

The Beaver Beacon



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Quietness has descended on the Island along with the turning of the leaves, indicating a change of seasons. We still seem to be getting an abundance of rain but interspersed have been some beautiful fall days.

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

High temperature of 79 degrees on the 12th, 21st and 30th.

Low temperature of 41 degrees on the 8th.

Average high temperature was 71.8 degrees.

Average low temperature was 53.9 degrees.

High 5 p.m. temperature was 74 degrees on the 21st.

Low 5 p.m. temperature was 52 degrees on the 8th.

Average 5 p.m. temperature was 65.8 degrees.

Fog occurred on 15 days.

Rain fell on 14 days.

Total rainfall for the month was 5.78 inches.

Total rainfall since January 1st is 20.35 inches.

GAME NEWS: Rough water has held lake fishing to a minimum as high winds have kept even the Beaver Islander tied to the dock on some occasions. Small game season is now in full swing and the rabbit supply looks especially abundant. Of course, the heavy foliage makes "Pat" hunting especially difficult.

WOULD YOU BELIEVE - BLACKTOP! It has finally happened, the King's Highway is now paved all the way to the McCauley Road. Midwest Asphalt and Paving Company of Troy, Michigan did the work which included many of the back roads in town and the Beaver Islander dock. This was a new process of in-place stabilization, where as the existing road surface was impregnated with asphalt first then two layers of asphalt and chipped limestone on top. It is a major improvement any way and should save considerable wear and tear on cars and also relieve some of the dust problem.

SCHOOL NEWS: The Beaver Island Community School opened its doors on September 5, for the 1972-1973 school year. The elementary school enrolled 37 students; the high school 29. The Senior Class numbers eight students this year which is a larger class than the school has enrolled in the past few years. The faculty for this year are Sister Rita Wenzlick, Principal, and

high school teacher; Sister Agatha Arman, high school teacher; Sister Mary Jane Halscy, Grades 5-8; and Sister Catherine Anderson; Grades 1-4.

We welcome Sister Mary Jane to the Island and to the faculty of the Island school. Sister came to us from Charlevoix where she taught for the past three years. Sister also taught in elementary schools in West Branch and Maple Grove. Sister Mary Jane is a native of Gaylord and has visited the Island many times before coming here to teach. The School Board held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, September 11. At this meeting the dress code for the students was revised and reads as follows;

- GIRLS:
- A. Hair styles are a matter of personal taste, however, if bangs are worn they must be above the eye brows or worn so eye brows are visible. Hair must be kept neat and clean.
 - B. Regular skirt-like culottes are acceptable.
 - C. No mini-skirts or jump suits are permitted. The hemline of dresses or skirts must be of reasonable length and must be such that at no time do undergarments show. Extremely tight skirts will not be permitted. Pant suits, maxi dresses and dressy slacks (not of a blue jean or denim type) with opaque overblouses or sweaters are permitted.
 - D. Girls' blouses must be tucked in unless designed to be worn as overblouses.
 - E. Excessive make-up must never be worn during school hours.
- BOYS:
- A. Boys will be clean shaven and must keep their hair neat and clean. Hair must not touch the shirt collar.
 - B. Shirts will be buttoned except for the collar and must be tucked in unless designed to be worn outside the trousers.
 - C. Belts must be worn on trousers unless the trousers are specifically designed to be worn without a belt. Jeans are permissible if they are clean and neat in appearance, not extremely tight and have not been cut off and frayed at the bottom.
 - D. High heel boots and boots worn outside of trousers are not permitted. Loafers, leather or canvas, and dress shoes are acceptable. Socks must be worn.

At this meeting, also, after much deliberation, the Board of Education adopted a resolution that non-resident students will not be accepted in this school district. Non-resident students are those students who live with someone other than their parents or their legally appointed guardian.

Mr. Charles Robinson, retiring superintendent, and Mr. James Shepard, newly appointed superintendent, visited the Island on Thursday, September 21. Mr. Robinson has served the Beaver Island School District for twenty-three years. The Board of Education and Faculty honored both men at a farewell-welcome luncheon served at Circle M. Mr. Lawrence McDonough was appointed by the Board of Education to fill the vacancy occurring upon the resignation of Mrs. Frank Neckerman.

Mrs. Nackerman devoted eleven years of service in the interest of Island education and, certainly, she is to be commended for the untiring willingness she has shown in the performance of her duties.

THANK YOU: The Junior Class of the Beaver Island School wish to thank all the people who contributed and donated to our Bake Sale and helped to make it a great success!

We also wish to thank our fellow High School Students who also helped.

Thank you,
The Junior Class

WEDDINGS: BECKTOL - GALLAGHER: Jo Ellen Bechtol of Jackson, Mich., and St. James became the bride of Daniel N. Gallagher of St. James in ceremonies Sept. 9th at Holy Cross Church on Beaver Island. The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John P. Ludwick, 1415 W. Washington, Jackson, owners of the Beaver Lodge on Beaver Island. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Gallagher of St. James.

The Rev. Fr. Herbert Graf officiated at the double-ring ceremony which was performed before an altar decorated with white and lavender carnations.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of ivory sata peau, with a bodice of Juliet Venise lace, high Victorian neckline and full bishop sleeves trimmed with Venise lace. Her detachable chapel-length train had a bow at the Empire line and she wore a cap of Chantilly lace.

Miss Karen Bechtol, a sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Paul (Linda) Lewis, another sister living in Pasadena, Calif., Mrs. Michael Eubanks, Miss Betty Smith and Miss Brenda Woodworth, all of Jackson.

The bride's attendants wore gowns of regatta blue Irish linen with scooped necklines and Empire A-line styling. They wore regatta blue picture hats with matching regatta illusion veils. They carried baskets of blue and lavender flowers. Lynn and Marlene Heilig of Grand Haven, nieces of the bridegroom, were flower girls.

Arthur Gallagher was bestman and groomsmen were Ronald Gallagher of St. James and Douglas Miller of Jackson. Donald Heilig of Grand Haven and Earl Bass of Paw Paw served as ushers.

Following the wedding, the couple were feted at a reception at the Beaver Lodge. They will make their home at 2433 Diamond Court, Wixom, Michigan, after a wedding trip through the eastern states.

The bride is a graduate of Alma College and taught elementary school in Centerville, Michigan. The bridegroom is a veteran of four years in the Coast Guard and presently is employed by Sears Roebuck and Co. in Livonia.

HOSPITAL NOTES: Frank Schnaudigel is a patient in Little Traverse Hospital in Potoskey.

Father E. G. Donahoe is a patient in Little Traverse Hospital following a heart attack.

Bea Parker (Mrs. Sheldon) is a patient in the Sault St. Marie, Mich. Hospital.

Gretchen McDonough (Mrs. Bruce) is a patient in Little Traverse Hospital.

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SPECIAL TO BEAVER BEACON - GOLFING NEWS: Sept. 7,8,9 & 10 saw the Beaver Lodge Country Club a beehive of activity. Dr. and Mrs. N. P. Sorensen were hosts to Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Adams, Ford dealer of Stanton, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Basem, Chevy dealer of Stanton, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Clare Beardslee, Oldsmobile dealer of Sheridan, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Church, Secretary of State representative of Stanton, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. George Joy, panel beater from Sheridan, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Kalinowski, Vice-President of 4 banks, Montcalm County area; Mr. and Mrs. C. Homer Miel, Prosecuting Attorney for 35 years of Montcalm County, from Stanton, Michigan and Mr. and Mrs. Zane Patrick, State Farm Insurance representative of Dickerson Lake.

Perfection of the trip was marred by the death of relatives of two couples of the group which had to return to their homes.

The father of Mrs. C. T. Kalinowski and the daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. C. Homer Miel died the same day.

With the aid of a very capable Pro, Matt Melville, the golfers got warmed up on Thursday p.m. Then a very heated tournament of both men and women with prizes on Friday.

Saturday morning ended the tournament and lovable Pro Matt gave golfing lessons and helpful pointers to some of the women golfers.

The golfers spent Tuesday and Wednesday playing golf at Boyne Mt. and Boyne Highlands.

The golfers were here 4 years ago and remarked of the wonderful job Matt Melville has done on the course with his limited funds.

The golfers all hoped the course would improve (and it needs the full support of the Islanders) and they would like to return again in 3 years.

One year the group goes for a week of golfing after Labor Day at Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Adams summer home on the Manistee River near Grayling. Then one year at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. George Joy at Drummond Island.

The golfers all wished to thank the Island for a nice week-end of golfing and especially to the congenial Matt Melville.

HOMEcoming THANK YOU: The Barfell and Ziegert families of South Bend, Indiana and Sand Bay furnished all the balloons that were used in the Homecoming Parade this year.

The helium to fill all the balloons was furnish by the Clyde Fogg family of Holland and St. James.

A very grateful thank you is given the Ziegert, Barfell and Fogg families for making this year's Parade so special.

DENTAL WORK, ANYONE: Dr. N. P. Sorensen has notified us that there will be 2 dentists on the Island between November 11th and 16th.

BEAVER TALES CORRECTION: The following corrections were sent to the Editor about last months story by Miss Clementine McCauley.

"I wrote that story and sent it to Mr. Harley but I did not say that 'he satisfied the curiosity of the natives by telling them the story of how he got his name'. James Napper Tandy Gallagher never came to Beaver Island. He drowned off shore at Arranmore before the family left there but his wife the "Granny" of the song and his children Owen Gallagher and my grandmother Mary Gallagher McCauley passed the story on to their children's children."

"I am sure also that I said I was the first, not the only member of the Clan to visit Arranmore. I know that Capt. Andrew Gallagher and his wife visited Ireland a few years ago. I do not know whether or not they visited Arranmore. If they did, he is also a descendant of James Napper Tandy Gallagher. Mark and Clara Cross of Charlevoix visited there a few years ago, but they are not descendants of James Napper Tandy Gallagher."

Please keep sending us stories, Miss McCauley, even tho' corrections are needed at times. We all enjoy them very much.

COAST GUARD LEAVES: On September 15th the Coast Guard stationed on Beaver Island left for the season. The crew returned to Charlevoix where they are stationed for the winter months.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: On September, I Nonie Gallagher of St. James celebrated her 91st birthday. We all want to wish you a belated Happy Birthday, Nonie.

NEW RESIDENTS:

Mrs. Phyllis Townsend, after retiring in June, has become a resident of Beaver Island. For the past twenty years Mrs. Townsend was employed by the Michigan Board of Nursing, serving as educational consultant to schools of nursing in Michigan. Mrs. Townsend is a welcome addition to the population of St. James.

Miss Vivian Visscher, who has owned a summer home on Beaver Island for many years, and is well known to the Islander, has also become a permanent resident of the Island. Needless to say we are all delighted that Vivian has become one of our year around residents.

Dr. and Mrs. David Gladishof Franklin Indiana have recently purchased the Johnson cottage on the East side Drive and now residents of the Island. Their son Andrew is a student in the Beaver Island Community School. A most hearty welcome to the Gladish Family and to all of our new residents.

Gary McDonough, 1155 Brighton, Albany California. Is his new address.

We welcome any news items from resident or off Island News. We try to write what our readers would like to read.

PIPA,S SONG

The year's at the spring,
And day's at the morn;
Morning's at seven;
The hill-side's dew-pearled;
The lark's on the wing;
The snail's on the thron;
God's in His heaven-
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Robert Browning

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