

# Birch Barker

BIRCH LAKE YACHT CLUB  
VANDALIA, MICHIGAN

JUNE ISSUE

## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

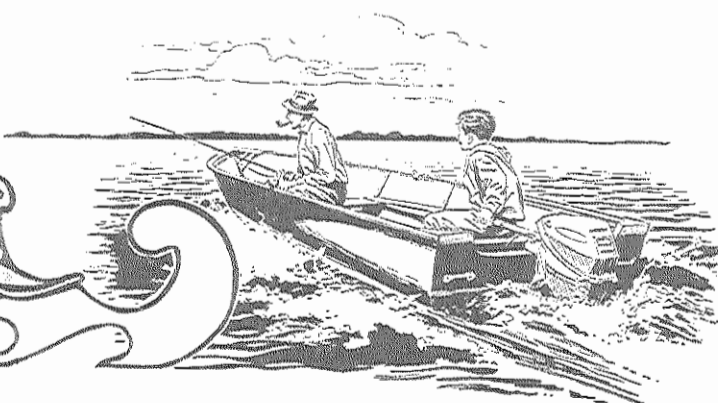
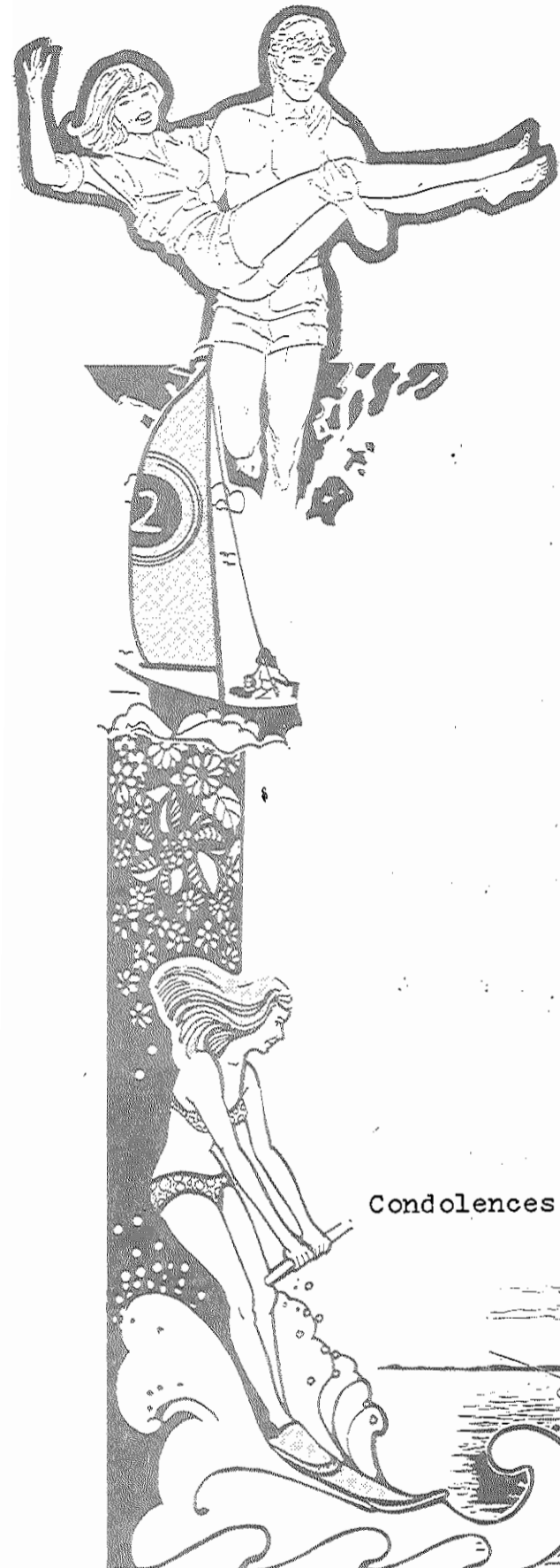
BIRCH LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS are invited to join the Birch Lake Association and Yacht Club. We will be collecting dues of \$14 within the next couple of weeks.

Your monies will provide and will support the Yacht Club: taxes, insurance, building up-keep, the social activities, paper, ink, staples, etc. And the participating membership of the Michigan Lake and Stream Associations. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources Self-Help Program assists in water quality testing in the continued monitoring of your lake water. Each Birch Lake resident will receive The Michigan Riparian and the Birch Barker so that all residents will be informed of the social news and lake related developments.....

Roy Henderson

Condolences to the George Varga family  
from the Birch Lake family.

1979



# expressions

From a Different View

## BIRCH LAKE'S SONGS OF THE SEASONS

By Gertie Temple

Editor, Birch Barker

"AH, WHAT DO THE POOR PEOPLE DO"

I hear a sailor say,  
With pipe in hand, arms stretched out,  
As he sails through a sunshine day.

Into the west where the sun will set  
And illuminate the sky -  
He sails into the purple hue -  
Again, I hear him sigh:

"AH, WHAT DO THE POOR PEOPLE DO

Who do not know this lake as I,  
The peace, the sun, the sky, the fun -  
LOOK at that sky!"

"AH, WHAT DO THE POOR PEOPLE DO!"

I hear a sailor say.  
He turns his sailboat homeward - a star,  
I pray:

"Thank you for this sailor,  
His family, friends, and neighbors too  
Who share this richness not in gold,  
But in my lovely BLUE!"

BIRCH LAKE

MAGICAL MOMENTS AT BIRCH LAKE

THE REFLECTIONS OF A PAST BIRCH BARKER EDITOR and the response of a woodpecker who was attracted to the sound of her typewriter keys as she sat in her east shore front yard. He answered her with his pecky-peck-peck - what did he think she was saying.....

THE BIRTH OF A WILD DUCKLING as experienced by a north shore family.....

A TWO-WEEK VACATION AT BIRCH LAKE'S west shore at the I.T. Bowers cottage is anticipated by their son Paul and his family who have just moved from Connecticut to employment with R. G. Barry Shoes and to a new home in Reynoldsburg, Ohio .....only 250 miles now from "home at Birch;" swimming and skiing, Mom and Dad.

SPECIAL SUMMERS ON THE WEST SHORE OF BIRCH LAKE belonging to Lisa Getzinger and to her grandparents are reminiscent. This summer Lisa arrived wearing a crown and holding the title of 1979 Miss New Mexico Teen USA. She will be chaperoned by her grandparents to Oakbrook, Ill. where she will assist in the crowning of Miss Illinois, and in November, the Getzingers will be traveling to Albuquerque where contestants from every state in the Union will vie for the title of "MISS TEEN USA." Beauty, poise, personality and civic achievements won the title topping 102 contestants. Lisa's speech/talent portion of the contest was about the American Indian..... possibly inspired by the history of Birch Lake which reveals that the Potawatomie Indians headed by Big Chief Pokagon dwelled in this area. As a child, growing up here, Lisa probably remembers hearing how it is recorded that Chief Pokagon, who was ill, journeyed from his home near Summerville to bathe in the lake and drink of its water, claiming the water had great healing power.....

Success to you, Lisa in your special education studies and continued happiness to the "Sweetheart" of the Imperial Miss contest in Huston, Texas, and Miss New Mexico Teen USA.

BINGO BINGO BINGO BINGO BINGO  
Saturday, June 30, at the Yacht Club, 8:30 p.m. MI time,  
7:30 p.m. IN time..... 10¢ Beer and Pop

MEN'S GOLF OUTING  
(BIRCH LAKE CLASSIC)  
FRIDAY, July 27, at the Park Shore Golf Club, Cassopolis,  
MI. Tee off time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. IN. time....  
Refreshments and dinner at the Yacht Club 6:30 p.m. IN. time.

Call Ken Everett, 476-2760 for prize suggestions.....  
TICKET may be purchased: Bud Zesinger North 268  
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If interested, please contact  
your Social Chairman, Ginger Luxenberger at 476-2529,  
or Kate Henderson, 476-2577.

Thank you.

SUNFISH RACE RESULTS FROM JUNE 24 AND STANDINGS

<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Bonus</u>	<u>Average and Bonus</u>	<u>Number of races SAILED</u>
H. HAINES	1/1	1580	40	1620	4
K. KRUGGEL	4/2	1444	40	1484	4
D. LOVEJOY	2/3	1426	40	1466	4
T. BURCHELL	7/7	1358	40	1398	4
T. HOWARD	6/4	1227	40	1267	4
C. HAINES	DNS/DNS	1226	20	1246	2
S. VICSIK	5/8	1192	20	1212	2
D. HARMAN	9/6	1158	40	1198	4
T. HAMMES	3/5	1105	40	1145	4
B. LOVEJOY	13/9	1032	40	1072	4
B. ZESINGER	8/12	948	40	988	4
M. MACHELLACK	DNS/10	961	10	971	1
J. OLSON	10/11	930	20	950	2
D. ANTHONY	11/14	904	40	944	4
D. FREW	DNS/DNS	900	10	910	1
B. APPLEBY	14/DNS	867	30	897	3
T. BLACKWOOD	12/DNS	841	10	851	1
J. O'BRIEN	15/13	730	20	750	2
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