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REMEMBERING MAMA

Mama as a baby examining her toes
Mama on a bearskin rug without a ~~stitch~~ of clothes!

Mama as a toddler with a wagon on a string
Mama looking pensive just sitting on a swing.

Mama going off to school with pigtails and a bow
Mama as a graduate, all smiling and aglow.

Mama growing up and just as pretty as could be
Mama getting married in a gown of organdy.

Mama with the first born child to occupy the nest
Mama holds him gently against her loving breast.

Mama and the rest of us who came along so fast
Mama and the five of us -- with me the very last.

Mama looking older now, but still her smile is there
Mama with her mending in a big, old-fashioned chair.

Mama with our little ones surrounding her with love
Mama just before she left to join the Lord above.

Mama's Album -- full of Mama and her special days
Is all we have to keep her close to us always.

So every Mother's Day we take the book down from the shelf
And let each picture come alive till Mama's there herself!

Alice E. Chase

The remnants of winter are still persistent in shaded areas of the woods and ice conditions in Lake Michigan have even held up several runs of the Beaver Islander. However, Spring too is persistent, for grasses are now turning green and crocuses are raising as to declare Spring is surely here. Now, all we need is some nice warm weather to go along with it.

WEATHER: The Beaver Island weather for the month of March as reported by Fire Officer Bill Wagner.

High temperature of 47 degrees on the 14th.
Low temperature of 0 degrees on the 9th.
Low 5:00 p.m. temperature of 18 degrees on the 3rd, 7th and 8th.
High 5:00 p.m. temperature of 38 degrees on the 14th.
Average high temperature was 34.2 degrees.
Average low temperature was 16.2 degrees.
Average 5:00 p.m. temperature was 28.3 degrees.
Snow fell on 11 days for a total of 11 inches.
Total snowfall since November is 95 inches.
16 inches of snow on the ground at the end of the month.

The Beaver Island weather for the month of April as reported by Fire Officer Bill Wagner.

High temperature of 60 degrees on the 11th and 12th.
Low temperature of 15 degrees on the 7th.
Average 5:00 p.m. was 40.1 degrees.
Average high temperature was 46.6 degrees.
Average low temperature was 29.2 degrees.
Snowfall for the month 2.5 inches.
Precipitation for the month .90 inches.
Total snowfall since November was 97.5 inches.
Total precipitation since January was 6.22 inches.
Ground has been bare since the 15th of the month.

SPRING CLEAN-UP: April 17th marked the date for the annual roadside clean-up sponsored by the Beaver Island Civic Association. Volunteers with trucks and many school children turned out for the task. Snow was still a hazard but regardless, several truck loads of cans and debris were carted off to the dump. The only disheartening thing about the project was the appearance of many more cans that were dumped along the roads the following night. Obviously not everyone is interested in cleaning up the island yet, but hopes are high that these conditions can be remedied in the future.

BUILDING BEE: Early in April several volunteers turned out to construct eight picnic tables for St. James township. These tables will be distributed in appropriate areas in the township, such as the Yacht Dock and Township Park. Starting at 1:00 p.m., the tables were complete and painted by 5:00 p.m.. A feat proving that many hands make light work.

FUTURE FIREMEN: The island has indeed been fortunate in recent years not to have had a significant number of fires. To avoid becoming "rusty" and to introduce the equipment to more people, a demonstration was held at the Beaver Islander dock, Sunday, April 11th. Most of the high school boys were taught how to operate the engine pumper and took turns handling the adjustable nozzels. They were also versed in the use of the rescue breathing apparatus. Equipment of the D.N.R.

was also demonstrated. This demonstration was headed by "Bud" Mc Donough and Bill Wagner.

NEW NAME: The refreshment stand and miniture golf course by the Museum has been sold and will be under new management this summer. Re-named "The Bee Hive", it will be operated by Betty Guarino, and perhaps under occasional duress, by her husband, Dick. The Guarino's are from Northville and have had a summer home here for about nine years.

MATT RETURNS: Matt Melville has now returned, so the golf course is open and Matt is available to instruct or spin yarns; both are his speciality.

BEAVER LODGE NEWS: Dr. John Ludwick has announced through his emissary, Matt Melville, that the Lodge will be in operation beginning the week-end of the 4th of July through Labor Day.

Killarney Activity: Grace Cole has been busy the past two weeks, getting the Killarney Inn ready for the coming season and will soon be open to those who enjoy the best in home-cooked meals, including home-baked bread and pies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: June 19th is the date set for the wedding of Marijean Cutmers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cutmers, 1553 E. Airport Road, Muskegon to Francis Pike, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Pike, 8709 Old Channel Trail, Montague. The wedding will take place at Sacred Heart Church, Muskegon. The Pikes are former residents of Beaver Island.

OBITUARIES: HAROLD J. SLIGHTER - Harold (Yup) J. Slighter, 66, of 580 Washington Ave., died April 15th at Holland Hospital following an apparent heart attack he suffered earlier at his home. Mr. Slighter was born in Holland and lived there all of his life. He owned and operated Slighter's Standard Service at 9th and Central for several years and later worked as a foreman at Holland Hitch. He retired a year ago. He was a member of Trinity Reformed Church and a member of the Holland Elks Club.

Surviving are his wife, Margie; one daughter, Mrs. Ray (Connie) Keen of Holland; two grandchildren; three brothers, Chester and Donald of Holland and Russell of Woodland Hills, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. Wendell (Edith) Adams of Hacienda Heights, Calif.; Mrs. Marvin (Josephine) Van Dyke of Elgin, Ill.; and Mrs. Don (Caroling) Van Huis of Holland; one brother-in-law, Mike Essenburg of Holland. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 17th, at 3 p.m. at the Dykstra Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Gordon Van Oostenburg officiating. Burial was in Restlawn Memorial Gardens.

MRS. WILLIAM J. (MARY ELIZABETH) GALLAGHER - A Requiem Mass for Mrs. William J. (Mary Elizabeth) Gallagher, 83, who died March 11th at St. Joseph, Michigan where she was spending the winter, was held at Holy Cross Church at 3 p.m. Saturday, April 24th. The Rev. Fr. Herbert Graf O.F.M. (Conv.) officiated. Burial was in Holy Cross cemetery. A native of Ireland, the former Mary Elizabeth Duffy came to Beaver Island in 1904 and in 1912 was married to Mr. Gallagher who preceded her in death in 1962. She was a member of Holy Cross Church. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. John (Sadie) Peternard of Chicago; a son, Norman of Port Huron; five grandchildren and five great-grand-children.

MRS. ARTHUR (ETHEL) MILLER - Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Arthur (Ethel) Miller, 83, who passed away April 25th, in Maumee, Ohio. Services were held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Maumee at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 27th, with Pastor Howard Graham officiating. Mrs. Miller was buried at Glendale Cemetery in Okemos, Michigan. Survivors are three sons, George of Jackson, Michigan; Arthur of Dearborn Heights, Michigan and William of Maumee, Ohio. Mrs. Miller was a former Island resident.

MISS ELIZABETH GALLAGHER - On Saturday, May 8th, a Requiem Mass was held for Miss Elizabeth Gallagher, 83, former Island resident who passed away in January at Green Bay, Wis.

The Rosary was recited on Friday evening at 8:30 p.m. at the family home.

The Rev. Fr. Herbert Graf O.F.M. (Conv.) officiated at the 9:30 a.m. Requiem Mass and the Rosary. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery. Born on Beaver Island in January, 1887, she left the Island with her family in 1925 to reside in Green Bay, Wis., where she was a member of St. Patrick's Church.

Surviving are four sisters, Sister M. Alexandra and Sister M. Leonora of the Order of St. Dominic at Marywood in Grand Rapids, Mrs. Neil D. Gallagher and Miss Grace Gallagher of Green Bay and a brother, Peter K. Gallagher, also of Green Bay.

CHARLES W. WOODRUFF - Word has been received of the death of Charles W. Woodruff who passed away April 16th in Lansing, Michigan, where he had lived for the past thirty years.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth and two daughters, Mrs. Douglas (Carolyn) Jordan of Pontiac, Michigan and Mrs. Duane (Susan) Noland of Lansing, Michigan, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roy of Beaver Island. Also, four grandchildren.

JAMES GREER - Word has been received of the death of James Greer who passed away on April 11th in Detroit, Michigan. For many years he has been coming to the Island hunting and was a good friend of many Island residents.

MARCH OF DIMES: The Annual March of Dimes Drive was held on the Island under the direction of Mrs. Walter Wojan. The final result was \$128.20 donated by the Island people to the Fund.

HOSPITAL NOTES: Mary Green is a patient at the Shore Nursing Home, 900 S. Beacon Blvd., Grand Haven, Michigan 49417.

Charley Earley has been a patient in Little Traverse Hospital in Petoskey.

Jack Martin was a patient at Little Traverse Hospital in Petoskey.

FIRST COMMUNION: On May 9th the following youngsters received their First Holy Communion at Holy Cross Church. Kevin Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Green; Patty Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Martin; Paul Cole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cole and Lynn Ann McDonough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph "Bud" McDonough.

LOCAL STUDENT GETS READER'S DIGEST AWARD: Frank Solle, valedictorian of the graduating class at Beaver Island High School, has been given

the Annual Award of The Reader's Digest Association for students who by their successful school work give promise of attaining leadership in the community, it was announced today by Sister Rita Wenzlick, principal.

Mr. Solle will receive an honorary one year subscription to The Reader's Digest in any one of its 13 language-editions which he chooses, and a personal certificate from the Editors "in recognition of past accomplishments and in anticipation of unusual achievement to come."

The Reader's Digest Association is presenting these awards in senior high schools throughout the United States to the highest honor student of the graduating class.

The award to Mr. Solle, who is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Christie, was made possible through the cooperation of Sister Rita and her teaching staff. They selected Mr. Solle to receive the award, designed to stimulate scholarship, citizenship, and continued contact with good reading after graduation.

BANQUET: The Junior-Senior Banquet will be held on Wednesday, May 26th at 6:00 p.m. in the Holy Cross Parish Hall. Attending will be Seniors, classmates, parents, teachers and School Board members.

GRADUATION: The Commencement exercises for 1971 will be held Friday, May 28th at 8:00 p.m. in Holy Cross Church.

The following students graduate this year. Linda Sheppard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sheppard, Daniel G. Gillespie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jewell Gillespie, Frank H. Solle, son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Christie and Tony H. Connaghan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Connaghan.

CANCER FUND: The Annual Cancer Fund drive was under the direction of Mrs. Russell Green and the grand total this year was \$235.96. A citation was presented the Island for having one of the highest per capita totals in the State.

ISLANDER'S RETURN: The following people have returned to the Island after being away all or part of the winter. Matt Melville, Mrs. Kate Connaghan, Stanley Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. George Egbert, Bert and Mary McDonough, Kay and Curly Hartzel, Marie and L.Z. Reigle, John and Lillian Gallagher, Judy Palmer, Winnie and Lawrence McDonough, Nonie Gallagher, Karl Kuebler, Sybil Larsen, Bea and Sheldon Parker, Jackie and Ernie Martin and the Frank Neers. Also returning for the summer is Angie and Ron Wojan from Western Michigan University.

THANK YOU: The owners of Harbor Hills Golf Course wish to Thank all of its customers over the past 12 years for their patronage. Our thanks especially to all the youngsters and we wish for the new owners, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Guarino the same friendliness we have enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roy

ENGAGED: Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gregg announce the engagement of their daughter, Phyllis Jean to Mr. Joseph Moore, son of Mrs. Harry Cox of Williamsburg, Michigan.

Following a September 18th Wedding, they will reside at Grand Valley State College where they are both students.

NEWSY-NOTES: Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Christie are attending a Medical Convention in Chicago.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE: 35 foot Tug. First \$1,000.00 takes this Inboard Wood Pleasure Craft including Cabin, Galley, Bendix Automatic Pilot, RCA Ship to Shore Radio, 100 Watt Transmitter, 12 Volt System, Spotlight, Horns, Spare Prop, Anchor and Line, Three Heavy Duty Batteries, John Hand Compass, Two Electric Bilge Pumps. For inspection, contact Mr. Robert Hamilton, Hamilton & Son Boat Yard, 231 Belvedere Avenue, Charlevoix, Michigan, Monday thru Friday 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Payment to be made in the Purchasing Department, Room 312, Warriner Hall, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom cottage on Donegal Bay. Available July 18th through August. \$125.00 per week with \$50.00 deposit. Inquire Mrs. Marilyn Gobel, 1317 Waukazoo, Petoskey, Michigan 49770.

Prepare for Summer's Fun! Now is the time to buy that boat at BEAVER HAVEN MARINA.

FOR SALE: 21 ft. Thompson. Twin Homelite 55 H.P. engines, compass, fathom meter, tackometer, and long range fuel capacity. This boat is in perfect condition and has less than fifty actual hours on it. Included is an electric, covered lift.

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DEDICATED TO WOMEN'S LIBERATION:

Since the cover verse was dedicated to Mother, we would like to share the following article with you.

This was taken from a copy of a letter from a pioneer woman to her daughter.

HOW TO WASH CLOTHES PIONEER STYLE

1. Build a fire in backyard to heat kettle of rainwater.
2. Set tubs so smoke won't blow in eyes if wind is pert.
3. Shave 1 hole cake lie sop in biling water.
4. Sort things. Make 3 piles. 1 pile white, 1 pile Cullord, 1 pile britches and rags.
5. Stir flour in cold water to smooth, then thin down with biling water.
6. Rub dirty spots on bord, then bile. Rub collord but don't bile. Just rench and starch.
7. Take white things out of kettle with broom handle, then rench, blew and starch.
8. Spread tee towels on grass.
9. Hang old rags on fense.
10. Pour rench water on flower bed.
11. Scrub porch with sopy water.
12. Scrub privee, seat and floor, with sopy water caught from porch scrub.
13. Turn tubs upside down.
14. Go put on clean dress. Smooth hair with side combs. Brew up tea, set and rest a spell and count blessins.

(From WATERFRONT, courtesy of George Leutzinger)