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(NEW) COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Well Rich - you dodged a few bullets, but you made it through the year unscathed and in fine style. Seriously, I would like to hear a big round of applause for our now past-commodore Rich Mullin, his lovely wife Pam (and her faithful sidekick, Mo) and Patrick and Sarah, his neat children. (Maybe this Saturday at noon clap, clap.)

They worked very hard at everything they did and it showed in the results, successful event after successful event. I see some monster shoes to fill.

So on behalf of everyone here at "da lake" - **THANK YOU.**

I don't know if I can persuade someone up there to co-operate with the weather the way Rich did this summer, but I do know that you can expect a lot of fun events, dinners, parties, dancing and overall good times next year. The reason I know this is that the same wonderful people that plan these events, promote them, run them and clean-up after them will be here next year. The unsung heroes of this story, Birch Lakers.

See you next year!

Bob Waddle
Commodore 1994

SUMMER "1993" EVENTS

Sept. 4th - Karaoke Night - 8:00p.m. - BLYC
Sept. 5th - Sailboat Regatta - 10:30a.m. - 3 races

THANK YOU

Thanks to Dave Gableman and Kathy McNamee for their donations of 30 cup coffee makers to the Yacht Club.

SPRING DINNER 1994

Mark your calendars now (or as soon as you buy one for 1994). The Birch Lake Yacht Club Spring Dinner is already planned at the Matterhorn Restaurant in Elkhart on Saturday, April 23, 1994. The cost will be \$17 per person (which includes tax and gratuity). There will also be hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Watch your mail for more information this spring.

For those of you who plan to attend, but don't like driving, Dan Reynolds has plans to hire a coach for a round trip to the restaurant and back. Seating will be roughly \$10 per rider. Contact Dan if you are interested.

KARAOKE NIGHT

Come on down to the Yacht Club on Saturday, September 4th, and join in the fun. Our first Karaoke Night Party will begin at 8:00P.M.(IN) and go on til ?. The Bar will be open on a cash basis and snacks will be available.

Here is your chance to sing your favorite song and have a great time watching others. Who knows, maybe someone will get their start in show business as a result of our party.

A \$2.00 cover charge will help offset the cost of snacks and entertainment. We hope to see you there.

WELCOME

Bev and Herm Kruggel are happy to introduce to all Birch Lakers their new neighbors, Dick and Judy Lindzy of South Bend, who are the new owners of cottage #388.

Dick and Judy are Co-owners of Factory Tile, Inc.. They have two sons, Rich and Rod. Rich's wife, Jennifer, is expecting their first child in February.

We hope their family will enjoy their new lake home as much as we have in the past.

VOTE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1993

You may remember voting last Spring on a millage for the Cass County Library District and that request was defeated. Once again they are making that same request for a .75 mil.

I hope to see all our Cass County registered voters at the Township Hall on Robbins Lake Road on Tuesday, Sept. 14th.

Le King

P.S. If for some reason you will be unable to vote on that day, please call the Township Clerk, Marty Russell, at 641-7160 or 641-5494 to request an absentee ballot. Your vote counts.

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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Don't ever think you can convince the King Family that miracles don't happen -- not when we have such a precious little fella to prove it! Calvin Steele King was born August 27th weighing in at 7 lbs. 11 oz. and is 21 inches long.

Dad & Mom (Bob & Leslie); Grandpa & Grandma (Bill & Le); and Aunt Suzy are fine, too, and needless to say, ECSTATIC. We've waited a long time for this little bundle of joy!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU!!

LOST AND FOUND

Floating yellow boat key holder with key on it. On one side - "Key Largo" and other side - "De Kuyper". Call Krueger's at #476-9905.

EDITOR'S NOTE

THANKS to all who contributed articles for the Birch Barker this summer of 1993. A special thank you to Commodore, Rich Mullin, who was always on time with his comments.

A special time was had by all at the Fall Dinner. The food was delicious! The decorations were pretty. I'm still enjoying the flowers.

Congratulations to the new Vice-commodore, Linda Curtis. Best of luck to Linda and Commodore, Bob Waddle, for their term in 1994.

Bud and I were very happy and very surprised to have our names placed on the Commodore's Trophy. Thank you. Last year that honor went to Bill and Le King and Bernie and Helen Weesner.

Thank you to all the delivery persons: Terilyn Montague, Ryan Gableman, Cheri LaPierre (and Chuck), Fran Welch, Julie Nagy, Jim Mitchell, Lee Klappauf, Wanda Winarski, the Mullin Family, Loretta Drolet, Nicholas Bergan, Bruce & Sue Wagner, Marti Asire, Sally Everett, Bev Kruggel, Linda Curtis.

A big thank you to my wonderful husband, Bud, who took messages, gave me support, and helped deliver when needed.

I hope all you Birch Lakers have a great Fall, Winter and Spring.
Barb Zesinger

CHRISTENING AT CAMP EBERHART

Phyllis Catherine Rasmussen was Christened during the Sunday Mass at Camp Eberhart. She wore a gown that her great grandmother made 75 years ago. The gown which is beautiful was also worn by Phyllis's grandfather and mother for their Christenings.

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The skipper is never wrong. If the skipper ever appears to be wrong, it is due to a misunderstanding of something the crew said or did, or due to general ineptness on the part of the crew. If the former applies, the crew should immediately apologize for causing the misunderstanding.

The skipper may change his mind at any point. The crew must anticipate when the skipper is about to change his mind and behave accordingly.

The skipper has the right to become angry or upset at any time. The crew must remain calm at all times unless the skipper wants them to be upset or angry. The skipper is under no obligation to tell the crew whether or not he wants them to be upset or angry. Only the skipper may decide when everything is OK again.

The skipper may begin a conversation at any given point in his mind and the crew is expected to know the topic and respond properly right away.

Common sense is defined as what the skipper believes to be true. Crew is expected to know in all circumstances what the skipper MEANT to say, even when it is not the same as what he ACTUALLY said.

Finally the crew must always offer the skipper the imported bottled beer left in the cooler, while drinking the rusty cans of Old Milwaukee themselves.

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from the sailing vessel ENDORFIN, Austin, Texas. Submitted by Dave & Judy Olson.

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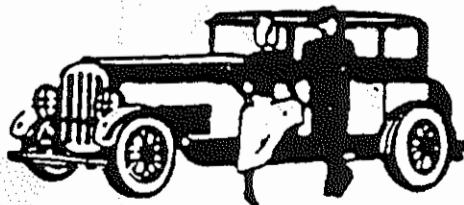
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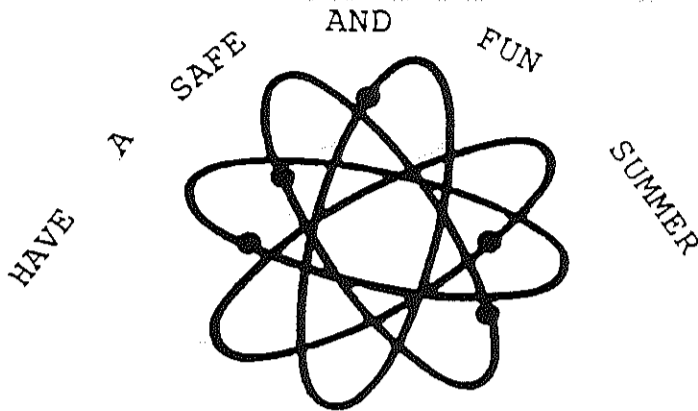
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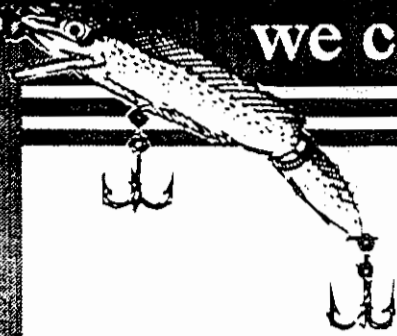
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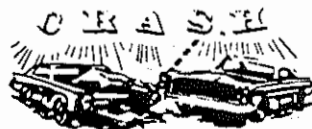
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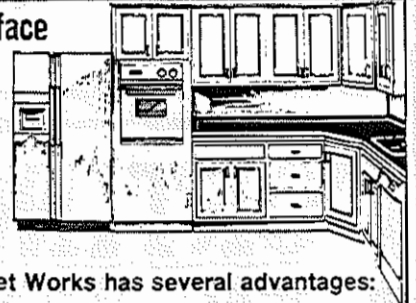
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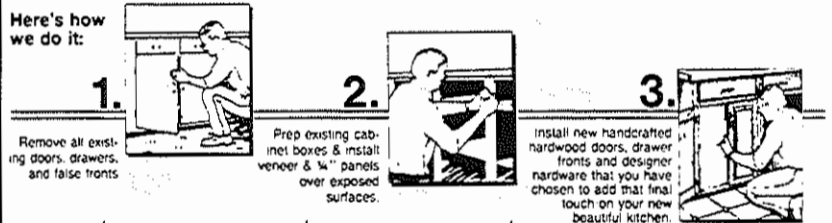
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