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Legends Still Hint of Gold Near Poverty Island

by William Keefe

*"Fifteen men on a dead mans chest,
Yo-ho-ho and a bottle of rum,
Drink and the devil had done for the rest,
Yo-ho-ho and a bottle of rum!"*

From Treasure Island, by R. L. Stevenson

The island reeks of estrangement from the world, of desolation. Lying in northwestern Lake Michigan, it once was home to lightkeepers and their families.

A lighthouse with an attached shacklike residence still stands near the island's northeastern shore. The keepers and their families departed long ago—in 1957, when the U.S. Coast Guard automated the revolving light. Now the deserted, inactive lighthouse remains as a forlorn reminder that the commerce of the Great Lakes once passed this way.

Nature has sown killer shoals in the waters around Poverty Island, providing one good reason for its isolation. But the island itself seems to prefer privacy. It has no natural harbors, a rocky soil, and scrubby

vegetation. Many of its trees have become gnarled and bent under the pushing and pounding of pickpocket winds that make this region their natural habitat. Waves running habitually at four and five feet buffet the rock-ribbed shoreline, completing the litany of hazards for boaters.

Ironically, the waters off Poverty Island may be hiding a fortune in gold. For many, the old legends about lost treasures are fumes of fantasy, dreams born of greed. For Steven J. Libert of Chantilly, Virginia, and Charlevoix, Michigan, one version of the legends rates a 10 on a plausibility scale.

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Against a backdrop of dramatic clouds, the Poverty island lighthouse and onetime keeper's residence present an image of desolation.



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Libert may know whereof he believes and speaks. He has been researching various aspects of the sunken treasure story for more than 23 years. Since 1980

he has made "hundreds" of dives in the Poverty Island area, searching with modern equipment for a cache of *yellow* that may be worth as much as \$200 million.. or as little as \$4 or \$5 million.

Since 1994 Libert and his associates in Fairport International Exploration, Inc. have resorted to law five times. Their goal: to compel the State of Michigan to issue a salvage permit that would enable the organization legally to recover any treasure that they might find on the rocky lake bottom near Poverty Island. The island, of course, is part of Michigan. Like many states, Michigan regards as cultural treasures the sunken ships and their contents that lie in state waters.

The case of Fairport International *vs.* the State of Michigan first appeared in the records of the United States District Court in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Fairport sought a judicial decision that would enable Libert and associates to dive on and salvage whatever they might find on the "yacht-schooner" *Captain Lawrence*, a 60-plus-foot craft that foundered on Poverty Island's rocky shore in 1933.

The *Lawrence*, owned at the time of its loss by

Milwaukeean Wilfred Behrens, was searching for the legendary Poverty Island gold at the time it sank. Libert—and Fairport—believe that Behrens had found the treasure ship of legend, and may have recovered some of the gold. At the least the *Lawrence's* logbook would provide clues both to what Behrens was seeking and where it was located.

Attorneys representing Michigan argued that Behrens had abandoned his ship after it sank. If that was true, the ship and its contents belonged to the state under the terms of the Abandoned Shipwreck Act of 1987. The Grand Rapids court held for the state.

By the late 1990s the case had would its way to the United States Supreme Court. That court in late 1999 held that the Grand Rapids judges had applied the wrong standard in assessing the issue of abandonment. Instead of requiring proof of abandonment by a *preponderance of the evidence*, the High Court said, the evidentiary proof had to be convincing *beyond a reasonable doubt*.

What appeared to be a victory for Fairport made no immediate difference. The Grand Rapids court refused to rehear the case, suggesting that "The evidence, although circumstantial, clearly demonstrates Wilfred Behrens' intent to abandon the vessel."

On January 23, 2001, the case went before the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati, Ohio.



Half-submerged, the *Captain Lawrence* lies in the Menominee River in Milwaukee. The "schooner-yacht" later became the property of Wilfred Behrens, who refloated the craft. (Photo courtesy Marine Historical Collection, Milwaukee Public Library)

Libert and Fairport were again putting their money where their belief is. A decision may not come for six to 12 months.

"There's something down there," says Libert as he awaits the Cincinnati court's decision, "and it's on the *Captain Lawrence*." How does he know that? He has been within an arm's-length of confirming that there's gold in the restless waters.

A Background in Legend

Convictions as strong as those that motivate Libert and Fairport must have some pretty strong foundations—or so one has to believe. The associates in the salvage group have spent tens, even hundreds, of thousands of dollars and Libert has spent years of his life researching and looking for the mythic gold hoard. On what does he base his impassioned belief? A map analyst for the federal government, he is nothing if not pragmatic.

He speaks sparingly of what he has uncovered in libraries and dusty archives. But he maintains that a ship carrying gold—four or five chests of it—was

traversing the area around Poverty Island during the War of 1812. A single line in a court record provides a clue to what happened that fateful day. "Don't give up the ship," ordered Captain James Lawrence in 1813 as HMS *Shannon* engaged his frigate *Chesapeake*." There is no further reference to the *Chesapeake* in any court record or elsewhere. The name does not appear in the book Wild Gales and Tattered Sails by Paul J. Creviere of De Pere, Wisconsin, by far the most comprehensive cataloguing of the shipwrecks that carpet northwestern Lake Michigan. But Creviere has his own theory of how a United States Navy ship became the victim of a British warship during the War of 1812.

"The *Chesapeake* account sounds as if it was taken from the story of the actual *Chesapeake* that was seized by the British in the North Atlantic during the War of 1812," said Creviere in a personal interview. "The captain reportedly just stepped aside and allowed the British sailors to board. It's a black chapter in our Navy's history. But it sounds as if someone took a piece of that story and set it in the Great Lakes."

Interpreting, the Creviere explanation suggests that there was no gold ship in Lake Michigan in 1813—and that no alleged treasure was on the way from France (or elsewhere) to help the young United States finance the war. But Libert has his own sources; he has also talked to a member of Behrens' crew who confirmed that the late captain was searching for the 1813 treasure. Behrens, according to the same crew member, had found one of the chests. It had gone to the bottom with the *Lawrence*.

A second version of the gold ship legend has a different shipwreck occurring during the Civil War, about 1864 or 1865. An independent researcher, Kelly C. Gruesbeck, has summarized the Civil War-era incident in these terms:

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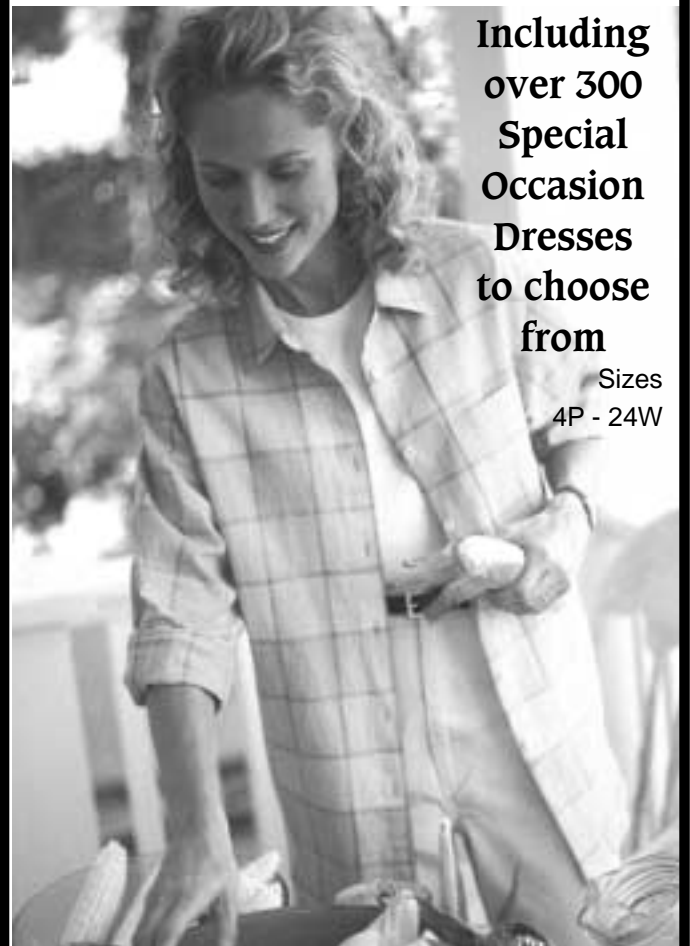
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Although there are several versions of the tale, the version most widely acknowledged in local lore claims that a large loan to the Confederacy—\$4.5 million in gold—was being shipped from France through the Great Lakes and south to Richmond.

Just as the ship rounded Poverty Island, a band of Canadian pirates attacked the ship, killed the crew, and set the vessel on fire. Before she sank, the captain ordered five chests of gold to be chained together and thrown overboard in relatively shallow water, keeping them out of pirate hands and increasing the hope that the gold could later be snagged and recovered by the ship's crew. Though the crew may have survived the attack, no one from the original ship ever returned to search for the lost gold. . . .

Other treasure ship accounts have surfaced from time to time. None supersedes the account that Libert has related in court appearances beginning in 1994: that the late Captain Behrens had found, and immediately lost, part of a gold shipment that had lain in Lake Michigan since 1813.

No one disputes the fact that the *Captain Lawrence* existed. It appears in the archives of the Herbert G.

Runge Collection of the Milwaukee Public Library. Her Ship Information and Data Record indicates that one Horace J. Conley built the two-masted "schooner-yacht" in Green Bay, Wisconsin in 1898 naming her *Alice*. In 1919 she underwent some reconstruction in Milwaukee's South Shipyard, at that time acquiring a gas engine and the new name, *Captain Lawrence*. From 1924 to 1931 the ship served as a training vessel for the Sea Scouts.

According to the record the 39-ton ship was 60.8 feet long, with a beam of slightly more than 16 feet. Some other estimates give her length as 65 or 70 feet. Behrens apparently bought her as a derelict, half-sunk in the Menominee River, in 1931. A "passionate" shipwreck hunter according to his daughters, Behrens combed the waters off Poverty Island in the summers of 1931, 1932, and 1933.

"On September 19, 1933," notes the Milwaukee Public Library record, "she stranded on Poverty Island, Lake Michigan, while on a cruise. . ." In the storm that terminated the *Lawrence's* log, the crew of four, including Behrens, made it to dry land safely. The dry land was Poverty Island.

Some evidence suggests that Behrens and his crew



A dive is in preparation as Steve Libert and fellow divers check their gear and the water near Poverty Island.



The dive begins. With an air tank strapped to his back, the diver starts down into cold depths.



Dressed for a dive, a member of the Fairport International team prepares to descend into waters that may be 80-100 feet deep.

tried to salvage the ship immediately after the storm. Refusing a Coast Guard vessel's offer to help them leave the island, they gave up the salvage effort after a few days. In a Marine casualty report filed in November, 1933, Behrens listed the ship as an uninsured "total loss." He gave its value as \$200.

Some Behrens family lore suggests that Behrens returned to the wreck site several times in later

years. Perennially unlucky, he reportedly tried to accumulate the funds needed to conduct salvage operations in waters that vary in depth from 30 or 35 feet to 80, 100, and more. Little disagreement exists on the theory that the unforgiving waters around Poverty Island broke the ship into pieces, scattering them widely. Behrens died intestate in 1959.

A Resort to Law

Libert continued his researches into the 1990s. He located the surviving members of the Behrens family. One of Captain Behrens' heirs, grandson Michael Behrens, has become a member of the Fairport International Exploration group. An heir of Captain Behrens signed documents giving Fairport International



Diving takes concentration and hard work. The strain of a day on Lake Michigan shows on the face of Steve Libert.



Dusk settles on the waters around Poverty Island as the Fairport international dive team closes up shop for the night.



The dive team poses in front of the abandoned lighthouse and keeper's home. Most Great lakes lighthouses, including that on Poverty island, have been shut down. Modern navigation equipment has rendered them obsolete.

the family's remaining rights (if any) to the *Captain Lawrence*—in return for a small sum in cash and a portion of any treasure that might be found and recovered by the salvage group.

The Salvage Bill of Sale bore the signature of Behrens' daughter, Gladys Nally.

Starting in 1993, as Michigan state law required, Libert filed several applications for a permit that would enable him to conduct salvage operations on the *Lawrence*. The state refused to issue the permit. In September, 1993 Libert met with state officials in Lansing, the state capital. His purpose: to work out an agreement on salvage rights, on a method of recovering treasure or artifacts, and a formula for sharing whatever treasure might be found. The meeting failed; and again no permit was forthcoming.

Later court records indicated that the State of Michigan refused to deal with Libert because they were skeptical of his claims about the treasure. Also, "The plan to search 12.5 square miles of lake bottom gives the salvor too much latitude," explained Chris DeWitt, a spokesman for the Michigan Attorney General, in a newspaper interview. "It raises the question whether they are looking for something other than the *Captain Lawrence*."

Libert came out of his meeting with state representatives with a different view. "They weren't about to let outsiders plunder the state's underwater cultural treasures," he said. "And that wasn't our purpose at all."

In 1994 Libert decided he had no recourse except to go to admiralty law. He had become a man with a mission, one whose researches had convinced him that he has developed the true, historically accurate account. "Libert is driven by the belief that a French ship carrying gold was attacked in northern Lake Michigan around the time of the War of 1812," wrote the *Grand Rapids Press* in November, 1999. Libert's Fairport colleagues share his dedication.

Libert understands that the mythic Poverty Island treasure tale has developed a life of its own. It has become, for some, a will-o'-the-wisp, dancing just beyond the reach of the hundreds, even thousands, who have sought to capture it. "Hundreds of treasure seekers have scoured the Poverty Island area with equipment ranging from the highly technical to the laughable. Stories abound of divers using magnetometers, side-scan sonar, fortune-tellers, and we cannot forget the two doctors who went out with divining rods," wrote Paul Creviere in his book.

None of that dims Libert's vision. He plans to solve the Poverty Island treasure legend come what may. The fact that others have been there before him is easy to discount. "It's as dark as the inside of a stone when you reach the bottom," he says of the waters around the island. "You could search for a lifetime and find zilch."

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Kevin Lee Leise heads the cast with his portrayal of Jesus. Joining him are Tony Banks, Heather Peters, Chad Holm, Howard Brenneman, Mark Chamberlain, Kevin O'Reilly, Tom McClure, and Chris Uzelac along with numerous apostles and tempresses and lepers.

Because of the demand for tickets for this show, JCS will have shows on both Thursdays of its two-week run. On Fri., July 20, there will be free hors d'oeuvres. Basil's Restaurant offers cocktails before, at intermission and after the show each night on the patio.

Performances will be held on July 19-22, and 26-29. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 7 p.m. Reservations are suggested. Phone the box office at 879-7509 Tues.-Sun. after 1 p.m.

The Dunes Summer Theatre is located in Michiana Shores, at the corner of Oakdale and Shady Oak Drives.

Potluck Luncheon

St. John Church, New Buffalo, is having a Potluck Luncheon on Wed., July 25, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. (MI time). The cost is \$5/adult, \$2.50/children under 12, and free to kids under 5. The luncheon will be held in Frohne Hall next to the church on the corner of Buffalo (US 12) and Barker.

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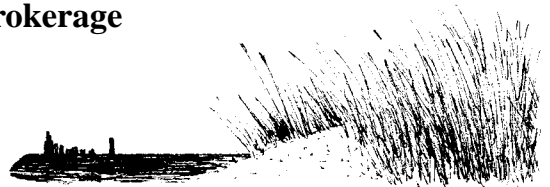
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Here's a sampling of what you will find:

Fri., July 20, 6:30 p.m. Ceilidh (Scottish party) at the Ramada Inn. \$15 admission charge includes entertainment, light buffet, dancing and a cash bar.

Sat., July 21 & Sun., July 22--Scottish Heavy athletic events, Highland Dance competition, and Sheep herding trials. Re-enactors from the Society of Creative Anachronism, 78th Highlanders, 78th Fraser's and Clan Destin will be camping and exhibiting life in the olden times.

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This show is being held in conjunction with the Scottish Festival. Drive your classic British car to the show and receive free admission to the festival. Regular admission to the car show is \$6. Participate in the car show and receive a complimentary dash plate. There will be prizes from the audience as they vote for Best of Show and the People's Choice.



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UP, UP, On the Other Side of the Lake



by Maggie Beyer

S.S. Badger, autoferry between Manitowoc, Wisconsin, and Ludington, Michigan. It is the last of the coal-burning Great Lakes steamers and the only passenger ship of this type operating in North America.

“I live over there,” I said, waving my hand toward the Cana lighthouse, “On the other side of the lake.”

“But that’s Michigan.”

“Well, Indiana’s down there, somewhere.”

I was in Door County at the uppermost tip of its thumb, the peninsula bordered by the Green Bay of Lake Superior on one side, and Lake Michigan on the other, just 10 miles away where the Cana Lighthouse juts out into the lake at Baily’s Harbor. It was the end of a week of generative, instigating work at The Clearing in Ellison Bay, with Norb Blei, writer, teacher, generator and instigator, and all-around guru for burgeoning writers. No longer a wannabe novelist, I was in the advanced class. I had a work in progress. Now it was time to go home and put that engendered creativity to work.

Why not take the car ferry? Why not, indeed?



A postcard view of Ephraim, Door County.

The thought of tied-up two-lane traffic through Milwaukee and Chicago on a Saturday morning as the exodus of weekend fun-seekers filled the highways wasn’t that appealing. The ferry was. Four hours on the lake, arriving in Ludington, then a straight shot home. Or not. I could always opt for a stayover. I was off to Manitowoc and the S.S. Badger.

The weekenders were already coming up the road as I headed south, through Sister Bay, into Ephraim, getting into gear for its Fyr-Bal Festival. Each year, this heart of Scandinavian town elects a local VIP, who dons Viking regalia, stands at the prow of a ship and sails down into Eagle Harbor where ritual bonfires are lit along the beach to greet him. People were gathering, cars parked in choice spots, even as I drove through in mid-morning, headed for Fish Creek. It’s pronounced “Fish Crick” if you want to fit in, I was told by the Leedys, friends I met on a trip to India, who picked me up for an evening out on our workshop’s free evening.



A Council Circle at The Clearing, an idyllic spot for sunset watching and campfires after dark.

The Leedy's are on the board and proud to show (as well they should be) the Door Community Auditorium that was presenting a preview party that night for its supporters. The 750-seat venue offers prime viewing from any seat including the curtained loggia boxes that surround the theater and state-of-the-art acoustics with classes offered in production for the highschoolers classes held in the building. Since its conception, it has drawn major performers including the headliners for the coming season that would include Ricky Skaggs, Loretta Lynn, Emmy Lou Harris, many others including The Canadian Brass which opened on June 23 at a gala 10th anniversary party.



Picturesque barns dot the countryside.

A turn to the left at Egg Harbor takes you to Sturgeon Bay, where rustic barns have the ubiquitous "Antiques Inside" painted on their weathered wood and Fish Boil Friday turns into Brat Roast tonight as the road turns toward the Lake Michigan side. It's here that the road runs through farms and the quaint towns of Kewaunee and Two Rivers where the lake makes inlet bays, added charms on that bracelet of scenic spots that make up this part of Wisconsin. Signs guide you now to the Car Ferry in Manitowoc. Then there it is. A huge thrust of steamship, already fired up and ready to make one of its two crossings every day.



Cars disappear into the gaping maw of the ship. Originally it was designed to carry up to 70 railroad cars filled with coal to continue the route of railroads across Lake Michigan.

I was early, but the line-up of cars for crossing was already underway. A car jockey guided us into line. . . "Just leave the keys in your car and keep the door unlocked". . . was the farewell message I heard as I left my car in his hands. The giant maw of the S.S. Badger gaped open as one by one cars were driven into its depths. Soon enough it was time for the 1 p.m. boarding call and we walked the ramps inside, our cars down below, up to the ship's stairways (I think they have another name in sailor-speak). I headed strait up to the top deck on the bow to watch the embarking action, took a chaise from the stack on deck and settled in. Others would head for the indoor lounges, two for tv-watching, another of fun and games for adults and kids. The four-hour trip across would make sure no one was bored.



Passengers await the boarding call.



Bikers and cyclists line up for boarding.



Heading past the Manitowoc Lighthouse into Lake Michigan.

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We were moving before I realized it, as the lighthouse marking the harbor came into view. The city of Manitowoc faded away as we steamed out. It wasn't long before the warming sun faded into brisk lake breezes. Soon it was water, water everywhere. Passengers basking on the lounges began to fade away as well, some off to have a drink inside where the ump-pah-pah music was playing in the upper deck lounge. Others headed for the gift shop doing a busy sell of sailor hats and tee shirts; others toured the in-ship museum of ferry lore. I was among them. It was back in 1895 when the first Pere Marquette car ferry came off the drawing board, so successfully that many more followed, adding the amenities of glass-walled staterooms and dining halls. In 1952 and 1953, the Pere Marquette broke its tradition of naming its fleet after cities served by the railroad's main line, and named its newest ships the S.S. Badger in honor of the mascot of the University of Wisconsin, and another the S.S. Spartan, named for Michigan State University.



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A tour of the decks fore and aft, a sit-down of sandwich and tea, a few chapters of a book bought at the ship's store, feet propped on the rail of the observation deck aft, and there it was. I joined the people lining the railings to see land coming into view. We steamed past the Coast Guard Station, waved to people on the decks of their condos lining the channel, and watched the action as our ship maneuvered into position for docking. Three decks below, a bevy of uniformed dockers, the chief on his phone relaying instructions to the captain, scurried to make two ends meet. Our ship, 410 feet long, 60 feet wide, was matching up for level ground with a dock just a fraction of its size. A final clank, a grinding down of engine, and the first cars were soon rolling out. Applause, applause for the captain and the crew.



Ludington comes into view.



The 410-foot S.S. Badger will maneuver into this narrow slip.

Debarking was a system unto its own. With a trust in the powers above, passengers lined up for their cars as one by one, the cars were driven off. Nothing here like a baggage ticket to verify claim. Just, "Here's your car. . .the keys are in it. . .now drive it away and make room for more." As the line-up of waiting drivers dwindled one by one, I waited, wondering, when would my car appear? Or would it? Was it lost forever in the vast depth of the S.S. Badger? Not to fear. Here it came, one of the first on and the last to appear.

Easy directions took me to the highway toward Michigan City, a 70 mph speed limit on an open, scenic road of rolling hills. When the light faded, it was time for me to get off the road. I stayed overnight in Muskegon and next morning, headed home, feeling like Columbus, having discovered a new way to short cut the Lake Michigan circle route.



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“Bye Bye Birdie” is the story of a rock singer, Conrad Birdie, played by Nate Santana, who is about to enter the army. In an effort to gain national publicity, his agent Albert Peterson, played by Josh Eskridge, puts into action a plan concocted by his loyal secretary Rose, played by Lana Cook: Birdie will bid farewell to an average small-town girl, Kim MacAfee, played by Lindsey Wineholt, with a kiss on a national television show. The excitement surrounding the arrival in Kim’s home town of Birdie and his entourage, including Albert’s catastrophe-ridden mother, played by Jennifer Tucker, leads to upset parents, jealousies, tangled loves, and hilarity—but a happy ending and a captivating story for the audience.

Sam Potter, director, is assisted by musical director Leslie Ault and choreographer Lindsey Fridh.

Performances will be July 20-22, 27-29, with Friday and Saturday curtains at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$8/adults, \$5/students. Reservations are recommended by phoning 219/362-5113, or in person at the theatre box office at the corner of “A” & Third Streets in LaPorte. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

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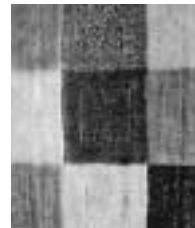
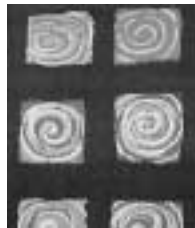
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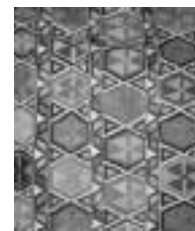
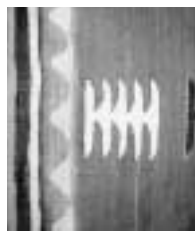
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Number 5: Dorothy and the Wizard in Oz

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In August and September of 1998, we took a trip to the Wonderful Land of Oz, care of its creator, L. Frank Baum. The six weeks that we spent there produced one my favorite series of articles. The article that follows comes from our fourth week in Oz.

Week 4: Below the Surface of Things: Dorothy and the Wizard in Oz.

It seems as if, in the course of telling any series of children's stories, it becomes necessary to take its characters and, subsequently, its reader, over mountains and through valleys and, most importantly, into the center of the earth. I don't know why this journey is so important, but we have seen it in The Chronicles of Narnia, and I am sure that you can think of other tales where a subterranean excursion is involved. I suppose that the center of the earth is as good a place as any to go on an adventure. No one has ever been there, and it is exciting to think what creatures and mysteries one would encounter on their way down and through to China, which is where we all assume we'd end up if we made it completely across. We've all tried it, to get to China that is. We started holes in the sandbox at the playground, in the woods behind the school, in our own backyards and even in a few flowerbeds. And we tried very hard to explain to our parents and our teachers that we weren't just making a hole in the ground; we were explorers on a great quest. They, of course, had no vision at all and punished our brave efforts and filled in our holes.

So for all of you who never made it to China or even to the bottom of the sandbox, L. Frank Baum has provided you with an excursion into the depths of the earth. "Wait a minute," you may be asking. "I thought he was going to take us back to Oz? After all, the title does say Dorothy and the Wizard in Oz and not in the Center of the Earth." In response, I can only state that the title of his first book said nothing about the cyclone. The point sometimes is not how you get there but that you get there.

Baum's fourth book in the Oz series is once again inspired by the children who have fallen in love with the creatures and heroes created in Baum's imagination. And this story is filled once again with the most odd and enchanting and revolting creatures that you have ever laid eyes on. You would expect no less from Baum and from creatures that live in the center of the

earth, the exact place where Dorothy lands when an earthquake splits the ground where she is standing, opens up a large crack in the earth, and sends her, her cat, Zeb, the boy who was to escort Dorothy, and his horse and buggy falling into space.

Of course, it really isn't space, for that's on the outside of the earth. This is more like a hole, a very long, dark hole, a hole into a world where the people are made of vegetables, the bears are invisible, animals can, once again, talk and where another of Dorothy's friends from Oz will soon join her. For Dorothy, her cat Eureka, Zeb, and Jim the horse and his carriage were not the only ones to fall into the big crack in the earth. That wonderful Wizard, really a humbug wizard, who sailed out of Oz without Dorothy also found himself falling through the ground when his balloon landed in the crack. So the adventurers are fully assembled - Dorothy, the Wizard, Zeb, Jim the talking horse, Eureka the cat who can now also talk and the Wizard's nine tiny mice, of which Eureka speaks the most. Together, this little band must escape from glass mountains, fight off invisible bears, walk on water, escape a lair of dragonettes and climb the spiral stairs all the way to the top of a mountain. And if this sounds like a lot, then wait until you hear about the winged, wooden gargoyles and the valley of the voices.

And after all of this, these weary travelers are still not to Oz, and they will not get there until Dorothy remembers her promise with Ozma made as she left Oz after the last adventure. Do you remember? You should. And after she remembers this promise, she and her friends are whisked away to the Emerald City and reunited with all of the friends Dorothy had made on her previous visits. Imagine the sight of Jim the real horse talking to the Saw-Horse and Eureka standing next to the Hungry Tiger and the Cowardly Lion. It is a sight, a sight that seems quite normal and acceptable after spending time at the center of the earth.

Perhaps this is why we were so eager to get to the center of earth, whether it be by sand or by garden soil. Maybe if we saw what strange creatures inhabited this place, our world wouldn't seem quite so odd. Two more weeks on the Oz series and then we will once again throw caution to the wind and take our chances among the library stacks. Next week, we pack our bags and set out on The Road to Oz. See you there, and watch out for the invisible bears.

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"The Capitol Steps," a troupe of congressional staffers-turned-comedians, was "born" in December, 1981, when three staffers for Senator Charles Percy were planning the entertainment for a Christmas party. Unable to find three wise men in the entire Congress, the planners decided to forego the usual holiday pageant and turn the latest headlines into a series of song parodies and skits. Ronald Reagan was the reigning president, and co-founders Elaina Newport, Bill Strauss, and Jim Aidala concluded that if entertainers could become politicians, then politicians could become entertainers.

The group includes a cast of 22, five of whom appear in any one show. Most cast members have worked on Capitol Hill, some for Democrats, some for Republicans, and others for politicians who firmly straddle the fence. Whichever party is in power, there is never a shortage of material.

All Firefly Festival performances are held at St. Patrick's County Park, 50651 Laurel Road, near the Indiana/Michigan state line. The St. Joseph County Parks charge a parking fee of \$3 per car. The hillside has areas for chairs and blankets (take your own). Picnics are welcome, but glass containers and alcoholic beverages are not. A vendor for the St. Joseph County Parks will sell beer and wine.

Tickets are \$14 in advance, and \$18 at the gate, if the show is not sold out. Ages 6-16, \$5 each and under age 6, admitted free. Phone 219/288-3472, or email firefly@fireflyfestival.com. They also have a web site: www.fireflyfestival.com

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The clubs are expecting over 2000 entries this year representing nearly all of the breeds recognized by the American Kennel Club. There will be no obedience classes at any of these shows.

On Sat., July 21, judging for the Greater Muskegon Kennel Club show begins at 8 a.m. with the awarding of the Best of Show trophy at about 3 p.m.

Immediately following the Muskegon show, the LaPorte County Kennel Club will host a Sanctioned B-Fun Match at the same location. A Fun Match provides novice dogs with the opportunity of experiencing dog show competition prior to entering a regular dog show. Entries for this match are \$5 and will be taken beginning at 1 p.m. and until 1/2 hour before the match judging begins. Individuals from the area owning AKC registered dogs may enter this event. However, no champions of record or dogs with championship points may participate.

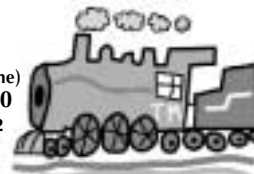
On Sun., July 22, beginning at 8 a.m., judging for the LaPorte County Kennel Club Dog Show will begin. Judging will be held throughout the day until a Best of Show dog is selected. A portion of the proceeds of this show will be donated to the LaPorte County Kennel Club, Inc. Scholarship Fund at the Purdue University School of Veterinary Medicine and to Leader Dogs for the Blind.

A number of vendors carrying dog-related products have scheduled space at these shows. Food will also be available. The public is invited to attend. There is no admission fee to enter the dog show area, but a small parking fee will be charged to park on the grounds.

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Donations should be taken to the information desk or Guild office at the hospital any time. Items may also be taken to the Chapel on the 3rd floor of the hospital on the morning of Tues., July 31st, at 9:30 a.m., when a short prayer service will be held to bless the donated items.

The Franciscan Home Care Services is the home health partnership between the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago and the Sisters of St. Francis Health Services, which operates St. Anthony Memorial Health Centers.

Questions about the project may be directed to Sister Marcene at 877-1447.

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The Quilters Hall of Fame Celebration 2001 will be held July 19-22, featuring three quilt shows and this year's honoree, Barbara Brackman who will conduct a workshop "Dating Old Quilts—Material Pleasures." She will be inducted into the Quilters Hall of Fame during a banquet on Sat., July 21.

The Quilters Hall of Fame is headquartered in Marion, Indiana, and is restoring the former home of Marie D. Webster to house their museum. For more information about the weekend's activities, phone or fax 765/664-9333, email quilters@comteck.com, or visit the website www.quiltersshalloffame.org



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The artists will be on hand to welcome visitors. Paintings, sculpture and mixed media will be on exhibit in the gallery and visitors will also be welcome to view the outdoor sculpture gardens featuring thirty pieces of sculpture in stone and steel.

The artists include:

Jane Adams, a self-taught fine artist who has been exhibiting for nearly forty years and will be showing her most recent geometric studies in gouache.

David McCarthy was educated in the Beaux Arts in France and uses natural materials in his mixed media sculptures to create primordial shrines and totems that pay dramatic homage to the forces of Heaven, Nature and Man. His works may be found in the Smithsonian Collection.

Harry Borgman is the author of eight books of art instruction and has taught at the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit. His works will include figure studies and wood sculptures.

Fritz Olsen's sculptures may be found in many important collections and he was selected to design and create the "Decade of the Brain" award for the Chicago Neurosurgical Center since 1990. He will be featuring his stone and steel wall pieces along with carved marble and granite sculptures.

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Visiting Campus With Non-Academic Eyes

by Paula McHugh

A weekend return to my alma mater in Bloomington brought back memories. And blisters.

Anyone who has walked the I.U. campus in his or her lifetime can remember those first days of disoriented confusion over the sheer vastness of the place. Until students learn about the shortcuts and the need for comfortable shoes, blisters are as much a given as the inevitable load of books bought for classes.

But for me, this latest visit, light years from my student days, was a pleasure trip with no academic demands. I strolled at my leisure and saw things that escaped my freshman through senior eyes which, at the time, were focused on verb conjugations, geography maps, history dates and social dates.

The Indiana Memorial Union is the world's largest college student union, with a 186-room hotel, auditorium, conference rooms, banquet rooms, cafeteria and snack bar, beauty salon, bakery, bowling alley, travel agency, bookstore, and computer lab on three main floors. Three other floors lead to the "tower" where select student organizations meet. One can easily become lost along the hallways lined with original paintings of Hoosier artists and scattered plaques recognizing some of the school's top professors and administrators.

Instead of cutting through the halls of the 69 year old building to get to classes as I did some forty years



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ago, this visit meant a chance to sample the hotel's hospitality and to be just a few steps away from the Tudor Room where my son's wedding reception was held. On weekends, the Medieval-themed room traditionally serves a buffet luncheon, but for me, this was a first visit. Hours before the wedding, I sneaked into the banquet room and snapped a few photos of the heraldic banners, tapestry and stained glass in the high-ceilinged room. King Arthur would have approved. Later, the same room would be filled with revelers hoisting champagne, not mead, using forks and knives, not fingers, and listening to loud music, not minstrels.



I sneaked into the Tudor room and snapped a few photos of the heraldic banners, tapestry and stained glass in the high-ceilinged room.



King Arthur would have approved of the Tudor Room.

One could spend an entire weekend at the Union without ever leaving the building and have plenty to do to keep amused, entertained or enriched. A full-sized plaster cast of the Venus de Milo sits in the lobby of the hotel, also known as Biddle Continuation Center. Of course, I saw the real thing in the Louvre. Sniff. Another plaster cast. "Ugolino and His Sons" occupies a space near a back entrance. Inspired by Canto 23 of Dante's *Inferno*, sculptor Jean Baptiste Carpeaux has managed to scare a new generation of I.U. students (and perhaps faculty, too) into questioning

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their major in Political Science. The subject, Ugolino, was a Pisa public official who was imprisoned in a tower with his sons and grandsons for betraying his city during the late 13th century. Dante's words say, "in anguish and despair I bite my hands off." The sculptor's interpretation mimics the feelings of I.U. students during finals week, and this piece of art was not part of the 60's campus culture that I recall. A good thing.



The former graduate library, built in 1905. I.U.'s "new" library is located on Fee Lane, not memory lane. They just don't make cobwebby stacks like they used to.



A gargoyle guards Maxwell Hall, built in 1890.

But it was time to head out the back doors towards the "Old Crescent" or oldest part of campus where nine ornate limestone structures built between 1884 and 1908 are included in the National Register of Historic Places. The former graduate library (1905) is now an ivy-covered student building, and the former undergraduate library houses student services. The sign on Owen Hall (1884) that once announced the Kinsey Institute for Sex Research has long vanished. So has the Quonset hut that sat beside Wylie Hall. I'm almost ashamed to admit that, as a student, I never looked up to view the gargoyle guarding a gable on Maxwell Hall (1890), but the turreted structure still houses the undergraduate division, better known as frightened freshmen.



By tradition, a female student was not officially designated a coed until she had been kissed at midnight in the Well House.

The Old Crescent has been spiffed up with a brick memorial walk leading to the venerable Well House (1908). By tradition, a female student was not officially designated a coed until she had been kissed at midnight in the Well House. I make no assumptions whether that tradition carries on to this day. Anyway, since I was revisiting the Well House during daylight, I noticed the opalescent glass above the arches in the tile-roofed structure for the first time.

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A view of the clock tower from the Sample Gates at the western portal of the I.U. campus.

The beauty of the Bloomington campus is sometimes overt, and sometimes subtle. Maybe it takes a break from academic concerns to appreciate all there is to see on the most beautiful college campus on the planet.

Sitting with a delighted grin in the middle of the patch of historic hallowed halls is a grinning bronze sculpture of former Chancellor Herman B. Wells. Someone had plucked a daisy earlier this particular morning and placed it in Wells' fingers. That just about sums up the esteem the I.U. population has for the man. Down the path a ways, across from Dunn Woods, another bronze bust of the recently deceased I.U. icon sits on a marble base.

Another icon of university history, Hoagy Carmichael, has been memorialized more than once on campus. My vote for the placement of the Hoagy Carmichael Red Tea Rose would have been next to the Well House. Stardust and all that, you see. The musician wrote his famous composition in a little coffee shop across from the law school only half a block away. Somewhere on campus, in a former dorm, a small museum holds more Hoagy memorabilia. Next visit I'll make it over there.



Hoagy Carmichael is memorialized with a Red Tea Rose in his name.

There's more to see, but no more room here to tell you about some other campus attractions, old and new. Next time, then...

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The bars, bistros, and bakeries along Kirkwood Avenue await students when classes are finished. Summer is an ideal time to visit the campus, when crowds are few.



Former Chancellor Herman B. Wells' bronze sculpture is a focal point among the historic structures of the "Old Crescent."

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I've learned.... That we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.

I've learned.... That money doesn't buy class.

I've learned.... That it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.

I've learned.... That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.

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I've learned.... That love, not time, heals all wounds.

I've learned.... That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.

I've learned.... That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.

I've learned.... That no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.

I've learned.... That life is tough, but I'm tougher.

I've learned.... That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.

I've learned.... That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

I've learned.... That I wish I could have told my Mom that I love her one more time before she passed away.

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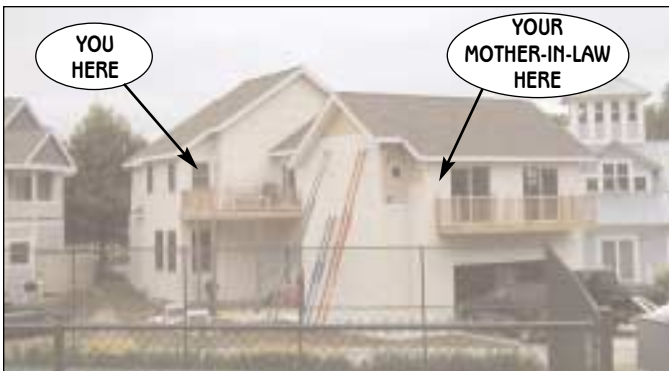
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Share Our Strength's Taste of the Nation to be in Michigan City on August 13

by Jan Van Ausdal

Recently, Chairman Coralee Hosna, Co-Chairman Denita Ton, and Finance Chairman Diane Swain met at the Michigan City Yacht Club to discuss the status of the upcoming Share Our Strength's Taste of the Nation which will be held on Monday evening, August 13th, from 6 to 9 p.m., at the Michigan City Yacht Club. The name and theme will be "A Star-Studded Night," because of the presence of celebrities and lots of little Italian lights. Yacht Club Manager Kathleen Roose is the Location Chairman of the Committee.



Diane Swain, Denita Ton, & Coralee Hosna plan Taste of the Nation.

Committee members enthusiastically discussed their plans for the upcoming event that will be held for the third year at the Yacht Club with its excellent view of the lake. There will be a chance to taste the wares of many different restaurants, outside on the deck, inside the Yacht Club, or in the pavilion near the club.

For 2001, new restaurants or sponsors include Harry & David's, Bistro One Five Seven, Old World Market & Deli, Beaucanon Winery of Napa Valley, Evergreen Bakery, Whittaker Woods, Heston Bar, It's Greek to Me, and LeCabernet. Restaurants or sponsors returning for another year are: Connie's, Michigan City Yacht Club, Taste of Thailand, ACF Chefs, Alliant Food Service, Back Roads Brewery, Basil's, Dun Ridge Winery, Don Quijote, Indiana Wholesale Wine & Liquor, Lakeshore Coffee, Old Country Buffet, Ivy Tech Culinary School, Blue Chip Brio Restaurant, Valpo Velvet Ice Cream, Strongbow's, Wingfield's, Portofino's, Brewster's, Roscoe's, Pepsi-Cola, Evian Water, Matey's, and Billie's Beach Café & Market. An impressive list indeed!

The restaurants will be set up on the evening of August 13th at 5 p.m. for a Chef's Competition judged by five very distinguished people. First, second, and third place plaques will be awarded in the categories of Appetizers, Entrees, Desserts, & Beverages. Also a Best Overall and a Best Presentation will be given for first, second, and third place. Will your favorite restaurant win a prize?

Taste of the Nation first started in 1984. Today, it spans eighty cities across North America, involves 10,000 chefs and volunteers, and attracts 65,000 attendees each year. The events have raised more than \$37,000,000 since 1988. Corporate sponsorships have made it possible for 100 percent of the ticket sales to go to anti-hunger efforts. As Coralee put it, "Every penny of ticket sales goes to help feed the hungry!" This is an amazing accomplishment!

Tickets (which are sold here for \$40 before August 1st and \$45 afterwards) are much less expensive in Michigan City than in some of the larger cities holding the events. Coralee said, "We're one of the few cities left that has tickets for under \$50. In Chicago, tickets are \$175. There, each table has its own restaurant, and the chef from that restaurant prepares your meal." You can buy your tickets for the August 13th event at the Farmers' Market every Saturday morning, or at the Michigan City Yacht Club, Basil's Restaurant, or the La Porte and Michigan City Salvation Army. Someone from the Taste of the Nation Committee will be at the Farmers' Market to answer any questions you may have.

The local agencies which receive the money from the Taste of the Nation are: The Michigan City and the La Porte Salvation Armies, the Homeless Shelter, and The Stepping Stone Women's Shelter. Denita said, "The agencies which receive the money are beginning to count on that money for their operating expenses. They know they will get it to help them meet their expenses."

What's new with the 2001 Michigan City Taste of the Nation? There will be a Celebrity Tent, where real celebrities will make appearances during the evening. Mary Ann Ahern (from Channel 5 news) and Lynn Cathcart Oberlink (a former movie star and one of the Wilde twins) will attend. Also present will be Mary Kay Budak and Scott Pelath, state representatives. Other celebrities have been invited, but their presence has not yet been confirmed.



The deck of the Yacht Club with its view of the lake.

Two groups will provide evening music. Dan McNabb & the Duneland Chamber Ensemble will play on the yacht club deck, while Martin Hernandez & The Boogie Men will perform in the pavilion.

Ken and Jean Huff of Wright's Flowers are donating their beautiful flower creations for the Taste of the Nation special evening.

50-50 raffles will be held, with drawings at 7, 8, & 9 p.m. Chances are only \$1 each.

The big raffle will be a Parade of the Restaurants Raffle. Chances are \$10 each, with one prize to be given. That will be a gift certificate for a dinner for two, from every restaurant participating and a gift certificate for the product of a company.

Coralee told me, "We expect at least 500 tasters to attend, so we'll be set up for that many people. One group of women from the Lake of the Four Seasons has rented a limousine for the evening to attend, and they're all coming over together!"

Denita added, "God is going to give us perfect weather on August 13th, with a perfect sunset. The past two years have been great weather with marvelous sunsets, and we expect the third year to be the same kind of evening!"



The Taste of the Nation Committee.

The full committee for the upcoming Taste of the Nation in Michigan City is as follows: Coralee Hosna, Chairman; Denita Ton, Co-Chairman; Diane Swain, Finance Chairman; Alan Marquardt and Kathleen Roose, Site Co-Chairmen; Dennis Papp, Corporate Chairman; Deanna Barnes, Celebrity Chairman with Christine Rehbein and Terry Metz as Co-Chairmen; Janice Behler, Volunteer Chairman; Stacy Harris, Co-Chairman for Corporate; Angeline Fries and Dorothy Krajewski, Chairmen of 50/50; Karen Scott, Mini Taste Chairman, Betty Janasiak, Mail Chairman, Susan Kookich, Parade of Restaurants Chairman, and Jim Galligan, Chef Chairman.

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The next meeting will be Tues., July 31, 7:30 p.m. (MI time) at the Harbor Grand Hotel, New Buffalo. Selection for the month is Gone Fishin by Walter Mosely. If you want to read ahead, the Aug. selection will be An Unsuitable Job For a Woman by P.D. James.



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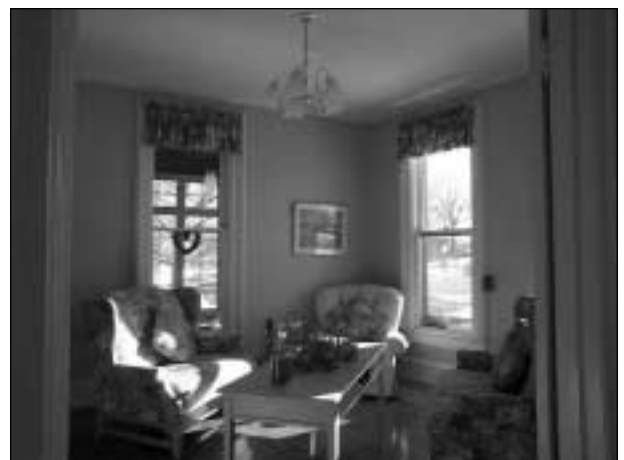


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Long Beach Golfers Celebrate the Holidays of Golf

(ed. note: Check out next week's Beacher for a complete photo story of this event.)

Christmas, Halloween, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, Ground Hog Day, Memorial Day and twelve other "Holidays of Golf" were celebrated on July 10 for members and guests of the Long Beach Country Club Ladies 18-Hole Golf League.

Barb Macudzinski and Marci Meyer, who spent six months in preparation for the event, chaired the annual guest day for 2001.

Upon arriving at the club, golfers enjoyed a continental breakfast and had photos taken for souvenirs by Barb Macudzinski's daughter, Anna.

Golfers were given a "Trick or Treat" bag with goodies and envelopes with instructions for some of the holes. In their Merry Christmas envelope, they found Santa only wanted them to count their strokes from tee to green. The Valentine's Day envelope told them that "Love Sacrifices All Things" and they were to exchange scores with the other golfers in their group after they were done putting. The St. Patrick's Day envelope contained a shamrock that instructed the ladies to either give themselves one mulligan anywhere on the hole; pick up their ball and throw it on the green towards the flag if they landed in a green-side bunker; hit their drive, walk to their ball, pick it up and then take 25 giant steps towards the green and then place the ball; or the opportunity not to take penalty strokes if they hit it in the water.

On the tee box of every hole, golfers found decorated signs and cut-out wooden art characters describing what the golfers were to do on that particular hole. Marci's husband, Keith, cut the art forms from large sheets of particleboard and her daughter, Kris Lowes, of Indianapolis, used her artistic talents to paint all of the works.

On the New Year's Day hole, the golfers found that their crazy foursomes were still celebrating New Year's Eve, so golfers had to drive their ball while the rest of the group were making noise with their New Year's Eve souvenirs. They were also treated to Bloody Marys served by Regina Bradley and 9-Hole President Lori Osmanski.

The Fourth of July flags were waving on the 14th hole and golfers whose drive was either on or closest to the white line were awarded prizes. Winners of this event were Connie Sullivan and Jean Goggins.

As golfers approached Hole #14, their treats were iced cappuccino coffees, courtesy of Missy Grams, and served by Sherry Remijas and Mary Beth Morgan.

A giant yellow bunny greeted guests on the Hole #6 flagpole and Easter eggs on the tee box contained candy and little notes telling golfers they could replay their second or third shots on the hole with no penalty or only count one putt on the hole.

Golfers learned that the Kentucky Derby had been cancelled as the Thoroughbreds were not running at the Long Beach Track this year. One of the horses had lost all four of his shoes on the green of Hole #4, and golfers were required to avoid these iron horseshoes on the putting green.



Event winners Terry Deming, Marita Rhea, Cynthia Elsener and Joan Lincke



Event winners Terry Deming, Marita Rhea, Cynthia Elsener and Joan Lincke



An example of Kris Lowes' creative art forms golfers found on various holes.



Mary Carol Grace, Courtney Bailey, Christine Roder and Eileen Bruce were in the winners circle at guest day.



Enjoying margaritas on the patio at the Cinco de Mayo Festival. Adele O'Donnell and winners Jean O'Neill and Joanne Krop.

tricks, on Hole #12. As their punishment, golfers could only use four clubs on this hole, and one of them had to be a putter.

Cherry pies were the treat on George Washington's Birthday hole; golfers had their choice of three different holes on the green on the Flag Day hole; the Labor Day hole entitled a pregnant golfer to a hole-in-one. Mary Jo Kelley was the only recipient of this hole-in one.

The Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force troops were out fighting for the long drive of the day. Each golfer was given a decal from one of the branches of the military and the golfer with the longest drive in her foursome turned in her military decal at the end of the round. The twenty-three ladies in the Navy won this event and all received prizes.

Perhaps one of the most humorous holidays that the golfer's celebrated was President's Day. All ladies

No fooling! The April Fool's Day hole had all right-handed golfers putting with left-handed putters on this green. The same was in reverse for the left-handed putters. Putters were courtesy of Joe Heffernan and Fred Krol.

Birthdays were also celebrated at Guest Day and all golfers born in the year 1931 or before were given a hole-in-one on Hole #10. Golfers born after 1931 were given either mulligans on their drives or putts.

Pictures of grandchildren of league members were on the 13th green and all grandmothers were told to subtract the number of grandchildren they had from the score they got on the hole. Those with no grandchildren were given pars. Grand-dogs and Grand-cats didn't count.

There were reports that some ladies had been seen tipping over outhouses and soaping windows in Long Beach last Halloween, so they had no treats, just

were on the honor system in their scoring on this hole. If they voted for George Bush, they were eligible to deduct one stroke from their score on the hole. If they had cast their vote for Al Gore, they had to add one stroke to their score. Votes for any other candidate required two strokes be added to their score. If they had voted in Florida and couldn't figure out the ballot, they had to add three strokes to their score; and if they had cast their ballot for Bill Clinton, they could lie about their score.

After a busy morning of holiday golf, appetizers and drinks on the patio, all members and guests adjourned to the dining room for lunch, prizes, and a visit from Santa, aka, Sherry Remijas. Santa read "The Night Before Christmas" poem as guests exchanged white elephant gifts that members had brought.

Guest day winners are as follows:

- 1st Place Joan Lincke and Cynthia Elsener
- 2nd Place Mary Carol Grace and Courtney Bailey
- 3rd Place Jean O'Neill and Joanne Krop

Other low net winners include: Terry Deming and Marita Rhea; Judy Herbstritt and Pat Reardon; Sue Luegers and Marian Burns; Joanne Wierema and Jo Vine; Helen Gilmore and Jean Ticsay; Susan Kelley and Joanne Shirk; Marge Walsh and Marie Ryan; Eileen Healy and Mary Ruth Renehan; Nancy McGinnis and Donna Mulchrone; Pat Kelley and Mary Jo Kelley; Connie Sullivan and Suzie Yemc; and Eileen Bruce and Christine Roder.

Arriving at the golf course dressed as Rudolph, Betty Duggan walked away with the best holiday costume prize. The best decorated holiday golf cart winners were Sue Luegers, Laurel Byrne, Marian Burns and Kathy Dolezal.

On Monday evening, July 9, preceding the guest day, Macudzinski and Meyer gathered all 18-hole league members and their guests and entertained at a Cinco de Mayo Festival at Meyer's home on the 13th fairway. Golfers dined on appetizers prepared by ladies from the golf league while Cabana boys, Roman Macudzinski and Keith Meyer served margaritas and Coronas.

During the evening, the ladies participated in a two-hole shootout directed by Les Lincke and a putting contest directed by Keith Meyer.

Winner of the shootout was Fran Lysaught and putting contest winners included Helen Gilmore, Nancy Prior, and Betty Duggan.

Santa's elves for the guest day event were Barb Beardslee, Joan Carey, Joan Geoghegan, Julie Girsch, Mary James, Jeanette Tyrrell and Fran Lysaught.

As holiday golf ended at Long Beach, all members and guests left with their souvenir booklet featuring Santa on a golf cart on the cover and were urged to read the poem in the back of the booklet.

Santa, the elves and all leprechans have now retired for the year and are resting after a most successful event.

---submitted by Marci Meyer

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9-11 a.m. **WETLAND WONDERS.** Join a ranger for a hike through some of the lakeshore's most diverse wetlands and learn what the park is doing to maintain and restore these fragile wonders. Be prepared to get your hands and feet wet; waterproof boots or old shoes are strongly recommended. Meet at the Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center.

2-4 p.m. **PRAIRIE PROFUSION.** Join a ranger for this exploration to a seldom seen prairie while enjoying one of the best summer wildflower displays in Dune Country. Due to limited parking, reservations are required by phoning 926-7561, ext. 225. Meet at Porter Beach parking lot.

8-9 p.m. **WINGED WONDERS.** Birds, bats, butterflies! All have one thing in common. Join a ranger for this slide show to see how many different kinds of "winged wonders" call the Indiana Dunes home. Meet at the National Lakeshore Campground Amphitheater.

SUNDAY, JULY 22

8-11 a.m. **GOING...GOING...GONE?** Some of the park's endangered plants have not been seen in years. Help plant experts hunt for several species that have park biologists mystified. This program is limited to 15 people. Reserve a space by phoning 926-7561, ext. 225. Meet at the Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center.

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It proved to be a very beautiful Saturday as my nephews and I headed for the Indiana Dunes State Park for a visit to Sandfest 2001. We were keen to return after having thoroughly enjoyed the one we attended last year.



Giving instructions to volunteers Megan Capodagli and Samantha Luke are Wendy Smith and Bob Bulger, Interpretive Naturalists with the State Park.



Taking first place in their category for an untitled entry were Sue Thomas, Hebron, and Angie Darman of Tefft.



Our favorite, 'Dune Buggy' created by Ben, Haley, & Kelsy of Chesterton took second place in their category.

Sandfest 2001 at Indiana Dunes

There were several booths with educational value but getting the message across in a very fun way. The boys wanted to 'go fishing' again this year. Small fishing poles with magnets on the end were dragged through a tub of water to catch any number of plastic fish. In the tub was an assortment of fish which are native to Lake Michigan and 'aliens' which are invading the waters for any number of reasons.

Bob, "Professor of Sandology" had the boys enthralled showing sand with a magnetic substance in it from northern Michigan. A piece of fulgurite also caught their interest. Fulgurite is created when lightning strikes the sand. Because it doesn't just stop at the surface of the ground but continues down, a piece of the glass created by the strike can be very long. It was all rough outside the tube of fulgurite, but smooth as glass on the inside! I believe Spencer, my oldest nephew, found his favorite though when shown how sand came to be. Professor Bob struck two pieces of



Kim Chase, right, and Lynne Womble took second place in their category for creating 'Shrek'.



Jamie Hinton, Merrillville, meticulously colors her 'Sandy, the Dragon' green.

by Janet Baines

sand rock together and created more sand. Spencer spent a good part of the morning picking up chunks of rock and striking them together in a futile attempt to do the same.

Before visiting the booths, we wandered up and down the lake shore to inspect the sand sculptures being created for competition. There were some traditional castles made from any number of pictures and shapes and forms, but our favorite was a dune buggy built by three youngsters from Chesterton. It placed second by the way. I was also intrigued by a "sand dragon" created by a mother and daughter team from Merrillville. The thing which made it different was the daughter painstakingly spraying the entire sculpture with green food coloring. It made it stand out in the crowd of sand colored entries.

Between visiting the booths, and by no means did we manage to get to them all, a good swim (after a fashion) in the lake and a roll down a sand dune, we had

a very enjoyable day. There is something for all ages young and old at the Indiana Dunes State Park and I have only scratched the surface. We had to leave early, but the festivities were continuing until 3 p.m. Maybe next year we will be able to stay for the day.



Bob, Professor of Sandology, shows Hailey from Valparaiso a piece of fulgarite.



Liz Brooks, with son Arlan, of Chesterton, demonstrate the problem zebra mussels are causing by clogging up drains and pipes.



Sisters, Bianca and Gabriella of Lake Station show off their sand art.



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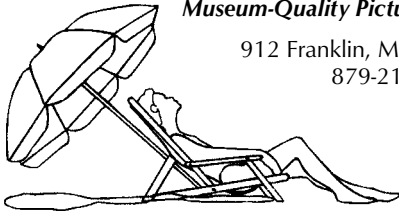
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Tickets are \$50 per person and include appetizers, a box lunch, coffee, dessert and the boat trip to New Buffalo. Proceeds are used to support counseling services offered by Catholic Charities of LaPorte County.

Reservations will be accepted through July 20 by phoning 879-9312.

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Mickey Mantle struck out 710 times.

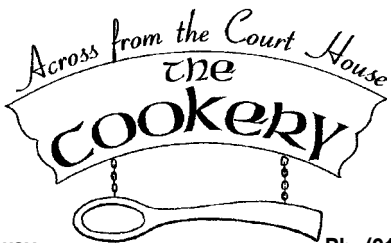
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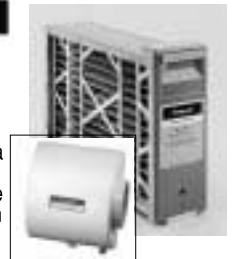
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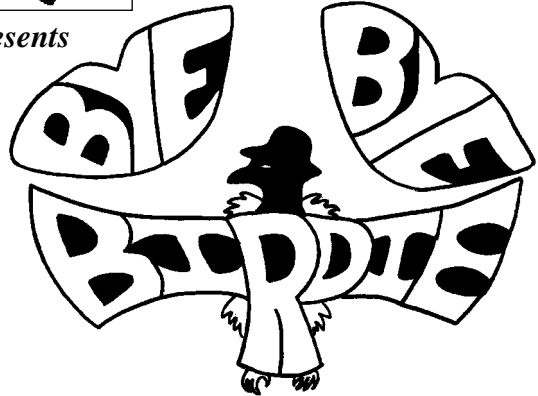
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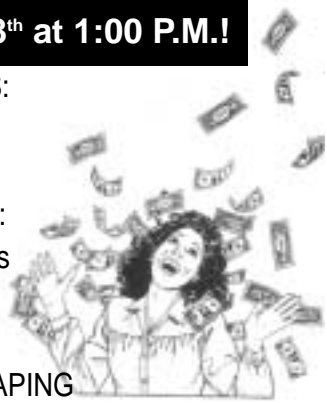
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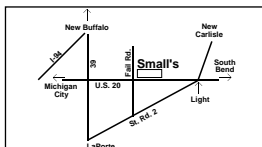
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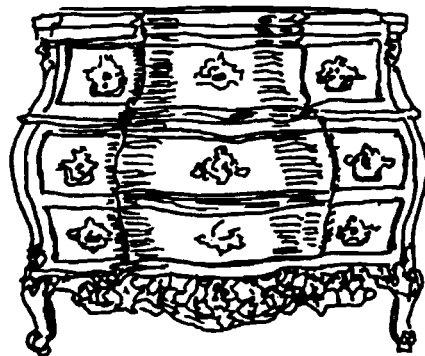
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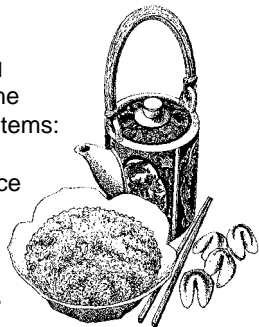
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The Michigan City Yacht Club was the site of the annual Spring Luncheon for the Beach Garden Club on May 24th. Cindee Goetz's program, "A Walk in the

Garden with Emily Dickinson" included background information about the poet and readings relating to the garden.



(l-r): Joy Smart, Mary Caress, Marian Schoonaert.



(l-r): Hazel Pugh, Magda Butcher.



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Guest speaker—Cindee Goetz.



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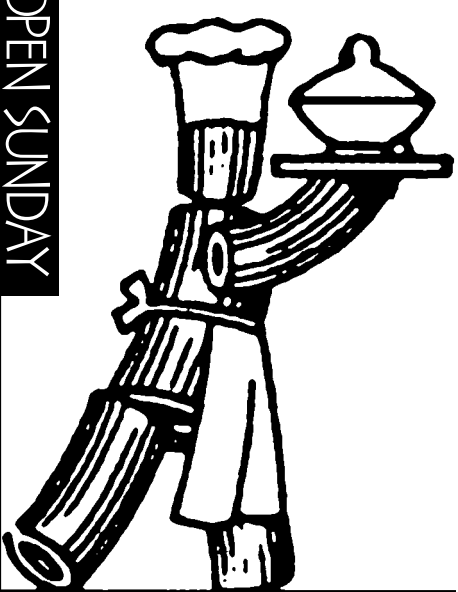
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CT Reunion at the Dunes Theatre

CT or the Children's Theatre of the Dunes Summer Theatre will be holding a reunion during the weekend of August 3-5. If you have ever been a member of Children's Theatre at the Dunes during past years, you will want to be a part of what promises to be a fabulous occasion. Visit the reunion website at ctreunion@yahoo.com for up-to-date information.

The reunion will appropriately be held during the weekend of this summer's Dunes' Children's Theatre production of "Yankee Doodle", a show many of the visiting alumni have probably been in or worked tech on some time in the past. Alum are coming from all over, even as far away as California, New York and Georgia and will converge on the theatre Friday and Saturday, August 3 and 4 for a hilarious and sentimental gathering of past CT members.

Many of these CT 'kids' were around when Nora MacAlvay was directing the CT shows and some of the younger 'kids' remember Joann Saxon who is still carrying on the tradition of Children's Theatre at the Dunes.

For information, contact Dani Lane 616/469-7992, email: lane27560@aol.com or the theatre at 879-7509

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General admission to the Buckley Bluegrass and Fiddle Contest is \$4 per person with children under 7 admitted free.

Sun., July 22, noon-5 p.m. **Old Time Music Jubilee.** Presented by The Society for the Preservation of Old Time Music, this event is headlined by a variety of entertainers. Howard Lee Noel on the banjo and guitar starts the day, followed by Clemons & Cash Brothers, singing country and rockabilly. Pat Sowash performs gospel and the day is closed with Tom Schwab and Jim Thomas.

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The Notre Dame Club of LaPorte County is sponsoring a bus trip to the Purdue football game on Sat., Sept. 15. The bus leaves the Queen of All Saints parking lot (northeast corner of Barker Avenue and Woodland Avenue) promptly at 9 a.m.

The cost is \$90 per person if received prior to August 15. After August 15, the cost is \$100. Included in the trip are transportation, game ticket, snacks and refreshments on the bus, box lunch before the game, and a buffet supper after the game. Participants must be 21 years of age to attend.

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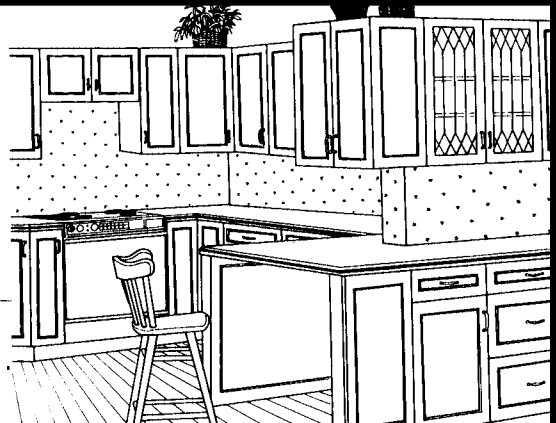
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CyberScribbles

by Paula McHugh

Hello again from cyberland. This week's column looks at ways to keep track of phone calls while you're online.

Internet Answering Machines

I covered this topic last year when I signed up for a service from E-Voice. For those of us who do not have a second line, an Internet phone message service is a great way to handle calls when you're surfing the net. Instead of getting a busy signal, your caller can leave a message in a voice mailbox. It's a have-your-cake-and-eat-it-too solution, since you can be logged on to the Internet and still not miss phone calls.

The fact that E-Voice is biting the dust prompted me to research a few other services, since I will be signing up for another one soon. After several months of free service from E-Voice, I was required to start paying, but the monthly \$1.95 fee was worth it. What I got was basic: an instant e-mail notification that someone had phoned. I then logged on to E-Voice to retrieve messages left for me, at which time I could decide to log off and return the phone call immediately, or wait until later. My friends and associates soon learned the difference in my answering machines. I have a regular one attached to my home phone that clicks on when I'm gone, and the E-Voice, which sounds different. Initially, callers were confused, thinking that they might have dialed a wrong number when they heard the E-Voice message. But they adjusted. And will have to adjust again next month.

Since I have not tried out the other answering services I will be mentioning here, you will have to make-do with the descriptions of each of four call answering services that I have researched. And if you currently are using a service that you like, please let me know right away. I have until the end of this month to use E-Voice. User testimonials can be very helpful, whereas I can only provide information on the similarities and differences of the four services that I looked at.

The Internet Call Manager (www.internetcall-manager.com) appears to have the most bells and whistles. More than a notification and message playback service, the Call Manager provides the user with choices on how to manage the call. From a pop-up window, one can choose to: 1) answer the call immediately and disconnect from the Internet; 2) play one of several messages instantly to the caller; 3) listen to the caller's voice mail message; or 5) ignore the call, at which time the caller will just hear your phone ringing and ringing. Of the several real-time messages that you can give the caller, the options are "I'll call you back," "Call me back," or customize two other responses to the call. If you have call waiting on your regular phone service package, it must be disabled each time you take an online call. This and almost all of the other online answering services work with your phone company's call-forwarding program. The



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Internet Call Manager offers a "free trial," consisting of the first eight calls. Costs are broken into two services, a basic package starting at \$5.95 a month (cheaper if you subscribe for a year), and an optional "call pack" that allows calls to be transferred to another phone number. Those costs start at an additional \$2.95 a month. I liked the amount of detail included on their website clearly explaining the service and fees.

CallWave (www.callwave.com) advertises as a free service, which is partially true. It's free if you give your friends and associates a toll-free number (provided) to get hold of you online. If you want the basic automatic call forwarding, package prices range from \$2.95 to \$9.95. One has to sign up ahead of time in order to learn more about how the service works. Kind of sneaky, in my opinion.

Pagoo (www.pagoo.com) offers a 30-day free trial and says that it allows for unlimited voice messages and has the capability to retrieve and forward messages and calls. Unlike Internet Call Manager, Pagoo has no demo online. In order to find out how it works, one has to download the free trial. After thirty days, a basic \$4.95 fee kicks in, and there may be other fee packages, but the only way to find out is to download (or ask someone who uses Pagoo).

Finally, Free Internet Answering Machines, (www.free-internet-answering-machines.com) says, "a caller leaves you a voice mail, which you can hear." An icon is placed on your computer, which rings when you get a call, and you can adjust that function to ring for only certain callers. Unlike the other services mentioned, this one apparently requires one to have call-waiting phone service before you can use it. I found the information on this service's website confusing. In order to have the icon ringer function, it is my understanding that CallWave has to be installed, too. And in exchange for the Free Internet Answering Machines, you get ad banners as a trade-off.

Deciding on which to sign up for is, for the most part, a blind decision. Each of the above descriptions provides an overview, and Internet Answering Machine provides the most detailed of the bunch. Usually one must first download the program and then give phone and credit card information—even for the free trials. Once it's on your machine and you discover that it is not what you wanted, then you have to go to the trouble of uninstalling and disconnecting from the service. And making sure that you are no longer billed for service you don't want or use.

If any of you readers are using one of these services, or another that might be out there, I would appreciate hearing what you like or dislike about your chosen service.

Write me at: left2write@hotmail.com. (You may notice a change here, too—my former web-based e-mail program is planning to start charging a fee next month!

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Travel with Charley:

Following the Sun from the Hall of Fame to Notre Dame

by Charles McKelvy

One of the great benefits of occasionally shelling out \$15 or \$20 for a 10K run is that you really get to see sides of a city you'd never otherwise encounter.

That is most especially true of the annual Sunburst event that takes place the second Saturday of every June in South Bend. It's the one they advertise as taking runners on a truly gorgeous foot tour from the College Football Hall of Fame in downtown South Bend to the 50-yard line at the Notre Dame football stadium.

In addition to the 10K, they also offer a 5K run, a 5K walk, and a marathon, but it's the 10K that I've come back to time and again because that course offers the foot traveler the best possible tour of South Bend's hidden treasures.

Allow me then to offer this review in order that you might lace up your own running or walking shoes and head on over to South Bend at your leisure for a stroll along the St. Joseph River:

Your tour begins in downtown South Bend at the College Football Hall at 111 S. St. Joseph Street where you will certainly find plenty of parking, but not necessarily for free. What I've found over the years in downtown South Bend is that if you're willing to walk a few extra blocks, you can always find plenty of free parking on the side streets near the city center.



Participants in the annual Sunburst event gather at the College Football Hall of Fame in downtown south Bend.

Okay, so by all means check out the College Football Hall of Fame and the nearby Century Center and the South Bend Chocolate Company and all the other downtown attractions, and then head west on Jefferson and then right on Lafayette Street and walk north through downtown, passing the South Bend Tribune and the stately Episcopal Cathedral as you go.



Runners head out for a 10K foot tour that will take them from "The Hall of Fame to Notre Dame".



The pack heads north along Lafayette Street past the Episcopal Cathedral.



Folks are friendly to runners and walkers in South Bend.

You'll pass by Sunburst's sponsor, Memorial Hospital of South Bend, and when you get to Bartlett, hang a right or head east until you get to Riverside Drive and then follow that sylvan path as it curves along the left bank of the St. Joseph River.

You'll find yourself in lovely Leeper Park with trees and lawns on your left and the gently flowing river on your right. Being in a 10K race, I didn't really have time to stop and sniff the flowers and watch the river flow, but you will. Also, consider packing a lunch and having a picnic in the park. Sure looked to me like a great place for a country picnic in the city.



South Bend's Leeper Park is made for foot traffic.

There is, as I painfully recall, a hill on Riverside Drive, but since you'll be there when there is no race — what's your hurry?

Or, to paraphrase Alfred E. Newman of *Mad* Magazine fame: "What, me hurry?"

Sorry, back to the Sunburst course, which, by the way, features sidewalks along the entire route.

Granted, you won't have the South Bend Police Department stopping traffic at key intersections during your passage through town, but I seriously doubt that you will find traffic to be a problem at any point along the way.

My abiding impression of the Sunburst 10K route was one of peace, quiet and the occasional barking dog. Oh, and lots of chirping birds, but then Sunburst was run in the morning, but they certainly did seem to favor that old tree-lined river.

Although I was not setting any land-speed records during my "running" of Sunburst 2001, I unfortunately was not traveling slowly enough to get the particulars on the various styles of architecture I saw along the way. Suffice it to say, some of South Bend's truly great homes are hidden along Riverside Drive and then along North Shore Drive on the opposite bank after you cross the river at Angela.

I recall that the homes got newer as the miles got fewer, but I'm usually seeing things past the half-way point of any 10K race, so you'll have to simply see for yourself. What you will see, I'm quite sure, is that the natives are extremely friendly and quite willing to get you back on course should you become lost or confused.



The St. Joseph River as seen from the Angela Boulevard Bridge.

Now, once you're on the other side of the river, you're going to go south on North Shore to Lafayette, north on Lafayette, to Marquette, then Marquette to Parovash, east on Parkovash to Hillcrest, north on Hillcrest to Pokagon, and east on Pokagon to the bike trail. Head south on the bike trail to Howard, west on Howard to Leeper, and then north on Leeper to Peashway, and east on Peashway to Notre Dame Avenue, which, if you go north, will take you directly to the home of of the Fighting Irish.

For Sunburst purposes, they route runners and walkers pretty much straight into the stadium, but for your purposes, take some time for delightful diversions around the campus. Notre Dame, at least according to my experiences of college campuses, is one of the most walker-friendly anywhere.

There is so much to do and see on campus, that I simply will have to file a special scouting report. Or, I'll just have to leave it to you to find the many treasures it contains.

Now, what I've done at Sunburst is take refreshment after the race at the football stadium and then head back downtown on foot by following Notre Dame Avenue south to South Bend Avenue and then south and west on that to LaSalle and back over to the river to whence I started.

But that's adding a whole bunch of extra miles to your tour, so you might consider shortening your walk by turning around and heading back when Riverside Drive reaches Lafayette on the right bank of the river.

Or, you can rely on South Bend's reliable public transportation system to get you from Notre Dame to the Hall of Fame, or you can call a cab, or simply go with friends and plant one car at one end and the other at the other end.

It's entirely up to you, but I do urge you to explore at least part of the Sunburst 10K route sometime this summer or fall, because it is every bit as beautiful as the most beautiful neighborhoods of Paris, except that the natives all speak English.

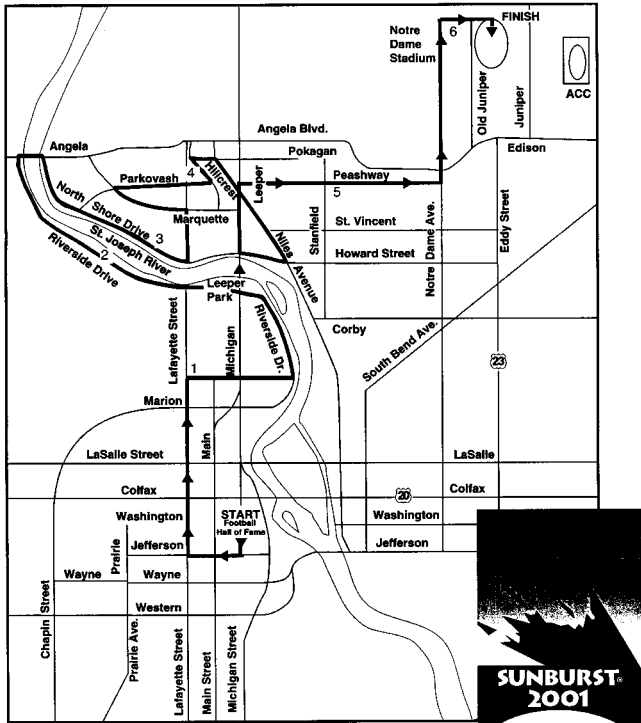
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And to reward yourself when you are done, simply check in at the cafe at the Notre Dame bookstore or the South Bend Chocolate Company back downtown and replenish your lost calories with a tall latte with some good, wholesome chocolate goodies.

And for the latest on what's happening in South Bend, call the Convention and Visitors Bureau at: 219/234-0051, ext. 345.

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At the MC Public Library

Here are several upcoming events at the Michigan City Public Library that might be of interest:

Fri., July 20. **Bookmarks at Noon.** The selection is Anne Tyler's newest novel, When We Were Grownups. It will be reviewed by Hilda DeMuth-Lutze.

Tyler's 15th novel is the story of Rebecca Davitch, a 53 year-old widow who discovers she has turned into the wrong person. A matriarch of a large family and the owner of a catering service, Rebecca is both personally and professionally successful but an engagement party for one of her step-daughters finds her questioning everything about her life. She takes up with an old college sweetheart but this doesn't pan out as she had imagined and what she emerges with is a kind of radiant resignation.

You need not have read the novel to enjoy the review. Patrons are encouraged to bring their lunch and coffee and cookies will be provided by the library.

Mon., July 23, 6 p.m. **Summer Film Festival.** The film to be shown is "The House of Mirth," based on the Edith Wharton novel. Gillian Anderson (The X Files) stars as Lily Bart, a ravishing socialite at the height of her success who quickly discovers the precariousness of her position when her beauty and charm starts attracting unwelcome interest and jealousy. Torn between her heart and her head, Lily always seems to do the right thing at the wrong time. She seeks a wealthy husband, and in trying to conform to social expectations, she misses her chance for real love with Lawrence Seldon, and in a series of tragic events, winds up disgraced and discarded.

At the heart of the film is Anderson's brilliant performance, which covers an enormous range of subtle emotions. This is one of the saddest stories ever told about the traps that society sets for women. Also starring, Dan Aykroyd, Anthony LaPaglia, Laura Linney.



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In the Local Area:

July 19 — Preservationists of Michigan City Inc. meeting at Fanning-Howey, 905 S. Woodland Ave., Michigan City. The history & restoration of 319 E. 9th St. will be discussed. For info log onto preservationist@usa.net

July 19 — MC Municipal band concert. 8 pm. Guy Foreman Bicentennial Amphitheatre, Michigan City. Featured artist: Sheryl Edwards, soprano.

July 18-July 21 — "Mame." Canterbury Summer Theatre production. Thurs-Fri @ 8 pm; Sat @ 6 & 9 pm, Wed matinee @ 2 pm. Mainstreet Theatre, 807 Franklin St., Michigan City. Tix \$11.50 & \$12.50. Reservations 874-4269. Sen. cit. & student discounts available.

July 20 — Bookmarks at Noon. MC Public Library. Back When We Were Grown-ups by Anne Tyler to be reviewed by Hilda Demuth-Lutze. Free.

July 20-21 — Farmer's Market. 10 am-4 pm. At the Schoolhouse Shop & Antiques, Furnessville. 219/926-1551.

July 19-22, 26-29 — "Jesus Christ, Superstar." Presented by the Dunes Summer Theatre, Michiana Shores. Reservations 879-7509. Thurs, Fri & Sat curtain @ 8 pm, Sun @ 7 pm.

July 20-23 — "The Circle." Winner Golden Lion at the Venice Film Festival. Not rated. Farsi language w/Eng. subtitles. Fri & Sat @ 6:30 & 9 pm; Sun @ 4 & 6:30 pm; Mon @ 7 pm. Vickers Theatre, 6 N. Elm St., Three Oaks, Michigan. 616/756-3522 or www.vickerstheatre.com

July 20-21, 27-28 — "Sweeney Todd-The Demon Barber of Fleet Street." Memorial Theatre Company and NiSource production at the Memorial Opera House, 104 Indiana Ave., Valparaiso. Fri & Sat @ 8 pm, Sun @ 2 pm. Tix \$10/\$12. Box office 219/548-9137. Not for children.

July 21 — Farmer's Market. 8:30 am. 8th & Washington Streets, Michigan City.

July 21-22 — Two All-Breed Dog Shows sponsored by the LaPorte County Kennel Club. Held at the Michigan City High School, 8466 W. Pahs Rd., Michigan City. Info 872-3145. See story this issue.

July 21-22, 28-29 — "Proposals." Harbor Country Community Theatre production of a Neil Simon play. Sat @ 8 pm, Sun @ 2 pm. Performing Arts Center at the New Buffalo High/Middle School, East Clay Street, New Buffalo. Tix \$15; 616/469-2770.

July 22-28 — LaPorte County Fair. County fairgrounds, LaPorte. Gen.adm. \$4/adults, \$2/kids 10-15, and under 9, free. Sen. cit. 1/2 price Wed. only. Free parking. Info 219/362-2647.

July 23 — Summer Film Series: "The House of Mirth." 6 pm. MC Public Library. Free.

July 25 — Potluck Luncheon. 11 am-1 pm. Presented by The Women's Fellowship of St. John Church, Barker & Buffalo Streets, New Buffalo. \$5/adults, \$2.50/kids under 12, free to kids under 5. Dessert &

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Beverly Shores Historic South Shore Line Passenger Depot Museum and Art Gallery. 525 Broadway, Beverly Shores. Thurs-Sun, 1-4 pm. Adm. free. 219/871-0832.

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Great Lakes Museum of Military History, 360 Dunes Plaza, Michigan City. Info 872-2702 or on the web at www.militaryhistorymuseum.org

LaPorte County Historical Museum, county complex in downtown LaPorte, Indiana. Hours 10 am-4:30 pm, Tues-Sat. Adm. free; donations welcome. July display: vitage paper dolls. 219/326-6808, ext. 276 or www.lapcohistsoc.org

New Buffalo Railroad Museum, 530 S. Whittaker St., New Buffalo, MI. Open Mon-Fri, 9 am-5 pm; Sat-Sun, 10 am-3 pm (MI time). Info 616/469-5409.

John G. Blank Center for the Arts, 312 E. 8th St., Michigan City. Gallery hours Mon-Fri, 10 am-4 pm; Sat, 10 am-2 pm. 874-4900.

Farther Afield:

Through September 2 — "Sideshow of the Absurd." Multi-media exhibition of humorous drawings & mechanical sculptures. 1-3 pm. Wm. Bachman Gallery in the Center for Visual and Performing Arts, 1040 Ridge Rd., Munster, IN. Info 219/836-1839.

July 17-July 27 — Roberta Allen Art and Schaller & Witzel Pottery Show & Sale. Cook Energy Information Center, Bridgman, Michigan. 1-800/548-2555 or www.cookinfo.com

July 19-22 — The Quilters Hall of Fame Celebration 2001. Marion, Indiana. Exhibits, house tours, workshops, vendors.

July 21 — Firefly Festival—The Capitol Steps. Musical comedy show. Gates open 5 pm, concert begins at 6 pm. St. Patrick's County Park, 50651 Laurel Road, South Bend, near the Indiana/Michigan line. Tix \$14 in advance, \$18 at the gate, if not sold out. Phone 219/288-3472 or visit www.fireflyfestival.com

July 21 — The Whiting Park Festival Orchestra. 7:30 pm. "Musical Showstoppers." Whiting Lakefront Park, 119th & Front Streets, Whiting, Indiana. Concert free, parking \$3. Info 219/659-0292.

July 22 — Independent Cat Society Garden Tour. 1 pm. Coburg Planting Fields, Jackson Township, Porter County. \$10/adults, \$5/kids. Info 219/785-4936.



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For more information or to register, phone Brian at 800/636-2001, or the Lake County Parks and Recreation Department at 219/769-PARK.

PNC Fall Registration

Advance registration for the fall semester at Purdue University North Central will continue through Friday, July 27.

Schedule booklets are available on campus and the fall class schedule is also available via the web at www.purduenc.edu


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On July 20, 1859, 1,500 baseball fans paid 50 cents each to see the Brooklyn Dodgers play the New York Giants, the first time that fans were charged admission to see a game.

On July 20, 1881, Sioux Indian Chief Sitting Bull, a fugitive since the *Battle of Little Big Horn*, surrendered to federal troops.

On July 20, 1969, Apollo 11 astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin became the first men to set foot on the moon.

On July 20, 1985, off the coast of Key West, Florida, a diving sortie, led by Mel Fisher, discovered \$400 million in sunken treasure.

On July 21, 1861, at Manassas, Virginia, Confederate soldiers won the Civil War's first "Battle of Bull Run."

On July 21, 1899, author Ernest Hemingway was born in Oak Park, Illinois.

On July 21, 1925, the "Monkey Trial" ended in Dayton, Tennessee as John Scopes was found guilty (and fined \$100) of teaching Darwin's theory of evolution. The conviction was later overturned.

On July 21, 1930, Congress authorized the establishment of the Veterans Administration.

On July 22, 1587, a second English colony, under the command of Captain John White, was established on Roanoke Island, off the coast of North Carolina.

On July 22, 1796, Moses Cleaveland founded the city of Cleaveland, Ohio. In 1831 the spelling was changed to Cleveland.

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On July 22, 1933, American aviator Wiley Post completed the first solo airplane flight around the world. The journey took 7 days, 18 hours, and 45 minutes.

On July 23, 1829, William Burt, of Mt. Vernon, Michigan, received a patent for a machine called a "Typographer." The name was later changed to typewriter.

On July 23, 1846, Henry David Thoreau was sent to jail for refusing to pay his poll tax. The ordeal inspired him to write his most famous novel, *Civil Disobedience*.

On July 23, 1904, in St. Louis, the ice cream cone was invented by Charles E. Menches.

On July 23, 1962, a Telstar communications satellite relayed the first live television programs from the United States to Europe.

On July 24, 1802, French novelist Alexandre Dumas the Elder; the author of such immortal classics as "*The Count of Monte Cristo*," "*Twenty Years After*," and "*The Three Musketeers*," was born in Villers-Cotterets.

On July 24, 1847, Mormon leader Brigham Young and his followers arrived at Utah's Great Salt Lake.

On July 24, 1862, Martin Van Buren, eighth president of the United States, died in Kinderhook, New York.

On July 24, 1897, Amelia Earhart, the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean, was born in Atchison, Kansas.

On July 25, 1814, England's George Stephenson, who was to become known as the *Founder of Railways*, first successfully demonstrated a steam locomotive.

On July 25, 1885, Louis Pasteur inoculated the first human being against rabies. The patient, Joseph Meister, who had been bitten by a rabid dog, later became superintendent of the Pasteur Institute.

On July 25, 1952, Puerto Rico became a self-governing commonwealth of the United States.

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Boatswain Mate 1st Class
Bob Troy

This week we would like to profile a Navy man--Bob Troy. Bob was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa in 1920, but his family moved to Michigan City three years later. He attended Central grammar school and then graduated from Springfield Township HS in 1938.

In October, 1940, Bob enlisted in the Navy at Great Lakes, Illinois, where he spent 5 weeks in boot camp. He then was sent to Norfolk, Virginia, and was assigned to the battleship *New York*, where he spent the next six years.

The *New York* was a WWI vessel, commissioned in 1914 with a crew of 2000 men. Until Pearl Harbor, she was used as a training ship in and around Norfolk. When the U.S. entered the war, the *New York* was assigned to convoy duty between the U.S. and Edinburgh, Scotland. The ship was the first to have radar and her speed of 22 knots and 14 inch guns were faster and smaller than the newer, slower and larger battleships with their 16 inch guns.

Bob, aboard the *New York*, was at sea 103 days during her convoy and patrol duty. On Nov. 8, 1942, the *New York* fired in support of the North African invasion, where she also sunk a French warship near Casablanca, when the French first resisted the American landings.

After the invasion, the *New York* escorted convoys with supplies for the troops ashore at Casablanca. During this North African duty, she ran aground and had to return to Norfolk for drydock and repairs; therefore, not available for action off Normandy on D-Day.

After repairs were completed, the *New York* again returned to convoy duty until V-E Day in May, 1945, when she was then sent thru the Panama Canal into the Pacific where she helped bombard Iwo Jima.

After Iwo Jima, the *New York* was sent to bombard Okinawa, which they did for 78 days, expending 5000 rounds of 14 inch shells. During the bombardment, the *New York* was hit by a kamakazi plane; but luckily it was just clipped, lost just one observation plane and had no casualties.

After Okinawa, the ship prepared for the invasion of Japan, but the two atomic bombs ended the war. In 1946, the *New York* was put into "Operation Crossroads" at the Bikini Atoll where atomic tests were done. The *New York* survived the tests but was sunk later during target practice by Naval aircraft. So ended the long career of a great ship that served the U.S. well thru two wars.

Bob returned to the states as a Boatswain Mate 1st Class with Naval ribbons showing 4 Battle Stars for combat actions in three theaters of operations as well as the Victory Medal and others. He was discharged in 1946 in San Francisco and returned to Michigan City.

He met his wife, Ann, who is from the East, at a bowling alley in New York City when Bob was on leave and his ship in for repair. Ann was in the WAVES from 1943-45 and was assigned to Norman, Oklahoma, where they were married during one of Bob's leaves.

Bob and Ann rented an apartment in Michigan City while he built their home on Warnke Road. They will be married 56 years in September and have a family of two girls, Karen and Lori, and are now the proud grandparents of three: one boy, Tim, and two girls, Sarah and Merith.

Bob worked for U.S. Steel in Gary as a machinist for 33 years and retired in 1982. He enjoys woodworking, walking, travel, and fishing. By the looks of his picture (below), he must be a pretty fair fisherman! The 38 inch steelhead, which weighed in at 24.2 lbs., was caught by him in Lake Michigan a few years back.

Bob has been a member of the American Legion Post 451 for 46 years and is a very active member of VFW Post 2536 for the last 41 years, serving as Junior Vice Commander for 2 years & Post Trustee 4 years. He has been a devoted member of the Honor Guard for the Post for 18 years and has been our Post's Poppy Chairman quite a few years.

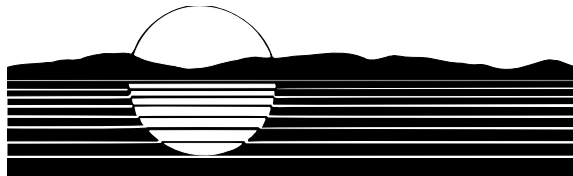
Bob also has been in charge of placing flags on graves of veterans at Greenwood Cemetery before Memorial Day. He also, with a few other members, buys and distributes food baskets for our homebound comrades and gifts for those in our area nursing homes every Christmas.

Bob, we salute you for your six year Naval career, with the majority of them in "harm's way" and for your continued devotion to duty in our Honor Guard, burying our fallen comrades, plus all your other activities for our disabled veterans. Bob, you are an honor to our country, our Post and our community! We thank you.



Veteran Bob Troy today--1st class fisherman!

-----submitted by Bob Fitzgerald



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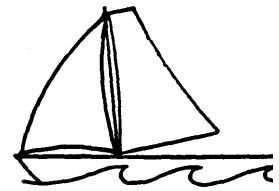
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