Les Cheneaux

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The Les Cheneaux Cub Scout pack has had a busy month. The Scouts worked so hard on their popcorn fund drive that they were treated to a pool party Saturday, November 14, as a thank you for their hard work. Approximately 100 boys from the Eastern Upper Peninsula enjoyed a day of swimming, followed by pizza, at the Rudyard School.

At the monthly meeting, they had an old-fashioned turkey shoot, using turkeys made from paper bags and rubber-band guns. This is one of the largest Cub Scout packs in the Eastern Upper Peninsula with 30 registered scouts. It enjoys support from the Les Cheneaux Lions Club, the Cubs' charter organization, and parents and community.

Last Saturday, the Goodell family hosted a den meeting for second and third grade Wolf and Bear Cubs, who made birdhouses using Harry Harris' pattern. Hundreds of Mr. Harris' birdhouses can be found around the Les Cheneaux Islands.

Sherri Huff is conducting an exercise class at First Union Church. Her classes meet Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 8 a.m. They also meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 5:30 p.m. There is no charge for these sessions and everyone is welcome.

It was a busy "after Thanksgiving" weekend with many open houses here. Both retail and community organizations reported a lot of people passing through their doors. The trees at the museum were all nicely trimmed, lit, and displayed, along with a beautiful Santa Claus display. The gingerbread houses at the library are just beginning to come in and by now there are many to see.

The Goodell family hosts a den meeting for the Wolf and Bear Cubs Saturday, November 21. The Boy Scouts made birdhouses using Harry Harris' pattern. Pictured (from left) are Blake Leapley-Wiser, Cody Nienhuis, Gordy Burger, Josh Goodell, Trenton Briggs, Chase Fisher, Thomas Bohn, and Jarrett St. Onge.

Les Cheneaux Cub Scout Pack 140 made paper turkeys for a "turkey shoot" using rubber bands at their monthly meeting. Pictured are (front, from left) Thomas Bohn, Gavin McCord, Justin Tracy, Zachary Ryan, Caleb Kohlmann, J.B. Freel, Daniel Dani, Mick Bickham; (middle) Blake Leapley-Wiser, Josh Goodell, Gordy Burger, Cody Nienhuis, Chase Fisher; (back) Jaden Plank, Silas Dunn, Derek Burger, Avry Freel, Kamen Labinski, Trevor Kohlmann, Jeremy Tracy, and Isaac Colcord. *(Photographs courtesy of Joni Burger)*

Mackinac Island's Holiday Events Begin December 4

Mackinac Island holiday events begin Friday evening, December 4, at 4:30 p.m. with a hayride, and a tree lighting ceremony and carol singing on Main Street at 5 p.m., followed by an early bird Christmas Bazaar sale at the fire hall. The Christmas Bazaar gets underway Saturday morning, December 5, at 11 a.m. at Community Hall, with Santa arriving about 1:30 p.m. The bazaar runs through Monday, December 7. Booths will offer a variety of gifts and baked goods and both live and silent auctions are planned. People may also purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win a new Polaris snowmobile, $500 in cash, or $100 in cash. The event benefits the Mackinac Island Medical Center, Ste. Anne's Church, Little Stone Church, Trinity Church, and the Mackinac Island Bible Church.

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The weather has been very mild with bright sunshine and clear skies; however, it rained all day and was very dreary Thanksgiving Day.

Deb, Mike, and Josh Carley spent the Thanksgiving holiday with Deb's parents, Cal and Mary Rogers, in St. Ignace.

Gary and Karen Lennard traveled to Hillsdale to celebrate Thanksgiving with Karen's brother and family.

Mike Gamble, Jr. joined his family, Mike, Trish, Madison, and Shadow, for Thanksgiving. He is a freshman at Saginaw Valley State University.

The David Levy family celebrated Thanksgiving in their lovely home on the East Bluff.

Happy third birthday December 7 to little Vincent Davis, son of Marion Bunker and Jay Davis. Proud grandparents are Ike and Elaine Bunker of Mackinac and Tom and Joanne Davis of Springfield, Illinois.

Tony Brodeur cooked two turkeys Thanksgiving day and invited anyone to join him who did not have a place to celebrate the holiday. Tony truly showed the spirit of Thanksgiving.

Lula Belle D'Arce is still hospitalized. She was transfered to Mackinac Straits Hospital Friday, November 27. She would love to hear from her many friends on Mackinac with a card.

Thanksgiving morning during the 11 a.m. Mass in Ste. Anne's Hall, it was a fascinating sight to see several brilliant red cardinals outside the church. They were beautiful.

Ed and Nona Chambers spent the Thanksgiving holiday in Muskegon with family members. Ed returned home Friday, November 27, with a nine-week-old Boston Terrier named Calvin.

We send special greetings to Jay Vehicco, mother of Loretta Spata, who has been hospitalized in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Tony and Loretta flew down to be with her.

Peggy Bynoe of Grand Rapids joined her family and Ron and Mary Dufina for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Dr. Yvan Silva of Pontiac enjoyed Thanksgiving on Mackinac.

Danielle Wightman and Arial Leeper, both students at Michigan State University, spent Thanksgiving on Mackinac with their families.

Darcy Brodeur-Bunker, a freshman at Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City, was on the Island for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Greg Main joined family members in Manistique for Thanksgiving.

Donnie and Gracie Francis left Mackinac Tuesday, November 24, for their winter home in Punta Gorda, Florida. Have a good winter.

Dr. Bill and Sue Chambers enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday in Sault Ste. Marie.

Joan Barch is visiting her mother in Palm City, Florida. I'm sure she is enjoying the sunshine.

Billy Andress bagged a 10-point buck on Round Island.

Jason St. Onge joined his friend, Shannon Tort, and her family for Thanksgiving in Hessel.

Carl and Sandy Ellis joined family members in Raleigh, North Carolina, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Kent Weber will leave Mackinac Wednesday, December 9, to join family members in Atlanta, Georgia, for the holidays. He will return to the Island the end of January.

Candy Smith and her helpers held a special bingo Monday evening, November 30, to benefit the Christmas Bazaar.

The Mackinac Island Community Foundation will meet Friday, December 4, at 3 p.m. at the Mackinac Island Medical Center.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Christmas Bazaar! The Christmas Bazaar gets underway Saturday morning, December 5, at 11 a.m. at Community Hall, with Santa arriving about 1:30 p.m. The bazaar runs through Monday, December 7.

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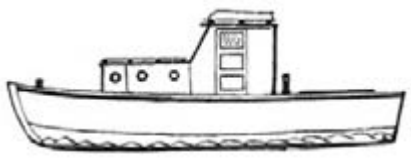

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