



# Birch Banker

ALL THE NEWS IN, ON AND AROUND THE LAKE.

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## COMMODORE COMMENTS

It's hard to believe that July is quickly disappearing for the Summer 1990. However, the month will go out in style with the Men's Golf Outing on Friday and the House Walk (Cruise) on Saturday.

The Cass County Sheriff was on the lake last weekend, and issued several tickets. Let's continue to observe the Boating Rules and Safety Regulations on the lake. Be sure your guests are aware of all rules.

Have a safe weekend.

Buzz and Linda Rasmussen

## JULY - AUGUST "1990" EVENTS

<u>TIME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
(All Indiana)		
11:00 AM-2:00 PM	Saturday, July 28th	House Walk
9:30 AM	Saturday, Aug. 4th	Board Meeting
5:30 PM	Saturday, Aug. 4th	Corn & Sausage Roast at BLYC
11:30 AM	Tuesday, Aug. 7th	Ladies Luncheon
9:00 AM	Saturday, Aug. 11th	Birch Lake Triathlon
To be announced	Saturday, Aug. 25th	Fall Dinner at BLYC

### HOUSE WALK

Saturday, July 28th, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM (Indiana time), the Davis', Hayden's and Jankowski's houses are being opened for the Walk. A big thank you to these 3 couples for sharing their homes with us.

Visitors can start at any of the three houses, pay \$6.00 and collect their ticket which will enable them to go through all three homes. Refreshments will be served at each house. A pontoon boat will be stationed at each pier to offer transportation to the next house.

If we have a down pour the tour will not take place, so hope for a sunny day.

## COURTESY

Water means freedom to many boaters. Abusing that freedom prevents shoreline property owners and other boaters from enjoying the peacefulness of open water and beaches. It also creates a need for more restrictive laws.

Boaters must respect the rights of shoreline property owners. These rights vary depending on movement of the water level. Generally, property rights extend to the water's edge.

Noise carries farther on water, especially at night. When anchoring off a waterfront home, keep voices down, play music low and leave with a minimum of noise. Be sure to consider winds, waves and tides. Don't anchor where the boat might drift too close to shore or to other boats.

Water pollution laws prohibit throwing or discharging refuse into the water. Carry a litter bag on the boat. Don't throw any garbage overboard for someone else to pick up.

High speed boating is dangerous in restricted or congested areas. The skipper is responsible for spotting and avoiding swimmers and slow moving vessels. This is also important when picking up or dropping off water skiers.

High speeds can produce high wakes. Boaters are responsible for damage caused by their wakes to other vessels or to shorelines. Slow down and watch your wake when approaching congested areas or small boats with low transoms.

Passengers should respect the skipper's wishes when on-board. He is responsible for everyone's safety. He must be alert at all times.

The skipper should make sure one of his passengers knows how to handle the boat. He may need someone to take over in an emergency.

A good skipper knows the rules and courtesies of the water. He makes sure that neither he nor any of his passengers abuses them. He uses caution and consideration when mixing noise, speed and smoke with the gentle, refreshing and relaxing life on the water.

## FOUND

Mr. Blessing (Southside - cottage #15) had a yellow Sea-rider paddle boat float in to his shoreline. If you are the owner please call 476-8848.

## KEEPING IT TRIM

A Big thanks to Tom Howard, who has kept the grass around the Yacht Club neat and trim. Excellent job Tom!

## CORN & SAUSAGE ROAST

Make plans to attend the Corn & Sausage Roast at Birch Lake Yacht Club.

Date: Saturday, Aug. 4th

Time: 5:30 PM (IN)

Cost: Adults - \$5.50

Children 5 and under - \$3.00

Come and join your Birch Lake neighbors for an evening of good food, good company and a good time.

## TRIATHLON

Any people looking for team members please call Dan Reynolds (476-8877).

Also volunteers are needed!!

Dan would like Registration forms in as soon as possible. Thank you.

## GRAND CHAMPION

Congratulations to 11 year old Joshua Walker (Westside) who in his second year of 4-H had the Grand Champion Single Market Hog in the Cass County Fair. Her name is "Menace" and she weights 250 lbs. (WOW) Also, Joshua had the Reserved Grand Champion Pair of hogs.

Caleb Walker, age 9, in his first year of 4-H showed his horse "Rakessa" at the Cass County Fair. Caleb finished with one - 3rd place and two - 4th places. Congratulations!

This week Josh is in Bloomington, Indiana attending I.U. Soccer Camp while Mom, Nancy, is trying to get some over due R and R at Birch Lake. Good luck - Nancy.

## DAREDEVIL BIKE RIDER

Daredevil bike rider Brett Carey broke his arm last week when his skid around the corner turned into a flying somersault into the bushes. He'll be out of commission for the rest of the season but he'll be back next year, stronger and undoubtedly more daring than ever.

## KID'S AEROBICS

Brittany Gableman would like to start a kid's aerobics class, meeting Monday, Wednesday and Friday starting July 30th from 10:30 - 11:30 AM (IN. time). Meet at Brittany's Southside home - 14890 Birch Lakeshore Drive. If you are a "kid" and would like to get in shape, please call Brittany -2132- and let her know you'll attend.

## WEEKEND GUESTS

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cowens #W308 were Mrs. Carolyn McCoy and Timothy of Hamburg, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cowen and Bradley of Osceola, Indiana.

Avanelle Cowen

## FOR SALE

25" RCA - color - remote TV - works great - \$175 - call Rick or Cathy - 476-9773.

## CRITTER SIGHTING

One of our favorite birds to watch is the Belted Kingfisher especially when he is diving for food.

The Belted Kingfisher is Pigeon-sized with bushy crest; dagger-like bill; blue-gray above, white below. Male has a blue-gray breast band; female similar but with a chestnut belly band.

The voice of the Kingfisher is loud, penetrating rattle, given on the wing and when perched. It nests in an unlined chamber at the end of a tunnel up to eight feet long, dug in a sand or gravel bank. Kingfishers often hover like a tern over water where a fish is visible and dive vertically for the prey. They may also take crabs, crayfish, salamanders, lizards, mice, and insects. They often patrol a regular beat along a stream or lake shore, stopping at favorite exposed perches along the way.

## REMINDER

If you haven't made reservations for the Ladies Luncheon, Tuesday, August 7th now is the time. Call Denny Weesner (2569) or Angie Lovejoy (2777).



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(See County Highway Map)

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Crab meat in a rich butter sauce, baked in hot crusty pastry served with Philadelphia cream ..... \$15.40

**Broiled Northern Michigan Whitefish**  
Almondine \$11.50  
\* Light Portion ..... \$6.95

**Crab Water Rock Lobster Tail**  
Dishes in hot sauce, served with Dream Cheese ..... Market Price

**Scallop Strudel**  
Crabapples, mushrooms in cream filling served in hot crusty pastry and sauce ..... \$12.95  
\* Light Portion ..... \$8.95

**Crab Water Walleye Pike Reunierc**  
You have to broil it better, better and better ..... \$12.95

**Coconut Beet Shrimp**  
Served with cream and hot sauce ..... \$9.95

**Lake Perch Fillets**  
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**Alaskan Crab Legs**  
Cooked, served with Dream Cheese ..... Market Price

**Broiled Petite Filet Mignon** ..... \$5.50  
Served with hot cream sauce

## Seasonalities

**Lamb Chops** - broiled with herbs, garlic and onion oil  
each \$12.00 two \$18.95 three \$22.50

**Roast Duck** glazed with Hot Sauce sauce ..... \$14.25

**Chef's Pasta du Jour**  
(ask your server)

**Veal Medallions**  
You have to broil it better and one of the following sauce: Almond Mushroom, Herb or Sherry Sauce ..... \$14.50

**Barbecued Spare Ribs**  
per half rack \$10.50 full rack \$13.95

**Broiled Pork Chops**  
per piece  
broiled and broiled with a special sauce ..... \$13.95

Please allow twenty minutes for these house specialties

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## U.S.D.A Choice Beef

**Prime Rib Roast**  
served with Au Jus and Creamed Potatoes  
Half \$14.25 Cow \$11.50

**New York Strip Steak**  
Grilled on fire to order ..... \$14.95

**Top Sirloin**  
10 oz. \$11.95 5 oz. \$10.50

**Teriyaki Beef Kabob**  
with fresh vegetables, mushrooms, onions and green peppers ..... \$6.95

**Filet Mignon** - served in sauce ..... \$15.25

**Steak au Poivre**  
You broil it better and better, broiled with a sauce of hot fire and hot sauce ..... \$13.50

**Sautéed Beef Steaks**  
with broccoli, onion, mushrooms, and hot sauce ..... \$9.95

**Top Sirloin**  
5 oz. with garlic sauce, green onions and fresh mushrooms ..... \$7.95

In restaurants near there:  
Broiled mushrooms, onions and cream in butter \$2.25  
Grilled onion, mushrooms and green chili sauce \$2.25  
Onion and Sherry sauce \$1.25

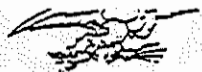
## Poultry

**Boneless Chicken Breasts**  
You have to broil it better and better ..... \$11.95

**Chicken Dinner**  
Dishes include with Dream and cream cheese ..... \$9.95  
\* Light Portion ..... \$6.95

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