks. Sponsored by Bangor Blizzard Busters Snowmobile Club.

**Kewaskum** - Sno Ball at Amerahn Hall with music by the Gordy Reckelberg Orchestra. Sponsored by Kewaskum Sno-Chiefs.

**Appleton** - Green Knights Annual Sno Ball at the Conservation Club, Mayflower Dr. Music by Hank & Co.

**Arbor Vitae-Woodruff** - Poker Ride open to public. Sponsored by Arbor Vitae-Woodruff Cross Country Cruisers Snowmobile Club.

**Mishicot** - Sno-Gulls annual dance held at Frank and Rosas Centry Inn. Music by Brothers 'n' More. Sponsored by the Two Rivers Sno-Gulls.

**Iron River, Michigan** - Snowmobilers' Ride-In. Sponsored by Michigan Upper Peninsula Snowmobile Association. Phone toll-free 800-328-5511.

**Mercer** - Radar Run. Test your snowmobile in a 1/4 mile radar check. Each sled tested individually. Sponsored by Mercer Sno-a-go-gaers Snowmobile Club.

**Kewaskum** - Sno-Ball at the Amerahn Hall with music by Gordy Reckelberg. Sponsored by Kewaskum Sno-Chiefs.

**FEBRUARY 18**

**Lake Poygan** - Lion's North American 250 mile cross-country snowmobile race with starting point at Sauer's Landing on Lake Poygan. Lake Poygan is located 13 miles West of Neenah. Sponsored by Larsen-Winchester Lion's Club and various other clubs in the area.

**Collins** - 1st Annual Brat Fry at Rockea Club House. Sponsored by Collins Paradise Sno-Riders, Inc.

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CALENDAR OF

1979 ALGER COUNTY EVENTS 1979

JANUARY SATURDAY 13 SNOWMOBILE MEET at MIDWAY -  
AUTRAIN FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY

SATURDAY 20 MUNISING TOWN MEETING - 9 - 4 PM COMMUNITY  
BUILDING

SATURDAY 20 ALGER COUNTY YOUTH FORUM 9-4 PM CENTRAL  
SCHOOL

SATURDAY 20 ANNUAL MEETING ALGER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

FEBRUARY SATURDAY 3 SNOWMOBILE POKER RALLY - GRAND MARAIS

MARCH SATURDAY 3 CROSS COUNTRY CARAVAN - GRAND MARAIS

SUNDAY 4 SNOW-SHOE SOFTBALL GAME - GRAND MARAIS

SATURDAY 10 SNOWMOBILE MEET at MIDWAY -  
AUTRAIN FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY

APRIL SATURDAY 28 4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAY - GRAND MARAIS

MAY SATURDAY/SUNDAY 5 & 6 MUNISING HOME SHOW

TUESDAY 15 (ACHS) ANNUAL HERITAGE DAY BANQUET

JUNE SATURDAY/SUNDAY 16 & 17 BEACHCOMBER FESTIVAL -  
GRAND MARAIS

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 23 & 24 PICTURED ROCKS  
4th ANNUAL ROAD RACE

SATURDAY 23 CANOE RACE & CARNIVAL - AUTRAIN

JULY WEDNESDAY 4 4th OF JULY CELEBRATION  
TRENARY, GRAND MARAIS, MUNISING

TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY 24 & 25  
ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW -  
BAY SHORE PARK, MUNISING

AUGUST SATURDAY/SUNDAY 4 & 5 CHATHAM HOMECOMING

THURSDAY/FRIDAY/SATURDAY 9, 10 & 11 ALGER COUNTY FAIR

FRIDAY 10 SIDEWALK SALES - MUNISING

SEPTEMBER SUNDAY 9 ST. RITA'S PARISH FALL FESTIVAL -  
TRENARY

1st MONDAY OF EACH MONTH - AUTRAIN TOWN MEETING

LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH - AUTRAIN FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY





STATE OF MICHIGAN  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
LANSING

WILLIAM G. MILLIKEN  
GOVERNOR

December 29, 1978

Major General C. McGinnis  
HQDA (DAEN-CWZ-A)  
Washington, D.C. 20314

Dear General McGinnis:

This letter is in reference to the Grand Marais Harbor, Michigan, "Reconnaissance Report on Reducing Future Maintenance" dated November 1978, and prepared by the Detroit District, U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers.

My staff has had an opportunity to review the report internally and also to discuss the report with residents of the area. It is their conclusion that the recommended improvements will, if the engineering assumptions upon which these recommendations are made are sound, result in the closing of the existing opening in the easterly portion of the harbor and protect the integrity of the harbor for the future. This conclusion is also that of the vast majority of residents of Grand Marais.

My staff is also of the opinion the project is well justified by the savings in future maintenance costs predicted by the report. If anything, it appears the future savings in maintaining the easterly breakwater may be considerably understated. However, even without increasing these costs, the project attains a most favorable cost-benefit ratio which clearly establishes the desirability of the project.

I am personally hopeful that this report will result in a much-needed project to restore the integrity of Grand Marais Harbor. I realize that merely authorizing a project does not assure its completion, and I pledge to work with the Michigan congressional delegation to secure the required appropriations for the project.

Warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

Governor



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Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce  
P.O. Box 236  
Grand Marais, Michigan 49839

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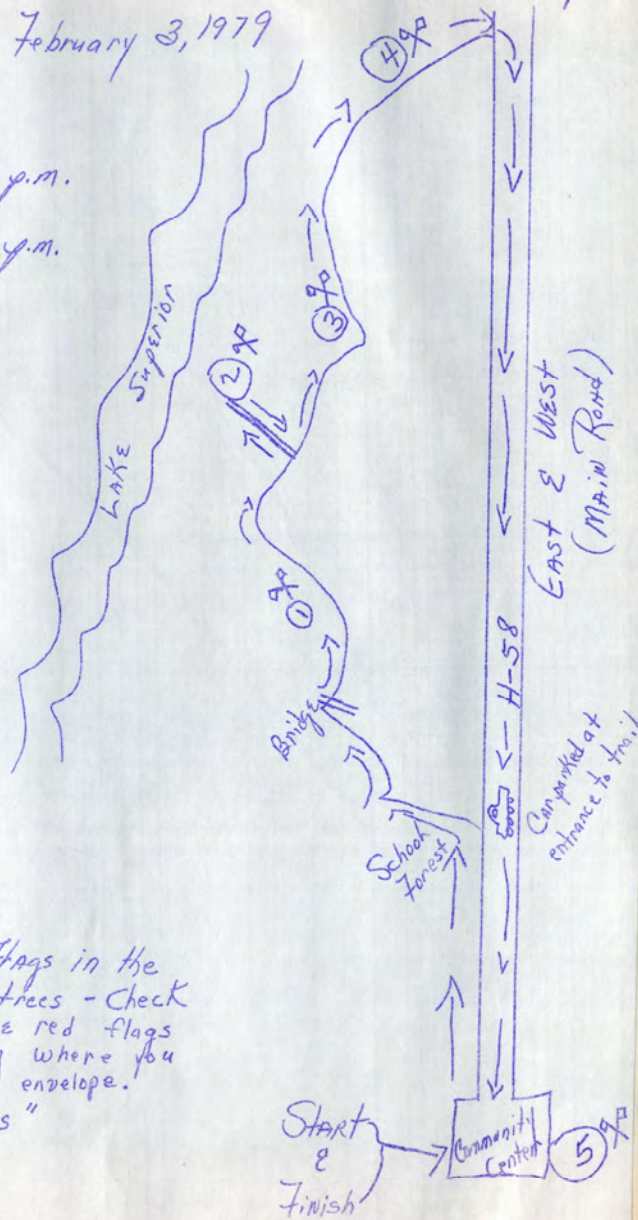
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GRAND MARSH Chamber of Commerce Poter Rakhy  
February 3, 1979

Register 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Trophies awarded at 4:00 p.m.



Trail is marked with red flags in the ground and orange flags in trees - Check points are marked with double red flags in ground & a green flag where you pick up your card in sealed envelope.  
"Do Not Open Envelopes"



# POKER RALLY

GRAND MARAIS

SAT-FEB 3

12:00 NOON

COMMUNITY CENTER

REG. FEE - \$2.00

PER PERSON

1-2-3

TROPHY PRIZES

REFRESHMENTS  
AVAILABLE





## POKER RALLY WINNERS



Showing off trophies won at the Snowmobile Poker Rally, Saturday, Feb. 3 are Al Hebert, 3rd place, Sandee Sibbald, 2nd place, and Darwin Gager, 1st place winner.

The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce's Snowmobile Poker Rally last Saturday, February 3, drew 38 contestants, some from as far away as Garden and Cheboygan.

For those who entered the Rally, it was a game of five card stud, nothing wild, and all that was guaranteed was a fun-filled afternoon tracing a course through the beautiful Burt Township School Forest.

Contestants departed the Community Center with one card in a sealed envelope and picked up three other cards at stops along the course. The fifth and final card was handed out on return to

the Community Center.

Darwin Gager took first place on a top hand of three queens followed by second place finisher, Sandee Sibbald, who showed three eights. Al Hebert came in a close third place with three sevens and Larry Meeuwenberg played out to an honorable mention. The top three hands received handsome, engraved trophies.

According to Sandee Sibbald, the best part of the game was the chance to be with friends enjoying a fun day riding through the beautiful countryside east of Grand Marais.

## SLOGAN CONTEST

The G.M. Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a contest to choose a slogan for their 1979 promotional campaign. Everyone is eligible to enter as many slogans as they wish. All you need do is write your name, your proposed slogan, and your telephone number on a slip of paper and drop it in the box marked slogan contest at the First National Bank. The deadline for entries is Feb. 19. There is a \$5 prize.



Ted Soldenski (center), one of Grand Marais' better known poker players had a "busted hand" in the Snowmobile Poker Rally held February 3 in Grand Marais. Above Ted is attempting to explain to (left to right) Scott Hubbard, Al Hebert and Henry Holzhauer (back to camera) how his riderless snowmobile happened to slide down a hill with the engine off and run smack into the only tree within 150 yards while Ted stood and watched helplessly.

"Darnedest thing I ever saw," said Ted, "my machine was going down the hill just fine and then, just like it had eyes, it veered right into that tree! Really, so help me!"

The reaction to Ted's recounting of his mishap - the only one of the day - was mixed. Judging from Al Hebert's expression, Ted may have been "bluffing" again.



## CPR MACHINE CONTRIBUTORS

The Burt Township Ambulance Corps has reached over thirty per cent of their goal of \$2,600 needed to purchase a cardio-pulmonary resuscitator (CPR) machine to augment their emergency medical equipment.

The all-volunteer Ambulance Corps, headed up by George Treve- than, was formed a little over four years ago and since that time has responded to numerous emergency calls throughout Burt Township. Many residents and visitors have received on-site emergency treat- ment and been transported to hos- pitals in Newberry, Munising, Mar- quette and Manistique.

"The CPR machine is one piece

of equipment we've just got to have," says Treve- than. "It will enable us to provide better emer- gency care when needed."

Those residents, frequent visi- tors, and friends of Grand Marais and Burt Township who would like to help the Ambulance Corps reach 100% of their goal are encouraged to send a check or money order to the "Burt Township Ambulance Corps", c/o Ora Endress, Grand Marais, MI 49839.

The following people and organi- zations have contributed toward the purchase of the CPR machine and are wholeheartedly thanked for their generosity and concern.

Dave & Adrienne Becker, Grand Marais  
Nancy M. Bufe, Grand Marais  
Cecille Carter, Muskegon  
Grand Marais IGA

Mrs. Carl (Florence) Hoffman, Allegan  
Felix & Doris Krempe, Redford  
Mr. & Mrs. J.E. LaCombe, St. Clair Shores

Frank & Ruth Mead, Grand Marais  
Eugene & Barbara Morrison, Ypsilanti  
Meredith Newberg, Grand Marais  
Harvey & Hilda Rouleau, Livonia  
Fred M. Ross, Grand Marais

John & Sylvia Truhn, Grand Marais  
Mrs. John (Ann) Soldenski, Hibbing, Minn.  
Everett & Anne Russell, Florence, Ariz.

Ruth Taylor, Grand Marais  
Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce  
Grand Marais Lion's Club  
Helen Adler, Grand Marais

(In memory of her son Duane Frederickson)  
Skip & Jean Mehlenbacher, Grand Marais  
George & Alice Treve- than, Grand Marais  
Henry & Ruth Holz- hauer, Grand Marais

Proceeds and tips from the Appreciation Dinner totalled \$222

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1979

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

February 8 - Movie, 7 p.m., School Cafeteria

February 15 - Women's Club, 7:30 p.m., Community Center. Bring your orders for UNICEF cards.

February 16 - Valentine's Dance at the Community Center

February 19 - PTO meeting in the school cafeteria

February 20 - Lion's Club meet- ing, 7:30 p.m., Community Cen- ter

February 21 - Chamber of Com- merce Luncheon, Noon, Alver- son's

The Women's Club Card Party is held each Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Cen- ter. The public is invited.

The Burt Township Supervisor's Office is open from 2 to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Grand Marais Medical Cen- ter will be open every other Tues- day from 10 a.m. till 12 noon. For an appointment call Edna Jean Johnson at 494-2644.

Senior Citizens luncheons are held each Tuesday and Thursday noon at the Community Center.

Upcoming Events:  
Cross Country Caravan - Mar. 3  
Snowshoe Softball Game - Mar. 4



Chamber of Commerce  
Grand Marais, MI. 49839

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Cross-country ski enthusiasts mark you calendar. The big Cross-Country Ski Caravan at Grand Marais, Saturday, March 3, at 1:00 p.m.

The following day Grand Marais will be the scene of a Snowshoe Softball Game on the school grounds, sponsored by the PTO. A Sloppy Joe supper will follow the softball game.

Freshly groomed trails in the Burt Township School Forest, just East of the village will feature a short route for the novice and a longer route for the more experienced skier. The divisions are Junior (18 and under) and Senior.

The \$1.00 registration fee can be paid right at the sight, County Road H-58 at the entrance to the school forest.

This entry fee will cover the entry as well as refreshments, which includes hot drinks.

All entrants will receive a beautiful hand-made patch, designed by two of Grand Marais' top artists, upon completing the course. Two special certificates will be awarded to each of the winners of the short and long courses. Patches will say "I SURVIVED", the adopted slogan for the Cross-Country Caravan.

School Superintendent, Otto Bufe, an avid cross-country skier of Grand Marais, is directing the days events.

This event promises to be the Cross-Country Ski winter highlight of the Upper Peninsula.

Sponsored by The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce, the cross-country adventure can be enjoyed by one and all ---everyone welcome!

An alternate date has been set, should the weather prove to be less than fitting, the following week-end of March 10 & 11 both events will be held.

## Plan ski event

GRAND MARAIS — Cross - Country Ski Caravan is slated for Grand Marais, Saturday, March 3, at 1:00 p.m.

The following day, Grand Marais will be the scene of a snowshoe softball game on the school grounds.

Freshly - groomed trails in the Burt Township School Forest, just East of the village, will feature a short route for the novice and a longer route for the more experienced skier. The divisions are Junior (18 and under) and Senior.

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*U.P. Times 2/23/77*

## Ski Caravan <sup>Pilot</sup> Snowshoe Softball Set For G.M.

A Cross-Country Ski Caravan, sponsored by the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce is scheduled for Saturday afternoon, March 3, beginning at 1 p.m.

Freshly groomed trails in the Burt Township School Forest, just east of the village, will feature a short route for the novice, and a longer course for the more experienced skier. The Caravan will be split into two divisions - Junior (18 and under) and Senior.

A \$1 registration fee, which also includes refreshments after the Caravan, can be paid at the entrance to the School Forest on County Road H-58.

All entrants will receive a hand-made shoulder patch, designed by two local artists, upon completing the Caravan course. The patches bear the message "I survived," the slogan for the Cross Country Caravan. Two special certificates will be awarded to the winners of each division on the short and long courses. Burt Township School Superintendent, Otto Bufe, an avid cross-country skier, is directing the day's events.

The following day Sunday, March 4, the Burt Township PTO will sponsor their second annual Snowshoe Softball Game on the school grounds. The game is slated to begin at 1 p.m. and will be followed by a Sloppy-Joe Supper in the school cafeteria.

Sign-up sheets are posted at the First National Bank and at the IGA for those who wish to play in the game. Signing up is important so the PTO will know how many pairs of snowshoes to have on hand.

Rain date for both events is the following weekend, March 10-11.





## WINTER WEEKEND



Sat., March 3 & Sun., March 4

Cross Country Caravan

Snowshoe Softball Game

Grand Marais, Mich.

## Concert March 6

GRAND MARAIS — Brass and percussion players from the Interlochen Arts Academy will perform at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 6 in Grand Marais.

The Academy's brass and percussion ensembles are coming to Grand Marais as part of the "Interlochen Outreach" program, funded by the Michigan Council for the Arts. Burt Township School is sponsoring the concert.

The 18-member brass ensemble, conducted by Dave Sporny, plays music ranging from a 16th-century work by Giovanni Gabrieli to "Mancini for Brass," by contemporary composer Henry Mancini.

The percussion ensemble, directed by Thomas Schneller,

demonstrates that percussionists can handle melody, as well as rhythm. Solo instruments such as the marimba or vibraphone provide melody, while an array of large and small drums show the audience how rhythmic excitement is sustained.

The high school-age musicians come from all over the country to study at the Academy, part of the Interlochen Center for the Arts. Located near Traverse City, the Center also includes the Academy's summer counterpart, the National Music Camp. The Academy is a college-preparatory boarding high school with equal emphasis on academics and the performing, visual and literary arts. *A.P. Times*

Sunday Times

## Outdoor Calendar



Feb. 27-28, Central Division Championships, Mid-America Series Finale, Indianhead Ski Resort, Wakefield

March 1-2, Central Division Championships, Mid-America Series Finale, Indianhead Ski Area, Wakefield

March 1-2, Central Division Ski Champions of Mid-America Finale, Indianhead Ski Area, Wakefield

March 3-4, Free Style Ski Competition, Ski Brule, Iron River

March 3 — Brockway Mountain Ski Race, Copper Harbor

March 3, 4, Wakefield Winterama, Sunday Lake, Wakefield.

March 3, Cross-Country Caravan, 1 p. m., Grand marais

March 3, Snowmobile Treasurer Hunt, sponsored by West Mackinac Chamber of Commerce, registration points at Rexton, Naubinway, Engadine, Gould City, Epoufette. Call Mrs. Archie Fenley for details at 477-6837.

March 3-10, Sled Dog Races, 4 Mile Corners, Newberry

March 3-4, Freestyle Skiing Competition, Ski Brule, Iron River

March 3-4, National College Ski Club Championships, Cliff's Ridge, Marquette

March 7-10, Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women Ski Championships, Cliff's Ridge, Marquette

March 7-10, Intercollegiate Women's National Ski Championships: Downhill: Cliff's Ridge, Marquette; Cross-Country: Suicide Bowl, Ishpeming

March 10-11, Ski jumping tournament, Wolverine Hill, Ironwood

March 10-11, Ski Brule Cup Dual Slalom Races, Ski Brule, Iron River

March 10-11, Spring Carnival, Blackjack, Bessemer

March 10-11, Dual Slalom Ski Races, Ski Brule, Iron River

March 15-17 NCAA Division II Swimming and Diving Championships, NMU, Marquette

March 17-18, Big Brule Bash, Ski Brule, Iron River

March 17 — Snowmobile rally, Delaware to Copper Harbor

March 17-18, Spring Carnival, Indianhead, Wakefield

March 18, Spring Carnival, Big Powderhorn Bessemer

March 17-18, Lumberjack Festival, Blackjack Ski Area, Bessemer

March 24-25, Bikini Races, Indianhead, Wakefield



We are a non-profit Organization

GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN  
49839

Chamber of Commerce Newsletter 12

February 1979

#### ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting was held on January 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

The election of officers for the new year, brought these results: Kathryn O'Brien, re-elected as President; Jean Mehlenbacher elected as Secretary; Evelyn Stier re-elected as Treasurer; Darlene Perlick re-elected as First Trustee; and Adrienne Becker elected as Second Trustee.

The Chairmanship for the various committees is as follows: Rose Mary Marshall, Publicity; Joe Massey, Political; Kathryn O'Brien, Historical and Beautification. The Chairmanship for Social and Recreation and for Business are still vacant. Volunteers, take one step forward.

The one change made in the Constitution, was in Article II, Section 2 Regular Meeting. It read: "The regular meeting shall be held the second Monday of the month." It will now read: "The regular meeting shall be held on the fourth Monday of the month."

The proceeds of the Newberry Community Chorus' program of "We need a Little Christmas" totaling \$171.00 was turned over to the PTO for the purchase of curtains for the school stage, along with an additional \$54.00 donation from the Chamber, making the total donation \$225.00

The members present voted to donate \$75.00 to The Burt Township Ambulance Corps toward the purchase of a CPR unit.

#### POKER RALLY

The Poker Rally sponsored by the Chamber was held Saturday, February 3.

The event was well attended and we were most pleased to see so many of our own townspeople participate. The total number of entrants was 38, six of these being from out of town.

The First Place Winner was Darwin Gager, with a poker hand of three Queens, Second Place Winner was Sandee Sibbald with three eights, and Third Place went to Al Hebert with three sevens. Each of these winners was awarded a trophy.

The refreshments consisted of coffee, hot chocolate, and cookies. The cookies were donated by Jean Mehlenbacher, Kay O'Brien, Mary Dempsey, Darlene Perlick, Sandee Sibbald and Sandra Williams. Would you believe cookies made out of popped popcorn?

The weatherman was kind to us for our Poker Rally, with just a light snowfall for the day. The day after proved to be another story. Lucky us!

We have hopes that this event can be continued through the years and perhaps expanded into a week-end type of winter carnival events.

We take this time to THANK all of those who gave their time and talent for this event; the above mentioned ladies for their culinary delights, Rose Mary Marshall for the news releases, the men who set up the course through the woods, Larry Hartman, Roger Sibbald, Ted Soldenski,



and Jack Hubbard; Edna Jean Johnson for manning the registration table; Evelyn Stier for handling the cash, which she says is "an enjoyable job"; Mary Dempsey for the design of the signs; Marvin and Sandra Williams for their Pilot coverage; Dick Perlick and "Pug" Endress for selecting the sight for the course; the ladies who manned the refreshment stand for the day, Pat and Kay O'Brien, Jean Mehlenbacher and Mary Dempsey; Our Sheriff, Bob Pell, for taking special care in patrolling H-58 during the time of the poker rally; the Burt Township Ambulance Corps for their readiness "just in case"; and last, but not least, Pat Rivera for stationing himself at the beginning of the course and making sure the machines were headed on "the right path".

#### SNOWSHOE WALKS

The Snowshoe Walks were January 7 and 21 and February 4 and 18.

The January 7 walk was attended by only a handful, but the January 21 walk was much more successful and pictures of the walkers were taken by Mary Williams and used in an article on winter activities, which appeared in the Pilot.

The February 4 walk was canceled because of inclement weather and the February 18 walk met with similar results, with temperatures well below freezing that day.

Those who participated in these walks enjoyed the exercise and fellowship and hope to do the same next winter.

#### OOPS!!

The last issue of the newsletter incorrectly stated that 29,000 brochures had been distributed since last May. The correct figure is 21,000.

The listing of affiliations with organizations omitted the Michigan Dept. of Chamber of Commerce.

#### SLOGAN CONTEST

The Chamber of Commerce needs a slogan for the 1979 year, and something that can also be used as a theme for the 4th of July parade.

The Pilot ran two articles, announcing this contest and containers to hold the slips of paper, were placed in the Bank and the IGA.

The final date to submit entries was February 21. On this date, Chamber held a Wednesday luncheon meeting and narrowed the number of entries to five. These five slogans will be voted on at the monthly meeting, February 26 --- Good Luck entrants!

#### CROSS-COUNTRY CARAVAN

Arrangements are being finalized for the Cross-Country Caravan scheduled for March 3 in the Burt Township School Forest.

Mr. Otto Bufe, Chairman, has been spending his time helping us set up for the event, in hopes it will turn into a yearly event and get some enthusiasm going in Grand Marais for this popular sport.

There will be a short course and a long course and there will be two divisions: Junior (18 and under) and Senior.

The entry fee will be \$1.00 and each participant finishing the course will be given recognition. There will be a special award for the person finishing the best time on each of the two courses.

The event will start at 1:00 p.m. and there will be hot refreshments, which are included in the price of the entry of \$1.00.

We are trying to get some skis in for rental, so if you are interested, please contact the school.



If the weather should prove to be unfavorable on Saturday, March 3, we will try again the following Saturday, March 10. Hope to see a lot of Grand Marais faces there.

#### SNOWSHOE SOFTBALL

The Burt Township School PTO is sponsoring a snowshoe softball game on Sunday March 4, at 1:00 on the school grounds. The PTO scheduled the game for the same week-end as the Cross-Country Caravan in hopes that it may work into a yearly week-end of activities for Grand Marais.

There seems to be a lot of interest in this softball game, let's hope everyone shows up and supports this event. The proceeds from the Sloppy Joe Supper, will go toward the purchase of curtains for the school stage. The cost of the Sloppy Joe Supper is \$1.50 per person.

Bring your own snowshoes and an extra pair if you can, there are always those who would like to play and haven't the snowshoes.

The PTO has set an alternate date of March 11, if the March 4 weather is bad.

#### SNOWGOER MAGAZINE ARTICLE

Mrs. Cathy Eberlein, Associate Editor of Snowgoer Magazine, paid us a visit January 29 for three days, gathering material for an article on snowmobiling in Grand Marais.

Mrs. Eberlein arrived the afternoon of the 29th and set to work gathering material on the history of Grand Marais, with Rose Mary Marshall furnishing the books. The following day she was escorted through the many trails to the West of town by Ted Soldenski and Al Hebert. The afternoon ride found the group headed East of town with the addition of Roger Sibbald and "Pug" Endress.

The arrangements Cathy had made for a snowmobile to be brought in for her fell through, so at the last minute, Dick Perlick offered his Yamaha (or should I say offered Allen's Yamaha) for her to use. Thanks for the help Dick and Allen.

Al and Ted said she "took a picture every five minutes", so she must have a lot of footage to use for her article.

Cathy sent the Chamber a letter of thank you and thanked her guides as well. She said "I was greatly impressed with the snowmobiling territory and hope that others will be when they read about your community in Snow Goer next season."

#### NEXT MEETING

The next monthly meeting will be February 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. Plan to attend and bring your good ideas with you.

#### MICHIGAN FACT

Interlochen Center for the Arts is one of the world's greatest facilities for developing youth talent in the creative arts.

#### MEMBERS

Following is a list of members for the 1979 year. We'd like to see your name here if it isn't already. Dues are \$5.00 per person and payable anytime to Evelyn Stier, Treasurer; Sandee Sibbald, Executive Secretary; or Adrienne Becker, Second Trustee.

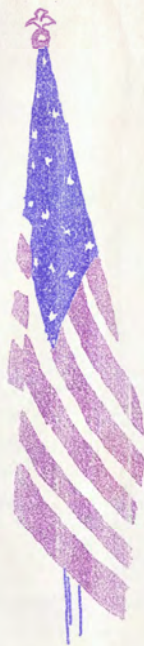
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GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

AGENDA

February 26, 1979  
7:30 p.m.



Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments - President Kay O'Brien  
Minutes of January/Annual Meeting - Jean Mehlenbacher  
Treasurer's report - Evelyn Stier  
Correspondence - Sandee Sibbald

Standing Committee Reports

Business - (Chairman needed)  
Publicity - Rose Mary Marshall  
Historical and Beautification - Kay O'Brien  
Political - Joe Massey  
Social - (Chairman needed)

Coming Events

Cross-Country Caravan - Otto Bufe  
Michigan Aviation 50th Anniversary  
Beachcomber Festival  
4th of July

Old Business

Vote of 4th of July Slogan Contest  
Poker Rally Evaluation

Your Pleasure

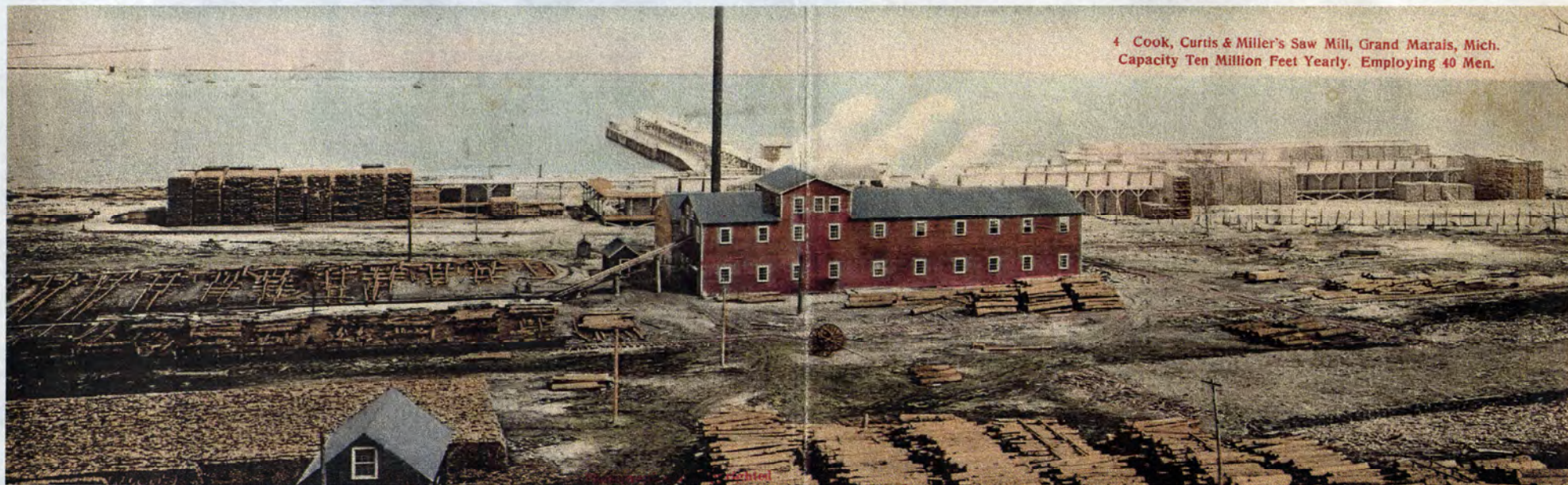


GLADYS ENDRESS (foreground) and Ed Erickson, both of Grand Marais, are headed for the finish line of the Cross-Country Caravan held last Saturday in the Grand Marais School Forest.

Gladys has been skiing cross-country many times and thoroughly enjoys the sport. For Ed, it was

the first time he had been on skis in 50 years. When Ed was a lad growing up in Grand Marais the kids used just one ski which they made themselves from birch or ash trees. Ed skied very well on those new fangled fiber glass models -- both of them!





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## X COUNTRY CARAVAN HELD AT G.M.

The weekend rains held off long enough for 23 entrants to complete the First Annual Grand Marais Cross-Country Ski Caravan last Saturday, March 3. Skiing on a long and short course mapped out in the Grand Marais School Forest were entrants from Newberry, Marquette, McMillan, Munising, Au Train and Eckerman, in addition to local cross-country ski buffs.

Sixteen skiers chose the long course with Merle Anderson of Newberry winner of the senior division with a time of 24 min., 22 sec. Mark Bufe was the junior division winner on the same course, completing the route in 24 min., 55 sec.

Mrs. Darryl Whitman of McMillan took first place in the senior division skiing the short course. Her time was 35 min., 40 sec.

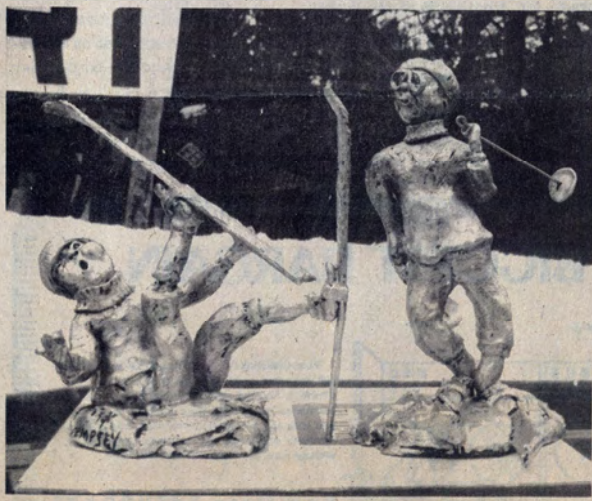
First place winner in the junior division on the short course was Alan Perlick of Grand Marais with a time of 24 min., 08 sec.

Otto Bufe, who organized the layout for the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the event, was very pleased with the results and is looking forward to planning a longer run for next year.



Pictured above holding the trophies are Alan Perlick (left) winner of the junior division short course and Merle Anderson winner of the Senior Division long course.

A close up of the trophies, made by Mary Dempsey, which were awarded at the first annual Cross Country Ski Caravan.



The rain that started shortly after the end of the Cross-Country Ski Caravan did not stop in time

for Sunday's planned Snowshoe Softball Game which has been rescheduled for Sunday, March 11.



Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce

Agenda

March 26, 1979  
7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of previous meeting

Treasurer's report

Beachcomber Festival

4th of July

50th Anniversary Michigan Aeronautics Commission

50th Anniversary Burt Township School

Cross-Country Caravan Evaluation

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March 1979

FEBRUARY MEETING

The February meeting was held February 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

Mr. Otto Bufe, Co-ordinator for the Cross-Country Caravan was present to explain the course he had planned and to discuss with us any last minute details for the event.

Donations of refreshments and workers for the day were planned at this time.

A discussion on whether the Beach-comber Festival for this year should be cancelled, followed.

Some members present at this meeting were in favor of the cancellation because of lack of participation by the members for the Festival last year. A vote will be taken at the March meeting on the cancellation.

A vote was held on the slogan for the 1979 year.

Members present at the Wednesday luncheon preceding the meeting had narrowed the entries to five, and these five were voted on. The slogan for this year will be "HOMETOWN U.S.A. - GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1979".

The winner of this slogan remained anonymous, and wanted the \$5.00 prize to be donated to the fund for the C.P.R. unit for the Ambulance Corps. Wonder who it was??

President Kay O'Brien asked for a volunteer Chairman for the 4th of July activities, with no response from the floor, this position still needs to be filled. Anyone willing to serve in this capacity, please contact Kay.

CROSS-COUNTRY CARAVAN

The Chamber of Commerce's first attempt at a Cross-Country skiing event went off rather well we thought.

The weather was against us all week, with mild temperatures melting the snow and causing the courses to be quite slippery.

The weather, the morning of the event, Saturday, March 3, at 1:00 p.m., was cloudy and threatened rain, but luckily for us held off until about fifteen minutes after the event was over. Not so, for the P.T.O. who had to cancel their Snowshoe Softball Game until the following Sunday.

We had 23 entries in the Cross-Country Caravan, 13 of these from out of town. These 13 were from: Marquette, Au Train, Munising, McMillan, Newberry, and Eckerman.

The winner in the Long Course, Senior Division, was Mr. Merle Anderson of Newberry with a time of 24 mins., 22 sec. The winner of the Long Course, Junior Division was Mark Bufe of Grand Marais, with a time of 2. min., 55 sec.

Winner of the Short Course, Senior Division was Mrs. Darryl Whitman of McMillan with a time of 35 min., 40 sec., and Alan Perlick of Grand Marais was the winner of the Short Course, Junior Division with a time of 24 min., 08 sec.

The winners received certificates and will have their names on a permanent plaque, with the hand-made dolls that Mary Dempsey made, especially for this event. These winners also received a hand-made patch with the title "I SURVIVED!", as did all entries who finished the course, and we're pleased to say

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"Hometown U.S.A., Grand Marais 1979" is the slogan for the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce's 1979 promotional campaign. The slogan was submitted by an anonymous contender who requested that the \$5 prize money be given to the Ambulance Corps CPR Fund.



The success of this event is due mainly to the efforts of Otto Bufe, who worked with us on every phase of this event and laid out the courses and spent considerable time in the School Forest grooming the trails and putting up the markers before the event and then taking them down after the rest of us had called it a day.



We are sincerely grateful to Mr. Bufe for his time and for his knowledge of this kind of event. Without him, the Cross-Country Caravan, would undoubtedly, still be in the talking stage.

All who participated seemed to enjoy the day and commented on how picturesque the School Forest is. The out of town participants were interested in learning how to set up this kind of event in their own area.

Time now for our round of "THANKS" to all who gave their time and energy to this event. To Otto Bufe another thanks for the use of his camp stove to keep the water hot for coffee and hot chocolate; to Mrs. Jim (Rhea) Becker for use of her van to dispense the refreshments out of and for her help throughout the day; to those who donated the goodies, Kay O'Brien, Jean Mehlenbacher, Darlene Perlick and Gladys Endress for cookies, and Evelyn Stier for the hot chocolate mix; Mary Dempsey for her "skiers in action" dolls; Patti (Miller) Johnson for her beautiful handwriting job on the certificates; Kay O'Brien for bringing her BIG coffee pot; Karen Bufe and Lynette Rowell for being the "spotters" along the trails; Rose Marshall for the news release, which we understand was well publicized; Marv and Sandra Williams for their excellent coverage of

the event, before and after; the workers who made the patches with the "I SURVIVED!" slogan: Jean Mehlenbacher, Kay O'Brien, Mary Dempsey, Joyce Bezzotte, and Lou Ann Peterson; the Burt Township Ambulance Corps for their readiness; and a last big THANK YOU to those who entered this event, and by their enthusiasm, has made the Chamber realize that this should be an annual event, and with the help of the aforementioned talented and cooperative people, it can be.

#### ART EXHIBIT

If you happen to be in Marquette one day between April 2 and April 20, you could stop at the Lee Hall Gallery on the Northern Michigan University campus and view the Second Annual U.P. Women's Art Exhibit, just so happens our President, Kay O'Brien has a water color painting there, titled "Winter Peace".

#### BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT AIRED

We thought it was especially nice to hear the Grand Marais boys' basketball tournament games were on the Munising radio station WGON, sponsored by The First National Bank and the Grand Marais IGA.

#### CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations go out to The Burt Township Ambulance Corps at this time for reaching their goal for the purchase of a CPR unit, we hope that the Chamber's donation of \$75.00 helped them to reach their goal a bit earlier than expected.

#### NEW STAGE CURTAINS FOR GRADUATION

At the last P.T.O. meeting, March 19, the members of the P.T.O. voted to go ahead and purchase the curtains for the stage, along with a cyclorama back curtain, so they will be up in time for graduation.

The group will continue with money-making projects and talked of framing the big GM on the valance of the old curtain and raffling it off.





### NEW MEMBERS

Last month our newsletter ran a list of the members for the 1979 year. The total was then 27. We now add to that list: Nick Bridgeford (Pawley Oil Co.), and Linda Beaver (Big Red's Boutique).

### 50th ANNIVERSARIES

#### Michigan Aeronautics Commission

The Michigan Aeronautics Commission is celebrating 50 years this year and has included Grand Marais in their celebration.

On the morning of June 14, approximately 25 aircraft will land at our airport and present the Township Supervisor with a plaque commemorating the event.

Airport Manager, Neal Beaver, was contacted by the Commission and he in turned contacted Kay and asked that the Chamber handle the publicity and the program.

We will discuss this event at our next meeting, so bring some good ideas with you.

#### Burt Township School

Our school is celebrating 50 years now and is planning a reunion of all alumni on Saturday, July 7, 1979.

The Pilot is running publicity for them now to get the news out and Chamber was asked to help with planning and other areas of this large undertaking that we could be of service in.

It sounds like our newly voted in slogan for this year, will work up beautifully for this event... "HOMETOWN U.S.A. - GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1979".

### HO-HO CORNER

At today's prices we're lucky if we can make one end meet.

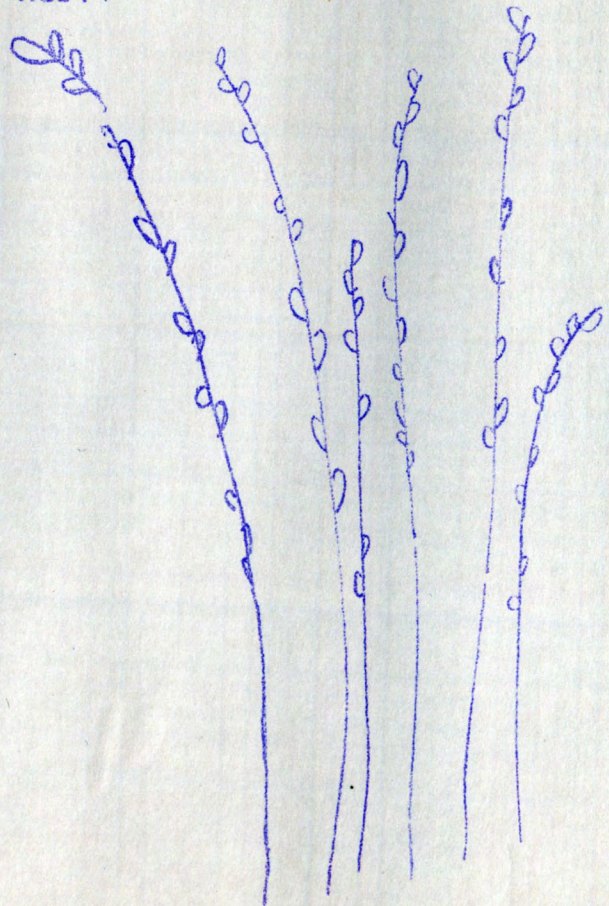
Mixed Feelings. Misery is a businessman with four nephews, three nieces and one summer-job opening ... and happiness is when your neighbor takes 1600 slides of his European vacation - with the lens cap on.

### MICHIGAN FACT

Michigan leads the nation in number of state parks and prepared campsites. Michigan has 79 state parks, four national forests, 33 state forests and more than 150 municipal camping parks. Altogether they have more than 19,000 prepared campsites.

### MARCH MEETING

Our March meeting will be Monday March 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. Please try to attend. We need your support and your opinions. Bring a friend and make a Chamber backer out of him or her.





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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Few people realize that DC-3 aircraft used the Grand Marais airport for an emergency landing field, when for 12 years Trans-Canada Airlines leased the field for an emergency airport.

Grand Marais's 4000 foot runway airport will be the landing spot for 5 aircraft the morning of June 14, while 20 other planes hover over the area, commemorating the 50th anniversary of aviation in Michigan. The event is sponsored by the Michigan Aeronautics Commission 50th Anniversary Association.

Their 1929 meet began in Pontiac. Flyers at that time visited Traverse City and Battle Creek among other stops. This year they will visit 70 cities over a 5 day period from June 11 - June 15.

Greeting flyers will be Burt Township Supervisor, Frank W. Mead, who will be presented with a plaque commemorating the historic event, as well as other dignitaries and townspeople.

Taking off from Marquette early in the morning, the group will arrive in Grand Marais approximately 40 minutes after departure. Coffee and a cake decorated with runways and planes will be served to the group.

Classified as a "C" Airport, Grand Marais has two of the longest runways in the Upper Peninsula. Each of the two being 4000' by 200'.

There are a NW/SE and a NE/SW turf runway. Latitude 46° 37' 15", longitude 85° 55' 00". Landmarks include M-77, 2.5 miles West of the airport, Lake Superior, 4 miles North and Sable Lake, 4.7 miles West, Northwest.

When Trans-Canada Airlines used the field from 1946 to 1958, there were lights powered with their own generator, a dormitory for 12 employees, who worked there for some 12 years, and a beacon.

None of these facilities are available at the Grand Marais Airport now, but with the 50 year anniversary, plans are underway to improve the field at the once busy airstrip.

## Grand Marais has deer of a different color

GRAND MARAIS — One of the most interesting and unusual deer herds in Michigan makes its winter home in the environs of this peaceful little hamlet which is nestled in a sheltered cove on Lake Superior's south shore.

Aside from their intimate coexistence with people, the one characteristic which makes these deer so different is the strain of albinism which seems to prevail in the herd. They are not true albinos. In fact, none of the animals are wholly white and several of them appear merely to have a lighter color coat than the usual shade of gray-brown.

There are at least five or six which have the peculiar markings of the famous appaloosa horse of the West. These markings consist of random spots and streaks of pure white over their bodies.

All are marked differently.

The marks are distinctive and individuals are easily recognized. One, whose front from the throat down is almost completely splashed with white, first appeared with the herd about three years ago as a six-month-old fawn. It is now a regular winter resident and is a healthy doe that will probably produce more of the strangely-colored deer.

The deer wander at will throughout the residential area of the town and munch on peelings and other goodies set out for them by the townspeople.



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## Attention class! First lesson: big isn't best

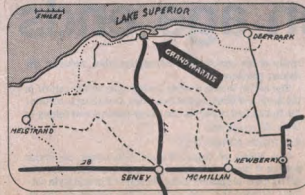
Grand Marais; a tribute to teaching



LEAVING — Students leave school at the end of the day. Many 1979 graduates will not return as permanent residents.

By MIKE McCARTY  
 Feature Editor  
 GRAND MARAIS — You just don't drive "through" this little hamlet.  
 The nearest town of any size is over 50 miles away. There are no bowling lanes or movie theaters. Not even a prominent cross-roads in this isolated town.  
 Grand Marais, with some 450 of its winter inhabitants, is smack at the end of highway M-77 on the north shore of the Upper Peninsula, with clear Lake Superior at its doorstep. In fact, unless you're headed for Grand Marais, there's probably little need to pursue M-77 north of well-traveled M-28.  
 There are no communities in between. No junctions. Just miles and miles of forest.  
 "You just don't drive through Grand Marais," says local school superintendent Otto Bufe. "People have to want to come here."  
 Which may explain the fondness which townspeople hold for their community which is rich in scenery, rolling sand dunes and the out-of-doors.  
 Yet, after this coming summer, 81 percent of one of this community's largest graduating classes ever will resolutely pack their bags and head back out M-77, bound for college.  
 It's an impressive percentage... even if there are only 16 students — 10 girls and six boys — in the class of '79.  
 Ultimately, most will not be making that trip back to reside in Grand Marais. In the senior class, only one hand rose recently when the question was asked, "Do you expect to come back here to live after college graduation?"  
 It's taken as a matter of fact by the senior class of one of the smallest K-12 school districts in the state.  
 There are only 130 youths in the entire Burt Township School District, all brought together to learn under one roof at Grand Marais.  
 And, of the 16 seniors, 13 plan to go to college. That 81 percent is one of the highest such figures in the state, say

pleased local officials.  
 Grand Marais is usually high among U.P. schools producing collegians. Last year, White Pine sent 77 percent of its student to college to rank as the U.P. leader in that department. Grand Marais, seventh last year with 58 percent, should be at or near the top this year.  
 But why from this small, seemingly isolated community?  
 "Kids (here) see the value of education because there's no industry to keep them here," says Bufe. "Because of it, they have a desire to leave the area. They see college as the major way of getting out and bettering themselves."  
 On the surface, students would not seem to have the advantages of those in larger school districts.  
 There are only 10 teachers in the entire school, five of them in the high school. In most instances, two grades are scheduled to be taught in the same room as one. And curriculum is somewhat limited, although there's plenty of basics.  
 Extracurricular-wise, basketball is available, but that's the only school sport.  
 In fact, in terms of things to do, most students responded basketball, cheerleading, working on the yearbook and participating in 4-H, which is popular here.  
 And there's the enjoyment of the out-of-doors. That's an area in which Grand Marais excels. The school has its



own 1,320-acre forest. Outdoor survival and other nature experiences are offered through the school.  
 "How many kids from other schools can say they sat in a duck blind at 4 a.m. (as part of one school outing)? I checked one teacher."  
 In outside recreation, Newberry houses probably the nearest bowling lanes and movie theater. Occasionally, some students will get together and make the trek down there.  
**STRESS BASICS**  
 In school, however, it's mostly "basic education...we stress it," says Bufe. English and science along with math are in the backbone. Class sizes are smaller.  
 In spite of having to move from a small school system to a college atmosphere, Grand Marais grads have been making the transition just fine, say teachers and former students.  
 Life in Grand Marais just may be one of the most unusual college preparatory courses.  
 "Lots of responsibility is put on us at an earlier age," says Kathy Minor, a 1977 Grand Marais grad and a junior at Northern Michigan University in Marquette. "We all work. I think it makes us more self-reliant."  
 Miss Minor was re-visiting Grand Marais High School recently, observing classes as part of her major, speech communications, special education. She made the dean's list at NMU for the fall semester. And "three or four" Grand Marais students are on the NMU honor roll every semester, she adds.  
 "There's no generation gap here," says Neal Beaver, a veteran high school teacher at Grand Marais. "Kids are moved into an adult world at a young age."  
 Students are found to be working in stores, in the forest or wherever they can land a job. Most employment opens up during the summer tourist season, when Grand Marais' population has been known to triple.  
 Bufe says the motivation is there to earn money to go to school. When one graduates, the vacated job is quickly filled by the next student in line, teachers say, probably another senior making his or her way.  
 Bufe adds that students come from "good, solid homes."  
 That combination along with basics in education, is sound preparation for those who choose not to go to college, too, says Bufe.  
 Not all grads will leave Grand Marais, for good. They'll come back to visit. Some come back to retire, here. And some never leave, at all.  
 School custodian Dave Becker, 40, never really left, despite a working stint in the Detroit area. He acknowledges jobs are scarce.  
 "It's the price you pay for living here," he says.  
 And there are those quite willing to do just that.  
 "I never saw any place I liked better," says Guy Block. "I don't see any advantage to moving to any state in the union."  
 So, today, Block lives on the "same lot I was born on" and has been teaching since 1962. More correctly, his positions at the school include principal, athletic director,



READING TIME — Young students at Grand Marais devote to school work. Grades are combined in pairs in many instances.



LEARNING AT GRAND MARAIS — Students such as Peter Powell, left, and Eric Slier, both working at their desks, are a part of one of the smallest school districts in the state.



AIDES — Rose Ylimaki, left, (right photo) a junior, and freshman Don Gauthier get advise from Carol Pieterman, a third and fourth grade teacher. The two are teacher aides. (Left photo) Cooks don't really outnumber students. It just appears that way in this photo.



50TH YEAR — This year marks the 50th graduation class to be produced at this school building in Grand Marais. Although it houses kindergarten through 12th grade, the building inscription is "Grand Marais High School."



LIKES GRAND MARAIS — Principal, athletic director, coach and teacher Guy Block doesn't see any advantage to "moving to any (other) state in the union." He lives on the same lot on which he was born. (Staff Photos)

varsity basketball coach and teacher of earth science, shop, biology and conservation.  
 Lake Bie, other high school teachers Jack Pieterman, Gail Seegert, Jim Becker and Beaver teach several subjects, apiece. There are husband-wife couples on the professional staff of the school like the Pietermans and the Bufes.  
 Bufe feels the "mix between the grades is good," "discipline is firm" and "in the four years I've been here, we haven't paid one penny for vandalism."  
 He attributes that latter achievement to pride in the building. This year will mark the 50th graduating class to come out of the building. Bufe's father was in the class of five students to graduate in 1919. His happens to be in this senior class.  
 Half the student body is bussed to school from outlying areas, sometimes taking two hours one way.  
 But when they arrive, kindergartners and 12th graders know each other.  
 "It's like one big family," says Block.  
 Many of the town's graduates will be leaving that atmosphere soon. But, when they come back to visit their home town, one thing will be certain:  
 They won't just be "passing through."





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MARCH MEETING


The March meeting was held March 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

The members present voted to turn over the prize money won by the anonymous person who submitted "HOMETOWN U.S.A.- GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1979", to the Ambulance Corps for the CPR unit, as requested by the winner.

A discussion on the Beachcomber Festival followed with members wanting to go ahead with the event, out worried about the number of members willing to work on this project. A vote must be taken at the April meeting whether to proceed with the planned event or not. The date scheduled for Beachcomber Festival is June 16 & 17.

An evaluation of the Cross-Country Caravan showed everyone pleased with the event and optimistic about it's future. A letter from Otto Bufe, Chairman for the event, also expressed pleasure with the way the first cross-country skiing event held in Grand Marais was handled and Mr. Bufe volunteered to help again next year.

MICHIGAN AVIATION ANNIVERSARY

The first news release has been sent out on the arrival of 25 planes, commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission. 

The Chamber was asked to handle the publicity and refreshments for this historic event.

Our latest correspondence tells us that actually 5 planes will land at our airport and the other 20 will circle the field at 200 feet.

The group of five will award a commemorative plaque to our Township Supervisor, Frank Mead and visit with the townspeople, (we are in hopes of having a large group welcome these flyers) approximately 30 minutes.


We have made arrangements with Mrs. Frank (Gloria) Lundquist for a cake decorated with a runway and planes, and will also have coffee for the flyers and guests.

The Chamber and the Burt Township Board are sponsoring an ad for Grand Marais to appear in the commemorative booklet put out next month by the Michigan Aeronautics Commission Anniversary Association.

LUNCHEON MEETINGS 

We are still joining for luncheon meetings the monday before the regular monthly meeting and the monday after the monthly meeting.

We have been meeting at Alvarson's all winter, but will start rotating to the different restaurants, as soon as they open, as we did last summer. Please feel free to join us.

BUTTONS 

We smiled our way through 1978, with our theme being "SMILE AND PLAY IN GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1978", and we would hope to see some smiles this year, but we'll be bragging more in 1979, with the theme being "HOMETOWN U.S.A. - GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1979".

Buttons depicting our new theme (or slogan) have been ordered and hopefully will be ready for distribution at the monthly meeting, April 23.



If at all possible, we would like the businesses to pay for their buttons upon receiving them, thus helping our budget, which does need some help for our large purchase of the year - the fireworks!

The buttons will be on a white background, with blue lettering, and should work in great with the school 50th anniversary celebration in July, the school colors being white and blue. The buttons are the same size as last years - 2 1/4" in diameter.

#### PAINTING ANYONE ???

The Chamber of Commerce Historical and Beautification Committee is once again planning to brighten the streets of Grand Marais and our Township Park with new pictures on the garbage cans.

Kay O'Brien is in charge of this project, (being Chairman of the committee) and would like persons interested in helping on this project to get in touch with her and to watch for signs telling of the time and place of these painting sessions.

Again the 50 year anniversary of the Burt Township School will have an affect on a Chamber project - the cans will bear memories of the past 50 years. Do you still have your white bucks?

#### GET WELL WISHES

We have all been holding our breath, waiting for good news of Karen Cook after her car accident on March 31, while driving to a wedding in Mount Clemens. The good news has arrived and Karen seems to be much better and out of intensive care.

We all wish you a speedy recovery Karen and will be glad to see your smiling face again at the teller's window at the bank.

#### RECIPE

Thought we'd share this one with you, Mom, it should look familiar.

#### TIPS ON BAKING A CAKE

Light oven; get out bowl, spoons and ingredients. Grease pan, crack nuts. Remove 18 blocks and 7 tins from kitchen table.

Measure out 2 cups of flour; remove Johnny's hands from the flour and wash the flour off Johnny.

Put flour, baking powder and salt in sifter. Get broom and dustpan and sweep up pieces of bowl that Johnny knocked off the table. Get out another bowl; answer doorbell.

Return to kitchen, remove Johnny's hands from bowl. Wash Johnny, get out eggs. Answer phone. Return to kitchen, take out greased pan and remove 1/2 inch of salt from pan. Look for Johnny.

Return to kitchen and find Johnny there; remove his hands from bowl; wash shortening, etc. off him. Pick up greased pan and find 1/2 inch layer of nutshells in it. Head for Johnny, who flees knocking bowl off table. Wash Johnny, wash table, wash walls, wash kitchen floor and wash dishes. Call up baker. Lie down.....

#### POT LUCK/MEETING

Our April meeting will be preceded by a pot luck supper to begin at 6:30 p.m.

Bring a dish to pass and bring a friend to help you eat it (we always get lots of jodies for these affairs) and bring your suggestions.

The date for this month is Monday the 23rd and we will be very informal in the sense that we will not follow a printed agenda - let's try that and see what happens.

#### MICHIGAN FACT

Stand anywhere in Michigan and you are within 85 miles of one of the Great Lakes.

#### MEMBERS

The following page is a list of members for this year. Hope you're on it.

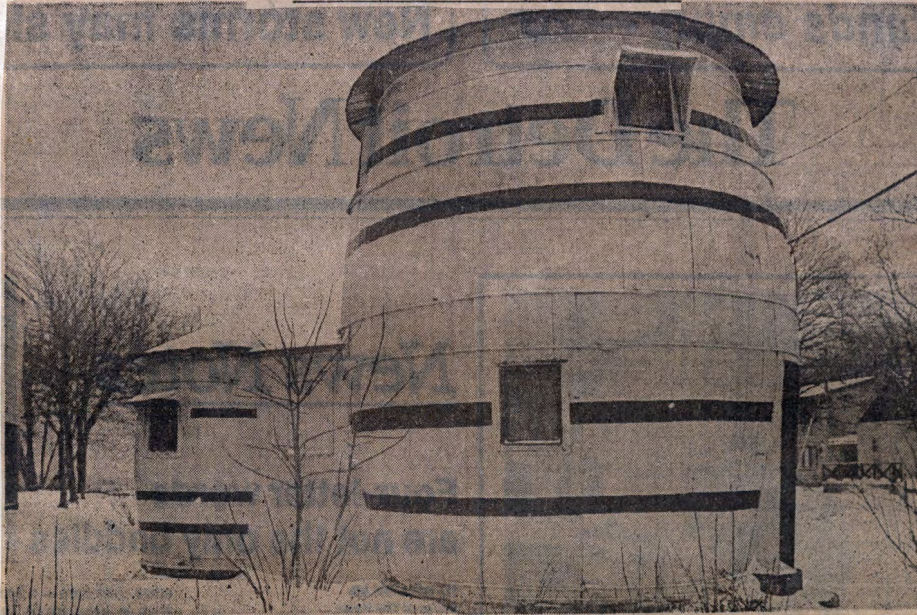


GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERS 1979

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| 1. Adler, Ed            | 29. Beaver, Linda     |
| 2. Alverson, Gerald     | 30. Fite, Bob         |
| 3. Becker, Adrienne     | 31. Fite, Ruth        |
| 4. Carter, James        | 32. Shomsky, Mary Ann |
| 5. Cook, Karen          | 33. Consier, Janet    |
| 6. Dempsey, Mary        | 34. Yingst, Jerry     |
| 7. Hicks, Bob           | 35. McNally, Ann      |
| 8. Hicks, Marilyn       | 36. McNally, George   |
| 9. Lewis, Betty         |                       |
| 10. Lewis, Ed           |                       |
| 11. Marshall, Rose Mary |                       |
| 12. Massey, Joe         |                       |
| 13. Mehlenbacher, Jean  |                       |
| 14. Mehlenbacher, Skip  |                       |
| 15. O'Brien, Kathryn    |                       |
| 16. O'Brien, Patricia   |                       |
| 17. Pell, Bob           |                       |
| 18. Pell, Ruth          |                       |
| 19. Perlick, Darlene    |                       |
| 20. Perlick, Dick       |                       |
| 21. Sibbald, Sandee     |                       |
| 22. Stier, Evelyn       |                       |
| 22. Williams, Marvin    |                       |
| 24. Williams, Sandra    |                       |
| 25. Wilson, Karl        |                       |
| 26. Endress, Gladys     |                       |
| 27. Endress, Ora        |                       |
| 28. Bridgeford, Nick    |                       |





Pickle barrel house in Grand Marais; the Teenie Weenies don't venture out much any more.

PHOTO BY DIXIE FRANKLIN

### Cartoonist's house is U.P. landmark

## Pickle barrel — dream cottage

By DIXIE FRANKLIN  
News Special Writer

GRAND MARAIS, Mich. — The pickle barrel house in Grand Marais got a new coat of paint last year, but it still stands deserted in this village on Lake Superior at the north end of Highway 77.

And if Teenie Weenies still linger around the summer home of their creator, the late comic strip artist William Donahey, they scamper away when anyone passes by.

The barrel-stave cottage was presented to the Donaheys on June 12, 1926, by the Reid-Murdoch Co., maker of the Monarch brand of Teenie Weenie pickles and other foods in tiny cans, named after Donahey's cartoon characters.

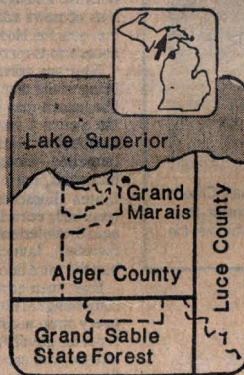
REID-MURDOCH built the cottage on Grand Sable Lake, just west of Grand Marais, where the Donaheys spent their summers.

With Teenie Weenie symbols scampering around the hoops, the 16-foot-high building made a comfortable home. Its first floor, a living room, was eight feet in diameter; the second, a bedroom, 12 feet at the bulge. There was a connecting kitchen in a barrel half the size of the main structure, a smaller barrel outhouse, and pickle barrel lanterns on the original site at Grand Sable Lake.

The creator of the weekly Chicago Tribune cartoon strip, which featured

miniature, gentle people, drew characters from childhood memories. As a boy, he played with discarded wooden screws and fantasized an army of two-inch soldiers, led by a general with a dab of red paint for a helmet.

Soon other characters inhabited Donahey's imaginary army post. Tying a bit of string to the head of a wood screw, he created Mr. Chinaman, and later revived him in his cartoons.



NEWS MAP/JOHN RUTTEN

ALTHOUGH HE and his wife never had children, he felt close to youngsters. He became interested in wholesome features when a 3-year-old friend began crying while looking at a brutal cartoon.

The artist got his big chance when the Tribune bought his syndicated cartoon strip in 1914. Recalling the wooden soldiers, he populated it with the two-inch people. His first feature pictured a fire in an old derby hat occupied by Teenie Weenies.

While the world discovered Teenie Weenies through the comic strip and his nine comic books, the Donaheys discovered the Upper Peninsula. Never missing a deadline, Donahey spent summers in Grand Marais dreaming up a story line for the next season.

THE DONAHEYS kept the cottage for 10 years and then gave it to Grand Marais. Townspeople moved it to the main street along the bay and it served as a tourist information booth.

The pickle barrel house now serves only as a reminder of the longest weekly cartoon feature continually drawn by its creator.

After 56 years, the last Teenie Weenie cartoon appeared Feb. 10, 1970, a week after Donahey's death. He did not provide for a successor.



## G.M. PICKED FOR AVIATION ANNIVERSARY FLY-IN

By Rose Mary Marshall

Few people realize that DC-3 aircraft used the Grand Marais airport for an emergency landing field, when for 12 years Trans-Canada Airlines leased the field for an emergency airport.

Grand Marais' 4000 foot runway airport will be the landing spot for 5 aircraft the morning of June 14, while 20 other planes hover over the area, commemorating the 50th anniversary of aviation in Michigan. The event is sponsored by the Michigan Aeronautics Commission 50th Anniversary Association.

Their 1929 meet began in Pontiac. Flyers at that time visited Traverse City and Battle Creek among other stops. This year they will visit 70 cities over a 5 day period from June 11 - June 15.

Greeting flyers will be Burt Township Supervisor, Frank W. Mead, who will be presented with a plaque commemorating the historic event, as well as other dignitaries and townspeople.

Taking off from Marquette early in the morning, the group will arrive in Grand Marais approximately 40 minutes after departure. Coffee and a cake decorated with runways and planes will be served to the group.

Classified as a "C" Airport, Grand Marais has two of the longest runways in the Upper Peninsula. Each of the two being 4000' by 200'.

There are a NW/SE and a NE/SW turf runway. Latitude 46 degrees 37' 15", longitude 85 degrees 55' 00". Landmarks include M-77, 2.5 miles West of the airport, Lake Superior, 4 miles North and Sable Lake, 4.7 miles West, Northwest.

When Trans-Canada used the field from 1946 to 1958, there were lights powered with their own generator, a dormitory for 12 employees, who worked there for some 12 years, and a beacon.

None of these facilities are available at the Grand Marais Airport now, but with the 50 year anniversary, plans are underway to improve the field at the once busy airstrip.

## Pile Dike Status Report

The last official word that residents of Grand Marais have had from the U.S. Corps of Engineers regarding the re-building of the harbor pile dike was on November 21, 1978 when a proposal for an abbreviated pile dike was presented by a Corps official from the Detroit District office.

Kathryn O'Brien, president of the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce, wrote to Keith Wilson, chief of the Waterways Division of the Department of Natural Resources requesting a status report on the pile dike on April 4, 1979. Following is a portion of Wilson's reply to Ms. O'Brien:

"Since meeting with you and others at Grand Marais, we have contacted the Chief of Engineers and advised him of our recommendations, prepared and had submitted to the Chief of Engineers a letter from Governor Milliken strongly supporting the Detroit District recommendations, contacted Senator Riegle and Congressman Davis urging their support of the plan, and contacted the Michigan Washington office with a request they keep on the Corps until this matter is resolved. To this point, no positive results have occurred.

"We are informally advised the proposal is under review and that it appears to be responsive to the policies of the Chief of Engineers, but we have not been able to break it loose. Nor have we been able to obtain a promised date on the review. As a result, I plan to again contact our Congressional leaders and ask the Governor to write to the Chief of Engineers to see if we can't get some progress on the matter."

## G.M. Clean up Day May 11

Friday, May 11, 1979 has been designated as town clean-up day in Grand Marais; a cooperative effort by the Burt Township School, the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce and the Burt Township Board.

School students will be assisting the community by collecting litter along the roadways and bagging it for the

Burt Township DPW crew to pick up. This is the 10th year the school classes have participated in such a project.

The Chamber of Commerce is cooperating by once again designing and painting the litter cans stationed along the streets of Grand Marais and in Woodland Park. The cans will depict pictures and slogans of the past 50 years, in conjunction with the 50th anniversary celebration of the Burt Township School. Anyone wishing to help with this project may contact Kay O'Brien.

Anyone having trash to be picked up, please have it bagged or boxed and set it on the curb or side of the road so it can be seen by the pick-up crew.

The dump will be open for this special clean-up day from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and then again Saturday as scheduled.

Let's all make a special effort to clean up our premises before the busy summer starts.

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The Beachcomber Festival has been cancelled this year. The Grand Marais promotional button is now available from area merchants and Chamber of Commerce members. "Hometown, U.S.A....Grand Marais, Michigan" is the slogan for the 1979 promotional campaign.

## JOB OPENING

SENIOR CITIZEN TO WORK AS TOURIST INFORMATION REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GRAND MARAIS AREA. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE BURT TOWNSHIP OFFICE AT 494-2381.





## Close-Up of America

# Midwest's Last

**By the shores of Gitche Gumee, in Michigan's northern wilderness, a hard choice is developing for the hardy, often snowbound and always independent whites and Indians: Opt for development and jobs—or keep the wonderland where Hiawatha supposedly trod?**

Near the town of Grand Marais, visitors are drawn to the Grand Sable Dunes—sand mountains over 200 feet high, constantly changing shape in the whipping winds and slowly engulfing the forests that surround them.

Once the area's charms were well known to schoolchildren through Longfellow's heroic poem, "The Song of Hiawatha," which they chanted in the rhythm of an Indian drumbeat:

By the shores of Gitche Gumee,  
By the shining Big-Sea-Water . . .  
Rose the black and gloomy pine-trees,  
Rose the firs with cones upon them;  
Bright before it beat the water,  
Beat the clear and sunny water.

Longfellow, a Harvard professor who probably never visited Gitche Gumee, the Chippewa Indian name for Lake Superior, painted a picture that lingers in the vision of outsiders to this day. But it is an overly romantic portrait that glosses over harsher realities of the Upper Peninsula.

Swimming in the "clear and sunny water" is generally undesirable because of low water temperatures, 35 to 60 degrees, and those who dare are cautioned to carry salt to remove leeches. Crossing Lake Superior in a craft less than 20 feet long is not advised because of sudden, high winds and waves. For half the summer months, there is an infestation of black flies, relieved during the other half by swarms of pesky mosquitoes. And, of course, sometimes, there's snow in July.

The cold climate is no bother to the hardy people who settled the U-P in the late 1800s. The population is largely made up of Swedes, Norwegians, Danes and Finns, the last of whom remain the largest ethnic group. The phone book of Negaunee, for instance, lists 43 with the Finnish name Maki, 51 Andersons, 32 Larsons—and only 15 Smiths.

"We don't mind the cold and snow," says Mrs. Einer Oleson of Witch Lake, who returned to the resort community with her husband after farming for many years in Minnesota. "We watch out for the neighbors; they watch out for us."

Jack Gingrass, a state representative from Iron Mountain, characterizes the U-P breed: "Real pride, these people have. They're individuals, strong-willed people. They take care of themselves."

Such an attitude is vital in a land so sparsely settled. Larger than eight states, the U-P ranges 380 miles from east to west, 230 miles from the tip of the Keweenaw Peninsula to the Wisconsin border. The town of Hancock is farther north than Montreal in neighboring Canada, and residents of Ironwood live west of St. Louis. So small is the popula-

# Frontier: Upper Peninsula

tion—340,000—that the U-P must share a congressman with a portion of downstate Michigan, the only state with such a large area disconnected from its mainland.

A world to itself, the peninsula is linked to the rest of Michigan by one four-lane bridge that is occasionally closed during the winter. The span over the Straits of Mackinac did not exist until 1957, and for years afterward travel was discouraged by high tolls. It is not surprising, then, that many residents tend to travel to Milwaukee or Green Bay, Wis., or Chicago rather than lower Michigan when they experience an urge for city life.

## A Troubled Economy

There's a historical reason for this detachment. Back in 1836, a peculiar little border war erupted between Michigan and Ohio over some disputed land. Because it was already a state, Ohio won, getting Toledo. Only a territory then, Michigan got the Upper Peninsula as a consolation. It was not considered much of a prize at the time, but then, it was not much of a "war"—total casualties: one deputy sheriff wounded by a penknife.

Isolated by geography and the elements, the U-P languished until a copper and iron-mining boom in the mid-1900s. Mining gave the place a Wild West air, and today tourists are drawn to the many ghost towns left when the boom fizzled. Failure of the mines is at the root of many of the peninsula's current problems.

The stagnant economy has been dependent on hunters in the fall and tourists in the summer. Lacking opportunity, youngsters began leaving for Detroit and Chicago after World War II. In the '70s, urban problems and heightened appreciation of the ecology kept the U-P from losing so many people. Even so, the nearest thing to a city is Marquette, with 26,000 people.

There are few jobs, aside from the ones in tourism, for those held by the beauty of the forests and the shoreline. Only one copper mine remains, employing about 1,100 workers. Even though ample supplies of ore remain, low world prices keep the industry depressed.

In January, 13.5 percent of the labor force—18,000 people—were out of jobs and drawing benefits, compared with 8 percent statewide. That same month, 24,244 persons in the U-P, or 7.5 percent of the population, were drawing various forms of welfare. In fact, officials say government money is truly the foundation of the peninsula's economy.

Each year as legislators in the state capital argue about appropriations, there is talk of statehood for the U-P. Even though the region gets back an estimated \$1.80 for every dollar it sends to Lansing, there are those who claim they want to be left alone. Yet even backers of the plan for statehood—they would call it "Superior"—admit that the peninsula could not stand alone economically.

Officials of the Michigan Employment Security Commission say that the largest class of employer is local government, accounting for 18,000 jobs last year. Retail trade is next with 16,000 jobs.

The focal point of commerce is the passage at Sault Ste. Marie linking Lakes Huron and Superior, which was first opened just in time to give the Union another edge in ore for the Civil War. Today, the locks handle more tonnage

than the Panama Canal, and visitors can stand within 50 feet of gigantic freighters passing through.

White men have been trying to exploit the region for centuries but, ironically, in recent years the real natives of the peninsula—the Indians—have been accused of exploitation. In one current federal case, Indians, who number about 8,000 in the U-P, are claiming that an 1836 treaty gives them unrestricted fishing rights in parts of the Great Lakes. Some Indians are also claiming ownership of property in the city of Sault Ste. Marie and other towns.

Arthur LeBlanc, a Chippewa and chairman of the Bay Mills Indian community, contends that the tribes would surely impose fishing and hunting restrictions of their own if victorious in court. The Indian arguments do not reassure white residents, however, and sometimes violence flares. LeBlanc says that Indian boats and nets have been destroyed and, he asserts, "Someone fired at some of our men fishing in Lake Superior. My son was in the group."

## Jobs vs. Environment

Another controversy centers on Navy plans for a communications network for submarines, called ELF, in which 130 miles of cable would be buried in a crisscross pattern at depths of 4 to 6 feet in the Upper Peninsula. In January, President Carter earmarked 13 million dollars to start the project. Residents are upset by National Academy of Sciences warnings that a person in bare feet dragging an aluminum canoe across damp earth above an antenna end could be electrocuted. State Representative Gingrass says that of the 15 U-P counties, 10 have voted on the proposal in referendum and rejected it every time by 15-to-1 ratios.

The leading spokesman for residents battling the environmentalists is State Senator Joseph Mack, locally famous for his evaluation of those who visit the peninsula and want to preserve what they have seen. "They come up here with a \$5 bill and an extra pair of underwear," says Mack, "and they don't change either one while they're here."

Mack contends that environmental laws are strangling the mining and wood-fiber industries that the area vitally needs. As an example, he points to a coal dock at Marquette that was tied up in litigation for almost three years. Although the dock was eventually built, Mack says that it cost the power company 1.5 million dollars more than originally estimated because of inflation and court costs. "Outsiders say they are trying to save the Upper Peninsula, but what the hell are they going to save it for?" the senator wonders. "If they want to protect it, they ought to buy it."

Wayne Schmidt, staff ecologist for Michigan United Conservation Clubs, counters: "You don't pass a law to regulate the use of a resource for just part of the state. And the Upper Peninsula is a part of Michigan whether they like it or not. We don't disagree on every issue. The people there feel very close to their natural resources. The air and water quality in the U-P is excellent. We want to keep it that way, and I believe most of the residents agree. But they're so independent up there—they just don't want anyone telling them anything. You get a real frontier feeling." □

*This article was prepared by Lowell E. McKirgan, chief of the magazine's Detroit bureau.*



## View from the Pilot House

(Editor's Note: This editorial is taken from the North Woods Call May 2, 1979)

### MOOSE ARE TEMPTING

By Glen Shepard

High on the west wall, just under the ceiling, of Alverson's restaurant and bar in Grand Marais, are about a half dozen full head mounts of trophy whitetail bucks. Just around the corner, on the west end of the north wall, is a mount of a fine bull moose.

The contrast, over a late breakfast the other day was startling. The massive head and rack on the moose dwarfs the whitetails, leaving the impression you can shuck them into your hip pocket.

Thinking of the story he'd written several days earlier on the potential for establishing a flourishing moose herd in the northern Upper Peninsula, The Call editor asked the others at the table, "Who 'n hell would prefer to have them (pointing at the whitetails) when they could have those? (pointing at the moose.)"

One of the gals at the table looked carefully, sloshed a chew of toast down with coffee and declared, "Me. I'd be afraid to walk in the woods if I knew anything that big was out there," (referring to the moose).

(Her point is one that should be considered, but only briefly. The Call editor has twice fled before angry cow moose along Alaska grayling streams. It's a memorable experience.)

Out on the west edge of Grand Marais, along Lake Superior, townspeople maintain a herd of mostly tame whitetails by feeding them in the winter. In addition to enjoying having them there, there is some notion that they are a tourist attraction. Could be, but not because anyone with a dose of sense would drive to the Superior country to see wild deer. There are, and it seems certain always will be, more deer in Michigan's southernmost counties than there ever again will be near Lake Superior.

When nature was doing things her way this was moose country. This is the far north. Moose are of the far north. Deer are not.

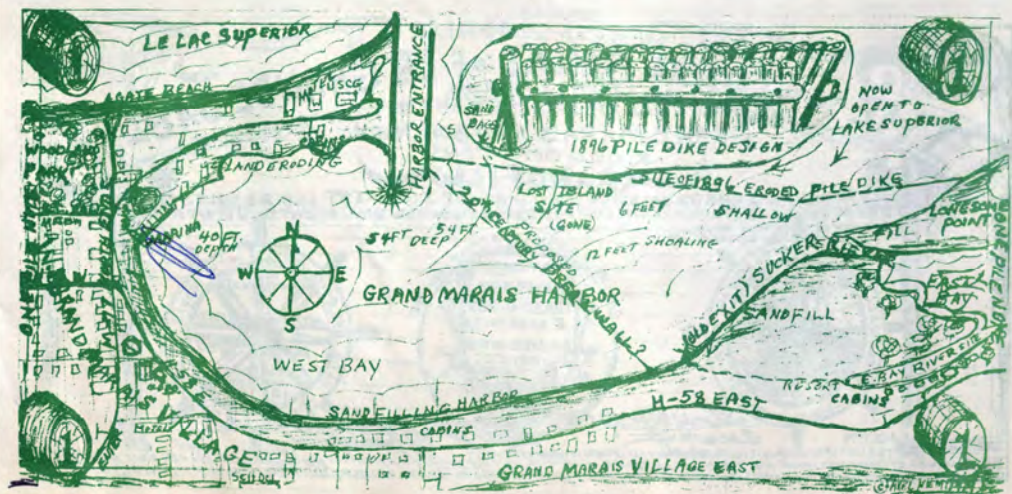
Which does not mean moose would prosper here. Nature no longer controls the balance of things. People do. Moose are far more vulnerable to poaching and hunting than the canny whitetail, with its almost spooky talent for eluding the hunter.

But it is worth finding out if moose can adapt, even at the cost of a reduced whitetail population. Wildlife managers should be encouraged to pursue the idea, after receiving an unqualified commitment from law enforcement personnel to zealously protect any imported moose seed stock.

Regional wildlife chief Ralph Bailey says he would appreciate a reading on public reaction to the possibility. His address is Dept. of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 190, Marquette, MI 49855.

## COMMUNITY BAKE SALE

There will be a Community Bake Sale in Grand Marais on Saturday, May 26 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to raise money for the Fourth of July Celebration. The sale will be held just west of the Post Office, but in case of a mild drizzle, it will move across the street to the Bayshore Park bandstand. If there is a downright downpour, look for the bake sale in the IGA. Many community groups as well as local businesses will be contributing pies, cakes, breads and cookies to the sale.





GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

AGENDA

MAY 29, 1979  
7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Treasurer's report

Old Business:

Brochures  
Aviation Anniversary  
Community Bake Sale  
4th of July

New Business:

Project "S.E.L.L.S."

Other

Coming Events:

3rd Annual Flower Show - July 22, 1979



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APRIL MEETING

The April meeting, held on the 23rd day of that month, was preceded by a well attended Pot Luck Supper.

A vote was taken to cancel the Beachcomber Festival for this year.

A discussion was held on the events planned for the 4th of July. Two Organizational Meetings were scheduled for getting together with the various organizations in town and the school classes and coordinating all the planned events. The dates for the meetings were set for May 5, at 11:00 a.m., and May 19, also at 11:00 a.m., both meetings being in the Community Center.

BUTTONS

The slogan buttons for this year - "HOMETOWN U.S.A. - GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1979" are on sale at the various businesses in town. If you haven't already purchased your button for this year, we'd like you to do so and make this a real effort on our part to promote our great "hometown".

RAFFLE TICKETS

Again this summer, we will have a 50/50 raffle to help with the expenses of the fireworks for the 4th. These tickets will be on sale, starting May 26, at the Community Bake Sale, and will be on sale thereafter at the various businesses that can handle the sale of raffle tickets.

COMMUNITY BAKE SALE

An all out effort by the community has been organized for a bake sale, with proceeds going for the many expenses involved in the celebration of the 4th of July.

The raffle tickets (50/50) have been earmarked for the purchase of the fireworks, but the proceeds from them has never been enough for the total cost of the fireworks, (usually about \$600.00 is spent on the fireworks), so the Chamber has always had to come up with other cost-sharing projects to cover the fireworks. The fireworks, however, are not the only expense for this big Grand Marais celebration, We also award some kind of trophy or plaque to various float winners in the parade, give prizes (usually cash) for the winners of the many games planned for the day, have hand-out sheets printed, listing the days activities and purchase various articles to sell at the Chamber Booth, such as flags, balloons, slogan buttons, etc. All of these expenses come out of the general fund and the money is raised by various projects in the Chamber itself.

This year we thought we'd like the community as a whole to help with the expenses of the 4th of July, so the idea of a community bake sale was born, and we have high hopes that it will be a success and help with this big task of raising money for the 4th of July activities. Note: We did receive a contribution of \$300.00 from the Township Board.

If you haven't been contacted through the Chamber or some other organization, to which you belong, we would ask that you bring your baked goods to the Post Office (we'll be set up next to it)



on Saturday morning, May 26, before 11:00 a.m.

The sight for the bake sale was chosen for the convenience of the people (mail pick-up on Saturday) and will be an open air set-up. If the weather should prove to be less than desirable, it will be moved to the band stand, and if it should be downright miserable, it will be moved to the inside of the IGA.

The ladies of Grand Marais are excellent bakers, so plan on stocking up on some baked goods for the holiday week-end.

#### "S.E.L.L.S."

The Chamber has been asked by the AMCAB (Alger-Marquette Community Action Board) to help with a new funded program entitled "S.E.L.L.S." (See and Enjoy our Lands, Lakes and Streams).

The program hires senior citizens (age 55 and over) who will be stationed at an information center and hand out literature on the Grand Marais area, and help people become familiar with the area.

Chamber will furnish the "Guides" with our brochures and Business Directory and help with orientation and overseeing.

Chamber has contacted Mr. Ed Warren about using the corner lot across from Frank's Standard Gas Station, and Mr. Warren has replied that he thinks we should use the Pickle Barrel!

We have, for a long time felt that the Pickle Barrel would be an excellent sight for an information center, and it looks as if it just might be.

#### 4TH OF JULY

The fireworks are ordered, as are flags, balloons, etc., for the Chamber Booth, Andy Hunt has volunteered to serve as Parade Chairman, the organizational meetings, held May 5 and 19, proved to be very productive, with members of various organizations and Class Presidents from the school planning their various functions for the celebration day, Diane Pirlot working on the Queen for the Chamber of Commerce float, and volunteers for the many games planned for both youngsters and adults, things seem to be going together nicely.

We're hoping this year will be the biggest and best parade, and with some cooperation, it can be. Get your thinking caps on and come up with a good idea for a float! The prize categories for this year are:

Most Patriotic            Most Comical  
Most Beautiful            Best Clown  
Best Theme (2 winners)  
Best Decorated Bike (3 winners)

With the slogan being "HOMETOWN U.S.A., GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1979", the best theme category should be an easy one - what does your hometown of Grand Marais mean to you, or what are your best memories of it, or even what do you hope it's future will be?

#### AVIATION ANNIVERSARY

June 14, is the date of the fly-in of the commemoration of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission Aviation Anniversary of 50 years.

We hope to see a turn-out of townspeople the morning of the 14th at approximately 9:30 a.m., when 5 planes will touch down at our airport and 20 other planes will circle the field.

Supervisor Mead will be presented a plaque depicting the occasion, and the group will be served coffee and cake.



### CLEAN-UP DAY

The Chamber of Commerce cooperated with the Township and the school by helping with the Clean-Up day in Grand Marais this past month by re-painting the garbage cans that are stationed throughout the town and in Woodland Park.

Approximately 23 cans have been painted by various volunteers (not all of these workers were Chamber of Commerce members, and we appreciate their help) and a few more may be done before the project is completely through.

### NEW MEMBERS

We welcome new members, Andy and Helen Hunt and Diane Pirlot and Betty Welker at this time.

These folks have been Chamber members for many years and we're glad to have them re-join for the 1979 year.

### CARD PARTIES

Beginning June 6, The Chamber of Commerce will take over where Women's Club left off with having a Card Party every Wednesday night. The exception being the 4th of July which is on a Wednesday this year.

We would appreciate any donations of cards, cribbage boards, and volunteer workers on these nights.

The format for the card parties will be the same as Women's Club has had, with coffee and sandwiches and cookies being served.

### HO-HO CORNER

Two city boys decided to become woodcutters, so both rented chain saws and started to work. The first man went deep into the woods and cut six cords the first day, eight the next day and more each succeeding day. The second man tried and tried but could cut no more than half a cord of wood any day. Frustrated he went back to the rental shop to complain about the saw.

"This looks O.K. to me," he said, as the proprietor pulled the starter string and kicked the saw into action.

"Hey," yelled the startled woodcutter, "what's that awful noise?"

Two caterpillars were crawling across the grass when a butterfly flew over them. They looked up, and one nudged the other one and said: "You couldn't get me up in one of those things for a million dollars!"

### FLOWER SHOW

The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the 3rd Annual Flower Show on July 22, 1979.

Along with the categories of floral arrangements, cut flowers, potted plants, hanging baskets and the floral garden (new last year) there will be an additional category for this year: Best Vegetable Garden.

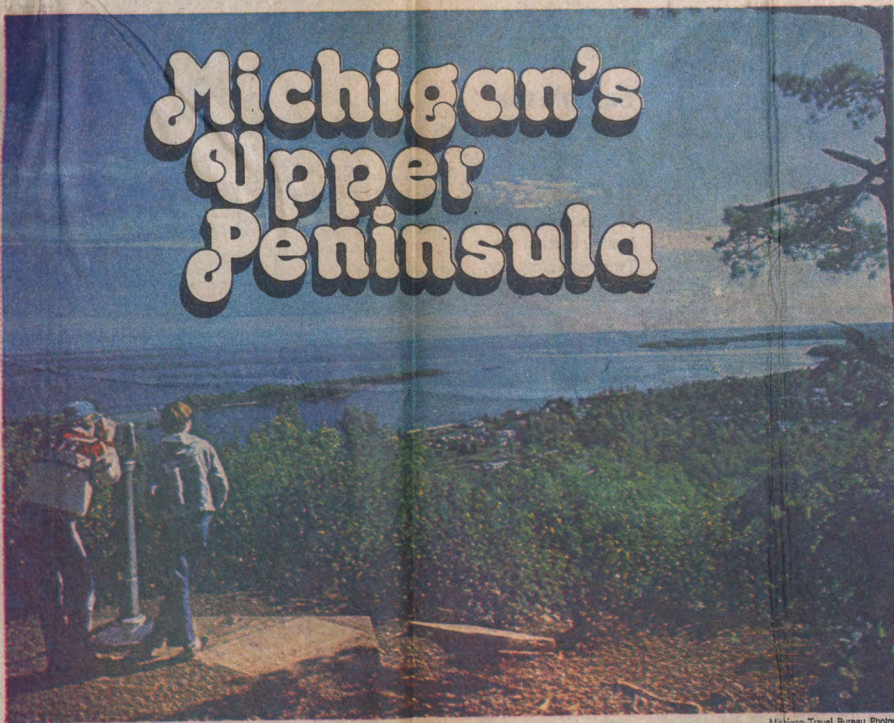
Keep this date in mind and enter all the plants and flowers you like, there is no minimum of entries.

### MICHIGAN FACT

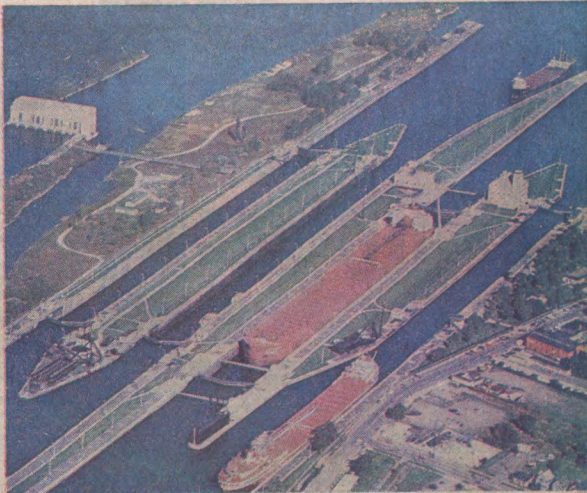
Michigan's Upper Peninsula is as big as Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts and Rhode Island combined.



# Michigan's Upper Peninsula



The shoreline of Copper Harbor is on the tip of the Keweenaw Peninsula, which reaches far up into Lake Superior.



Locks of the St. Mary's River at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.—the Soo—lower or raise lake and ocean vessels 21 feet between Lakes Superior and Huron.



Grand Sable Dunes, 5 square miles of windswept, moving hills of sand, rise to 360 feet, above Lake Superior. They are part of Pictured Rocks National Seashore.

## It's land of Hiawatha, land of escape

Across the great bridge spanning the Straits of Mackinac, beyond the north woods of Michigan's Lower Peninsula, beyond those of northern Wisconsin, across the great inland sea from the north woods of Minnesota and Ontario, there is another north woods—Michigan's Upper Peninsula. The "other north woods," relatively unknown to many Midwesterners, is a beautiful place in summer for people from hot cities who want to get away from asphalt and noise and muggy heat. This article is the first in a series.



### Around the Midwest

relatively close, just a long day's drive from Chicago.

AROUND THE shores of Gitchee Gumees, the splendor of the cliffs and the thunder of the waves filled the Ojibway Indians with awe. They believed the Old Man of the Mountain and the gods of thunder and lightning lurked in the resounding cliffside caverns and rocky walls rising 50 to 200 feet.

The gods and demigods who lived in the multicolored cliffs that stretched for 27 miles had to be appeased with offerings at regular intervals. The Ojibways (often also called the Chippewas) had to live close by.

With its sandy bay and quiet waters—near the cliffs and caverns, but not too far, not too close—what is now called Munising Bay, about midway along Gitchee Gumees's southern shore, offered the area's best site:

The bay was closely ringed on three sides by sharply rising hills and its fourth protected from the lake's great waves by Gitchee-Menesing, "place of the big island," now known as Grand Island.

Slightly changed in spelling, the latter part of the Ojibway name became the name of the bay and the much-later white settlement on the mainland, now the town of Munising.

Today it is the taking off place for memorable boat tours of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, "the place where Mother Nature cleaned her paint brushes."

Like the Indians of long ago, today's tourists come . . . onto the rocky headlands,

To the Pictured Rocks of sandstone. Gitchee-Menesing became the area's principal

Ojibway village, a pleasant place amid great scenic beauty. The braves fished in the lakes, and nearby streams, hunted the red deer in the forests of the big island and on the mainland across the bay. And

All around the happy village stood the maize fields, green and shining.

Here, too, were held annual winter festivals during which tribesmen would sail in bark canoes past the Pictured Rocks and toss food and other gifts at the base of the cliffs and into the caverns as peace offerings to the troublesome gods and evil spirits who dwelled within.

On the beaches around the bay were held war dances when an encroaching enemy approached.

And here in the village lived old Nakomis, Daughter of the Moon, who nursed young Hiawatha and instructed him in the movement of the stars. Braves taught him woodcraft, canoeing. Ingo the storyteller, showed him how to make his bows and arrows.

WHEN HIAWATHA grew up, he hunted in these woods, stalked game along these cliffs, waded past these palisades.

Legend says that many of these great caverns, the ones the tourists see while cruising past the Pictured Rocks out of Munising on a summer day, were smashed into the sandstone by Hiawatha himself, with fists inside his magic mittens.

Seeking vengeance on Pau-Puk-Keewis, the Storm Fool and mischiefmaker who had wrecked Hiawatha's lodge and slaughtered his feathered friends and who then had been given shelter by the Old Man of the Mountain deep in an abyss in the Pictured Rocks, Hiawatha

With his mittens, Minjekahwun, Smote great caverns in the sandstone, Cried aloud in tones of thunder, "Open! I am Hiawatha!"

There was no response. The collapsed roofs

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By Kermit Holt  
Travel editor

MUNISING, Mich.—As every young student knows, Henry Wadsworth Langfellow was writing about the heroes and demigods and the people and places of the long-ago Northland—the North Woods—when he penned the epic poem, "The Song of Hiawatha."

By the shores of Gitchee Gumees,  
By the shining Big-Sea-Water . . .  
Dark behind it rose the forest,  
Rose the black and gloomy pine trees,  
Rose the firs with cones upon them.

Most young pupils also know that Gitchee Gumees was the Indians' name for Lake Superior, the world's largest fresh water lake. The question is: What particular area around the greatest of lakes was the inspiration for much of "Hiawatha"?

The wooded shores of northwest Wisconsin? Northeast Minnesota? Across the sky-blue water in the wilds of Canada's Ontario?

The answer is none of these. It is the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, one of the few remaining wild and remote regions of the United States and one of the Midwest's most exciting tourist destinations. And it is



The shore of Lake Superior is excellent for collecting driftwood. But swimming is only for the hardy, because water temperatures seldom go above 60 degrees.



## Michigan's Upper Peninsula

# Hiawatha's wilderness by boat, land

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and rocky ruins of many of the caverns visitors see today are the result of Hiawatha's next move.

The warrior-hero called upon the gods of lightning and thunder for help. And the great storm parts of the crags toppled and the caverns' roofs fell. And among the rocky ruins lay the lifeless body of the cunning Pau-Puk-Keewis.

**MUCH EARLIER**, long before his death in human form — thanks to Hiawatha's generosity, the Storm Fool was changed after death to Keweenaw in great war-eagle, and thus lived on in Indian lore — Pau-Puk-Keewis had been responsible for another of the Upper Peninsula's great tourist attractions, of equal significance and interest as the Pictured Rocks and also a section of the national lakeshore.

The second attraction is Grand Sable Banks and Dunes, the great sand dunes that extend just beyond the Pictured Rocks for five miles along the Lake Superior shore, rising as high as 360 feet above lake level near Grand Marais, Mich.

Birth of the dunes occurred at Hiawatha's wedding feast. Called upon for a dance to entertain guests, the merry mischiefmaker again went to extremes.

After a slow start, Pau-Puk-Keewis began whirling and spinning along the lakeshore.

*Till the sand became a whirlwind,  
Till the sand was blown and sifted  
Like great snowdrifts o'er the landscape*

*Heaping all the shores with Sand  
= Dunes.*

*Sand hills of the Nagow Wudjoo!*

But the name Nagow Wudjoo lasted only until the white man came.

Unaware of their romantic Indian history, early French explorers called the extensive sandy wastes Grand Sable and the big spring-fed body of water nearby Grand Sable Lake, names that have been retained for 350 years.

Modern geologists, though aware of the Indian name and the legend of their birth, insist on pointing out that Grand Sable Banks is the exposed part of a great glacial deposit 275 feet high, topped by an additional 85 feet of sand blown into dunes at the edge of an ancient lake that preceded Lake Superior.

**THE EPIC POEM** also describes still another tourist attraction of Michigan's Upper Peninsula that lures visitors from throughout the country.

"The dark river" (or when the sun shines through gaps in the tangled wilderness, "the golden river") that plays so prominently a part throughout "Hiawatha" is the Tahquamenon (spelled a little differently in Indian times), the river tourists sail to view magnificent Tahquamenon Falls.

The river route on excursions from Soo Junction or north of Hulbert (both only a short drive from Newberry, Mich.)



passes the banks where Hiawatha built his canoe

*In the solitary forest  
By the rushing Tahquamenaw.*

*Then it was finished  
And thus sailed my Hiawatha*

*Down the rushing Tahquamenaw  
Sailed through all its bends and windings.*

*Sailed through all its deeps and shallows.*

The tourists' wilderness boat trip to Tahquamenon's Upper Falls — its pounding waters leaping down the face of a 40-foot cliff extending 200 feet in a sweeping arc framed against high sandstone walls — also passes over the aquatic grave of Hiawatha's friend, "the very strong man, Kwasind," who was beaten in a heroic river conflict with the diabolic others.

**ALTHOUGH SPRING** is most attractive in the Upper Peninsula's Hiawatha Country—after that long icebound winter, fish are hungry, eager to bite, and so it's the favorite time for fishermen—the visitor must wait until June 15 to take the boat cruise past the Pictured Rocks. Cruising then continues until autumn foliage fades.

All but one of the weird and beautiful formations of the Pictured Rocks, streaked with color and extending for 15 miles along the lakeshore, can be seen only by boat.

Soaring towers and domes, columns and arches, ledges and promontories where seaagulls lay their eggs and hatch their young; waterfalls cascading 150 to 200 feet down multicolored walls; tinted caves, coves, and great caverns, including Colored Caves with splashes of bright vermilion that led them to the Indians suggested fresh blood and led them to believe it was a place of torture and execution by evil spirits.

(The colors of Pictured Rocks are painted by mineral seepage that oxidizes

when it meets the air. Whites are created by limestone seepage; blues and greens result from an efflux of copper; reds, rusts, browns, and other hues by iron ore oozing over sandstone.)

**AND THEN THERE IS** a gallery of sculpture carved by the erosive action of waves, wind, rain, and ice—rocky profiles looking strangely human; the prow of a huge man o' war; a great Indian drum; Flower Vase Rock, a chimney formation with a verdant growth on its crest, resembling a gigantic urn containing greenery; Chapel Rock, looking like an immense pulpit standing above the water line and approached by a long series of natural stone steps.

An added treat, part of every cruise, is the sight of seagulls diving and soaring, flipping and fighting for bits of bread tossed from the fantail of the boat by its skipper.

The privately operated cruises are conducted from the city dock in Munising. Weather permitting and subject to change, there are two trips daily, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. from opening day June 15 to June 30.

In peak season, July 1 to Aug. 31, there are five trips daily, two in the morning and three in the afternoon, aboard a fleet of three comfortable boats. Two trips daily at 10 and 2, are made Sept. 1 to 20, and one trip daily, at 1 p.m., from Sept. 21 to the end of the fall color season.

The narrated, 37-mile cruises last 2½ to 3 hours and cost \$6.75—\$3.75 for children under 12. Reservations are advised, particularly during the peak season. Write to Pictured Rock Cruises, Dept. C.T., Box 355, Munising, Mich. 49862.

**ONLY ONE FORMATION** of the Pictured Rocks is accessible by road and trail—and it is worth a separate trip cruise. Reached by a sand and gravel road

east of Munising (County Road H-13), the sculptured rock called Miners' Castle rises like a feudal bastion 100 feet above the waves.

Legend has it that Father Marquette preached from this cliff to Indians who came from miles around and assembled in canoes below to hear the story of Christianity. A huge, rugged cross is carved in the face of the precipice and beside it is a large hollowed bowl, supposedly for holy water.

A series of stairways permits visitors to take photographs from several vantage points. The formation rests on a series of short, rough columns forming natural arches, under which small boats can pass when the water is calm.

Nearby is a side road leading to Miners' Falls, at 75 feet the highest, and some say the most beautiful, of all the falls in the Munising area.

Closer to town is Munising Falls, which tumbles 50 feet over a sandstone bluff into a large natural amphitheater. Also, there are steep rapids with a drop of about 25 feet. At the base of the bluff is a natural hollow behind the waterfall, making it possible for visitors to walk behind the falls without getting wet.

Still another, nearby cascade is Tanner Falls where the Munising River flows over the horseshoe rim of a cliff into a narrow, shaded gorge 50 feet below.

**ON ALONG THE** coast from the Pictured Rocks and reached by sand and gravel roads passable except in wet weather is broad 12-Mile Beach, a magnificent stretch of sand and pebbles that attracts photographers, hikers, sun-bathers, and the hardiest of swimmers. (Lake Superior seldom warms to more than 60 degrees.)

Beyond the long beach, nearer Grand Marais than Munising, are spring-fed Grand Sable Lake and the extensive sandy wastes of the Grand Sable Banks and Dunes, great sounding boards that intensify the thunder of waves against the shore. One of the dunes, called Devil's Log Slide, rises about 300 feet above the lake at what seems a 75-degree angle.

Most visitors drive the 32 miles from Munising to Grand Marais via Mich. Hwys. 28 and 77. A more direct and more scenic route if the weather is good (and if the road hasn't been flooded by recent rains) is unpaved County Hwy. H-38 through part of Grand Sable State Forest and its large and almost pure stands of the beautiful white birch. The same road provides access to primitive camping areas at 12-Mile Beach, Little Beaver Lake, and Hurricane River.

**TOURISTS HAVE A choice** of wilderness riverboat tours to the Upper Falls of the Tahquamenon.

They can board the Toonerville Trolley, a narrow gauge train of open-sided cars, at Soo Junction for a ride through six miles of forest and marshland before transferring to one of two large riverboats for the 21-mile cruise to the falls



Indianhead Rock rises dramatically from Lake Superior at Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore near Munising on Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

### Where to write for information

FOR MORE INFORMATION on Michigan's Upper Peninsula, including a booklet, "Who's Host," a travel service directory listing hotels, motels, resorts, campgrounds, and other travel facilities, write the Upper Peninsula Travel and Recreation Association, Dept. C.T., P.O. Box 400, Iron Mountain, Mich. 49801.

Brochures also are available from the Michigan Travel Information Center, Dept. C.T., 52 E. Monroe St., Chicago 60603 and the Michigan Travel Bureau, Dept. C.T., P.O. Box 30228, Lansing, Mich. 48909.

Specific information on campgrounds and other facilities for visitors to the Hiawatha Country are available from: The Superintendent, Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, Dept. C.T., Munising, Mich. 49862; Alger County Chamber of Commerce, Dept. C.T., Munising, Mich. 49862; Au Train Tourist Resort Association, Dept. C.T., Au Train, Mich. 49805; Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce,

Dept. C.T., Grand Marais, Mich. 49839; Newberry Chamber of Commerce, Dept. C.T., Newberry, Mich. 49868; and Tahquamenon Falls and Lake Superior Tourist Association, Dept. C.T., Paradise, Mich. 49768.

Information on the Upper Peninsula's national forests, including maps, fishing rules, trail data, and camping suggestions is available by writing Forest Service, Hiawatha National Forest, Dept. C.T., 2727 N. Lincoln Rd., Escanaba, Mich. 49829 and the Forest Service, Ottawa National Forest, Dept. C.T., Ironwood, Mich. 49938. A brochure on the Sylvania Recreation Area is available from the District Forest Ranger, Ottawa National Forest, Dept. C.T., Watersmeet, Mich. 49969.

For information on camping in state parks and forests in the Upper Peninsula, as well as maps, rules, and brochures, write the Department of Natural Resources, Information Services Center, Dept. C.T., Box 30028, Lansing, Mich. 48909.

and return, an excursion that takes 6½ hours.

Or at Slater's Landing, 10 miles north of Hulbert, they can catch the Paul Bunyan Timber Train, a chain of open, rubber-wheeled vehicles towed down wilderness trails, and then switch to the Tom Sawyer riverboat, a 4½-hour round trip.

Trails lead from each dock to vantage points in the wilderness near the brink of the coffee-colored falls, stained by iron ore. Another trail proceeds down a sharp incline to the bottom of the gorge that offers the best view. The Toonerville Trolley trip involves a hike of ¼ of a mile, the Paul Bunyan excursion a shorter walk.

**WEEKENDS-ONLY TRIPS** from Slater's Landing are offered from the Memorial Day weekend to June 14. Regu-

lar daily service on both lines begins June 15, and there are two trips daily in July and August. The one-trip-daily schedule extends from Sept. 1 to early October.

Both riverboat firms charge \$8, \$3 for children under 12. Brochures are available by writing to Toonerville Trolley, Tahquamenon Boat Service, Dept. C.T., Newberry, Mich. 49868 and Tom Sawyer Riverboat, Dept. C.T., Slater's Landing, Hulbert, Mich. 49748.

Tourists can drive to the Tahquamenon's Lower Falls (and then hike to the Upper Falls six miles upstream) on Hwy. M-123, which curves 37 miles through the wilderness from Newberry to Paradise, the latter a lovely town on Lake Superior.

The Lower Falls, a series of rapids and cascades, may be viewed from a lookout

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Midwest's historic 'other North Woods'

Second in a series on the Midwest's "other North Woods," Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

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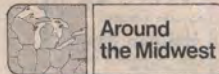
**SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich.** — Michigan's Lower Peninsula is shaped like a fat, old-fashioned mitten—a left-hand one—held palm down over an expanse of blue water.

All along the mitten's left side, from the wrist all the way up to the mitten's top, is the blue of Lake Michigan.

The mitten's great thumb sticks out into another vast lake, Huron, its blue waters also extending up the right side to the mitten's tip.

Just below the thumb is Detroit, a little more than 300 miles from the top of the mitten. All the way across the wrist, along the borders of Ohio and Indiana, and then a few miles on around the bottom of Lake Michigan is Chicago, a journey of 400 miles from the mitten's top.

At the mitten's very tip, where the middle finger reaches out a bit from the rest of the hand, is Mackinaw City, overlooking the deep, broad, and restless waters of the Straits of Mackinac, where Lakes Michigan and Huron meet.



Around the Midwest

**BEYOND THE STRAITS** is still another peninsula, another Michigan—an immense finger of land running more than 320 miles from east to west, its entire northern flank washed by the greatest Great Lake of them all, Lake Superior.

Across the wide sweep of the Straits of Mackinac, across the great gleaming bridge called "Big Mac," is Michigan's Upper Peninsula. "The other North Woods," a legendary and historic, scenic and fascinating land relatively little-known even to residents of Michigan's "mitten."

In a state already well-endowed with tourist attractions, the U.P.—as just about everyone calls it—offers an additional 16,658 square miles of vacation country; it's half as big as the entire state of Indiana, or Maine.

Tourists who cross the great bridge—or those who drive into the U.P. from Wisconsin on the other side of Lake

Michigan—find an out-of-the-way and delightful region, a land of blue sky, clear air and clear water, magnificent waterfalls, great forests, lakes and streams, high rough hills, long stretches of uninhabited country, and abundant fish and game.

From Chicago it is a long day's drive, but once there visitors feel they have left the city and all its works in another world.

There is only one interstate highway in the entire U.P., Int. 75, which crosses the Mackinac Bridge and continues 53 miles north to Sault Ste. Marie at the U.P.'s northeast tip, across the St. Mary's River from Canada. Throughout the peninsula there are only a few miles of four-lane highways, all on the outskirts of the larger towns.

Instead, a series of well-maintained two-lane highways cut across the 200 miles of wooded wilderness to the U.P.'s farthest reaches. A number of winding country roads, most paved, some sand and gravel, lead from the major highways into some of the Midwest's most unspoiled areas.

**THE TRIP** across the Mackinac Bridge is an experience in itself—soaring 532 feet above the white-capped Straits of Mackinac, looking down on the parade of freighters and pleasure craft passing between Lake Michigan and Lake Huron, and gazing over the waters to the greenery of nearby Mackinac Island.

Completed 22 years ago at a cost of \$100 million, the Mackinac Bridge is one of the world's great engineering marvels. The span between its main towers is 3,600 ft., only New York's Verrazano-Narrows Bridge (4,260 feet) and San Francisco's Golden Gate (4,200) are longer. From cable anchorage to cable anchorage Big Mac stretches 8,614 ft., in comparison with the Golden Gate's 6,499. With its approaches, the great bridge linking the two Michigans is 5 miles and 44 feet long. The toll is \$1.50 a car.

With an early start, the tourist driving from Chicago will arrive at Mackinaw City at the southern end of Big Mac in midafternoon. Before proceeding across the great bridge, take time out for at least a three- or four-hour visit, preferably an overnight stop, at Mackinac Island.

By the way, no matter with what ending the word is spelled, "ac" or "aw," Mackinac Island (or Bridge or Straits) or Mackinaw City, it's always pronounced Mack-i-taw.

**A FERRY TRIP** to Mackinac Island, a remote and tranquil wilderness retreat 3 1/2 miles long and 2 1/4 miles wide and a little to the northeast of the great bridge, is a delightful excursion back into the Victorian era.

On Mackinac Island, horsepower is still provided by horses. It is one of the few places in the United States where a visitor never sees an automobile. Cars and other motorized vehicles are banned; the only exceptions are fire trucks, an ambulance, and a police car, all kept

well-hidden and used only in emergencies. Mackinac Island's 19th Century streets, lined with gift and curio and fudge shops, are filled with an incredible array of horse-drawn vehicles—surreys (yes, with a fringe on top), carriages, buggies, hackbards, hackneys, tally-hos, vis-a-vis (open carriages with face-to-face seating), coaches, horse-drawn cabs and buses, wagons of all sizes and kinds including mammoth ones pulled by great draft horses.

**TO GET ABOUT** the island, the visitor walks, rides on or behind a horse, or rents a bicycle (or you can take your own bike with you on the ferry). There are miles of bicycle paths and horseback trails and a score of foot trails through the woods.

Most tourists step into a carriage and trundle along forest roads behind ambling horses to view vistas of woods and wildflowers and unusual rock formations in 1,600-acre Mackinac Island State Park. Others prefer to stroll, making stops at the old American Fur Company trading post, the blacksmith shop, the Indian dormitory and the old mission church before climbing the bluff to inspect the ramparts, blockhouses, and barracks and to witness the firing of muskets and cannon at restored Old Fort Mackinac overlooking the town.

Island's season begins with the Memorial Day weekend and lasts until early October. A lilac festival attracts thousands in mid-June.

Hotel accommodations include the famed 282-room Grand Hotel, getting ready to begin its 93rd summer season and still offering a great measure of the opulence, flavor, dignity, and charm of the horse-and-buggy days, the place where the nation's elite of the 1880s, '90s, and early 1900s gathered to while away the summer days and nights.

Another large hotel is the 330-room Inn of Mackinac which overlooks the straits and which rents two- and three-bedroom apartments. There are seven other smaller hotels, including the Troop Inn on the Beach and the Chipewea, and five tourist homes.

Those who make the ferry trip from Mackinaw City should visit Fort Michilimackinac and the state park of the same name at the south end of the Mackinac Bridge. It's a restoration of the original French and British fort, with a stockade, soldiers' barracks, and a tiny church.

**JUST ACROSS** the bridge is St. Ignace, named after St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuits.

Overlooking the wide sweep of the straits, it still preserves the air of a pioneer town. The visitor almost expects to see a brigade of French voyageurs round Pointe la Barbe, their great freight canoes laden with furs destined for the trading post of Mackinac Island right out there in the straits.

The second oldest settlement in Michigan—Sault Ste. Marie was the first—St. Ignace was founded when



Father Jacques Marquette, the Jesuit missionary-explorer, built a mission chapel overlooking the straits in 1671. In the town's Marquette Park visitors can see the site of the famed priest's second grave. Father Marquette died near L'Anse-au-Loup, Mich., in 1675 and was buried by Indian companions. Honoring his wish to return to his "little chapel in the straits," Indian friends disinterred his remains and in 1677 reburied them beneath the floor of the log chapel at St. Ignace.

The mission was destroyed by fire in 1706 and the location of the grave was unknown until 1877, when it was discovered accidentally. A marble statue then was erected over the site and a few of the priest's bones were presented to Marquette University in Milwaukee.

**AN HOUR'S DRIVE** north on Int. Hwy. 75—through farm lands, forests of maple, pine, spruce, and balsam, and swamps of cedar and tamarack—brings visitors to Sault Ste. Marie, the historic American Soo with the world's busiest canal, one of the favorite sightseeing destinations in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

The city stands at the northeast tip of the U.P. and is connected by bridge with its Canadian twin, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., the only highway entrance to Canada for almost 300 miles.

The Soo has a long and colorful history. It is said to be the oldest of any continuous city in the United States except St. Augustine, Fla. (founded in 1565) and Santa Fe, N.M. (about 1609).

Sault Ste. Marie's goes back 358 years, to 1621 when a young soldier of New France—Quebec—was founded in 1608—passed through the rapids that now mark the boundary between the United States and Canada.

Other French explorers followed, also seeking the legendary northwest passage to Japan and China. On the heels of the explorers came the voyageurs and coureurs de bois, and then the missionaries. The town was founded when Pure Marquette built a mission there in 1668.

**ACCORDING TO TRADITION**, it was the missionaries who gave the place its name.

Gazing upon the wild and rugged rapids down which the higher waters of Lake Superior drop to the lower levels of



the other Great Lakes, the priests are said to have exclaimed "Sault!" (leaping waters) and then a moment later, "Sainte Marie," feeling that only the name of the mother of Jesus could grace anything so beautiful.

Only a small portion of the rapids remains, its volume diminished by the increasing amount of water needed to move the great ships through the locks of the St. Mary's River, another of the world's great engineering marvels—and, for the tourist, truly a sight to see!

The Soo Locks—four on the American side, one across the rapids in Canada—are the world's longest and busiest system of parallel locks. More tonnage passes through the Soo than through the Panama and Suez Canals combined. On an average day 80 or 90 and often more than 100 ships will pass through on their way to either Lake Superior or Lake Huron.

All day and all night during the eight months of the navigation season, the enormous ships, 500 to 1,000 feet long (the new Poe Lock extends 1,200 feet), sail majestically from the upper lake, floating high above the visitor's head, sinking slowly as water bubbles out of the locks, then gliding off for the great industrial regions hundreds of miles to the south.

Although tourists can watch the one and grain carriers pass through the locks from observation towers and viewing stands in downtown Sault Ste. Marie, the two-hour Soo Locks Boat Tour is the best

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The majestic Mackinac Bridge whisks travelers between Michigan's Lower and Upper Peninsula. Completed 22 years ago at a cost of \$100 million, it is one of the world's engineering marvels.



# Wonders of Michigan's western U.P.

Third in a series of four articles on the Midwest's "other North Woods," Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

By Kermit Holt  
Travel editor

**COPPER HARBOR, Mich.**—"Go west, young man."

Contrary to popular belief, Horace Greeley didn't have California or the Rocky Mountains in mind when he penned that advice in an editorial in the New York Tribune in the 1850s.

The New York editor was thinking of the possible rewards of traveling to, settling down in, and growing up with the country of western Michigan, specifically the western half of the state's Upper Peninsula.

There were great opportunities: Chunks of pure copper lay in the rocks and fissures of the hills of the Keweenaw Peninsula. Mountains of iron ore rose just inland from the Lake Superior shore near Marquette. The entire Upper Peninsula (as well as the northern half of the Lower Peninsula) was one magnificent forest of great pines.

"Go west" still is good advice for the traveler who has explored the memorable attractions of the Upper Peninsula's eastern half—Mackinac Island, the Soo, the Hiawatha Country—but for a different reason.

IN THE LAST 125 years the copper country, the iron ore country, the great forests rimming the south shore of Lake Superior and extending far inland around the shores of hundreds of clear, cold inland lakes have provided many fortunes in minerals, fur, and timber.

But today the Upper Peninsula's lakes, streams, and woods (and the vestiges of the famed and fabled copper mines) are producing an additional bonanza—recreation dollars.

There are ghosts of boom towns, picturesque little settlements that look friendly and forsaken at the same moment, great stretches of wild, uninhabited country dotted with wilderness lakes and laced by streams.

Eighty years after most of the saws were silenced and the lumber mills dismantled, even the most severely cut-over areas have made a comeback. Huge state and national forests lie across vast stretches of wild land empty of habitation except for wildlife.

Still standing are great tracts of virgin timber where trees rise 100 feet overhead and which provide shaded coolness all about, protection against the worst heat wave.

And along the long, dramatic shore of Lake Superior visitors take pictures and paint, collect driftwood and agates, hike along the beach and in the nearby woods, climb the high rough hills and headlands, admire the rocky walls that rise sharply from the lake and the waterfalls that tumble down the rugged terrain.

**GETTING THERE** after a visit to the Soo and Mackinac Island is, as they say, half the fun—and not only because of the attractions of the state's Hiawatha Country (described in the first article in this



## Around the Midwest

series) that beckon to down Mich. Hwy. M-28.

After a riverboat trip to the Tahquamenon's Upper Falls and before seeing the Grand Sable Dunes near Grand Marais and the Pictured Rocks near Munising, make a stop at the Seney National Wildlife Refuge near the intersection of Hwys. M-28 and M-77.

Seney used to be the roughest, toughest, hell-raisingest town in the Upper Peninsula, its muddy streets and boardwalks thronged with lumberjacks, gamblers, and fancy women in silks and satins. Today there's not a trace of its notorious past.

Now the Seney area, south of the old town site, is a delightful place of peace and solitude in the Great Manistique Swamp—open marshes with immense areas of rushes and sedges; pools of clear, cold water; and sandy knolls and ridges supporting stands of natural red pine that survived the day when Michigan led the nation in lumber production.

Thousands of migratory wildfowl now make Seney their summer home—many of their descendants of an original flock of 332 captive-bred and pinioned Canada geese placed in a 440-acre goose pasture in the refuge more than 40 years ago. The first goslings reared by the captive breeding flock joined the wild ones in migrating to Southern wintering grounds, but returned the next spring.

**EVER SINCE, THEIR** descendants have returned every spring to breed, nest, and produce more goslings, and act as decoys to lure additional wild Canada geese for a stopover in early fall before all head south again.

Also summering at Seney are snow and blue geese, mallard and black duck, ring-necked, common and hooded mergansers, blue-winged teal, and wood ducks. Also on the 96,000-acre preserve visitors see sandhill cranes, bald eagles, spruce grouse—and beaver, mink, otter, raccoon, and deer.

A visitor center with dioramas and exhibits is open April 1 to Oct. 31. During the summer there are movie and slide shows. Conducted car tours leave the center at 6 p.m. every day June 1 through Labor Day, and there is a do-it-yourself marshland wildlife drive with numbered signs marking points of special interest keyed to descriptions in a guide leaflet available at the visitor center, and a nature trail. There are two picnic areas. Fishing is permitted in three trout streams and three pools.

Before heading north to Grand Marais and west to Munising, another sidetrip is recommended.

South on M-77 and then west on U.S. Hwy. 2 past Manistique is a road leading to Palms Book State Park and the dazzling natural phenomenon of the Big Spring.

Called Kitch-ki-ki-pi ("cold, big water") by the Indians, Big Spring is 300



feet long, 175 feet wide, its glass-like mineral waters fed by more than 20 springs bubbling from its sandy bottom. Indians also called it the Mirror of Heaven. Visitors can admire and take pictures of the perfect reflection of sky, clouds, and surrounding forest and ride a glass-bottomed raft across waters so crystal clear that a penny tossed overboard may be observed dropping 40 feet to underwater clouds of boiling sand on the floor where the spring water is emerging.

Its steeply sloping sides are cloaked in green moss and its bottom is covered with clean gray-white sand which turns black with exposure to air, but which resumes its natural color when moistened. And in this land of intensely cold winters, Big Spring never freezes over, remaining a constant 45 degrees the year around.

**FROM BIG SPRING** the visitor en route to the Pictured Rocks and Grand Sable Dunes must double back through Manistique and head north through Hiawatha National Forest on Mich. Hwy. 94. The Upper Peninsula's network of roads, though most are two-lane, is one of the best in the nation. Travel is particularly easy and pleasant.

The eastern half of the U.P.—the abbreviation everyone uses up here—is lowland country for the most part, cedar swamps lined by hardwood or aspen ridges. There are a few large lakes, but access to the wilderness is mostly via back-country river systems.

North of the low-lying lands and extending along the south shore of Lake Superior are the sandstone tablelands of Marquette and Alger counties with sheer multicolored walls (such as those of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore) that present some of the most picturesque scenery in the Midwest.

In contrast to the rest of the state (and the rest of the peninsula) the U.P.'s western half is broken, wild, and harsh, providing the state's most spectacular physical beauties and most of its lavish mineral wealth.

West of Marquette the country is rugged in the extreme—the Hiron Mountains 1,600 to 1,800 feet above sea level; the vast iron ore deposits around Negaunee and Ishpeming; the Keweenaw Peninsula

and its copper country; the Porcupine Mountains rising to 2,030 feet, the highest point in Michigan; and the great Gogebic iron ore range near Ironwood.

All along the Lake Superior shore of the U.P.'s western half and parallel to it are sharply rising ranges of rocky hills, their flanks cut by dramatic crags, precipices, and headlands—and by excellent beaches.

A PRIME EXAMPLE of the area's lake shore beauty is the site of Marquette, the metropolis of the U.P., a city of 25,000 pleasantly situated where the south shore of Lake Superior curves in and out with deep bays and jutting, pine-crowned headlands in some places rising 100 feet above the natural harbor. All around the bays are crescent-shaped beaches.

One of the most attractive city parks in the nation is Presque Isle Park, a 328-acre peninsula of high rocky cliffs, wooded hills, and beaches washed by the lake's blue waters.

Attractions include the fascinating sight of workmen loading iron ore into monstrous ore boats at docks near Presque Isle and the business district; a 1 1/2-hour scenic ride on the Marquette and Huron Railroad, a full-sized, all-steam train built in 1910 (the train's diner opens for breakfast at 8 a.m.), daily mid-June to Labor Day, and originating at Presque Isle Station near the park entrance; and, in winter, the Cliffs Ridge Ski Area.

With its many fine inns, motels, and restaurants, Marquette also is a fine base from which to make excursions to the Pictured Rocks and Grand Sable Dunes; and the world famed Suicide Ski Jump with a vertical height of 280 feet, the National Ski Hall of Fame, and the Ski Museum, all at nearby Ishpeming.

**AMONG MARQUETTE'S** outstanding motor hotels are the Tiroler Hof, a hostelry overlooking the lake that in appearance and old world service resembles the best in the Austrian or Swiss countryside; a unique Holiday Inn decorated in the Viking motif with saunas and a large indoor pool; and the Ramada Inn, also with a sauna and pool.

There are more than 100 restaurants, including family-style eateries in three enclosed shopping malls. Best dining is in the Northwoods Restaurant west of town, the gourmet dining room in the Holiday Inn, and at the Tiroler Hof.

Beyond Marquette—on out and up U.S. Hwy. 41, through mile after mile of green forests and inland lakes, through the lovely town of L'Anse, through Baraga and its Shrine of the Snowshoe Priest, alongside the great V of Keweenaw Bay, on to Houghton and Hancock Bay, beyond—is the unspoiled charm of the Keweenaw Peninsula, tracts of splendid wilderness which most tourists are surprised to find still exist in the Midwest.

**THE LONG SPINE** of the Keweenaw—an outcrop of rock and forestland, cliffs and mountains, and rugged shoreline jutting into Lake Superior for 50 miles at the tip of the Upper Peninsula in Michigan's famed Copper Country—may be the oldest land in the New World.

Agas ago, geologists agree, the first land that thrust up out of the primordial



## Where to write

FOR MORE INFORMATION on Michigan's Upper Peninsula, including brochures on principal attractions and a booklet, "Who's Host," a travel directory listing hotels, motels, resorts, campgrounds, and other travel facilities, write to the Upper Peninsula Travel and Resort Association, Dept. C.T., P.O. Box 400, Iron Mountain, Mich. 49801.

Specific information on attractions described in accompanying article is available by writing:

Copper Country Chamber of Commerce, Dept. C.T., P.O. Box 336, Houghton, Mich. 49931; Calumet-Laurium-Keweenaw Chamber of Commerce, Dept. C.T., Calumet, Mich. 49913; Baraga County Tourist Association, Dept. C.T., L'Anse, Mich. 49946; Marquette Chamber of Commerce, Dept. C.T., 501 S. Front St., Marquette, Mich. 49855; and Seney National Wildlife Refuge, Dept. C.T., Seney, Mich. 49863.

For information on accommodations on Isle Royale National Park, write National Park Concessions, Dept. C.T., Mammoth Cave, Ky. 42259 (until June 1), and then the same firm at Dept. C.T., Rock Harbor Lodge, Isle Royale National Park, P.O. Box 405, Houghton, Mich. 49931.

Brochures on most attractions also are available from the Michigan Travel Information Center, Dept. C.T., 55 E. Monroe St., Chicago 60603; and the Michigan Travel Bureau, Dept. C.T., P.O. Box 30226, Lansing, Mich. 48909.

seas to form the North American continent was the Laurentian mountain range with its head in the Canadian highlands and its foot on Keweenaw in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. And it remains today, a scarred welt across the level face of the northern Midwest.

After the last great Ice Age 12,000 years ago, the Great Lakes slowly formed and settled in their troughs. The Earth heaved and relaxed into quiet, leaving deposits of iron and copper—even a little lead, gold, and silver—in pitted rocks.

In the middle 1600s Indian friends told Samuel de Champlain, founder of Quebec, about great chunks of copper imbedded in the hills along the Lake

Superior shore. The first French explorers of the Keweenaw Peninsula came upon holes and pits from which Indians of a long forgotten race and era had extracted the metal and left only scars of their activity.

And a few years before the 40ers rushed off to the California gold fields to seek their fortunes, the Keweenaw Peninsula's Copper Country enjoyed the first major mining boom in the United States. The Marquette range provided the iron for the Union Army's cannonballs in the Civil War, the Keweenaw Peninsula the copper for its stepwars and buttons.

**AT ONE TIME** Michigan was the nation's largest producer of copper—much of it coming from the Keweenaw mines and from an extension of the range on down the lake shore near Ontonagon, two of the few places in the world where native copper is found pure in the earth in commercial quantities.

Then all of a sudden, when copper prices slumped after World War I, it was over. Mining companies large and small closed their shafts, and during the Depression 85 per cent of the population of Keweenaw County went on relief.

The mines were gone, but the land itself was left, the wooded, serrated, broken range of hills of the Keweenaw Peninsula surrounded by the clear, blue waters of Lake Superior, the interior of the spear dotted with inland lakes and laced by numerous streams—a wilderness of woods and waters and lakeshore and mountain drives offering the visitor lonely beauty and escape in addition to providing swimming, boating, waterskiing, and fishing during the summer.

Entrance to the wild and rugged land of the Keweenaw Peninsula is through the twin cities of Houghton and Hancock, the former copper capitals that climb up sheer rock cliffs from Portage Lake.

**U.S. 41 RUNS** all the way to Copper Harbor, the most northern town of Michigan, at the rocky, wooded tip of the peninsula, but at the village of Hancock the motorist must make a difficult choice:

Continue on the inland route of U.S. 41, a magnificent, winding drive—in this traveler's opinion one of the most scenic

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Chamber of Commerce  
Grand Marais, Michigan  
49839

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Few people realize that DC-3 aircraft used the Grand Marais airport for an emergency landing field, when for 12 years Trans-Canada Airlines leased the field for an emergency airport.

Grand Marais's 4000 foot runway airport will be the landing spot for 5 aircraft the morning of June 14, while 20 other planes hover over the area, commemorating the 50th anniversary of aviation in Michigan. The event is sponsored by the Michigan Aeronautics Commission 50th Anniversary Association.

Their 1929 meet began in Pontiac. Flyers at that time visited Traverse City and Battle Creek among other stops. This year they will visit 70 cities over a 5 day period from June 11 - June 15.

Greeting flyers will be Burt Township Supervisor, Frank W. Mead, who will be presented with a plaque commemorating the historic event, as well as other dignitaries and townspeople.

Taking off from Marquette early in the morning, the group will arrive in Grand Marais approximately 40 minutes after departure. Coffee and a cake decorated with runways and planes will be served to the group.

Classified as a "C" Airport, Grand Marais has two of the longest runways in the Upper Peninsula. Each of the two being 4000' by 200'.

There are a NW/SE and a NE/SW turf runway. Latitude 46° 37' 15", longitude 85° 55' 00". Landmarks include M-77, 2.5 miles West of the airport, Lake Superior, 4 miles North and Sable Lake, 4.7 miles West, Northwest.

When Trans-Canada Airlines used the field from 1946 to 1958, there were lights powered with their own generator, a dormitory for 12 employees, who worked there for some 12 years, and a beacon.

None of these facilities are available at the Grand Marais Airport now, but with the 50 year anniversary, plans are underway to improve the field at the once busy airstrip.

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Chamber of Commerce  
Grand Marais, MI. 49839

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On June 14 at 7:30 a.m. five airplanes will land at the Grand Marais Airport while twenty five others circle overhead. The fly-in at Grand Marais is a part of a statewide celebration commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission.

The pilots of the five planes that touch down at Grand Marais will be greeted by townspeople, representatives from local government, and members of the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce. Burt Township Supervisor Frank. W. Mead will be presented with a plaque commemorating the occasion. Refreshments will be served and the public is encouraged to attend.



# FLY IN AT G.M. AIRPORT

On June 14 at 9:30 a.m. five airplanes will land at the Grand Marais Airport while twenty others circle overhead. The fly-in at Grand Marais is a part of a statewide celebration commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission.

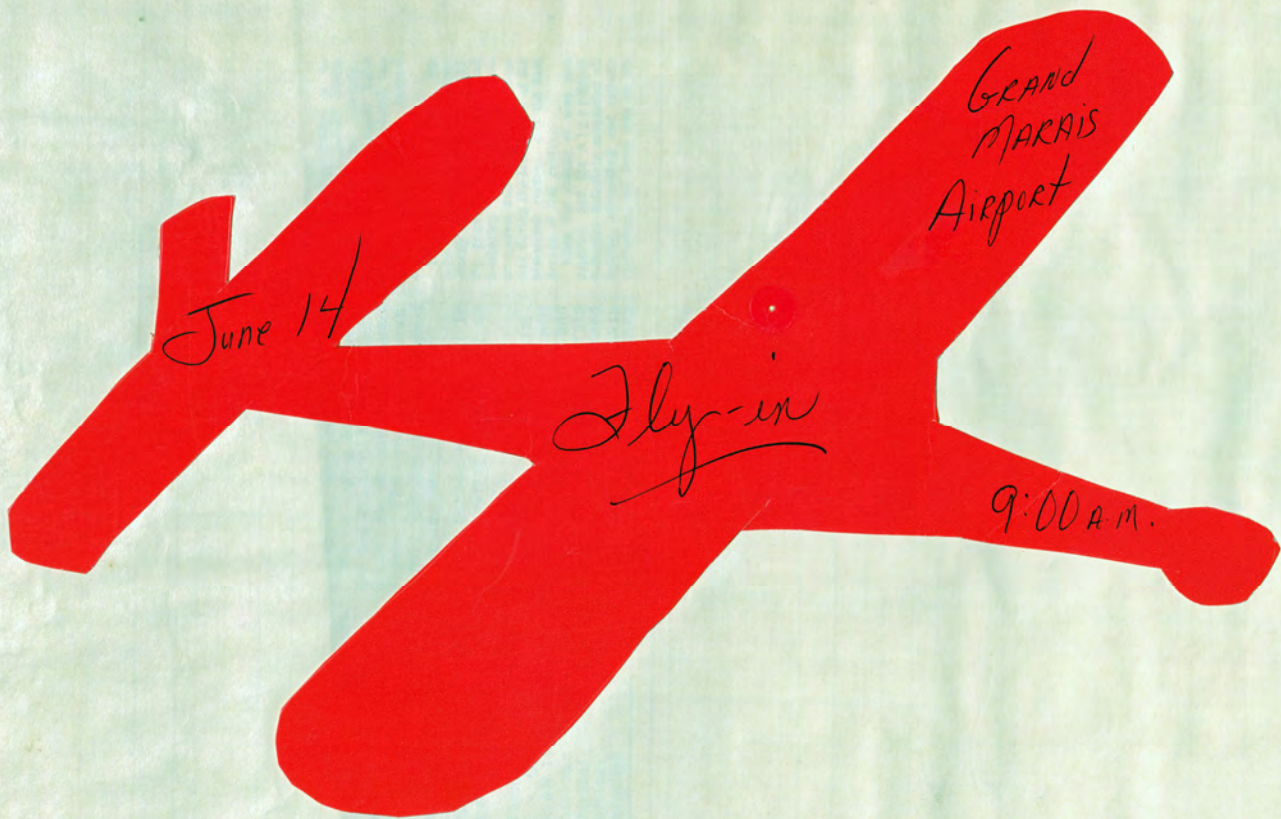
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## 1929 COMMEMORATIVE MICHIGAN AIR TOUR 1979 June 11 - 15, 1979

	FLIGHT #1		FLIGHT #2		FLIGHT #3	
Mon 6/11	0900 dep. Δ	1 PONTIAC	0930 dep. Δ	PONTIAC	1000 dep. Δ	PONTIAC
		2 ANN ARBOR	Sqd. #1	25 GROSSE ILE	Sqd. #1	45 ADRIAN
	Lunch ○	3 JACKSON	Sqd. #2	26 MONROE	Sqd. #2	46 HILLSDALE
		4 KALAMAZOO	Lunch ○	27 BATTLE CREEK	Lunch ○	47 COLDWATER
	Sqd. #1	5 BENTON HARBOR	Sqd. #1	28 NILES	Sqd. #1	48 STURGIS
	RON □	6 GRAND RAPIDS	Sqd. #2	29 HOLLAND	Sqd. #2	49 SOUTH HAVEN
Tues 6/12		6 GRAND RAPIDS	□	6 GRAND RAPIDS	□	6 GRAND RAPIDS
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		7 MUSKEGON		30 GRAND HAVEN	Sqd. #1	50 LAKEVIEW
	Sqd. #2	8 MANISTEE		31 FREMONT		51 BIG RAPIDS
	Lunch ○	9 TRAVERSE CITY	Lunch ○	32 LUDINGTON	Lunch ○	52 CADILLAC
			Sqd. #1	33 FRANKFORT		53 CHARLEVOIX
RON □	11 MACKINAC ISLAND	Sqd. #2	34 BELLAIRE	Sqd. #2	54 HARBOR SPRINGS	
Wed 6/13		11 MACKINAC ISLAND	□	11 MACKINAC ISLAND	□	11 MACKINAC ISLAND
	0900 dep.	MACKINAC ISLAND	0800 dep.	MACKINAC ISLAND	0830 dep.	MACKINAC ISLAND
		12 MENOMINEE		35 ESCANABA		55 HESSEL
	Lunch ○	13 IRONWOOD	Lunch ○	36 IRON MOUNTAIN	Lunch ○	56 NEWBERRY
		14 HOUGHTON		37 ONTONAGON	Sqd. #1	57 MUNISING
	RON □	15 MARQUETTE	□	15 MARQUETTE	□	15 MARQUETTE
Thurs 6/14	0800 dep.	MARQUETTE	0830 dep.	MARQUETTE	0900 dep.	MARQUETTE
		16 SAULT STE. MARIE	Sqd. #1	38 CHEBOYGAN	Sqd. #1	58 GRAND MARAIS
		17 GAYLORD	Sqd. #2	39 ROGERS CITY		59 ST. IGNACE
	Lunch ○	18 ALPENA	Lunch ○	40 HOUGHTON LAKE	Sqd. #2	60 ATLANTA
		19 MIDLAND		41 TAWAS CITY	Lunch ○	61 WEST BRANCH
	RON □	20 SAGINAW-TRI-CITY	□	20 SAGINAW-TRI-CITY	□	62 STANDISH
Fri 6/15		20 SAGINAW-TRI-CITY	□	20 SAGINAW-TRI-CITY	□	63 SAGINAW-HARRY BROWNE
	0800 dep.	SAGINAW-TRI-CITY	0830 dep.	SAGINAW-TRI-CITY	0800 dep.	SAGINAW-HARRY BROWNE
		21 FLINT		42 BAY CITY		64 MT. PLEASANT
	Lunch ○	22 SELFRIDGE		43 BAD AXE		65 ALMA
		23 DETROIT CITY	Lunch ○	44 PORT HURON	Lunch ○	66 IONIA
	Terminus ▲	24 LANSING	▲	24 LANSING	▲	24 LANSING

Stops are 1 hour except for lunch stops (1 1/2 hrs.) Stops with prefix Sqd. will be visited by 1/2 Flight and the other Squadron will make a fly-by over the runway at 200' AGL.





June 14

Grand  
MARAIS  
Airport

Fly-in

9:00 A.M.



1979

4th of July

EVENTS WORK SHEET

ORGANIZATION	FLOAT	BAKE SALE	BOOTH	GAMES
Ambulance Corps				
Burt Township School				
Chamber of Commerce				
Churches-				
Holy Rosary				
Lutheran				
Mennonite				
Methodist				
P.E. Lutheran				
Classes-				
Senior Class				
Junior Class				
Sophomore "				
Freshman "				
8th grade				
7th grade				
Coast Guard				
Fire Dept.				
4-H				
Ladies Softball				
Lions Club				
P T O				
Recreation Committee				
Senior Citizens				
Town Board				
Women's Club				

1979

GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

50/50 Raffle

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Proceeds will go towards 4th of July fireworks. Drawing: July 5, 1979





## Former GM Realtor Creates Interest in Pickle Barrel Cottage

The New Center Area, the scene of many important events, past and present, is again witness to a development that makes for both historically significant material and interesting reading.

Edmund T. Warren, formerly with Argonaut Realty, GMC, has recently located his "Pickle Barrel Properties" office in the General Motors Building.

This real estate and hotel consulting firm, as the name suggests, has become well-known for its interest in a pickle-barrel-shaped cottage in the little Upper Peninsula village of Grand Marais. The cottage was the first real estate investment made by Mr. Warren. This cottage was originally the dream and summer home of a Chicago newspaperman, a personal friend of Mr. Warren and the creator of the comic strip, "Teenie Weenies," namely William Donahay.

With the development of interest in this unusual pickle barrel cottage, the peaceful, sleepy village, around Lake Superior, where it is located, has also begun the climb upward again.

The first settlements in the town of Grand Marais began shortly after the Civil War. With the growth of the fishing and lumbering industries, the town prospered, and the greatest boom was during the last decade of the nineteenth century, and the first decade of this century.

When the supply of pine was depleted and the Alger-Smith Company definitely suspended all logging, sawmilling and railway operations, the town was on the way downhill, and the thriving community became nearly a ghost town.

However, the town was not destined to die. The two-story "Pickle-Barrel" house, an exact replica of a pickle barrel on a house-sized scale, was built for Mr. and Mrs. William Donahay in 1927. This was an exact reproduction of the house he had drawn for his "Teenie Weenies" comic strip, and was built by Reid, Murdock and Company. This became a tourist attraction, and together with the improved road, the ideal parks, and the beautiful scenery, with the Grand Sauble Dunes, it contributed to the resurrection of Grand Marais. This place has now been selected by the U.S. Government to be restored and re-created with the atmosphere and character of the little village as it was in the early days. Federal funds will be provided to complete the program. The unique, pickle barrel cottage, which is part of the once prosperous "Hills Store" property will be designated as a museum and placed on the National Register of Historic Sites, in the manner of our own Greenfield Village.

## JULY 4 PARADE PLANNED

The 4th of July depicts freedom, country, honor, old glory and the PARADE!

Plans are now under way for this year's 4th of July parade and we'd like it to be the biggest and finest Grand Marais has known, and as an incentive, we're offering a \$10.00 prize for floats in the following categories:

Best Theme (HOMETOWN U.S.A. - GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1979)  
Most Patriotic  
Most Original  
Most Comical  
Most Beautiful

There will also be prize ribbons for the decorated bikes

and clowns who join in.

We're hoping to see some of the old grads of Burt Township School in on the Best Theme Floats. The word Hometown should conjure up some good ole memories.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. (weather permitting) on July 4.

The parade route will be similar to last year. Entries will line up behind the school and proceed West on Grand Marais Avenue, past the Bandstand (smile here folks, 'cause this is where the judges will be), then turn onto Carlson St. and over to Lake Avenue (main street), then turn left onto Randolph Avenue, and march back to Grand Marais Avenue, past the bandstand one more time to receive the prizes, thence North to Braziel Street and over to the entrance of the softball field where the parade will disband.

The games for children, teens and adults will begin immediately after the parade on the softball field grounds.

For safety purposes, the main hill will be blocked off at the corner of Lake Avenue and Wilson Street and at the triangle of Woodruff St. and Grand Marais Avenue for the duration of the parade.

Mr. Andy Hunt, Parade Chairman, would appreciate hearing from you if you plan to enter the parade. You may call him at 494-2618.



ge, located in the home of the "Teenie Weenies" summer cottage

of Edmund T. Warren, of the Pickle Barrel Properties, in the General Motors Building, as well as a tourist attraction, and will also soon be designated as a historical museum.





1979  
Hometown U.S.A. Grand Marais, Michigan



# FOURTH OF JULY ANNUAL CELEBRATION DAY LONG ACTIVITIES

**6:00 a.m. Sunrise Service** - On the beach below the Bandstand

**9:00 a.m. Arts and Crafts - Flea Market**  
Set-up Donation \$3.00

**9:00 a.m. Booths** - Non Profit Organizations. Free set-up

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOOTH**  
50/50 Raffle Tickets \$1.00, help pay for the Fourth of July Fireworks! Last year's winner won \$188.00. Balloons, Flags, Bumper Stickers, Hometown USA - Grand Marais Buttons \$1.00 Chamber of Commerce Brochures 4th of July Schedules

**PTO BOOTH** (Parent Teachers Organization)  
For Sale HAS-BEANS (Bean bags) Souvenirs of the Burt Township School stage curtain to help pay for the new curtains.

**CLASS of '80 BOOTH** - Raffle

**CLASS of '81 BOOTH** - Novelty Stand - Raffle

**CLASS of '82 BOOTH** - Hot Dogs

**CLASS of '83 BOOTH** - Ice Cream

**CLASS of '84 BOOTH** - Dunk Booth

### 10:00 a.m. PARADE

Parade entries will line up behind the school and proceed West on Grand Marais Avenue, past the bandstand, then West on Carlson Street to Lake Avenue (main street) then South to Randolph

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- Most Patriotic
- Most Original
- Most Comical
- Most Beautiful

Ribbons will be awarded to best clowns, and decorated bikes.

For safety purposes, the main hill will be blocked off at the corner of Lake Avenue and Wilson and at the triangle of Woodruff Street and Grand Marais Avenue for the duration of the parade.

Games for children and teenagers will begin immediately after the parade on the softball field grounds in Woodland Park.

### 11:00 A.M.

#### Children Under 6

1. Running race - Boys
2. Running Race - Girls
3. Gunny Sack Race - Boys
4. Gunny Sack Race - Girls

#### Children Ages 7, 8, 9

1. Running Race - Boys
2. Running Race - Girls
3. Gunny Sack Race - Boys
4. Gunny Sack Race - Girls

#### Children 10, 11, 12

1. Running Race - Boys
2. Running Race - Girls
3. Three-Legged Race - Boys
4. Three Legged Race - Girls
5. Blueberry Pie Eating Contest
6. Slow Bike Race

#### Teenagers

1. Three Legged Race
2. Slow Bike Race

CASH PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED  
ON THE SPOT!!!!

1st - \$1.00      2nd - .50      3rd - .25

### 12:00 - 6:00 Holy Rosary Church Celebration

Chicken Barbecue Dinner  
Adults \$3.75    Children Under 12 - \$2.00

Carry-outs available

Country Store - Baked Goods

Canned Goods

Hand Made Articles

Raffles

Games - Fish Pond

Penny Pitch

Assorted Games

### 2:00 ADULT EVENTS

Location: In the vacant lot across from Frank's Standard Gas Station.

1. Husband Calling Contest
2. Wife Calling Contest
3. Nail Driving Contest - Men
4. Nail Driving Contest - Women
5. Cross Cut Log Sawing Contest

### CASH PRIZES ON THE SPOT:

1st - \$3.00

2nd - \$2.00

3rd - \$1.00



10:30 FIREWORKS DISPLAY AROUND THE WEST BAY

Thank You For Coming  
See You Next Year

1929 - 1979

### BURT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL HOMECOMING

July 7th

1:00 - 4:30 Open House

4:30 - 6:00 Entertainment Program

8:00 - 1:00 Dance at Community Center

# FOUR SEASONS OF FUN





**VISIT THE  
PICKLE BARREL COTTAGE  
SUMMER INFORMATION CENTER**

The famous Monarch pickle barrel cottage was once the Sable lake summer home of William and Mary Donahey, world renowned cartoonists and creators of children's books. The pickle barrel was conceived as a larger version of the "Teenie Weenie" homes created by the Donahey's in their Chicago Tribune cartoon strip.

The information center has been possible through the cooperation of the following:

UPCAB - Upper Peninsula Community Action Board

AMCAB - Alger Marquette Community Action Board

The State of Michigan

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Four Seasons of Fun



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Area gardeners are invited to bring their cut flowers, potted plants, floral arrangements and hanging planters to the upcoming Flower Show in Grand Marais on Sunday, July 22, 1979.

Registration will be from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., in the Community Center and judging will be from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. The entries will be on display for the public from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and refreshments will be available.

This is the Third Annual Flower Show in Grand Marais and is again sponsored by the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce.

"The Most Beautiful Flower Garden" and "The Best Vegetable Garden" are also categories to be judged for the flower show. These contests are open to the participants in the immediate area of Grand Marais.

There is no fee for exhibitors or viewers.

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Drawing to be held during the "Third Annual Flower Show" - July 22, 1979 4:00 p.m.		



# Aviation activities will fill U.P.'s summer skies

Appearances by two armed forces precision flight teams, a three-day air show and a 75-plane air tour highlight aviation activities in the Upper Peninsula this summer.

Many U.P. airports have scheduled local events to coincide with the arrival of the state-wide air tour which is part of the celebration of Michigan Aviation Year.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission which was created by the Legislature in 1929 as the Board of Aeronautics to promote aviation activities, develop airports and regulate intrastate flying.

Current commission chairman Mario Fontana of Iron Mountain has served on the board 20 years.

## THE AIR TOUR

The tour, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the first Michigan air tour, will leave Pontiac airport June 11 to visit 70 Michigan cities before terminating in Lansing June 15. It will be in the U.P. June 12-14.

After take-off June 11, the tour will be split into three flights based on aircraft speed. All three flights will overnight at Mackinac Island Tuesday, June 12, before spreading over the U.P. June 13.

Wednesday, June 13, flight one departs Mackinac Island at 9 a.m. and visits the Twin-



**AIR DISPLAYS** — Vintage aircraft like this 1942 model Stearman PT 17 (right) owned by Bob Murray of Neenah, Wis., will fill U. P. skies and airfields this summer. Undoubtedly, some Stearman planes will be included among 75 planes touring Michigan as part of the celebration of the

County Airport in Menominee, Gogebic County Airport (lunch), Houghton County Airport (about 2 p.m.) and finally Marquette County Airport (between 3 and 4:30 p.m.).

Flight two departs Mackinac Island at 8 a.m. and visits the Delta County Airport, Ford Airport at Kingsford (lunch), Ontonagon Airport and Marquette.

Flight three leaves Mackinac Island at 8:30 a.m.

and visits Hessel, Newberry (lunch), Munising and Marquette.

All three flights will overnight in Marquette where a 5:30 p.m. reception and 6:30 p.m. dinner are scheduled for the pilots.

The flights will present plaques to representatives of local government for display in their airports.

Thursday, June 14, Flight one leaves Marquette at 8 a.m. to visit the Chippewa County Airport in Kinross and

preceed into the lower Peninsula.

Flight two leaves Marquette at 8:30 a.m. and flies directly to the Lower Peninsula. Flight three departs at 9 a.m. to visit Grand Marais and St. Ignace before flying south.

Besides the plaque presentations, some airports have planned special programs for the air tour's arrival. In Ontonagon, Earl Hamm of Ontonagon will be honored for his 50 years as a pilot. He soloed May 10, 1929,

and later became the airport manager.

The tour, which includes vintage and modern aircraft, also commemorates the first Michigan air tour of 50 planes which took off from Pontiac Airport June 19, 1929.

## CENTENNIAL AIR SHOW

A June 29-July 1 aviation program at Ford Airport at Kingsford will help wrap up the Iron Mountain centennial celebration June 23-30, but is not officially a part of the centennial.



50th anniversary of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission. The tour will be in the U. P. June 12-14 visiting many cities. A Ford Airport celebration June 29-July 1 near Kingsford will also include displays of antique and home built aircraft as well as air shows.

Both the U. S. Navy Blue Angels, (left) and the U. S. Air Force Thunderbirds will perform in the U. P. this summer. The Air Force precision flying team will be at the K. I. Swayer Air Force Base open house July 29, and the Blue Angels will perform Aug. 25 in Escanaba.

Sponsored by Chapter 439 of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), it replaces the group's annual show at the Iron County Airport near Crystal Falls although the group plans its own, smaller celebration at the Iron County field.

Highlight of the Ford Airport event will be two professional air shows — Saturday, June 30, at 3:30 p.m., and Sunday, July 1, at 1 p.m. Admission buttons, which are good for all three

days, can be purchased in advance.

Acrobatic flight teams from Ohio, Indiana, New York, Minnesota and France are expected. EAA 439 chapter president Tom Thompson said it is the same groups that perform at the EAA's national show each year in Oshkosh, Wis.

Homebuilt and antique aircraft will be on display. Also included will be aviation seminars, skydivers and other events including a Saturday night banquet at Pine Mountain Lodge where EAA national president Paul Poberezny will be featured speaker. Poberezny will fly a World War II P-51 Mustang from Milwaukee.

One of the airport's two runways will be closed throughout the event. The other will be active except during the acrobatic air shows. Arrangements have been made for the arrival and departure of commercial flights.

## MILITARY FLIGHT UNITS

The U. S. Air Force's

Thunderbirds will be the first military precision team to visit the Upper Peninsula.

They will be featured during K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base's open house July 29. Tentatively, the open house is planned between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. but hours aren't definite, yet, a base spokesman said.

The Thunderbirds will perform during the afternoon.

The U. S. Navy's Blue Angels are scheduled to be in Escanaba Aug. 24-25 for the dedication of the Delta County Airport.

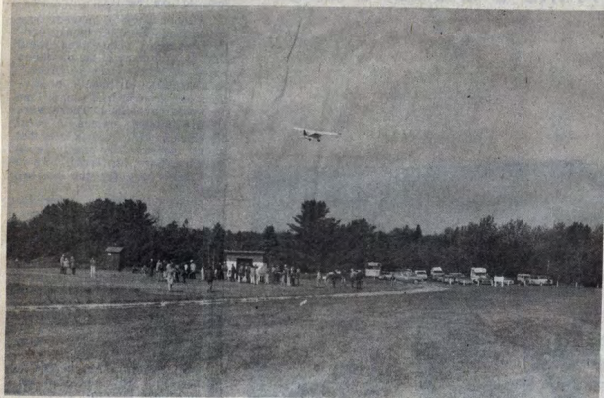
The airport was once dedicated as the city airport but has since come under the direction of the county. It also has recently completed an approximately \$3 million renovation including runway improvement.

The Blue Angels show tentatively will be between 1:45 and 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 25, over Little Bay de Noc in front of Ludington Park. They are expected to make a practice run over the area Friday morning.

The dedication ceremony is planned Friday afternoon.

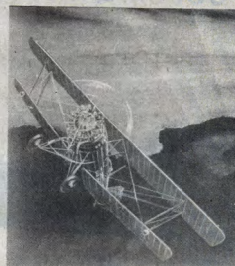


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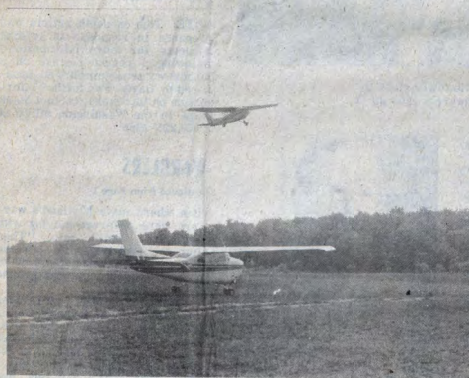
One of the last of the eight aircraft acknowledges the parting crowd upon take off.

(ALL PHOTOS BY JACK PETERMAN)



Michigan Aviation  
1929 — 1979

Taken from the cover of the June 1979 Michigan Aviation Magazine.



As one aircraft waits to taxi to the far end of the runway, another enters the turbulent air above the tree line, a phenomenon which gives the spectators quite a thrill.



Tom Kegs of Oak Park, acting on behalf of Dave Seibold, Flight leader, presents Supervisor Frank Mead with a plaque commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission. The cleverly decorated cake which provided a snack for flyers and spectators was made by Gloria Lundquist.

Michael McGough of Southfield, gives some ground instructions to Amy Bloek and Treva Sibbald in his Cessna 175. Mr. McGough courageously lifted most of the young observers (equipped with flags, candy, pop or cake) into his craft for a close look at the interior.



This is the commemorative patch which along with bumper stickers, was given to the people who were at the Burt Township airport to greet the aviators.

According to the pilots and their passengers, the turn-out at our airport surpassed their expectations and in fact was greater than that of communities much larger than ours. Once again, smaller is better.

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50 Years Aviation

Grand Marais Michigan Alger County Burt Township Upper Peninsula

CONGRATULATIONS!

This is the ad that the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce had in the Michigan Aviation Magazine.

The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce provided the refreshments and all of the publicity surrounding the Fly-In at the Burt Township airport.



John Maiden gives Bernice Bennett a handshake and a complimentary patch commemorating the Anniversary.



## BURT SCHOOL ALUMNI REUNION SET FOR JULY 7

The clan is gathering for a birthday party! On Saturday, July 7, the Burt Township School building will celebrate its 50th anniversary with an open house from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The school will be decked out with displays of pictures and other fascinating mementoes of the "olden days" with class rooms decorated with the memorabilia of each decade. Refreshments will be served in the lunchroom. At 3:30 p.m. a special program will be presented in the school gym based on highlights and anecdotes of all those golden decades. In the evening, the community center will be available for reminiscing and dancing from 8 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Former students, graduates, and teachers are expected from all over the country to converge on Grand Marais for this grand reunion. A warm invitation is extended to all members of the community, whether or not they have attended Burt Township School, to join in the celebration.

## INFORMATION CENTER OPEN



Margaret Niemi and Edna Jean Johnson, new tourist information guides, are shown outside the Pickle Barrel, which houses the Grand Marais Tourist Information Center.

Margaret Niemi and Edna Jean Johnson are the new tourist information guides operating out of the "Pickle Barrel" in Grand Marais. The Monarch pickle barrel cottage was once the Sable Lake summer home of William and Mary Donahey. It is presently on Mr. Ed Warren's property and he has graciously allowed the Chamber of Commerce to use the building as a tourist information center.

Margaret and Edna were hired by the Alger-Marquette Community Action Board under a state of Michigan program called "See and Enjoy our Land, Lakes and Streams." They will be working as

tourist information guides until August 31.

The grant was established to provide jobs for senior citizens and to help the tourist industry in the U.P. To be hired, people had to be fifty-five or older, live in the area they work in, and be able to communicate well with all kinds of people. Edna Jean spent two days at a training session in Marquette before the Summer Information Center opened.

Margaret and Edna Jean will both be working 20 hours a week at the Information Center. The G.M. Chamber of Commerce is coordinating the entire project.

## Chamber Stages Flower Show

On Sunday, July 22, the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce sponsored its Third Annual Flower Show at the Community Center. There were 30 entries in five different categories - Cut Flower, Potted Plants, Hanging Baskets, Floral Arrangements and Floral Gardens.

Fern Erickson won First Prize in the cut flower category with Pat O'Brien and John Strom Second and Third Prize winners, respectively. The First Prize winner in the floral arrangement category was Dorothy Woropay; Fern Erickson was Second Prize winner and Margaret Bailey won the Third Place ribbon. Winner of First Place in the potted plant category was Mary Woods, Carol Miller was second, and Bertha Chilson placed third. In the hanging basket category Mary Woods took both First and Third place prizes with Carol Miller garnering Second Prize.

Honorable mentions went to Carol Miller, Adrienne Fast, Pat O'Brien, and Bertha Chilson.

Judges picked Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mead as First Prize winners in the floral garden category with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller Second Place. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Erickson received a Third Place ribbon. Honorable mentions went to Mr. and Mrs. Olli, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Schultz, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chilson.

The show was well attended by townspeople and the surrounding areas.

The judges will be busy the week before August 22 picking First, Second and Third Prize winners in the final category of Best Vegetable Garden in Grand Marais. You may still enter your vegetable garden for the judging by calling Sandee Sibbald at 494-2381 days, or 494-2350 evenings.

(Editor's Note: For an interesting and entertaining account about how Grand Marais' flower shows got started and the woman responsible, see Fern Erickson's article on Page 3.)



Mary Wood is shown with her achimenes plant which took first place in the hanging plant category and was also judged Best of Show at the Chamber of Commerce Flower Show last Saturday.





Grand Marais schoolteacher Neal Beaver was among thousands of paratroopers who dropped into Normandy on D-Day — June 6, 1944 — to the surprise of the occupying German military. When he returned to visit the area recently, he was the one to be surprised by the warm welcome accorded former U. S. servicemen by the French people. (Louise Pratt photo)

## Paratrooper finds D-Day spirit alive in French towns

By LOUISE PRATT  
Special Writer

GRAND MARAIS — The first time Neal Beaver stopped in Ste. Mere-Eglise, the people of that small Normandy village were taken by surprise.

The Germans who occupied Ste. Mere-Eglise were surprised, too. It was June 6, 1944 — D-Day.

Neal Beaver was one of thousands of paratroopers who dropped out of the sky to begin one of the biggest invasions of World War II.

The second time Beaver stopped in Ste. Mere-Eglise, exactly 32 years later on June 6, 1976, he was the one to be surprised. Instead of the quiet French village he had expected to find, the town was alive with activity and filled with people — many of them Americans.

"It was amazing," Beaver said, recalling the scene as he and his wife entered the town.

"Every lamp post was draped with three flags — the American, the French and the 82nd Airborne's. Miniature parachutes were hanging from every window.

"And there, on the church in the center of the town, was a model of John Steele hanging from his parachute (as portrayed by Red Buttons in the movie "The Longest Day"). It sure brought back a lot of memories."

Beaver, a Grand Marais schoolteacher, had long wanted to return to Normandy, not to relive the war but to share with his wife, Ruth, the places he had been and the things he had seen.

In 1976, they began planning their trip. Like all tourists, they wondered about the kind of accommodations they would find off the beaten path.

Then a friend in the 82nd Airborne Association suggested they write to a Mme. Renaud in Ste. Mere-Eglise. She was always helpful to visiting Americans.

"I dashed a card off to her," Beaver said. "And, to my surprise, we received a nice letter in return. She told us to come, there would be a place for us to stay and so forth."

But the Beavers didn't pay much attention to Mme. Renaud's invitation. Ste. Mere-Eglise was just one stop on their itinerary. So they were quite unprepared for the celebration they walked into.

"And it's quite a celebration," Beaver said. "There are parades with the tanks and jeeps and the French Army. They have parachute - jumping exhibitions, and all sorts of French dignitaries show up."

The celebration, which takes place every June 5-7, is centered in Ste. Mere-Eglise. It was the first town to be liberated by the Allies, shortly after 2 a.m. on D-Day.

But, significantly, Mme. Renaud,

whose husband was mayor of the town throughout its occupation, has been the driving force behind the holiday. She also established the Society of Friends of American Veterans.

The Beavers met the indomitable old Frenchwoman in the town square soon after their arrival. First, she scolded them for being a day late, then she brushed aside their questions about hotel accommodations.

"There are no hotel rooms for American veterans in Ste. Mere-Eglise," she said. "You will stay with one of our families, like everyone else."

So, the Beavers were quartered with the LeCambayes. Mme. LeCambaye, just a two-year-old at the time of the invasion, has no memory of D-Day; her husband, however, recalls it vividly.

He was a curious seven-year-old and remembers poking his head out the window to watch the excitement. Suddenly, he was swooped up by an American paratrooper "nine feet tall." After one frightening moment, the soldier set him down on the sidewalk and said, "Here, kid, have a candy bar."

It is people like the LeCambayes, who were children during the war, and the older women who keep the celebration going. Very few older men are involved.

"Most of the men in these towns had been sent to concentration or slave



labor camps," Beaver explained. "They simply weren't there when the invasion occurred, so they don't have the same feeling about it."

For those who were there, however, the feeling remains strong. The Beavers discovered countless memorials to Americans in their travels around Normandy.

Driving down country roads, they'd see little white fences surrounding a hole in the ground, with a plaque identifying it as the foxhole of some American soldier. The fences were freshly painted and as bright as if they had just been placed there.

They also came upon flower-bedecked, polished brass plaques on street corners, announcing that this was Rue de Cpl. or Sgt. so - and - so.

"I asked a man in one of the villages why they had named a street after an American soldier," Beaver said. "He told me, 'But, of course, we have a street named for him; he is our liberator!'"

"I don't think most Americans realize what a tremendous impact D-Day had on the people of Normandy," Beaver continued. "I know I didn't realize it; to me it was just one battle in a long war. But, to them, it meant their freedom."

"And, as for Americans, well, there are no 'Ugly Americans' in that part of France."

D-Day was not, of course, the end of the battle in Normandy. The fighting went on for weeks, with heavy casualties.

Beaver's own regiment, the 508th, which was only 50 percent effective after D-Day, was nearly wiped out July 4 when they were caught in an open field. Beaver, a second lieutenant, was the only surviving officer in his company when the battle-weary regiment returned to England a few weeks later.



Beaver and a friend checked out a commandeered German staff car in Frankfurt, Germany, after the war was over.

"It's kind of hard to enjoy our Fourth of July celebrations after that," he said.

Although Normandy holds some unpleasant memories for him, Beaver and his wife went back to Ste. Mere-Eglise for the celebration again in 1978. But, this time they returned with a lot of happy memories of the little French village, too. And they returned to friends.

"We plan to go again someday," Beaver said. "But before we do, the LeCambayes are coming to visit us. And we're very happy about that."

Perhaps the LeCambayes are in for a surprise, too. It may seem strange to them that the invasion in which so many Americans lost their lives is today hardly remembered. But, no doubt, they'll understand why there is no celebration.



Beaver, front left, marches ahead of the men of the 508th, 82nd Airborne Division, in England in 1944. His regiment was one of the last groups to jump over Normandy on D-Day. (Photos courtesy of Neal Beaver)

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| June 14-17, 19 21-23 | LESLIE UGGAMS at the Carlton West Dinner Theater  |
| June 16              | COMMUNITY AUCTION at the National Railroad Museum |
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S.E.L.L.S

Project S.E.L.L.S. has been under way since the end of June and the response and effect is all good.

The ladies working at the Pickle Barrel; Edna Jean Johnson and Margaret Niemi, report that people seem pleased to have a tourist information in Grand Marais and of course are very interested in seeing the inside of the Pickle Barrel.

The week of July 4th the attendance log shows a total of 408 people stopping by for information and the day of the 4th of July, the ladies had 173 people register.

Margaret says, "People are so happy to have information of all kinds available to them, the response has been great."

Edna Jean reports an "estimate of 2,000 people to date have logged in, we're averaging close to 50 people per day."

Just for the record, the Alger-Marquette Community Action Board (AMCAB) who is heading up the S.E.L.L.S. program, states the Grand Marais station seems to have the largest flow of traffic and words of praise listed on the response sheets that are handed in.

The copies of some of the "Teenie Weenie" cartoons, which are now posted on the wall of the Pickle Barrel are courtesy of Prof. Magnaghi of N.M.U., and also of the Marquette Historical Society, reports Edna Jean, who also says a tourist from Dearborn has promised to send some original clippings of the "Teenie Weenie comic strips that she has saved.

HO-HO CORNER

The shortest distance between two points is always under construction.

Two potential clients to a travel agent: "We'd like to get completely away from civilization, but not too far from a nice shopping center."

A Texas rancher stopped at a New Hampshire farm to get directions. Then he asked the farmer, "How much land have you got here?"  
"Not much, just a few rocky acres."  
"You know how much land I've got?"  
bragged the Texan. "Why in the morning I'll get in my car and start driving. By the end of the day, I still haven't reached my property line."  
"Tough luck," said the farmer, "I had a car like that once."





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TWENTY-FIVE CENTS



A crisp clear day with brilliant sunshine graced the second annual Grand Marais Cross Country Ski Caravan. The event was held March 9 in the Grand Marais School Forest. Twenty-two skiers participated in the events which were divided into the Snowflake [2 mile] and Blizzard [4 mile] course. Winner of the adult Snowflake course was Darryl Whitman of Lakefield. Darryl bettered her winning time of last year by ten

minutes. Gordie Tester [above left] of Grand Marais came in first in the student Snowflake division. Eki Vaisanen [above right] of Flint came in just ahead of last year's winner, Merle Anderson of Newberry, to take first place in the adult Blizzard course. While Bob Bryers, also of Lakefield, was the winner in the student Blizzard course.

## Courthouse Vote April 7

On April 7, 1980 citizens of Alger County will be asked to approve a bonding proposal for a new county building.

The proposed new building will be 14,000 square feet at a cost of \$1,400,000. Voters will be asked to approve a \$980,000 bond issue.

The \$980,000 will pay for space for the judiciary, Treasurer, Clerk and Equalization offices. Other monies from local, state and federal sources will pay for corridors, mechanical area and basement.

The bonding proposal is being brought to the voters at this time so that the County of Alger can show intent by July 1, 1980 to provide barrier free access to the County Building. If the bonding proposal is approved by the voters at this time extra monies will not have to be expended or existing rented facilities to make them barrier free.

A scale model of the proposed county building will be on display at the First National Bank, Grand Marais Branch, on March 20 and 21. Citizens having questions may contact the Citizens Information Committee c/o Bill Whipple.



## Hubbard Receives Medical Degree

Dee Lynn Hubbard, daughter of John and Barbara Hubbard of Marquette and Grand Marais, received her Medical Degree on Saturday, March 8, 1980 from Michigan State University's College of Human Medicine.

Dee along with eight other students from the Upper Peninsula Medical Education Program and their 97 medical school classmates from other MSU Branch Campuses were honored at a special hooding ceremony at People's Church in East Lansing on Friday, March 7, 1980. At that time the physician's oath was administered to them and each graduate received the emerald green hood signifying the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

The nine upper peninsula graduates were further honored at a convocation and reception in Escanaba on Friday, March 14, 1980. The convocation address was given by Ronald W. Richards, Ph.D. Dr.

Richards was the founding director of the Upper Peninsula Medical Education Program and is presently serving as Director of the Center for Educational Development, College of Human Medicine, University of Illinois.

Dee, and the eight other graduates, are the second group of medical students to complete their medical studies in the Upper Peninsula Medical Education Program, a unique program designed to increase the number and distribution of primary care physicians in underserved rural areas.

Dee, the granddaughter of Charles and Bertha Chilson, is well known to area residents and summer visitors. She helped pay for her undergraduate and graduate school work by owning and operating 'Hubbard's Cupboard' at the Sable Lake picnic area.

Dee will begin a four year residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology beginning in July.

## Park Service May Maintain H-58

Should the Alger County Road Commission turn over jurisdiction for the maintenance and upkeep of Miner's Castle Road and a portion of Highway H-58 to the U.S. Park Service?

It is a question now under study and consideration.

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore Supt. Don Gillespie made the suggestion that consideration be given this matter at a meeting of the road commission last week. County road officials agreed to study the proposal.

Involved would be approximately six miles of Miner's Castle Road from H-58 to Miner's Castle and the Lake Superior Shoreline and approximately 15 miles of roadway from Kingston Lake to Sable Lake. Gillespie said he was making the proposal for the transfer of maintenance responsibility due to the fact that the county road commission is unable to maintain these roads in an adequate manner during the park's tourist season because of a limited budget.

These roads become quite bad to travel on during the spring and summer since potholes and bumpiness occur due to rainy weather and increased traffic volume, he noted.

Before such a transfer of maintenance responsibility could take place, Gillespie said, the legality for the park service taking jurisdiction over roads that pass thro-

## Project SELLS Renewed for 1980

Tourism in the Upper Peninsula will get a boost this summer thanks to a \$108,000 state grant which will employ 90 elderly persons as tourist guides.

The grant, obtained from the Bureau of Community Services, Michigan Department of Labor, will fund Project SELLS (See and Enjoy our Land, Lakes, and Streams).

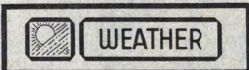
This year's version of the program will include 90 elderly persons, garbed in Smokey the Bear hats and red shirts, who will promote tourism in the U.P. as tourist guides.

Despite the early summer gasoline scare last year, the senior tourist guides contacted nearly 120,000 tourists. It is estimated the tourists who registered with the Project SELLS guides spent \$9.6 million in the U.P.

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The following is a two week weather report ending March 18, 1980.

Data is compiled by Tom Scaife, Co-operative Weather Observer, U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Grand Marais Station.

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18 inches on ground  
93 inches to date



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MRS LANCE ROE VIELLETTE  
WHO WAS GOVERNESS TO  
PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S  
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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All entrants will receive a "Polar Bear Run" patch with 1st and 2nd prize winners receiving a trophy in both the Junior and Senior Divisions.

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Refreshments will be available.



GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
AGENDA

Regular and Annual Meeting  
January 22, 1980  
7:30 p.m.  
Community Center

Pledge of Allegiance

Reports:

Minutes of previous meeting - Joan Nehlenbacher  
Treasurer's report - Evelyn Stier  
a.) Current bills  
b.) Budget report  
Correspondence - Sandee Sibbald  
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Business Committee - Joe Massey  
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Nominating Committee - Jean Nehlenbacher  
Affiliation with CUPPAD; OEDP; UPTRA - Sandee Sibbald  
Inventory of supplies - Sandee Sibbald

Address - Kay O'Brien, President

COFFEE BREAK - RECESS (1980 membership dues payable at this time \$5.00)

Election of Officers (Only members in good standing can vote)

President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Trustee #1  
Trustee #2  
Appointment of Committee Chairpersons

Old Business

New Business

Your pleasure

Tentative Future Events

Snowmobile Poker Rally - Saturday February 2, 1980  
Cross-Country Caravan - Saturday March 1, 1980  
4th of July Celebration - Friday July 4, 1980  
Flower Show - Sunday July 20, 1980



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Great Lakes Gazette, November - December 1978

# Backpackers Celebrate 3500 Mile Hike With Champagne & Freeze-Dried Strawberry

s, Michigan

est of the entire trip." That's how 3500 mile  
Carolyn Hoffman and Lou Ann Fellows  
Grand Marais area of Pictured Rocks National  
they celebrated the end of a seven month long  
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ided with a bottle of Champagne garnished  
ried strawberry at 10 a.m. Saturday, October  
week when their packs were stolen (later

g women enjoyed two days in Grand Marais,  
e they picked up and dispatched mail and  
and entertained by local residents.  
ey'll never forget!

mosquitoes in Wisconsin and delayed by  
hey stuck to their overall trip plan and  
n outstanding cross country backpacking  
ed by detailed maps and a backlog of  
o planning. They belong to the International  
ssociation.

were kept by each of the hikers - often by  
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yn Hoffman of Pa. is planning a book.

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Only Lou Ann, from La Mesa, Calif. and C  
of Dillsburg, Pa. endured.

Wintry winds also met them head on as  
trip. High winds, cold, hail, sleet and snow b  
the Badlands of North Dakota.

But during the good times they picked b  
the scenery, met "reams" of wonderful  
observed the wilderness at very close range.

While in Grand Marias, Carolyn related o  
bizarre adventures. She was awakend with  
something sliding down the tent flap.

"This is hard to believe...but it is true."  
Snowshoe rabbits, as she observed, played g

down the tent in the middle of the night. I  
surprising observation and she related the sto  
reluctance thinking that noone would believe

But, there is no problem with believing it. Su  
rabbit antics were reported by William Davenp  
a book called Forest Neighbors written about ar  
nationally published early in this century.

"One thing Carolyn and I both agree on afte  
and over seven months, the most spectacular sce  
entire trip was along Lake S



# SNOW GOER

THE WEBB COMPANY, 1999 SHEPARD ROAD  
SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA 55116. (612) 647-7200

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Dear Sandy:

I've enclosed five copies of the October issue for your meeting Monday night. The circulation department tells me that the issue was mailed late, but that your copies are on the way. They were confident that you'd have them by the end of this week. If by chance, you don't receive them, please let me know.

If reaction to the <sup>new</sup> piece is favorable (in terms of responses from interested travelers/comments from the community), we would greatly appreciate a letter from the C of C to our publisher, Henry Fiola. As we would like to do more pieces on places like Grand Marais, your letter would offer support. Thank you.

Cathy Eberlein





Evelyn Stier (left) Treasurer of the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce advises as Kay O'Brien, Chamber President, holds the recently erected plaque commemorating the Burton-Gamble railroad grade constructed 100 years ago to assist in the lumbering operations

of the time. The grade, still very much visible in areas east of Grand Marais, has been of particular interest to Jim Carter (right), "our" own expert on area history.

Formal dedication and recognition of the grade will follow at a

later date. Carter has been instrumental in securing local, state and national recognition of numerous historical sites throughout the Grand Marais area.

(Peterman Photo)

## Recreation Director Hired County Loans Township Money For Recreation Building Floor

The Alger County Board of Commissioners unanimously awarded Burt Township a \$7,500 loan to be used to pay for the pouring of the cement floor in the recently erected Recreation Center Building. The interest-free loan is for a period of three years and was granted after the presentation of a loan request by Burt Township Supervisor Frank Mead and Recreation Committee Chairman, James Becker.

Bids for the project have been requested and indications are that the floor will be poured by October 15.

Pam Johnson of Grand Marais was recently hired as recreation director and has been busy developing plans for the Center's use. Pam was hired under the Public Service Employees Section of the federally sponsored CETA program. She completed four years of service in the U.S. Air Force in January. While in service she served in law enforcement throughout Southeast Asia and in Texas. Pam, who is from Detroit, graduated from St. Phillips College in San Antonio, Texas.

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On November 1 there will be a dance for adults with all donations to be used for repayment of the loan from the county.

Other fund-raising events on tap include a 50-50 Raffle with monthly drawings and a weekly Fish Fry Raffle donated by Bob Hicks of the Kozy Korner Restaurant. Drawings for the Fish Fry Dinners will be held every Friday at noon. Raffle tickets are \$1 each and the winner will receive two dinners at the local restaurant.

The Chamber of Commerce has donated the profits from their summer card parties toward the floor.

As of this date, \$295 has been collected toward repayment of the loan. Private donations are encouraged. Those wishing to contribute may do so by sending a check made payable to Burt Township and marked "Recreation Building" to Ora Endress, Burt Township Treasurer, Grand Marais, 49839.



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POLAR BEAR RUN

March 9, 1980

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Course: Short \_\_\_\_\_ Long \_\_\_\_\_

Generally, cross-country skiing is a hazardous sport. Specifically, the Grand Marais course is hazardous. With this understanding, I hereby release the sponsoring organization, its members or its agents and any person officially connected with this competition, from all liability for any injuries or damages.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, please contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Phone)



Chamber of Commerce  
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Cross-country ski enthusiasts mark your calendar. The big Cross-Country Ski Caravan at Grand Marais, Saturday, March 3, at 1:00 p.m.

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The \$1.00 registration fee can be paid right at the sight, County Road H-58 at the entrance to the school forest.

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All entrants will receive a beautiful hand-made patch, designed by two of Grand Marais' top artists, upon completing the course. Two special certificates will be awarded to each of the winners of the short and long courses. Patches will say "I SURVIVED", the adopted slogan for the Cross-Country Caravan.

School Superintendent, Otto Bufe, an avid cross-country skier of Grand Marais, is directing the days events.

This event promises to be the Cross-Country Ski winter highlight of the Upper Peninsula.

Sponsored by The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce, the cross-country adventure can be enjoyed by one and all ---everyone welcome!

An alternate date has been set, should the weather prove to be less than fitting, the following week-end of March 10 & 11 both events will be held.



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The week of July 4th the attendance log shows a total of 408 people stopping by for information and the day of the 4th of July, the ladies had 173 people register.

Margaret says, "People are so happy to have information of all kinds available to them, the response has been great."

Edna Jean reports an "estimate of 2,000 people to date have logged in, we're averaging close to 50 people per day."

Just for the record, the Alger-Marquette Community Action Board (AMCAB) who is heading up the S.E.L.L.S. program, states the Grand Marais station seems to have the largest flow of traffic and words of praise listed on the response sheets that are handed in.

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### HO-HO CORNER

The shortest distance between two points is always under construction.

Two potential clients to a travel agent: "We'd like to get completely away from civilization, but not too far from a nice shopping center."

A Texas rancher stopped at a New Hampshire farm to get directions. Then he asked the farmer, "How much land have you got here?" "Not much, just a few rocky acres." "You know how much land I've got?" bragged the Texan. "Why in the morning I'll get in my car and start driving. By the end of the day, I still haven't reached my property line."

"Tough luck," said the farmer, "I had a car like that once."



GRAND HARRIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

AGENDA

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7:30 p.m.

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Our fish story of the week comes from Ralph Huss, a summer visitor from Coleman, Michigan.

Ralph went out on Lake Superior Sunday evening at about 6 p.m. and picked up six or seven Coho's just one-half mile out.

"Picked up" is the correct terminology. One of the larger fish broke Ralph's line and was charging around on the surface with a lure, dodger, line, and swivels still attached.

After some frantic boat work, Ralph scooped up the fish in his net and recovered everything.

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We visited the Sport Shop in Cambridge, England in June. This little shop is an outlet for Hardy fishing gear.

Many believe the British based Hardy Company to be the producers of the ultimate in fishing gear.

Hardy equipment can be purchased in the United States at several exclusive stores including the well known mail order firm, ORVUS.

The equipment we drooled over was superlative. Bamboo rods that trembled before we picked them up, magnesium reels light enough to fly, and wicker baskets too beautiful to use.

Sales pressure does not exist in England. We browsed an hour with

Son-in-law Mark Barney and were never asked a single question.

We asked the clerk to show us the fly lines that matched the \$500. rods. He replied, "Ere you are, chaps - the best fly lines made anywhere."

He handed us a case of lines labeled, Scientific Anglers, Air Cell Supreme, Midland, Michigan, U.S.A.

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Of late we have been receiving many inquiries asking, "Is the whitefish run over yet?"

We want to establish once again that whitefish and menominee whitefish can be caught all summer long.

These runs are a product of the wind and weather and not a so-called, season.

Follow this general rule: If you can see the fish, quit and go golfing

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The reconstruction of the Grand Marais Pile Dike has been shot down again by the Corps of Engineers.

The synopsis of the Corps reasoning is as follows: The harbor is acting reasonably well as a harbor of refuge for small boats now. The depth of the harbor is 30 feet and the entrance is only 18 feet deep. When either the harbor or the entrance shoals to a depth that restricts this use, we will simply dredge it out!

The chief of the Corp has completely ignored the destruction of docking facilities on the south shore; the loss of nearly twenty acres of Lonesome

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## Backpackers Celebrate 3500 Mile Hike With Champagne & Freeze-Dried Strawberry

Grand Marais, Michigan

"The prettiest of the entire trip." That's how 3500 mile backpackers, Carolyn Hoffman and Lou Ann Fellows described the Grand Marais area of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore as they celebrated the end of a seven month long hike from New York State to North Dakota.

Their trip ended with a bottle of Champagne garnished with a freeze dried strawberry at 10 a.m. Saturday, October 14, delayed a week when their packs were stolen (later recovered).

The two young women enjoyed two days in Grand Marais, Michigan where they picked up and dispatched mail and were welcomed and entertained by local residents.

It's a trip they'll never forget!

Besieged by mosquitoes in Wisconsin and delayed by injury in Pa. they stuck to their overall trip plan and accomplished an outstanding cross country backpacking adventure guided by detailed maps and a backlog of excellent pre-trip planning. They belong to the International Back Packers Association.

Daily Journals were kept by each of the hikers - often by flashlight in the confines of their tent. They took hundreds of photos and Carolyn Hoffman of Pa. is planning a book.

Cold, March, snowy, windy, below zero weather dampened the beginning days of the trip.

Only Lou Ann, from La Mesa, Calif. and of Dillsburg, Pa. endured.

Wintry winds also met them head on a trip. High winds, cold, hail, sleet and snow the Badlands of North Dakota.

But during the good times they picked the scenery, met "reams" of wonder, observed the wilderness at very close range.

While in Grand Marais, Carolyn related bizarre adventures. She was awaked with something sliding down the tent flap.

"This is hard to believe...but it is true. Snowshoe rabbits, as she observed, played down the tent in the middle of the night, surprising observation and she related the reluctance thinking that noone would believe it.

But, there is no problem with believing it. rabbit antics were reported by William Davis a book called Forest Neighbors written about nationally published early in this century.

"One thing Carolyn and I both agree on and over seven months, the most spectacular entire trip was also the most spectacular.



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Few people realize that DC-3 aircraft used the Grand Marais airport for an emergency landing field, when for 12 years Trans-Canada Airlines leased the field for an emergency airport.

Grand Marais's 4000 foot runway airport will be the landing spot for 5 aircraft the morning of June 14, while 20 other planes hover over the area, commemorating the 50th anniversary of aviation in Michigan. The event is sponsored by the Michigan Aeronautics Commission 50th Anniversary Association.

Their 1929 meet began in Pontiac. Flyers at that time visited Traverse City and Battle Creek among other stops. This year they will visit 70 cities over a 5 day period from June 11 - June 15.

Greeting flyers will be Burt Township Supervisor, Frank W. Mead, who will be presented with a plaque commemorating the historic event, as well as other dignitaries and townspeople.

Taking off from Marquette early in the morning, the group will arrive in Grand Marais approximately 40 minutes after departure. Coffee and a cake decorated with runways and planes will be served to the group.

Classified as a "C" Airport, Grand Marais has two of the longest runways in the Upper Peninsula. Each of the two being 4000' by 200'.

There are a NW/SE and a NE/SW turf runway. Latitude 46° 37' 15", longitude 85° 55' 00". Landmarks include M-77, 2.5 miles West of the airport, Lake Superior, 4 miles North and Sable Lake, 4.7 miles West, Northwest.

When Trans-Canada Airlines used the field from 1946 to 1958, there were lights powered with their own generator, a dormitory for 12 employees, who worked there for some 12 years, and a beacon.

None of these facilities are available at the Grand Marais Airport now, but with the 50 year anniversary, plans are underway to improve the field at the once busy airstrip.



We are a non-profit organization

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GRAND MARAIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
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May 1979

APRIL MEETING

The April meeting, held on the 23rd day of that month, was preceded by a well attended Pot Luck Supper.

A vote was taken to cancel the Beachcomber Festival for this year.

A discussion was held on the events planned for the 4th of July. Two Organizational Meetings were scheduled for getting together with the various organizations in town and the school classes and coordinating all the planned events. The dates for the meetings were set for May 5, at 11:00 a.m., and May 19, also at 11:00 a.m., both meetings being in the Community Center.

BUTTONS

The slogan buttons for this year - "HOMETOWN U.S.A. - GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1979" are on sale at the various businesses in town. If you haven't already purchased your button for this year, we'd like you to do so and make this a real effort on our part to promote our great "hometown".

RAFFLE TICKETS

Again this summer, we will have a 50/50 raffle to help with the expenses of the fireworks for the 4th. These tickets will be on sale, starting May 26, at the Community Bake Sale, and will be on sale thereafter at the various businesses that can handle the sale of raffle tickets.

COMMUNITY BAKE SALE

An all out effort by the community has been organized for a bake sale, with proceeds going for the many expenses involved in the celebration of the 4th of July.

The raffle tickets (50/50) have been earmarked for the purchase of the fireworks, but the proceeds from them has never been enough for the total cost of the fireworks, (usually about \$600.00 is spent on the fireworks), so the Chamber has always had to come up with other cost-sharing projects to cover the fireworks. The fireworks, however, are not the only expense for this big Grand Marais celebration. We also award some kind of trophy or plaque to various float winners in the parade, give prizes (usually cash) for the winners of the many games planned for the day, have hand-out sheets printed, listing the days activities and purchase various articles to sell at the Chamber Booth, such as flags, balloons, slogan buttons, etc. All of these expenses come out of the general fund and the money is raised by various projects in the Chamber itself.

This year we thought we'd like the community as a whole to help with the expenses of the 4th of July, so the idea of a community bake sale was born, and we have high hopes that it will be a success and help with this big task of raising money for the 4th of July activities. Note: We did receive a contribution of \$300.00 from the Township Board.

If you haven't been contacted through the Chamber or some other organization, to which you belong, we would ask that you bring your baked goods to the Post Office (we'll be set up next to it)



on Saturday morning, May 26, before 11:00 a.m.

The sight for the bake sale was chosen for the convenience of the people (mail pick-up on Saturday) and will be an open air set-up. If the weather should prove to be less than desirable, it will be moved to the band stand, and if it should be downright miserable, it will be moved to the inside of the IGA.

The ladies of Grand Marais are excellent bakers, so plan on stocking up on some baked goods for the holiday week-end.

#### "S.E.L.L.S."

The Chamber has been asked by the AMCAB (Alger-Marquette Community Action Board) to help with a new funded program entitled "S.E.L.L.S." ( See and Enjoy our Lands, Lakes and Streams".

The program hires senior citizens (age 55 and over) who will be stationed at an information center and hand out literature on the Grand Marais area, and help people become familiar with the area.

Chamber will furnish the "Guides" with our brochures and Business Directory and help with orientation and overseeing.

Chamber has contacted Mr. Ed Warren about using the corner lot across from Frank's Standard Gas Station, and Mr. Warren has replied that he thinks we should use the Pickle Barrel!

We have, for a long time felt that the Pickle Barrel would be an excellent sight for an information center, and it looks as if it just might be.

#### 4TH OF JULY

The fireworks are ordered, as are flags, balloons, etc., for the Chamber Booth, Andy Hunt has volunteered to serve as Parade Chairman, the organizational meetings, held May 5 and 19, proved to be very productive, with members of various organizations and Class Presidents from the school planning their various functions for the celebration day, Diane Pirlot working on the Queen for the Chamber of Commerce float, and volunteers for the many games planned for both youngsters and adults, things seem to be going together nicely.

We're hoping this year will be the biggest and best parade, and with some cooperation, it can be. Get your thinking caps on and come up with a good idea for a float! The prize categories for this year are:

Most Patriotic            Most Comical  
Most Beautiful            Best Clown  
Best Theme (2 winners)  
Best Decorated Bike (3 winners)

With the slogan being "HOMETOWN U.S.A., GRAND MARAIS, MICHIGAN 1979", the best theme category should be an easy one - what does your hometown of Grand Marais mean to you, or what are your best memories of it, or even what do you hope it's future will be?

#### AVIATION ANNIVERSARY

June 14, is the date of the fly-in of the commemoration of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission Aviation Anniversary of 50 years.

We hope to see a turn-out of townspeople the morning of the 14th at approximately 9:30 a.m., when 5 planes will touch down at our airport and 20 other planes will circle the field.

Supervisor Mead will be presented a plaque depicting the occasion, and the group will be served coffee and cake.



### CLEAN-UP DAY

The Chamber of Commerce cooperated with the Township and the school by helping with the Clean-Up day in Grand Marais this past month by re-painting the garbage cans that are stationed throughout the town and in Woodland Park.

Approximately 23 cans have been painted by various volunteers (not all of these workers were Chamber of Commerce members, and we appreciate their help) and a few more may be done before the project is completely through.

### NEW MEMBERS

We welcome new members, Andy and Helen Hunt and Diane Pirlot and Betty Welker at this time.

These folks have been Chamber members for many years and we're glad to have them re-join for the 1979 year.

### CARD PARTIES

Beginning June 6, The Chamber of Commerce will take over where Women's Club left off with having a Card Party every Wednesday night. The exception being the 4th of July which is on a Wednesday this year.

We would appreciate any donations of cards, cribbage boards, and volunteer workers on these nights.

The format for the card parties will be the same as Women's Club has had, with coffee and sandwiches and cookies being served.

### HO-HO CORNER

Two city boys decided to become woodcutters, so both rented chain saws and started to work. The first man went deep into the woods and cut six cords the first day, eight the next day and more each succeeding day. The second man tried and tried but could cut no more than half a cord of wood any day. Frustrated he went back to the rental shop to complain about the saw.

"This looks O.K. to me," he said, as the proprietor pulled the starter string and kicked the saw into action.

"Hey," yelled the startled woodcutter, "what's that awful noise?"

Two caterpillars were crawling across the grass when a butterfly flew over them. They looked up, and one nudged the other one and said: "You couldn't get me up in one of those things for a million dollars!"

### FLOWER SHOW

The Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the 3rd Annual Flower Show on July 22, 1979.

Along with the categories of floral arrangements, cut flowers, potted plants, hanging baskets and the floral garden (new last year) there will be an additional category for this year: Best Vegetable Garden.

Keep this date in mind and enter all the plants and flowers you like, there is no minimum of entries.

### MICHIGAN FACT

Michigan's Upper Peninsula is as big as Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts and Rhode Island combined.



January 17, 1980



COMMUNITY  
CALENDAR

January 18 - Home Basketball  
game, 6:30 p.m.

January 21 - PTO Meeting, 7:30  
School Cafeteria.

January 22 - County nurse at  
Community Center, 10 a.m.

January 23 - Effective Meetings  
workshop, 2 p.m. Burt  
Township School.

January 24 - Snowmobiling  
movies, 8 p.m. Community  
Center.

January 25 - Home Basketball,  
6:30

January 26 - Home Basketball,  
9 a.m.

January 28 - Chamber of  
Commerce Annual Meeting  
and election of officers, 7:30  
Community Center.

January 31 - Co-ed Volleyball, 7  
9 p.m., School gym.

February 1 - Home Basketball,  
Big Bay de Noc, 6:15 p.m.

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Board, 7:30, Community  
Center.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Area gardeners are invited to bring their cut flowers, potted plants, floral arrangements and hanging planters to the upcoming Flower Show in Grand Marais on Sunday, July 22, 1979.

Registration will be from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., in the Community Center and judging will be from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. The entries will be on display for the public from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and refreshments will be available.

This is the Third Annual Flower Show in Grand Marais and is again sponsored by the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce.

"The Most Beautiful Flower Garden" and "The Best Vegetable Garden" are also categories to be judged for the flower show. These contests are open to the participants in the immediate area of Grand Marais.

There is no fee for exhibitors or viewers.



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Chamber of Commerce  
Grand Marais, MI. 49839

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On June 14 at 7:30 a.m. five airplanes will land at the Grand Marais Airport while twenty five others circle overhead. The fly-in at Grand Marais is a part of a statewide celebration commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Michigan Aeronautics Commission.

The pilots of the five planes that touch down at Grand Marais will be greeted by townspeople, representatives from local government, and members of the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce. Burt Township Supervisor Frank. W. Mead will be presented with a plaque commemorating the occasion. Refreshments will be served and the public is encouraged to attend.