

Ok. I was just kidding about the freak freeze, but ain't they cool photos?

Barker photos by Tom DeCocker

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Dear Birch Lakers,

can hardly believe August is here already. It seems like the summer months go so much more quickly than the winter months. It's a good thing Birch Lake is just as beautiful in the other seasons as it is in the summer.

It appeared that everyone that participated in the Men's Golf Outing last Friday had a great time. The noise level in the Yacht Club during the banquet that night was deafening! We all praise and thank Rich Mullin, Stan Pitakos and the rest of the helpers for their outstanding work! Also, thanks to the weather for holding off the rain in just this area that day so golfing could continue as planned.

Thanks go to Paula Russell for entertaining the kids on Saturday with ice cream, etc., at the Yacht Club.

As there are no events planned at the BLYC this weekend, I thought I would change the subject. As water and its quality are always topics of conversation around the lake, I thought I would share some interest-ing "drinking (the verb) water" facts that came to me via a mass e-mail a couple years ago. I don't know why I held on to it, but now it comes in handy. Usually I throw

things away about a week BEFORE I need them. Anyway, here they are:

75% of Americans are chronically dehydrated.

■ In 37% of Americans, the thirst mechamism is so weak that it is often mistaken as hunger.

Even mild dehydration will slow down one's metabolism as much as 3%.

One glass of water shuts down midnight hunger pangs for almost 100% of the dieters studied in a Washington study.

ILack of water is the #1 trigger of daytime

fatigue.

Preliminary research indicates that 8-10 glasses of water a day could significantly ease back and joint pain for up to 80% of

A mere 2% drop in body water can trigger fuzzy short-term memory, trouble with basic math and difficulty focusing on the computer screen or on a printed page.

■ Drinking 5 glasses of water daily decreases the risk of colon cancer by 45%, plus it can slash the risk of breast cancer by 79%,, and one is 50% less likely to develop bladder cancer.

How do they KNOW these things???? Anyway, are you drinking enough - water that is?

On to reminders for the upcoming

The Women's Tea is Wednesday for those of you lucky enough to get a ticket before they sold out.

The Com and Sausage Roast is Aug. 10 at the BLYC

A Board meeting is scheduled for Aug. 17 at 9 a.m.

And Kids Tie Dye Day and Kids Regatta are also August 17.

Watch for more info on these events elsewhere in the Barker or in the next edition. See ya'll soon.

-Commodore Jim

BLYC Calendar

Aug. 7Women's Tea

Aug. 9 Women's Golf Outing

Aug 10 Com and Sausage Roast

Aug 17BLYC Board Meeting 9 am

Aug 17Kidz Regatta

Aug 17Kids Event - TieDye

Aug 18Shuffleboard Tourney 5pm

Aug. 24 Homeowners Assn. Annual meeting 10 am

Aug. 24Fall Dinner

NOTE: All parties at the Yacht Club start at 7 pm unless otherwise noted



If you have articles or photos for the BARKER, please put the materials in the Barker box at 63174 Birch Rd. (East Shore) by 3 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, or e-mail the info to me at sailorphil@philvitale.com by Tuesday at Noon. If you must, mail (10 days prior to desired publication date) to Phil Vitale, 122 So. Michigan, So. Bend, IN 46601, or fax your items to (574) 232-3853. To contact me by phone, call 476-1680 or (574) 232-3735.

Birch Lake Notes

Nitrate testing

Garrett Labs is offering a one-time special rate for Birch Lake residents who want to have their well water tested for nitrate levels. Nancy Walker has arranged for interested residents to pick up a sample bottle at her (West Shore) home any time today (Saturday).

The cost of the analysis is \$10 for nitrate testing only. Residents need to fill the bottle with tap water and return it to Walker's with a \$10 check to Garrett Labs. For more info call Nancy at 476-2875.

Annual Meeting Notice

The 2002 Annual Meeting of the Members of the Birch Lake Homeowners' Association will take place on Saturday, August 24, 2002, at 10 a.m. (Indiana) 11 a.m. (Michigan) at the BLYC clubhouse.

More Homeowner's News

The Porter Alliance of Lakes (P.A.L.) was formed several years ago by representatives of the homeowners' associations of Baldwin, Birch, Indiana, Long and Shavehead lakes in order to share information and to provide mutual support in matters of common concern or interest. The P.A.L. representatives of Baldwin Lake

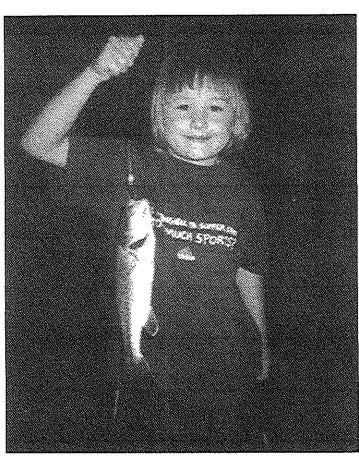
have asked for support in opposing an application for a Marina permit from the Michigan D.E.Q. for Willow Shores Campground on Baldwin Lake. The applicant proposes to operate an existing unlicensed marina facility by using 32 existing open pile docks on Baldwin Lake and 53 open pile docks on the dredged channel leading to the lake. There will be a public hearing on the application on Wednesday, August 7, 2002 at 6 p.m. (Indiana time), 7 p.m. (Michigan time) at Baldwin Prairie School (next to Walker's Farm and Garden, on the South side of U.S. 12 just West of Baldwin Prairie Road). Copies of the application can be reviewed by contacting either Rick Russwurm or Scott Troeger, and more information about the matter is available at the Baldwin Lake Association web site; www.mlswa.org.bald-win-lake-366.

Voter alert

Be sure to vote in the primary election on August 6th. You will be voting for state and county officials, as well as millage requests that could raise your property taxes.

-Phyllis Davis

Barker Kid of the Week



Erin Fillenwarth, a new resident of the South Shore, proudly shows off a prize catch from the end of the pier. Congrats (and welcome) Erin and family!

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Air show this weekend

Looking for something to do this weekend? Come to the 16th Annual Elkhart Air Show August 3 and 4th.

Gates open at 7a.m; the EAA Pancake Breakfast is from 7 - 11 a.m.; and the Air Show starts at 12:30

Come see the fantastic Aerobatic acts of Julie Clark, Susan Dacy and Matt Chapman, some of the top notch performers

in the country.

There will be planes of all kinds; A-10's, C-130, T-6's, T-34, warbirds, military fly-bys and more!

Many planes will be on a static (ground) display for people to look at before the show starts. The C-130 provides tours of their massive plane throughout the day.

Live music and fireworks will be featured on Saturday night! And, on Saturday night, entrance is only \$10 per car load after 5 p.m.! All other times, gate tickets are \$8 for adults, \$3 for children ages 6-12, and kids 5 and under are free.

(Gate prices were lowered this year by a dollar, and organizers are asking people to please spend that dollar and bring a nonperishable item to donate to the local food

For more information on the show, check out the website at www.elkhartairshow.com

-Darlene Troyer

Thanks from Hobie sailor

To the gal in the sunfish that didn't run into me during the race on Sunday. Thank you.

-Mike Kelly

News from the Cove

By Sunny Waters, who enlightens and entertains

Since there hasn't been a whole lot of shakin' going on, this week's NFTC will feature a personal event that might bring you a chuckle.

Here goes. About 20 years ago B.S. and I went to a business conference in Las Vegas at the MGM Grand. One evening, after a day of numerous parties, dinner, etc., I was running out of steam and turned in early. B.S. was still on a roll. Somewhere around 8 a.m.

he fumbled in and, if there were awards for the loudest snoring, he'd be sporting a gold medal and a request for Jurassic Park sound effects. It was either go deaf or

get dressed and go exploring. I opted for the latter. I wandered about and took a seat in the Keno arena. Not another soul was around

After losing about 20 rounds I was ready to

check on my Tyrannosaurus. Before I looked up a rather unpleasant scent wafted my way, emanating from a shabby western-garbed man. His ten gallon hat looked like an advertisement for Crisco.

"Scuse me, m'am, but would you like to know how to win this game?" Not feeling at all threat-ened I told him that would be fine. He then tipped his ten gallon and said, "Howdy do. I'm Merle Haggard."

I though to myself, haggard, indeed. I shook his outstretched hand and said, "I'm sue Wagner." We chatted for quite a while after withdrawing from Keno. I learned a great deal about prison life and he sang a song he had written while doing time, after which he asked me if I liked Country and Western — to which I honestly replied that Classical was my preference. He replied, "That's fine. Nothin' wrong with that."

We chatted a little more about a little bit of everything when he was paged to answer a phone call. He returned from the phone to tell me he had to go bail his drummer out of the drunk tank. Before leaving he gave me his home address and phone number, assuring me that I and my mister were welcome to visit anytime.

I returned to our room and found B.S. in remarkably good condition and, of course, told him my saga. While I unraveled my experience I began to gather doubt. I wouldn't know Merle Haggard from Captain Kangaroo. B.S. came up with a solution. When we returned home we made a trip to Barnes and Noble and searched through the C and W albums. Sure enough,

there was my pal Merle. Well, y'all, have a good week and happy trails to

t Your ever loving... -Sunny

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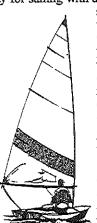
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BLYC Sailing News

Last Sunday was a great day for sailing with a good



southwest wind. Could it be possible that we are over the no-windon-Sunday cycle. I certainly hope so. The Sunfish

'A" Fleet was paced this week by veteran

Tom Howard, who won all three races. In the Sunfish "B" Fleet, Chad Plaia showed the

way by winning their 3 races. In the MC Class Scott Troeger showed that he is equally adapt at sailing an MC as he is a Sunfish. Scott won the first race, with Harold Cranmer coming back to win the last two. Doug Weaver won the first two races in the Cat division. In the 3rd race Mike Kelly got going and sailed to victory.

Coming up on Saturday August 17th will be the Kidz Regatta. Lind and I are hosting the event again this year. Last year we had a great turnout, and we're hoping for more this year. Any kind of sailboat is welcome for the Regatta. Tee shirts will be given to all kids.

-Don Harman, Fleet Captain

Tune-a-Fish Kit

In case you missed the info on the Sunfish tuning kit

here is the info again. The entire Tune-a-Fish kit is a \$175 value being offered at \$99. This kit is the perfect beginning for you to get your Sunfish back on the water. The kit comes in a cooler with a Sunfish logo, and contains mainsheet, halyard, outhauls, set of sail clips, tiller extension universal, hik-



ing strap, a rigging guide, a parts list and 2 coupons. Item # V20020. For more info, go to the Web site:

http://www.apsltd.com/depts/dept2487.asp

Season standings

Sailor	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Average	Place
MC's H. Cranmer D. Harman R. Harman S. Troeger P. Vitale	4 3 2 1 DNS	1 2 3 4 DNS	1 2 4 3 DNS	1560 1511 1598 1484 1434	1st 3rd 2nd 4th 5th
Sunfish "A" J. Bolinger T. Howard D. Olson R. Russwurm S. Troeger D. Weaver D. Troeger Bob King	DNS 1 2 DNS DNS 3 DNS DNS	DNS 1 2 DNS DNS 3 DNS DNS	DNS 1 3 DNS DNS 2 DNS DNS	1441 1581 1481 1352 1526 1381 1610 1379	4th 1st 3rd 6th 2nd 5th 1st 6th
Sunfish "B" J. Meyer S. Vitale C. Plaia S. Plaia A. Troeger	DNS DNS 1 DNS 2	DNS 2 1 DNS DNS	DNS 2 1 DNS DNS	1571 1474 1584 1531 1531	2nd 4th 1st 3rd 2nd
"CATS" B. King D. Weaver M. Kelly	3 1 2	2 1 3	DNF 2 1	1545 1576 1542	2nd 1st 3rd

Come Sail with us! Next Races: Sunday, August 4 11 a.m. (or 1 p.m.)

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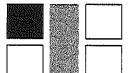
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pinion ~ Forum

CONDOS AND SEWERS

Every waterfront site on Lake is zoned "Lake Residential 1"except the camp parcel. This means there will not be condos on the Lake.

The Camp is presently zoned for camps but is up to begin being changed to "Lake Residential 1" next month. The camp would operate as a grandfather use.

It is important this change is made because camp zoning is a broad category and may be commercial or non profit. Baldwin Lake has had various camping operations which have been negative to the resident's enjoyment of the Lake. As I remember the discussion, when this change was proposed, there are several boats at a commercial camp site, and on weekends one can find 15 to 20 pontoon boats tied together floating, partying, and being loud. The Zoning and Planning Boards are attempting to protect us from this type use. While they can't change the present use, they can change future use.

The Master Plan for Porter Township is available at the office. The plan has been under construction for over two years. Some of the goals of the plan includes preserving lakes and ground water, preventing overcrowding of the lakes, minimizing the number of boats, marinas and campgrounds.

We should be thankful for the Zoning/Planning Board members for looking out for us. Most have been on the Board for many years and have spent long hours looking to the future. The Board consists of about half farmers and half lake people. It is the long term goal of the board to limit development. The farmers do not like the lake people and believe we have encroached upon them, while the lake people do not want condos and commercial type development. With this philosophy we can expect our taxes to remain high and there will not be growth in the Township just like in the past. Arguing sewers will bring condo development is not realistic.

Before someone writes an article stating condos are coming it would be well to check the facts. We can make this transition really ugly with one

side against the other and see our property values decline while the fighting goes on. Or we can gracefully accept change.

We also need central water. It is known some wells have nitrates and bacteria and at least one person believes she lost a baby due to the nitrates. There was a free nitrate test offered last week, hopefully residents took advantage of the program and realize the need for central water. It would be good if a Water Quality Committee would begin looking at this problem for the health of our residents. If we are going forward to improve our Lake, now would be a good time with interest rates being low.

-Doris Sante

SPECIAL NOTICE

The issue of waste water treatment and a potential Birch Lake sewer system has generated considerable interest and controversy over the past few weeks.

Several requests have been received from Lakers to publish information and individual letters of opinion. While officers and board of directors of the Birch Lake Yacht Club, and the editor of the Barker WILL NOT ENDORSE ANY opinion

on the issue, the Baker will publish opinion letters that meet the following stipulations:

All letters must be signed and the writers must

- allow their names to be published with the article.

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viding the author agrees to cover all additional costs incurred because of the letter.

DEADLINE FOR THIS WEEK

Deadline for all items submitted to the Birch Barker this week is Noon on TUESDAY, AUGUST 6 SORRY, NO EXCEPTIONS OR EXTENSIONS CAN BE GRANTED

The Michigan Leash Law and You

Isn't it great having a place on such a beautiful lake for all your friends and family to visit? You start your Saturday morning off preparing for their arrival: cleaning the house, bathing the dog, preparing snack, stocking the cooler, etc. - only have so much time to get it all done before company lands. It can be quite stressful. Well, what if you were me. I hurry and rise, throw on some cloths head out to walk fido. Not a lot of time, but those of you that have dogs know this is just as much a part of the day as rising. We walk out about a mile than turn around and to head back - got to hurry, lots to do. Not so fast one of our neighbors has left their guest's dog out

unleashed.

We can't pass their yard. Every time we get near, the dog starts chasing us. I yell to the house begging someone to get the dog but they can't hear me from inside (air-conditioning). Twenty minutes later someone finally came out. Not for the dog, but to get the paper. OK folks, I have been nice all season. I rarely harp about the Michigan Leash Law, and how it is a <u>Law</u> and should not be ignored. Well, vou asked for it. Last year I heard through the grapevine that I had offended some neighbors by constantly harping on leashing dogs and by readily offering the Animal Control number (616) 445-3701. But you leave me no

choice! I have to admit there was a small part of me that wanted to just keep right on walking and let the dog come out into the street and possible get hit by a car. A bigger part of me would have liked to allow my dog to eat the little &#%@. But I was quick to remind myself that it is not the dog's fault, it is the owner's fault. Fido can't understand this, so you need to listen up:

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1/2 small dried red chili pepper, or 1/4 tsp pepper flakes

1/4 cup olive oil

Combine all ingredients except the olive oil in the work bowl of a food processor fitted with the metal blade. Process, scraping down the sides

once or twice with a rubber spatula, until coarsely chopped. Add the oil slowly with the motor running and process a few seconds until the mixture is a smooth puree. Store covered in the refrigerator for at least 24 hours or up to 4 weeks. Bring to room temperature before serving. Serve with a crusty bread. Makes 2 cups.

Honey Mustard Chicken

4 chicken breasts

1 tsp paprika

8 thin lemon slices

1/4 cup honey

1/4 cup spicy brown mustard

1 cup dried minced onion

1/2 tsp lemon juice 1/2 tsp curry powder

Line a 9x13 baking pan with foil, spray with nonstick spray. Rinse frozen chicken under lukewarm water; pat dry. Arrange in a single layer in prepared pan. Sprinkle with paprika; place two lemon slices on each breast. Bake at 375 for 30 minutes. Meanwhile in a microwaveable bowl, combine honey, mustard, onion, lemon juice, and curry powder, mix well. Microwave on high for 2 minutes, stir. After chicken has baked for 30 minutes, drain and discard juices. Spoon sauce over chicken in pan. Bake at 375 for 10-15 minutes or until done. Yield: 4 servings.

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Ladies Golf Outing Update

Join the Birch Lake ladies on Friday, August 9, for the annual Golf and/or Lunch. Experienced and novice golfers are welcome. We play a best-ball scramble.

Arrange your foursome or be grouped with some

new friends.

The cost is \$25, which includes 9 holes of golf and half a cart at Park Shore Golf Course in Cassopolis, and lunch at Lindy's.

Golf will begin at 9 am (IN); the luncheon will be at Noon. Prizes will be awarded at the luncheon.

Please send reservation and check to Mardy Miller, 63255 Storey Hill, Vandalia, MI 49095. If you have questions, call Mardy at 476-9226, or Betsy Custard at

Non golfers are welcome to join us for the lunch at Lindy's. Select from an open menu with individual checks. Please call Mardy or Betsy so we can reserve a space for you.

Ladies Golf Outing/Lunch Friday, August 9

Park Shore Golf Course 9 am golfing; Noon Lunch (at Lindy's) \$25 entry fee covers golf, half a cart, and lunch at Lindy's Contact Mardy at 476-9226 or Betsy at 476-9835

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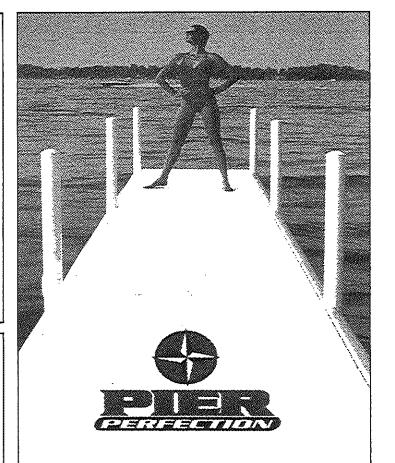
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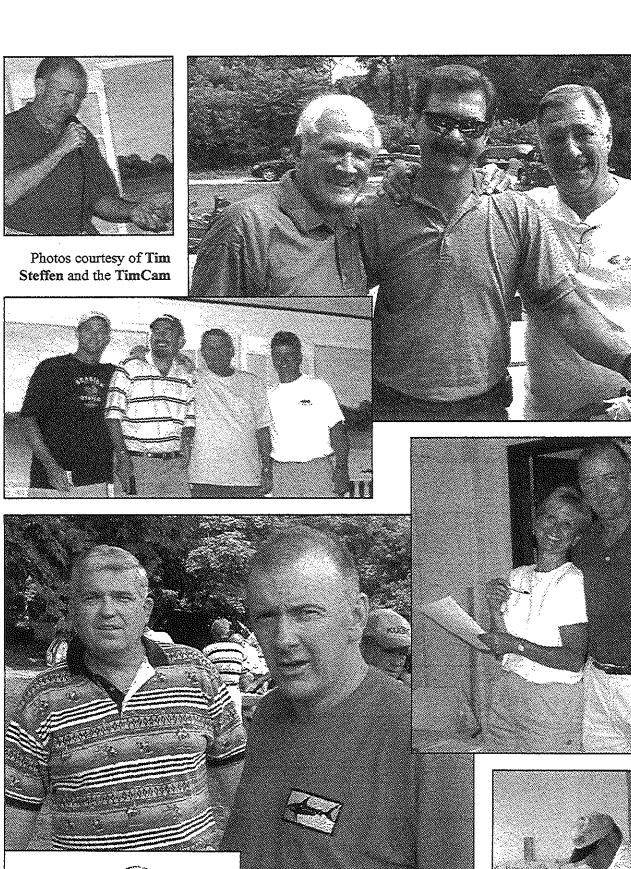
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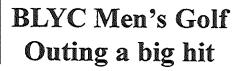
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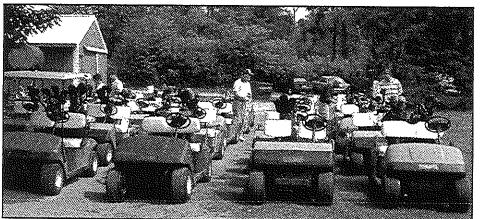
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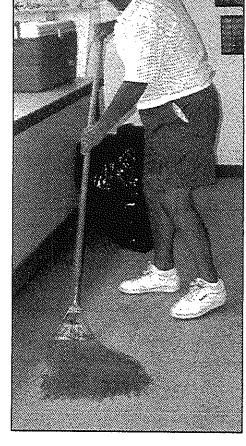
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When you use it and lose it

I have a running injury, my first in seven or eight years, and my incapacity is making me crazy. Every athlete, even an over the hill flub-dubber like me, hates being injured because the injury takes away something that has become a central element of your life. It also serves as a reminder that you're not immortal or invincible, and that the day will come when you can no longer run, or shoot hoops, or smack a tennis ball or do whatever it is that you do.

I used to run in 10Ks in Southern California with a round little man named Charlie who wore his age as a number on the back of his shirts. Charlie was 85 the last time I ran with him in 1985 and though he was a "never give up, never give in" kind of guy, I imagine that time and hard miles have taken him off the roads by now.

I have no idea how this injury happened. I only know that six weeks ago, I did something I shouldn't have done, and because of my carelessness or lack of good fortune, I've been knocked off my running schedule until the bruise and the tear in my right Achilles tendon heals.

Fortunately, I can still exercise. We have a gym in our house and I lift weights and ride our various pieces of exercise equipment as though I hope to kill them from exhaustion. Nevertheless, I'm here to testify that it just ain't the same thing, because in my heart I'm a runner. A slow, graceless, non-competitive runner, but a runner nevertheless.

This minor inconvenience (which Shirley Anne could tell you I manage to treat like a major tragedy) has gotten me to thinking about the courage of people who lose what they love doing most, and never get it back. A football player suffers a spinal cord

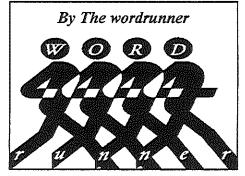
injury and loses the ability to walk, a surgeon develops glaucoma and loses the ability to use a scalpel, an actor falls prey to Parkinson's disease and finds he can no longer act. None of those folks can give their bodies a little rest, a little ice, and a few anti-inflammatory drugs, and go back to business as usual. They're stuck in a new groove, and it is not a path any of them would have chosen.

A first rate American novelist named Bill Moody has written a series of mysteries featuring a fictional jazz piano player named Evan Home. Each of the five books has dealt in some way with Evan's attempt to accept and move beyond an auto accident that mangled his right hand and changed his life forever. The stories are "real" because the pathos in Evan's fictional situation is real.

It's likely that Emest Hemingway's suicide grew out of his recognition that his various diseases were killing his brain and robbing him of his creative gifts. What a horrible thing it must have been to be so supremely talented and to experience the agonizingly slow death of those talents.

It would take incredible courage to lose your hold on the one thing you see as central to your life, and to keep moving forward in spite of your loss. Professional athletes experience a minor version of this kind of catastrophe when their careers in sports come to an end. The same is true of career professional and business people when they retire, and of stay-at-home parents when the youngest child moves away. We are all called upon to learn to live through difficult transitions in our lives, although some of us never end our mourning for the way "things used to be."

The real heroes among us, it seems to



me, are a group of folks who get little notice or respect. They are the people you pass in the grocery store who are doing their shopping from a mobile cart, and the wheelchair bound children who create avenues of play out of their "disabilities." They are people like my friend John Paul who lost his hearing at the age of eight, but who became a successful business man in a world where no one makes accommodations for the deaf. John would have loved to hear again, but he couldn't, and he knew, and that was that. He cut himself no slack. I met people who had worked with John who never realized that he could not hear a word they said.

Here's to those kind of people. Here's to the champs. Here's to the folks whose lives are never easy, but who find the strength, determination, and fortitude to take what they have left after they've lost something they hold precious, and who go on to live their lives as best they can. My battered Achilles will heal soon and I'll be back out on the roads doing something I love to do. The real champions will never have things so easy, so here's to all of them.

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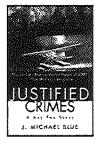
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Neptune, that mysterious blue orb near the edge of

our solar system, passed opposition last night, so our Earth is now between the sun and planet. What significance is that to you? Not much, unless you want to catch a glimpse of the distant gas giant. Opposition means Neptune is up all night, reaches its highest point due south in the middle of the night, and shines at its brightest. That last point is moot because Neptune is always relatively distant and faint (8th magnitude remember that one?). You will need a moderate telescope and a detailed finder chart to be able to pick it out from the myriad of faint stars in Capricornus.

Before dawn tomorrow, look just above the crescent Moon for Saturn, the second-largest planet in the solar system. Saturn is the famous

Stu's Star Stuff

"ringed planet." Only Jupiter is larger than this gas giant. Although Saturn is the sixth planet from the Sun, it is clearly visible to the unaided eye as a bright golden "star." Its rings are visible through a small telescope. Measured from edge to edge, Saturn's rings span about 600,000 miles (one million km), or two-and-a-half times the distance from Earth to the Moon.

Saturn's rings are made of ice and rock. They're not solid, but consist of small bits of frozen material in a layer just a few thousand feet thick. The rings may have formed with Saturn itself, or they may have formed much later, when a small moon or even a large comet passed too near Saturn and was pulled apart by the planet's powerful gravity.

Venus continues to radiate its greetings each night at dusk. If you have been watching

the planet through the summer you are aware that it is dropping ever so gradually and shifting a bit toward the south. The trend continues through this month and next as Venus and Earth travel along their orbits. Later in August Venus' phase will become more obvious in telescopes and eventually even in binoculars. A crescent Venus is quite a striking sight. The planet now sets a little less than 2 hours after

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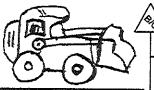


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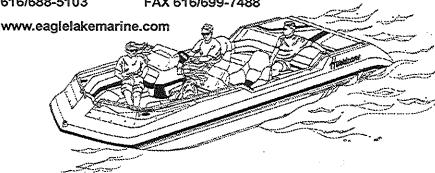
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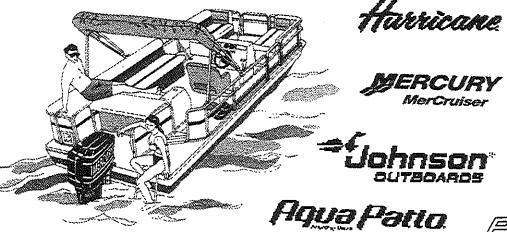
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