

# THE BIRCH BARKER

from Beautiful Birch Lake - 15¢  
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Hurrah! Hurrah!

## THE ANNUAL BIRCH LAKE BOAT PARADE

Will start at 3:00 P. M. from the Public Beach on  
SUNDAY JULY 25th

Phone Mrs. Howard Anderson, the chairman, 2870,  
or locate her cottage # 182. Tell her you will be  
entering your boat and receive your number. Entries  
will be in the order of call received.. Of course  
there will be PRIZES. (Jr. Yacht Club is responsible  
for the prizes) Judges will be secured from both  
Jr. and Sr. Divisions.



STRIKE UP THE BAND  
HERE COMES THE LEAD BOAT  
AND THE PARADE IS FLOATING

You're NEVER TOO YOUNG and NEVER TOO  
OLD to join in this fun.

(DON'T WAIT TILL JULY 24th TO START PLANNING  
BETTER START TODAY)



ARE YOU REMEMBERING TO HAVE  
YOUR NEWS READY FOR OUR "NEWS  
HOUNDS"? They deliver your  
Barker on Saturdays and pick  
up your news at the same time.  
We have more "paid up" sub-  
scriptions this year than ever  
before and that really helps.  
You can still pay for the rest  
of the season figuring it at  
15¢ per issue. We want to  
hear from your cottage and  
every cottage. THIS IS  
YOUR PAPER. Buy an extra  
copy or copies and send  
the news to the folks back  
home. You will be helping  
your Yacht Club too!

## SIDEWALK DAYS AT CASSOPOLIS

Fri. and Sat. - July 16 & 17

Once again the Gohn Drug-  
store joins with the other  
downtown merchants to offer  
you many bargains on these  
special days, FRIDAY and  
SATURDAY, July 16 and 17th.

You will find an especially  
big selection of bargains  
at Gohn Drugstore.

Bring your prescriptions.

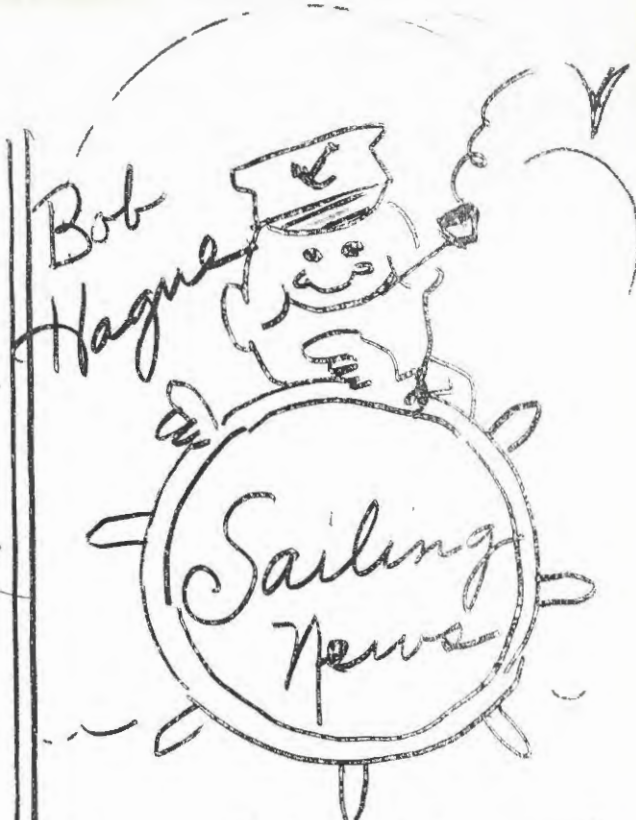


The following article was taken from the magazine Motor Boating - July '65 issue, and given to me by Floyd Fulmer, our Yacht Club Secretary:

"MY BOYS TOOK THE YOUNG BOATMAN'S SAFETY COURSE sponsored by New York State last spring and profited from it greatly. Now my 11 year old can take out his motor-boat without having an adult aboard. His certificate says so. All mothers know, or most of them do, that after age 10 or so safe boat handling depends very little on years. Good sense, particularly experience and training are more important. No license will measure or insure those vital factors despite what some of our legislators think. Before letting your children out in the dinghy with its one and a half horse, make sure they can handle it properly. The Coast Guard's got enough to do as it is.

BECAUSE I DON'T THINK SAFETY CAN BE LEGISLATED doesn't mean I'm agin it. We don't need a statute, for instance, to tell us that a swimming area is no place to run an outboard--at any speed. Yet adults do it, and no one says it's against the law for them to be operating a boat. They're old enough and big enough. They just ignore common sense dictates--and so give those lawmakers ammunition for their campaign on "licensing."

The above is "food for thought". We have experienced just such happenings right here at Birch Lake and the offenders are not children either. There is plenty of water and plenty of room to operate your motor-boats safely by not running between the shoreline and the rafts. This MUST be reserved for the safety of our swimmers. I am sure if boat operators will just remember this, no one need be embarrassed by being stopped by our Boat Patrol.



### Our Fleet Captain

reports the results of our FOURTH OF JULY REGATTA (3 races)

- 1st ... E. Troeger - 9432
- 2nd ... J. Howard - 14009
- 3rd ... Hague - 15500
- 4th ... Machallsch - 9602
- 5th ... Milne - 13835
- 6th ... Foote - 7378
- 7th ... Getzinger - 10360
- 8th ... J. Troeger - 7377
- 9th ... Weaver - 10955

OUR JUNIOR FLEET CAPTAIN, Brian Hague reported weather was just agin them this week...was just too windy for their race. Better luck next week!

OUR SENIOR FLEET CAPTAIN, Bob Hague, cottage # 20, would appreciate some volunteers to help on the Committee Boat for the sailboat races. You can't be every place at once and he would even appreciate other boat to help watch the buoys. You don't have to know how to sail.. he will inform you as to what to watch for. Let's pass this responsibility around a bit.

Don't all speak at once now.. ha ha...but seriously let's volunteer for this activity.  
SEE BOB HAGUE - Cottage # 20

*Hurry up - it starts at 8:00*

FRIDAY NIGHT IS FUN NIGHT AT THE YACHT CLUBHOUSE.....Don't dress up, just be comfortable and come as you are! Meet your friends and neighbors around the lake...it's more fun when you get acquainted with folks. The games help to build our Kitchen Fund.

Starts at 8:00 and its "come and go" as you please. See you FRIDAY NIGHT



FOR SALE: 1960 V. W. Black

Good running condition.....  
30 "plus" miles per gallon

\$ 700.00

Inquire at cottage # 51.

FOR SALE AT OTTO MAL'S  
COTTAGE # 64

1 lavatory sink with faucets  
A Westinghouse Portable  
Sewing Machine  
Electric Heater  
Handmade Aprons in cross stitch

FOR SALE:

12 Ft. Steel Row Boat (used)  
1 Gas Stove

See Decker at Cottage # 145



REMEMBER THE  
BOAT PARADE!  
Sunday  
July 25 t h  
3:00 P. M.

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE

DON'T STEP ON THE GAS ON OUR LAKE ROADS

Children are very apt to  
be darting out into  
your path. Traffic  
signs are posted.  
PLEASE OBEY!



We have  
also  
received  
complaints  
that people  
are needlessly driving over private yards.

PLEASE STOP AND THINK AND WATCH !!!

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THE JUNIOR YACHT CLUB NEEDS CHAPERONES for  
Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings.  
They wish to thank Charlie and Dorie Purdy  
for chaperoning last Saturday night. The  
chaperones reported about 125 present, not all  
at one time of course. Don't think of this  
as a duty, but rather as a privilege..I mean  
"to be wanted".The Editor added the last line

\* The only two who can live as cheaply as  
one are the flea and the dog.



BROTHER



SISTER



MOM

AND



DAD

ALL REPORT THE FAMILY NEWS:

Mrs. John Heckber of South Bend will  
be honored Sunday with a cook-out  
party at the Hilltop cottage of the  
Cealkas, the occasion being a birth-  
day celebration with the members of  
their Bridge Club.

Ed and Helen Klappauf of Chicago spent  
the day with the Ray Klappaufs.

Kim and Russell Carey are visiting at  
their grandmother's cottage for a  
few weeks.

LaMar King and family spent the 4th at  
Gull Lake. LaMar's sister and her  
husband hosted a family reunion.

Jim Miner was the weekend guest of Ken  
Ratajczak. Carol Klutz and Paul  
Chandler were also invited up to watch  
our fireworks display.

The Gattman's guests for the 4th of  
July weekend were Dr. and Mrs. David  
Silber and family from Elkhart. They  
will soon be taking up residency in  
Nashville, Tennessee.

Frequent visitors at Birch Lake this  
summer will be Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J.  
Roach (the former Mary Ann Budzinski)  
who have recently traveled from San  
Jose, California, to spend the summer  
in South Bend, and John Budzinski who  
is a Fire Control Technician with the  
U. S. Navy at Great Lake, Ill! John  
has been promoted to Petty Officer,  
2nd Class.

Mr. and Mrs. David P. Good and child-  
ren, Chris and Mike, spent Saturday,  
June 26th with the Budzinskis.

Who made it up on skis on the 2nd  
try? It was Tom Budzinski. Nice  
going, Tom! We'll be seeing a lot of  
you out there this year.

Mrs. Ray Goddard is visiting her sis-  
ter in Calif. She will return to  
Birch Lake on July 5th.

Visitors at the Gary Stout's were  
Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kichel, Mr. and Mrs.  
Doug Stout and Mrs. Betty Good.



Mr. and Mrs. France entertained Mr. and Mrs. George Sousley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hoffman and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. Purcell from Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Vandewalle and Mr. and Mrs. Johns.

Paul G. Lavery and son Larry of Palos Pk., Illinois spent a wonderful 4th of July weekend at Habich's cottage. They enjoyed the lake so much that they are renting Mr. Dvorak's cottage for a week in July. Margaret Habich also spent the weekend with her folks at Birch Lake.

Galen and Sarah Sargent of Sebring, Fla. were Monday guests of the Hubert M. Weavers. The James Shearmans of Plymouth spent Sunday evening with the Weavers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Decker entertained the following houseguests on Sunday, July 4th. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Chapman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Przybylimski and family and Miss Lyan Brown of Niles.

Guests of the Kruggels over the 4th of July holiday were Mr. and Mrs. Foster Dailey and children from Benton Harbor. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Henselin and Eddie and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jaqua and family of South Bend.

The Waggoner's guests for the weekend were Dr. Nyberg and family from So. Bend, also their nephew David Knight from South Bend.

Virginia Sikorski of cottage # 23 celebrated her 10th birthday on July 3rd. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Donna and Denny, Mr. and Mrs. Harms, Mrs. Pauline Goodman from Fort Wayne, her grandfather, Mr. C. Miscewicz and her Uncle Alex Sikorski.

Little white "undies" are fluttering on the clothesline at the Starr Wentworth's cottage. Daughter Shirley and husband Jim with their children Lisa and Baby Dawn from Ohio are visiting for a couple of weeks. Grandma's knitting needles are really flying.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Partridge, cottage # 310, returned to the lake in May from their winter home in Safety Harbor, Fla. They were happy to attend their 45th annual High School reunion held at the Lincoln Highway Inn. It was the best attendance ever according to the chairman with 27 of the 52 members present. It was great fun to reminisce with old classmates.

After a HOT week in Chicago, attending the National Association of Music Merchants, Birch Lake was a most welcome sight Thursday to the Chuck Gablemans and their 4th of July weekend guests, Mr. and Mrs.

Jack Hyde of Sacramento, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. Rich Achberger of Sturgis, Michigan, Hyde's friends of long standing will also be guests on Sunday, also Mr. and Mrs. Marion Fuller of Elkhart and Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Wilson, Elkhart, who are moving to Biloxi, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hibschan entertained his wife's parents at the Hibschan cottage for the 4th of July weekend.

The Olsons had a full house for the weekend of the 4th. Their daughter and son-in-law, Margi and Gary Snyder of West Lafayette, daughter Fran, Mishawaka, and soon-to-be-son-in-law Henry Roddeger of St. Louis, Mo., Henry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ward, and John Ryan, all of Gary and Henry's Uncle and Aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Milhem, Highland, converged on # 141 for a chicken barbecue cookout Sunday.

Incidentally, we hear there is something being kept "under cover" at the Olsons. Don has a "Honda 50". Could the reason be that he won't be 16 until August 19th and therefore does not have a license as yet??????

Otto Martin, Cottage # 95, had guests for the 4th. His daughters Frances and Kathleen Winter of Chicago were down for the weekend. Did you see Ott's new flag a-flyin' on the front of his cottage?

We welcome Mrs. Jessie B. Huston of Chicago, Illinois. She is the new owner of cottage # 60. Mrs. Inez Fergus in cottage # 53 is her sister. So happy to have you at Birch Lake, Mrs. Huston.

Mr. I. T. Bowers' sister, Mrs. Lowell (Belle) Zentz of Stuart, Florida, passed away on July 5th. She and her husband had returned here about a month ago to enjoy a vacation with her family.

Mrs. Jack Asire flew to New York City on Friday to attend the dinner given in honor of Jack's 25th year with T W A.

Stephanie Brandley, Gail Getzinger Brandley's mother-in-law was their guest over the 4th of July at the Getzinger's cottage.





Congratulations are in order for the Misses Martha L. and sister Phyllis Lorene Krueger, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd H. Krueger from cottage # 324. They



were married in St. Mark's Catholic Church in Niles, Michigan, at 2:00 P. M. on Saturday, July 3rd. Martha became the bride of Thomas Athanas of Rochester, New York, and Phyllis became the bride of Dr. Mortimer D. Beck of Ann Arbor.

Guests at the Sindlinger cottage during the last two weekends included Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Engleman from Fort Worth, Texas, on June 20th and a group from South Bend on June 27th. Much time was devoted to playing the Recorder and viols. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hatch, Mrs. John Poffenberger, Miss Marianne Reddick, Mrs. Ann Bigley and daughter Elizabeth and Miss Sue Stafford of Niles.

What a catastrophe! You wonder why? Well, Fred Lee Myers came to visit his Aunt Inez at cottage # 53 for a week. That was fine but now the Birch Lake girls have claimed him and she can't get him to go back home. Poor Freddy???

Mr. and Mrs. Corvan Purdy and Sandra of Dayton, Texas, and Mrs. Thomas Purdy and Donnie of San Antonio, Texas, were Monday afternoon visitors at the Charlie Purdy's.

Guests for the past week at the Hagerty's were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hagerty of Elkhart, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hagerty and their children, Diane and Ricky of Three Rivers and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lutz of White Pigeon. They expect to have Mr. and Mrs. Milo Godfrey, Mary Lou and Buddy of Roseburg, Oregon, as guests this next week. Mrs. Godfrey is Mr. Hagerty's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Milne have been at Eagle Lake for the past seven weeks helping Mrs. Milne's Uncle, Dr. C. M. Fish, care for her aunt, who is seriously ill. She is now in Memorial Hospital, So. Bend.

Cindy and Sandy Barter of Cassopolis spent three days this past week visiting with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Purdy.

The Edward Partridges of Cincinnati are spending the week at Wee Wood with the Charles Partridges. The Caenepeels (Chas. Partridge's daughter and her family) are helping to liven up the shoreline with their pet raccoon, Ricky. He is a mighty cute little feller and is just learning to fish. No problem, just comes naturally.

The I. T. Bowers cottage # 307 was in an uproar Monday afternoon. Heard a scratching noise in the chimney and found a flying squirrel had come to pay them a visit. After a half hour of moving furniture and jumping over chairs, they decided to invite their little pet kitten Tiger to join the hunt. He calmly caught the visitor in a matter of seconds. We don't mind sharing but would rather the flying squirrel and her family would fly some other way. They are still enjoying the attic (I mean the squirrels)

The Everett Kaczmareks have as their guests for the week their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Don Kaczmarek and her four children Tina Sammy, Tommy and Wayne.

Julie, Marsha and Brian Kinner, grandchildren of the I. T. Bowers came up to Birch Lake last Thursday. Brian and Marsha left on Sunday (after the fireworks) with Paul Bowers and his wife Betty and their children, Teri and Mike. They all love to come to Birch Lake and especially loved the fireworks. Julie is staying over this week...hopes to get in a lot of water skiing

Guests of Don and Dorothy Coleman at their "Double D" cottage for their annual 4th of July party were:

- Mr. and Mrs. F. Fulmer, Birch Lake (winter home-Oklawaha Florida)
- Dr. and Mrs. Frank Whitlock, Mishawaka, Indiana.
- Mr. and Mrs. Mel Hibschan and son Tom, Mishawaka
- Mr. and Mrs. George Lawrence, Mishawaka
- Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hums, Mish.
- Mr. and Mrs. Webster Gray, South Bend
- Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Taylor, South Bend
- Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Schafer and grandson Danny, South Bend
- Mr. and Mrs. Archie Smith, South Bend
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith, South Bend
- Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bolesky, South Bend
- Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hall, Eagle Lake, Michigan.
- Professor and Mrs. Wesley Bender and daughter Elaine from Notre Dame, Indiana
- Professor and Mrs. LeClair Eel and children Karen and John, South Bend.



Don and Dorothy Coleman's Guest List continues:

- Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sindlinger, South Bend
- Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Shewman, Mish.
- Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Harwood, So. Bend
- Mr. and Mrs. A. Lynn Minzey, Corey Lake, Michigan
- Mrs. Thomas Waite, Granger, Ind.
- Mr. and Mrs. William Lake, Culver
- Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Miner, So. Bend.

The Joe Myers are enjoying the company of her brother Ron, sister-in-law Mary Jo and children Joey, Mary Frances, Monica and Paul from New Jersey. This is their first visit to Birch Lake.

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A YEAR AND A HALF....all four Machalleck children are home at once. Mike, an ensign in the Navy, came in Friday after a short lay over due to a crash landing of his plane at Kansas City. Fortunately there were only a few minor injuries and Mike was not hurt. Mike will be here only a short time...returning to duty aboard the U S S Ozbourn on July 12. Steve and his wife Patty of Kalamazoo, Bert Desmond of Los Altos, California, attending summer school at Michigan State....Mrs. Joseph Machalleck and Denny Wolf of Niles and Marianne and Kathy complete the group.

The Duplicate Club from South Bend will be at the William J. Humphrey's cottage this weekend...Mr. and Mrs. William Abbolt, Mr. and Mrs. Devern Plunkett and Mr. and Mrs. S. Presbys

Lisa and John Taylor of Fort Wayne will be staying with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Carpenter at cottage # 112 for the first 3 weeks in July.

Fourth of July guests at the Carpenter's were Mr. Harry Grobe and Mr. Willie Schiefer from Germany. The Flemings from South Bend were Monday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Dixon, Diane and Douglas of Union Grove, Wisconsin, visited over the 4th with Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Dixon of Nun-u-kumok Hill.

Mrs. Floyd Culp of Goshen is visiting the Fred Lunz's. Everyone helped celebrate Mrs. Culp's birthday on the 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Podgor, Donnie and Allen will spend the week with the Kenneth Bernaciak family.

Chuck Fitzer of Chicago, Illinois will be spending his weekends at Birch Lake as a guest of Eileen Bernaciak.

What a vacation! Eileen Bernaciak came to Birch Lake for fun but instead spending most of her time traveling back and forth to the hospital and clinic in Three Rivers....an unexpected allergy "popped up"



OUR NATIONAL HOLIDAY HAS BEEN CELEBRATED. WE ARE ANXIOUS TO HAVE YOUR COMMENTS ON THE FIREWORKS DISPLAY SO WE MAY KNOW HOW TO PLAN FOR NEXT YEAR. Since the season is so short, we feel this is the best time to hear from you. Please fill out the questionnaire and sign your name and cottage number on the back plus any other comments...then hand to your reporter. We DO want to hear from every cottage.

Did you like the fireworks?            yes            no      Shall we have them next yr?            yes            no

With everyone chipping in, it was not necessary to touch Yacht Club funds to pay for our celebration,, in fact, we have never had to do this. We have heard many favorable comments, even from those visiting here from Chicago and other large cities. We were happy to know that our teenagers were not having to race to some other lake or area to see such a beautiful display. Our youngsters were happy to stay home and I'm sure we all had plenty of company who were anxiously waiting to see the fireworks. The weather man cooperated....no one got hurt. We were disappointed however in the fact that those responsible for the shooting of the display started earlier than our contract stated. It was just one of those unfortunate things that we could do nothing about except complain and you can be sure we have done just that! This is what we think, now what do you think? PLEASE CUT ON DOTTED LINE AND HAVE YOUR DECISION READY TO HAND TO REPORTER

THANKS

That's all folks. See you next week!