



Birch Banker

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

The weatherman and Mother Nature got together and gave us one near-perfect July 4th holiday weekend.

The Boat Parade was the best I've seen in my 5 years at Birch Lake. Congratulations to all participants and thanks to the judges for a job well done.

I had the pleasure of working at the Pancake Breakfast. Please join me in thanking the Sante Family for chairing this event. A record crowd and significant cash contribution to Camp Tannadoonah are fine tributes to their herculean efforts.

Again, thanks to Mother Nature, and the Luck of the Irish, the Fireworks Display took place on Sunday after being canceled at the last minute on Saturday. In the end, the Fireworks were great and I don't have to think anymore about committing HARI-KARI!

The Sailboat Races were held in near - gale force winds - a sailor's delight...

Finally, as we enter those crazy, hazy, lazy days of summer let's be thankful for what we have here at Birch Lake, be considerate of your neighbors, and continue to follow the rules of safety when operating all forms of water craft.

Rich Mullin

Commodore 1993

SUMMER "1993" EVENTS
(all times Indiana)

July 9th - 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 - 2:00 to 4:00p.m. - BLYC
Ages 4 to 11 years only.
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 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. 16th - Hayride & Pig Roast

BOAT PARADE THANK YOU

Dear Birch Lakers,

The boat parade was an outstanding display of creativity!
You outdid yourselves again!

Participants and spectators alike enjoyed this activity
which made the 4th weekend extra special.

Awards were given to all the following entries:

- Boat # 1 - Honorable Mention - McElwee's Jurassic Park.
- # 2 - Best Pontoon - William's Jurassic Park.
- # 3 - Honorable Mention - Ball's I.U. float.
- # 4 - Best Fishing Boat (or best boat you can fish off of?) - Wozniak's Happy 4th of July Float.
- # 5 - Most Original - Hayden's Indian & Canoe Float.
- # 6 - Most Colorful - Foos's Good Ship Lollipop.
- # 7 - Most Patriotic - Gableman's Happy Birthday U.S.A. Float.
- # 8 - Honorable Mention - Sander's Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs.
- # 9 - Honorable Mention - Odenwald's Made in America Float.
- #10 - Honorable Mention - Flora's Santa Boat.
- #11 - Best Overall - Troeger's Pirate Ship.
- #11a - Most Unoriginal was awarded to Earl Troeger for unintentionally tagging along & thus entering the parade (Good costume, Earl!)

Every boat was outstanding and thus deserved much applause!
Please, all entries accept this as a big thank you from all
your spectators for allowing us to gaze upon your creations!
(I promise next year we will have trophies for all instead of
ribbons and trophies as we have done in the past.)

Many thanks to our illustrious judges who had the horrendous
job of proclaiming awards. They did an excellent job. Give
a pat on the back to Fran Welch, Brad Zesinger, Irene Steffan,
Steve Ball, and Dan Reynolds. Thank you again!

BOAT PARADE THANK YOU cont.

Just a note: My first summer visit to Birch Lake many, many moons ago included the opportunity to see a 4th of July boat parade. I was impressed! When we moved here 6 years ago I was disappointed to find out that the boat parade had gone by the wayside. It seems like it has taken a few years to build up again and I am so glad it has become a regular tradition. Spectators love it and the participants get the most benefit. Families are having fun working on such a creative and often amusing project. It makes the 4th of July extra special. Thank you, Birch Lake! Claudia Gableman.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST THANK YOU

We would like to thank you for supporting the July 4th Breakfast. There were 343 served resulting in a donation of \$1,010 to Camp Tannadoonah plus individual donations of \$250 for a total benefit of \$1,260.

Some of the people we should thank include Mike & Marge Gotstein (mixing batter), Jerry (serving pancakes & talking) & Mattie (on the grill) Williams, Katha, Lori (greeters and cashiers) & Mike Machalleck (paying the bills), Don Harman (dishwasher), Dave (working on the floor) & Judy Olson (mixing batter and talker), Mo Graczyk (coffee and juice), Dick Bender (worked like a dog doing many jobs), Jidge Woods (worked on the floor), Rich & Pam Mullin (Jack/Jill of all trades), Harold (dishwasher), Donna and Bob Cranmer (worked on the floor) and Steve Sante (cooking the sausage). This may need to be continued next week if we missed naming one of our hard working team.

Keith and Denny Weesner, and the Zesingers were kind enough to lend us their coffee pots while Shelton's Farm Market again gave us a "deal" on milk and F.S. Carbon Co. again furnished the great Malted Pancake mix.

Pat Laing and Jo Murphy (Tannadoonah Directors) were also great help in organizing the day. Marty & Doris Sante.

SAILING NEWS

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

Thanks to all the sailors who participated in our 4th of July Regatta. A special thanks goes to Rick Doolittle and Buzz Rasmussen for being the starters and race committee.

One race was sailed Sunday in medium to heavy winds with 11 Sunfish and 5 MC's starting. Dave Troeger and Ric Harman battled in a close race with Dave winning in the end. Earl Troeger and Don Harman battled to the finish in the MC's with Earl prevailing. Monday brought high winds with tremendous gusts. Dave Troeger prevailed in both Sunfish Races while Harold Cranmer won the 1st MC Race and Earl Troeger the second. The Results follow:

SUNFISH

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|---|---------------|----|---------------|
| 1 | Dave Troeger | 7 | Randy Welch |
| 2 | Ric Harman | 8 | Bud Lovejoy |
| 3 | Steve Cranmer | 9 | John Gableman |
| 4 | Bob King | 10 | Phil Vilale |
| 5 | Dave Olson | 11 | Jack Troeger |
| 6 | Steve Sante | | |

MC RESULTS

- 1 Earl Troeger
- 2 Harold Cranmer
- 3 Don Harman
- 4 Tom Troeger
- 5 Vic Jones

Two Races for Each Class are scheduled Sunday, July 11th, promptly at 10:30a.m.(IN). See you there. Earl Troeger.

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

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

This week's recipe has been submitted by Janet Reynolds.

MEXICAN TURKEY-BEAN SALAD

Serve this main dish salad over a bed of lettuce with toasted pita bread rounds and sliced plums as accompaniments.

1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons commercial no-salt-added salsa, divided	1 (15oz.) can dark red kidney beans, drained
1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons vinegar, divided	8 cherry tomatoes, quartered
Vegetable cooking spray	1/3 cup thinly sliced green onions
1/2 pound freshly ground raw turkey	1/3 cup chopped sweet yellow pepper
1/2 teaspoon chili powder	3 cups torn iceberg lettuce
1/4 teaspoon dried whole oregano	3 cups torn curly endive
1/8 teaspoon pepper	1 cup frozen green beans, thawed and drained

Combine 3 tablespoons salsa and 3 tablespoons vinegar in a small jar; cover tightly, and shake vigorously. Set salsa mixture aside.

Coat a medium skillet with cooking spray; place over medium heat until hot. Add turkey and next 3 ingredients; cook until turkey is browned, stirring to crumble. Drain and pat dry with paper towels.

Combine turkey mixture, kidney beans, tomato, green onions, and yellow pepper in a large bowl; toss gently.

Place iceberg lettuce and curly endive in a large bowl; spoon turkey mixture over lettuce mixture. Top with green beans, and drizzle with reserved salsa mixture. Yield: 5 servings (about 133 calories per serving).

Protein 14.2/Fat 2.3/Carbohydrate 14.7/Cholesterol 26/Iron 2.5/Sodium 250/Calcium 65

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

CRITTER SIGHTING

The enormous alligator snapper turtle was spotted this week floating in the lake by Kevin and Cindy Bernaciak. They spotted him floating on the surface near the North east side. How about that - our own Birch Lake Monster! Hope we can keep him around for a long time...

WELCOME DUERINGERS

Welcome to Patti and Richard Dueringer and family. They will be spending July on the North side. Here's hoping the weather's great.
Stewart Spratt.

WANT TO RENT

Bill and Sherry Holleman and their girls would like to stay a week on Birch Lake. If anyone knows of a cottage to rent that would be available the week of July 25th, please call #2706.

A FIRST ON BIRCH LAKE?

The diving raft in the cove is about 100 feet offshore. Never-the-less, three brave souls, Chris and Tim Blackwood and Dave Thomas, pitched a pup tent on the raft.

They spent the night there but early in the morning various other members of the family were throwing objects at the campers, trying to arouse them.

Finally a rowboat was taken out and the tent was dismantled. We wonder how much sleep they really got "rocked in the cradle of the deep".

MACHALLECK GUESTS

Kathy (Machalleck) Wolf, husband Denny and son Jeff with guest Chris Burson, all from Midland, Michigan came Thursday evening and spent a fun packed Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at her folks cottage.

They had to return home Sunday at 5:00p.m. so missed a good pot-luck supper at Mike and Katha's and several of her relatives plus the delayed but beautiful fireworks.

Even with the canceled Saturday program, they enjoyed all the private displays of the lake residents.

We missed their daughter, Sarah, this trip as she had already committed to a vacation with friends in Northpoint, Mi.

KRUGGEL'S FOURTH OF JULY WEEKEND

The Fourth of July weekend at the Kruggel's was a blast! Bev and Herm are now year round residents at Birch Lake after summering here for 35 years. Saturday, 47 of the Kruggel clan enjoyed the wonderful summer weather and a picnic dinner in the evening. The new home was really initiated this weekend with all 5 grandchildren and their parents staying for the festivities.

The grandchildren were always saying that they wanted to ski too, so Papa Kruggel bought a new water toy called a Ski Bob to pull them on. Two year olds, Parker and Coley, three year old, Alexa and 5 year old, Connor, all enjoyed riding it and Mimi and Papa Kruggel were so proud of how brave they were. The only grandchild that didn't ride it was Blake Donald Roytek, 6 month old son of Leslie and Jim. We all thought he was just a little too young - maybe next year!

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; 9.8Mercury Out-Board motor; Sunfish Sailboat; Toro Snowblower; McCollough Chain Saw; Bikes; Electric Hedge Clippers; pop & beer refrigerator; canning jars, Etc. Etc...

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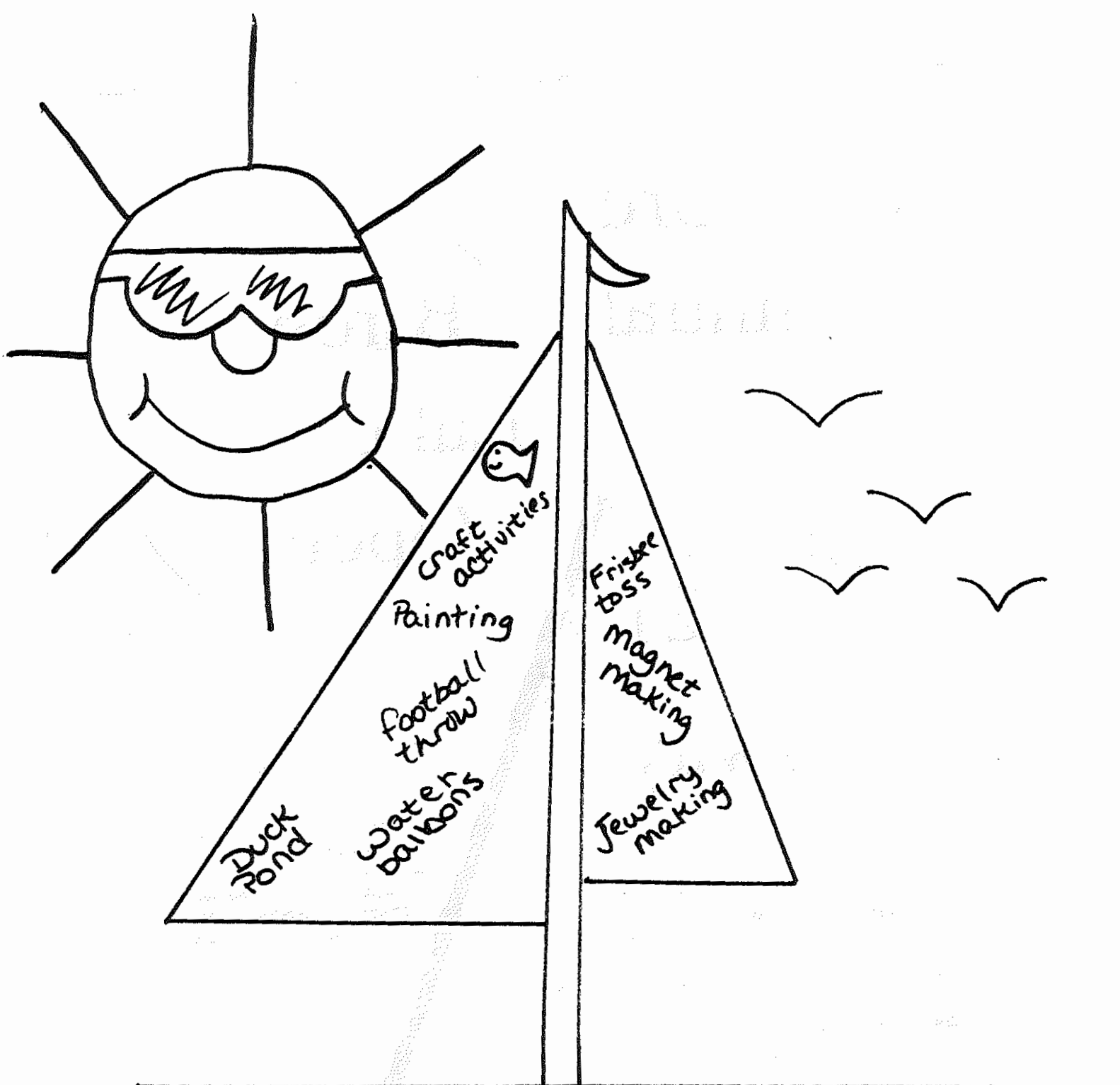
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On FRIDAY, please come,
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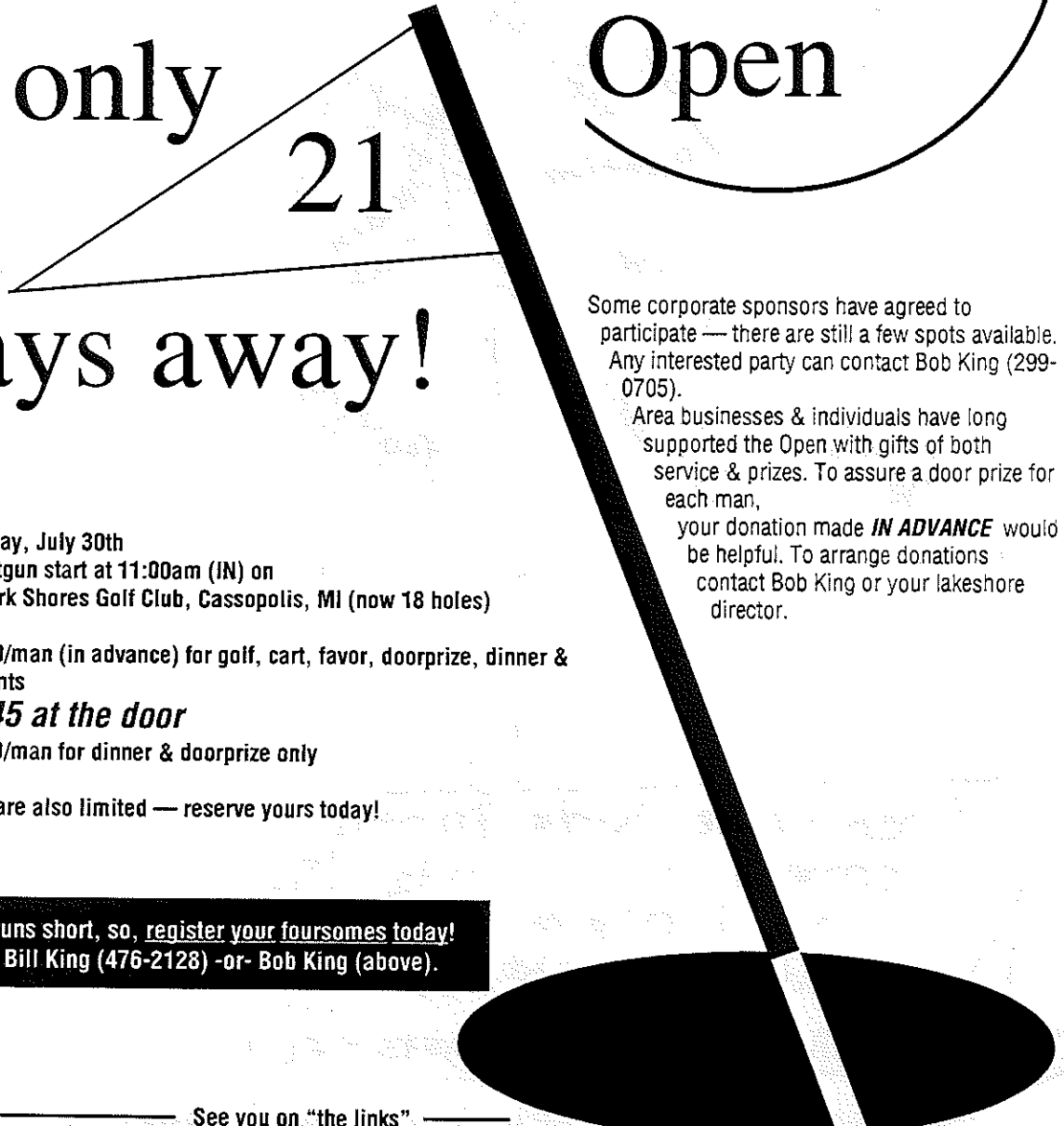
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DATE: Friday, July 30th
TIME: Shotgun start at 11:00am (IN) on
PLACE: Park Shores Golf Club, Cassopolis, MI (now 18 holes)

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

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.

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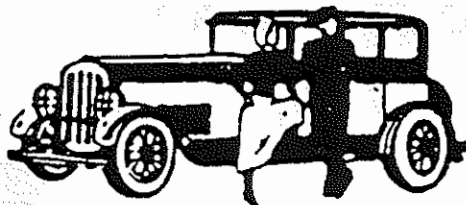
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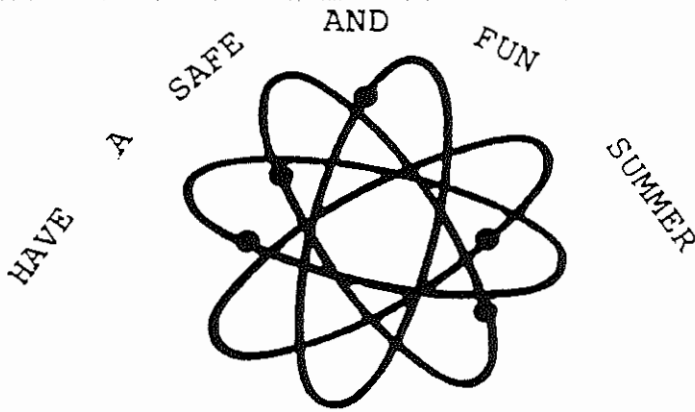
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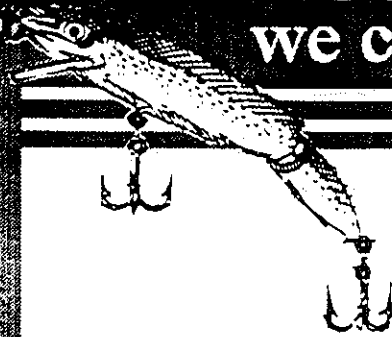
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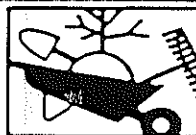
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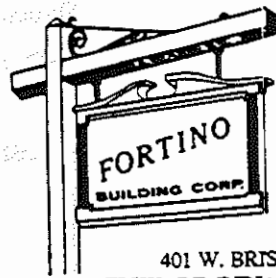
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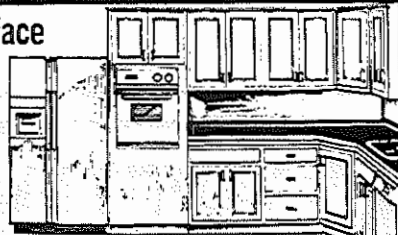
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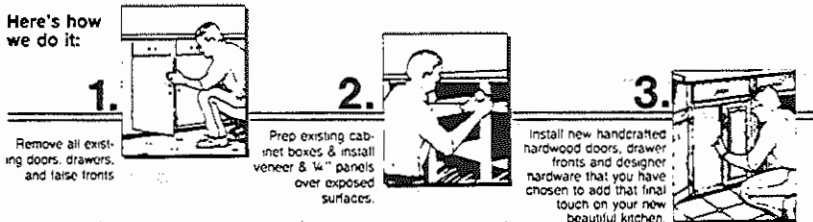
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