



*Mr.* Bob (King, north shore) sent in this great photo of a sunburst reflection off a window that illuminated the masthead and backlight the sail of Barb Cassady's MC during lasts weekend's sailboat races.

### Commodore's Comments

nd now, the end is near And so I face the final curtain My friend, I'll say it clear I'll state my case, of which I'm certain I've lived a life that's full I've traveled each and every highway But more, much more than this I did it my way -

Frank Sinatra said it best! The end is near, and regrets, I am sure I have a few, but I did it my way. Which brings me to say THANK YOU! We have a wonderful piece of heaven here at Birch Lake. I was overjoyed to help out in what little way I could for the past two years. I greatly appreciate Past Commodore Karen for her support and wisdom. Of course, I also want to thank Mike Sheffieck, Deb Spratt and the fellow board members. Next a big thank to Phil and all the work he does to make this publication possible, and the Birch Lake Barker delivery team for going door to door. Lastly, I could not have done any of this without my family or my dear friends, you know who you are so I won't brag about you here ... but Thank you! Enough of the mushy stuff,

### **2019** Birch Lake Calendar

August 17 - Homeowners Association annual meeting following board mtg. August 17 - Fall Dinner, BLYC, 5:30 pm August 25 - Retirement celebration for Fr. Richard Conyers, Camp Eberhart Klinger Hall, following 10 am mass October 19 - Crockpot Challenge, BLYC

BLYC Board Meeting: August 17; 9 am September meeting TBA More info as available. Watch for updates!

The Birch Barker is always accepting materials for publication. E-mail materials to sailorphil@philvitale.com, mail them to me or put the items in the stone mailbox at 63174 Birch Rd. (East Shore). **DEADLINE** for any issue is 3 pm on the Tuesday of the week before the publication. To contact Editor Phil by phone, call (269) 476-1680. To contact Commodore Angela Bergan, call 561-603-5522 or email berganfsu@aol.com.

let's get move it along to the good stuff.

The corn and sausage roast was a hopping place this past weekend. What an excellent job the Garceaus did in rounding up everyone to feed them with excellent food. I saw some great-looking volunteers, too. From the cash collectors, to the green bean and potato salad scoopers, the grillers and even the guy shuffling that big basket of corn around. Bravo!

Next is the Fall Dinner, which will be at the yacht club on Saturday hosted by new Commodore Pat McGann. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you there to show support for Pat as he takes on this new task.

Speaking of new, we have a new Boat Parade Captain. Mrs. Ronnie Eshleman. I am sure her family, the lovely Denny and Jim Bradfield, as well as her husband Gus, will be great skippers to help her during this fun new adventure she will get to embark on next year.

Lastly, I am proud to announce the Spaghetti Dinner will go on for at least one more year. The 2020 Spaghetti Chair is Bruce Wagner. Congrats to Bruce on moving on up from spaghetti slinger to now the big man in charge. Be sure to let Bruce know if you are interested in volunteering for next year.

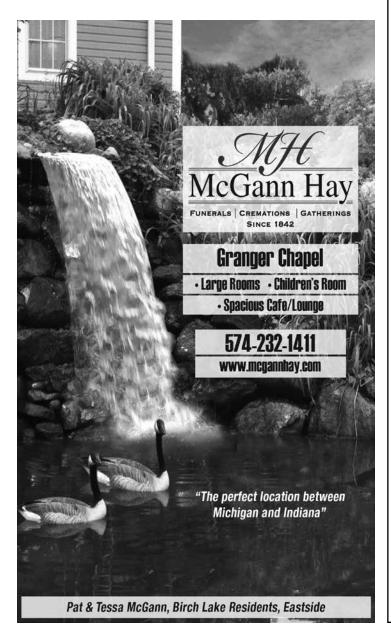
And with that folks, I am taking my final bow and exiting the stage. Remember to be kind to one another. Continue to make Birch Lake the place we all love. Where we can visit with great friends and family, making memories that will last a lifetime.

### -Soon-to-be Past Commodore Angela

### Corn & Sausage – Thank You!

Last Saturday's Corn & Sausage Roast delighted 150 of our lake neighbors and friends. The crowd was treated to delicious roasted corn from Corey Lake Orchards, perfectly grilled brats from Mills Market in Zimmyville, hot dogs and chicken breasts. The rest of the menu included coleslaw, potato salad, green beans, baked beans, cookies, watermelon, lemonade and iced tea. No one went home hungry!

THANK YOU to the always-smiling, hard-working crew



members who made this event a big success, led by Blair and Bernie Garceau, Vickie and Cornmaster Tom Rogers, Bill and Patty Luecht, Claudia Phipps, Leslie King, Brad Zessinger, Gordon and Michelle Seyfarth, Vice Commodore Pat McGann, Chris and Barb Kolber, Steve Plaia, Greg Bolin, Patti and Rick Russwurm, Bob Waddle and Mike and Julie Sheffieck. Great job, everyone!

This event only happens once a year – hope to see you in 2020!

#### ~Blair & Bernie Garceau

#### **Father Richard Conyers retiring**

Just shy of 50 years ago, a young priest from Notre Dame celebrated Mass at YMCA Camp Eberhart on Corey Lake in Three Rivers for the first time.

Up until recently, he made the weekly trek between Memorial Day and Labor Day from Chicago to Three Rivers. His mission was to tend to the spiritual needs of what he has affectionately dubbed "our little community." That little community has grown largely due to his devotion, sense of humor and willingness to share his vast knowledge of religion, art and languages.

Father Rich has advised us that he will be retiring from



offering Mass at Camp Eberhart the end of this summer. He will offer his last Mass at Camp Eberhart Sunday, Sept. 2.

In honor of his nearly half century of dedicated service, please join Father Richard Conyers following Mass on Sunday, at Klinger Hall at Camp Eberhart on Aug. 25 for coffee, rolls, remembrances and neighborly fellowship.

As Father Rich instructs at the end of each Mass, "Go forth and spread the

word." Please notify friends and neighbors that might not know of this upcoming celebration.

### **Birch Lake Book Club**

Jeannie Welch will host the August Birch Lake Book Club meeting on August 20 at 7 pm to discuss Beneath a Scarlet Sky by Mark Sullivan. Everyone is welcome.

The next book is Women in Sunlight by Frances Mayes. Denny Weesner will host.

#### The Birch Barker

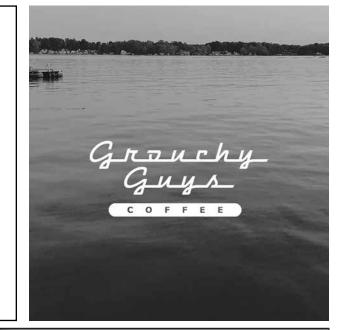
The printed Birch Barker season is winding down Labor Day weekend .. if you've missed any of the issues, they're all online at http://www.philvitale.com/ Barker/PrintedBarkerArchives.htm.

Good Lord willing and the creek don't rise, we'll be producing the Online Barker beginning in October. If you're not on the list to receive it automatically (or if you've changed your email address in the last year), you can sign up by emailing me at onlinebarker@gmail.com.

### Labor Day End of the Summer Sunday Night Flotilla!

Sunday September 1 – 6 p.m. Due to the past successful flotillas, let's do it again! Meet in the middle of the lake with your boat. Bring an Appetizer. Boats will be tied together and we will walk from boat to boat sharing food and camaraderie. Look for the boats in the middle!

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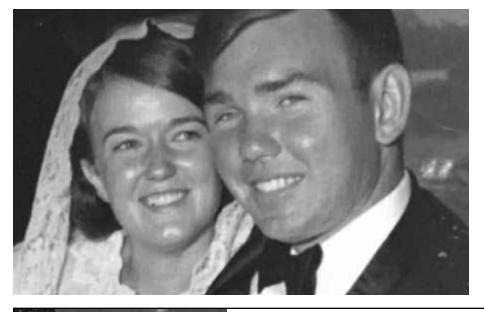




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### 50th Anniversary

Michael and Katha (Butler) Machalleck (south side) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 16. They were married at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Niles, MI. They have 2 children: Brian (Kris) Machalleck of Granger, IN and Lori (Jason) Noyer of Lansing, MI. They also have 3 grandchildren, Addison, Brynn and John Machalleck. Michael is retired from Claeys Candy, Inc in South Bend, IN, and is a retired U.S Navy Commander. Katha is retired from the University of Notre Dame. They currently spend their time in Vero Beach, FL and Birch Lake. They planned to celebrate with a family dinner.



### She said "YES!"

Congratulations to Calvin King (son of Bob and Leslie King, north shore) and Elizabeth Cramer who got engaged last week. Cal flew to Salt Lake City, arranged a surprise meeting through Liz's friends (ostensibly going to brunch), popped the question, and ... next summer (sometime?) they will be wed.



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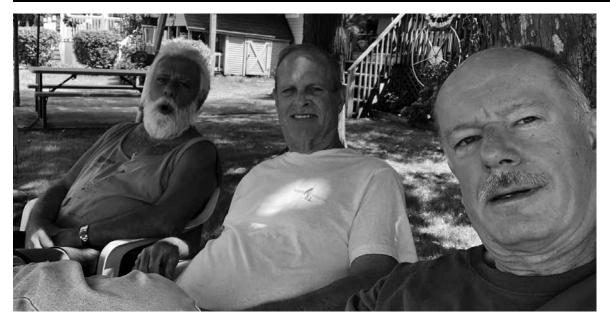
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From left, me, VC/ FC Pat McGand and Bill Luecht in a selfie to commemorate the East Side Sailing Club's three amigos hanging on the "Beer Deck" and calmly discussing the day's sailboat races after admitting sailing newby Cole McGann Bell into the exclusive club (although Papa wouldn't let him have a beer, the mean and grumpy old spoilsport).



### The Joy's John at Birch Lake public landing

Despite the objections of multiple homeowners on Birch Lake (including the owners of the properties on either side), the Cass County Parks Department's Joy's John on a concrete pad near the water at the Birch Lake public landing remains. The Parks board of directors has taken the matter under advisement, and has promised to monitor the launch to try to keep out swimmers. They have asked that residents notify Parks Director Scott Wyman if we see swimmers, by calling him at 445-4456, and if that is unsuccessful, to call the county sheriff's department at 445-2481 to report the activity so they can respond. Alternately, residents can voice their concerns to Skip Dyes, County Commissioner, District 3 at the county building, (269) 445-4420, or at his home, (269) 445-2537, or by Email skipd@cassco.org.

### On Birch Lake, boat traffic must travel COUNTER CLOCKWISE at all times



## **BLYC Corn & Sausage Roast**





















## FLEET CAPTAIN'S CORNER LALAS

### Fleet Captain's Jibe #13, Aug. 17

By **J. Patrick McGann** 

Pretty darn proud to be sailing in the same set of races as your eleven year old grandson, Cole McGann Bell. He sailed the Sunfish with the Yellow, Blue and White sail, I named after him..."The Cole-ah-sail,II" Colossal, get it?

My old MC was called the Cole-ahsail, I. He did not flip and did not come in last in all the races. Although, I sailed my MC named for my granddaughter Mia Olimpia, all the Sunfish and MC skippers along with the ladies in the Race Committee Boat were keeping a sharp eye on him. Thanks everyone! Do you see a theme here...all my boats are named after my grandchildren.

The wind was iffy at times but with the help of a one hour start delay we got in all three races. Scott Troeger, sailing #1489 has continued to solidify his comeback season as front runner in the MC fleet season competition by winning all three races. I took second in the first race, sailing #1735, followed by last years season champion Barb Cassady, sailing #2606. Mr. Phil Vitale, our Editor in Chief, took second in the second and third races in his #500 "The Pickle." Bill Luecht sailed into third place sailing # 1579.

Sunfish fleet seasonal championship is flowing towards Rick Russwurm in the Green and Blue sail, he took the sec-



Cole McGann Bell on his first alone trip in the Sunfish names after him "The Cole-Ah-Sail." Getting ready for his first races last Sunday.

ond and third races and a second in the other. New dad Peter Soldato won the first race with his Red, White and Blue sail, and took second in another. Herb Cleveland had a very respectable afternoon by sailing into a second and a third place. The only lady sailor in the Sunfish fleet, Cam Butler ,with her beautiful multi color sail was proud to jump into two third place finishes.

As my time as Fleet Captain comes to a close I wish to thank all the people that came out in their boats to sail and those people who came out to serve as



rescue boats for sailors who get into trouble. The Race Committee Boat Chief Judge, Bad Patty Luecht, RC Boat and her helpers: Good Patti Russwurm, Blair Garceau, Deb Hall, Holly Troeger, Sandy Vitale, and all the others whose names I missed, thanks you. Bill Luecht who took over the record keeping of the results, and Tom Cassady for storing and setting the marks every race.

We do have a several seats still available to this Saturday's Fall Dinner, a Polish meal with a program that features the changing of the guard for the BLYC. You can still sign up on line at birchlakeyachtclub.com.

Sail on Dudes and Dudettes!

~Fleet Captain Pat

### SUNDAY IS SAILING DAY AT BIRCH LAKE, and ON SAILING DAYS races start at 11 am! Please give 'em a break, and STAY CLEAR OF THE COURSE





Thanks to Mr. Bob (King, north shore) for the sailing action pics from the Sunfish races during last weekend's sailboat racing.



## **2019 Birch Lake Sailing Results BLYC Season Standings\***

Date	11-Aua	11-Aua	11-Aua	Point						
Race#	15			PointsAverage Finished Finished						
MC Scow/Sailor Total MC Races=										
Pat McGann #1735	2	3	4							
Sandy Vitale	DNS	DNS	DNS							
Sunfish/Sailor	-									
Bob Niezgodski	DNS	DNS	DNS							
Bob Cassady	DNS	DNS	DNS							

DNS (Did Not Sail) does not count against season score, however sailor must complete 2/3 of races to qualify for season.

DNF (Did Not Finish), DSQ (Disqualified) scores as one place worse than last place (if 5 boats finished, you would have finished 6th, will be scored as 7th place): DNF, DSQ not counted toward minimum number of races needed

CB - sailor who serves on Committee Boat receives their season average place as of that date - counted toward season total.

Season Points are awarded on Square of 40 system (1st = 40 squared = 1600, 2nd = 39 squared, etc.)

Season Place = total season points/number of races attempted Crew - Counted toward completed races, Points go to skipper of boat

\*8/17/19



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## Water Quality Report

### THE "SIX COMMANDMENTS OF BIRCH LAKE WATER QUALITY"

- I. THOU SHALT PREVENT THE SPREAD OF AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES (AIS).
- II. THOU SHALT MINIMIZE SURFACE RUNOFF.
- III. THOU SHALT MINIMIZE THE EFFECTS OF WAVES.
- IV. THOU SHALT PROTECT AND EXPAND NATURAL SHORELINES.
- V. THOU SHALT NOT ALLOW PHOSPHORUS, NUTRIENTS, AND OTH-ER UNDESIRABLE CHEMICAL ELEMENTS TO ENTER OUR LAKE.
- VI. THOU SHALT REMAIN INFORMED AND ACTIVE ABOUT OTHER WATER QUALITY ISSUES.



## WQ Report: Just a few tidbits

ast week we reported on a somewhat disturbing Sechi disk reading of only 5 feet. That is very low in comparison to other readings at this time of year. Although, the lowest transparency is traditionally about now, anyway. However, on Sunday, August 11, it was over 10 feet, which created a little sigh of relief. Two possible explanations for the rather dramatic increase in clarity:

1) If this was due to an algae explosion, (not the rare and nasty blue-green algae bloom, but a frequent result of the combination of sun, warm water and nutrients) it is possible that the increased density of algae used up a lot of the available nutrient, thus leading to a bit of a population collapse of the algae.

2) With increased algae, there are also increases in the little animals that eat them, especially daphnia or what is called the water flea. These barely visible little eating machines can reproduce rapidly in the face of lots of food. They operate below the photic (light) zone in the water column and come up to partake of the algae (which exists within the photic zone) at night, or when dark. These then are subsequently eaten by small fish etc., i.e. the food chain. This is speculation on both of the possible reasons, but in the absence of actually being able to measure this, we will go with speculation.

The Water Quality Committee is working in cooperation with the CLMP

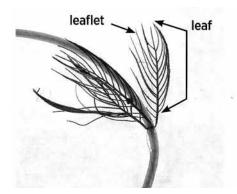
(Cooperative Lakes Management Program) on a project with the University of Montana to look for hybrid milfoil. If you remember, we have both a native milfoil in the lake as well as the invasive, which we treat for called Eurasian water milfoil. It has been noted that when both are around, hybrids of these may arise.

This is important since the hybrid is tougher to treat but acts like the invasive Eurasian form, i.e. grows rapidly into dense mats. The project is to look at where hybrid milfoil has arisen using DNA technology. In order to ascertain the extent of the problem a number of lakes have agreed to send in samples to be analyzed to see if hybrid milfoil exists in any or all of the lakes sampled. Thus, you may have seen Terry wandering slowly along the shoreline in his pontoon boat and randomly throwing

a rake into the lake in order to see if we have milfoil and if so to prepare samples for submission to the University of Montana.

Terry reports that all the milfoil he was finding looked to be native with no characteristics of the hybrid or the Eurasian form we treat for each year. He will be sampling again the area treated just to ensure he obtained enough samples to validate any findings. Terry found it rather fun to do this Sunday (8/11) as he had just taken a 2 day aquatic plant identification course at Kellogg Biological Station. With each rake toss he was finding a number of plants he had seen in the course.

More possibly on this later.





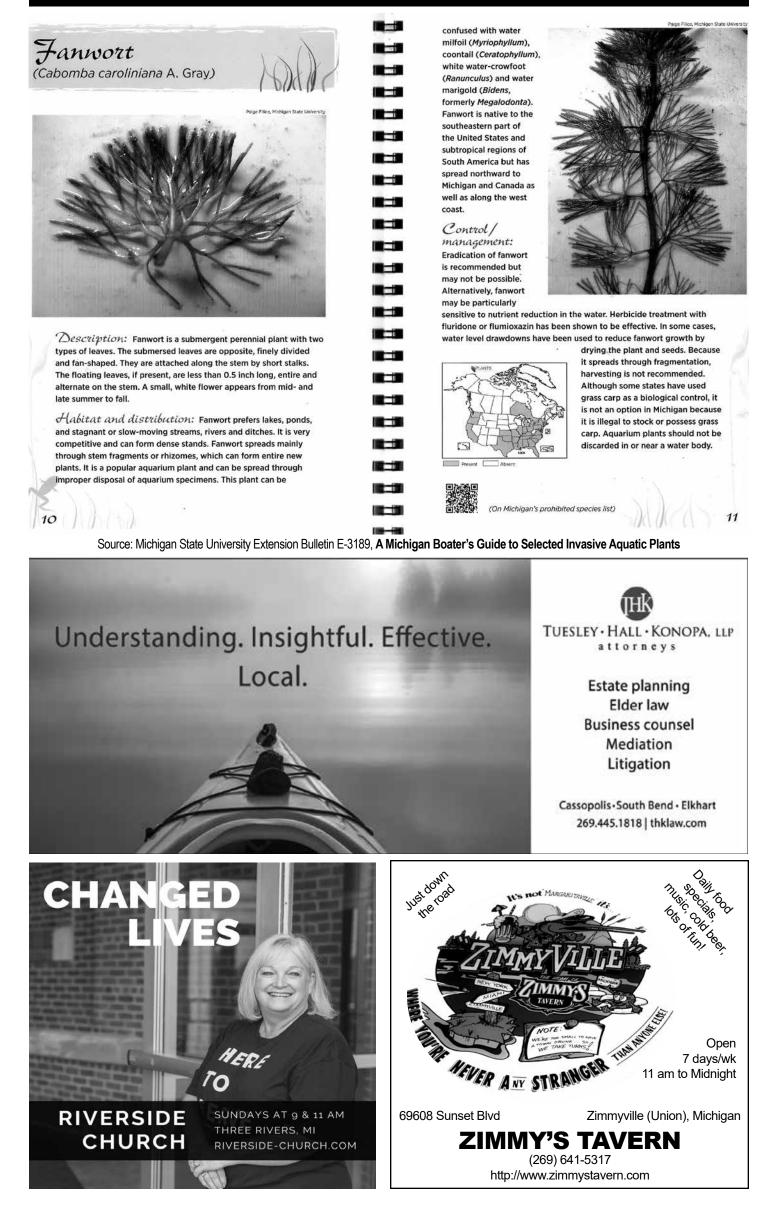


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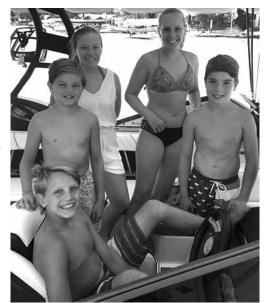
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## **Barker Plant of the Week** —



## Barker Kids of the Week —

Happy 12th Birthday Tate Guyton! Tate is sitting in the front and the grandson of Diana Wozny and Craig Fredlake (South Side) and Bob and Kathy Wozny (South West corner of the West Side). His friends are from left to right Patrick Amico, Emma Balint, Elle Guyton (sister) and Evan Balint.





Above: East sider Dan Waxman's Lighthouse/Well pump cover of the week ... built by Bob Kolbe.



Above: Cole McGann Bell, grandson of Pat and Tessa McGann (east side) wakeboarding on Birch Lake

Nick Bergan (east side) enjoying vegan nuggets at the Baucus home last weekend.





The Groszek family enjoying Birch Lake.



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## **Barker Kids of the Week** —



Gigi and Ivanka Cassady (East side) harvest in their grandparents garden.



Cooper Petty, north shore, reeled in a 16" bass last weekend ... good thing dad was around to help get it off!



Bad Patty Luecht's grandcats, Gandalf the Grey (above) and Pippa (below) were rescued by (and live with) daughter Katie in Bloomington, IN.



Want your kid to be a Birch Barker Kid of the Week? Want your dog to be a Dog of the Week? Want your lawnmower to be the Lawnmower of the Week? Just mail your photo (with a SASE if you want the photo(s) back) to Birch Barker, 63174 Birch Rd., Vandalia, MI 49095; put them in a ziplock and stick them in the stone mailbox at my home (east side), or email them to me at SAILORPHIL@PHILVITALE.COM





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## — Barker Kids of the Week —







Dave and Terry Carroll (west side) always love having the Hoban family, daughter Jenny, Ben, Reese, Ellie and 12 week old

Mia) from Chicago for a day of fun and food at Birch Lake. Ellie caught her first fish and believes it's a world record in speed for catching a fish. Cousins Reese Hoban and Emerson Parsons, granddaughter of Mark & Karen Evans, (west side) from Boise, ID spent the week at Camp Tannadoonah day camp. Evenings with

grandparents they had fun tubing on the stingray and learning to ski and hover board. They have become great buddies!

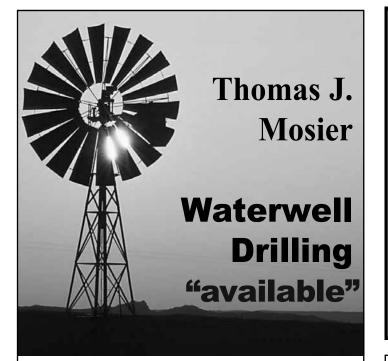


Camp Tannadoonah campers toured the lake last week and sang for residents ... thanks to Tessa McGann for the pic.





Our grandkids, Dom & Aley Vitale-Richards after camp.



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## - Barker Kids of the Week —





Left, Foster Marlow, Finley Gableman, Parker Gableman, Taylor Gableman, Layla Gableman, and Macey Gableman, grandchildren of Dennis and Claudia Phipps (north side), introduce new baby Lakelee to Birch Lake. Right: Grandchildren of Dennis and Claudia Phipps show their own brand of cousin love!



Claire Noneman, Harvey Reckelhoff, Duke Dufour, and Anya Noneman (All grandkids of Duffy and Sue Dufour, east side) have been enjoying the summer at Birch Lake!



Above: Candi and Tony Floerke from Corpus Christie, TX, spent a week with Tom and Julie Lacy. Picture is at Lake Michigan which was a fun side trip!

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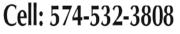
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Aries (March 21-April 19) - If you are involved in sports, be careful because accidents might take place, especially toward the end of the week. This is a week full of fun, social diversions that include parties, social outings, the arts, the theatre, musical performances, barbecues, picnics, romantic dates and of course, playful times with children. You will socialize extensively and enjoy having a good time. Many of you will be involved in creative projects, because you are the artisan of the zodiac.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20) -** Many of you are redecorating where you live or making plans for a new home. You might buy beautiful things for your home or family. This is also the perfect time to tackle home repairs. Family gatherings might take place. In fact, you might be more involved with a parent than usual. Practice patience because this chaotic influence can fray your nerves and create arguments with family members.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20) -** This is a fast-paced, exhausting week! Just resign yourself to the fact that your daily pace will accelerate as you try to keep up to the demands of your schedule. Short trips, a list of appointments and tasks, increased reading and studying plus time spent with siblings and relatives are some reasons you are juggling a lot in the air! Fortunately, your verbal skills are tops now. You are persuasive, diplomatic, convincing and at the same time, forceful and proactive.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22) -** This week your focus on cash flow, money and earnings continues to be strong. Some of you are involved in financial wheeling and dealing. Mercury in your Money House promotes moneymaking ideas. Meanwhile, many of you might be contemplating a major purchase. Since you are never casual about money, this is something you will give much thought to. Be careful towards the end of the week, especially around Friday, because something unexpected could impact your wealth. Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - You are in your element this week because four planets are in your sign. The Sun boosts your energy and gives you a chance to rejuvenate yourself. Mercury urges you to express your point of view to others and helps you put a great deal of yourself into whatever you have to say. Venus urges you to schmooze and socialize. Mars gives you vigorous energy and helps you make a great impression on everyone.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Keep in mind that this year you can make improvements to your home. You might also expand your family through birth, marriage or adoption. You might move to a bigger home. Likewise, you might benefit through real-estate speculation because everything to do with home, family and real estate will receive a benefit in your life in some way this year. It's an excellent time to study and do research. Some of you are also dabbling in secret love affairs.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Many things about this year are changing in your day-to-day world. These changes not only introduce chances for you to learn something new, you will also likely be more involved with relatives - brother, sisters, cousins etc. Your plans for the future are more optimistic, in part because you realize that some of your limitations were self composed. Communications with others will be upbeat and optimistic.

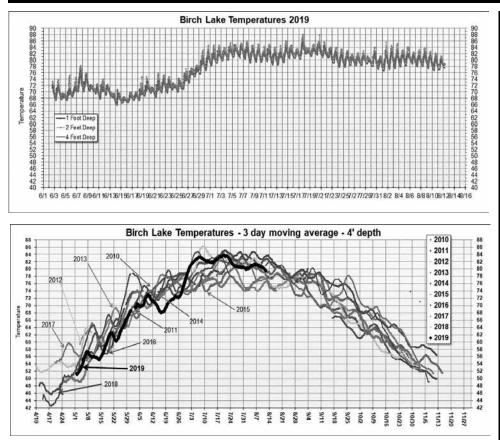
**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** - With four planets at the top of your chart, the world notices you! Not only do people notice you, they admire you - especially bosses, parents and VIPs. This is due to the influence of the planets and relatively little to do with your performance. Since this influence benefits you only once a year for several weeks, use it to your advantage! Do whatever you can to advance your cause. Ask for permission or approval because people see you in a very good light. Plus this is your year to get richer! **Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -** It's laughable that you love to travel more than any sign in the zodiac - and right now, there are four planets sitting in the part of your chart that urges you to travel. Therefore, grab every chance that comes your way to travel this week. And likewise, grab every chance to learn something new or study. Meanwhile, this same energy will bless your activities and ambitions in publishing, the media, medicine, the law and higher education.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** - This is a powerful, intense and productive week. You are more in touch with your inner self right now, which means you have a better idea of what you want. In addition, you're focused on shared property, inheritances and anything that is held jointly with someone else. It's a good week to have discussions about financial negotiations or shared property. Furthermore, romance, sex and love relationships will be hot!

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Both the Sun and Mars encourage conflict with partners and close friends. It makes them challenge you and vice versa. Fortunately, it also gives you some perspective so that you see what's going on. Use your sense of humor. Be patient. Do whatever is necessary to keep the peace. After all, as an Aquarius, you are a networker extraordinaire!

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -** Four planets are in the part of your chart that heightens your focus on dealing with pets, for whatever reason. These planets will also encourage you to think more about your health and wellness and what you can to promote the best possible health for yourself. However, for those of you who have a job, it's all about your work. You have the energy to work hard as well as delegate to others. You're willing to roll up your sleeves and get hands-on with whatever you're doing. Fortunately, coworkers will praise you and you might even get a raise.

### **Birch Lake Environmental Data**



Temps provided by Steve Quinlan



(At Midnight, US Central time, as viewed from the Northern Hemisphere) Illuminated Fraction: 0.929 2.8 days after full moon



Sunrise: 06:51:27 AM Sunset: 20:40:39 PM Moonrise: 22:06:40 PM Moonset: 08:41:13 AM Daylight: 13 Hr 49 Min 12 Sec

## Barker Weekly Puzzle –

BODIES OF WATE • ? Crossword

ACROSS 2. A wide inlet of the sea that is parallel to the coastline.

4. A deep inlet of the sea almost surrounded by land. 6. A cascade of water on a river

8. A length of water wider than a strait, joining two large areas of water. 9. The mouth of a large

river, where the tide meets the river.

12. A place on the coast when vessels may find shelter.

13. A small arm of the sea. lake or river.

15. A narrow passage of water connecting two large areas of water. 17. A large natural stream of

vater

18. A broad inlet of the sea where the land curves inward.

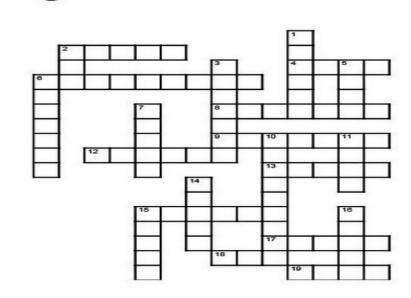
19. A small body of still water

#### DOWN

1. Shallow body of water located alongside a coast 2. A large body of salty water that may be connected to an ocean or completely surrounded by land. 3. A slowly moving river of ice

5. A large body of water surrounded by land on all

sides. 6. Land consisting of marshes or swamps.



7. A long, narrow and deep inlet of the sea between high cliffs.

10. A stream or river that flows into a larger river. 11. A ridge of rock, coral or sand near the surface of the sea

14. Low-lying land that is flooded in wet seasons or high tide and always remains erlogged

waterlogged 15. Freshwater wetland that has many trees and shrubs growing in it.

Large body of salt water that surrounds a continent.

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### **Deviled Chicken Drumsticks**

From the 2004 Birch Lak Ladies Luncheon Recipe Collection\* by Pam Van Huffel Formerly of the Southside Ingredients:

RECIPES

2 TBLS oil 8 drumsticks 1 med onion chopped ½ cup chicken broth ¼ cup Dijon mustard 1 TBLS. Horseradish 1 TBLS. Worcestershire 1 tsp. light brown sugar ¼ tsp. salt **Directions:** 

Heat oil in pot and add drumsticks; brown on all sides. Remove and drain on a paper towel. Add onion to hot oil and cook until soft; about 5 min. Return chicken to pan. Stir in chicken broth, mustard, horseradish, Worcestershire, brown sugar, and salt; bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low. Cover and simmer about 45 minutes, until chicken is tender. Transfer chicken to dish. Thicken sauce with cornstarch. Very good with mashed potatoes.

~Thanks to Denny Weesner Bradfield and Ronnie Eshleman for the recipes ...







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