

The Beaver Beacon



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BITTERSWEET

We've found a lovely cabin
A primitive retreat
With spring-fed brook beside the house
The Great lake at its feet

Its charm is rough and rustic
And crowding at the door
A giant Hemlock holds us close
Its roots beneath our floor

The sun scoured deep clean water
And sweet winds from the lake
Make pure intoxicating wine
Of every breath we take

You hear the wild goose calling
And grouse and deer abound
With only seeming silence there
You're tuned to nature's sound

With pounding surf before it
And forests at its back
With silver birch and evergreens
Far off the beaten track

It's there on Beaver Island
Where sky and waters meet
The sandy cove of Heaven's shore
A place called "Bittersweet"

Sherle

The poem on the cover was composed by Mrs. William Conn of Orchard Lake, Michigan. They purchased the home owned by Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Howland at the south end of the Island and this poem accompanied our Christmas Card. We enjoyed it and hope others will too.

Now that the Holidays are all over and a New Year has been properly ushered in, winter has come in earnest to the Island. With each passing day the ice is making up further and further out into the Lake. With the pines and cedars well decorated and the snow depth gaining, the winter scene is well set.

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

High daytime temperature 41 degrees on the 2nd, 3rd and 10th.

Low nighttime temperature -5 degrees on the 29th.

Low 5 p.m. temperature 15 degrees on the 22nd and 23rd.

Low daytime temperature 25 degrees on the 22nd and 23rd.

High nighttime temperature 33 degrees on the 10th.

High 5 p.m. temperature, 39 degrees on the 2nd.

Average high temperature 32.4 degrees.

Average low temperature 21.2 degrees.

Average 5 p.m. temperature 27.3 degrees.

Total snowfall for the month - 15.5 inches.

11 inches of snow on the ground at end of the month.

Total precipitation for the month - 1.53 inches.

Total precipitation for 1969 - 32.71 inches.

GAME NEWS: Since the advent of the snow machine, hunting and fishing has had to take a back seat until the novelty wears off a bit. Perch fishing through the ice in the harbor is practically non-existent as was suspected when Coho began showing up in the Island area. Perry Gatliff hooked a 28 inch pike this past week, but bites are few and far between.

Archie Minor reports that rabbits are down somewhat, though he usually gets his limit each time out.

FATHER LOUIS, FAREWELL: Father Louis Wren, this past month received word that he is being transferred after being on the Island for the past 11 years.

Father Hubert Graff will be arriving on January 29th to take his place as our Island Priest.

On Sunday, February 1st, a pot-luck dinner will be held at the Holy Cross Parish Hall to bid Farewell to Father Louis and to Welcome Father Hubert.

We all want to wish Father Louis our very best in his new location and we do hope that he will return someday for a visit.

SAFARI TIME: Now that we have plenty of snow, frequent snowmobile trips are being made to otherwise inaccessible parts of the Island. On Saturday January 31st and again on February 7th a Safari will leave St. James on a trip down the Island. Included on this trip will be lunch on the trail.

Saturday evening slides will be shown of last winters activities. Accommodations are available at the Erin Motel and the Circle M will be open for meals.

Any adult on the Island who would like to ride on one of these trips, please contact Marge Wagner.

REMEMBER YOU MUST DRESS WARMLY.

MEDICAL CENTER AUXILIARY NEWS: The Beaver Island Medical Center Auxiliary is happy to announce that the EKG Machine has been paid for in full.

The next project being new linens and draperies for the Center.

We want to thank everyone who so generously helped to make this facility a part of the Island Medical Center.

FROM DR. CHRISTIE: A hospital auxiliary is an organized group of women, representing the community, formed for the purpose of assisting the institution in carrying out the institution's purpose and serving as a link between the institution and the community. It is established with the approval of the hospital's board and operated under the guidance of the administrator. The Beaver Island Medical Auxiliary is such a group and in their first year have done a tremendous job in raising money to secure an Electro-cardiogram and a transmitter via telephone to Coronary Centers for the Beaver Island Medical Center. The administrator thanks the Officers and members and their friends for a job well done.

Joe Christie

BIRTHS: A baby boy, Steven William, born January 2nd, 1970 at 6:30 p.m. to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kujawa, 991 Duncan Ave., Cheboygan, MI 49721.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Elms, of Holland, announce the arrival of a 6 pound daughter on January 24th. The proud grandparents are Rita and Buster Elms of Ludington.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Richard King have the pleasure of announcing the adoption of Andrew John King, born September 19, 1969. The King family lives at 8154 Greenfield Shores, R. R. #1, Scotts, MI 49088.

WEDDINGS: Martin - McCafferty: Wedding bells for Colleen Margaret McCafferty and Joseph Bernard Martin on January 2nd at 6:00 p.m.

Mass with Father Louis Wren reading the marriage ceremony. The bride's dress was of ankle length white satin with a lace overlay. She wore a short veil and carried a bouquet of white and yellow daisies.

She was attended by her sister Donna McCafferty who wore an ankle length yellow linen with an A-line effect. The groom was attended by Eddie Connaghan. The bride's mother wore a two piece gold knit dress with bronze accessories.

The groom's mother wore a bright blue sheath dress with beige accessories. The maternal grandmother wore a turquoise brocade sheath dress with lace overlay and turquoise accessories.

A reception was held immediately after the Mass in the Parish Hall. Wedding guests who attended were the bride's aunt Mrs. Gene Connaghan, her daughter, Marie, Donna McCafferty and two friends all of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Marty Hansen came from Port Huron.

The newllyweds will live in Chicago, Illinois.

A N N O U N C I N G

THE 16th ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S PARTY

For the benefit of Holy Cross Church, Beaver Island, Michigan

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1970 - 8:00 P.M.

ST. KEVIN'S CHURCH HALL
10513 Torrence Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Rev. Bernard Scheid, Pastor

DONATIONS: \$2.50 per person
\$1.50 per child (under 18)

Your donation entitles you to:

- * An evening of dancing and entertainment with
THE BILL STACK BAND
- * Buffet Lunch
- * CASH door prizes

Remember the date. Come and bring your friends. Help us make this party a success. It is a worthy cause and a wonderful opportunity for a good time, a chance to see old friends and make new ones.

If you are not able to come, a contribution can be sent directly to:

Father Hubert Graff
Holy Cross Church
Beaver Island
St. James, Mi 49782

NEW TEACHER: Sister Roberta Peters left on Sunday, January 25th to return to Grand Rapids to teach at St. Stephens. Due to the illness of her mother, she asked to return nearer home. Sister Delores Abeyta arrived on Monday January 26th to teach the 1st thru 4th grades. We want to wish the very best for Sister Roberta and to say welcome to Sister Delores.

ENGAGED: Mr. and Mrs. Archie LaFreniere announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandy to Peter LoDoiro of Lansing. A fall wedding is planned.

SAILOR'S RETURN: Shipping closed late this year with the last ship, the S.S. Humphries, locking thru on January 7th. The lighthouses were lighted until January 17th. Philip "Don" Burke has returned to the Island from his ship. Archie Minor, who was injured on his ship last spring, was not able to return to sailing this year, but hopes to return to a ship in the spring.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: The prizes for the best decorated home during the Holiday Season went to the following homes.

First Prize of \$10.00 went to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph "Bussy" La Freniere.

Second Prize of \$5.00 went to Bob Malloy for the most unique decorations - the house and also the bird house was decorated.

HOSPITAL NOTES: Joseph "Bussy" LaFreniere was in Little Traverse Hospital for a check-up.

Lee Cuddington, of 25 Ann St., N.E., Grand Rapids has just returned home after being a patient in St. Mary's Hospital.

Mrs. Lawrence "Jo" Malloy of 14227 Minerva Ave, Dolton, Ill. is a patient at the Little Company of Mary Hospital, 95th St. & Calif. Ave., Chicago, Ill. - Room 237.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

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 1970.

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Personal \$3.00 per year

Business \$25.00 per year

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Refreshment Stand with Minature Golf Course with additional land for expansion, overlooking Boat Dock and Harbor. Ideal for re-tired couple to supplement their income and enjoy living on this delightful Emerald Isle. Don't hesitate on this opportunity. Terms - Call or write A. J. Roy, St. James, Mi 49782.

FOR SALE:

The Erin Motel is being offered for sale.

Interested parties who are financially responsible are invited to inquire.

Contact -- Perry Crawford
2349 Constitution Blvd.
Sarasota, Florida 33581

FOR SALE:

2 lots on corner of Kings Highway and Donegal Bay Road. House, garage, barn and utility shed on property. Contact Gene Burke, 716 N. Rowe St., Ludington, Michigan. Phone 843-9749

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COCKTAILS - DRAUGHT BEER - BEER & WINE TAKE OUT

FOR RESERVATIONS PHONE 448-2318

MEETINGS

PEAINE TOWNSHIP WILL HOLD THEIR QUARTLY MEETINGS ON THE FOLLOWING DATES
AT THE PEAINE TOWNSHIP HALL ON THE KINGS HIGHWAY. FEBRUARY 10th -
JUNE 19th - SEPTEMBER 18th - NOVEMBER 20th.

GLADYS SCHNAUDIGEL, CLERK

ST. JAMES TOWNSHIP WILL HOLD THEIR TOWNSHIP MEETING ON FEBRUARY 2nd AT
THE MEDICAL CENTER BASEMENT. 8:00 P.M.

MARY MINOR, CLERK