

Besteman, Massaway



Michelle Besteman and Andrew Massaway

Michelle Besteman of Rudyard and Andrew Massaway of St. Ignace were married June 16, 2007, at the Christian Reform Church in Rudyard by Pastor Robert Steen, witnessed by Deacon Don Olmstead.

The parents of the couple are Michael and Denise Besteman of Rudyard, and Keith and Jean Massaway of St. Ignace.

The altar was decorated with a white arbor built by Mr. Besteman and decorated with red and white roses. Sam Otten, and Jessica and Anna Hirt provided music for the ceremony.

The bride, given away by her father, wore a satin A-line gown with claret-banded bodice and claret-lined pleats on skirt and train. She carried a bouquet of white lilies, red roses, and white alstramarials.

The bride's sister, Kristian Besteman of Rudyard, was the maid of honor, while the bride's friends, Jenna Aho and Jackie Andary, both of Rudyard, served as bridesmaids. Ayla Massaway of St. Johns served as the flower girl.

The groom's brother, Stephen Massaway of St. Ignace, served as

the best man. Groomsmen were Luke Fowler and Greg Belonga, both of St. Ignace. Robert Latva of Lowell, Nathan Templeton of Dafter, and Tyler Alden of Chesaning served as ushers, and Brent Sandberg of Muskegon was the ring bearer.

A reception was held at Little Bear East Arena in St. Ignace.

The wedding and groom's cake were made by the groom's aunt, Pamela Mapes. The groom's cake was decorated with decorations from the 1929 wedding cake of Mr. Massaway's great-grandparents, Pete and Louise Eversen.

The bride is a 2003 graduate of Rudyard High School and a 2007 graduate of Grand Valley State University. She plans to attend graduate school to earn a doctorate in physical therapy.

The groom is a 2003 graduate of LaSalle High School and a 2007 graduate of Grand Valley State University. He is employed as an assistant manager at Kohl's in Grand Rapids.

The couple took a wedding trip to Traverse City, and will make their home in Jenison.

Gros Cap: Monica Ellis Hired as Elementary Teacher Aide

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provides approximately \$130,000 per year to improve the building and grounds. Gros Cap's two wings and the gymnasium were built in the late 1950s. The main building dates to the 1930s.

The flooring must be replaced prior to the beginning of school. The new dense-rubber surface will not require waxing, Mr. Peltier noted. He estimated that school custodian Paul Grove spent six hours per week, nearly a full day's work, waxing Gros Cap's tile floors. The new flooring will allow him more time to maintain other parts of the school.

The district's septic tank and drain field will need replacement, Mr. Nitz informed the board. The \$50,000 to \$60,000 project must be completed before school starts.

"We were not counting on this, but it has to be done," Mr. Peltier said, adding that the district was prepared to pay for extensive repairs to the drainage system under the building. Contractors found that only small repairs are needed.

Landscaping projects, which may be ongoing when classes begin, will reconfigure the shape of the

grounds, focusing rainwater away from the building and into drains. The landscaping will also prevent students from tracking sand and dirt into the school, which has caused maintenance problems.

The district also plans to replace bathroom fixtures, repair plumbing, and upgrade parts of the electrical system. The school would like to replace doors, locks, a furnace, and possibly repair interior walls and ceilings.

Timing for the work done before school starts will be "tight," Mr. Nitz said, but he believes the projects can be accomplished in time.

In other business, the district hired Monica Ellis of St. Ignace as an elementary-level teacher aide for the 2007/2008 school year. She will provide one-on-one assistance to children in need.

Mrs. Ellis will be paid \$9.73 an hour, 7.5 hours per day, for all in-session school days.

Mrs. Ellis runs the St. Ignace Area Schools after-school program. She has served as a substitute teacher in several area districts, and she is certified to teach kindergarten through fifth grade. Mr. Peltier and

lead teacher Monica Silet chose Mrs. Ellis out of a pool of nine applicants. The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians has approved a \$10,000 grant to implement a Reading Recovery program at Gros Cap.

Schools throughout the United States use the tutoring program when educating students with early literacy difficulties.

The school board approved final adjustments to the 2006/2007 school budget.

Business Service Manager Lillian Clark reported that the district spent \$19,735 less than expected from its general fund last year, \$18,200 of the savings realized because fewer substitute teachers were needed and the district found grants to pay for textbooks. Another \$3,550 in legal fees were not used.

The board paid lawyers about \$1,500 to look over the school's ballot proposals, to clarify how state laws would impact the district, and to ensure that the board used correct language when making new state-mandated policies into local policies.

The school spent \$5,130 more than expected on school operations, mostly for heating.

The school took in \$81,494 more than expected in revenue. Most came from property taxes, Mr. Peltier said. Mrs. Clark added that the district received approximately \$10,000 more in interest than expected on money held in bank accounts.

The district has paid \$48,000 to Wisconsin-based American Transmission Lines, which alleged that the township overcharged the company for taxes on its pipelines

and substations. Personal property taxes on the equipment generated municipal revenue that the township turned over to Gros Cap School. Mr. Peltier said the township did not charge Gros Cap a portion of a fine the township incurred for paying the bill late. The bill was overdue because the township attempted to fight it, he added.

Owing to financial hardships faced by the district in years past, Mrs. O'Boyle said she could hardly believe she was hearing such a positive financial report.

The board re-elected Mrs. O'Boyle president, Helen Graichen secretary, and Nancy Dandona treasurer. Board members chose First National Bank of St. Ignace as depository for school funds; authorized all board members and the superintendent to sign checks for the district, and authorized school board officers, Mrs. Clark, and Mr. Peltier to sign contracts, agreements, and purchase orders for the district. The superintendent and business manager were designated electronic transfer officers. They are authorized to transfer money between bank accounts.

The school calendar approved by the board matches that of St. Ignace Area Schools, with the exception of one day, during which there are no classes at Gros Cap, while the St. Ignace schools will be open.

The state is pushing for all districts within each intermediate school district to have the same calendar. The Gros Cap district contracts with St. Ignace for busing.

The board voted to keep its school board meetings on the third Monday of each month, at 6 p.m. They are open to the public.

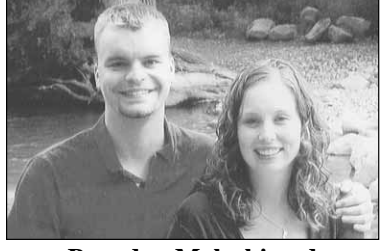
Engaged

Rebecca Robinson, Brandon Malaski

Gregg and Karen Greschak of Warren announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Lynn Robinson, to Brandon James Malaski, son of Robert and Annette Malaski of Rudyard.

An October 6, 2007, wedding is planned in Mount Pleasant.

Miss Robinson is a science teacher at St. Johns Middle School in St. Johns. Mr. Malaski is a production manager at Air Brakes



Brandon Malaski and Rebecca Robinson

System, Inc. in Mount Pleasant.

Lindsey McDonald, Gerald Vork

Jim and Lil McDonald of St. Ignace announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsey Marie McDonald, to Gerald Leon Vork.

Mr. Vork is the son of Dwayne and Marlene Vork.

A wedding is planned for August 11 at Hager Park in Jenison.

Gravelle, Frazier



Ashley Gravelle and Jeff Frazier.

Ashley Gravelle and Jeff Frazier were united in marriage July 7, 2007, at the home of Walt Frazier of Naubinway.

Magistrate Linda Livermore performed the service. The bride's uncle, Daryl Houghton of Engadine, gave an Indian prayer for the couple.

The groom's sister, Lara Peters of Naubinway, served as the maid of honor, and the bride's brother, Robert Dukes of Gould City, was the best man. A reception followed the ceremony at the Frazier home. Mrs. Peters made the wedding cake.

The bride is the daughter of Marcella Gravelle of New Mexico and Marvin and Yvonne Gravelle of Sault Ste. Marie. She is employed at the Skyline Motel in Epoufette.

The groom is the son of Sandy Peters and Walt Frazier, both of Naubinway. He is employed with Sand Products Corporation in Epoufette.

The couple plan to live in Garnet.

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For the benefit of Curtis Park
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4th Annual Wine & Cheese Tasting and Auction Fundraiser
to be held at
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Saturday, July 28, 2007 at 4:00 pm
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Many quality items and services have been donated for silent and live auctions
Information contact: Kelly Chamberlin (906) 586-6000

Artist of the Week
at the Les Cheneaux Historical Museum in Cedarville
WEDNESDAY, JULY 25 Noon to 3 p.m. **Elda Nye and Jerry Griffin** Basket-Making
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 1 Noon to 3 p.m. **Jim Berryhill** Waterbird Carvings
Sponsored in part by a grant from Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs.

The Citizens of St. Ignace are Cordially Invited...
To Join us downtown at the Marina for the 1st Annual **FISH FEAST**
THE KING OF THE GREAT LAKES FISH FRY
Sat., July 28th 4 - 10 p.m.
This waterfront event will begin with the **Dedication of the Fisherman's Memorial** and then showcase the Great Lakes fishing industry and the brave people who bring us the finest, freshest fish in the USA, from the cold, deep waters of Lake Huron and Lake Michigan.
Fish will be sold fresh, smoked and cooked from processors and restaurants in the area
Beer, wine and songs will add to the pleasures of kids games and fishing themed activities!
Please join us in the celebration of our fishing heritage ~ St. Ignace Visitors Bureau Special Events Committee ~

Hope
This is Relay For Life, a community event where people come together to remember loved ones, inspire others, and celebrate life. It's your chance to make a difference in the fight against cancer. The money you raise will fund research, education, advocacy, and service programs. Call us to register your team for this unforgettable event. This is the American Cancer Society.
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Friday & Saturday, July 27th & 28th
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I Now Pronounce You Chuck & Larry 1:00, 3:15, 7:00 & 9:15 PG-13	Hairspray 2:00, 4:15, 7:00 & 9:15 PG
The Simpsons Movie 1:00, 3:00, 7:00 & 9:00 PG-13	The Simpsons Movie 2:00, 4:00, 7:00 & 9:00 PG-13
No Reservations 1:00, 3:15, 7:00 & 9:15 PG	License To Wed 2:00, 4:00, 7:00 & 9:00 PG-13
Harry Potter (And the Order of the Phoenix) 12:45, 3:30, 6:45 & 9:25 PG-13	Harry Potter (And the Order of the Phoenix) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00 & 9:30 PG-13