

# The Beaver Beacon



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Where did the summer go? Beautiful weather is still with us but the Island is void of "summer people". With the youngsters back in school and many of the businesses closed for the season, the days are now mighty quiet.

**WEATHER:** The Beaver Island weather for the months of July and August as reported by Fire Officer Bill Wagner.

**July report:**

High temperature of 82 degrees on the 8th.  
Low temperature of 46 degrees on the 18th and 19th.  
High 5 p.m. temperature of 76 degrees on the 8th.  
Low 5 p.m. temperature of 55 degrees on the 27th.  
Average high temperature - 72 degrees.  
Average low temperature - 54.1 degrees.  
Average 5 p.m. temperature - 66.5 degrees.  
Total rainfall this month - 2.53 inches.  
Total precipitation (including snow) since January 1st - 15.93 inches.

**August report:**

High temperature of 81 degrees on the 9th.  
Low temperature of 42 degrees on the 6th.  
Low 5 p.m. temperature of 60 degrees on the 23rd.  
High 5 p.m. temperature of 74 degrees on the 7th and 9th.  
Average high temperature - 72.3 degrees.  
Average low temperature - 54.3 degrees.  
Average 5 p.m. temperature 66.1 degrees.  
Total rainfall this month 3.10 inches.  
Temperature in the 80's for 3 days; in the 70's for 20 days and in the 60's for 8 days.

**GAME NEWS:** Grouse, woodcock, squirrels and rabbits can now be added to the menus of those who hunt (and are successful). The 15th of September started off the season on the Islands. Reports indicate a good crop of "pats", woodcock and rabbits this year. The squirrels are still few in number but this is normal with most small game as they seem to have up and down cycles.

Concern over the Island's decreasing deer herd has prompted a "buck only" season for firearms this coming season.

Fishing is slowly fading into the background as these other activities step to the fore.

BEAVER AND GARDEN ISLANDS - DEER HUNTING:

Bow and Arrow - Sept. 15 to Nov. 14, 1971 and Dec. 1 to Dec. 31, 1971.  
One deer of either sex, no special permit needed.

Fire Arms - Nov. 15 to Nov. 30, 1971 - Bucks only (one male with antlers at least 3 inches) no special permit required.

BEAVER, GARDEN, HIGH, HOG AND SOUTH FOX ISLANDS:

Snow Shoe Hare Hunting - Oct. 1, 1971. Then no closed season, no bag limits, no special permits required.

Ruffed Grouse (Partridge) - Zone 2 - Sept. 15 to Nov. 14 and Dec. 1 to Dec. 31, 1971. Bag limit - 5 per day, 10 in possession, 25 per season.

CARD OF THANKS: We wish to extend our deepest appreciation and sincere thanks to all our relatives, friends and neighbors for their many expressions of sympathy, flowers, food, cards and many other acts of kindness shown us at the time of the death of our beloved daughter and sister.

The Isabelle LaFreniere Family

HAZEL CREST WOMAN BECOMES A CITIZEN - In an impressive courtroom ceremony before Federal Judge James B. Parson, Mrs. Lawrence J. Cull of 16939 Traper Avenue, Hazel Crest, Illinois, took the oath of citizenship.

Mrs. Cull, originally from County Kilkenny, Ireland, has lived in America 17 years and in Hazel Crest 11 years.

Her husband and four children were present in the U.S. District Courtroom as Judge Parsons administered the oath to 102 persons on January 19th, 1971, a Tuesday. "The children took the day off from school,"

Mrs. Cull said. "I thought it would be a good civics lesson."

Judge Parsons, a Negro, gave a speech and had a fourteen-year-old girl from Poland lead the Pledge of Allegiance, she recalled.

"It was impressive." Tears stood in the eyes of a man seated in front of her, who looked like he had suffered many hardships, she said.

Mrs. Cull was born in Cloone and grew up near Waterford, Ireland, a town famous for its beautiful cut glass. When she was 18, she went to Lodon where she lived for seven years.

She worked as a nurse's aid in a hospital on Hyde Park corner. Giving a patient a glass of water one day, she remarked she would like to go live somewhere else.

The patient asked, "Would you like to go to America?" She immediately said yes.

He said he could arrange it if she didn't mind working a year at house work for a sponsor. It was August, 1952, and he found a sponsor, a manufacturing family in Grand Rapids. January 5, 1953 she arrived in Michigan, where she worked two years for the sponsor. She trained as a hospital operating technician, and later became a licensed practical nurse, now working private duty.

Her husband, Lawrence, is from Beaver Island, Michigan, an Irish Community 32 miles out in Lake Michigan. Her decision to marry him was

as easy for her, as that of coming to America, she said. He now works for TMX Trucking Company in Summit. Their children are Maureen, 13; Brian, 12; Ellen, 10 and Bruce, 8. "I always intended to take out citizenship, Mrs. Cull said, but waited for the children to get a little older."

CARD OF THANKS: We wish to express our gratitude and appreciation to our many sincere friends and neighbors for their kindness and expressions of sympathy extended to us in our recent bereavement, the loss of husband, father and brother. Also to those who assisted at the final service and for the many floral tributes and offerings.

The Charles McCann Family

BEAVER ISLAND MUSEUM REPORT: The Beaver Island Historical Society has had another very successful year with approximately 1,325 visitors. They all tell us how much they enjoy the collection of material we have. Our latest collection is of the early Irish settlers who came to the Island in the late 1850's. Mrs. Helen Collar has made these sketches from pictures we have in the Museum and from family pictures. We would like to extend the invitation to all Island residents to come in and see these pictures. The Society has just completed putting a roof on the Protar House and repairing the front porch. There is still much to be done such as caulking and repairing the summer kitchen, as well as cleaning the yard. We have received quite a few donations toward the cost of this but need much more. If you would like to donate either time or money it will be appreciated. We plan to have a plaque with names of donors put in the building when completed. All members in good standing are intitled to 6 visits to the Museum by presenting your membership card. Why not visit the Museum now?

The Beaver Island Museum is anxious to contact anyone who might have pictures of any of the boats that ran between Beaver Island and the mainland, either lower or upper peninsula since this service started. We would like the name of the owner and Captain and the years the boat was in service.

If you do not want to give the pictures, would you be willing to loan them to the Museum so that copies can be made of them. We would pick them up and return them to you when copies were made. We are trying to get a complete set of pictures for display in the Museum so the people who visit may see them. We get many inquiries of various boats and this would give visitors some idea of the boats that serviced the Island.

BIRTHS: Dr. and Mrs. Hans Stein (Davilyn Wilson) of Royal Oak, Mich. announce the birth of a daughter, Marta Luise on July 14th. Marta Luise weighed in at 7 lbs. 15½ oz. and her very proud grandparents are Dave and Kathryn Wilson, summer residents on the Island.

REPORT FROM MATT: Beaver Lodge Golf and Country Club would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to the merchants and private individuals who sponsored prizes for the Golf Tournaments held this summer.

It was a most successful season and we were especially pleased at the interest the "younger Islanders" are showing toward the game. Work on the greens is already underway to improve the course for next summer. We are looking forward to more tournaments and another season of golfing fun. Special thanks to the following merchants for their participation and

interest:

- LaFreniere's Store
- Shamrock
- The Beachcomber
- The Castaways
- Gillespie Sales and Service.

On behalf of the Beaver Lodge Staff, I say thanks again and see you in the spring.

Sincerely,  
Matt Melville, Pro

BAPTISM: Marta Luise Stein, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hans Stein of Royal Oak, Michigan was baptized Saturday, August 28th in St. James Church by Bishop McNeil. Six week old Marta was wearing a gown previously worn by her grandfather and uncle. A buffet dinner followed the ceremony at Wilson's summer home.

NEWS FROM DOMNAN LODGE: "Alternatives to the Schools" and "Innovations in the Educational Process" were the topics as the first annual Think Tank and Educational Workshop go under way August 8th at Domnan Lodge. Present were twenty-one Christian Brothers representing high schools and colleges in Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota. The conference ended August 14th.

Featured resource person for the conference was Leslie Hart of New York, writer, critic, educational consultant, and author of the controversial educational best-seller, The Classroom Disaster.

According to Brother Leo Gilskey, F.S.C., director of education for the Christian Brothers and chairman of the Educational Think Tank, present plans indicate that the Think Tank will become an annual affair on the Island. Plans are also under consideration for additional meetings and conferences to be held at Domnan Lodge each year.

As the conference closed, additional Brothers and students arrived from Chicago, Muskegon, and Harper Woods, Michigan, for retreat and relaxation.

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Oak Park, Ill. 60302

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE-- Beaver Island Community School opened with a full day session on September 7th. The enrollment is the same as last year - 68. The organizational plan of the school with the enrollment is:

Grades 1 - 4	18
5 - 8	23
9 - 12	27

Sister Marie Ida Obey joined the faculty this year. Sister replaces Sister Pamela Morse, and is teaching Grades 5-6-7-8. Sister taught at Saint Mary's School in Muskegon last year.

Remaining with the system for another year are:

Sister Agatha Artman who teaches English and Social Studies on the secondary level

Reverend Herbert Graf, who has organized a Physical Education Program for Grades 1 - 12 and also teaches Classical Language.

Sister Margaret Spellman, who teaches the Progressive Primary

Sister Rita Wenzlick, who remains as Principal and High School Teacher

SCHOOL BOARD: The following people are members of the Beaver Island School Board.

President: Philip Gregg  
Secretary: Madonna McCafferty  
Treasurer: Marion Martin  
Trustees: Rita Gillespie  
Grace Nackerman  
Edna (Skip) McDonough  
Russell Green

WE THANK YOU: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Martin would like to thank everyone for their kind calls, notes, cards and prayers while Jack was a patient in the hospital, both in Petoskey and Ann Arbor.

HOSPITAL NOTES: Rogers Carlisle was a patient in Little Traverse Hospital.

Tommy Cole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cole, was a patient in Little Traverse Hospital following an accident which injured his eye. Tommy has returned home and hopes to return to school soon.

HOLY CROSS CHURCH NOTES: Father Alexis Martini of the Franciscan Order held Missionary-Retreat services at Holy Cross Church for the week of September 13th thru 17th.

A new coat of white paint has been put on Holy Cross Church by Bing McCafferty and his crew. It really looks beautiful.

The Holy Cross Homecoming Committee would like to thank each and everyone that helped make this year's Homecoming one of the best. Your help was deeply appreciated.

New candleholders for the Altar were purchased from the proceeds of a picture painted by Allie McDonough. The picture was won by Mickey Malloy at a drawing on July 4th.

ENGAGEMENT: On Sunday, September 5th, Dr. and Mrs. John Ludwig, of Jackson and Beaver Island, announced the engagement of her daughter, Jo-Ellen Bechtol to Mr. Daniel Gallagher at an engagement party held at the Beaver Lodge. Daniel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Gallagher of Beaver Island.

A wedding date has not been set at this time. Our very best wishes go to Jo-Ellen and Danny.

CHRISTMAS GIFT TREE: Again this year; the Beaver Island Medical Center Auxiliary will have a Christmas Gift Tree to be given away at the Christmas Bazaar. The Tree will be decorated with Christmas Gifts and some lucky person will receive a delightful surprise, or we should

say many surprizes.

Anyone wishing to contribute to this project, please send your article or contributions to Mrs. Betty Welke, President of the Beaver Island Medical Center Auxillary.

TRAGEDY AVERTED: Many times, things happen that go unrecognized or un-noticed that otherwise could result in a real tragedy.

Deputy Sheriff, Bill Welke, reported that he had driven down to the Beaver Islander Dock after dark to check on some freight, when he noticed Jim and Ron Wojan run to the edge of the dock and reach down and drag a young boy out of the harbor, where he had fallen between the Ferry Boat and the dock.

Dripping wet and a bit scared, young Timmy Turner, 8 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Turner of Livonia, Michigan had just had a very close call, but thanks to the prompt assistance of Ron and Jim a tragedy was averted.

OPEN HOUSE: An Open House was held on Sunday, September 12th to honor Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moore at the Philip Gregg residence. Mrs. Moore is the form Phyllis Gregg.

Guests attended from Grawn, Traverse City, East Lansing, Grand Rapids and Beaver Island.

Phyllis and Joe have returned to Grand Valley State College where they are both students.

COLLEGE NOTES: Attending Ferris College this year are the following Students. Tony Connaghan, son of Mrs. Rose Connaghan; Danny Gillespie son of Mr. and Mrs. Jewell Gillespie, Kevin McDonough, son of Capt. and Mrs. Lawrence McDonough and Judy LaFreniere, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie LaFreniere.

Back To Western Michigan is Ronald and Angie Wojan, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wojan.

Frank Solle, son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Christie, is attending North Central Michigan College in Petoskey.

BEE HIVE BUZZIN': Betty and Dick Guarino would like to thank all the youngsters on the Island for their patronage this summer. Also, for being so kind and helpful to Betty at the Bee Hive.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

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