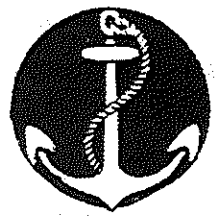


THE BIRCH BARKER



Birch Lake Yacht Club

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Swimming and boating activities were at their peak last Sunday as the warm weather made most of us seek the cool water for relief. It has been brought to my attention that a water ski was run over by another boat pulling a skier. This boat had no observer, which is strictly against the law. The run over ski could have been a swimmer. The boat in this instance was being operated by a renter. Our members have all been provided with the boating rules. It would be wise for these rules to be posted in the rental cottages and for the owners to call them to the attention of their tenants. Three basic safety rules are: (1) always drive counter-clockwise around the lake, (2) when pulling a skier the driver must always also have an observer in the boat, (3) occupants of a boat must sit down on the seats, not on the sides or deck of the boat. If you disregard these rules you could receive a ticket.

Randy Welch heads our nominating committee for new 1985 Directors and Officers. If you have any suggestions, contact him at once.

I would like to thank Dale and Phyliss Leatherman for the very nice electric stove that they recently gave to the Yacht Club. It will be put to good use.

We have at least six special activities planned for the Yacht Club in the next two weeks and I urge you to join in the fun. Juniors, please note that we have a special evening planned for you.

Bill Carpenter, Cottage #12, is still wanting entries to the Triathlon. Get your entry forms and fee to him as soon as possible. He will accept them up to August 3rd at the Record Dance but the sooner the better!! Volunteers are still needed to make this a safe and successful event. Please contact Bill.

Herm Kruggel, Commodore

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday and Sunday, July 28 & 29 - MICHIANA OPEN SUNFISH REGATTA at Diamond Lake. Let's have a good showing from Birch Lake!

Friday, August 3 - RECORD DANCE - 8:00 P.M. (Indiana time). Bob and Gertie Temple, Co-Chairmen. Cash bar. No admission charge. The "Hi" Spot of the evening will be the Birch Lake Yacht Club on the night before the Birch Lake Triathlon. Birch Lake star athletes will attend. You will be entertained with music for your dancing and listening pleasure with some of the great hit records from the unforgettable years of then and now.

Saturday, August 4 - BIRCH LAKE TRIATHLON - Bill Carpenter, Chairman. Please complete the entry form which was in last week's Barker, and get to Bill together with the fee by this weekend.

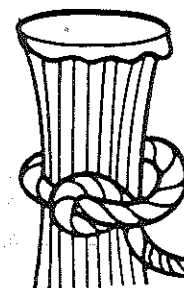
Saturday, August 4 - JUNIOR PARTY - 8:00 to 10:00 P.M. (Indiana time). Juniors ages 12 to 16, come to the Yacht Club and dance or listen to some of your favorite music. 50¢ admission. Mike and Katha Machalleck, Dave and Judy Olson, Chairmen.

Wednesday, August 8 - LADIES SALAD LUNCHEON - 11:30 A.M. (Indiana time). Ladies of Birch Lake join us at our annual salad luncheon at the Yacht Club. There will be a \$2.00 charge plus a salad to get in - wine and bread will be provided. We hope you all will plan to attend as we always have a terrific time!

Saturday, August 11 - DIRECTORS MEETING - 9:00 A.M. at the Yacht Club.

Saturday, August 11 - MONTE CARLO NIGHT - at the Yacht Club. Joe O'Brien and Randy Welch, Co-Chairmen.

Sunday, August 12 - COUPLE'S RACE - Marty Sante, Chairman.



HELLO Birch Lakers!! For all of you residents that missed the past hot, sultry days of Birch Lake last week, WELCOME BACK!!

If there are many mistakes in the paper this week, I have a good reason! For the past 4 days (and Nights) my 18 month daughter has been trying to push a tooth thru the gum and has been miserable! I have been spending all of my days, and most of my nights holding and rocking her, along with using the various (useles) remedies of teething creams! So ignore the mistakes if any!

FAIRS

If you and your family enjoy going to the area Fairs then you will be pleased to hear that the Cass County Fair will be going on from August 6-11 at the Cass County Fairgrounds in Cass. During the fair, on Aug. 8, "Exile" will appear, and on Aug. 10, Janie Ricke will be there.

DO YOU REMEMBER...?

How many of you Birch Lake residents can remember back to 1947? Do you remember when the Lazy Lodge used to have an Ice Cream Parlour on their front porch in 1947, and that they served Ice Cream, hamburgers, malteds and much more (including 1¢ bubble gum!!) ?? The Winniarski's ran this "favorite meeting place" for 10 years, untill 1957 - when it finally closed amidst a flurry of protest from the unhappy kids!!

SUPER SNOOP SCOOP OF THE WEEK

Last weekend my neighbor, Tom Rogers, came to me with the "Biggest" Fish story I've heard yet! Now we all know what a "few Millers" can do for us on a hot summer day at Birch Lake, but have any of you Really seen a Pike that looks to be at least 3 foot long swimming around the Southside? (this fish might be seen with her pink bikini and Foster Grants on!!) Me thinks that my neighbor tipped the can a few too many times!

FRUIT SEASON

Tis the season for Blueberries!! This delectable fruit makes for the most wonderful desserts that you can imagine. I picked my blueberries at the B & J Blueberry Ranch, just outside of Marcellous, Mi. and I made this terrificly delicious Blueberry pie in a flash-try this you'll love it!

<u>DOUBLE GOOD BLUEBERRY PIE</u>	Baked 9" pie shell
combine sugar, cornstarch, and salt in saucepan. Add water and 2 cups blueberries. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture comes to a boil and is thick. Mixture should be clear and very thick. Remove from heat and stir in butter and lemon juice. Cool. Place remaining 2 cups blueberries in pie shell. Top with cooked blueberry mixture. Chill. Serve, garnished with whipped cream if desired!! Delicious!!	3/4 cup sugar 3 Tbsp cornstarch 1/4 tsp salt 1/2 cup water 4 cups blueberries 1 Tbsp butter 1 Tbsp lemon juice whipped cream (optional)

"Its a strange world in which a green hand is a novice & incompetent, and a green thumb is a veterm & proficient."

TIPS

Take any overripe bananas you may have & put them in a greezer baggie & toss them (unpeeled) in the freezer until you have more time (& energy) to make banana bread or whatever! Slice them when partially thawed.

To keep parsley on hand, purchase extra, rinse & chop it, then place small amounts in ice cube trays, fill with water & freeze. When making soups, sauces, etc. , simply drop in 1 or 2 cubes!!

FOR SALE: Wards 12 ft. aluminum fishing boat with oars. \$150.00 Call the Onofrytons at 476-8862 or come & see it.

FOR SALE: A circular saw, table model; a phonograph cabinet; an iron dresser; table legs of all kinds. Contact Joyce Reality for more info.

FOUND: A pair of prescription sunglasses on the road behind the Onofryton cottage, Westside. If you are the unfortunate person who is groping around the lake squinting in the sun, call Sherry at 2800 for the glasses!

FOR SALE: 1976 Sunfish. Excellent condition. Jim Cook - Phone: 476-2263.

SOCIAL GOSSIP AROUND THE LAKE!!

Jack & Evelyn Asire are in their glory, having their son Jeff, and his two sons, Patrick and Brian, and also their daughter, Marti Carey, and her two sons, Christopher and Bret visiting with them for the rest of this summer. (which really isn't all that much longer!!) Jeff and Marti and their brood are staying in the Dunkapin cottage and having a ball doing all the summery lake activities!! Have fun boys!

The I.T. Bowers, W #307, are enjoying a visit with their friend, Marjorie (Reinoehl) Farrington from Santa Rosa, Calif. She & Helen Bowers were playmates as children, whiling away their childhood days making creative mud pies and such!! Welcome to Birch Lake Marjorie!

Dick and Peggy Cowen, formerly of W 354, are spending a few days at W 308, the C.R. Cowen cottage! (and wishing every minute that they still lived on our gorgeous lake all summer!!)

Hub and Dorothy Getzinger have their hands (and minds!) full for the rest of the summer, as they now have their 2 grandsons from Burke, Virginia, visiting them! Kirk, 16, and Kevin, 12 (soon to be the Big"13") are planning to have alot of sun-filled fun days at Birch Lake !!

Judy & Dave Olson and their sons, Jeff & Todd, were in Williamsburg, at the Shenandoah National Park, where they stayed for 9 days. While there they went white water Rafting at Thurmond, W. Vir.. They camped out in the wilderness and had a fantastic time viewing the deer, and Todd came home with his treasure (!) of a authenic Quill pen!!

The Murphy family had a family gathering at their lake cottage, celebrating John & Odessa's 45th Wedding Anniversary. In addition to the Cook's & Condon's, Cindy & Denny Murphy & family from Columbia, Maryland, were here with their family. Other relatives in attendance were Jane & Ed O'Donnell from Granger, & Mary & Jack Rehl from Racine, Wi.,.

The Denny Murphy family have now gone back to Columbia after spending 10 days with John & Odessa.

Brad Zesinger has returned to the Lake after spending one week at Notre Dame football camp. He will be a member of the S.B. Clay H.S. varsity this fall. Congratulations to you Brad, that is an Honor!!!

Gerald and Judie DeWulf and children, Gary, Adam, and Carrie are back at Birch Lake visiting his parents, Gaston and Margaret DeWulf. Enjoying the wonderful weather after arriving in the rainstorm on Tuesday night. They all went fishing and got enough fish to have a nice lunch of bluegills, corn on the cob and french fries on Thursday. Gerald's favorite place in the Michiana area is still Birch Lake!! His home in Arnold, Maryland is on the Magothy River. Its only a block of sailing to be on the Chesapeake Bay, where sailing is the p̄edominate way to go! Sailing vessels far out number the speedboats-Gerald flies to Providence on Tuesday and his wife and children plan to stay on a week and visit in Mishawaka and later in Cleveland, Ohio on their way home. On Monday Bill & Christine Mayer, Jenny and Kurt and Richard and Cathryn Carns and Dot and David joined us all for a family reunion.

Sue & Wade Jensen and their 3 daughters, Glenda, JoEllyn, & Bess came from Downers Grove, Il., over the weekend, to help Uncle Les celebrate his 81st birthday. A "family" gathering is the very best way to celebrate a birthday and to be at good olde Birch Lake to top the Cake!!

Jon Taurman, of Granger, spent 2 days last week with Brian Machalleck- the "white caps" were on Birch Lake those days which made tubing a challenge, but Jon was eager to try. When he went home Wednesday he was really sore but talking about returning one more time before he moves to Wisconsin in August!!

Norm and Joan Beesley of Donnell Lake spent Sunday Afternoon with Mike and Katha Machalleck. After enjoying the environs of Birch Lake they all went over to Donnell Lake for a cook-out!

Janice Bergman, her sister Betty Frisbee of Magalia, Calif. and Betty's son, Bob, of Dallas Texas, were guests of the Machallecks Sunday. They all attended the 50th class reunion of the Niles H.S. held at the Holiday Inn in Niles, Saturday. John & Arline Machalleck also attended as Arline & Janice were classmates and graduates of the 1934 class. Janice and her sister headed for Muskegon Monday to visit their brothers. They all enjoyed our lovely lake on Sunday but are taking back the the results of too much sun!! We know all about that don't we!!

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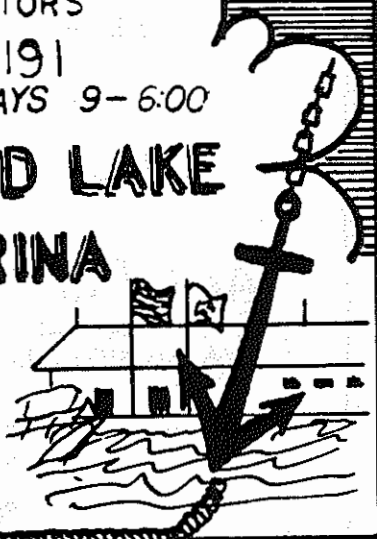
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