

ARE YOU A SCUBA DIVER ?

It has been suggested that a Scuba Group be organized at our lake. Would you be interested? If so, please get in touch with me, at my cottage # 307. This organization could prove very valuable for the safety of our families. It would be good to know a person having the knowledge and proper equipment, should it ever be necessary.

* I. T. Bowers, Your Commodore for 164.



FOR THE OLDSTERS AND THE YOUNGSTERS

Entries continue to come in for our BIG Fishing Contest

Trophies will be awarded for the largest fish caught in the 3 following categories: Trout...Bass...Bluegill (fish must be alive at time of measuring and registering)

*We wish to thank Milo France for consenting to serve on this committee along with Art Glenton. We thought it would be more convenient for our fishermen to have two places of registration. Contest ends August 30th.

BETTER GET BUSY !

FISH MUST BE REGISTERED WITH ART GLENTON # 152 or MILO FRANCE # 386

Have you seen the new door to the Storage Room at the Yacht Club? Joe Myers is responsible for this and we do thank him.

The Fresident and Vice-president of the Junior Yacht Club, Ken Ratajczak and Jim Purdy, were reported seen at the store Sunday afternoon. Ken bought 24 lik-a-mads while Jim was eating candy and chewing bubble gum (both at the same time) It must take courage!

DO YOU HAVE A FOR SALE ?

If so, please let me know. Miss Frances Bowers - # 307

Bob King and Wayne Wade went to Camp Eberhart together July 12. We sure hope they have fun!

WOULD YOU LIKE SOME HELP? The Misses Barbara and Carole Myers of cottage 159 (Phone 476-3751) will be happy to babysit....paint....iron or help you in any way they can. Thanks?

Karen King and Cathy Ward went to Camp Tannadoonah July 12th. They will be there for two weeks.

Bonnie Naftzger of Hammond was the weekend guest of Linda Keefer at the Bliler's cottage. The Jr. Yacht Club wishes to remin those who have promised to chaperone the Tues. and Thurs. dances next week to be sure to remember. Of course next Sat. night is the big HOOTENANNY and they hope "Y'all Come"

FROM 10:00 till 2:00

AT
THE
PUBLIC
BEACH

*** ATTENTION: BUCKET BRIGADE - We need your help so
Bring your pail without fail

WATER SAFETY PROGRAM (you can't afford to miss this)

July 22nd

Wednesday night at the Public Beach

7:00 P. M

DICK MARIOTTI

Representative of the Mishawaka Chapter

of the American Red Cross

will demonstrate safety measures in boating, canceing....the desirable features of life jackets, ski belts and vests...will speak on the "do's" and "dont's" of safe canceing and what to do in case a cance should tip over, or be swamped, also applying the same information to a row boat. I understand he will also demonstrate "life saving" techniques. Mr. Mariotti has just recently returned from the American Red Cross Acquatic School at Camp Limberlost, located outside of LaGrange.

WE HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND - Admission, of course, is free.

Mr. and Mrs. Habich entertained their daughter Margie, Mr. and Mrs. W. Peake from Chicago Heights, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ernst, their two sons, Bruce and Gary from Hammond, over the July 4th weekend. The puests loved Birch Lake and would have gladly stayed for the week if the two men could have played "hooky" from work. They are all planning on returning for another glorious weekend before the summer is over. We say "congratulations" on the beautiful fireworks display. It was truly enjoyed by everyone at cottage # 380.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Weesner have received word from their son A 2c Lance who is stationed in Etain, France, that he will be married in early August to Miss Michelle Leporcq in Moselle, France.

Mrs. Berneita Dilger of Chicago and her grandson Jack Barnas are visiting her sister Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nelson, # 113.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berghorst of Chicago were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. Nelson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Griss were guests at the Frank Nelson home last week.

Scotty Milne wishes to report that he's out of ponies!

The Methodist Men's Club of Constantine were entertained at the Dixon Cottage #50

After a pleasant, but unsuccessful trip around the lake to determine how the cottages are numbered, the Gattman's "of Woodland Cove" have decided to call their cottage "Number in_" provided the directory arrives soon and helps us out. We were trying to track down the ads from the Birch Barker.

*Editor's Note: We appreciate your problem and want you to know there is an answer....as shown in the appendix to the 1961 Directory, your cottage # is 311R. Cottages are numbered from the southwest corner continuing in a counter-clockwise manner from cottage

00 to # 400 with the exception of the addition in which you are located, which was added after the original numbering.

The G. B. Gattman's entertained Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Comer, Denny and Mike for an overnight visit...which will not soon be forgotten.

Five year old Greg Gattman sports a BIG bandage on his left leg that we call "Operation Sparkler". Just ask Greg if you think sparklers aren't dangerous. Everyone had fun though despite Greg's bad luck.

Frank S. Bodza Sr's. are spending 2 weeks at their cottage on East Side Hill. Don Currier caught a 23 inch 4 lb. trout at Harwood Lake while on vacation. Guess the Birch Lake trout are on vacation.

The Jim Freeman's from South Bend and sons Jimmy, Jeff and Greg and daughter Susan are spending the weekend with the Jack Troeger family. The Richard Moore family enjoyed the 4th of July weekend with them.

Mrs. Paul Kegg of Elkhart spent Wednesday afternoon and evening with the Kollar's.

Guests of the Thomas R. Smiths, Mr. Carl Koller and his fiancee Srta. Blanca Ma Lucio and her mother, Mrs. Josefina Lucio left for Mexico City on Sunday. July 12th. They enjoyed 2 pleasant weeks at the lake.

McCreary's at cottage # 62 entertained Dick's brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McCreary and their sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Willis of Annaheim, Calif. on Tuesday evening. There was a picnic planned but it was rained out. However, the Calif. folk still think Birch is just great.

age point.

From 9:00

12:00

Miss Beverly Staybock of LaPorte was the weekend guest of Christine They are former classmates DeWulf. of Indiana University. Before coming to the lake Friday, Chris took Bev on a tour of the Notre Dame campus. This included a tour of the new Memorial Library where Chris is employed for the summer. She also showed her the wonderful view from the 13th floor. It is possible to view three counties from this vant-

July 25th

Mrs. Dale Barter, Cindy, Sandy and Randy of Cassopolis spent Saturday at the Purdy's.

Mary Ann Purdy is helping as assistant cook at Camp Kiloqua for 2 weeks and she loves it.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Purdy received a phone call from Glasgow, Montana... Bill informed them he will have a 30 day leave starting August 5th. He will be happy to leave the Air Base for some fun and relaxation at good old Birch Lake. He reports there's no place like "Birch" and he will be glad to be home again.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Cowen of # 308 are happy to be "grandpa and grandma" Their daughter Carolyn and again. husband John are the proud parents of little Matthew John. The Cowens plan to leave today for a visit with their new grandson at # 4 Kenwood Road, Auburn, New York. Incidentally, they also intend to visit the World s Fair. Their son Richard and his wife, Peggy will be traveling with them.

John, Grace and Heidi Drobis will spend their vacation with the Ken Bernaciak's. "Live it up" is their motto.

Mrs. Haines McKibbin and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gohn of Goshen were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Gohn.

Miss Julie Kinner and Miss Joyce Frick are having fun this week at the I. T. Bowers cottage # 307.

ATTENTION DOG OWNERS! We, of the East Side of the lake, are asking again.... Won't you PLEASE keep your pets around Thanks! your 0 W N cottages.

Tom Troeger, 7 years old, caught a 12" Bass on his first try with a spinning rod. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Osborne, of cottage # 365, will entertain the George E. Lee Chapter # 26 of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors at a carry-in dinner Sunday, July 19th. Guest are expected from Michigan, Ind-Guests iana and Ohio. It is hoped that many antique clocks will be on display.

Hubert M. Weaver, cottage # 383 has two wooden screen doors for the taking.

Helen Hartstein and Elizabeth Greer entertained Mr. and Mrs. Truman Wisco of Mishawaka, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sommers of Elkhart, Mr. Harold Harstein and Larry Wenger of Mishawaka, Mrs. Lysle Nye and Mrs. Susie Caman of Galien, Mich. on July 5th at # 360.

Helen Hartstein and Elizabeth Greer entertained Mr. and Mrs. Gil Crotchett at cottage # 360 on July 11th and 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Kaczmarek, cottage # 102 went back home to Michigan City, Indiana, last Sun. Their son Don, daughter-in-law Jackie and grandchildren Tina, Tammy, Demoyne and Thomas are spending 10 days at the cottage. Their son Richard, daughter-in-law Vi and grandchildren Zita, Marie, Everett and John came in Friday from Detroit, Michigan, to spend a weekend. Daughter Zita is back from New York...had a nice time there but missed her friends at the lake...is sure happy to be back.

Miss Cheri Wiley of South Pend visited with the Bowers' at # 307.

The Terry's have their Grandma here for a vacation. She hasn't visited with them here in a long time. Ron has his fri from Toledo with him. Ron has his friend John It's a happy little group.

FOR SALE: Umbrella ten....nas a floor in it. Call at the Myers Cottage # 159 - or Phone 476 - 3751

The Jr. Yacht Club wishes to thank Mr. and Mrs. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Bratcher and Mrs. Weesner for chaperoning their dances last week.

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Tuesday evening guests at the Mo Creary's were Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Eger and family from Osceola.

Back again at Machallecks for a Saturday of fun and a big steak dinner were the Nilesite foursome ... Steve Machalleck, Bill Hill, Tom South and Mike Mudd.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H Langley of So. Bend were Sunday guests of the L.J.Dennert's

Mrs. A. W Lynch of Mt. Pleasant is spending several days at the Lynch cottage to celebrate birthdays with her grandaughters Lucy and Laura.



Said Mr. Quack to Mrs. Quack "Here is a date to remember"

AUGUST 23rd - at 4:30 The Jr. Yacht Club is determined to make this year's BOAT PARADE a floating success. Of course they will need your help. They are buying the trophies this year and will award one in each of the four classes... the most original.. humorous...beautiful...and best executed. You will be receiving an entry blank soon. The deadline for registration is August 16th. These may be turned in to your news collector or Debbie Bratcher, Cottage # 00.

We would like to make Wednesday evening the Adult's Official "evening out". Let's enjoy our clubhouse. Would you enjoy playing cards (a number of families have asked for this kind of fun) We have asked for card tables and wish to thank those who have contributed...could still use more. Would you like to play bridge...euchre..or you name it. Just bring your cards and we'll all have fun. Our Social Chairman, Mrs. J. Machalleck, has asked me to repeat the listing of her social committee so you may know who to talk to about the fun you'd most appreciate.

Mrs. Doris Bratcher (south side)

Mrs. Helen Weesner (east side)



Mrs. Le King (north side)

Mrs. Doris Habich (west side) Mrs. Inez Wirick (hill)

Was over and took a picture of the beautiful "Bird of Paradise" flower at the Pat Forbes' cottage # 26. This unusual plant blooms both day and night. Sure does make one think of Florida. Speaking of plants that make you think of Florida...have you seen the beautiful plants Dr. and Mrs. Lahr have around their home? Can hardly wait for their beautiful dahlias to start blooming again.

REMEMBER THE ANNUAL JONES DINNER AND SQUARE DANCE August 8th Adults \$2.00 Children 12 yrs & under * DOOR PRIZES TOO

FRIDAY NIGHTS ARE ADULT'S GAME NIGHTS (those 15 yrs & over)

The hours are 8 - 11 (small charge) Proceeds to be used for our kitchen fund

* Mrs. J. Machelled Social Chairman

