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From the Commodore:

The summer calendar is running out (only one more activity -- the fall dinner). In one sense I've been counting the days until Dick Whiteman officially takes over as commodore and in another, I hate to see the summer end.

We've had fun, the weather's been fine, the cooperation and response of Birch Lakers has been tremendous. My thank you's go to all 18 directors, the ladies who helped produce the Barker, and to the many activity chairpersons and their helpers. The retiring officers Shirley Ross, Ginny Spratt, and fleet captain George Varga deserve credit for their services. Ginny finally decided that being treasurer forever was long enough!

The new commodore Dick Whiteman is planning a great 1978 season, but he'll need lots of support. First, plan on attending the Spring Dinner (104 did last year) and then plan on participating in lake activities next season.

Have a good winter season and joyous holidays.

Judy Olson

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

AUGUST 27 ANNUAL DINNER 5:30/6:30 Cass County Fairgrounds.

CARDIO PULMONARY RESUSCITATION

As you read this, 14 Birch Lakers hope to be certified C.P.R.s. The arrangements were difficult for Darlene Troyer but we all appreciate her efforts--- THANK YOU, DARLENE.

SQUARE DANCE

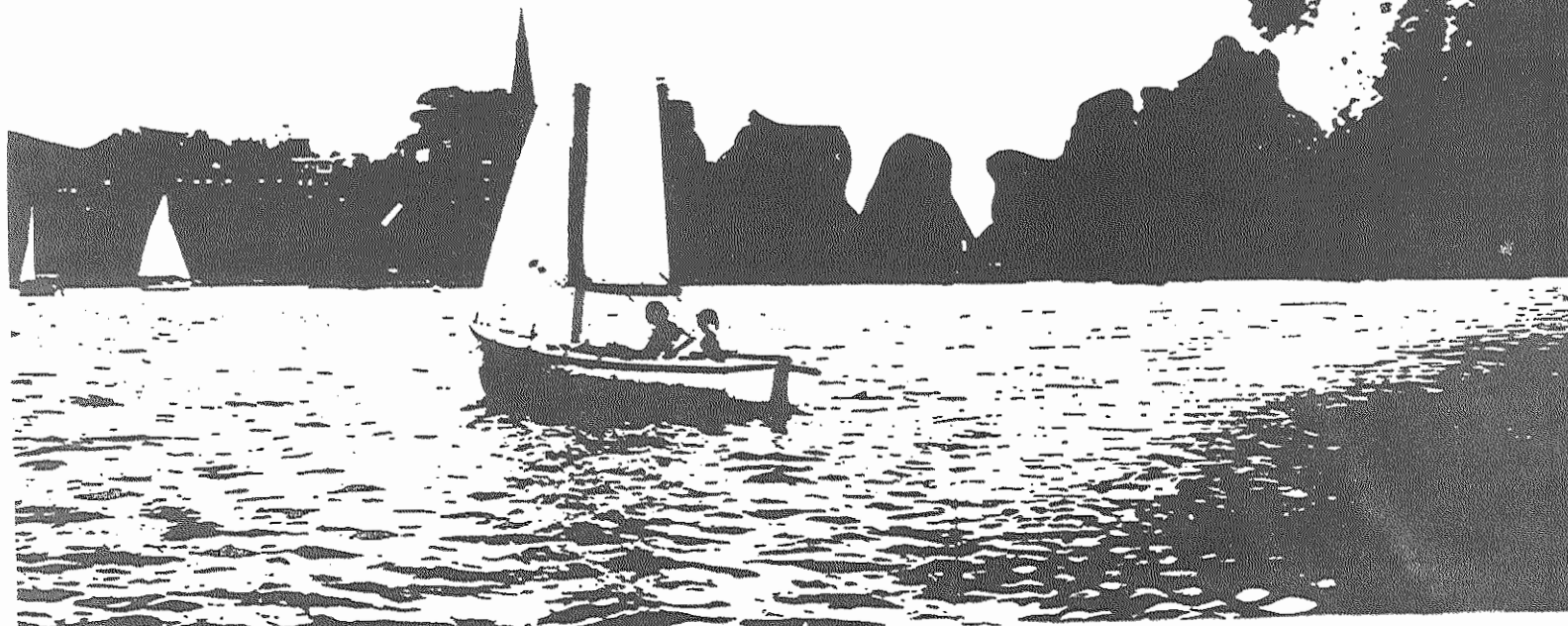
Last Saturday's square dance was fun for those who attended - even if the do-si-do's were confused with the grand right and left! A big thank you to Kathy and Glen Jevert for planning the event, and for getting a caller.


JUST A SUGGESTION-----I am going to be out of town the weekend of the Fall Dinner and will not know what the attendance will be. I would be in favor of a closer place, a later serving time, and a cheaper price --- it costs a fortune to take an average family.

Why not entertain the suggestion of having a POT LUCK SUPPER at the Yacht Club. Bringing a dish and \$1.00 per adult and 50¢ per child ought to give a super banquet table and let the Club furnish meat of some kind.

A ladies potluck for 35 was a super success recently, and I'm sure the Fall Dinner would be too.

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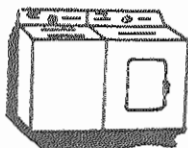
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officers

commodore--Judy Olson
 vice-commodore--Dick Whiteman
 secretary--Shirley Ross
 treasurer--Ginny Spratt

fleet captain--George Varga
 Birch Barker--Phyl Davis
 Sue Howard
 Doris Sante
 Julie Weaver

building committee--
 Dick Whiteman
 Julie Weaver
 Bob Temple

water control-- Ken Troyer
 Joe O'Brien
 Jr. Yacht Club--Sally Everett
 Barb Zesinger
 Lynne Schaar
 Trudy Claro
 Bev Kruggel

directors

#12 Mildred Carpenter: 000-0 to 12
 #19 Bob Martin: 13 to 23
 #34 Frank Horvath: 24 to 39
 #42 Kay Greenig-Julie Weaver: 40 to 54
 #46A Chuck Stevens: 56 to 76
 #96 Roy Henderson: 84 to 102
 #120 Sue Dufour: 106 to 122
 #124 Clem Haines: 124 to 137
 #138 Leo Zelasko: 138 to 170
 #181 Darlene Troyer: 172 to 200,201
 #188 Sonya Wirick: 1 to 26 (hill)
 #232 Gertie Temple: 200 to 200-8, 205 to 232
 #268 Barb Zesinger: 235 to 272
 #298 Loretta Drolet: 288 to 301
 #309 Sally Everett: 302 to 313
 #322 Phyllis Davis: 314 to 329
 #350 Linda Carey: 330 to 371
 #382 Dennis Tudor: 375 to 400A

BIRCH LAKE YACHT CLUB 1978
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- APRIL 22 - spring Dinner - L.H. Inn, Mishawaka
- MAY 15 - Vacate boats from yacht club - clean up & Construction purposes.
- JUNE 11 Rules clinic & practice Sunfish race.
- JUNE 16 Teen Nite at the yacht club.
- JUNE 18 Sailing season begins.
- JUNE 18 Fishing frolic.
- JUNE 24 Yacht Club open house dance.
- JULY 1 Monte Carlo Nite.
- JULY 4 Boat parade and ice cream social.
- JULY 21 Men's Golf Outing.
- AUGUST 2 Ladies Golf Outing.
- AUGUST 5 Monte Carlo Nite.
- AUGUST 11 TEEN Nite Hayride.
- AUGUST 13 Couples Sunfish race.
- AUGUST 17 Fall Dinner Dance at the Yacht Club.

There will be euchre parties and a couple of bingo nights. The scheduling of these events will be announced in next year's Barker.

It has been suggested that we have adult craft workshops, and square dancing with people giving lessons.

For the pre-teen set there will be craft days and an exciting turtle race.

Even in the coming snow days, we can THINK SUMMER!

Dick Whiteman

(Editor's Comment -- Things sound great for '78!)

FOR SALE: Frigidaire Refrigerator
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drapes & rods, small lamps & MORE!

FOR SALE: Minn Kota 555 Electric Motor
with 2-speed foot pedal and battery.
Excellent condition. \$100. - Cottage
#322.

FAREWELL: We would like to tell every
one on the lake thank-you for the last
two years of summer fun at Birch Lake.
We sold our cottage to a wonderful
couple from South Bend, the Stanley
Browns. We made so many new friends
and had such good times. We still hope
to return on some weekends to visit.

Jim, Julie & Ryan Rans

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SAILING RESULTS

<u>Apprentices</u>	<u>August 21 Results</u>	<u>Season Average</u>	<u>Bonus</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1. Dave Lovejoy	1-2	1493.0	210	1703.0
2. Tim Troeger	DNS-DNS	1522.0	180	1702.0
3. Kevin Kruggel	2-4	1516.9	180	1696.9
4. Dave Troeger	4-3	1488.3	160	1648.3
5. Kurt Kruggel	5-1	1403.4	200	1633.4
6. Rick Whiteman	7-DNS	1243	200	1443.0
7. Scott Vicsik	6-DNF	1208.7	210	1418.7
8. Ron Whiteman	3-5	1214.5	190	1404.5
9. Dick Carpenter	8-DNS	1205.0	170	1375.0
10. Renee Vicsik	DNS-DNS	1046.0	160	1206.0
11. Sue Anthony	9-DNF	998.6	150	1148.6

Old Salts

1. Howie Haines	1-2	1600.0	200	1800.0
2. Leo Zelasko	4-3	1463.6	220	1683.6
3. Bill Carpenter	2-DNS	1473.5	170	1643.5
4. Clem Haines	3-4	1435.2	200	1635.2
5. George Varga	5-1	1327.2	160	1487.2
6. Dave Olson	DNS-DNS	1232.0	160	1392.0
7. Joe O'Brien	6-DNF	1195.8	160	1355.8

Sunday, August 28th at 3:00 In/4:00 Mi time in the Birch Lake Yacht Club sandwiches, pop, and beer will be served to this year's sailors. Trophies will be awarded and a new Fleet Captain elected. The Grievance and Rules Committee will be elected and next year's sailing schedule decided.

LABOR DAY REGATTA - 2 Races Saturday, September 3, 1977
1 Race Sunday, September 4, 1977.

BIRCH LAKE YACHT CLUB BUILDING FUND

We are pleased to announce the following additional donors to the lists previously included in the Barker:

Jessie & Larry Newman
Mary & Bill Olson

BOB RIETH, son of MR. & MRS. BUD RIETH (#301) and his bride, the former Autumn Wicks, are honeymooning at Mackinac Island after their wedding August 20th at the Kessington Community Church, Union, Michigan. Rev. Black officiated. John Rozman of Elkhart escorted his granddaughter down the aisle.

Debbie Mosier of Jones was Maid of Honor. Wesley Spratt (#266) served as Best Man.

Debbie Sawyer was the bridesmaid and the flower girl was Katy Holverstoll, niece of the groom, from Three Rivers.

Chris Blackwood (#297) was Groomsman and the Ring Bearer was Jeff Inman, nephew of the groom from Clearwater, Fla. Ushers were the bride's brother Sam Wicks and the groom's cousin John Rieth.

The late Mr. and Mrs. William Wicks of Carter Lake were the parents of the bride. The newlyweds both graduated from Constantine High School and attended Western Michigan and Michigan State University.

The yard of the Rieth home was decorated with tiki torches and varicolored lights for the reception.

The couple will make their home at Carter Lake, Route 1, Jones, Mi.

BETH ANN FORTINO (#170) celebrated her 9th birthday in her new Birch Lake home. Her 12 guests came from Elkhart and around the lake.

PAUL BOWERS, his wife Betty, and children Teri and Michael arrived from Terryville, Connecticut a week ago to enjoy the last 17 days of a short, short summer here at the lake with his parents, the I. T. Bowers at Cottage #307.

Weekend guests at the Huston (#60) and Fergus (#53) cottages were Vicki & Robin Barkus and son Telly from Chicago. They came to drive Aunt Florence and her granddaughter Marie to Chicago to take TWA to Kansas City.

FLORENCE SCHENK has been visiting with Inez and Jessie, her sisters, since August 3rd. She resides in Olathe, Kan. During her visit here, their brother Fred Baxter and his wife Lu & daughter Joyce & husband John were guests the previous week. All enjoyed good fishing, boating & swimming and plan to come back to Birch Lake real soon.

JUDY ANN PETERS JOHNSON is visiting her sister Doris Verloot (#323) along with her husband Russ and children David and Gretchen from New Jersey. The family is gathering for the wedding this weekend of Tom Peter's daughter in South Bend.

FOR EVERYONE'S SAKE
TAKE CARE OF BIRCH LAKE

Have a good fall and winter and we'll look forward to seeing all of you at the Spring Dinner.