COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Issue 4

Amazing what those pretty little raindrops can do when enough of them gang up on us. A number of residents literally had to shovel out. Especially hard hit was the Harris cottage (formerly Wozniak's) and automobile which was halfway buried in eroded soil. Not a very pleasant introduction to Birch Lake; may they have nothing but blue skies from now on. (That might be a good song).

The yacht club is fortunate to have Doug Bollenbacher for a neighbor. The heavy washout down the lane created a mini Grand Canyon, but Doug sprang into action grading, reinforcing and spreading gravel. We now have a new and much improved road. Doug's business ad didn't get in last week's Barker, but look for it this week. Thanks to Doug and Ron Whiteman for trimming the trees along the above-mentioned road. It was a jungle!

Congrats to Steve Curtis on his school board election.

All of us inveterate "junkers" will be happy to know that we will again be having a neighborhood garage sale. Staci Whiteman is co-ordinating the July 13th event. Watch the Barker.

It is not this woman's forte to solicit funds. What would you expect from someone who used to ring doorbells and say, "You don't want to buy this Campfire candy do you? I didn't think so". However, fireworks simply doesn't come cheap. End of pitch.

Looks like the lazy hazy days of summer are finally with us. Enjoy, enjoy, enjoy.

BOAT PARADE

The annual 4th of July Boat Parade will be held Saturday, July 6th at 2:00 p.m. Decorate your boat in any style! Be fancy like these past entries - Cleopatra's Barge, the Giant Supersoaker, Pirate ship, Gilligan's Island, etc. or just put a few flags and balloons and join in the fun! There is no entry fee and all boats receive a prize. At 2:00 pick up your entry number at the Reynolds (two story natural cedar home on the south side) and proceed past the judges on the Gableman's pier a few houses from Reynolds. All boats then parade around the lake for all to see. Back at the Gableman's, awards will be presented.

Let's keep this wonderful Birch Lake tradition going! Participate and become part of the fun. If you have any questions call Claudia Gableman at #2132.

BIRCH LAKE AEROBICS

Aerobics is starting again every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:00 a.m. in the yacht club beginning July 1st. There is no charge. Classes are an hour long. Bring a towel or mat and hand weights if possible. Call Claudia Gableman if you have questions - #2132.

DOGS- The Birch Barker's last word on the subject

The June 7th article about barking and loose dogs has stirred some controversy. Although there have been many complaints about these problems, dog owners feel they are being unfairly treated. What it all boils down to, dear friends, is that we must approach this in the spirit of neighborly kindness. Pet owners and non-owners need to consider each other's position. When a problem arises, it is best dealt with on an individual basis and in a civilized manner. Birch Lake is a special place inhabited by caring people. Let's perpetuate that blessing.

Sue

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(All times given are Indiana)

June 22 Boating Safety Class (See last week's Barker)

June 24 Ladies Luncheon (See last week's Barker)

July 1 Aerobics starts

July 4 Fireworks (rain date July 5)

July 6 Boat Parade 2:00

July 7 Pancake Breakfast

July 13 All-lake Garage Sale

July 26 Men's Golf Outing

July 27 Vice Commodore's Party

Aug. 2 Ladies' Golf Outing

Aug. 10 Corn & Sausage Roast

Aug. 31 Fall Dinner

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR....

Those of you who didn't attend the Commodore's Cocktail Party last Saturday night missed a good time. There were lots of the "old regulars" as well as some newcomers. It was a lovely day and hard to drag oneself from the water, but there was a lot of delicious food and good conversation. I was a little surprised to see someone wearing a "Tom Rogers" nametag and it wasn't the Tom I know. I didn't get over there, but I understand

that's the name of one of the new owners in the Abernathy cottage. The others are the Richwines and I did get to meet the younger ones. (C'mon Fran, you said you were going to write up a "meet the neighbors" piece on them.) It was also nice to see the variety of ages attending, i.e. the three generations of Machallecks.

I must relay one funny happening. Someone asked me what Claude brought, because they didn't want to miss it. (For you new people, Claude Petit owned a company that supplied gourmet food to Chicago restaurants). I was standing near him so I asked him which dish was his. He didn't bring one! He didn't realize it was the cocktail party night until he had gotten to the lake, so he didn't prepare anything. Darn!

NEWS FROM AROUND THE LAKE

Bev and Herm Kruggel were blessed with their 10th grandchild! Case Brockton Roytek was born April 9th to Leslie and Jim Roytek of Carmel, Indiana. Case made his first visit to Birch Lake last week, along with sister Alexa, brother Blake and Mommy and Daddy.

Brooke Elizabeth Wilson, 10 days old, took her first boat ride last weekend. A stop was made to see "Aunt Loretta and Uncle John" Drolet.

Several Birch Lakers were affected by the "restructuring" at KeyBank. Todd Troeger has left the bank to work for Northern Trust in Chicago. Pat Novitzki (son-in-law of Joe and Betty O'Brien) resigned to join the new bank in South Bend, St. Joseph Capital, and lastly, your editor will soon be jobless (not by resigning). What I don't understand is, if I'm caught in downsizing, why can't I get into a size 8 now?

Visiting here for Father's Day was **Ed Patterson**, father of Marty Slayter. What a guy! He's a nice person and quite a golfer. In the Ohio State Seniors Tournament, he placed in the top ten three times. At the age of 70, he shot a 67 and three under par to win the state tournament. Ed, hurry back to Birch Lake.

Wanda Winiarski wrote a letter with her dues to the Birch Lake Yacht Club. She wants to feel she's "still a part of Birch Lake". She misses everyone and wishes us all a wonderful summer.

NEWS FROM THE COVE

Things were astir as we planned for our annual fly-swatting contest and awards banquet. Imagine the disappointment when a flies rights activist group, called the Swat Team, shut us down. We will, however, go on with the turnip and rice pudding banquet. More later.

FLASH! RESULTS OF THE 1995 SAILING SEASON

	<u>MCs:</u>		<u>Sunfish:</u>		
lst:	Harold Cranmer	1667	Scott Troeger	1673	
2nd:	Dave Troeger	1663	Tom Howard	1619	
3rd:	Don Harman	1591	Bob King	1535	
4th:	Tom Troeger	1575	Dave Olson	1517	
5th:	Dick Green	1417	John Gableman	1486	
Also:	Vic Jones		Ric Harman		
	Bruce Harlan		Mike Machalleck		



Sailing Results (Cont'd)

Labor Day Regatta

Bob King

1st: Harold Cranmer Scott Troeger

1st tie: Earl Troeger

2nd:

3rd: Tom Troeger John Gableman

Practice race this Sunday at 10:30 (IN). Time to work out the winter kinks and welcome any Birch Laker, male or female, young or old, who wants to learn the rules. Strategy and tactics will be covered in the advanced course.

Harold Cranmer volunteered to be Fleets Captain. (One of these years, we'll promote him to Admiral).

DUES AND FIREWORKS

Courtney*	Sikorski*	Athanas	Reynolds*	Herms*		
Kinner*	Cote*	Vath*	Coan*	Bernaciak*		
Bender*	Witchie*	Greenig*	Beck*	Sargent*		
Harlan*	Minix*	Hornbeck	Burke*	Asire, M*		
Bergan*	Foley	Ball, J	Troeger T*	Troeger S*		
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White*	Curtis,T*	Stevens*	Golden*	Tunnicliffe*		
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Petit*	Foos*	Tjaden	Troeger, E*	Reith*		
Sacco*	Leach*	Harris*	Klimek*	Thayer*		
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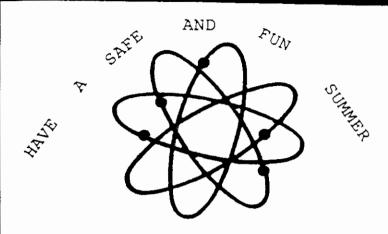
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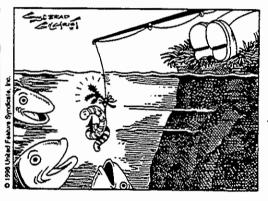
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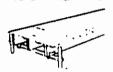
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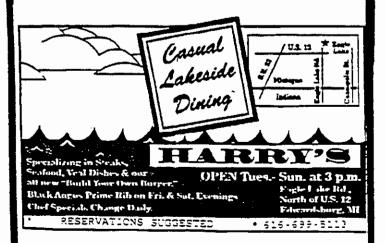
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