

The  
Weekend  
Of

Aug 7,  
2021

# Birch Barker

The official summer publication of the  
**Birch Lake Yacht Club**



*Cole McGann Bell recently studied and got his boating certification from the Cass County Sheriff's Dept.*

## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

**A**ugust is here! We are into the third summer month where you need to decide how much time you can spend on Birch Lake with family and friends versus anywhere else that doesn't quite have the view or options for fun in the sun. The weather of recent has been magnificent and the sailors finally had more than enough wind for their Sunday races.

One recent morning I took Scout out for a walk and grabbed my Michigan ball cap as my morning hair resembles a combination of Martin Short's Ed Grimley and the character Kicking Bird from Dances with Wolves. Lisa Rodriguez was out for a walk, and it had been quite some time since I last saw her. When Lisa smiled and said, "Good morning," it just brightened my day. Then she noticed the bald eagle flying overhead and I wondered if from the eagle's viewpoint, was Scout an interesting looking 18 lb. meal or was the eagle also enjoying Lisa's smile? A day later the eagle decided to sit in one of my

back lot trees and survey the lake. So very cool.

The Fallon's next door have been busy with their children visiting, starting with daughters Nora, then Katie and her husband Thomas. Of recent, son Tim with his wife Lauren and their lovely daughter Luna have been on Birch and will soon be joined by daughter Liz, husband Steve and their 4 kids. I see lots of activity on the horizon next door along with strategic afternoon naps.

The Welch's had one big multi-generation gathering last weekend at Fran and Randy's and Jeannie and Patrick's homes. It is so great that families are getting together and enjoying Birch Lake. On one of my walks, I saw Vice Commodore Barb Cassady loading up a car with grandchildren and her son, Dr. Bob, who is a Family Medicine physician and Sharon's new doctor. They were heading off to Lawless Park for a family walkabout, following the tried-and-true method of tiring the kids out before they tire you out.

The Yacht Club Board meeting this Saturday will be the last one I preside over before passing the baton to Vice Commodore Barb later in the month. Truth be told, Mike Sheffieck as

Secretary organizes and runs the meetings like the Wizard of Oz behind the curtain and is assisted by Deb Spratt who keeps track of all our finances as the Treasurer. Barb will be fortunate to have Mike and Deb's support when she becomes Commodore.

Make the best of your time on Birch

## 2021 Birch Lake Calendar\*

**August 7 - Corn and Sausage Roast Canceled**

**August 21 - BLYC Fall Dinner, details tba**

**August 27 - Ladies Lunch & Style Show, Woodfire, Dowagiac, 11 am, tba**

**September 6 - Labor Day flotilla, tba**

**Oct. 16 - Crockpot Challenge (tentative)**

### BLYC BOARD MEETINGS

Aug. 7, 9 am @ BLYC

**August 7 - Homeowners Association annual meeting, BLYC, following board meeting.**

**For info, and open dates to rent the Birch Lake Yacht Club building, contact Sandy Vitale at 269-476-1680 or 269-858-8184.**

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# — Birch Lake Notes —

this month, and until that time,

~*Commodore Dan, First Mate Sharon and Scout the Wonder Dog*

## Crockpot Challenge

Does the thought of fall conjure up visions of steaming bowls of delicious soups? And perhaps something ooey and gooey to satisfy a sweet tooth? Then let's talk about the BLYC Crockpot Challenge! We have a couple tentative dates set for the event, September 4 and October 16. I wanted to have a second date in case the increase Covid 19 cases were to interfere with the September date, so we have a contingency plan with the October date.

**NOW FOR THE RULES:** You may submit entries of either savory or sweet category, or both. Not sure about sweet? Check Pinterest for ideas!

Participants Only arrival time at 5:30 pm. Please be on time! Bring extension cords, and utensils.

### DO NOT I.D. YOUR CROCKPOT!!

Arrival time for the following will be 5:45 to allow set up time for the crockpots: Hors d'oeuvres and toppings (crackers, cheese, diced onion, breads, butter, etc.). Non crockpot challenge desserts (i.e. Julie's Cookies ... HAHHAHA!) set on table provided. Good idea to I.D. your dishes.

BYOB: we will be using any leftover beer and wine, but it is unknown how much will be available after previous events. If it is available, we will offer it.

Guests arrival time 6 pm! NO EARLY ENTRIES to eat. Get your voting ballots at the door as you come in. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in each category. 6:15 EATING BEGINS! Scoring and prizes at approximately 7:15. There will be a Basket Raffle and 50/50 drawings. A more concrete date will be announced soon. Watch the Barker. Any questions call Bad Patty at 317-605-6421.

\*\*Again all of this depends on the Covid 19 virus and whether or not we feel comfortable enough to host this event.

## 2021 Corn & Sausage Roast CANCELED due to COVID

We have some sad news to share. Due to the recent surge in COVID cases, including around the Lake, in an abundance of caution we have decided it would be best to cancel this year's Corn & Sausage Roast. As you know and appreciate, the Corn & Sausage Roast has always been a great way to bring our community together in fellowship – it was never just about the food. Being together in the Yacht Club, smiling and enjoying the company of our friends and

neighbors, has been why we do the event in the first place.

All of the eating for the Corn & Sausage Roast is inside the tight quarters of the Yacht Club. With new knowledge about the high risk of COVID's resurgence, we simply couldn't risk holding an event that could spread the virus to those in our wonderful community. And having a take-out-only event would be against the entire community-building purpose we want. So, it will be another year before we're able to have the next Corn & Sausage Roast. Hope to see you in 2022!

~*Blair & Bernie Garceau, Vickie & Tom Rogers and Julie & Mike Sheffieck*

## Ladies Luncheon and Style Show

Our Luncheon and Style show is "just around the corner" on Friday, August 27. Six of our Birch Lake ladies will be modeling the latest in fall fashions from the Marshall Shoppe in Dowagiac. Join our models Jan Temple, Tracey Limes, Claudia Phipps, Blair Garceau, Michelle Seyfarth, and Jeannie Welch, for a fun afternoon ... includes 10 percent discount on anything you may buy at the shop after the style show!

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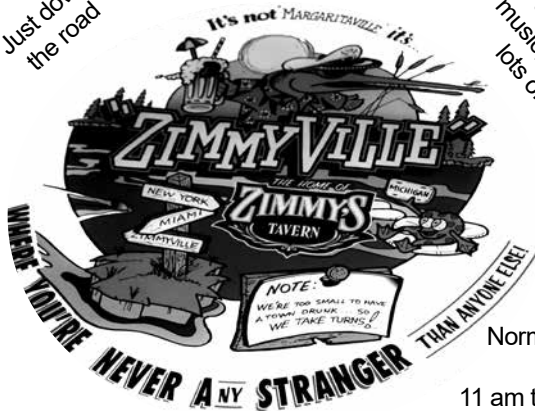
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Aboard the committee boat were Good Patti with her sister-in-law Katie Campbell from Chicago, Deb Hall, and her friend from Valparaiso, Lori Tobias, and Bad Patty. We certainly appreciate

their help and hope to see them back on the committee boat soon.

Once again thanks to Tom Casady for putting out the marks. We are grateful to him for setting them out for us every Sunday.

We're looking forward to next week, hopefully we will have wind, but not quite as rough and windy as this past Sunday. Thanks sailors, and we will see you next week.

Sail on!

~Fleet Captain, Bill  
(and ghostwriter, BP)



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# — Water Quality Report —

## Commandment # 5 ... no phosphorus

It's time to review with you our Commandment # 5, "Thou Shalt Not Allow Phosphorus, Nutrients and other Chemicals to Enter Our Lake."

Phosphorus is a chemical element required for all forms of life, necessary for every cellular process that uses energy. It is used most extensively in fertilizer. It is the "limiting factor" in many, and particularly in aquatic, ecosystems. This means it is the variable in which a small change in the quantity of phosphorus DIRECTLY CAUSES A SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE in the output (growth) of the system (plants and algae.)

While virtually all nutrients are considered to be undesirable, preventing or the reducing the volume of phosphorus getting into an inland lake is commonly held to be the SINGLE MOST SIGNIFICANT FACTOR in preserving, or advancing, the water quality of inland lakes.

Due to its depth and limited inlets and outlets, it takes some 15 years to drain and replenish all the water in Birch Lake. Whatever we let, or gets, into our lake will be there for a very long time. So our need to ward off the entry of phosphorus, and other undesirable elements, is crucially acute. Accordingly, we ask that you:

- 1) Consider not using any fertilizer on your property
- 2) If you must fertilize, please:
  - A. Do so only once per year, in as small a quantity, and as far away from the shoreline, as possible.
  - B. Make sure the fertilizer contains no phosphorus
  - C. Recall that the other nutrients in fertilizer are undesirable also.
- 3) Shovel and load out ashes.
- 4) Don't allow leaves or other vegetation to get into the lake.
- 5) Bear in mind that anything left on the surface within our watershed will eventually get into the lake.
- 6) Pick up and properly dispose of animal waste.
- 7) Don't feed any wildlife, particularly not ducks, swans, or geese.
- 8) Between your lawn and shoreline plant a barrier strip, as wide as possible, of deeply rooted native plants at least 12" - 24" tall to minimize erosion and catch undesirable elements from entering the water. [This barrier strip may also help discourage geese from entering, and making deposits upon, your lawn area.]
- 9) Be aware that wave, or wake, action, particularly in shallow water, stirs up and sends back into the water column,



existing phosphorus that had previously settled to the bottom and attached itself to material there.

10] Consider not using any weed killer or other chemicals on your property. If you must, please do so in limited quantities, away from the lake and not on a windy day or before a rain event.

11) Recall that natural shorelines are one of our very best bets at limiting phosphorus in our lake.

Thank you and

**PLEASE PASS THE WORD**

### THE "SIX COMMANDMENTS OF BIRCH LAKE WATER QUALITY"

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| <p>I. Thou shalt prevent the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)</p> <p>II. Thou shalt minimize surface runoff</p> <p>III. Thou shalt minimize the effects of waves</p> <p>IV. Thou shalt protect and expand Natural Shorelines</p> | <p>V. Thou shalt not allow phosphorus, nutrients, and other undesirable chemical elements to enter our lake</p> <p>VI. Thou shalt remain informed and active about other Water Quality issues</p> |
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# — Barker Kids of the Week —



Above: Guests of Bud and Deb Hall (C) were her aunts and uncles. Glenn and Susie Miranda of Valparaiso IN, Darrell and Florence Sergent of Crown Point, IN and Tom and Barbara Pugh of Marco Island, FL. They really enjoyed their day at the lake.

Left: Miss Lauren Snider (C) celebrated her 4th birthday on Monday August 2nd in her fancy unicorn outfit.

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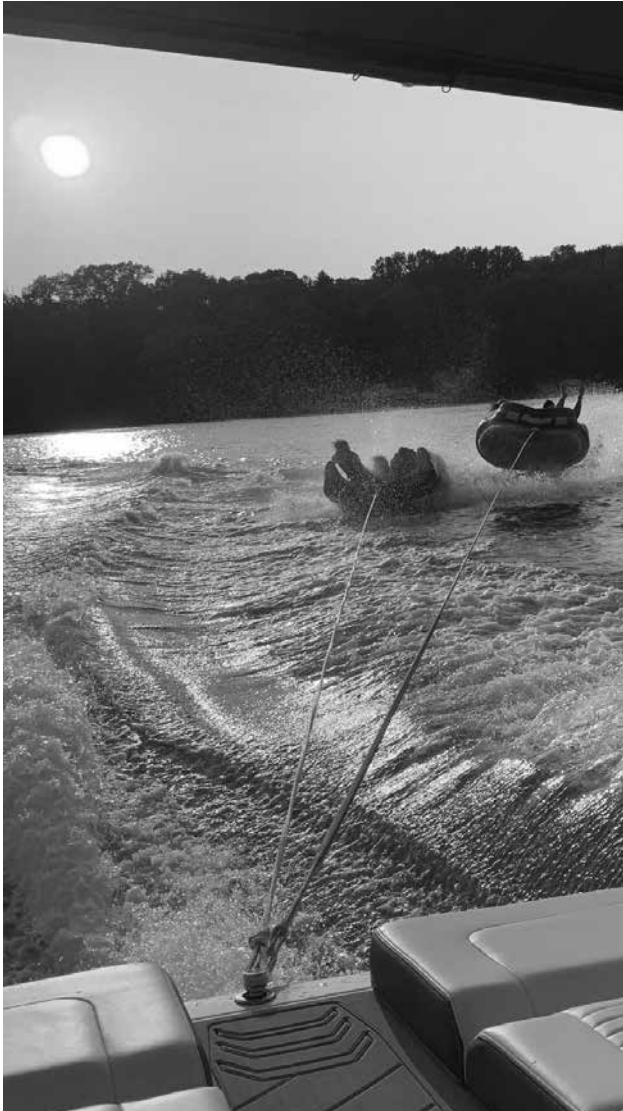
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*Above: Tessa McGann gets a golf cart to get around the lake with her broken leg and having surgery.*

*Left: Andy Karceski (north side) sent a nice sunset tubing pic*

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# — Birch Lake History —

## Cranmers to celebrate 66th anniversary

Congratulations to Donna and Harold Cranmer (westside/cove), who will celebrate their 66th wedding anniversary on August 14.

They have a daughter, Julie (Steve) Plaia of Mishawaka and a son, Bob Cranmer of Elkhart, as well as two grandsons, Chad (Ellen) of Oregon and Jared (Kelsey Kirbie) of Mishawaka.

This is also Harold's 85th year as a Birch Laker. His father, Joseph Cranmer, bought two lots in 1927 in the Woodland Cove addition. Harold came home from EGH in January, 1936 to the first of two homes his father built. That property was sold and a second cottage was built on the adjoining lot where the family still enjoys the lake.



## BARKER KIDS OF THE WEEK, HISTORY, ETC.

*Want to share your history at Birch Lake? Want your kid to be a Kid of the Week? Just mail your info and photos (with a SASE if you want the photo(s) back) to Birch Barker, 63174 Birch Rd., Vandalia, MI 49095; put them in a ziplock and stick them in the mailbox at my home (on the east side), or email me at [SAILORPHIL@PHILVITALE.COM](mailto:SAILORPHIL@PHILVITALE.COM)*

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# — 2021 Mens Golf Outing —

## Tokyo comes to Birch Golf Event

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We gave out gold, silver and bronze medals this year in honor of the Tokyo Olympics. In addition to the three place podium winners there were eight games, closest to the pin, longest drive, etc.

At an amazing scramble score of 58 were gold medalists John DeCloedt, Terry Wiseman, K. C. "Big Hitter" Wiseman, and "Mr. Consistent," former Notre Dame team golfer '60 Bud Zesinger.

Taking the Silver Metals were the "Young Buck Team" from the north shore of Andy Karceski, Bob Bender, and Ken (lost his cell phone in the lake) Petty and Tom Caplis with a score of 63.

We had a three-way tie for third place at 65 and had to back up from hole #18 to determine who got to stand on the podium while the Birch Lake Anthem was played and the BLYC flag was raised. With a birdie on 2 on #18, it was the foursome of Tim Steffen, Wes Steffen, Coach Bill Doba and "power house" Randy Welch, II. The other teams in the tie were: Bob Baucus, Brody Baucus, Tony Schmitt and (NO SHOW) Nick Bergan the 2021 Blackthorn Golf Club Champion was in Idaho doing something fun and did not play; and the team of: Kevin Bernaciak, John Ball, Ben Covey and Aaron Covey.

Other medal winners for on course games were: **Longest Drive** for Medicare Card carrying men only was me Pat McGann, **Shortest Drive and Longest Putt** for Medicare types was our only double winner Jim Bradfield, Scott "The Beast" Sortal won Longest Drive, Bret Sortal won Closest to the Pin in two shots; **Closest to the Pin** winners on the four Par 3 holes were: Dr. Vic Jones, Dick "The Putt Master" Cowen, Ray Scholes, and Coach Bill Doba. Tim "Dead Eye" Steffen won the longest putt.

I want to thank all the players for playing and Steve, Betty and their staff at Pine View for an amazing job



making it fun and tasty for everyone. I'd also like to thank Chas Grundy, my talented Godson and cousin, for his help in setting up the online entry forms and Deb Spratt for record keeping, and the Barker Editor Phil Vitale for publishing and promoting the event.



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## Aries (March 21-April 19)

This continues to be a great time you that will generate opportunities to enjoy parties, social occasions, the arts, attendance or participation in sports events plus, playful activities with children. This same influence urges you to take a vacation; and it also pumps possibilities for romance! Nevertheless, this week, the same areas might hold some unexpected surprises and moments of rebellion.

## Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Your focus continues to be on home and family this week. Many of you will be more involved than usual with a parent. Family discussions will definitely take place, perhaps addressing the need for home repairs. However, this is also when you might encounter some rebellion or surprises and mishaps due to domestic arguments or something that impacts your home. Fortunately, the opportunities for you to enjoy vacations, fun occasions, the arts, sports, romance and playful activities will abound.

## Gemini (May 21-June 20)

You're happy with your fast pace because you like life to be interesting! Short trips, discussions, appointments and errands are just some reasons you're on the go this week. Admittedly, it behooves you to pay attention to everything you say and do because stressful aspects could encourage a few speed bumps to your plans. Pay attention to everything you say and do to reduce the possibility of accidents or goofy mistakes.

## Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Money, earnings and cash flow continue to be your primary focus this week. You might even have some excellent moneymaking ideas. Many of you will attract money to you as well! Nevertheless, something to do with money, cash flow, earnings and your possessions might encounter obstacles this week or something surprising or unexpected. Therefore, be mindful. Take care of what you own. Double check anything to do with your money and assets.

## Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

This is a strong time for you and it's your chance to recharge your batteries for the rest of year. That's why everyone is making reservations for dinner, enjoying the arts, and watching sports as well as engaging in some saucy flirting. Nevertheless, this might trigger feisty conversations with bosses and authority figures. You feel independent and ready to go out on your own. Fortunately, a sweet money surprise might come your way.

## Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

This week you might feel vaguely unsettled. On the upside, you might have some brilliant ideas or an epiphany about something. But you might also feel like you're waiting for the other shoe to drop - something like that. Don't worry because this is a temporary feeling that will be gone by next week.

## Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

This is a popular week! Expect to enjoy the company of younger people. It's an excellent time to define future goals so that you have a better grasp of what is ahead. Goals keep you on track and make future decision-making easier. Be patient and don't jump to conclusions. Meanwhile, an unexpected love affair might take place.

## Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You look fabulous in the eyes of everyone else, you will be skilled and proficient talking to people in authority - bosses, parents, teachers, VIPs and the police. They will listen to you. Having said this, these of the very areas that will be interrupted for some reason because of the influence of Uranus. You might feel rebellious and want to quit your job or give your two cents worth to your boss. Worse yet, they might suddenly print out something from on high that you least expected to hear. Whatever happens, stay cool. You still look wonderful to everyone. You might meet a new friend this week, someone unusual or different. Help from an unexpected source is at hand.

## Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Your desire to travel and do something different is strong this week. You also want a chance to learn something new, which makes this a marvelous time to study. You might also be more focused on legal matters or something to do with medicine, publishing and the media. Nevertheless, these same areas are where you will encounter a surprise or an unexpected glitch. Anything could happen.

## Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You are concerned with practical matters, especially the wealth and assets of your partner, shared property, inheritances, banking matters and taxes - all this red-tape stuff. Generally, your sign is very good at dealing with this because Capricorn rules the government. However, the sudden and unpredictable influences will create some kind of upset in these same areas.

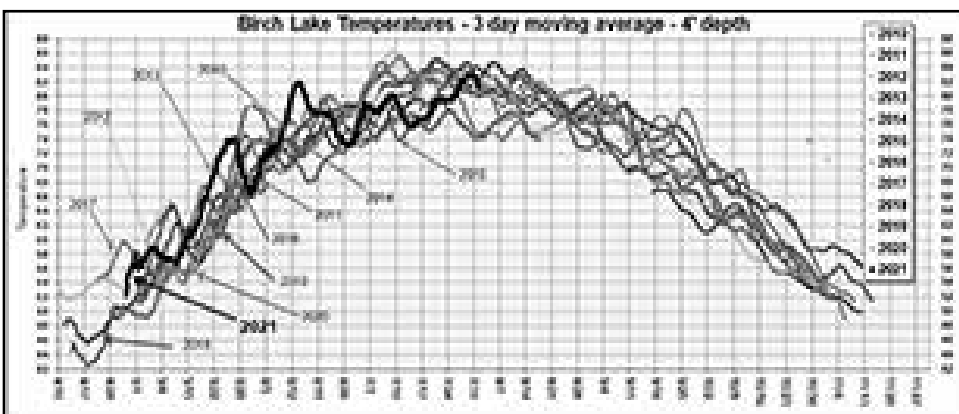
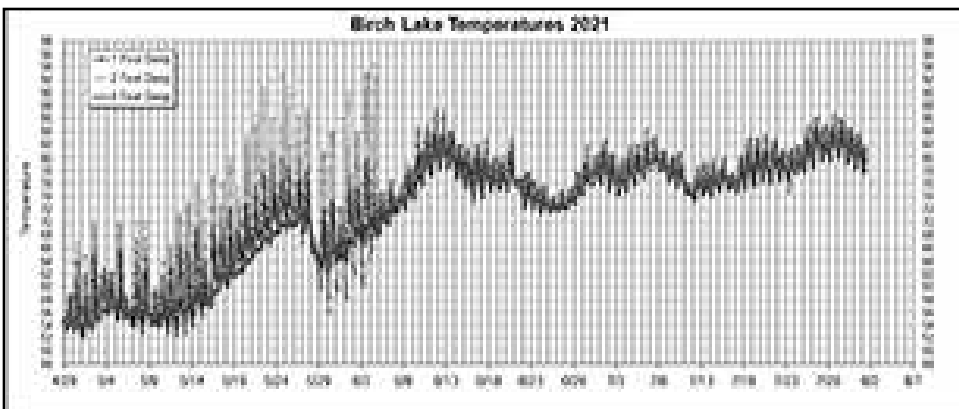
## Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

This week your sign is drawing your attention to your closest relationships - marriage partners, professional partners and close friends. This polarized position offers you the best opportunity all year to objectively view how you relate to others. Use this to learn something important. Something unexpected might occur with your partner or close friend. Fortunately, money, gifts and goodies will unexpectedly come your way that will surely soothe any ruffled feathers.

## Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Your ambition to get better organized is still strong. In fact, not only do you want to work harder and smarter, you also want to improve your health as well because you are setting the bar high. And why not? Unfortunately, these are the very same areas where Uranus will trigger a few problems and surprises. Computer glitches, staff shortages, interruptions to your job as well as unexpected news that is health-related might occur. Note: Something surprising might also relate to your pet? Therefore, keep your eyes open!

# Birch Lake Environmental Data



Temps provided by Steve Quinlan

## The Moon for this Saturday

(At Midnight, US Central time, as viewed from the Northern Hemisphere)  
Illuminated Fraction: 0.002  
0.3 days before new moon

*New Moon*

**Sunrise: 06:40:56 AM**

**Sunset: 20:54:36 PM**

**Moonrise: 05:20:42 AM**

**Moonset: 20:54:06 PM**

**Daylight: 14 Hr 13 Min 40 Sec**

# Birch Barker Funnies





# ~Birch Lake Recipes~



*Provided Exclusively to the Birch Barker from Mrs. Ima Foodnudge*

## Heirloom tomato toast with feta

### **H**eirloom Tomato Toast with Feta

#### **Ingredients**

- 2 slices crusty bread
- 1 clove garlic, halved
- 3 ounces feta cheese, sliced
- 1 large heirloom tomato, sliced
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- flaky sea salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

#### **Directions**

- Step 1 Toast the bread until golden brown. Remove from toaster and rub each slice with 1/2 a clove of garlic, rubbing cut-side down.
- Step 2 Top each slice of toast evenly with the feta cheese, tomato, oregano, salt, and pepper. Drizzle with olive oil and serve



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# — Camp Tannadoonah —

## Just one more week to go

**J**ust one more week of camp to go! This coming week is our last week of the summer, and we hope to see many of you on the lake for the Friday night Serenade. Our campers will be coming down the stairs to the waterfront around 9 pm or 9:15 pm on Friday, August 13 for our annual candlelight serenade.

We're going to finish the summer with a total of 1113 campers, our biggest summer ever. What a way to celebrate 100 years of Camp Tannadoonah! We had a total of 300 day campers and 813 overnight campers, which is a lot more on the day camp side than we typically have.

Although our staff numbers were a bit of a struggle through the year (as I think staffing has been for everyone across the country), we had a great core group who did a fantastic job. We were able to pull together former campers and staff members to come back for a week at a time, and family members of staff members who came and helped us out whenever possible. We're really proud of all the hard work and effort that our staff put in to make this summer awesome for our campers.

In celebration of our 100th anni-

versary, the theme for this last week of camp is Decades Week. Our counselors have been thinking up fun costumes and decorations for the different decades and are looking forward to some dancing throughout the week! If you see anyone down at the waterfront in silly costumes, don't be alarmed!

This past week, one of our board members arranged for a local media company, Pentavision, to come out to camp to film some interviews and footage to create a new camp video. Many years ago, Mr. Bruce Harlan – a Birch Lake resident, camp board member, and director of Golden Dome Productions at Notre Dame – worked with Pentavision to create a camp video and a commercial that aired on local television stations. Some of you may remember it! We haven't done a professional video since then – probably 30 years ago.

We're really excited to see what they produce from the interviews and footage of campers. We gathered a group of board members, lake residents, camp alumni, volunteers, staff, and campers who agreed to be interviewed about their experiences with Camp Tannadoonah. They plan to create a couple different short videos to use for marketing, to pro-

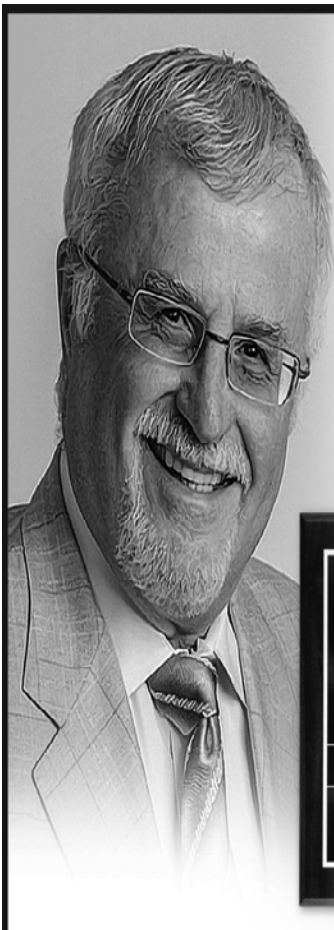


mote our 100th anniversary event, and for fundraising purposes.

We're really getting in to the planning for our 100th Anniversary celebration in September. We're planning an exciting "Grown up Camp" weekend the weekend of September 24-26. It's not limited to camp alums – this event is open to anyone who loves Camp Tannadoonah and wants to spend a fun weekend at camp. We have lots of interesting and fun activities – some traditional camp activities and others that are more geared towards grownups.

Check it out and register at [Tannadoonah.org/100years/](http://Tannadoonah.org/100years/)!

~Mrs. Amber



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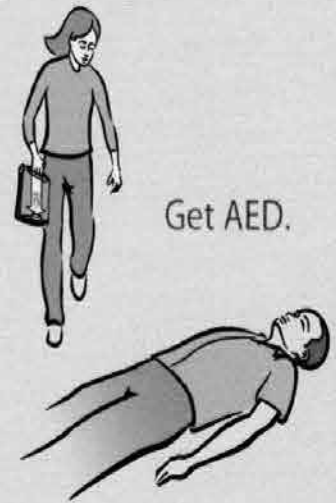
Is patient responsive?

2



Call emergency services!

3



Get AED.

4



Place AED on ground.  
Open lid.

5



Remove clothing.  
Expose chest.

6



Attach pads.

7



Do not touch the patient.

8



If required, AED will deliver  
shock automatically.

9



If present, place CPR device.

10



Follow AED prompts.  
Give compressions.

11



If instructed, give breaths.

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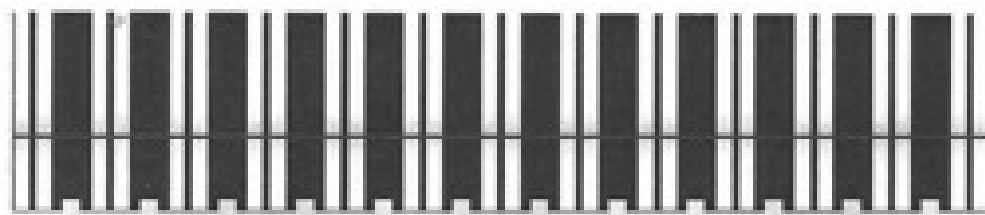


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