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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

The first holiday week-end of the summer has finally arrived. On the 4th of July we all like to set off a few fireworks, so please be extra careful.

The annual Boat Parade begins at 10:00a.m.(IN), Saturday, July 3rd. If you can't join in, sit back and enjoy the show. Many thanks to those impartial judges.

Saturday night at dark, the Birch Lake sky will be ablaze with color from the annual Fireworks Show from Camp Tannadoonah (rain date is Sunday). There is still a shortage of funding for the fireworks show so please consider a donation.

The aroma of pancakes, sausage and coffee will be wafting over Camp Tannadoonah beginning at 8:00a.m.(IN) Sunday morning. Breakfast will be served until 11:00a.m.(IN) and proceeds from the \$4.00 per person (\$2.00 children 10 & under) fee will go directly to benefit the Camp. Fireworks contributions will also be accepted at the door.

Please remember to respect your neighbors here at Birch Lake while you are having fun. I hope that you all have a sunny fun filled holiday and a wonderful summer.

Bob Waddle
Vice-Commodore 1993

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

WHEN? July 4th
WHERE? Camp Tannadoonah
TIME? 8 - 11A.M.(IN)
COST? \$4 Adults - \$2 Children 10 & Under
WHY? For the benefit of our good neighbors - The Camp.

SUMMER "1993" EVENTS
(all times Indiana)

July 2nd - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. BLYC
July 3rd - Boat Parade - 10:00a.m.
July 3rd - Sailboat Race (Regatta) 2:00p.m.
July 3rd - Fireworks - at dark
July 4th - Pancake Breakfast - 8:00 to 11:00a.m.
July 4th - Sailboat Regatta (2 Races) - 10:30a.m.
July 4th - Raindate Boat Parade - 12:30p.m.
July 4th - Raindate for Fireworks - at dark
July 5th - Monday, Wednesday, Friday - Aerobics
Today only 10:00a.m. Aerobathon
July 7th - Aerobics - 9:00 to 10:00a.m. - BLYC
Monday - Wednesday - Friday
July 9th - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. BLYC
July 11th - Sailboat races (2) - 10:30a.m.
July 11th - Kid's Party
July 16th - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. BLYC
July 18th - Sailboat races (2) - 10:30a.m.
July 23rd - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. BLYC
July 24th - Luau - **CANCELED**
July 25th - Sailboat races (2) - 10:30a.m.
July 30th - Birch Lake Golf Open - 11:00a.m.
July 30th - Ladies Luncheon - Three Rivers Inn -
11:30a.m.
Aug. 1st - Sailboat races (2) - 10:30a.m.
Aug. 6th - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. BLYC
Aug. 8th - Sailboat races (2) - 10:30a.m.
Aug. 13th - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. BLYC
Aug. 14th - Triathlon - 9 or 10:00a.m.
Aug. 14th - Corn & Sausage Roast - 5:30p.m. BLYC
Aug. 15th - Sailboat races (2) - 10:30a.m.
Aug. 20th - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. BLYC
Aug. 22nd - Sailboat races (2) - 10:30a.m.
Aug. 27th - Teen Night - 8:00 to 10:00p.m. BLYC
Aug. 28th - Fall Dinner - 6:00p.m. - BLYC
Aug. 29th - Sailboat races (2) - 10:30a.m.
Sept. 4th - Sailboat Regatta - 2:00p.m.
Sept. 5th - Sailboat Regatta - 10:30a.m. - 2 races
Oct. ? - Hayride & Pig Roast

BOAT PARADE

The annual holiday Boat Parade is Saturday, July 3rd, at 10:00a.m.(IN). 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

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

Raindate - July 4th at 12:30p.m.(IN). If you need more information call Claudia at #476-2132.

- NOTICE -

I need to report this week that although we have almost enough "Entertainers" for our Hawaiian Luau, we don't have enough "Technicians" to carry on comfortably; so its really best not to go on with our plans for it. However, there are lots of other nice events coming up and we will all get to enjoy them. To all of you who signed on - THANK YOU! Thelma Koontz.
P.S. I'm not at all upset. ☺

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

PHYLLIS CATHERINE RASMUSSEN

Born: June 25, 1993

Weight: 6lbs. 14oz.

Length: 19 3/4 inches

Proud parents: Buzz and Linda Rasmussen

Proud grandparents: Harry and Theresa Liwosz

SAILING NEWS

Last week Dave and Christina Troeger sailed in the Diamond Lake Open Annual Regatta representing Birch Lake. They finished 16th out of 35. Not bad considering it was their first time racing an M.C.

We start our M.C. and Sunfish Racing Season this weekend. The following schedule is in affect.

July 3rd	1 Race	2:00 p.m.(IN)	Regatta
July 4th	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	Regatta
July 11th	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	
July 18th	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	
July 25th	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	
Aug. 1st	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	
Aug. 8th	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	
Aug. 15th	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	
Aug. 22nd	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	
Aug. 29th	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	
Sept. 4th	1 Race	2:00 p.m.(IN)	Regatta
Sept. 5th	2 Races	10:30 a.m.(IN)	Regatta

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 minutes of low-impact aerobics, 25 minutes of firming & 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 10:00a.m.(IN) at the Birch Lake Yacht Club.

LADIES LUNCHEON

WHERE: Three Rivers Inn

TIME: July 30th at 11:30a.m.(IN)

COST: \$7.50 per person (pay at the door)

Lunch: Chicken Stir Fry - tossed salad - Peach Tart

BRING: White Elephant gift - please wrap!

Please make reservation by July 26th because the restaurant needs the exact count by then.

For reservations call: Chairwoman - Linda Curtis #2431

Janet Reynolds #8877

Barb Zesinger #2526

CASS COUNTY FAIR

Sunday, July 18th to Saturday, July 24th

EXHIBITS AND CONCESSIONS OPEN 11:00a.m.(MI) to 11:00pm.(MI)

Daily Gate Admission 8:00 - 12:00 noon(MI)\$3.00

Daily Gate Admission after 12:00 noon(MI)\$6.00

Children 6 - 12\$1.00

Children 5 and underFREE

ParkingFREE

Pit Passes - Tractor Pull\$5.00

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CLAUDIA!

4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

A big 4th of July celebration is planned at the Zesinger's East shore residence. Guests include Carol MacLean, Bob Rhodes, Hunter MacLean, Christiann MacLean, Sister Jan Wheaton, George & Mary Miller, Bill & Cindy Rheinhardt, Bud Zesinger, Jr. & Nila Barrier, and Lynne Henry.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Bud Jr.

CASS COUNTY FAIR PARTICIPANTS

Caleb and Josh Walker are preparing to show their animals at the Cass County Fair.

Caleb will show his horse, Rakessa and three pigs.

Josh will show 3 pigs. Good luck fellows.

FISHING TRIP

Brad Walker had a great fishing trip to Northern Manitoba. They caught Walleyes and Northern Pike.

The weather was pretty cool - 40 degrees, with rain and sleet.

CRITTER SIGHTING

The Woodland Cove's enormous alligator snapper as reported in the Birch Barker is for real. I witnessed his dramatic entrance to Birch Lake.

I was standing at a back window and saw this large chunk of log roll down the hill and fall onto the lane from the ledge. I meant to go out later and get it for the fireplace. Then as I was on the front deck, from the corner of the lawn came this leviathan of a turtle creeping verree slowly and heading for the Lake. He would creep about 6 or 7 feet and rest; his huge head would come up and look around. The thought flashed in my mind "Is that my log?". I ran to the back window and the log was gone.

He was fascinating to watch. Char Forney (North shore)

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

The following recipe has been submitted by Bruce Wagner.

LONDON BROIL

- 1 flank steak
- 1 6oz. can pineapple juice
- 1 tsp. ground ginger
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1 clove garlic, sliced & crushed (or 1/8tsp. garlic powder)
- 1/3 cup soy sauce
- 1/3 cup salad oil

Mix juice, ginger, sugar, and garlic. Add soy sauce and oil, mix well. Pierce steak with fork liberally on both sides. Score steak with sharp knife about 1/8in. deep diagonally both ways on both sides. Place steak in non-metal pan and cover with marinade, coating both sides well. Cover and refrigerate. Marinate 24 to 48 hours. (The longer the better) Turn every 12 hours.

Broil on medium height rack in grill for 8 minutes per side, turning only once. Slice cross grain approximately 1/2 inch thick. Serve and enjoy, but don't count on leftovers! This marinade works well with chicken, also.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - BUZZ!

Recipes cont.

The following recipe has been submitted by Julie Nagy.

Since strawberries are in season! This recipe is from a wonderful restaurant in Indianapolis called Greensleeves.

STRAWBERRY DAIQUIRI

3 oz. Grenadine
6 oz. light Bacardi Rum
32 oz. frozen or fresh sliced strawberries
24 oz. Daileys sweet & sour cocktail mix
6 oz. simple sugar syrup (3oz. sugar + 3 oz. water)
Crushed ice.

1. Stir all ingredients, except ice.
2. For one serving, place 4 oz. of mixture in Blender; add 1 cup crushed ice and blend until smooth - Have Fun!

OLD FOLKS ARE WORTH A FORTUNE

Old folks are worth a fortune: With silver in their hair, gold in their teeth, stones in their kidneys, lead in their feet and gas in their stomachs. I have become a lot more social with the passing of the years; some might even call me a frivolous old gal. I'm seeing five gentlemen every day.

As soon as I wake, Will Power helps me get out of bed. Then I go to see John. Then Charley Horse comes along, and when he is here he takes a lot of my time and attention. When he leaves, Arthur Ritis shows up and stays the rest of the day. (He doesn't like to stay in one place very long, so he takes me from joint to joint.) After such a busy day, I'm really tired and glad to go to bed -- with Ben Gay. What a life!

P.S. The preacher came to call the other day. He said that at my age I should be thinking about the hereafter. I told him I do -- all the time. No matter where I am -- in the parlor, upstairs, in the kitchen or down in the basement -- I ask myself, "Now, what am I here after?"
Found and submitted by Rose Horvath.

COME GET YOUR LEMONADE AND COOKIES

Stop by the Mullin's on the North side Sunday, July 4th from 1:00 to 2:30p.m.(IN) and buy a cool refreshing glass of lemonade and a delicious cookie. Patrick and Sarah.

WANT COTTAGE TO RENT

Following their wedding in the fall, Amy Ross and her fiance, Brad Medich, will be looking for a cottage to rent here on Birch Lake.

If anyone is interested in renting to the couple for a short time, please contact Amy at #476-2196 before July 17th.

TO BE GIVEN AWAY

To be given away:

- 1) 1 twin box spring and frame.
- 2) 1 twin brass headboard
- 3) 1 double bed mattress & boxspring

Call #476-2018 or come over Saturday afternoon to cottage #72 The Pences.

WANTED

- 1) Wanted - Boat Lift - call Wes Spratt at #2113 after 10:00a.m.(MI).
- 2) Wanted - Grass cutter for July and August.
Call Wes Spratt at #2113.

PLEASE HAVE ALL NEWS TO EDITOR BY 5:00P.M. MONDAY!

MOVING SALE

Moving Sale: Saturday, July 10th, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (MI)
at Rosses, E101.

Furniture, tools, electrical supplies; paintings; Toro
lawn mower; 9.8 Mercury Out-Board motor; Sunfish Sailboat; Toro
Snowblower; McCollough Chain Saw; Bikes; Electric Hedge Clippers;
pop & beer refrigerator; canning jars, Etc. Etc...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - AMY ROSS!

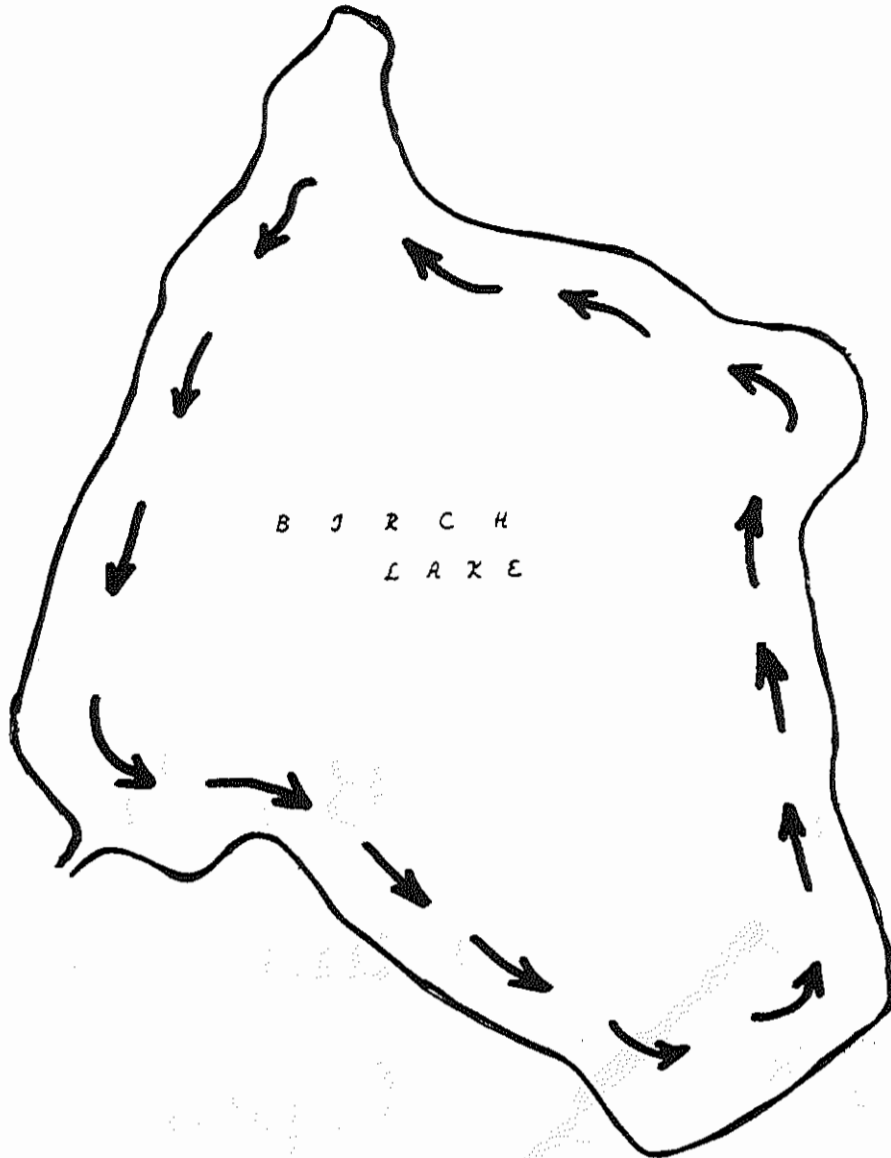
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WAVE RUNNERS OPERATE
IN A COUNTER CLOCKWISE
DIRECTION. THANK YOU!

JET SKIS & WAVE RUNNERS

Remember that personal watercraft must follow the same rules as regular watercraft. The following laws must be adhered to:

1. Always operate in a counter clockwise direction.
2. No wake within 100 feet of shore, piers, or rafts. Leave the dock area at idle speed until watercraft is 100 feet from pier or raft.
3. Must maintain 100 feet distance from all other watercraft (including other wave runners) at wake speed.
4. Must maintain 150 feet distance when following another watercraft (including other wave runners) at wake speed.

COURTESY RULES

- 1) Do not operate jet skis or wave runners before 9:00a.m. or after 7:00p.m. (Indiana)
- 2) Do not hot dog on the lake other than in the middle of the lake.

Thanks,
Water Safety Committee

The 33rd Annual

Birch
Lake
Open

is only 28
days away!

DATE: Friday, July 30th
TIME: Shotgun start at 11:00am (IN) on
PLACE: Park Shores Golf Club, Cassopolis, MI (now 18 holes)

PRICE: \$40/man (in advance) for golf, cart, favor, doorprize, dinner & refreshments
\$45 at the door
\$20/man for dinner & doorprize only

Some corporate sponsors have agreed to participate — there are still a few spots available. Any interested party can contact Bob King (299-0705). Area businesses & individuals have long supported the Open with gifts of both service & prizes. To assure a door prize for each man, your donation made **IN ADVANCE** would be helpful. To arrange donations contact Bob King or your lakeshore director.

Time runs short, so, register your foursomes today! Contact Bill King (476-2128) -or- Bob King (above).

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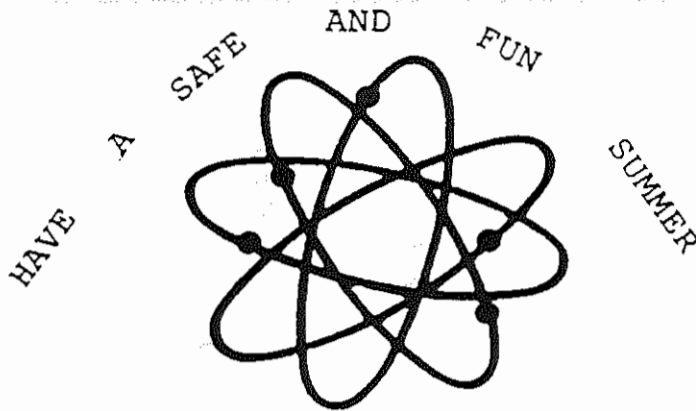
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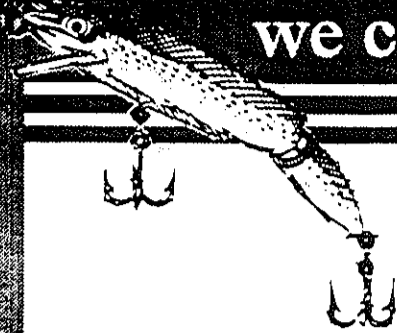
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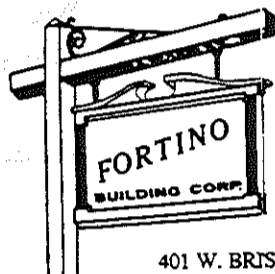
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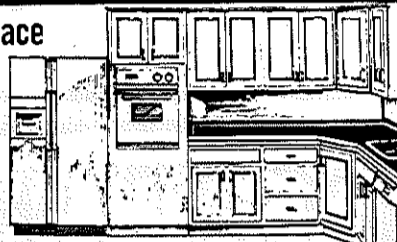
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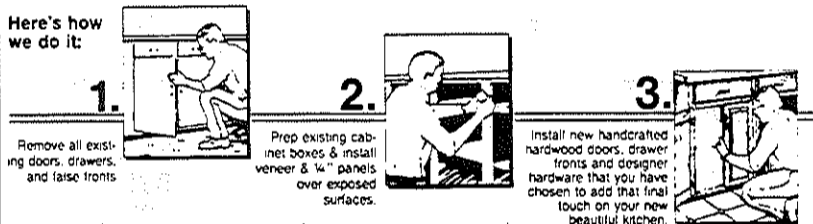
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