photos courtesy of the Ben Wozniak

Commodore's Comments

ast weekend was pretty quiet around our house. The hot weather was made for enjoying the lake. As I was baking in the heat I started thinking about the Birch Lake Yacht Club. I've heard all of the talks about why people join and why they don't. I think the last two weeks would convince everyone to become a member. As you have been reading in the Barker our lake has Eurasian Milfoil. Due to the diligence of the BLYC's water quality committee and the quick action and support of the Birch Lake Yacht Club's board members we are bringing a major problem under control. If the board had not acted as quickly and decisively our lake's quality would be in jeopardy. To me, having a dedicated group of people working to make our circular neighborhood the best place it can be is worth the \$20 it costs to join. If you haven't joined please consider signing up. With everyone contributing our neighborhood will thrive.

The board has voted in a separate budget item where the money collected would only be used to fight the Eurasian Milfoil and any other invasive species that might be found in our lake. It was suggested that a fair share donation of \$50 per household would pay for the treatment needed this summer and for continuing evaluations and treatments.

The Yacht Club's safety committee is instrumental in the safety concerns both in and around the lake. The Yacht Club pays for extra supervision from the Cass County Sheriff Department Marine Patrol to improve the boating safety.

Our social gatherings and sailing races increase the camaraderie around the lake. These activities are self-sustaining and so important to bond together as a community. Our busiest weekend of the year is certainly worth the membership dues. Our fireworks are always outstanding and the boat parade is very entertaining. I know some of you come just on the weekends and the time spent here is limited and precious, but please join the Birch Lake Yacht Club this summer to support

all of the things that the board is doing for you to make this the best place to be.

As I mentioned before the Fourth of July weekend is fast approaching. The boat parade will begin at 4 pm with fireworks starting at nightfall. The pancake breakfast will be on Sunday morning up at Camp. All of the proceeds will go to a project for Camp Tannadoonah. This past year the pancake breakfast raised enough money to build an amphitheater. You'll want to check it out after you stuff yourself with pancakes and sausage. Lind and Don Harman and their crew do such a great job. I hope to see everyone there.

This Saturday night will be the Vice Commodore's party. Mike is great Vice, and I know his party will be a lot of fun. If you haven't attended a party yet please come up Saturday night to meet new friends or reconnect with old ones. I don't want to brag but we have a really great bunch of people living on our lake.

It's a beautiful day in the neighborhood.

-Blair Garceau Commodore 2007

We are always soliciting and accepting materials for publication. E-mail the info to sailorphil@philvitale.com, or, if you must, put the materials in the red Barker box at 63174 Birch Rd. (East Shore). You can also mail your items to: Phil Vitale, 102 So. Broadway, Cassopolis, MI 49031, or fax to (269) 445-9200. To contact me by phone, call (269) 476-1680 or (269) 445-9200.

— Birch Lake Notes —

VICE-COMMODORE'S PARTY

For the last two months I have been struggling to come up with a theme for the vice-commodores party. Finally this last week it hit me!! As you know the weather this last week to 10 days has been almost unbearable. It reminds me of the time I was in New Orleans in the middle of July. There you have it: Mardi Gras southern style. We will furnish some favorite cajun dishes and Pat O'Brien's famed "Hurricane Mix" (spiked & non spiked). Whip up your favorite southern style dish and join us @ 7:30 at the BLYC. Masks optional, no beads please. Hope to see you there!!!!

-Vice-Commodore, Mike Lutz 2007

Ladies Lunch

Well, everything old is new again! The Hickory Inn will be opening soon, if it is not already open. It is all new and "cheery" inside. It seemed like the perfect place for the Ladies Luncheon. Jason (new owner) assures me that it is will be ready and waiting for us. So mark your calendars for Wednesday, July 25th at 11:45 at the NEW Hickory Inn. Reservation information and cost will be in a future Barker.

-Denny Weesner

Home Tour

House Walk is back and better then ever!!! On August 11th (rain date August 12th), we will have a grand tour of six homes and the beautiful and historic barn that is owned by Ben and Vanessa Wozniak. Tickets will be on sale for \$10 in advance and \$15 on the day of the tour. We will be selling tickets at the Pancake Breakfast and also going door to door. All proceeds are going in a fund to fight the Eurasian Milfoil. Please be generous in buying tickets as this is for a very special cause! Crafts will be sold at the barn. If anyone has a craft and would like a space, please let Vanessa know.

Each week, in the Barker, we will be featuring one of the homes on the tour. Some of the homes have historic backgrounds and some are new, but they all have a story and each is special in its own way.

Cochairmen: Denny Weesner Vanessa Wozniak Michelle Seyfarth

Ladies Golf Outing

Ladies: Mark your calendars for August 3rd, gather 3 of your friends and join in the fun at the Ladies Golf Outing and Luncheon. Even if you don't play there's always a spot for

Tentative BLYC Calendar

	Vice Commodore's Party
June 30	FIREWORKS
June 30	Boat Parade 4 PM
July 1	Pancake Breakfast
	Fireworks & boat parade raindate
-	Board Meeting 9 AM
	Homeowner's Assn Meeting 10 AM
	Vote on amending Articles 11 AM
	Chicago trip/Wicked
	Spaghetti Dinner
	Ladies Luncheon
	Men's Golf Outing
	Garage Sale
-	Women's Golf Outing & Luncheon
Aug. 4	Board Meeting 9 AM
	Corn and Sausage Roast
Aug. 11	House Walk
	Fall Dinner
Sept. 1	Board Meeting 9 AM
	Sailing Awards
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you. We will be returning to Four Lakes Country Club. Future Barkers will have details.

Pancake Breakfast

The annual 4th of July Pancake Breakfast will be held July 1st from 8 am to 11 am. Adults \$5, children 6-10 \$2, 5 and under free. This is a great way to meet your neighbors and support Camp Tannadoonah.



We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer at Birch Lake!

-Ben and Vanessa Wozniak

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Happy birthday Jim

Jim Mitchell (East Shore) has a birthday on Sun. June 24. He is 80 something, he won't tell exactly! Honk when you drive by.

Boat Parade judges announced

The judges for the 2007 Birch Lake Boat Parade have just been announced. They are Celia and Paul Fallon and Carol and Fred Friehofer. The four of them will present impartial judgements--although, they probably can be bribed.!

There is still plenty of time to get materials for your entry. Registration begins at 3:30 at Dick Bender's pier on the south side. Entrants will follow the Grand Marshall's boat around the lake and get awards back at Bender's pier. Wouldn't it be great to have a record number of entrants this year?!?

Directory Advertising

Dear Advertising Patrons of Birch Lake Yacht Club: The 2007 Directory goes to print early this next week. We don't want to exclude any advertiser who would like to place an ad in the weekly Barker, or, in the yellow pages of the new Directory. Please contact one of the people below without delay if you are

Birch Barker Kid (No. 1) of the Week

Lyla Boecher was born to Lori and Dan Boecher on June 7. Lyla (and her sister Greta) are the granddaughters of Rick and Patti Russwurm (north shore). The photo was taken when Lyla was one week old. Congratulations to all.



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And, as always, thanks for your support!

Murder

There'll be rockin' in Roley City when Rock N. Roley returns to Roley High School for the class of 1954's high school 5th reunion, only there will be a murderous twist to the night of reminiscing. When and where will the crime take place? Saturday, July 14 at the Yacht Club, we'll start the detecting at 7 pm. Gather a group of 8 participants to solve the case. Each group member will be playing a part in this mysterious crime. If you can't gather eight people call Blair at 476-9862 so you can be placed with another group. Plan now so you don't miss out on the fun.



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Ballroom Dancing

On Monday, June 25 starts another 6 weeks session of ballroom dancing sponsored by the Elkhart Parks Dept. They take place at Studebaker Park and include both beginning and intermediate dancing-swing, waltz, rumba, foxtrot, tango, etc. The instructor is Ted Campbell who is very good and makes sure that everyone learns--he is also very patient!! The classes are low-key and fun. Contact the Elkhart Parks at 574-295-7275 for more information.

Wicked

Birch Lake's Book Club, One Lake One Book, is currently reading Wicked. On July 11th we will take the South Shore into Chicago to see the musical and have lunch. Anyone interested in joining us on our adventure is welcome to come, you don't have to read the book. Ask your friends to join us. Tickets must be bought this week. We are hoping to get a group rate (\$77.00). Call Blair, 476-9862, by Monday evening, to reserve your spot.

Donations sought

The BLYC Board of Directors is actively soliciting donations to eradicate the Eurasian Milfoil in the lake. To make a contribution, contact any

Birch Barker Kids (No. 2) of the Week

Dick Bender's granddaughter (right, front) and her friends are also Barker kids of the week. Sorry, I can't find the note where Sandy wrote their names that night on the boat ... and I can't get hold of Bender so I'll have to put the names in next week.



Board member or officer.

Line Dancing

Line Dance, Tuesday mornings at 9 am. Everyone is welcome to join us at the Yacht Club.

Beautification project

The Project: I would like interested and willing participants from all shores and surroundings to adopt a section of the entrances to Birch Lake and help beautify them by transplanting their extra perennials into designated areas.

We will need to spray some weed killer to prep the areas. Steve Kruse from Kruse Farm Supply recommended a product that would not sterilize the ground but would encourage seed nurturing should we also want to plant wild flowers, which could be a great fund raiser for the Yacht Club.

I would like to have a coffee for anyone interested in helping with this project. I would like anyone interested in helping with this to call me at 476-2370. I will have everyone over for coffee and/or tea and a brainstorming as to the best way to tackle this. How about Saturday morning, June 30 at 9 am. Call if you are interested and would like to help, please let me know.

-Fran Welch



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Your mother probably told you to eat your carrots to keep from going blind: a slight exaggeration, although carrots do help maintain night vision. But it's hard to exaggerate their other benefits. Carrots are a terrific source of the antioxidant beta-carotene; in fact, they are by far the best commonly consumed source of this essential nutrient and who doesn't enjoy munching on carrots while riding around in the boat?

CELERY

- Helps reduce high blood pressure
- Acts as a diuretic, which may ease joint problems
- Soothes nerves
- May lower cancer risk

Another great munchie food for the boat. Add a little peanut butter or cream cheese and I'm there!

Celery's diuretic properties have been known for centuries. By stimulating urine production, celery helps the body get rid of excess fluid and uric acid, which can aggravate joint pain associated with arthritis, rheumatism, and gout. Celery also contains insoluble fiber, which helps move other waste more quickly through and out the body. The compounds in celery act as antioxidants and help to prevent cancer or cancer growth. One of these compounds, Phenolic Acid, help stop free radicals from damaging normal cells and making them cancerous. Eat up campers!

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- May help reduce cancer risk

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Original recipe yield:

1 - 8x8 inch dish

PREP TIME 30 Min COOK TIME 30 Min READY IN 1 Hr

INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/2 cups quick cooking oats
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/3 cup butter flavored shortening, melted
- 1 tablespoon water
- 1 (16 ounce) can whole berry cranberry sauce
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 5 Granny Smith apples peeled, cored and thinly sliced DIRECTIONS
- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C).
- 2. In a medium bowl, mix together the oats, brown sugar, flour, and cinnamon. Stir in the melted shortening and water to form a crumbly mixture.
- 3. In a large saucepan, mix together the cranberry sauce and cornstarch. Bring to a boil, and then remove from heat. Stir in the apples. Spread into an 8x8 inch glass baking dish. Crumble the oat mixture over the apples.
- 4. Bake in the preheated oven for 30 to 35 minutes, or until the apples are tender. Serve warm.

Ima Foodnudge is a Birch Lake resident who wants her neighbors to be healthy

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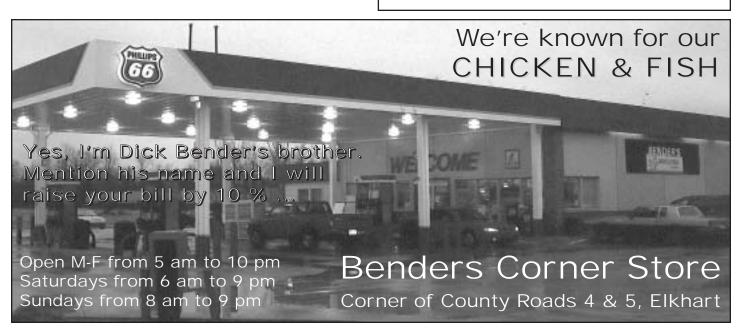


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Sailing stuff from Mr. Bob

Leet Captain Steve asked about sailing bios, to be published in the Barker. I thought to be brazen, and go first, with an auto-bio of sorts.

One summer, when I was seven or eight, a patriarch of sailing on Birch, Earl Troeger, asked if I wanted to sail his Sunfish in the Labor Day regatta. I showed interest, but, didn't know how to sail. He replied "no problem — I'll teach you" and took me out for a 30 minute, handson sailing lesson.

It must have been part of a grand plan or something, since that sowed a sailing seed. I've been sailing since, including crewing on Snipe, the learning platform of the '60s. Then, the crew had a jib to control, as opposed our single-sail

Sunfish and MCs. In the day, the Birch Sunfish fleet sent twenty to thirty boats out racing every Sunday!

Eventually my Dad, and his partner Wally, formed Michiana Marine supply (think: stack of catalogs and purchase orders). They became AMF Alcort Sunfish dealers, so, in our spare time, we'd deliver and rig Sunfish on weekends. Dad paid me \$10 to take the boat out of the box (literally), rig it, and take anyone interested out for a brief

A chief passion is following the America's Cup — the pinnacle of round-the-buoy racing. During AC31, in Auckland, New Zealand, the Swiss Alinghi team defeated the two time Defender Team New Zealand. For AC32, it's as if the motion picture industry was in charge as the 2007 Louis Vuitton challenger selection series unfolded. In the LVC Finals, deciding who

would race the Swiss team for the Auld Mug, New Zealand defeated Italy in a rematch of the 2000 America's Cup pairing.

Though New Zealand won 5:0, the deltas were razor thin. Statistically, Emirates Team New Zealand (NZL) was 0.008148148 (read: less than 1%) faster than Luna Rossa (ITA). Now crowned the LVC champion, the Kiwis will again meet Alinghi (SUI), the America's Cup Defender, in a rematch of the 2003 America's Cup.

The America's Cup Match is a "best of nine" series, where the "first to five" wins. The regatta is broadcast on Versus network (the former OLN), starting this very Saturday, June 23. Versus is airing the feed from Valencia, Spain (live in the morning, then taped delay twice daily). A schedule for your viewing pleasure is below.

Let's Regatta!

-Bob King

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The regular daily schedule for the America's Cup follows (subject to

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Tuesday	6/26/07	Race 3
Wednesday	6/27/07	Race 4
Thursday	6/28/07	Rest Day
Friday	6/29/07	Race 5
Saturday	6/30/07	Race 6 (if needed)
Sunday	7/1/07	Race 7 (if needed)
Monday	7/2/07	Rest Day
Tuesday	7/3/07	Race 8 (if needed)
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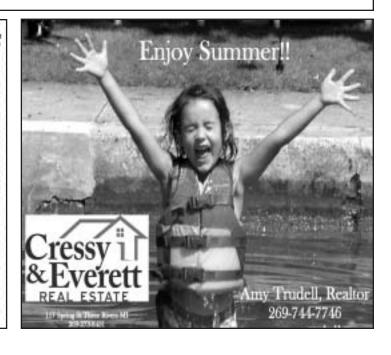


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Tannadoonah Tidbits

taff training week has begun, and camp is right around the corner! Our staff has arrived, and we're busy setting up camp for the start of the summer. We have a great big staff of 30 this year! We love the big group, especially when it's time to sing — it already sounds like we have a full camp!

The first week of camp will begin on Sunday, and the theme is Survivor Week. We're excited about having tribes and team challenges each night. We still have openings for this first week, so if you have kids who still want to come, please sign them up by Friday!

We plan to do brief bios of each of our staff again this summer, so that all the people on the lake can get to know the people up here at camp! We'll start with the returning staff from last year. Miss Lori is the assistant director for the second summer this year. She is from Muscoda, Wisconsin, and attends school at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. She will be graduating this fall with a degree in Biochemistry.

Miss Rose will be the Waterfront Director this year. She recently graduated from Saint Mary's College with a degree in elementary education. She hopes to teach in the Chicago area in the fall. While growing up in St. Louis, she was a member of the St. Louis Rowing

Club. Her enthusiasm for boating and swimming make her job at camp easy! She will be hanging out at the waterfront all summer and cannot wait to teach swimming lessons.

Mr. Jake is also returning this year, and will be working at the waterfront as a boating instructor. He is from Granger, and will be a sophomore at Purdue in the fall. His major is Agricultural and Biological Engineering. He loves sports, and played soccer and rugby in High School. He says he's looking forward to another fantastic summer at the waterfront.

Miss Calleen is back for her second year, and will the director of our Hand Craft program. She is from New Orleans, and will be a junior at Notre Dame, where she is studying sociology. Miss Calleen just returned from a 4 week trip to London! She and Mr. Jake love to entertain us at the dining hall doing the Happy Dance. We sure have a great time up here at camp!

Mr. Ian Whiteman is also returning this year, and instead of spending his summer washing dishes, he will be a part of the waterfront staff! Mr. Ian will be a junior at Constantine High School this fall. He is a Birch Lake Resident, and has been coming to camp as a camper, a counselor in training, and



now a staff member for many years.

We just hit the 300 camper mark, and we can't wait to get started on Sunday! Friday night, June 29th, we will be lighting the first council fire of the season down at the lakefront. Come on out and watch Princess Tannadoonah canoe in to light our first fire this year. The event should begin around 7:30 or 8 pm. If you are interested in attending dinner up at camp on a Friday night this summer, please call or email me to let me know which night you want to come, and how many people will be attending. Thanks!

Amber Holleman Grundy, Ph.D. Director, Camp Tannadoonah amber@tannadoonah.org 574-315-0227

http://tannadoonah.org/





Birch Barker Flying Things of the Week*





*plus this great picture of my way-cute grandson Dominic in his cool Hawaiian clothes.

dragonfly photo by **Mr. Bob**

This page was made possible by the two BLYC officers who did not provide their promised materials and didn't even tell me that they weren't going to send them until the day AFTER deadline (and two hours before I had to send the files to the printer), leaving me with a big hole to fill after I had already used all the other items sent in this week and built every other page ... pv



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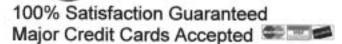


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Stu's Star Stuff



Summer's here!

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Counter to intuition, the earliest sunrise of the year occurred last Thursday --seven days before the solstice -- for us here at the lake. Similarly, latest sunset occurs after the solstice, on June 26 this year. Because Earth's orbit is slightly elongated, and because our rotational axis is not quite perpendicular to our direction of travel as we orbit the sun earliest sunrise and latest sunset do not coincide with the longest day.

On the day of the solstice the sun rises well north of due east and sets well north of due west. In the wintertime sunrises and sunsets are well south of those points, giving the sun a much shorter distance to travel from horizon to horizon and making our period of daylight many hours shorter than we enjoy today.

Be sure to track Venus and Saturn throughout the rest of the month. They can be found in the west about an hour after sunset. Watch as they draw closer to each other every night. Also follow the progress of the moon across the sky. It will be near a different object each night. It's a beautiful day in the neighborhood to enjoy the show from on the water. And it's free.

-Stu Spratt



The Moon tonight:
The moon for June 23 (at Midnight)
Illuminated Fraction: 0.658
1.7 days since first quarter

Your Exclusive Birch Lake Horoscope

ARIES (Mar. 21- April 20) Sit tight. Things aren't as bad as they appear. Don't let an incident at work play on your mind. You could find yourself left with someone's dirty laundry. Your changing philosophies may lead you into new circles and open doors that will give you a unique outlook on life. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.

TAURUS (Apr. 21- May 21)

Passion is inevitable and commitments can be made during the heat of the night. Travel will enhance romance and adventure. Money can be made if your are willing to take a chance. Much can be accomplished if you compromise. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21) Don't let someone try to bully you into doing things their way. Your outgoing nature will surprise others this week. You can expand your circle of friends if you get out and socialize. Consider starting a small business on the side. Look for a marketable gimmick. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) You may want to pull out some of those unfinished project you've got tucked away. Be careful; you may upset someone you live with if you don't consult with them. Don't hesitate to sign up for creative courses or physical fitness programs. Look into some personal changes. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.

LEO (July 23-Aug 22) You have to take hold of your life and make some crucial decisions. You will gain valuable insight and knowledge through the experiences you have along the way. You can make a big difference to children if you are understanding of the difficulties they are experiencing. Think of joining a health club that will benefit your physical appearance. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 -Sept. 23) Travel will be favorable and bring you the greatest rewards. An older member of your family may have left you with a pressing situation. The danger of minor accidents will increase with the turmoil. Don't press your luck with your loved ones. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 -Oct. 23) Be sure to cover all the necessary groundwork before signing binding contracts. Your ability to organize and get everyone together will enhance your popularity and bring interest from potential mates. Resist secret affairs that could be detrimental to your reputation. Take a second look; another person's philosophy may be extremely different from yours. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22) Don't reveal anything about your personal life to those who may use such information against you. Don't let your emotional partner upset you this week. Legal matters that have been pending may be alleviated through compromise. Don't make financial contributions in order to impress others. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 -Dec. 21)
Relationships will be erratic this week. Try not to make waves. Invite people home to discuss your plans for group fundraising events and outings. Difficulties relating to children will be stressful. Your lucky day this week will be Monday.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22.- Jan. 20)
Don't let coworkers get wind of your ideas or they might try to take credit for your hard work. Call siblings or old friends to catch up on recent news. It is time to clear your decks. Look out for yourself this week.

Your lucky day this week will be Friday.

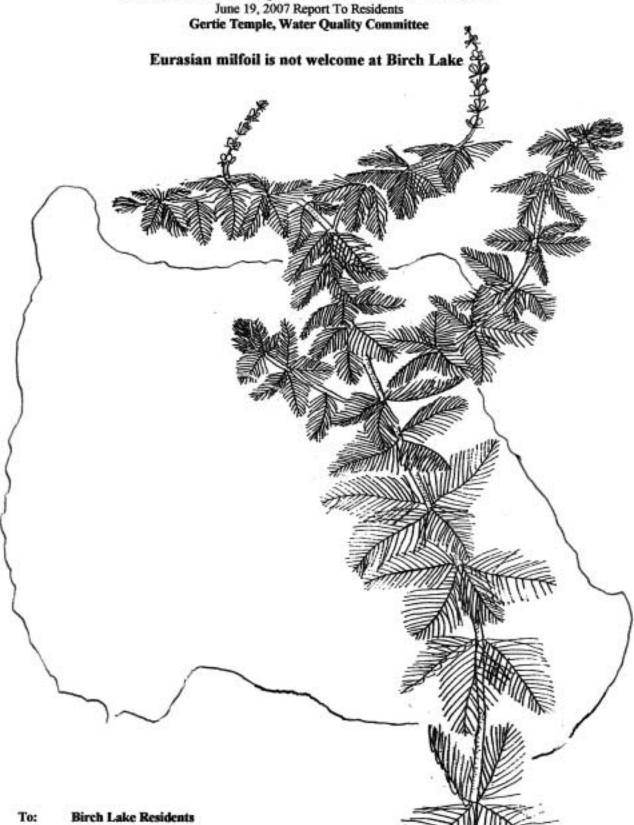
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 -Feb. 19)

Take time to catch up on gossip and make plans to do a little adventure travel. You're on to something tangible and need to act fast Discord may arise with someone you're close to. Your dynamic, determined approach will win favors as well as a helping hand. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20) Don't make any drastic changes or begin new projects this week. Plans to make physical improvements may lead to psychological changes, too. Things may not be as they sound. You may find out that someone is trying to undermine you. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.



BIRCH LAKE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM



From: Dan Reynolds, Chairman, Water Quality Committee

Regard: Water Quality Eurasian milfoil Project

1. Areas have been roped off to prevent spread of new plants.

2. Permission slips have been signed by each affected riparian.

3. BLYC supports the hiring of Tony Groves, Water Resources Director, Progessive AE

4. Water Quality serves as liaison with Tony Groves and will help as instructed.

- 5. Water Quality will report progress to the Yacht Club Commodore and residents via this page.
- On June 16, Tony Groves surveyed Birch Lake. I am awaiting his report. When received, it will be reported on this lake management page verbatim.
- Funding for the Water Quality Lake Management Program will continue as before to Water Quality which includes the CLMP (water testing) and the BLMP (watershed monitoring).
- Funding for the Water Quality Eurasian milfoil Project and the on-going Lake Survey for Invasive Species will be addressed when this committee has more information from Mr.Groves.

Please direct your questions to Water Quality. You may call me at 476-8877 or Gert Temple, 476-2773, liaison for Water Quality and Progressive AE.

Watch for the progress reports as reported to us from Tony Groves.

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Updated Cabin overlooks North Shore by day, week month or season Sleeps 4-6. \$500 weekly — 476-2086. Call 574-825-9355-ext

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- Fireworks Fund

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Mail to: Holly Troeger, Treasurer _ - Water Quality Program 1516 Ash Drive East - Eurasian Milfoil Eradication Elkhart, IN 46514 - Riparian (\$8/yr, provide address for magazine)

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