

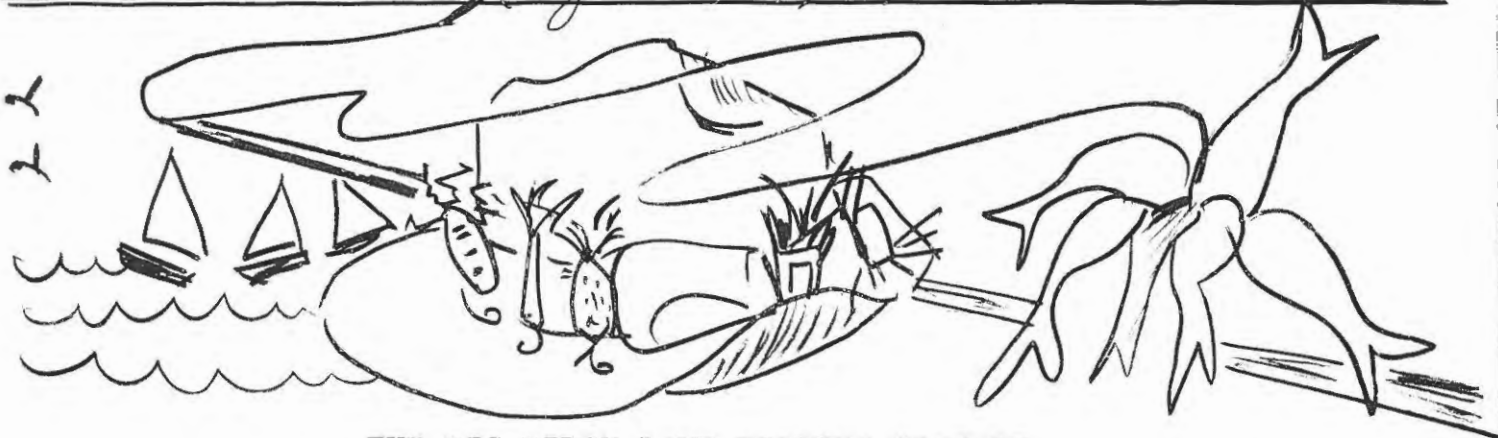
THE BIRCH BARKER

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THE BIG BIRCH LAKE FISHING CONTEST

is drawing to a close....the last minute to register your fish will be at 12:00 midnight on Sunday, August 30th. The trophies have been ordered and maybe you will be the lucky winner. Remember, your "catch" must be alive when measured and registered with either ART GLENTON, Cottage # 152 or MILO FRANCE, Cottage # 386. There are three categories: the largest fish in each class..... Bass....Bluegill.....Trout. Names of the winners will be printed in the next and final issue of the Birch Barker for this season.

THE BIRCH LAKE ANNUAL BOAT PARADE WAS VOTED A BIG SUCCESS

The Junior Yacht Club wish to thank all those who participated and those who lined the shores to show their appreciation. There was a 150% increase in entries this year, over last year. Let's keep up the enthusiasm and plan right now to join in the fun next year. Have heard several families say that they already know what they will do next year. Wish to thank the Brown's for the use of their pontoon boat which carried the judges who were Nadine Brown, Judy Getzinger and Le King....also the Junior Commodore, Jim Purdy, and the Senior Commodore, I. T. Bowers. Trophies were awarded as follows:

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| Most Original | (1) Bratcher and Ball | The Rocket Ship |
| | (2) Asire's | Hunting in Ethiopia |
| | (3) I T. Bowers | Vote in '64 |
| Humorous | (1) Foote and Lynch | The Birch John Society |
| | (2) Myers | Lazy Daisies |
| Beautiful | (1) Anderson | South of the Border |
| | (2) Toth | Be Sure to Vote |
| Best Executed | (1) Tunncliffe | McHale's Navy |
| | (2) King | Things to Remember in Dec. |
| | (3) Milne | Noah's Ark |

*Debbie Bratcher, Social Chairman



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REPORT THE FAMILY NEWS:

Lynn McKeen from Alma, Michigan, visited her grandparents, Paul and Irma Thayer, cottage # 245. She returned home on Monday with her mother and two sisters who have been with them for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Asire and family will be leaving August 31st for their new home in Centerport, Long Island, New York, # 52 Seaspray Drive. Miss Nancy will be attending Converse College in Spartansburg, South Carolina. All are happy to be back in the States, their mission in Ethiopia having been accomplished.

The North Side is very pleased with the response of the Birch Lake neighbors to their ice cream social which was held last Friday evening. The day was cool but there was a warm reception for all who attended. They wish to express their appreciation to the Hickory Inn for the donation of the place mats. They also wish to thank the ladies who donated the cakes.. Total receipts from the Social and the games amounted to \$67,40. Speaking of games, we wish Barry Hague might have passed the "winning" around a little. You may now call him "Money Bags".

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Needler of Lakeville, Indiana, visited with the Fulmer's last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Richard Cowen received her Masters Degree at Ball State Teachers College Friday afternoon, August 21st. Honoring the occasion, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cowen, Steven and Stacia of Muncie, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cowen, Mr. and Mrs. L. Cleland and Ronald Cleland all of Mishawaka and Miss Ruth Stites of South Bend dined at Diamond Harbor Inn Saturday night...then spent the rest of the evening at the Cowen's cottage enjoying pictures of the World's Fair and others taken on their recent trip.

The Herbert Weavers entertained Prentice and Jeanie Johnson of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and Jack and Dorothy Johnson and their mother who is 94 years old, from Mishawaka, at a steak cookout on Sat.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Bodza purchased Terry's cottage and are enjoying it very much.

The Everett Kaczmarek family report their guests for the weekend were their son and daughter-in-law and their 3 children from Detroit, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Leo LeBlanc and children from South Carolina and Mrs. Laura Szymanski from Chicago, Illinois.

The Harry Price's are at cottage # 132 until Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Kensill of Fort Wayne were weekend guests of the Kensills.

Dave Gableman's guests for the week were Steve and Charley Echols and Steve and Denny Klapp of Elkhart.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Smith from Globe, Arizona, are visiting Mrs. Edith Davis at Birch Lake. They are old acquaintances from Denning, New Mexico.

John Machalleck, cottage # 51, ends his vacation Sunday. I hear he is going to be very glad to go back to work. Do you know why? He has enjoyed (?) two full weeks of digging and shoveling putting in a sidewalk, retaining wall and patio. Going back to work will probably seem like resting. HaHa

Just as the Machalleck's cement-making project was set up and each girl had been informed of her duties, very welcome guests came unexpectedly to relieve them of their assignments.

Kathy was excused Tuesday to entertain Trina Frucci, Carol Smith, Jeannie Rodinbarger and Corine Cochran, all from Niles.

Marianne hosted on Wednesday Carol Mersereau and her mother and Ingrid Frigaard, all of Niles and Ingrid's cousin John Dietz from Wyoming. While the kids were swimming and skiing, Mrs. Mersereau took over the job of water boy and conversed as well as possible over the noise of the cement mixer. Unfortunately, once a cement job has been started it just has to be completed...and so it was!

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Bowers and daughter Frances attended the wedding of Linda Woodard and Thomas S. Beerman on Sat., August 22nd, at 10:00 in the Holy Cross Church, South Bend, Indiana. Linda is the daughter of the Harry Woodards of South Bend, Mrs. Bowers' step-brother.

Howie Andersen left for Cleveland Thursday after spending 2 months with his grandparents.

The Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Nelson will be guests of the Humphrey's this weekend.

Last Sunday a delicious potluck dinner was enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Clara Wienke, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Young, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cramer, and Mr. and Mrs. Lenard Hable, all of Niles, at the Machalleck's cottage. Surprise guests were Jane Anderson, Judy and Dick Humbarger with Ricky and two weeks old Lynn. Pat Tatro, guests of Steve Machalleck, completed the guest list and a wonderful day was enjoyed by all.

Genevieve Lagoni is very happy to be home again at Birch Lake after summer school at Michigan State and a quick trip to Europe with Dr. and Mrs. Ludenfeld and family of Niles.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Milne visited Mrs. Milne's cousins, the Rudy Trinosky's at Swan Lake, Michigan, on Tuesday.

Scott, Tim and Steve Troeger's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Shulmier, and Cindy and Shery Shulmier are visiting for the weekend.

Mr. Milne's niece Beverly Silvasi, and three boys from Hammond, Ind., spent the day visiting them on Thursday.

Mrs. Dessa Potter from Haven Hubbard Home in New Carlisle, Indiana, visited the Ora Kollar's on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Saturday P. M. callers were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kendall.

Otto Martin, cottage # 95, had lots of company this week. His daughter Frances of Chicago spent the week here, including one memorable evening when she fell out of the boat, but had fun as always at Birch Lake. Miss Kathlean Winter of Chicago joined them for the weekend. Saturday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Horning and Janice and Patrick of South Bend.

The P. C. Forbes had as guests on Thurs. Mr. and Mrs. Art Huber of Gravel Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Botts, Indian Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Futterkeneckt and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kaylor of Mishawaka. A good time was had by all. Had a nice pontoon ride which they all loved. The rest of the time was spent playing Blitz (that is, if you were the winner).

The Bob Carpenters plan and hope to have their family all here for Labor Day. This will be the Taylors from Fort Wayne, Jean, Fred, Lisa, John and Aron. There will be the Carpenters from Terre Haute, Judy, Ed, Debbie, Peter and David. With the Terre Haute Carpenters will be Maria Enrico O'Hara, an exchange student from Brazil who is living with them for a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Davis of Argos, Ind. were Saturday callers at the Cowens.

We are so happy to announce that Mr. and Mrs. D. Claro are the proud parents of a darling little baby girl, born at 5:30 P. M. on Friday, August 21st. She weighed 9 lbs and 2 oz. Congratulations!

Steven Lee Cowen is enjoying this week with his grandparents, Clifford and Avanelle Cowen.

The I. T. Bowers family at # 307 enjoyed the following weekend guests, Pvt. Max Whisler from Fort Knox, Mrs. Blanche Hertel from South Bend and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bowers and children Teri and Mike also from South Bend. Everyone had a hand in decorating the boat for the Boat Parade.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE has added the name of Frank Bliler, cottage # 240 to the list of Directors for next year. He represents the North Side. This completes the list which was printed in the August 15th Birch Barker, Issue Number 8.

The Pine Row Home Demonstration Club will have a BAKE SALE on September 5th at NETERER'S GARAGE, cottage # 99.. FROM 9:00 until 12:00



This beautiful poem was written by one of our Junior Yacht Club members. I'd like to print her name but she has asked me to keep it a secret.

It's early in the morning
When the sun starts to rise
There's a splash in the water
But attracts very few eyes.

The sun is a chariot
Up against the blue
The sparkling clear water
In many radiant hues.

It's a World Premier
It's the 4th of July
It's something you feel
Yet see with the eye.

On goes the day
Right on into night
And we witness again
A most beautiful sight.

The blackness of sky
Is gloriously aglow
With the millions of stars
And a moon that's hung low.

You must think I'm writing
Of some fairy land
I tell you the truth
This land is right at hand.

So if you can't guess
I'd sure like to make
a great, great tribute
to our BEAUTIFUL BIRCH LAKE.

WE'RE ALMOST TO GRANDMA'S
and GRANDPA'S COTTAGE NOW

IT'S AT BIRCH LAKE (the best
in the world) ONLY
3 MORE INCHES TO GO.

HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THE KITCHEN FUND
HAS NOW REACHED \$228.92.

HAVE
YOU
PAID
YOUR
YACHT CLUB
DUES ? ? ? ? ?

BETTER TAKE CARE OF
THAT LITTLE ITEM
RIGHT AWAY.



WILL
THIS
BE YOU ? ? ?

BIG
FISHING
CONTEST
CLOSES AT
MIDNIGHT ON
AUGUST 30th

(See first page
of Barker for
details)



Our Fleet Captain, DAVE MILNE, reports Racing Results for Sun., Aug. 23, 1964.

RACE # 1

- (1) Howard - 14009
- (2) Milne - 13835
- (3) Hague - 12399
- (4) Troeger, E. - 9432
- (5) Troeger, J. - 7377
- (6) Weaver - 10955
(sailed by R. Doolittle)
- (7) Getzinger - 10360

RACE # 2

- (1) Troeger, E. - 9432
- (2) Milne - 13835
- (3) Hague - 12399
- (4) Howard - 14009
- (5) Getzinger - 10360
- (6) Troeger, J. - 7377
- (7) Weaver - 10955
(sailed by R. Doolittle)



Our captain reports that the sailing trophies have been ordered and winners will be announced in next Barker

