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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Well, once again, property owners took it on the chin with the narrow defeat of Proposal A. It's back to the drawing board.

On the brighter side, the weatherman came through with a nice sunny weekend. All we need is another 10 to 15 degrees and the water will warm up to tolerable levels.

Don't forget the **COMMODORE'S COCKTAIL PARTY** this Saturday, June 12, 1993 from 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.(IN). Bring an appetizer! Come and enjoy your favorite summer beverage and the company of your Birch Lake neighbors.

We now have 62 dues paying members of the Birch Lake Yacht Club, about one-half the normal level each year. Please contact your nearest director to join. Your \$20.00 membership fee and any additional contributions are used to maintain the Yacht Club and fund other events like the annual Kid's Party.

We are also running considerably short of the amount needed to fund the 4th of July fireworks display. If we are to continue with this event, additional contributions will be needed.

Have a safe and enjoyable week!

Rich Mullin
COMMODORE 1993

SUMMER "1993" EVENTS

(all times Indiana)

June 11th - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. at BLYC
June 12th - Commodore's Cocktail Party - 5:30p.m.
at BLYC -bring hors d'oeuvre tray
June 18th - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. at BLYC
June 20th - or 27th Children's Party - 2:00p.m. BLYC
June 23rd - Wednesday - Ladies Coffee - BLYC
July 3rd - Boat Parade - 10:00a.m.
July 3rd - Fireworks - at dark
July 4th - Pancake Breakfast - 8:00a.m.
July 4th - Fireworks raindate (sorry date wrong last
week)
July 24th - Luau - 6:00p.m. - BLYC
July 30th - Birch Lake Golf Open
July 30th - Ladies Luncheon
Aug. 14th - Triathlon - 9 or 10:00a.m.
Aug. 14th - Corn & Sausage Roast - 5:30p.m. BLYC
Aug. 28th - Fall Dinner - 6:00p.m. - BLYC
Oct. ? - Hayride & Pig Roast

SAILING NEWS

Sailors Be Ware - the Countdown has begun. The Sunfish Season is scheduled to begin Sunday, June 20th. The MC Season will begin with the July 4th Regatta.

All sailors - any class - are welcome to a kick-off meeting on Saturday, June 19th, 4:00p.m.(IN) at the Yacht Club. We will organize and discuss our season.

Meanwhile, get out and practice and keep dry. See you 4:00p.m.(IN), June 19th at the Yacht Club.

AEROBICS

Aerobics kicks-off Monday, July 5th, with an Aerobathon in celebration of the instructor, Claudia Gableman's, 40th birthday. It's just a way of laughing in the face of father time! The two-hour workout begins with a 15 minute warm-up, 50 min. of low-impact aerobics, 25 min. of firming and toning, a 20 minute stretching cool down, followed by 10 minutes of deep relaxation techniques. By the time it's over with all participants will be like a content, relaxed bowl of jello. Bring a towel and weights if desired.

Class starts at 10a.m.(IN) at the Birch Lake Yacht Club.

BOAT PARADE

Start thinking about how to decorate your boat for the annual holiday Boat Parade Saturday, July 3rd, at 10:00a.m.(IN). This tradition was revived several years ago and has proven to be a highlight of the July 4th festivities. Decorations in the past have ranged from simple to truly elaborate and do not have to follow a July 4th theme. No fee is involved - just pick up your entry number from the Reynolds' pier (big 2-story cedar house on south side) at 10:00a.m.(IN). As you file past the Gableman's cedar house on the south side, a team of professional(?) judges will be gazing on your creation. Slowly circle the lake (spectators love to take pictures). Upon your return, judges will award trophies and ribbons to every participating boat.

Categories are:

- Most Patriotic
- Most Colorful
- Best Pontoon
- Best Fishing Boat
- Most Original
- Best Overall

Past decorations have included using balloons and banners to elaborate themes such as Gilligan's Island, Gorilla float, Notre Dame float, Founding Fathers boat, and Flamingo Road.

If you would like to bribe the judges beforehand these Birch Lakers have been known to be persuaded: Irene Stefan, Brad Zesinger, Steve Ball, Fran Welch, and Dan Reynolds.

Join with family and friends and partake in this wonderful, fun-filled activity.

Raindate - July 4th at 10:00a.m.(IN).

SOMETHING NEW AND DIFFERENT - ON OUR ENTERTAINMENT AGENDA - IS COMING YOUR WAY

How about a real Hawaiian Luau complete with a luscious dinner followed by a great Show?!

One thing though, after checking I found I was unable to get the Group from Hawaii I was counting on - so now we have to rely on the talents of our own people right here on beautiful Birch Lake.

If you can sing, act, do the Hula, make music or help out in other needful ways, please call me. Just don't worry, you will get lots of help. And, if you are too shy, I'm sure your "friends" will be volunteering for you.

At any rate it will all be lots of fun - so mark your calendars for Saturday, July 24th.

Check your wardrobes for bright, flowery things to wear (you men also) and stay tuned. Thelma Koontz, Chairperson, #9657.

TIME CHANGE FOR MASS AT CAMP EBERHARDT

Sunday church service at Camp Eberhardt has been changed to 9:30a.m. (IN).

CONGRATULATIONS AND CHEERS AT THE QUINLANS'

Congratulations and cheers are in order for many reasons at the Quinlan's on the West side.

All three kids graduated this year: Jennifer from Butler University with a B.A. in Dance; Caroline from St. Joe High School, she will attend St. Mary's College in the fall; and Chris from Corpus Christi Grade School, he will go to St. Joe.

In addition HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Jen, who turned 22 on June 5th, and Chris, who turned 14 on June 6th.

Last but not least Steve and Vickie celebrate their 23rd Wedding Anniversary on June 13th.

Congrats to the Graduates and HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Mom and Dad - thanks for our "3 in '93" party - we love you!
Jennifer, Caroline, and Chris

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Don and Mary Alice Erhardt celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary Saturday, June 5th, at the Matterhorn Restaurant in Elkhart.

50 years ago Don had to get leave from Uncle Sam to attend his wedding. This time was not much different (well sort of) as Don had to get leave again to attend his 50th anniversary party not from Uncle Sam, but St. Joseph Hospital. His youngest son, John, was willing to accept responsibility for Don during his leave to make sure he didn't skip the country, and his oldest son, Donnie, got him back to the hospital before he was AWOL. While Don is being catered to in the hospital by pretty nurses, Mary Alice is having to put up with a horde of children who have gathered together to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with them.

Cheryl and Tom Wilcox are here from The Colony, Texas along with Tracy, Kim, Ryan, and the two grand-dogs. Lynne and Eric Halsted have come from Warner Robins, Georgia. Donnie and Ginny came up from New Carlisle, and John didn't have to travel at all (he lives there).

The Erhardt children haven't been together for over 10 years and Mary Alice is having a hard time maintaining control (they tend to get a little loud). But, she is doing an admirable job and deserves a commendation for not going crazy here at Birch Lake while Don is flirting with those pretty nurses in the hospital. Actually, Don will be released next week in time to experience some of the chaos here at cottage #4 on Birch

Lake. Mary Alice can't wait!

WARM WELCOME

A very warm welcome to new residents on the West side, Frank and Trudy Ward.

The Wards are from Linwood, Illinois. They are the parents of five children, George, Vicki, Cindy, Frank Jr., and Bob, and thirteen grandchildren.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JANET REYNOLDS!

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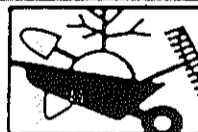
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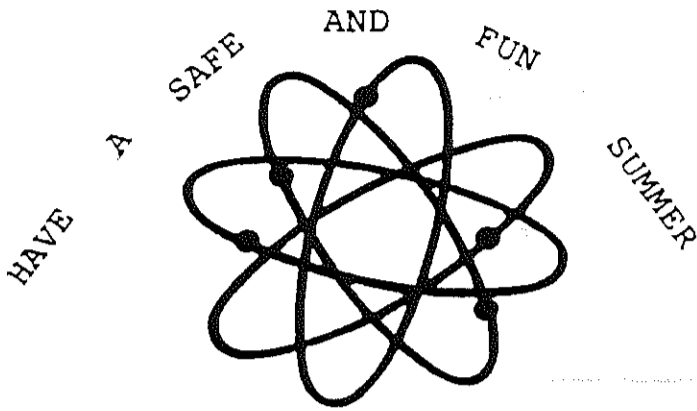
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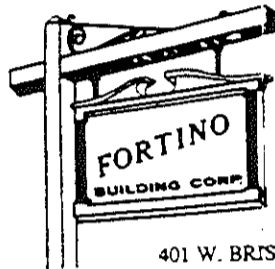
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