

As I was driving through town this weekend, I noticed a bustle of activity that I hadn't seen in DeTour lately. A lot of people walking, busy traffic, new faces at all the various locations, and tourists milling through. This flurry of activity was energizing.

Saturday evening, May 3, the E.U.P. Fine Arts Council held "A Night at The Races" Restoration Derby. What a fun evening in conjunction with the Kentucky Derby Race. Around 40 people were in attendance for the first of what should be a returning yearly event. Those who came were treated to appetizers and drinks. There was a fun auction at the end of the evening with donated prizes. Everyone "won" something. Good job to the ladies of the council.

The DeTour Area Schools Honors Banquet was Wednesday, April 23. A lovely dinner was served. Academic honors and scholarships are distributed at this event. We will announce all of the DeTour academic honors in a future issue of the newspaper. Scholarships that were awarded that evening include the following: **Michigan Competitive Awards** - Nathan Klamerus, Max Peterson,

Kyle Tominac; **Michigan Promise Awards** - Morgan Fierek, Korin Goetz, Nathan Klamerus, Max Peterson, Breanna Sullivan, Kyle Tominac; **Principals Awards** - Nathan Klamerus and Max Peterson; **Beverly Firack Memorial Scholarship** - Kyle Tominac; **Salutatorian and Valedictorian Scholarships** to 2008 Valedictorian Nathan Klamerus and Salutatorian Max Peterson; **Drummond Island Moose Lodge 2381 Louis and Sally Socia Scholarship**: Jessica McClellan; **Drummond Island Arts and Crafts Scholarship** - Derrick Bouwma, Fawn Hamilton, Nathan Klamerus; **Drummond Island Lions Club Scholarship** - Amanda Papke; **United States Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award** - Nathan Klamerus and Chris Spohn; **Drummond Island Homemakers Scholarship** - Derrick Bouwma and Chris Spohn; Mynor Wallace Seaman Scholarship - Kyle Tominac; **Bob "O" Classic Scholarship in memory of Bobby Glasser**: Nathan Klamerus, Max Peterson, Morgan Fierek, Jessica McClellan; **Robert W. Glasser Scholarship**: Kyle Tominac.

Wednesday, May 14, is the DeTour School Athletic Awards Banquet at the school's Performing Arts Center at 5:30 p.m. This evening will honor our sports heroes.

Wednesday, May 21, is the DeTour Schools Arts Fair from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. This is the event where students showcase their art work, science projects, and finished woodworking projects. Music Director Jessica Kietzman will conduct the school's band concert. It is always fun to see the young talent.

DeTour businesses are opening for the season. Thursday, May 8, the Timberdoodle and Pilot House will open for the summer season. Also re-opening is The Garage for coffee and specialty hot and cold drinks. Cross your fingers the weather is cooperative for this Grand Opening Day.

Look for the return of the vegetable and flower stand in the next week or so next to Fisher's Restaurant.

Being the dog lover that I am, the thought for today is: "When a dog means everything to you, chances are you mean everything to him, too."

Marvin and Elaine Chard, rural Pickford residents, have returned from their winter stay in Cypress Woods Resort, Fort Meyers, Florida. During their stay, around 15 couples from that area took motorcycle tours all over Florida. One of their neighbors in Florida followed them home and stayed an extra week before returning to Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Roxann and Mike McCord of Pickford proudly claim two "all-A" students, Tiffany and Alyssa. Tiffany is a member of the Pickford High School National Honor Society, Student Council, FCCLA, and Quiz Bowl. Her favorite hobby is riding her quarterhorse, a bald faced paint named Cash. She also enjoys showing her horse, reading, and running track. Her younger sister, Alyssa, enjoys basketball, baseball, and "driving Grandpa's four-wheeler."

The girls spend a great amount of time at Grandma Janet and Grandpa Milton McCord's farm. They live on Hewer Road east of Pickford. This is where their animals are staying, since the family lives in town. The pictures that accompany the week's column show Alyssa and her rabbit, Rustics Charmayne, and Tiffany with her horse, Cash.

Mike has lived in Pickford all of his life, except for a short time when he was a truck driver. He works for Cochran Construction in Cedarville. Roxanne moved to Pickford in 1984 and they were married in the Methodist church in 1986. Roxanne works at the Pickford Market, near the old Slater's Gas Station location, where she was the manager. She is the Pickford 4-H rabbit leader.

A good contact if you want to know what's happening in Pickford is Carley Ball, who owns Wilderness Treasures with her husband, Tom Ball. Everyone seems to



Pictured is Carley (left) and her mother-in-law, Chris Ball, in front of the Pickford store where they both work.



Tiffany McCord with her horse, Cash.



Alyssa McCord with her rabbit, Rustics Charmayne.

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older, \$5 for children age six to nine, and free for children age five and younger. There also will be a 50/50 raffle.

Saturday, May 10, will be the Engadine School Education Foundation and Sports Boosters Spring Fling, featuring the Green and Gold Revue. This event will be at the Engadine school. There will be games and food beginning at 4 p.m. There will be great entertainment throughout the school by local musicians, including polka music and bells. There also will be a silent auction and raffles featuring many items, including restaurant gift certificates, hunting, outdoor, sports and beach supplies, patio set, fishing trip in Canada, and decor. The grand finale is at 7 p.m. with the all-school variety show, the Green and Gold Revue, in the big gymnasium.

Portage Township Clean-up Day will be Saturday, June 7, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sandtown Road dump site. Proof of residency is required. Hazardous material, roofing, or tires will not be accepted. Tires on rims will be accepted at the metal site. There will be a \$5 charge for large furniture, mattresses, and box springs. Freon will be removed from refrigerators on site. Sort all metal and batteries from other items for separate collection at the same site. This will include bicycles, storm doors, and other items that have metal in them. There will be someone on site to assist with this. Contact Portage Township if you have any questions at (906) 586-9522.

The American Legion will have a breakfast Sunday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the VFW Hall in Engadine.

The Engadine VFW Auxiliary

will meet for memorial services Wednesday, May 21, at 7 p.m. at the hall in Engadine. Participants are asked to wear their uniforms.

Condolences to the family of Marilyn McNeil of Gould City, who passed away Sunday, May 4. Please keep her husband, Don, and family in your thoughts and prayers. She will be greatly missed with her Gould City column in *The St. Ignace News*.

Happy birthday to Nathan Butkovich and Ray Morrison May 10, Doreen Kleeman and Brianna Zimmerman May 12, Beth Hins, Linda Bennett, Brandy Bigelow, and Don McNeil May 13, and Jamie Frazier, Melanie Chaffin, and Briana Edwards May 15.

Happy anniversary to Ron and Jackie Weger May 8 and Sean and Deb Bennett May 9.

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 11. Until next time, take care.

## STARS Recitals To Begin May 9

Soo Theatre Arts Resource Studios will present a series of student solo recitals Friday, May 9, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 10, at 2 p.m., at Central United Methodist Church in Sault Ste. Marie. Featured performers will be voice, violin, viola, cello, clarinet, piano, and harp students of Dottie Case, Karen Hughes, Ronda McGreevy, and Nancy Powers. The public is invited to these year-end performances. Donations will be accepted at the door to benefit the program.

The community arts center offers instruction in music, dance, theater, visual arts, and yoga for students of all ages and is a program of the Soo Theatre Project, housed in the historic Soo Theatre complex.

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