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ALL THE NEWS IN, ON AND AROUND THE LAKE.

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Wow! What a fun party Saturday Night - Vice Commodore, Sue Wagner, sure knows how to throw a shindig. And, of course, Marc Golden was at his best (P.S. So were you Dick Bender) Great time, Thanks Sue!

Let's see what's next on the agenda. The Ladies Coffee is this Thursday at 10:00 am Indiana time at Birch Lake Yacht Club. It is always a nice time to visit with neighbors.

Don't forget the Women's Golf outing is approaching. You can contact Liz Cover, Fran Welsh or Denny Weesner for reservations.

I'm starting to think the summer is half over. The Fall Dinner will be here before we know it. Where does the time go. Just this morning I was outside and heard a katydid (it's a large green grasshopper which are known for the loud note of the males) and all I could think was Oh no, the end of summer is approaching. But it can't be with all this heat we are having. We are breaking all kinds of records. Thank goodness we have Birch Lake to cool off our buns and lots of sun to brown them.

Over the weekend I was at a Block Party at Annie Tormas, Larry and Kay Dennert had some old pictures of Birch Lake with them that we all enjoyed looking at. So I talked to Wanda Winarski and she also had great old pictures of Lazy Lodge from back in 1943.

I'm sure there are alot of old pictures of Birch Lake. I think it would be fun to get them out and share the history of Birch Lake. What do you think.

Well have a great week and be safe and courteous.

God Bless,

Linda Curtis
Commodore 1995

It was 8:00 pm Saturday evening. The pretzels and Pringles sat waiting. The Karaoke people were revved up. Would anyone brave the torrents and gale force winds? I shouldn't have worried; this is Birch Lake! We simply don't allow tornado touch downs to spoil our fun. The revelers arrived in great numbers and soon the "joint was jumpin'" to rival the frenzied weather outside. It was a good time and I really thank the hearty souls who attended. Accolades to the hard working barkeepers; it was a thirsty kind of an evening!

Sue Wagner
Vice Commodore

1995 EVENTS

July 20	10am Ladies Coffee	August 1	11:30 Ladies Luncheon
July 28	Women's golf outing	August 4	Men's Golf outing
July 29	9:00am Director's meeting	August 12	5:30pm Corn and sausage - BLYC
July 29	5:30 Cocktail Party	August 26	6:00pm Fall Dinner - BLYC

LADIES LUNCHEON - Things are moving right along for the Ladies Luncheon to be held in our Yacht Club, Tuesday, August 1st at 11:30 am. Maryanne O'Neill, our Co-chairman, is busily making a little surprise for each and everyone of us, the wine is continuing to age nicely for our Happy Hour and just as last year, there will be very nice prizes. (If anyone of you would like to donate a trinket - it will be fine with us!) Bonnie & Clyde informs us that our "Count" MUST be in by THIS NEXT Wednesday, July 26th. Tickets are \$8.00 this year and can be obtained from the following gals: Gertie Temple 2773, Sonia Sanders 8807, Maryann O'Neill 2831, Thelma Koontz 9657 and Julie Weaver 2869 (Julie after 4:00IN). It will be fun - bring a friend.

FALL DINNER - Summer is progressing much too rapidly and it's time to plan ahead. Our Fall Dinner will be August 26th at the Yacht Club. Since space is limited, be sure to make your reservation early by calling any director or Sue Wagner -2090. The cost will be \$8.50 per person.

FOR SALE - Viking Deck Boat \$2800 - 277-6996 or 2633

O'BRIENS - This weekend the O'Briens (North Shore) will be celebrating their 49th anniversary. Present will be: Daughter, Kathy & George Rochette and her Son, Toby (Phoenix); Daughter Anne and Spike Abernethy; Son, John & Linda O'Brien and Granddaughter Kelly Wanamaker, Husband Jim and 3 Great Grand Children from Fort Wayne

CHRIS BALL of the Ball-Wiseman Cottage on the Southside swam the round trip across the Lake and back on Sunday, July 16, 1995. His Brother, Kelly Ball, swam across the Lake and half the way back. It was witnessed by Mom and Dad, the Witt family (relatives of long ago residents of the cove), and Maranda Butte. It was quite a feat as the waves and wind were a real factor. Congratulations to the Ball Family!

THE 35TH ANNUAL BIRCH LAKE OPEN IS ONLY 2 WEEKS AWAY.

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DON'T FORGET THE COCKTAIL PARTY NEXT SATURDAY, JULY 29.....

SAILING NEWS - Thirteen sailors from our two fleets sailed in last Sunday's two races.

The first race was very competitive with all boats finishing within two minutes of each other. Scott Troeger won the Sunfish race, Tom Howard finished 2nd, and Ric Harman, John Gableman and Bob King combined for a photo finish for 3rd: Ric nosed out John and Bob. Dave Troeger nosed out Harold Cranmer and Tom Troeger in the MC race, in that order.

There was a little more spread in the 2nd race. Scott Troeger and Tom Howard finished 1-1 in the Sunfish while Dave Troeger and Don Harman were 1-2 in the MC's.

Congratulations to all the sailors for some very good racing. Dave Olson and Mike Machalleck also sailed well as did Dick Green and Bruce Harlan.

If you watch the races, the first leg is always sail into the wind to the windward mark. They will also finish at the windward mark. We will sail either 1 1/3 times or 2 1/3 times around the course. The MC's start 1st, five minutes ahead of the Sunfish so there are two races going on at the same time.

The sailors ask that we keep the large waves from our speedboats to a minimum during the races, especially near the marks. The races last approximately two hours between 10:30 and 12:30, Sunday mornings. We thank you for your consideration.

See you on the course this Sunday.

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AEROBICS!

WHEN: June 30th and every M-W-F thereafter

WHERE: The Yacht Club

TIME: 9:00AM (IN)

COST: 0

BRING: Your body, towel and/or mat, weights if desired

CALL: Claudia Gableman #2132 if you have any ?



COURTESY RULE FOR PERSONAL WATERCRAFT - Birch Lake will again ask that operators of personal watercraft observe the Lake rule that such watercraft will not be operated before 9am or 7pm (Indiana time). This allows residents to enjoy mornings and evenings in quiet.

As a resident, please inform guests and renters of this rule. Also inform guests and renters of the Michigan laws governing boating.

Please leave Barker News in ugly brown box behind 15222 BirchLake Shore (Southwest corner of Lake). News deadline is Monday evening.

This years delivery people:

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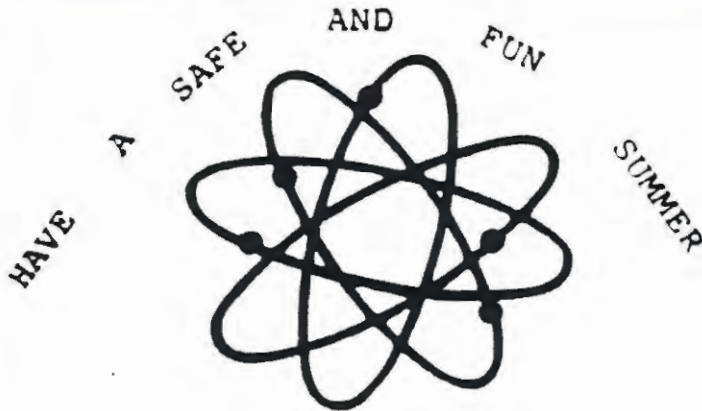
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