

Les Cheneaux

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Another week of beautiful weather with boaters and fishermen enjoying being out on the water. Much needed rain should be coming in during the next few days, but more nice fall weather is bound to follow.

Another Lions Club \$100 winner was Gretchen Storey of Cedarville, who won the raffle drawing September 12.

The Les Cheneaux Rouge Chapeaux (Red Hats) are going to enjoy an evening at the Elks Club in Sault Ste. Marie this Thursday, September 21, with dinner and entertainment by the "Sweet Adelines." It should be an enjoyable evening.

A note from Ralph Patrick of Patrick's Landing came last week with a testimony from Ohio outdoor writer Jim Robey, who visited the Les Cheneaux Islands in July and reported that bass fishing is fantastic.

In the *Dayton Daily News*, his article on the matter bears the headline, "Bass fishing explodes at Michigan's Les Cheneaux Islands," and he reports that he and a friend either hooked or lost a smallmouth bass for 20 straight casts. One was a 19-inch smallmouth. The pair also found good catches of red ear sunfish, yellow perch, and rock bass.

And now for another of Bruce Patrick's stories. This one is somewhat the same as a tale that was told



Cedarville High School's 2006 Homecoming Queen candidates included (from left) Rebecca Bickham, Amy Winberg, Hope Deeren, Charlene Brissette, Caitlin Wright, and Carissa Sudol. Miss Bickham was crowned queen Friday night, September 15. Justin Baker was named the 2006 king. (Photographs by Katie Bowlby)

earlier, about Dolson's windmill, but a little different version. The story follows:

"The windmill was built on the hill right across John Smith's Bay. The main building was a well built log cabin. The logs were all hewed by broad axe. The main part of this mill building was logged up in a very fine way; all the logs were squared and well fitted together with drift bolts holding them together.

The windmill was on the second floor. The building was facing

northwest and southeast, so doors in each end could be opened. Wind blowing from northwest or southeast [went] right through the upper part of the building. One had to have a good wind to make the windmill's huge wheel turn. The wheel was about 10 feet in diameter. There were rope belts going down through the floor. These ran the wood working machines. Dolson made kitchen furniture mostly.

He made a small model, which he took all the way to Washington,

D.C. There he thought he could get it patented. I don't know how the patenting went. Could you imagine taking a model all the way to Washington, trying to get a patent? I think they got it patented, but the layout of the building needs was too much, I think, for what it was used for. The mill that he built did work. I saw it running several times after Dolson was gone. Finally, someone tore the whole building down to get the lumber. I think the model and the big wheel laid there for years.

Foxy Lady Wins Second Annual Boot to Voight Weekend Race



The winning crew of *Foxy Lady* (from left) Chuck Albright of Marquette Island, Dick Knapp of Hill Island, and Frank and Peg LaBelle of Fox Lane in Cedarville celebrate taking first place and the Boot to Voight Cup.

The crew of *Foxy Lady* outfoxed *Beelzebub* to take the lead and win the Second Annual Boot to Voight sailing race Saturday, September 2.

Fourteen boats and their crews started the race and 13 finished. Boats sailed through pleasant conditions, with easterly winds up to 15 knots along the course from Boot Island to Voight Bay on Marquette Island. There, approximately 80 people gathered for a reception and awards barbecue at Point Fuyards, hosted by Bob Dunn of Cedarville and Janet Carrington of Cedarville and Florida.

Mr. Dunn's son, Jason, distributed the Boot to Voight Cup to the *Foxy Lady* crew, which included Chuck Albright of Marquette Island, Dick Knapp of Hill Island, Peg LaBelle of Cedarville, and skipper Frank LaBelle of Cedarville. The LaBelles' *Foxy Lady* alludes to their cottage on Fox Lane in Cedarville.

Mr. LaBelle is the leader of the successful crew that won the July

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Joel Birkmeier's crew on *Second Wind* took third place in the Boot to Voight Race and received a pennant for the honor.



Teresa Heise of Hessel was making a new flower bed and was moving some stones from a rock pile near her home when she found what looks like a perfect cross in a large limestone boulder. The unusually shaped cracks in the stone make the cross, and are filled with a shaggy moss. (Photograph courtesy of Teresa Heise)

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The 2006 Cedarville High School Homecoming attendants were (from left) Daeshawna Nye, James Lindberg, Annie Eberts, and Michael Haske, who are all students at Les Cheneaux Elementary School and participated in Homecoming ceremonies Friday night, September 15.

Dolson made a big garden on the northeast side of the hill where the mill was. Here again, by hard work

by his wife and son, they raised lots of vegetables, which they stored in a root house for winter use."

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A Message from your local Health Department

Do you or someone you know have a child with a serious illness?
Are the medical bills piling up?
Your local health department offers a program that may assist you!

When illness impacts someone in your family, life can feel very overwhelming. When the person ill is your child, you can feel even more helpless!

Many people are not aware of the community resources that are available to help them during difficult times, like the illness of a child.

The **Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) Program** is a division of the Michigan Department of Community Health created to locate, diagnose and treat Michigan children who have chronic illness or disabling conditions. One of the program's goals is to remove the barriers that might get in the way of providing appropriate health care for children with special health care needs. Trained staffs in your local health department are available to assist families with accessing these services and overcoming barriers.

CSHCS provides services for approximately 3,000 medical diagnoses that require care by surgical or medical specialists, and are disabling to children from birth to age 21. CSHCS also serves individuals over 21 with specific health conditions such as Cystic Fibrosis or certain blood coagulation disorders like Hemophilia.

Covered services include specialty medical care and treatment, assistance with coordination of other insurance benefits, care coordination, access to a network of physicians, hospitals and ancillary health professionals who specialize in caring for children with special health care needs. The program also serves as a link to other community services. Additional covered services may include transportation assistance, home health care and, in some circumstances, insurance premium payments can be covered.

LMAS District Health Department has additional information and materials that explain benefits of the CSHCS program. Health department staff will help families with the application process. We can also assist with diagnostic evaluations which help pay for initial visits with medical specialists.

For more information on CSHCS and other programs, families may call the Children's Special Health Care Services Plan Division, Family Phone Line at 1-800-359-3722, or local LMAS District Health Offices. In Newberry call 293-1324, in St. Ignace call 643-1100. For the Munising office call 387-2297 and in Manistique call 341-4102.

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