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CABIN FEVER WEEKEND IN GRAND MARAIS



CARDBOARD SLEDDING



SNOWSHOE POKER RUN

Cabin Fever Saturday a Great Success!

Cabin Fever Saturday, February 13, 1999 started at 11:00 a.m. with the Snowmobile Poker Run from Grand Marais to Pine Stump and back to Grand Marais. The winner was Tom Brayton. Then at 12 noon it was the "ALL-U-CAN-EAT"

Chili Feed. Over 16 gallons of Chili sold. The Cardboard Sledding at Bay Hill took place at 1:00 p.m. Children as well as the adults had a ball, everyone was a winner. At 3:00 p.m., the Snowshoe Poker Run began. Mary Capagrossa was the winner. Last but not least was the "Annual Cabin Fever Bash" Saturday night at the Lake Superior Brewing Company. Fred Garmes was the winner of the 50/50 raffle.

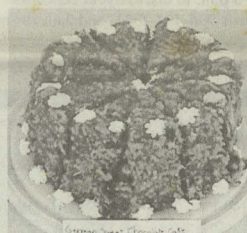
It was a nice day and a good turn out. If you missed all the fun, have no fear; there will be another "Cabin Fever Saturday" next year. This is an annual event in Grand Marais, Michigan.

¡GRAN ÉXITO EL DOMINGO DEL CHOCOLATE!

Thanks to the good people of Grand Marais and visitors to the community, the Spanish club set a new record and raised \$195.20 from the sale of goodies on Chocolate Sunday. Special thanks go to the Grand Marais Woman's Club for organizing the affair. Also to Wilson's Market and Bay Shore Market for donating the Ice Cream.

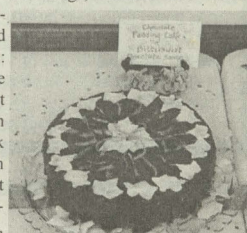


Chocolate Almond Sw. Pie



German Sweet Chocolate Cake

There were 11 entries in the Grand Marais Woman's Club Bake-Off which was held in conjunction with Chocolate Sunday. Pam Hicks: Chocolate Fluff Roll and Double Fudge Brownies; Helen Mack: German Sweet Chocolate Cake; Mary Shaw: Better than Sex Cake; Sandy Fisher: Chocolate Pudding Cake; Virginia Kraft: Choco-Nut



Meringues; Fran DeWolff: Devil Dogs; Jennifer Bell: Marble Brownies; Connie Durrwachter: Chocolate Almond Silk Pie; and Lucy Pine: Killer Brownies and Pots de Creme. The First Prize went to Connie Durrwachter with her Chocolate Almond Silk Pie; Second Prize to Helen Mack for her German Sweet Chocolate Cake; with two runners up tied for third place, Sandy Fisher for her beautifully presented Chocolate Pudding Cake and Pam Hicks for her yummy Chocolate Fluff Roll.

A very special thanks to Marc Oglevie, Sandy Fisher and Josh Hicks who were the Judges for the Contest.



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THE INTERNET
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Correction

The correct Internet World Wide Web address for Rose Marshall's book *Russia: Between Sword and Cross* is www.1stBooks.com

A Message From the Supervisor

By Lee Durrwachter, Burt Township Supervisor

There have been many questions and comments about the inaccessibility to the Visitor's Center for Cross Country Skiing due to the Alger County Road Commission Board decision on November 23, 1998 to deny the request for plowing by National Park Service.

Doug Miron, a member of the board, has informed me that he will be re-addressing that decision on February 15th at their regular board meeting. He has also accepted my invitation to attend our next board meeting on March 9th, to discuss this issue and any others that the citizens may have here.

Let's all welcome Doug Miron and have those questions ready for him.

Jerry Purple, Foreman of our local operations in Grand Marais, has informed me that they have spread over 1400 yards of sand as of last Wednesday.

We are most grateful for Alger County Road Commission's excellent efforts to keep the roads plowed both weekdays and weekends for our residents as well as our visitors this winter. Their efforts have helped to make this snowmobile season a busy one. Keeping the roads clear is also an asset in providing safe passage for our Emergency Vehicles. Since Grand Marais has only one access road, their priorities of keeping that open is outstanding during this severe and unpredictable winter weather season.

In an effort to keep Burt Township residents, both permanent and seasonal, informed, I'm in the township office Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. to discuss your concerns. The Township's telephone number is 906-494-2381, and their fax number is 906-494-2627.

BURT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

WILL MEET MARCH 2, 1999 IN THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE TO ORGANIZE. NO PROTESTS WILL BE HEARD. PROTESTS WILL BE HEARD MARCH 8, 1999, 9:00 A.M. - 12 NOON AND 1:00 - 4:00 P.M. AND ALSO MARCH 10, 1999 FROM 2:00 - 8:00 P.M. IN THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE.

CLASS	TENTATIVE MULTIPLIER
RESIDENTIAL	1.1100
COMMERCIAL	1.0000
AGRICULTURE	1.1475
PERSONAL	1.0000



APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED BY THE ALGER REGIONAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR GRANTS FROM THE FOLLOWING FUNDS:

- 1 "Put the You into Youth" Grants
- 2 Michigan Community Foundation Youth Project (MCFYP) Fund

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE APRIL 1, 1999

Call 906-387-3900 for an Application Packet

NOTICE

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APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 15, 1999

IF YOU REQUIRE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THESE JOBS, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE SUPERVISOR AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE, OR BY PHONE AT THE ABOVE NUMBER OR FAX 906-494-2627 OR LEAVE A MESSAGE ON OUR ANSWERING MACHINE AFTER BUSINESS HOURS.

Sen. North and Rep. Shackleton Co-Sponsor Labor

February 1, 1999 - Senator Walter North (R-St. Ignace) and Representative Scott Shackleton (R-Sault Ste. Marie) today announced that they have introduced legislation to create a four-day weekend over Labor Day. In addition, Senate Bill 53 and House Bill 4099 would create a seven member commission to study the effects of a post-Labor Day school start. The school start commission is required to report its findings to the Legislature and governor no later than December 31, 2000.

"Studies show that parents would rather travel in late August and early, September than in June," North said. "As a state that is dependent on the tourism industry, we must make sure that we are in touch with the desires of these tourists."

"I am confident that the committee will come back with a recommendation in favor of post-Labor Day school starts," said Shackleton, Chair of the House Great Lakes and Tourism Committee. "This legislation is a win-win for Michigan's families and business alike."

Senate Bill 53 has been referred to the Senate Committee on Education and House Bill 4099 has been referred to the House Committee on Education.

MINUTES OF BURT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

Held February 8, 1999

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Morrison.

Present: Morrison, Tester, Hubbard, Kinlaw, Kelly, Wilson, and Student Representatives Hubbard and Scaife.

Others Present: George Hronkin, Vicki Petruske, Gee Petruske, Dianna and Jennifer Bell, Jack Roberts, Dave Bell, Craig Winnie, Dave Kobylarz, Brian Hoduski, and Betty Goewey.

Absent & Excused: Brenda Reeves.

Student of the Month presentation was awarded to Jennifer Bell for secondary. No nominations submitted for elementary.

Minutes of the January 11 and January 13 meetings were read.

Motion by Tester, supported by Wilson that the minutes be accepted as presented. Ayes 6 Nays 0

Treasurer's Report: Balance on Hand: CD: \$ 200,000.00

Checking: \$ 97,327.48

Motion by Kinlaw, supported by Tester that the treasurer's report be received as presented. Ayes 6 Nays 0

The bills were read.

Motion by Tester, supported by Kelly that the bills be paid as received. Ayes 6 Nays 0

Superintendent's Report: 1.) Inservice 2/19/99. 2.) No school on 2/22/99. 3.) Grant approval \$13,493 (USF) computer updates - building wired for internet and phone lines, possible intercom system. 4.) Grant for Drug Awareness - \$800. 5.) Grant proposal from Kayak Symposium. 6.) Shop class building many things. 7.) Grant submitted for \$3,000 for EDC. 8.) Dual credits. 9.) Field trip to NMU - West Side Story on 2/20/99. 10.) Bell system installed and working.

Correspondence: Letter from concerned parent regarding playing time in volleyball.

Motion by Hubbard, supported by Tester to approve item #1 of the Graduation Requirements Policy as proposed by the Policy Committee. Ayes 6 Nays 0

Motion by Tester, supported by Hubbard to approve item #2 of the Graduation Requirements Policy as proposed by the Policy Committee. Ayes 6 Nays 0

Motion by Wilson, supported by Hubbard to send item #3 of the Graduation Requirements Policy back to Policy Committee for further work. Ayes 6 Nays 0

Motion by Kinlaw, supported by Kelly to approve Telecommunications & Internet Grant Resolution. Ayes 6 Nays 0

Motion by Wilson, supported by Tester to adjourn meeting at 8:20 p.m. Ayes 6 Nays 0

These are the unapproved minutes of the February 8, 1999 regular meeting. Included in the body of these are all of the official actions taken by the Burt Township School Board of Education.

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CERTAIN ASSETS
AND ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITIES**

Notice is hereby given that Peoples State Bank of Munising Michigan has made application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for its written consent to acquire certain deposit liabilities of the Grand Marais Branch, (located at 412 Lake Street, Burt Township, Grand Marais, Michigan, of North Country Bank and Trust, Manistique Michigan 49854.

This notice is published pursuant to Section 18(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.

Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the Regional Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its regional office, 500 West Monroe Street, Suite 3500, Chicago Illinois 60661, not later than February 19, 1999. The nonconfidential portions of the application are on file in the regional office and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the nonconfidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request.

Dated: January 20, 1999
Peoples State Bank of Munising
Munising, Michigan
North Country Bank & Trust;
Manistique, Michigan

**GROVE CABLE COMPANY SCHEDULE FOR
TVLAND CHANNEL 32 (THIS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**

TIME	MON.-FRI.	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
6:00-6:30 AM	SONNY&CHER COMEDY HOUR	THE JOEY BISHOP HOUR	THE JOEY BISHOP HOUR
7:00-7:30 AM	THE FLIP WILSON SHOW	ST. ELSEWHERE	ST. ELSEWHERE
8:00 AM	RHODA	MY THREE SONS	MY THREE SONS
8:30 AM	RHODA	RHODA	RHODA
9:00 AM	I DREAM OF JEANIE	PETTICOAT JUNCTION	PETTICOAT JUNCTION
9:30 AM	I DREAM OF JEANIE	FAMILY AFFAIR	FAMILY AFFAIR
10:00-10:30 AM	MY THREE SONS	BLACK HISTORY MONTH	BLACK HISTORY MONTH
11:00-11:30 AM	LOVE AMERICAN STYLE		
12:00-12:30 PM	PETTICOAT JUNCTION	GREEN ACRES	GREEN ACRES
1:00-1:30 PM	HARDY BOYS/NANCY DREW	GUNSMOKE	GUNSMOKE
2:00-2:30 PM	PETROCELLI	HAVE GUN WILL TRAVEL/ THE WESTERNER	HAVE GUN WILL TRAVEL/ THE WESTERNER
3:00-3:30 PM	EMERGENCY	BARETTA	BARETTA
4:00-4:30 PM	KOJAK	MANNIX	MANNIX
5:00-5:30 PM	MANNIX	KOJAK	KOJAK
6:00-6:30 PM	KOJAK	BLACK HISTORY MONTH	ALL IN THE FAMILY/ SANFORD AND SON
7:00-7:30 PM	BARETTA		JULIA / RHODA
8:00-8:30 PM	ALFRED HITCHOCK PRESENTS	MY THREE SONS / FAMILY AFFAIR	MY THREE SONS / FAMILY AFFAIR
9:00 PM	ADAM 12	ADAM 12	ADAM 12
9:30 PM	DRAGNET	DRAGNET	DRAGNET
10:00 PM	ALL IN THE FAMILY	ALL IN THE FAMILY	ALL IN THE FAMILY
10:30 PM	SANFORD AND SON	SANFORD AND SON	SANFORD AND SON
11:00 PM	HOGAN'S HEROES	HOGAN'S HEROES	HOGAN'S HEROES
11:30 PM	GREEN ACRES	GREEN ACRES	GREEN ACRES
12:00-12:30 AM	ALFRED HITCHOCK PRESENTS	GUNSMOKE	GUNSMOKE
1:00 AM	DRAGNET	ALL IN THE FAMILY	ALL IN THE FAMILY
1:30 AM	ADAM 12	SANFORD AND SON	SANFORD AND SON
2:00 AM	BARETTA	HOGAN'S HEROES	HOGAN'S HEROES
2:30 AM		GREEN ACRES	GREEN ACRES
3:00-3:30 AM	KOJAK	MANNIX	MANNIX
4:00-4:30 AM	HILL STREET BLUES	HILL STREET BLUES	HILL STREET BLUES
5:00 AM	ADAM 12	ADAM 12	ADAM 12
5:30 AM	DRAGNET	DRAGNET	DRAGNET

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Further, the views expressed by our writers and guest correspondents are welcome additions to the forum. They reflect, however, opinions of the writers and correspondents and are not those explicitly endorsed by the Gazette.

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THANK YOU

I just want to write a short note to let you all know how much I appreciate everything you've been doing for Devon. I have been nothing short of amazed by the number of people who have sent cards, called, or otherwise let me know how much they care. The past few months have been difficult; you have made it much easier by your concern. Devon is improving every day, and we have hope that her recovery will continue. She needs equipment and therapy though, to maximize her rehabilitation. Thank God we have many friends and a wonderful family who are helping us make this a reality. With any luck, we can make the trip home soon and thank you all in person!

Michelle and Devon

WEATHER SUMMARY

DATA is compiled by
Karla Bug.

Cooperative Weather Observer.

Date	Max.	Min.	Precip	Snow
FEB. 3	34	28	.03	
FEB. 4	32	12	.02	1
FEB. 5	23	9		T
FEB. 6	27	20	.02	2
FEB. 7	27	18		
FEB. 8	35	15	.01	
FEB. 9	35	28		
FEB. 10	42	20		
FEB. 11	45	32		
FEB. 12	48	12	.69	1.5
FEB. 13	28	11	.02	1
FEB. 14	36	9		
FEB. 15	39	16		

At the present time in town we have 16 inches of snow on the ground. Total snow fall for the year so far is 106.8 inches.

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- 7 KARE--Minnesota (NBC)
- 8 WTBS--Atlanta, GA
- 9 CNN--Cable News Network
- 10 Fox Network
- 11 FAM--The Family Channel
- 12 ESPN--Ent. Sports Network
- 13 WNMU--Marquette
- 14 The Disney Channel--pay tv
- 15 TNT--Turner Network TV
- 16 WXYZ--Detroit (ABC)
- 17 A&E-Arts & Entertainment

TV CH.

- 18 The Discovery Channel
- 19 The Learning Channel
- 20 TNN--The Nashville Network
- 21 WTOL (CBS)
- 22 USA Network
- 23 Angels Network
- 24 C-Span
- 25 THC--The History Channel
- 26 FOX Sports Channel
- 27 AMC--American Movie Classics
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School of Hard Knocks

By Ty Washell

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AND KEEP YOU OUT OF DANGER
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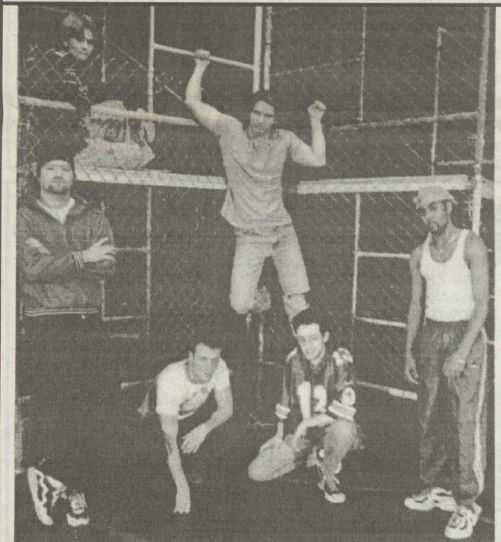
WHEN EVIL OVERCOMES YOU
OR YOU DECIDE TO STRAY
THE ANGEL THERE BESIDE YOU
CAN ONLY WATCH AND PRAY

A BODY GUARD IS HELPLESS
IF YOU STRAY FROM THE PATH
HE CANNOT PROTECT YOU
FROM SOMEONE ELSE'S WRATH

THE GUARANTEE OF SAFETY
IS SLIM OR NONE AT BEST
IF YOU DON'T DO THE THINGS YOU SHOULD
YOUR ANGEL TAKES A REST

SIGNED: OLD MAN OF THE WOODS

Frank Roberts Theatre and NMU Present "West Side Story"



"COOL, BOY" Jet gang members, Diesel (Jeri Belmont, Philadelphia, PA graduate student), Baby John (Jason Cowell, Marquette 8th grader), Action (Rod Vermeulen, Holland junior) Riff (Jon Manto, Negaunee alum), Big Deal (John Maxwell, Livonia Junior), and A-Rab (Marlon Culpepper, Milwaukee freshman) prepare for a rumble in a scene from *West Side Story*, the fourth production in the Forest Roberts Theatre *When Cultures Collide* season. It runs February 17-20 at 7:30 p.m. and February 25-27 at 7:30 p.m. with matinee performances on February 20 & 27 at 1:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the FRT box office or at any EZ Tickets outlet. For more information call 227-2082 weekdays noon to 5. "West Side Story" contains scenes of graphic violence and adult subject matter. PARENTAL DISCRETION IS ADVISED

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GRAND MARAIS INGENUITY

By Pickle

It was around the year of 1954 when we bought our first house, which was next to the Catholic Church. I decided to put in a central heating system as it just had wood stoves, we bought a wood furnace that I installed after many headaches.

Well it did a good job of heating the house until we had a blizzard, at that time all we had was gravity heat as we had no electric power to run the fan for circulating the hot air. I got an idea how to remedy that; we had an old Singer pump sewing machine. To make the hot air circulate I took the belt off the sewing machine and replaced it with a longer belt. I removed the side of the furnace opposite the fan and installed the belt from the sewing machine around the pulley on the fan.

Every hour during the blizzard I would go down to the basement and sit on a chair and pump for about five minutes until the houses temperature went up to normal. Then I would go back up stairs for another hour. These are things you have to do when you live in Grand Marais and you have the unexpected.

Another true story,

Pickle

Join The Grand Marais W~~e~~ man's Club!

Dues are \$10.00 per year. Volunteers are needed, and will be greatly appreciated, to help with club projects. You needn't be a member to attend.

Meetings are the 2nd
Thursday of each month.
call Martha Smith for
information 494-2542

FUTURE DOINGS OF THE GRAND MARAIS WOMEN'S CLUB

March 3, 1999, 5:30 p.m.,
Recreation Center, Volun-
teers' Dinner.

May 31, 1999, after
Memorial Day Celebration
in G.M., Pot Luck Lun-
cheon at the Recreation
Center

Where are they now?

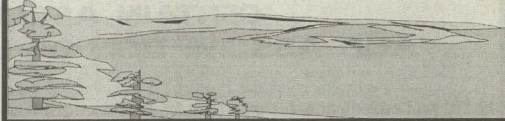
Where are the children who have moved from Grand Marais to other cities and towns to pursue their goals? Have they gone overseas? Moved to California? Stayed in the U.P.?

Send us a story and a picture if you have one. (SASE).

Or email:

terranceh@earthlink.net

AROUND THE BAY: BY EVELYN MORRISON



We all enjoy the snow here, but when it starts to lightning and thunder in February we all know our weather is crazy! Don't worry snowmobile lovers we still have snow. Just packed a little tighter. It was nice to see Nadine and Chris Bailey in for the Benefit Dinner that was held at the Sportsman's Restaurant for Devon Rohn. It was a terrific turn out and I will say for the family they were very thankful for the support they are all getting. The Lake Superior Brewing Company also had the Seney Social Club Jammers in to raise money for Devon. The Jammers are always willing to help people in need. Thank you to all of you that helped pull that together.

Cabin Fever was a delight this year. With the snowmobile poker run, cardboard sled race, snowshoe poker run, chili feed, and a great time at the Lake Superior Brewing Co. with live music by Dr. Young Dog and the Rock Therapist. Wonderful music by Al Young.

Sunday was "Chocolate Sunday". How wonderful sampling all the goodies that were made by the best cooks in town.

In for the weekend were Terry Hardy from Grand Rapids and rumor has it that he enjoyed the company of Julie Poniatowski also of Grand Raids. What will Dan think!

Connie Richardson from Algonac was a weekend visitor popping in and out of the Green House on occasion. We all enjoyed making a sled for the

cardboard race and even went for a few rides.

Daughter Wendy came up from Alpena for the weekend with friend Steve Sole. This was Steve's first visit to Grand Marais. Hope we didn't scare him too bad, but he seemed receptive to come back. Tony and Tracy Block were in town for the weekend from Manistique. Jason Bridgeford was in town for a visit before he heads to Germany for 3 years. Good luck.

Got a message from Lois and Jim Leavenworth. They have another grandchild. Born January 29, baby girl, 7 lbs. 8 oz. to their oldest son Sherman, and his wife Catherine, who live in Terryville, Ct. Her name is

Kassie Ann and her hair is red like her Grandma's!

Walt Hampton, along with daughter & son-in-law, Jan & Dave Miechiels enjoyed spending some time at the Miechiels' cabin recently. It's always good to visit Grand Marais. Walt had his first snowmobiling experience, both riding and driving. The trails were well maintained and the weather was beautiful. He also enjoyed visiting with friends in the area.

Happy Birthday to Katie Mead, Mimi Ostander, Bob Stocking, Ali Sibbald, Billy Branch, Jenny Weiss, and Gram Bean.

If you have any news for the Around The Bay you can email me at emorriso@up.net or contact the Gazette.

Keep on smiling..... Evie

FAMILY SCIENCE DAY

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, Sunday,
March 7th, 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

For more information, call 387-2607

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A DEDICATED TEACHER

This article was sent to me from a couple of friends in Cedarville, MI and I would to share it with the people of Grand Marais. This is a tribute to Mrs. Lynn Farnquist, and to our Grand Marais High School. Mrs. Farnquist is a graduate of Grand Marais High school.

Argie Thorrington
Grand Marisa, MI

To the Editor:

In this day and age when teachers attempt to educate students by simply giving them notes and homework, there is a teacher at Brimley High School that is using unique and personalized methods to educate her students.

Mrs. Lynn Farnquist is a high school English teacher that will go out of her way to make sure the individual student actually understands the subject. I have had Mrs. Farnquist as a class advisor

since the seventh grade and as an English teacher my sophomore and senior years. She has gone to any means to make sure that my classmates and I grasp concepts, including making up a rap song about comma rules. Her charismatic methods of teaching have caused me to actually look forward to my English class every day. Mrs. Farnquist is no slouch by any means. (Trust me) She pushes her students with constructive criticism and always challenges them to try harder. Along with teaching Reading and English, she teaches the little lessons we all need to succeed in life. Many of those lessons have been left out of the classrooms in the recent past.

I am a senior at Brimley and will graduate on June 6. Many of the things I will miss at this school can be attached to Mrs. Farnquist. Her little puns and

grammar jokes always put a bright spot on my days. Her incredible enthusiasm about Shakespeare has rubbed off on me and will be sorely missed as I enter college. I cannot help praising Mrs. Farnquist for turning me on to many types of literature and poetry. She has been an intricate part to my successes in high school as well as others' successes.

Sadly, there will not be many more teachers like Mrs. Farnquist. She is part of a dying breed of teachers that truly care. If there were more teachers like her, the future of this nation would be much brighter.

Bryan T. Newland
Brimley, MI

Mrs. Farnquist is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Lundquist. She is a teacher in Brimley High School

Large Company and Small Town Work Together to Realize Economic Benefit of Snowmobiling

By Karen Bryzs

When a brand new Tucker snowmobile trail groomer was put into service in December by the Grand Marais Chamber of Commerce, there were some unforeseen problems. The arctic temperatures combined with nearly 150 inches of snow in a two-week period caused severe icing in the redesigned track mechanism, stopping the \$100,000 piece of equipment in its tracks. "The conditions endured by the equipment were extreme even for the Lake Superior shoreline," explains David Cook, the snowmobile trail program's operations manager. He knew immediately that these rare conditions had probably not been available to the manufacturer for testing the new rubber track design, so he con-

tacted both the distributor in Wisconsin as well as the manufacturer, Tucker Sno-Cat Corporation, in Medford, Oregon. Although program team members were confident that the design issues would be resolved, they were worried about grooming 130 miles of snowmobile trails per night with only their well-used, older model Tucker. The concerns were increased by the fact that everyone expected record numbers of snowmobilers due to pent up demand caused by lack of snow last year.

"LARGE COMPANY AND SMALL TOWN"

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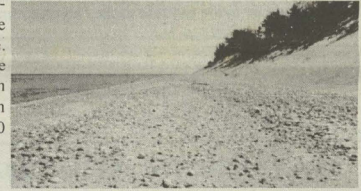


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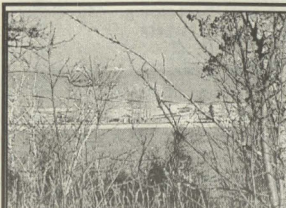
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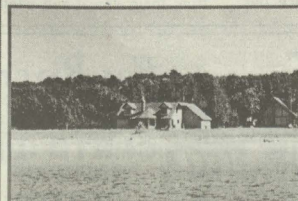


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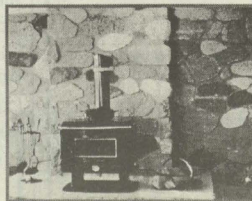
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A benefit fish fry dinner was held the Sportsman's Restaurant Thursday night for Devon Rohn grandchild of Bill and Celeste Bailey. It truly was a complete success with the cooperation of the townspeople and surrounding communities. Special thanks to Tom and Sandy Gearhart, owners of the Sportsman's, for supporting this wonderful project. Thanks to the wait staff that volunteered their time to help out, to some of the business that contributed food and money. The delicious desserts were provided by the church women of the community. Kudo to Dave Cook and his many helpers for doing a great job with the fish.



Seney Social Club Jammers "help people in need" according to one of the members. "We enjoy what we do and are glad to help out." That they did, on Friday night, in the Lake Superior Brewing Co. the Jammers played for the benefit of Devon. Donations can be sent to the North Country Bank and Trust in Grand Marais. If you would like to help the family get a wheel chair and other need equipment and therapy for Devon, the bank's address is North Country Bank and Trust, PO Box 412, Grand Marais, Michigan, 49839-0412. Checks should be made payable to the Devon Rohn fund.

It takes courage to grow up and turn out to be who you really are.
E. E. Cummings

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DO THE RIGHT THING

By Lee Goewey

"The mere existence of conservatives should be proof enough to liberals of the fallacy of their belief in the perfectibility of mankind."

The U.S. Senate has done its duty after its own lights and acquitted the president on the charges presented for trial after the House impeachment.

In a poll-driven stampede and in defiance of reason and common sense, the Senate Democrats, aided by a gaggle of "moderate" Republicans, dealt a convincing defeat to the people of the United States and the rule of law in voting down the count of perjury under oath by a 55 to 45 margin and dividing evenly on the question of obstruction of justice. Neither vote came anywhere close to the 2/3 majority necessary to convict.

Nowhere was the rationale for the "not guilty" votes more clearly expressed than by Senator Joseph Lieberman, (D) Conn. Interviewed not long after the trial, the poor man was asked if he'd ever considered voting to convict. He confessed that every time he came near to the facts and thought hard about them, he was filled with fear and foreboding; the implication was that it had made him sick with anxiety, and it was at these times, he said, that he came close to voting to convict. As I interpret this, salvation came to Lieberman through fleeing from the facts and retreating to the comfort zone of polling data, in which environment he could once more breathe easily, and thus unashamedly vote to acquit.

Lieberman's predicament and means of escape is a further demonstration of the "Riley rationale" I resurrected and presented for your approbation several weeks ago: "DON'T CONFUSE ME WITH D' FACTS! ME HEAD'S MADE UP!"

The Democrats have, predictably, maintained virtual unity in supporting and "saving" their tarnished leader. The Republicans, on the other hand, have displayed all the cohesion and discipline of a herd of cats, especially in the Senate. Republican direction and resolve was shattered several winters ago when Clinton shut the government down over a budget dispute and successfully blamed it on them. Unable to effectively refute this calumny, they were similarly paralyzed and inarticulate in answering egregious claims that they would take school lunches from the mouths of our children, poison the air and water, reduce our

grandparents to eating Alpo and denying them medical care while throwing them out into the streets to die.

Unable to effectively defend their own Speaker in the House against a blizzard of over 70 spurious claims of impropriety, House Republicans finally let him be figuratively lynched on one charge of violating IRS rules. Just a week or so ago, the IRS itself belatedly released findings that there was no merit to the charge and no liability on the part of Mr. Gingrich, although he had been forced into a corner at the time and badgered into paying \$300,000.00 to "make up for all the time and trouble he had caused the House Ethics Committee" by his make-believe misconduct. Never again able to effectively lead the house, Gingrich resigned in despair last year.

I am tired of the Republican Party being "The Stupid Party." I am tired of the Republican Party being "The Gang that Couldn't Shoot Straight." I am tired of the Republican Party "snatching defeat from the jaws of victory" yet one more time! I AM TIRED OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY BEING THE MINORITY-MINDSET, LOSER-MENTALITY, God-forsaken Old Party OF THE BOBSEYTWINS, DOLE AND MICHEL!

If the GOP is to survive, it needs men and women who know who they are and what they believe when they wake up and look in the mirror every morning. It needs men and women with goals and convictions who are relentless and articulate in presenting and defending them. It needs men and women who are unafraid of polls and zealous in their defense of our constitution and our unalienable rights to life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness and the rule of law. It needs men and women who are fearless and undaunted in the practice and protection of what is moral and right, whether they are engaged in a winning or losing cause. To their credit, the House Republicans' Floor Managers and Rep. Henry Hyde showed these commendable traits in the foredoomed course of the Senate trial.

The Democrats' monolithic defense of the tainted Clinton taints them, as well. Recovery from their ethical and intellec-

tual excursion into moral and ideological bankruptcy will be protracted. In the meantime, the Republicans offer little but "Donkey LITE."

Please, DO THE RIGHT THING and encourage anyone in public office, regardless of party, who displays the virtues cited above, which we so desperately need in civic life. Continued governance by polling results is a guaranteed recipe for disaster. If you doubt that we should rely on honorable and committed politicians (it is not an oxymoron; they do exist!) to conduct our public business in the absence of continuous and uninformed backseat driving from us through polls, then you'd probably want a majority of your neighbors to tell your neuro-surgeon how to deal with your brain aneurysm. In the meantime, we are getting exactly the kind of government we deserve.

You may agree or disagree with me, but if you would change the status quo, then the important thing is to educate yourself on the issues of concern to you and convey your beliefs and expectations for action to your public servants in a courteous manner. You may reach them, both Federal and State, at the following addresses: Don't forget to include your address and phone number if you write:

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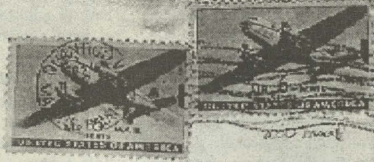
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Respectfully,
Lois Pilon
SECRETARY
UP RURAL LETTER CARRIERS

Dear Editor,

Greetings to Grand Marais from one of your long-time admirers and out-of-town subscribers. I'm writing this to offer both congratulations and wishes of good luck to Tom & Sandy Gearhart with their recent purchase of the Sportsman's Restaurant. I look forward to visiting the Sportsman's each time I visit Grand Marais, and I'm glad to see that it will continue.

You may be interested in how I've developed such an interest in Grand Marais. When I was a child, I visited Grand Marais several times while camping in Michigan with my Grandparents. It struck me then as a very special place. I have several fond memories of the bay, the dunes, the lighthouse, the point, the bears at the landfill, etc. We usually camped in either Woodland Park, or Superior Park east

of town. All the memories are both re-confirmed and re-energized each time I visit.

I make a strong effort to visit Grand Marais at least once per year, usually in October. I've been visiting regularly for 25 years. I still camp in a small tent (this explains why my wife encourages me to go alone!). I enjoy blending in, as best I can, and experiencing all the little things that make your town so special to me. Out of respect to the residents, I make my visits discretely and inconspicuously. I don't want to be a "tourist", I like to feel I "belong", if only a little. I've always felt most welcome, with friendliness the norm. I do make every effort to support the businesses with all possible purchases. (I do miss the blueberry pies from Mrs.... Lefebvre.) (that's Shirley Kirkens - ed.)

As a Director now with a large, multi-national, Fortune 500 corporation, and responsible for all International Business, I've traveled extensively on each continent. I've circled the globe numerous times, with several million air miles to prove it! Even so, Grand Marais continues to be one of my favorite places. No one there should take for granted their good fortune to live in such a place, and I would encourage the young people to find a way to stay!

I enjoy the Gazette very

much. I especially enjoy any articles about the history of the area, the lake, the breakwater, the Coast Guard, wildlife, hunting/fishing, logging, the weather log, and other similar-type articles. I encourage you to write more of these.

Thanks again for the memories, looking forward to my next visit.

D.W. Stone
Indiana

SELF

The most difficult things to face in life are the things you do not like about yourself. Not your ears, legs, hair or those habits and abilities you feel are not up to par. It is the ugly little things you know about yourself that needs a good long look. You recognize it when you see it in others, but you make excuses for yourself. You may go to any length to cover a short-coming, while you quickly point out the ills of another. Since the very thing you want to hide is the thing that shows itself, you need to be able to say, "I know that and I'm working on it!" It takes a loving heart, a willing mind, and a sensitive spirit to get to the core of the self. But when you do, you can root out the seed of ugliness.

Iyanla Vanzant
Excerpt from "Acts of Faith"

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JIM

It is over ! Anyone who believes that needs a proctologist to remove his or her head from its present location. They can join those who believe that this country has not been hurt by this fiasco. By the time that these and a few others get there the waiting room ought to be quite full.

Anyone common enough to believe in the polls was not surprised at the final results of the votes on the two articles of impeachment. There were a few votes that were somewhat unexpected and maybe the totals were a vote or two from the polls prediction but anyone who was shocked at either the results or the almost completely partisan manner of voting belongs in the aforementioned waiting room.

The statements made by most Senators and Congressmen after the votes must have been directed at the "waiting room" people. They belittle the intellect of the citizens when they expect us to believe some of the crap they spread and if they believe what they are saying I suggest that they take a number

in the waiting room. Statements such as : "We all voted our conscience.", "It was non partisan", "We did our job according to the Constitution", "It is over, we will put it behind us now and go back to working for the good of the people", and many others equally ridiculous ; confirms the validity of the polls which show the low opinion the people have of our political leaders.

Now that there is a pause in the action I have given some thought to what might have happened "if". If it only took 51 votes to convict ? If the masses had not been against conviction as shown by the polls ? If the right wing radicals who ran this inquisition had been even a little open minded and fair? If the left wing radicals had not done everything in their power to confuse and distort ? If the people who were responsible for writing the provisions for impeachment weren't much wiser than those who abused it ? If the elephants hadn't helped elect Slick by their infighting ? If Slick had behaved or at least been more intelligent than his libido ? I guess those are all

moot questions but they do give me pause.

There were some positive outcomes of this fiasco . We should have renewed confidence in the wisdom and power of our Constitution. We should know a little more about the Constitution especially the impeachment process part. The fact that most politicians are owned by their party should be clear to all except those in the waiting room and those who belong there.

On the other hand we have some negative repercussions because of it. We lost a Speaker of the House and a Speaker Elect. We discovered that a smut king can affect the makeup of our House. We found out that a lot of people are enthralled with explicit sex. We have had a non-functioning legislative and handicapped executive branch of government for a year (that may actually be a plus). We now have an angry right and left with little hope of any real desire to work together but maybe that should have been expected.

Only time will tell what the full effect of this will be. The history books, depending upon who writes them, may or may not treat the principals of the impeachment kindly. It is certain to have an effect on future elections and decisions and that can be good or bad. I certainly

found it to be interesting but I hope that this country doesn't have to go through it again for at least another one hundred years.

In the midst of all this "Falwell the fagslayer" is trying to protect our children from Tinky Winky and the rest of the Tele-Tubby degenerates. Huh! When I first heard the blip on the news I had no idea what a Tele-Tubby was and certainly didn't know that Tinky Winky was gay. With a little research I discovered that the Tele-Tubbys are a young children's show on PBS and that Tinky Winky is a character on the show. Because T.W. is purple, has a triangle on his head and carries a bag of magic (a purse according to the fagslayer) Falwell has declared him gay and therefore a menace to society in general and our children in particular. I haven't had a chance to watch the show yet but doubt that Tinky Winky is damaging our children much. Remember this is the same Fallwell who recently said that the "Anti-Christ was alive and well and residing in the body of a Jewish boy. The same Fallwell who advertised for stories of sex and Slick. The fagslayer and others like him should emulate Mother Theresa and Ghandi by feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless and administering to the sick instead of protecting us from imaginary bogeymen. If the Religious Right wants to maintain any credibility they would be wise to disown people like this and spend more time on God's children and less on politics.

I don't know many details about the pending state takeover of the Detroit School District but I heard a little about it on a

news show on the gay network (PBS). One of the commentators said it looked like another Engler steam roller takeover project. From my days on the school board here I am well aware that Detroit's schools are rated at the bottom in this state and near the bottom nationally. My obvious question is why does Adolph think that he can do anything to improve Detroit's problem? During Adolph's reign he has done nothing to improve the state's school system- it ain't a prison after all, If he and his henchmen think that they can improve the situation why have they waited for ten years to implement the plan? If I had kids going to school in Detroit I would certainly be looking for help but having Adolph as my savior would not be my choice. More on this later.

And finally. The benefit for Devon Rohn was a prime example of how this community can come together for a deserving cause. The fish dinner was as good as or better than any that I have attended. I commend everyone who helped in any way. Too bad this isn't standard operating procedure for everything here, but then when it did happen it wouldn't be so beautiful.

I was in Marquette last week to help Poo and Boo look at a house. While there I got a chance to see Lizzard, Doc, Hoo, and Too ; they were in need of a little grandpa discipline. Only got to talk to Dizzy on the phone. My old daughter-in-law says that she lost something; I'm not sure. Twenty-two twenty shilling pieces, does she think that I belong in the waiting room?

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Hungry Jim

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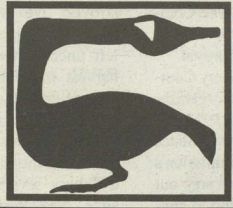
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My Life

by Josh Hicks

I see my life as one big long day
and I see that forever I cannot stay,
The day carries on like a really long night.
The day is very bright hence it does not
take long before someone turns off the light,
And then that is it: you are dead in the night.

The place I long for
is the place I shall die.
When I shall reach it, there will be no stores
for the place I reach for is a waving field full of rye.

You mustn't take life for granted
it is a very untrustworthy thing
you cannot predict it and it does not ring
when the time is up. For a person is like a
puppet always moving but still on a string.

Like the stars gleaming in the night sky
I shall be put to rest someday to die.
My life is fulfilled all my goals are done
so I guess I must start my never ending
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President's FY 2000 Budget Includes Increased Funding for Great Lakes Sea Lamprey Control

Additional U. S. funds critical to Great Lakes fishery protection

Ann Arbor, MI—Sea lamprey control on the Great Lakes will receive a much-needed boost thanks to a \$1 million increase proposed in President Clinton's fiscal year 2000 budget, which was released today. The budget, which proposes a U.S. contribution to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission of \$9.353 million, coupled with a proposed increase in funds recommended by a Canadian Parliamentary committee, will allow the commission to meet many of its fishery rehabilitation challenges including sea lamprey control on the St. Mary's River and treatment of sea lamprey producing streams in the Great Lakes.

"The President's budget is exciting news for the Great Lakes fishery," said commission Vice-Chair Bernie Hansen. "If approved by Congress, the additional funds will allow the commission to deliver better sea lamprey control on the Great Lakes and to ensure continued control on the St. Mary's River. Every dollar spent on sea lamprey control generates \$17 dollars in economic return, so sea lamprey control makes good economic sense. Thus, these efforts not only protect the fishery from the destructive sea lamprey, but they also stimulate additional economic activity."

U.S. Section Chair Dave

Dempsey added: "We applaud the administration for proposing these additional funds, which will be a tremendous benefit to the Great Lakes fishery and to the environment. The President's budget will allow us to take significant steps forward with aggressive sea lamprey control, critical fisheries research, habitat protection, and sea lamprey control on the St. Mary's River."

Last fall, the Canadian Parliament's Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans, after holding field hearings throughout the Great Lakes region, called for its government to commit at least CDN \$8 million

annually for the commission's work, a substantial increase from current levels. The Committee's recommendation requires Parliament's approval.

The Great Lakes Fishery Commission is a binational organization established in 1955 by treaty between the United States and Canada. The commission's primary duties are to carry out sea lamprey control and to conduct fisheries research. The commission also facilitates coordinated fisheries management through the Joint Strategic Plan for Management of Great Lakes Fisheries.

The commission was formed primarily in response to the sea

lamprey invasion of the 1920s and 1930s which nearly destroyed the valuable Great Lakes fishery. Sea lampreys, left uncontrolled, reduced fish harvest from about 17 million pounds annually to almost nothing. Many native fish species of the Great Lakes were driven to near extinction, contributing to a fishery severely out of balance. Sea lamprey control and other programs carried out by the commission have reduced sea lamprey populations by 90% in the Great Lakes, have produced world-class scientific fisheries research, and are key to the success of today's sport, commercial, and tribal fisheries.



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WELKER'S RESORT: Located on Coast Guard Point this resort is a complete facility. Indoor swimming pool, sauna, hot tub, gift shop, and restaurant with liquor license. Open year round for snowmobilers, the growth potential is fantastic. There are 42 units at the present time with room to expand. Ed Bowen must be present for all showings.

COMMERCIAL BUILDING ON M-77: This is the former location of the Wilson Gas Station. It has plenty of exposure and would be ideal for a business that needs a high traffic count.

THE SPORTSMAN'S RESTAURANT IN DOWNTOWN GRAND MARAIS: This landmark family dining establishment is located in the heart of the business district within walking distance of the Township Beach. Reasonably priced, call Ed for details.

THE VOYAGEURS MOTEL: This almost new motel comes complete with an adjoining sauna and spa. The owner has built a new home with three bedrooms and two full baths. The view of Grand Marais Bay is breathtaking. This is a well established business with an excellent year round gross and plenty of room to expand.

FANTASTIC HUNTING CAMP: 20 acres adjoining corporate land. Two miles south of Grand Marais on M-77. Nice vertical log cabin with three bedrooms and two living rooms. Priced in Mid Sixties.

HOME ON M-77 TWO MILES SOUTH OF TOWN: A great amount of work has been done over the winter to make this home a very comfortable. Some of the new features include a gas furnace, air heating system, drain field, water heater, and refinished rooms. Two bedrooms, a nice living room, and bath has been remodeled. A large basement and a good sized attic provide a lot of storage space. \$49,500

40 ACRES 2 MILES SOUTHWEST OF GRAND MARAIS: Located on a county road, good deer hunting, and next to corporate land.

THREE BEDROOM OVERLOOKING GRAND MARAIS BAY: This home is located in the downtown area right across from the Township water frontage and swimming beach. Beautiful views of the water. New fireplace, large den and a 2 1/2 car garage. Priced in the eighties.

HOME AND POLE BARN EAST OF GRAND MARAIS: Located on Cemetery Hill Road this lovely home has 3 bedrooms, large bath, beautiful living room, and a great view of Lake Superior. Pole barn is 24' x 36' and property is approximately 1 acre in size. \$82,500

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A RARE FIND IN GRAND MARAIS: Forty wooded acres with like new three bedroom, two bath home. New pole barn and also two older barns on property. Zoned for resort cabins or motel this is an ideal location for a nice resort at the edge of town. From the top of the hill there are views of Lake Superior and Grand Marais Bay. Horses, corporate getaway, or just a quiet retreat, this has it all. Call Ed for a special showing.

A SNOWMOBILERS PARADISE: Located on Highway M-77, this 33 acre wooded parcel has it all! There is a five acre pond with a small stream, a nice two bedroom cottage, and a guest cabin for when extra company arrives. Nestled in the heart of snowmobile country, the trails are close by and the snow is deep. Price is only \$85,000.

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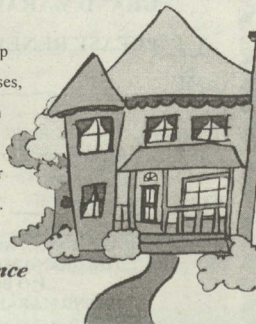
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These worries were quickly dissipated, due to an immediate response by the manufacturer. Over the next couple of days, Tucker used the information supplied by the Grand Marais groomer program to redesign and manufacture new parts, which were sent over night from Oregon to the upper peninsula -- a task that is not easily accomplished. The manufacturer's President and General Manager, James Tucker, also traveled to Grand Marais to help local residents retrofit the new parts. This quick and effective response by Tucker explains why this company is the world's leading manufacturer of snowmobile trail grooming equipment. The CEO of Tucker, Maralee Tucker Sullivan, comments that the company is a family owned business. "There are four generations of Tuckers that have always made sure that everything possible is done to make the customer happy." She also emphasizes that the company stands behind its equipment because it knows the groomers must be dependable to allow local organizations to capitalize on the economic impact of the snowmobiling industry.

This economic impact has grown considerably since snowmobiles were first mass-produced in the 1960s. The International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association reports that last year, total annual expenditures by snowmobilers in North America exceeded \$9 billion. Over the last six years, the number of snowmobiles sold has almost doubled. In Michigan, the economic impact of snowmo-

biling is extensive. There are more registered snowmobiles in Michigan than any other state. A study conducted by Michigan State University in 1998 shows that the average snowmobiler spends \$4,218 annually on snowmobiling activity and equipment. Thus, the 290,000 snowmobilers in Michigan generate over \$1 billion of economic impact each year.

The Chamber of Commerce's acting president, Chris Sarver, confirms that snowmobiling is essential to the economic survival of Grand Marais. Local studies, he claims, have shown that 75 percent of the jobs in town are supported directly by tourism, while the remaining 25 percent are indirectly supported since they exist to serve town residents. These studies have also shown that if local businesses do not generate snowmobiling revenue from December through March, all businesses in town would be significantly impacted: most would be forced to go under. "The days of purchasing and operating a business in a tourism-dependent town like Grand Marais on summer revenue alone," explains Sarver, "are long since over. Almost 40 percent of the annual sales of most Grand Marais businesses result from the snowmobiling industry. Without this revenue, business owners would not be able to pay their bills," clarifies Sarver.

Thus, it is easy to understand why members of the Grand Marais Snowmobile Trail Grooming Program, a subcommittee of the chamber, were pleased that a large company would come through to help their small community. One of the

co-chairs, Edward Bowen, conveys that Tucker's impressive response has allowed their program to keep up with trail maintenance. "Because we have increased the number of trails for which we are responsible, we need two pieces of equipment to groom the trails at least five nights a week", says Bowen. "If equipment breaks down, we cannot keep up with the large snowfalls, blowing and drifting, and up to 3,000 sleds a day. If we can't maintain trails properly, snowmobilers will stop coming. We also risk losing reimbursement from the Department of Natural Resources, the agency that generates program funding through the sale of mandatory trail stickers."

It is probably not a coincidence that this small 400-person town in which most residents are either related to town founders or have significant long-term ties to Grand Marais, can work well with a family-owned company to take care of mutual needs. Tucker Sno-Cat helps Grand Marais to keep its equipment on the trail-. Grand Marais residents help Tucker to fine-tune and test new equipment designs. It is this kind of cooperative relationship that will ensure the success of both groups.

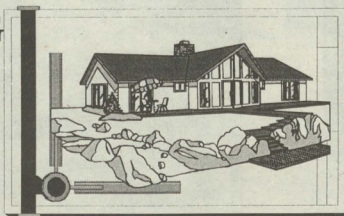
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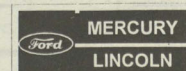
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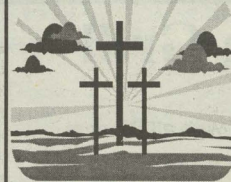
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