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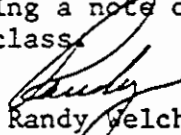
Birch Lake Yacht Club

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Once again our fortunes at Birch Lake are varied and many. Over the weekend we had calm, warm days, with periods of wind and rain followed by warmth and then followed by a spectacular Monday. I am now convinced that the purpose of mid-week holidays are to confuse Mother Nature so that we might all enjoy a perfect Birch Lake day.

Last Saturday evening, June 22nd was our first social function held at the Yacht Club in 1985. The Commodore's cocktail party was a great success, attracting an excess of 70 people. It was a terrific cross section of the lake. Ages gave way to common interest and laughter was continuous. The hors d'oeuvres were terrific and those who went to dinner continued what already was a great evening. Those of you who missed this function be sure and plan on the next, you won't be disappointed. Thanks go out to Jeff Howard, Steve Sante and Dave Troeger for their expertise in serving refreshments. In addition we should all send Bill King a note of thanks for wearing a tie to cocktails, ~~he~~ certainly added a touch of class.


Randy Welch
Commodore

JULY 4TH FIREWORKS

It is hard to believe but July 4th is almost here. As mentioned previously on July 4th at dusk we will again be treated to a spectacular display of colors, sonic booms and other varied noises. We are hopeful this will be enjoyed by all residents and guests of Birch Lake. For those who have contributed towards our fireworks - THANKS! For those who haven't don't despair - THERE IS STILL TIME! We need your help - your participation will be appreciated. Make your check out to BLYC and give it to one of our officers or directors listed below.

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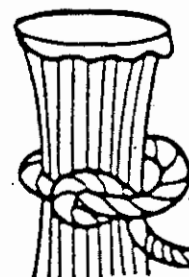
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THE ORIGINAL WESTSIDE STORY

The Krugel's had an exciting encounter with swarming honeybees on Saturday. Thousands of bees were first noticed flying all around one of their bushes and of course, everyone was warned to stay away from them. After an hour or so, the bees formed a large mass in the bush. Van's Termite & Pest Control in Cassopolis, 445-8313, was called and they would have come out right away to exterminate the bees for a charge of \$65. They were kind enough to give us the name of a bee keeper who might come out and take them away. The bee keeper was called and he said he would come right away to get the bees. His name is Jerry Shaw of Granger, IN and his phone number is 1-219-674-9327. He was a very helpful individual and it was really interesting watching him get the bees into the hive he brought with him. Mr. Shaw was happy to get the bees and made no charge for this service. We would suggest everyone make a note of his number for further reference if a similar problem should arise.



Sweet Cherries are available to pick at .40¢ a pound, or \$8.00 a lug, on Glenwood Rd. (take Decator Rd., turn left on Marcellus Hwy., take a right at the substation then right, just a few miles down the road - there will be plenty of signs)

B & J. Blueberries has said the red raspberries will most likely be 1 week earlier this year, to be ready to be picked by the first week of July - for those of you who can't resist the delicious flavor of raspberry jam or other raspberry delights!

These next 2 recipes were submitted by Rita Tudor (Westside) from her collection of "Tried & TRUE" !

PIE DELIGHT

1 pie shell (graham cracker)
 1 package cream cheese - 8 oz.
 2 Tbl. milk
 1 cup powdered sugar

} Cream together well

Fold into above mixture - 1 8oz carton of Cool Whip. Pour into baked pie shell.
 Top with any thickened fruit (1-20oz can pie filling) Chill for 1 hour before serving.

Graham cracker crust - 1 3/4 cup graham cracker crumbs
 1/2 cup sugar
 1/2 cup melted butter

bake at 350 for 10 min.

BBQ SAUCE

1 1/2 cup catsup
 6 Tbl. brown sugar
 6 Tbl. Worcestershire sauce
 6 tsp. dry mustard

Mix all ingredients together well.

CAMP TONNADOONAH

The Camp is offering a Day Camp session at 1/2 the cost of the regular camping session fee. The child can arrive at 9:15 am. and stay until 5 pm (just after the free swim) or the child can stay until 8:30 pm and have dinner and enjoy the evening program with the campers. Ages 6 years - 16, camping sessions from July 7 - August 3. All weeks for regular camp sessions have openings available with camp beginning on Sunday afternoon and ending on Saturday morning. If you are interested in having your children attend either call the Camp Office at 2177 or go to the office to register and fill out a card they require.

For an economical air freshner, boil 2 Tbl. cloves in 2 cups of water in an open pan.

"Talking to most husbands is as futile as slamming a swinging door."

Have nothing on your calendar for Tuesday or Wednesday . . . want to do something wild and exciting?!! If your answer is Yes then consider the following place to visit . . and of course spend your money! Shipshewana, just outside of Middlebury, Indiana, about 30 miles away, is a facinating and stimulating place to be on either a Tuesday or Wednesday of any week during the summer months. It is open from 8 am (Indiana time) to 5:30 pm each day, but a reliable source informed me that it is wise to be there before noon on Wednesday or you may misss all the action of the weekly auctions. You can go on Tues. if you are not interested in attending the auctions , that way the crowds are less and the "pick of the crop" is good! There are hundreds of booths and tables available all over the open field and some beneath roofs. You are likely to find such goodies as glasswares; antiques; fresh fruits and vegetables; computer,radio, stereo, and other such equipment; clothes and all sorts of jewelary accessories; shoes, boots, slippers, and other foot apparel; and just about anything you could ever want to find! Try Shipshewana out some Tues. or Wednesday for a day of fun!

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Saturday , June 29, Birch Barker

RAIN RAIN Go Away Do you get the feeling that you could fool old Mother Nature by just taking Monday and Tuesday off as your weekend !!!!!

THE LOCAL SCOOP

Clifford and Avanelle Cowen are visiting the John F. Mc Coys at Hamburg, N.Y.. where they attended Tim's High School Commencement Graduation. John's mother, Mary Mc Coy of Warsaw accompanied the Cowens on the trip.

Stan and Ginny Stokel had a "splash party" on the Northshore after that last wind storm we experienced a few weeks ago. To "right the damage" occured by that storm they had to call in the aid of the Northshore residents to help them flip their pontoon boat right side up! Now those are friends when you really need them !!

Joe and Helen Harris, Eastshore, have returned after spending 2 weeks at Hilton head, South Carolina, where they attended the wedding of their grandson, Brett Micheal Harris , to Michelle Alamond, on June 8, 1 985. The newlyweds then left for Maryanne, N.C. to spend their honeymoon days!!

Melanie Everett, from the Westshore, and the daughter of Ken and Sally Everett, will be leaving July 1st (until July 8th) for Mexico City. Melanie, and her Spanish class from Concord High School (21 kids) and their Spanish teacher will be traveling around the Mexico City area for a week - Don't drink any water Melanie !

Sarah Wolf, age 8, from Midland, Mi., the daughter of Kathy and Denny Wolf, will be visiting the Machallecks for 2 weeks. Kathy (John and Arline's daughter) and Denny will then return for Sarah and head back for Midland - very reluctantly I'm sure!! So far the weather has not been real cooperative for her swim activities, but she and Terilyn Montague (Southside) have made some of their own fun !. Grandpa and Grandma Machalleck have taken her strawberry picking and done some sightseeing and shopping while she has been in the area .

I'm told that the Eastshore residents frequently see a familiar sight --"The Mad Pedaler", alias Helen Weesner ! Helen can be seen pedaling her way around the lake road, socializing and exercising . . . or Visa-versa! Only Helen knows!!

Kay and Bob and their daughter Lesley Greenig, from Upland, California, will be arriving this weekend for their annual summer vacation - which will last the rest of this summer! Leslie and Margaret Jensen have been preparing for this occasion with much anticipation ! Lesley will be attending Camp Tonnadoonah for 3 weeks while she is at Birch Lake - this will be Lesley's 5th summer at the Camp !

The Cats out of the bag now ! Word has it that Nadine Brown, Ilene Price, Helen Harris, and Thelma Koontz, have a great thing going each and every Tuesday!! These ladies set up their weekly bridge game . . . to play cards, eat delicious goodies , and catch up on the gossip !! Sorry fellas this game is only open to the ladies !

Brad & Nancy Walker breathed a sigh of relief as the weather cleared on Saturday June 22 ! They had expected 25 or so people from their church group to arrive for a picnic and day of fun & sun ! Thank goodness the weather cleared . . or who knows where Nancy might be found now!

PLEASE be aware of the safety rules involved with using your inboard/outboard boat! Read your operators manual carefully and know how to correctly operate your boat before using it in the water! Don't be an accident just waiting to happen. Also remember that it is a State Law that you must have the same number of floation devices in your boat as you have people riding in that boat!!

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