

Brevort

Rexton-Garnet

By Linda Livermore

The past weekend was a boon to strollers on Fisherman's Drive, as there was an estate sale at Mildred Gustafson's, a garage sale at Dave Moyalson's, and further east, of course, was the flea market. Everyone reported brisk sales and lots of conversations. Visiting is often as much fun as moving stuff.

Sally Conklin, Mary Lou and Frank Hogan were Sunday evening visitors at the home of Jackie and Denny Rippet.

Bob and Ellen Berry did some kayaking on Sunday and a good

time was had.

As I spoke with Dot Glashaw this Monday morn, a doe and her fawn were browsing under Ms. Glashaw's apple tree in her yard. She attended her 50th LaSalle High School class reunion this week. It was a three-day affair for the 28 of 57 class members present. She is now working on the all-class reunion for 2008.

Jewels of the Straits Red Hats met at the home of Shari Baron Saturday.

Visitors at the home of Barb and Owen Jorgenson this week were Mike and Melanie Jorgenson and children, Matt and Melissa, who were returning from a visit in Wisconsin. Ralph and Tina Vitapek spent three days with the Jorgensons after a successful concert tour to Northern Michigan University and Michigan Technological University.

Don Dickmann and Kathleen McKeivitt hosted friends from East Lansing this weekend. The McKeivitts spent a few evenings this past week with Betty Phillips, who has a home on Big Brevort Lake. A

campfire on the beach made the evening more enjoyable.

Janice O'Boyle's uncle of St. Clair Shores spent the weekend with the O'Boyle family on Shore Road. Whitefish was grilled over a bonfire on the beach in front of their home. Lawrence is playing in the softball playoffs. Katelynn O'Boyle will be finishing her last semester at Lake Superior State University this fall. Janice says she will enjoy having Katelynn home for awhile, until she gets settled in Sault Ste. Marie.

Bob Jarzynka's cucumbers are just blossoming, as the nights have been too cold. Last year at this time, he and Kathy had fresh tomatoes and cucumbers to eat. It was 42 degrees at 7:15 Monday morning on Worth Road, but it warmed up quickly. Warmer weather is here.

Kyle Emblad gave the meditation at Trinity Lutheran Church Sunday and did a fine job. Jerri Rose did the liturgy as well as serving communion.

Dinner guests at our home Sunday afternoon were Dave Jr., Lorie Quigley and Joe Stewart, and Kay Allott of Sault Ste. Marie, a weekend guest of Joe and Lorie.

One has to have a garage sale if for no other reason than to have your friends and neighbors call on you and share a conversation.

We had a nice chat with Mark "the Elder" Spencer and Joan Spencer. Mrs. Spencer told me she had some lovely sunflowers that were ring tinged with yellow tips on the flowers, and they were "volunteers."

It is quiet here now that Eric and Kelli, Miss Amber, and Zach have gone back to Howell. Hopefully they will get another opportunity to come back in August.

Happy birthday to Lauren Yoder and Sharon Smith July 15, Karl Yoder July 17, and Mike Jorgenson July 19. Happy anniversary to Brian and Jeanne Rose July 23.

Mary Rose Maillette was brought back to Rexton for her final resting place by her daughters and their families, Sherry Gaudette and Rayven and Jack Wilkerson. She was known as little Mary Rose Prater when she lived here in Rexton many years ago. She left the area while a teenager and has since lived in Bay City, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Havasu Lake City, Arizona, and Meridian, Idaho.

She was born in East Point, Kentucky, July 11, 1928 and died in Meridian April 24, 2007. Sixty-two family members celebrated her life at Caffey cemetery July 13. Pastor Tim Miller shared comforting promises from the Bible.

Celebrating 80 years, friends and family of Junior Shoemaker joined together on Sunday afternoon to share in birthday cake and ice cream. The party was hosted by his children. He enjoyed reminiscing with nieces and their families, Jean and Dick Bentley of St. Ignace, Jan Clark of Gladstone, and Kathy Barker of Gulliver; relatives Sharon Smith, Carol and Joyce Gustafson, all of Brevort, Marvin and Donna Hendersen, who recently moved to Engadine, and their grandchildren, Eric Oberle and his family, Marin, Matthew, and Mia, here from Georgia; a son, Mike and his family, Jamie and Alex of Nashville, Tennessee. Joining in the festivities were plenty of local folks and out-of-town guests Delbert and Martha Sheppard of Manistique.

Prior to returning to work on Monday, my husband, Dave, and I had managed to put on approximately 3,500 trouble-free travel miles, covering 10 states in six days. Our first stop brought us to our son, Dave, who is stationed at Fort Polk, Louisiana, and after a



Enjoying Alaska's first city, Ketchikan, are sisters (from left) Wanda Graham, Brett DeWeese, Patsy Kurtz, and Rosie Prater.

tour of the base and a few days of cooking Dave's favorites and enjoying his company, we headed due east to see the grandchildren in Georgia for a couple of days. We then headed north on I-75 and rested overnight at the home of our son, Andy, in Grand Rapids. Not ones to be letting grass grow under our feet (or the tires to cool off), we headed north again, stopping in Cadillac for the wedding of our great-niece, Cassie Livermore, to Daniel Newell. We enjoyed the reception and got up bright and early so Dave could get in a round of golf. Then it was "on the road," again landing close to home to catch the tail end of the birthday celebration for Junior Shoemaker. All in all, there is no place like home.

Rosie Prater and three of her sisters, Brett DeWeese, Wanda Graham, and Patsy Kurtz, enjoyed a cruise on the Diamond Princess to Alaska. They stayed overnight with their brother, Mike McCarry, and his wife, Joanne, in Frankenmuth June 21. Mr. McCarry took them to the Detroit airport June 22, and they flew to Vancouver, British Columbia, and spent the night before boarding

the *Diamond Princess* the following day. They enjoyed scenic cruising the first day, traveling through the Inside Passage, and then stopping and enjoying tours in the towns of Ketchikan, Juneau, and Skagway. They panned for gold in Skagway, but Ms. Prater said she only panned \$5.69 worth. They left the ship at Whittier and traveled to Anchorage by bus to catch the plane back to Detroit July 1.

The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians will host a Tribal Town Meeting and Draft Constitution question and answer session Wednesday, July 18, at the Naubinway pavilion in Naubinway from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. It will be an informal meeting will be with the tribal chairperson and a representative.

Condolences to Phyllis Gouza on the recent passing of her dad, Felix Gouza Sr. Services were held last week downstate.

Birthday wishes to Jill Kerridge and Grand Gouza on July 16, Thomas James Paquin and Janelle Paquin on July 17, Mary Jane Cobe on July 19, Loren Hins, and Darlene Shoemaker on July 20, and Courtney Aldrich July 21.

DeTour Area

By Barbara Buschbacher

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In spite of the cool and rainy days we have experienced as of late, "the good old summertime" continues. Swimming, cook-outs, boating, and beach parties continue. A question we all have is, "What happened to the hot weather we are supposed to have this month?" An answer, "The sun is warm."

The annual Home and Garden Tour will take place Saturday, July 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets will be available at the Botanical Gardens on M-134 approaching the Village. There are just a few openings left for the 1:30 p.m. luncheon, and reservations are needed. The luncheon is held in the gardens of the Wytiaz home on Ontario Street. Proceeds from the ticket sales will benefit the Botanical Garden Club. In case of rainy weather, tickets will be available in the Village Hall and the luncheon will be inside the Wytiaz home. Being optimistic as we are, the day will be warm and sunny with no clouds in sight.

Other events on the agenda

include summer theater in August. The play this year is a mystery-comedy entitled, "Good Help is Hard to Murder." Rehearsals are in full swing. What fun it will be to see our DeTour friends in action on stage.

Looking ahead, plans for "Happy Apple Day" are in the making for September 15.

Diane Karsh, Angie Leonard, and Sandy Wytiaz hosted the party for Glen and Joan Shaw in celebration of their 70th wedding anniversary. The food was delicious. It seemed that most of the residents of DeTour attended to congratulate the Shaws. The anniversary cake was topped with a miniature bride and groom that had topped the wedding cake 70 years ago. It was amazing to most everyone that this relic had been stored for so long. We hope this wonderful couple may spend many more happy years together.

Food for thought: Man does not live by bread alone; he needs peanut butter and jelly to go with it.

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TIPPING POINTS

Dear Mark: I have a problem about tipping blackjack dealers in the casino. I figure they get a high enough salary dealing cards, so why should I feel obliged to tip them, especially when their job is so easy and they don't do anything to help me, like tell me what's under their face or ace when I'm losing? The only thing I ever get from the dealer is a nasty look or a sarcastic remark when I light up a cigarette.

Eddie T.



Mark Pilarski

George, and although the pay-and-take and time between hands obviously running slower when played without a hole card, my personal preference was dealing through a hand without dealing myself one, simply to derail the too many eddies (see above), who think they're cute and ask me what my hole card was, figuring, "what the hell, it isn't his money, he doesn't care."

Believe me, dealers won't risk their jobs over yours, Eddie's or anybody else's bet. There's nothing wrong with asking for advice, but not after the dealer looks under his or her face or ace.

Dear Mark: What happens to the blinds when no one calls them in Hold'em?

Tom M.

It sort of depends, Tom, on where you're playing.

Known as the chop, it is an agreement between the two players who posted the blinds to have them returned when no one else enters the pot, and since many establishments only collect a rake on hands when there is a flop, by agreeing to one rather than playing through a hand, you avoid being subject to that rake.

Although you'll seldom if ever see the chop in a Hold'em tournament or a casino ring game, players, myself included, still like this rule on tables where there is plenty of action, mostly because you move on to a "real" hand more quickly.

Incidentally, Tom, in gamblese, chop could also mean splitting a pot when both players have an equal hand at the showdown, or, in a High-Low Split game where the high hand divvies up the pot with the low hand.

Gambling Wisdom of the Week: "Nobody is always a winner and anybody who says he is, is either a liar or doesn't play poker."

~Amarillo Slim

Dear Mark: Thanks for the tip on what to watch for when playing on a "no hole" card blackjack game. I'm curious though as to if you ever dealt the game that way, and which do you prefer?

George K.

I've dealt the game both ways,

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