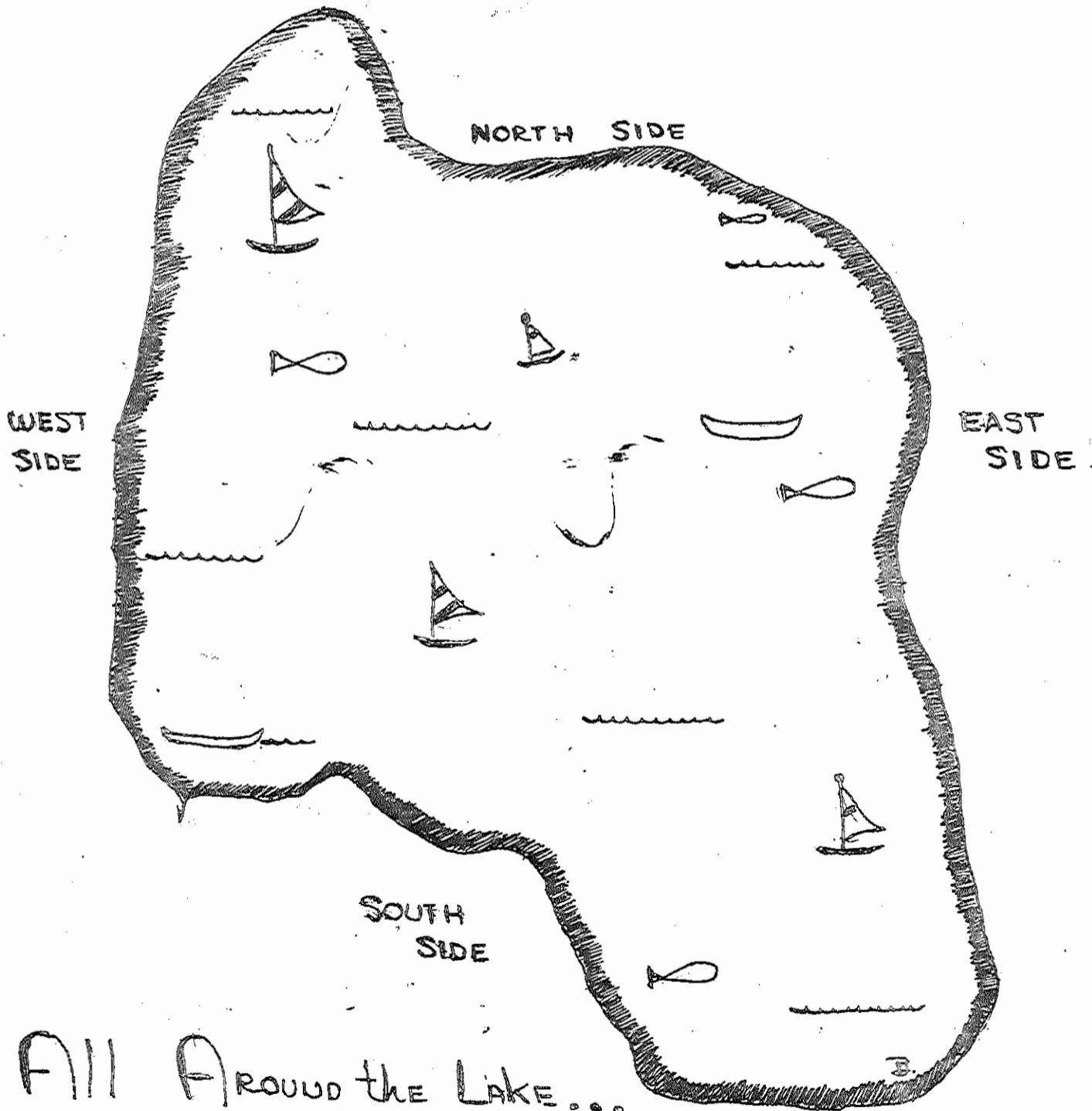


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All AROUND the LAKE...

SEE YOU NEXT SEASON

NEWS FROM AROUND THE LAKE

Steve Curtis and Scott Troyer had a birthday get-together last Sunday over at the Curtis'. The Curtis', the Troyers, Scotty's Grandma Scofield attended. Happy Birthday and many more from Laurie Scofield & Karen Curtis.

Steve Curtis will celebrate his 11th birthday on August 30th. Happy Birthday!! - Klappaufs, Kellys, Harris', Sanders, Hunts, Winarskis, Klimeks and Scottie too!

An early happy first birthday (September 7) goes to Carla Jean Klappauf, daughter of Carl & Sandie Klappauf and Granddaughter of Grandma & Grandpa Klappauf. Love, Uncle Ed, Aunt Kathy, and cousin Lisa.

Karen Bernaciak was recently engaged to Daniel Gozdziaak of Chicago. Karen & Dan will stay 3 or 4 days vacationing with Gram Bernaciak. No date has been set for the wedding.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Kevin Bernaciak is staying with Grandma for a week. He is now enjoying skiing after having a cast removed from a fractured finger.

Eileen & Chuck Fitzer of Chicago Ridge came to rest at Birch Lake for four days after a two-week tour of Florida.

Ken & Mary Ellen Bernaciak enjoyed a week's rest at the Lake away from the busy, noisy city. Friends of Ken & Mary Ellen - LaVern, Herman, Paul, Toni, Al, little Al, Debbie, Lenny, Gerri, Don, and Allen enjoyed the clear waters of Birch Lake. All had a good time.

Ken Bernaciak's third week of vacation ended last Friday and he hated to leave. He just started to enjoy the fishing and lazy life at Birch Lake? !?

Although it's a bit early, we neighbors and friends of Birch Lake on this solemn and beautiful occasion wish James & Eunice Kelly a Happy 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary on November 15, 1973. We also wish to dedicate this Golden Wedding poem to James & Eunice.

Fifty years together,
the golden number shines
The years have passed;
life's mellowed to the acme of its time
Love is all around us
and it's been here all the while
Tho the battles that we won and lost
can hardly bring a smile.
For who knows where love doth end
and the plague of boredom starts
Nor can you find it anywhere
'cept deep inside your hearts
When I took your arm for comfort
and the pleasure of your touch
Later on I leaned upon it,
a tender loving crutch

Once I smiled and poured a wine for you
some fuel for passion's fire
Now again, a drop or two -
so you won't notice when I tire
I know your lovely life-worn face
I see each wrinkle there
I recognize nature's penmanship
How formed, for what, and where
Yes, the number Fifty loomith
like a big clock overhead
And I loved you every moment
God willing, I'll love you when I'm dead.
We are people, so we realize
that every day is numbered
And we will laugh and drink and love again
when the angels write one hundred.

Your Friends and Neighbors:

Mae Bernaciak

Ken & Mary Ellen Bernaciak Family

Terry & Judy Curtis Family

Joseph & Helen Harris Family

Gus & Rose Harris

Wanda Winiarski & Son Peter

LaVerne & Jean Hunt Family

Roy & Rose Klappauf Family

Mac & Joyce Klimek

Ray & Sonya Sanders Family

Ken & Darlene Troyer Family

Thursday evening Cottage #51 became the Valley of the Green Giant as associates gathered at the Machallecks to honor Robert Dixon at a farewell party. Bob, office superintendent at the Green Giant Co. in Niles, is leaving the company to take a similar position with Lamb Weston Co. in Connell, Washington. He was presented with a gift and the evening was enjoyed in a relaxing, leisurely way. Those gatherings are fun times - too bad they seem only to occur when a good friend is leaving! Bob & Frieda and their 2 boys were on their way to their new home Friday night. Good luck!

Margaret Anderson & hubby Carl of Niles celebrated her birthday at the Machallecks on the rainy, dismal Sunday afternoon. As they don't particularly care about swimming, it didn't bother us at all and a good dinner and conversation was enjoyed. Margaret is Arline's sister-in-law. Only one candle decorated the cake - it's anyone's guess how many it stood for!

Saturday guests of the Mike Machallecks were Jim & Jeanette Grahm of Williamsburg, Va. Mike & Jim served together in the Navy, stationed at Yorkstown. Jim has since retired from service and is now taking schooling at Indianapolis to take on the same duties as a civilian employee at the Navy base. They enjoyed a steak fry at the cottage and like all visitors, fell in love with Birch Lake. Jim's looking forward to coming back to catch those BIG FISH that have been eluding our fishermen & women. Mike's wife, Katha, has just gotten the fishing fever and tries her luck whenever she can get a rod in the water.

Thirty-four people joined in celebrating John & Marty Ball's 25th year of blissful matrimony. Hosting the surprise celebration were their 4 children; Cindy, John, Julie, Steve and Cindy's husband Brian Hague. Brian's job was keeping an eye on Matthew Joseph, their 7-month old boy. Champagne, cake, catered food and drinks were enjoyed by all. Mom & Dad were also surprised when there were gifts to open later on in the evening. We hope there are 25 more happy years.

Julie Ball was hostess to six girlfriends Thursday afternoon. Everyone enjoyed Birch Lake immensely. The day closed with a cookout.

Steve Spano of Elkhart, Indiana, was Steve Ball's guest for two days.

Over 40 members of the Trinity United Methodist Chancel Choir of Elkhart, ministers and their wives gathered Wednesday at the John Ball cottage for a farewell party honoring Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ralston and their family who are moving to Midland, Michigan. Group singing was enjoyed with Marty Ball on their trusty ol' pump organ.

Julie Ball spent five days in Syracuse, Indiana at Smith-Walbridge Camp for drum majoring. She is Elkhart Central High School's drum major for 1973.

As the summer comes to a close, I would like to thank the Harlans and Nagys for being so kind to me this summer. It's been one of my best summers. You're great people and I appreciate everything you've done. Thanks for being you! I'll miss you.

Julie Ball

Happy Anniversary August 22nd Mom & Dad Ball! - Cindy & Brian Hague, Julie & Co.

ADS

Hole in the Wall - Handcrafts - Candles - Ecology Boxes - Flower Arrangements - Note Paper - Pictures - Bottles - More... On south side of the lake, 1/2 block from the Public Beach, Cottage #93.

No Sunfish sailed Sunday, August 19. Rainy - no wind weather caused Seldon & John to cancel the race!

Bingo - Friday - August 31.

A big THANK YOU to Bob & Shirley Ross for the annual dinner held last Saturday night at Camp Tanadoonah. The food was delicious and the square dance a lot of fun.

The new officers and directors elected at the meeting are:

Commodore	Bob Ross
Vice Commodore	Joe O'Brien
Secretary	Denny Weesner
Treasurer	Ginny Spratt

South Side	North Side
Glen Jeyert	Bud Zessinger
Herb Howard	Bob Temple
Les Jensen	
Chuck Stevens	

East Side	West Side
Bud Lovejoy	John Scofield
Dave Olson	Herm Kruggell
Harry Price	
Bill Humphrey	
Mort Hunt	

The following letter was also received:

Mr. Commodore: Members of the Birch Lake Yacht Club:

My name is Mrs. Walter A. Gaedtke, Cottage 318. My question is: Is the Yacht Club incorporated? If not, don't plan on my membership until such time that it is. Because unincorporated not only the Yacht Club Members could be sued collectively, but also individually held responsible.

I hereby submit a copy for the Secretary. Also one for the Birch Lake Barker's Editor for next week's publication.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Walter A. Gaedtke
Cottage 318

A 23 year resident, and 25 year property-owner, and a Member for many years, who would like to continue membership in the Birch Lake Yacht Club.

The matter of incorporation for the Yacht Club is being investigated.