

# The Beaver Beacon



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Grey skies, chilling winds, puffs of snow, naked trees and large piles of cord wood, are the signs of winter close behind. Another season is about to end, waiting only for the final shot of the deer hunter.

**ISLAND DOCTOR PASSES:** Beaver Island suffered a great loss this month, in the sudden passing of Dr. H. B. Haynes, who had served the past five years as the Island's Doctor.

Born March 29, 1890 in Corunna, Michigan, Dr. Haynes was a pre-med student at Adrian College and graduated from Wayne State Medical School. He practiced at Edward H. Sparrow Hospital in Lansing from 1920 to 1945. He was also on the staff of the Traverse State Hospital as practising Surgeon and Physician from 1945 to 1960. He was the Resident Physician on the Island from 1962.

Much more than a healer of ailments, Dr. Haynes had a great deal to do with founding the Beaver Island Christian Church and served as minister during winter months or any time visiting clergy were not available. His sharp wit and fabulous ability of story telling will certainly be missed at future Island affairs.

Survivors are his wife, Bess C. Haynes, and two daughters, Mrs. William Perdue, of San Jose, California and Mrs. Robert H. Harris, of Traverse City. There are also seven grandchildren and two great-grandsons. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Traverse City.

Memorials may be directed to the Beaver Island Christian Church, in care of Mrs. A. J. Roy or Mrs. Bill Wagner.

Another Memorial Fund has been set up by Ann Arbor friends, with contributions being used for the Medical Center. Mrs. Russel Green will receive the donations for this Memorial.

**WEATHER:** Beaver Island weather as recorded by Fire Officer Bill Wagner for October.

Rain and overcast skies seemed to be the order of the day with the sun shining through for an hour or two on a few days.

Temperatures were cool most of the month. The highest temperature of 66 degrees fell on the 2nd, with the lowest temperature of 28 degrees falling on the night of the 28th.

Average daytime temperature was 53.1 degrees and the average nighttime temperature was 40.4 degrees.

Rain fell on 15 days with overcast skies the most of the other 16 days. Total rainfall for the month was 2.92 inches.

Daytime temperatures were in the 60's for 7 days; in the 50's for 14 days; in the 40's for 10 days.

Nighttime temperatures were in the 50's for 5 nights; in the 40's for 7 nights; in the 30's for 18 nights and in the 20's for 1 night.

GAME NEWS: Windy and rainy weather held this year's bird season down to a slow walk and certainly gave the birds a big break. Turkey season ended with but seven taken out of a hundred permits.

Hopes are being reserved for good weather to ease the pain of last year's deer season, that was cut short by an early blizzard. The deer are here and showing signs of early yarding.

Deer Hunters should take a note of reminder to be sure and attend the Beaver Island Game Club's Annual Hunters Banquet, to be held between 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., November 20th, at the Holy Cross Hall. A movie and speakers will make up the after dinner entertainment.

PLANE CRASH: At approximately 10:00 p.m., Sunday, November 5th, a call was received in St. James from the airport, that a plane was down about a mile east of the airport. A group of volunteers quickly converged on the area while a search plane circled and dove at a light that had been spotted in the woods. Archie LaFreniere and Bill Wagner followed an old trail off the old Fox Lake road and found themselves fairly close to where the plane was circling. Leaving the trail they headed through the woods in the direction of the circling plane. Soon, they too saw the light and on approaching it, found the pilot, Paul Eddy, standing on the wing of his fallen craft, signaling the circling plane. The plane, a twin engine Beechcraft, was a total loss, yet the pilot was miraculously spared with minor lacerations. The pilot, approaching the field from the south, had lowered his flaps and wheels and was coming in when he noticed another plane taking off and heading straight for him. With no chance of out climbing him and believing that he had enough elevation, he planned to go under the approaching plane. The next thing he knew tree tops were slapping the under side of the plane and into the trees he went. Having presence of mind to cut his ignition and fuel, and luck enough that the tanks didn't rupture, the plane didn't catch fire and a real disaster was averted.

HOSPITAL NOTES: Milt "Poor Milt" Bennett was a patient in Little Traverse Hospital following an injury to his left eye.

Lillian Gregg was a patient in Little Traverse Hospital for surgery.

OBITUARIES: GREGG - O. I. Gregg, 85, a Michigan State University professor emeritus, died November 7th at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac. He was a resident of Houghton Lake for the past 20 years. Prof. Gregg served as Wayne and Allegan County agricultural agent for several years after being graduated from MSU in 1907. In 1927 he was named landscape and gardening specialist in the cooperative extension service, a post he held until his retirement in 1947. He was a member for more than 50 years of the Mother Church of Christ, Scientist.

Prof. Gregg is survived by his wife, Alta; three sons, Glenn of Lansing, Emory of Star Tannery, Va., and Philip, of Beaver Island; a daughter, Mrs. Thomas King of Royal Oak; a brother, Oliver of Rochester, N.Y., nine grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held from the Gorsline Runciman East Chapel, in East Lansing, with interment in Evergreen Cemetery, Lansing.

McCAULEY - Word has been received here of the death of Anthony McCauley former Island resident. Mr. McCauley died in Detroit Oct. 21st. He is survived by his wife and a sister Miss Mary McCauley, who lives in Pentwater.

FLOYD - Leland F. Floyd, 50, of 507 Houston Ave., died Oct. 27 of a heart attack in Grand Rapids.

Mr. Floyd was employed as a truck driver in Grand Rapids. He was born May 1, 1917 on Beaver Island.

Mr. Floyd served in the Army during World War II and was a communicant of St. Mary's Church.

Among the survivors are three sons in Grand Rapids, and a son in Chicago; two daughters in Grand Rapids and a daughter in Chicago; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Floyd of Muskegon; and three sisters, Mrs. Cleo Edwards of Muskegon, Mrs. Eva Racine and Vera Pelarski of Manistowic. He had five grandchildren.

GALLAGHER - Mrs. Owen Gallagher, 82, died in McClure Nursing Home in Marne after a long illness.

She was born on Beaver Island and was married there to Capt. Gallagher who sailed the Great Lakes. The family lived in Grand Haven since 1920. Capt. Gallagher died in 1959.

She was member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, its Altar Society, the Royal Neighbors and the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary.

Surviving are a son, Ernest O. of Grand Haven; four daughters, Mrs. Clyde Peel of Spring Lake, Mrs. Rose McQuality of Milwaukee, Mrs. Charles Brown of Grand Haven and Mrs. Clarence Catron of Grand Rapids; a brother, William Gibson of Charlevoix, 15 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. A son, Robert, died in 1960.

Funeral mass was conducted from the church with the Rev. Francis Branigan officiating. Burial was in Lake Forest cemetery.

BEAVER ISLAND CLUB OF GRAND RAPIDS: The Beaver Island Club of Grand Rapids held their second annual party "The Beaver Island Caper" on October 7 at the Plantation Ballroom. Music was furnished by the "Royalties" during the most pleasant evening and a very delicious buffet was featured by the club.

The PRIZES at the party were won by Miss Carly Cull (granddaughter of Mrs. Mable Cull) of Bay City, Miss Amy Zajakowski of Chicago, (granddaughter of The Bert McDonoughs) and Mr. Bud Keie of Charlevoix. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Savage of Grand Rapids won the great door prize --- a two day trip to wonder Beaver Island.

The PROCEEDS of this party was for the Beaver Island Convent Building Fund. After our club meeting on this party we sent the amount of \$1,250.00 to the Convent Fund!!!! We want to extend our appreciation to ALL OF YOU who helped to make this such a HUGE SUCCESS.

The PEOPLE CAME from many places -- to name a few -- Chicago, Detroit, Bay City, Lansing, Kalamazoo, Ludington, Lakeview, Holland, Battle Creek, Charlevoix, Saint Joseph, Frankfort, Dayton, Ohio and Rochester, Ind. and a GOOD number also attended from the Island.

The CLUB wants to again thank each of you who donated in any way to our benefit party. We were pleased to see so many people attend. Thank you for making this such a HUGE SUCCESS. WE THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS ALL.

Eleanor McDonough

The Beaver Island Club of Grand Rapids

THANK YOU: The Philip Gregg family wishes to express their thanks for the cards, prayers and flowers sent while Lillian was hospitalized and for the expressions of sympathy shown to us in the death of Phil's father.

WEDDINGS: BASS - O'DONNELL - Making their home at 264 Detroit St., Hammond, Ind. are newly wed Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bass. Double-ring vows were exchanged in Lansing First Methodist Church at 4 p.m. October 14th by the former Margaret O'Donnell and Bass of East Chicago.

The couple's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank O'Donnell of Beaver Island and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bass of Mitchell, Ind. They were feted at a reception in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Zajakowski of Lansing before taking a wedding trip to Wisconsin. The new Mrs. Bass is employed by Sears, Roebuck and Co. in Chicago and her husband is an employce of Inland Steel Co. in East Chicago. Their honor attendants were Mrs. Zajakowski, the bride's cousin, and Gene Souther.

An Italian silk suit was chosen by the bride who carried white grace palms. Mr. Zajakowski was attired in a gold knit suit and carried rust and gold pompons.

MUSEUM REPORT: The Beaver Island Historical Society would like to call attention to some reports about the Muscum. The Historical Society was organized in 1957 and Incorporated in Michigan under the leadership of R. P. Hoffman, President, A. J. Roy, Vice-President, Archie LaFreniere, Walter Wojan and M. E. Roy. Our idea at that time was that the Muscum would belong to the Members of the Beaver Island Historical Society, who were residents of the Island, when it was out of debt. In September 1964, we were able to pay off all indebtedness of the Society. Now the Muscum and Historical Society belongs to its members. Over 950 were visitors to the Muscum this year. This is the real reason that all Islanders should visit your Muscum and if you are satisfied that your officers have done a good job, why not sign an application for membership in your Society and give your officers a vote of confidence by your support. An application is at the bottom of this page for your convience.

BUSINESS PLACES CLOSE: With the season's end in sight, several of the Island's business places have closed their doors until next season. The beaver Lodge, Beaver Tail Restaurant, Allen's Beach Cottages, Kempkers, Rustic Villa, Shannon Shores, King Strang Hotel, Harbor Hill and the Muscum. Port St. James Land Development Corporation has also ceased operations for the season.

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Beaver Island, Michigan

VIOLATION RISE: As on the mainland, Game Violations on the Island are also on the rise. This, of course, doesn't void all Islanders of blame, for some just don't realize or care what harm this does. Good hunting and plenty of game is the big drawing card to prompt hunters to make the extra effort necessary, to hunt on the islands. This business, the Island needs in order to stretch out our otherwise, very short season of income.

Notoriety is something a violator dislikes, therefore the Beacon, in cooperation with the Conservation Department, will publish the names of any and all persons convicted of Violating our game laws.

BEAVER ISLAND CLUB OF LANSING: In answer to many inquiries, Charles Earley, Secretary of the Beaver Island Association of Michigan, announces that there will be a party, in Lansing, early in 1968. More details as to time and place will be announced later.

BRIDAL SHOWER: On November 16th, a Bridal Shower was held at the Lloyd McDonough home, for Jeanne Wojan, who will become the bride of John Gillespie on November 25th. Hostesses were Skip McDonough, Joy Green, Sandy LaFreniere and June McDonough. Games were played and following the opening of many beautiful gifts, a buffet dessert was served to attending guests. A delightful time was had by all and we want to extend our Best Wishes to Jeanne and Johnny.

GONE FOR THE WINTER: The following people have left for the winter. Maria Gallagher, Mary "Duffy" Gallagher, Katherine Connaghan, Ralph Rutt, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Bonner, Ben O'Donnell and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bonner. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carpenter and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heflin.

SERVICEMEN'S NEWS: Following a wonderful suggestion from Janet O'Donnell we are listing all the Servicemen in our Beacon File, so that anyone wishing to, may send them a Christmas Greeting. If we have missed anyone, please let us know and we will get it in next month.

Gallagher, Arthur R. S.R.  
Eatons Neck  
Long Island, New York  
c/o U.S. Coast Guard Station

Souter, A.G. 5461042 H M 1  
Medical Photography Studio  
U.S. Naval Hospital  
St. Albans, Long Isle  
New York, 11425

Ranger, Keith J. P.F.C.  
R.A. 16826213  
Hq. Det. 1st A.I. T. Bde  
Fort Dix, New Jersey 08640

Gallagher, A. J. Q MC  
104 So. Dallas  
Moore, Oklahoma

Cull, Micheal Carl  
U.S.S. Oriskany  
M. Division  
% F.P.O.  
San Francisco, Calif. 96601

Penney, Dan F.A. 915-62-90  
U.S.S. Oriskany (CVA-34)  
F.P.O. San Francisco, Calif. 96601

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5294 Access Road  
Dayton, Ohio 45431

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Streeter Drive  
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LaFreniere, Paul Pvt.  
US 54972395  
Co. D. 15th B.N. 4th BNE  
1st Platoon  
Fort Knox, Ky. 40121

Martin, Ernie

Note: Ernie has just been sent to Vietnam and at press time we do not have his address. We will have it in the December issue.

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Many people have already paid their dues, but if you have not why not enclose \$3.00 with the form below to make sure you will receive the Beaver Beacon all of 1968.

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