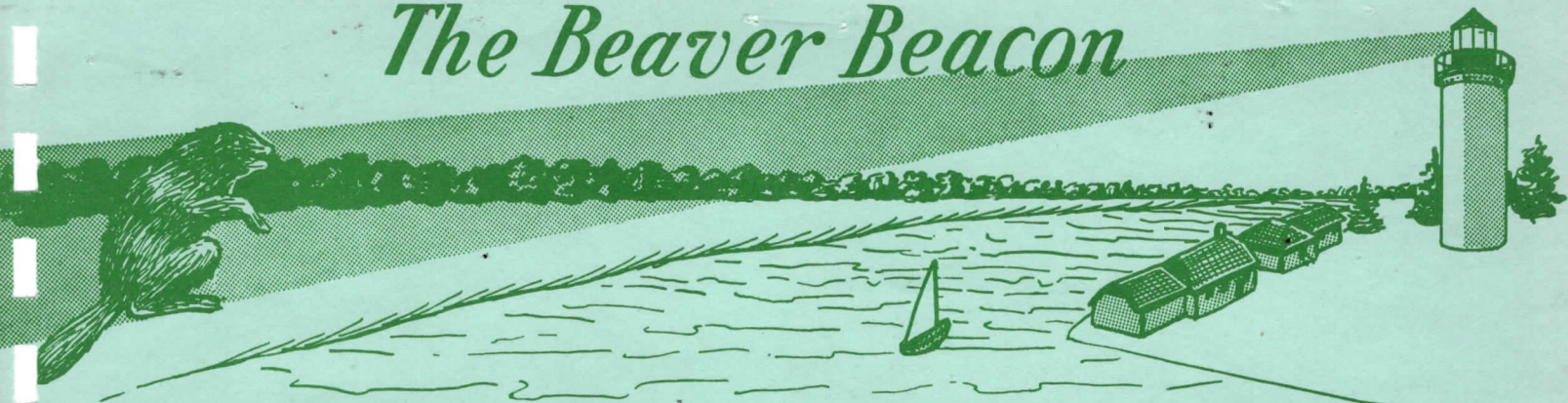


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With August, comes the evening of the summer season, as vacations quickly come to an end, Lavish amounts of sunlight and warm weather has made this a most enjoyable summer for those visiting the Island.

WEATHER: Beaver Island weather as recorded by Fire Officer Bill Wagner, for the month of July.

The month of July was warm and dry until the 25th when some badly needed rains fell. Fire hazard was high to extreme through-out most of the month.

1.59 inches of rain fell between the 25th and the end of the month. High temperature of 90 degrees occurred on the 2nd, with the low of 49 degrees falling on the 21st. Average low was 61.3 degrees and the average high was 80.9 degrees. The temperature was in the 70's for 11 days, in the 80's for 19 days and in the 90's for 1 day. Most of the month was ideal for camping and fishing.

HOMECOMING: Beaver Island's Annual Homecoming was held August 14th in grand style.

A delicious roast beef dinner was held in the Parish Hall from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. to approximately 350 people.

Beginning at 4:00 p.m. the Annual Homecoming parade was held under the direction of Eddie Wojan. It was one of the best parades the Island has witnessed in some years. First prize was presented to the Harbor View Motel for a float depicting a modern log cabin. Second prize went to L. Z. Reigle for his float showing the fish that one may catch at the outlying islands. Third prize went to McDonough's Store with a float showing the little McDonough's operating a grocery store and meat market. Each float in the parade deserved a prize so it was a hard decision for the Judges to make, with only three prizes to award. The Judges were Dr. John Ludwig, Mr. C. Russell Pryce and Professor John Works.

The \$100.00 Dollar Bill given away was won by Mr. Charles Earley. The Homecoming Dance began at 9:00 p. m. in the Parish Hall and music was furnished by Kenney Leach and the String-a-longs. The Beaver Lodge generously donated the orchestra for the evening.

The grand total for the Homecoming was \$883.23 for Holy Cross Church and \$346.25 for the Beaver Island Convent Building Fund.

Father Louis Wren and the Holy Cross Parish would like to thank everyone who helped to make this Homecoming such a big success.

GAME NEWS: Just a short span of time lies ahead before hunters can take to the woods again, in quest of partridge and woodcock. To induce hunting on Garden and High Islands, the Department of Conservation is plan-

ning a no bag limit season on partridge, beginning September 15th. All hunter's must have a Small Game license and must check with the Conservation Officer on Beaver Island before going to Garden and High Islands and when they return from the Islands.

Bass fishing is a little spotty at the present time. Some are getting limit catches, but the fish are running smaller in size than they were earlier.

An official announcement of a 1966 Wild Turkey season has been made for Beaver Island. The season will begin November 2nd and end November 10th. To obtain a permit you must submit an application on or before September 23rd, 1966. Application must be made on a postal card addressed to the person applying. The other side of the postal card must have the hunter's 1966 Small Game License number, area number (Beaver Island is Area #3) and must be sent in an envelope to the following address:

WILD TURKEY, Department of Conservation, Lansing, Michigan
100 permits will be drawn from the applications sent into Lansing. Several large groups of young turkeys have been seen through-out the island. A rough estimate of the turkey count would probably run over 300 birds at this time.

Rabbits should be plentiful again this year, so it looks as though we will have lots of hunting activity on the islands this fall.

OBITUARIES: NELS PETER JENSEN, 63, of 356 Hattie St., Marinette, Wis. passed away on June 25th in the Marinette General Hospital where he had been a patient since June 1.

Mr. Jensen spent his entire life sailing or fishing. He was born July 20, 1902 at St. James. He spent his early life in Marinette and traveled with his father, who was a lighthouse keeper on the Great Lakes. He had been employed by the Columbia Transportation boat line before retiring two years ago. On March 9, 1943 he married the former Mary O' Claire. He was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Surviving with his widow are four sons, William, Peter, Robert and Keith, and a daughter, Cheryl, all of Marinette.

Also surviving are three brothers and three sisters. They are Emmett and Allen of Naubinway, Mich., Russell Jensen, Mrs. Bertha Johnson, Mrs. Vernon Johnson and Mrs. James Talbot of Manistique. A 9:00 a.m. requiem mass was held in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Burial was in the Forest Home Cemetery.

HOSPITAL NOTES: Mrs. George Risckgers has been in Chicago for a medical examination.

Mrs. Mary Green is a patient in the Charlevoix Hospital.

Mrs. Edna McCann returned to the Charlevoix Hospital for a medical check up this past week.

Dr. H. B. Haynes has been a patient in Munson Hospital in Traverse City. He is back in his office after convalescing at his home for ten days.

Linda Wojan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wojan returned to Little Traverse Hospital on August 18th. Her cast was removed and she returned home the same day.

BUSY SEASON: The Beaver Island Boat Company is experiencing the busiest season ever this year, with double runs every day. Boat Company Secretary-Treasurer, Archie LaFreniere, relates that on the noon trip on August 6th, the boat carried 199 passengers, within one of its capacity. Growth of the island is especially evident this year, and some thought is being given to consider another boat to meet the demand of the future seasons.

BEAVER ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Wanted - to complete History of Boats that served Beaver Island. Photographs or post cards of the boat and the name of the boat and who was captain, the owner and what year the boat served between the mainland and Beaver Island. If you don't want to give the picture, we would like you to loan it to us and we will have it re-photographed and will return the original picture to you.

The Beaver Island Historical Society would like to know if the poeple on the Island and the people who visit the Island would like to have a rent al library here, so that they may borrow books of interest to read thru out the year. Write a letter to the Beaver Island Historical Society, just what you think about a rental and a reading library for the Island, for children and adults. Reading is essential for our peace of mind and knowledge, we all need today. We have now over 3000 books in the second story of the Museum ready for this library, if there is enough interest shown that a reading and research library is wanted. Address your letters to the Beaver Island Historical Society, Attn: (President) A. J. Roy, St. James, Michigan.

The Museum that is located in the Mormon Print Shop building is open every day from 12 noon until 4:00 p. m. for you and your friends to visit. There are over 300 different items of interest for you to see, many over 100 years old. Don't let your friends and visitors to the Island miss the opportunity to see your Museum. Mr. Linn Rountree and Mr. Roy are glad to explain everything in the Museum. We need your support.

A. J. Roy

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE BEAVER ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Enclosed find \$ _____ for a _____ membership.

Life.....	\$100.00	Contributing.....	\$25.00
Sustaining.....	50.00	Good Will.....	10.00
Regular.....	\$3.00		

NAME _____

Remit To:

ADDRESS _____

Beaver Island Historical Society
St. James,

CITY _____

Beaver Island, Michigan

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BIRTHS: Mr. and Mrs. William G. Pischner, of Madison Heights, announce the birth of a daughter, Michele, on July 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brown, of Chicago, announce the arrival of a son, Micheal Peter, on August 7th. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Francis Brown and the great-grandfather is J. L. Malloy of St. James.

C.M.U. NEWS: On Sunday, July 17th, Central Michigan University held an Open House for everyone on Beaver Island. Donuts, coffee and lemonade were served to everyone who made a tour of the Center.

August 14th brought to a close the eight week summer session at the Center. Biology teachers from all over the United States spent eight weeks working on their degrees.

GESILA FINDS NEW HOME: Walter Wojan, Bud McDonough and Beaver Haven Marina have combined to purchase an ex-Navy, L C M Landing Craft, to heavy freight and fuel during the busy summer season. The vessel is fifty-one feet over all, powered by twin diesels and can carry a deck load of 30 tons. The vessel is a private carrier, not for hire, or to compete with the Beaver Islander. It is skippered by Phil Gregg, who also, is supposed to write the Beaver Beacon by a certain date each month. My apologies for being late this past two months, I hope will be accepted. The name Gesila comes from New Guinea, meaning "The Best of Everything" however, it is to be renamed by next year to "Eager Beaver".

FAMILY REUNIONS: Beaver Island Homecoming brings many Island families together each year for a week-end of celebration. The growing popularity of the event has grown to include any and all who wish to assist in the festivities.

A unique idea for a family reunion has been adapted by the C. W. Pratt family, who each year make their reunion a week-long affair and each year spend it in a different place. Ten families, from all over the country, reserved ten housekeeping units - seven at Wojan's Harbor View and three at LaFreniere's Isle Haven. In all their travels, the group claims that Beaver Island is the best yet, both in accommodation and pleasant surroundings.

SERVICEMEN NEWS: The following address has been received:

Pvt. Theodore R. Powell RA 16853619
HHD - USARV (Ag-Statistical Control)
A.P.O. San Francisco, Calif. 96307

Pvt. Powell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Powell of Geneseo, Ill. and the grand son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Carlisle, of Beaver Island. He graduated July 8th as a Metallurgist and on August 1st was sent to Viet Nam.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Our former Fire Officer, Vernon Fitzpatrick has been promoted to Park Supervisor of McLain State Park. The new address for Florence and Fitz is as follows:

Vernon Fitzpatrick
McLain State Park, M 203
Hancock, Michigan 49930

Congratulations, folks,

HIKERS: The Cruickshank family of Clawson arrived on Beaver Island, Sunday, August 14 to begin a hiking trip from Iron Ore Bay to St. James along the west side of the Island. The family included Bud, the father; Barbara, his wife; Dan, 11; Grant, 5; Scott, 10; Brian, 13 and Bill, 9. Every member of the family carried a share of the camping gear, including Grant. The family will arrive in St. James on Saturday, August 20th where they will meet Mr. Cruickshank's parents for another week on Beaver Island at the Harbor View Motel.

GRAND RAPIDS PARTY: The latest details of the party are as follows:

THE BEAVER ISLAND CLUB
of Grand Rapids
presents
BEAVER ISLAND CAPER
8:00 P.M. - October 15, 1966
PLANTATION BALLROOM
\$5.00 per couple
Dancing - Lunch - Refreshments
Proceeds to Holy Cross Convent Fund

OPEN ALL YEAR 'ROUND: Mr. and Mrs. Perry Crawford have announced that the Erin Motel will be open for business all year 'round. The Crawford's have moved to Beaver Island from Rochester and will be permanent residents here.

LATE NOTE: Mrs. Sybil Larsen was taken to Little Traverse Hospital in Petoskey, very unexpectedly on Saturday, August 20th. At last reports Sybil was resting comfortably in the hospital

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE: Housetrailer, completely furnished. With or without acreage. Phone or write - Charles Welke, 7850 Oakley Park Rd., Walled Lake, Michigan 41195, Area Code 313.

FOR SALE: Home for sale in village, with 60 foot beach frontage overlooking the Harbor. Partly furnished. Ada Martin, St. James, Michigan 49782 or Phone 448-5831 or 448-5973.

BOATS FOR RENT: New 14 ft. Meyers Aluminum boats for rent, 63" beam, 22" transom height -- available with new 20 H.P. Johnson outboard. Boat and motor suitable for traveling to adjacent Islands. 12 ft. Meyers Aluminum boats also available on inland lakes and harbor here. Contact WOJAN'S BOATS, St. James, Michigan. Phone 448-5650.

FOR SALE: Refreshment Stand with Miniature Golf Course, overlooking boat and harbor. Real money maker, good possibilities for retired couple to supplement social security. Room for expansion. Contact Mr. A. J. Roy, St. James, Michigan 49782.

FOR SALE: Cottage for sale in Beaver Harbor. Contact Jewell Gillespie, St. James, Michigan 49782.

FOR SALE: Lot on Sand Bay for sale, plus 3 lots on Beaver Harbor
acres for sale at Beaver Island Airport. Other lots are available.
Contact Vernon H. LaFreniere, St. James, Michigan 49782.

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FOR SALE: Four choice corner lots, one block up from Main Street over-
looking Harbor; \$2000.00. Owner: R. P. Hoffmann, 41600 Nine Mile Road,
Northville, Michigan - Phone 349-4245.

SEE YOU NEXT MONTH