

Thanks to Mr. Bob (King, north side) for the pic of the Mother Ship arriving ... actually it wasn't aliens, it was just the first of many storms coming in for a landing at Birch Lake last week ...

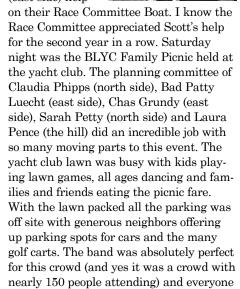
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Commodore's Comments #10 July 30, 2022

irch Lake is awesome! So much happened this weekend that makes me proud to be a part of this community. Friday was the annual Ladies' Golf Outing at Diamond Lake Golf Course. This was my fifth? sixth? year participating. I am NOT a good golfer, but the event is always fun. How can you not have a good time with great friends in your foursome and all the shenanigans at each hole with lots of laughs. On one hole we had to wear a life jacket while teeing off. It doesn't sound difficult but it was and also funny too. The picture with to this article is Jeannie Welch (south side) getting the life jacket secured by my sister Diane Robertson from Eagle Lake.

Co-chairs Carol McCoy and Blair Garceau (east siders) teamed up for the second year running this outing. They did a great job and all had a great day. Claudia Phipps (north side) documented the event taking all the team photos; Staci Whiteman (south side) drove the beverage cart and Denny Weesner, Katha Machalleck, and Sue Williams (south siders) served us a delicious lunch back at the yacht club. These volunteers helped make a very memorable day for all of us.

Saturday was the Five Lakes MC Regatta held at Indian Lake. Although we didn't have any Birch sailors race this year, we did have MC sailor Scott Troeger (east side) help





Birch Lake Calendar

Aug. 6 - Corn & Sausage Roast, 5:30-7:30 pm, BLYC

Aug. 6 - Homeowners Association annual meeting, following BLYC board meeting

Aug 13 - Kidz Regatta, Kings' (north s9de) Aug. 17 - Hazardous waste and tire collection, Road Commission, Cass, 3-6 pm

Aug. 20 - Fall Dinner, BLYC, See P5 Aug. 26 - Birch Lake Ladies Style Show

& Luncheon, Woodfire, Dowagiac, See P 2 Sept 11 - Sailing Awards, Frew's house

Sept 17 - Crockpot Challenge, 6 pm, more details tba

BLYC BOARD MEETINGS

August 6, and Sept. 10 All meetings start at 9 am @ BLYC

ers should feel pleased with the successful outcome.

Summer is not over yet and more events are planned. We say goodbye to Michelle and Gordon Sevfarth July 27 at the Phipps' home. July 29 is the Men's Golf Outing at Pine View, and August arrives with the Corn & Sausage Roast. Kidz Regatta, Fall Dinner, and the Ladies' Style Show and Lunch (see Barker calendar for dates). So, stay tuned and join us for the many opportunities to see why Birch Lake is so special.

Take care, be safe, and I'll see you out

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The committee and their long list of help-

seemed to enjoy their music. So many fam-

ilies with many of their guests came out to

see Birch Lake hospitality at its finest.

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on the lake.

~Commodore Barb Cassady

Ladies Style Show and Luncheon

Mark your calendars for the Birch Lake Ladies' Style Show and Luncheon on Friday, August 26. Lunch will begin at 11 at the Wood Fire Trattoria in Dowagiac. Six lovely Birch Lake ladies will be modeling fashions from the Marshall Shoppe. There are three lunch options. Tickets are \$32, and include main dish, salad, dessert, non-alcoholic drink, tax, and tip. Tickets can be purchased from Ronni Eshleman, 317-418-9557, Denny Weesner 650-862-4711, or Jeannie Welch 574-286-2890. They will also be available online on the Birch Lake Yacht Club website. This event sold out last year, so get your tickets early!

Corn & Sausage Roast – Saturday, August 6 – Here It Comes Again!

It's almost here! Only a week to go until that fun family event arrives again! Bring your appetites, families and neighbors to the annual Corn & Sausage Roast, next Saturday, August 6. From 5:30 to 7:30 pm at the Yacht Club, we'll be serving delicious meals consisting of your meat choice, roasted corn, a selection of side dishes, cookies and lemonade or iced tea. Get ready for a bratwurst (\$7), hot dog (\$4) or bone-in chicken breast (\$8) meal (we'll only have a limited supply of chicken

breasts so come early to try to get what we have). Pay at the door at the same prices as in 2019 – no reservations required! Come hungry, visit with your neighbors and leave happy and satisfied! Hope to see you there!

BLYC Ladies' Golf

The ladies of Birch Lake played their annual nine holes of fun golf at Diamond Lake Golf Course this past Friday (photos on page 5). We were delighted to have great weather and good friends to golf with. We could hear lots of laughter and cheers when a teammate made a great shot. A big thank you goes out to Staci Whiteman for driving the beverage cart. Staci was ready to go with the cool beverages which we much appreciated on a hot summer day.

Lunch followed at the Birch Lake Yacht Club. We appreciated that Katha Machalleck, Sue Williams, and Denny Weesner had lunch all ready to go when we arrived.

The following prizes were awarded this year for great golf:

1st Place Team: Ronnie Eshleman, Deb Runser, Traci Limes, Angela Bergan 2nd Place Team: Sandy Vitale, Patty Luecht, Sandy Farrell, Nancy Bottorff 3rd Place Team: Carla Chester, Sue Waddle, Irene Stephen, Carol McCoy 4th Place Team: Barb Cassady, Diane Robertson, Jeannie Welch

5th Place Team: Claudia Phipps, Becky Wiseman, Allison Gills, Lori Noyer

6th Place Team: Leslie King, Vickie Rogers, Blair Garceau, Connie Young Longest Drive: Becky Wiseman Closest to the Pin: Diane Robertson Straightest Drive: Nancy Bottorff

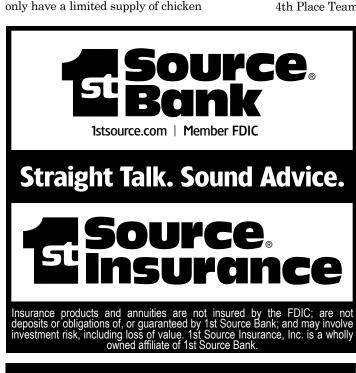
We had generous sponsors for this year's outing: O'Donnell's Docks, LLC, Patti & Rick Russwurm - Paramount Properties, Inc., Sandy & Phil Vitale, Bob & Sue Waddle, Dan & Sharon Waxman-South Bend Medical Foundation, Mark Bidelman - Sun & Shade Awning, Jan Temple & Tom Kuhn, Jim Rau - Apollo Marine, Dennis Bamber-Lake Life Realty, Carmen and Debbie Soldato, Barb & Tom Cassady, Lee Oswalt-Zimmy's, Carla and Ed Chester.

Our sponsors and volunteers helped to make this day special and successful. Thank you to everyone for giving us a delightful and fun golf day. Looking forward to an enjoyable Ladies Golf outing next summer.

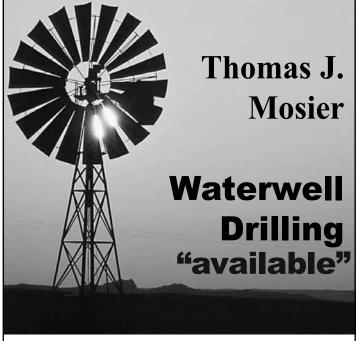
~Carol McCoy and Blair Garceau, Co-Chairs

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which throw large(r) wakes.

Our Lakeland Cove is a lake within a lake. Though we don't live there, it's come to us those who dip into the Cove at speed, especially when dragging a tube, are not much loved by Cove residents.

Give 'em a brake.: Minimize vour wake. Thanks in advance ...

~Chrys A. Lis

Hall 40th Anniversary

Happy 40th anniversary (last week) to Bud and Deb Hall (Cove). Rumor has it they still even like each other after all those years.

Hazardous waste, tire collection

A household hazardous waste collection will be held on August 17, 2022 from 3 to 6 pm at the Cass County Road Commission, 340 N O'Keefe St, Cassopolis. The event is sponsored by the Cass County Board of Commissioners.

In addition, Cass County has received a grant for the collection of used passenger car/ pickup truck tires. No appointment is necessary. Proof of residency is required. The event will be held on August 17, from 3 to 6 pm at the Cass County Road Commission, 340 N O'Keefe St, Cassopolis.

Second annual Family Picnic a hit!

Thanks to everyone who joined us for the second annual BLYC Family Picnic! The band was hopping, the grill was hot, and the fun was flowing freely! We had more than 150 people



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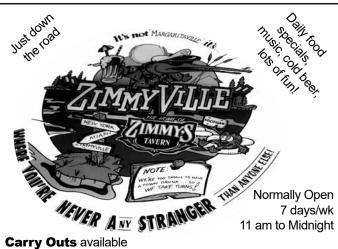
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Caenepeel **Anniversary**

Marc and Lynn Caenepeel (west side) will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary, August 5, with family and friends.







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join us, including a LOT of kids running amok and playing games.

We especially want to thank our many volunteers who helped run this event, from setting up to cooking and serving food, tending bar and welcoming guests, cleaning up, and more: Bud and Deb Hall, Liz Hall, Bill Luecht, John Luecht, Sue Williams, Dan Waxman, Phil and Sandy Vitale, Barb Cassady and her friend Barb, Tom Caplis, Abby Caplis, Mary Karceski, Leila Petty, Ronnie Eshleman, and everyone else who pitched in. Special thank you to Pat and Sue Williams, Bill Doba, Mike and Katha Machalleck, Pat and Jeannie

Welch who allowed us to park cars nearby on their properties. Finally, thanks to Camp Tannadoonah for helping us order and store the food.

Huge shout out to Bucket o' Maybes, our talented band who rocked out and kept the party lively. They were fantastic!

A lot of people were curious about the large game at the end of the parking lot. It's called 9 Square in the Air and it's sort of a cross between classic four square and volleyball. It was a big hit with all the kids! Thanks again to Camp T for letting us borrow it.

It was wonderful seeing so many peo-

ple celebrating summer and enjoying the Birch Lake Yacht Club. We were thrilled to meet new folks who had never been out to a yacht club party. See you soon at one of our upcoming events - the Ladies' Luncheon and Style Show, Corn and Sausage Roast, Fall Dinner, and more!

Thank you!

~ Sarah Petty, Patty Luecht, Claudia Phipps, Laura Pence, and Chas Grundy

Yacht Club building use

To make arrangements to use the BLYC building, contact Sandy Vitale at 269-476-1680 or 269-858-8184.

Birch Lake Book Club

July was a huge success reading The Summer Cottage. Fifteen members of the club attended a book signing in St. Joseph, Michigan featuring Wade Rouse who uses the pen name of Viola Shipman. Their adventure included dining and shopping of course. Thank you



Jeannie, Blair and Claudia for suggesting the book and working out all of the details! The August book club will meet at Denny Weesner's home on Tuesday August 23 at 7 pm. will be reading The Christie Affair by Nina de Gramont.





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Commandment # 5

he Commandment of the
Week is # 5, "Thou Shalt
Not Allow Phosphorus,
Nutrients and other Chemicals to Enter Our Lake."

Phosphorus is a chemical element required for all forms of life, necessary for every cellular process that uses energy. It is used most extensively in fertilizer. It is the "limiting factor" in many, and particularly in aquatic, ecosystems. This means it is the variable in which a small change in the quantity of phosphorus **DIRECTLY CAUSES A SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE** in the output (growth) of the system (plants and algae.)

While virtually all nutrients are considered to be undesirable, preventing or the reducing the volume of phosphorus getting into an inland lake is commonly held to be the SINGLE MOST SIGNIFICANT FACTOR in preserving, or advancing, the water quality of inland lakes.

Due to its depth and limited inlets and outlets, it takes some 15 years to drain and replenish all the water in Birch Lake. Whatever we let, or gets, into our lake will be there for a very long time. So our need to ward off the entry of phosphorous, and other undesirable elements, is crucially acute. Accordingly, we ask that you:

- 1) Consider not using any fertilizer on your property
- 2) If you must fertilize, please:
- A. Do so only once per year, in as small a quantity, and as far away from the shoreline, as possible.
- B. Make sure the fertilizer contains no phosphorus
- C. Recall that the other nutrients in fertilizer are undesirable also.
- 3) Shovel and load out ashes.
- 4) Don't allow leaves or other vegetation to get into the lake.
- 5) Bear in mind that anything left on the surface within our watershed will eventually get into the lake.
- 6) Pick up and properly dispose of animal waste.
- 7) Don't feed any wildlife, particularly not ducks, swans, or geese.
- 8) Between your lawn and shoreline plant a barrier strip, as wide as possible, of deeply rooted native plants at least 12" 24" tall to minimize erosion and catch undesirable elements from entering the water. (This barrier strip may also help discourage geese from entering, and making deposits upon, your lawn area.)
- 9) Be aware that wave, or wake,



action, particularly in shallow water, stirs up and sends back into the water column, existing phosphorus that had previously settled to the bottom and attached itself to material there.

10) Consider not using any weed killer or other chemicals on your property. If you must, please do so in limited quantities, away from the lake and not on a windy day or before a rain event.

11) Don't forget that installation and maintenance of natural shorelines are among, if not, the best methods of limiting phosphorus in our lake.

Thank you and ...

PLEASE PASS THE WORD.

SLOW DOWN

BIRCH LAKE HAS NARROW ROADS, LOTS OF PEDESTRIANS, A TON OF CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN AND PETS

> SLOW DOWN ON OUR ROADS AND ON THE HILLS TO AND FROM THE LAKE!

SPEED LIMIT

15MPH



This message is brought to you by the Homeowners Association of Birch Lake

FLEET CAPTAIN'S CORNER

et another Sunday morning in July without sailboat races at Birch Lake. Our starting window got rained out. Ugh. It cleared up later, with great wind, but we have no race results to report.

However, we do have some great news: Bob King's **REVIVAL OF THE DON HARMON KIDZ REGATTA!**

On August 13 Bob King will host the revival of an old Birch Lake sailing tradition, the Don Harmon Kidz Regatta. Arrive at 11 am at the King home, 14877 Birch Northshore Drive on the north side for a light lunch; then on to a noon start time for the sailing. The start time is weather dependent. The only rules are that everyone must bring and wear a Personal Flotation Device, and every boat must have a kid on board. I'm planning to attend with my son and granddaughter on board, and we are looking forward to a great time! Thank you Bob for reviving this great tradition!

BLYC--CAMP TANNADOONAH JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAM

Patrick Welch, who is not only one of our MC Sailors but also President of the Board of Camp Tannadoonah, spent his afternoons last week teaching kids how to sail at the camp. They enjoyed some days with great wind, and on Friday he brought his MC over and gave them a thrill. Thank you Patrick!

~F.C. Steve





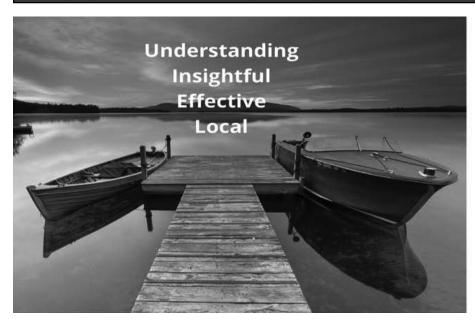


Top photo (left to right): Dolan Turner, Max Bauer and Ellie Cox, all age 11, heading out from camp with Patrick Welch at the helm.

Left photo (I to r): Emma Wilson, age 12, Sam Olson, age 13, Patrick Welch, and Alaska Buckhanan, age 12

Right photo (I to r): Sam Olson, Patrick Welch, Emma Wilson, and Alaska Buckhanan







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BIRCH LAKE SAILING







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Birch is packed with kids. Let's maintain boat speed created by the BLYC Family Picnic by introducing our kids to sailing!

When? Saturday August 13, beginning 11 am at the King house (in the middle of the North shore, just go to where the sails are).

Please join us at the official restart of what was an annual Regatta. Rules? We don't need any stinking rules. Err, OK, there are a few:

Each kid must wear a life preserver (limited loaners onsite).

To enter, every boat must have a kid, or kidz, on board.

A light lunch will be provided followed by sailing.

Let's Regatta!

~Bob King MC1199



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Barker Kids of the Week -







Above: The Frew daughters (east side) and their families came to Birch Lake recently. Back row: Proud Grandma Jackie Frew, Laura Springfield, Eric Springfield. Front row: Polly Cash, Quinnie Cash, Asher Springfield.

Left: Dakota Olguin, son of Jeanne Weaver and grandson of Doug and Julie Weaver (south side) celebrated his wedding to Crystal Sheldon at the Weaver Cottage water-

Center: Kiaya Hankins, daughter of Jeanne Weaver and granddaughter of Doug and Julie Weaver, graduated from Constantine High School on May 26. She is participating in an apprenticeship, through Glen Oaks Community College Career and Technical Education program, at the Athens Veterinary Clinic in Athens, Michigan.

2022 Birch Lake Yacht Club

FALL DINN

August 20, 2022

at the Birch Lake Yacht Club

5:30 – Appetizers: an assortment of cheese and crackers, fruits, and vegetables and dip

6:30 – Dinner:

Polish Sausage, broasted chicken, kluski noodles, mashed potatoes and gravy, sweet & sour cabbage, seasoned green beans, rolls and butter (catering provided by The Skillet, South Bend)

7:30 - Year-End Meeting

\$25 per person

Tickets must be purchased in advance by using the Birch Lake Yacht Club website

https://store.birchlakeyachtclub.com/

Tickets must be purchased by August 11.

No tickets will be sold at the door or after the above date.

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Above right: Nolan Hendricks with a large clam on the south side

Right: Tory Troeger (east) skiing behind 1947 Century





Birch Lake items of interest

The Moon for this Saturday

(At Midnight, US Central time, as viewed from the Northern Hemisphere)
Illuminated Fraction: 0.061
2.5 days since new moon



Sunrise: 06:32:44 AM Sunset: 21:04:10 PM Moonrise: 08:09:23 AM Moonset: 22:33:55 PM Daylight: 14 Hr 31 Min 25 Sec

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~Birch Lake Recipes~



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Zucchini Bread

eally, really good and moist- my family eat it as quickly as I can make it. Bread will freeze well and keep in refrigerator for weeks.

Original recipe yields 24 servings

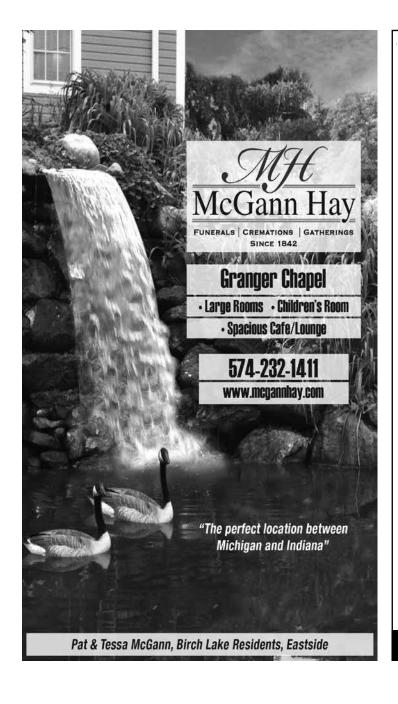
Ingredients

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- · 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 2¼ cups white sugar
- 3 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 cups grated zucchini
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

Instructions

- Step 1 Grease and flour two 8 x 4 inch pans. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F (165 degrees C).
- Step 2 Sift flour, salt, baking powder, soda, and cinnamon together in a bowl.
- Step 3 Beat eggs, oil, vanilla, and sugar together in a large bowl. Add sifted ingredients to the creamed mixture, and beat well. Stir in zucchini and nuts until well combined. Pour batter into prepared pans.
- Step 4 Bake for 40 to 60 minutes, or until tester inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool in pan on rack for 20 minutes. Remove bread from pan, and completely cool.







— Camp Tannadoonah —

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t's a busy week at camp this week, with visitors here from our Camp Fire National Headquarters here for three days! Our council has been chosen to be a part of a program called CAMPER, which is an acronym that stands for Camp Accessibility, Meaningful Participation, and Equal Representation. It's a program supported by the Margaret A Cargill Philanthropies (MACP) Foudnation, with a goal of increasing access and participation at summer camps for youth from marginalized groups.

We have two representatives from Camp Fire National Headquarters here to do an evaluation of our programs over the next three days to make recommendations on how we can better serve campers who might otherwise not be able to attend camps – for financial reasons, or lack of transportation, or because of accommodations that are needed, etc.

In addition, they will be doing a Socioemotional Learning (SEL) Program Quality Evaluation while they are here. This will look at whether our programs provide a physically and emotionally safe and welcoming place for campers. They will observe our staff and programs, and also conduct focus groups with some of our campers to get their feedback about camp.

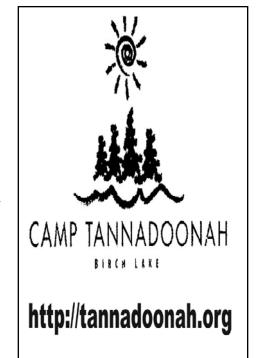
We are looking forward to giving the National Camp Fire staff a chance to see Camp Tannadoonah in action, and getting their feedback on what we can do to better serve our campers now and in the future!

The MACP Foundation is also providing funding to camps to make some of the changes that are recommended. We are hopeful that we will be able to access some of these funds to make updates to buildings to make them more accessible, and to provide campership funds to campers who would otherwise not be able to attend camp.

We're in the midst of Week six at camp this week, and have two more weeks to go after this. The theme this week is Out of this World! We have a total of 133 campers here this week – a relatively small week! There are 89 overnight campers and 44 day campers this week. Next week we have another completely full week of camp with 162 registered campers. Every overnight bed in camp is full (137), and we will have 25 day campers attending.

The week after our camp is over, we have a rental group coming in for a week. It's a church group from Livonia, Michigan and they will be bringing a group of approximately 70 people for a week-long camp experience. They provide their own volunteers to supervise the campers and provide meals, although we lifeguard and provide some specialty program instruction for the group while they're here. This will be the 3rd year this group has rented camp – though they haven't been here for the past two years due to COVID.

In case you're planning ahead - our closing candlelight serenade at the water-



front will be on the evening of Friday, August 12, around 9 pm. That's the night our campers come down the waterfront stairs carrying candles and singing, and then we line up around the waterfront pier to sing. We always love seeing all the boats out on the lake on Friday night!

~Mrs. Amber

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE:

For sale: **Melges MC** with trailer. Hull # 247 Reconditioned two years ago and sailed for the last two years. All new lines, many new parts. Solid, fully functional, sails well. **PRICE REDUCED AGAIN**

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Jet Ski lift for sale - PWC cantilever lift, 750lb capacity and 51"beam. Price \$500. Call 574-220-0407

Weightlifting bench \$20. Call 574-220-0407

Vinyl boat lift cover. \$295. Call 574-596-2154.

WANTED TO BUY

Wave runner in good running condition. 2000 or newer. -Kevin 773-304-8042

SERVICES:

I do **sewing and mending** at fair prices - zippers, hemming, small alterations; call Kathy at 476-9317

FOUND:

White cushion, looks like a **boat cushion**, washed up on west side after the big storms last week. Call Ron or Katie (269) 476-9317 to claim.

Found: **One Pelican kayak paddle**. Sitting on end of Dugan pier or call 269-832-5588.

FOR RENT:

Interested in a unique fun vacation? Check out our **Florida Village house** at ourhome4rent.com/cjp Call 574-596-2154 for more info.

Birch Cottage 4 Rent: Three bedroom, one bath with tub and shower, lakefront house on Birch Lake. New granite kitchen new stainless appliances with dishwasher, washer and dryer. Nice

pier with big platform. Plenty of parking. Beautiful sunsets all year long. Possible ski, pontoon, row boat, and sailboats available for rent. Sleeps six in beds room for more. Contact Pat McGann call/text 574-532-5377.

FREE:

Small children's rowboat, 8' long, free to a good home. Contact Jon @ 574 339-6492

Doggie Sitting

\$5-1 Hour I'll take care of:

\$50- 12 Hours (day) · Walks \$3

·Doggie doo doo \$0.50 per pile

Email Me at: feeding \$0.50 (water included)

dsnider119@gmail.comPets+attention FREE
· I'll quote anything else

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If your pooch is active, laid back, or ruff, no problem. I'll take care of them!

Whether you're going on a date, going out of town, or whatever your plans are if your need a helpful hand to take care of your k9 pal I got you!!!



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HOW TO BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Get involved!

Get involved in the community. Volunteer, help with a project, clean up the roadside, join a committee, help a neighbor, and pay your yacht club dues!

This message is brought to you by the Homeowners Association of Birch Lake



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\$____ - Other non-party related expenses

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BIRCH LAKE YACHT CLUB THE TIME IS RIGHT **TO PAY YOUR DUES!**



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Support the BLYC, support our Lake, support our Community!

\$ BLYC Member Dues (\$30 / year)	Total contribution:
Associate Member Dues (\$10 / year) *Associate membership is available to current associate members and for non-lake residents who wish to support the BLYC	\$
\$ Homeowners' Assoc. (\$10 / year)	Name
\$ Sailing Fees (\$15 / year)	
\$ Building Improvement Fund	Address
\$ FIREWORKS FUND	
\$ Water Quality Program	
\$ Milfoil/Loosestrife Eradication	
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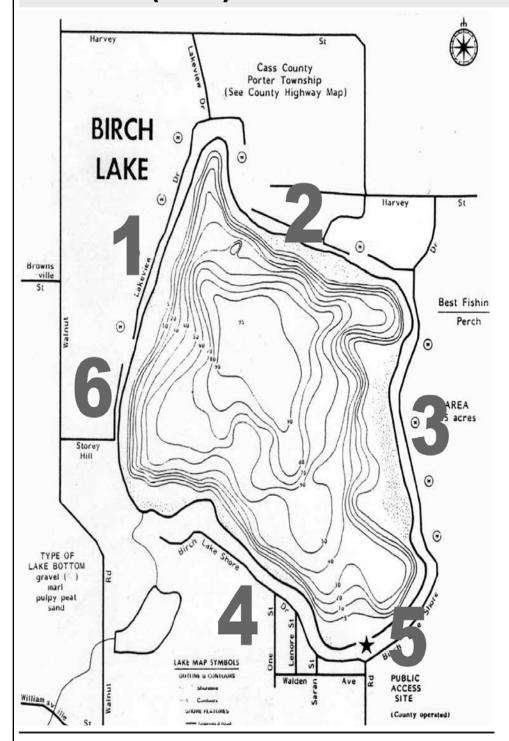
Make checks payable to BLYC

and mail to Deb Spratt, Treasurer 18100 Farmington Hills Dr. South Bend, IN 46637

Now you can go online at HTTP://BIRCHLAKEYACHTCLUB.COM to pay your dues

EMERGENCY HEART DEFIBRILLATOR

(AED) locations on Birch Lake



CALL 9-1-1



FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY ALARM WILL SOUND



There are six (6) automated external defibrillator units on Birch Lake. The boxes that contain these devices are located at the following locations (see map):

- 1. West Shore, Sheffieck home, 62875 Birch Lakeview Dr.
- 2. North Shore, Smitley home, 14859 Birch Northshore Dr.15046
- 3. East Shore, Vitale home, 63174 Birch Rd.
- 4. South Shore, Eberhart home, 15046 Birch Lakeshore Dr.
- South/East Shore, Troeger home, 63696 Birch Rd.
- 6. Southwest Shore, DeYoung home, 63255 Storey Hill St.

All units are on the ROAD SIDE of the property and accessible by vehicle or on foot.

IN AN EMERGENCY:

- 1. CALL 911 and report the emergency and the patient's location immediately.
- 2. Pull the box open, remove the orange-colored unit, TAKE IT TO THE PATIENT and open the device by pressing the white lever at the bottom.
- 3. An automated voice will guide you through the setup and use of the defibrillator. Follow the instructions as they are given.
- 4. Continue to follow the instructions as given, and stay with the patient until help arrives.



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