

**** THE BIRCH BARKER ***

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From the Commodore:

The meeting held Monday evening with the Southwestern Michigan Regional Planning Commission concerning ecology problems of Birch Lake was most informative. Peter D. Elliott and Jim Muldoon of the Planning Commission as well as Dr. Gerald Snow, a biologist with Andrew University, presented an excellent seminar. They informed those present of the problems that exist or which could develop on Birch Lake. Suggestions were made by them as to what we, as residents can do to improve the quality of our water. A water sample was made earlier in the spring which showed Birch Lake to be a relatively clean lake with one exception. The phosphorus level is a bit high. They are planning more tests throughout the summer. There will be future articles in the Barker concerning this matter and information pertaining to ways that we as residents can keep Birch Lake a clean, safe lake.

Dick Whiteman

Current Events:

- June 17: Officers and Directors meeting in the Yacht Club. Time, 2 p.m. In. - 3 p.m. Mi.
- June 18: Sailing Season begins
- June 24: Yacht Club Open House Dance

The Birch Barker welcomes your news and comments. Please turn in either your news or comments by Monday evening for the next issue to the following persons: Dick Whiteman S41, Julie Weaver S004A, Barb Zesinger N268, Sally Everett W309, Helen Harris E201.

Officers

Directors

Commodore: Dick Whiteman	#12	Mildred Carpenter 000 to 12
Vice Commodore: Roy Henderson	19	
Secretary: Ida Whiteman	34	Frank Horvath 24 to 39
Treasurer: Phyllis	42	Kay Greenig-Julie Weaver 40 to 54
Fleet Captain: Bob Vicsik		
Birch Barker: Helen Harris	46A	Chuck Stevens 56 to 76
Julie Weaver	96	Roy Henderson 84 to 102
Phyllis Davis	120	Sue Dufour 106 to 122
Doris Sante	124	Clem Haines 124 to 137
Bldg. Committee: Dick Whiteman	138	Leo Zelasko 138 to 170
Herb Howard	181	Darlene Troyer 172 to 200
Frank Horvath	230	Marilyn Vicsik 200 to 232
Water Control: Ken Troyer	268	Barb Zesinger 235 to 272
Joe O'Brien	298	Loretta Drolet 288 to 301
Jr. Yacht Club Sally Everett	309	Sally Everett 302 to 313
Barb Zesinger	322	Sandy Beilke 314 to 329
Lynn Schaar	350	Linda Carey 330 to 371
Trudy Claro	382	Kevin Kruggel 375 to 400A
Bev. Kruggel		

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Plan to attend the Open House Dance on June 24th at 9:30 p.m. in the Yacht Club. This is our season opener with dancing to the "Great Dick Whiteman Trio". Club will provide draft beer and mix. Bring your own munchies and booze.

Wanted - Needed !!

A good used electric range and a refrigerator for use in the Yacht Club. If anyone has such items at a "Right" price, contact Dick Whiteman at 440-1792.

COME SAIL AWAY !!

Welcome back sailors! The first race was held June 11 and it was good to see everybody out there again. There were a couple new faces to welcome and it would be nice to see some more. Though there were no points given for this race, here are the results of Sunday's "Get back in the swing" race.

	<u>Place</u>
Howie Haines	1
Kevin Kruggel	2
Kurt Kruggel	3
Dave Lovejoy	4
Bill Carpenter	5
Bill Hammes	6
Rick Whiteman	7
Don Harmen	8
Ron Whiteman	9
Dave Anthony	10
Clem Haines	11
Scott Vicsik	12
Judy Olson	13

The meeting held after the race covered many new things. The sailing schedule for this year was decided upon along with the sailing fee. The schedule is as follows: For Points

June 18	-	2 races	
June 25	-	2 races	
July 1-2	-	3 races	(July 4th Regatta)
July 9	-	2 races	
July 16	-	2 races	
July 23	-	2 races	
July 30	-	2 races	
Aug. 6	-	2 races	
Aug. 13	-	2 races	
Aug. 20	-	2 races	
Aug. 27	-	2 races	
Sept. 2 -3	-	3 races	(Labor Day Regatta)*

*(Not for season standings)

To qualify for a season trophy you must sail 2/3 of the total races. The starting time was decided to be at 10:30 Ind. and 11:30 Mi., therefore, the 10 minute gun will go off at 10:20 - 11:20.

The sailing fee has been raised to \$15.00 per boat for cost of trophies. All sailors must have this paid by July 4th to Fleet Captain Bob Vicsik. We are looking forward to another fun season of sailing and wish good luck to all of the sailors. See you on the water Sunday!

Sunfish Sailing Committee
 Bob Vicsik
 Earl Troeger Jr.
 Renee Vicsik

MEN, come one, come all - whether you play golf or not, to the annual golf outing July 21st. For the golfers, starting time is scheduled for 11 a.m. In. time - 12 p.m. Mi. time. Cocktail hour 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Mi. time. Then enjoy dinner at 7. Tickets are available from: Dick Whiteman - S41, Bob Ross - R101, Earl Troeger - S22, Dean Davis - W322, John Brown - E127, Bill King - N203, Bob Vicsik - N230 and your chairman, Joe Harris - E201.

The property located on the South West corner of the lake, which is the open area on the West side of the outlet creek, around to the Kruggel residence, is privately owned. Many people have crossed this property in their jaunts around the lake and children have played on this property. Recent incidents have caused the owners to request that people cease using their property as a road and playground. We urge your cooperation in this matter and please explain to your children that the property is private and is subject to the State Trespassing Laws.

Ads for the Birch Barker are still welcome. Contact Dick Whiteman, at 476-2792

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Mr. and Mrs. Clifford R. Cowen #308 celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary, Sunday, June 4th at the First United Methodist Church at Mishawaka. The former Avanelle Kurtz and Clifford were married June 2nd 1928 at the Methodist Church at Leiters Ford, Indiana, and lived in Mishawaka 38 years. In 1966, they retired, Avanelle, from teaching at Elsie Rogers School, Mishawaka and Clifford from the Uniroyal Plant. They have enjoyed Birch Lake - bought lots 19 and 91 in 1945 and had their cottage built in 1946. They are spending winters in Florida and summers at 308 and at their apartment 1320 at 3035 Rue Marceau, South Bend.

They have one son Richard of Osceola and one daughter, Carolyn Sue (Mrs John McCoy) of Hamburg, New York, and seven grand children.

Thanks, The Cowens

From your Birch Lake neighbors, a "WELCOME" to the Jay Huckins family, East side.

Ray and Rose Klappauf celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary on June 14th, Flag Day. Lisa Lynn Fenrich, their granddaughter celebrated her seventh birthday the same day. The proud grand parents attended Carla Jean Klappauf's graduation from kindergarten at which Carla Jean was valedictorian. A good time was had by all.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends and good neighbors for your flowers, generous contributions and thoughtful kindnesses during the loss of our sister and aunt Inez Fergus, at a time which was greatly appreciated.

Also again wish to thank Lottie Weaver, Julie and Doug Weaver who responded so expeditiously to my call for assistance, also to Shirley Ross for her first aid, and to the many neighbors who sent food, namely, Genevieve Lagoni, Neva Carpenter, Ida and Dick Whiteman, Virginia and Wilbur Gard, Rosemary and George Varga, Arline and John Machallek, and to Bee Mullins for her consoling words and hospitality that evening.

We wish to extend our appreciation to the friends and neighbors that came to the Funeral Home and Funeral in spite of hazardous weather conditions.

Thank you Bill and Linda Hammes for the use of your cottage for our Chicago, Houston Texas and Olathe Kansas relatives.

Since good deeds are sometimes forgotten, we shall never forget our friends and neighbors at Birch Lake.

- Jessie Huston, Sister
- Florence Schenk, Sister
- Fred and Lu Bauter, Brother and Wife
- Meredith and Betty Huston, Nephew and Wife and family
- Joyce Meyers Frantzis, Niece and Husband and family

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For Sale: Sleeper Sofa \$15.00 Zesinger's - Cottage #268.
North Shore

Jerome Bernaciak and his wife Karen along with Wayne and Dawn Bonecki from Oak Forest, visited with Grandma "B" last week end. All enjoyed the lake, even the swim in the cold, cold water!

Come One or All to St. John-of-the-Cross, Bristol, In. for Strawberrys, Ice or Cake, Sunday 18th. 2:30 - 7p.m. (for directions call 2869)

Boys and Girls: Camp Tannadoonah has openings for Day or Residents call 476-2177 - Periods available June 18 - August 5

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