

Mackinac Island Represents Unique Challenge in Addressing Project

By Jessica Delaney

For those who have always dreamed of sending a UPS package to Devil's Kitchen, it theoretically could be done under the Island's forthcoming addressing system.

Though, most likely, UPS employees wouldn't care to be carting packages out to scenic landmarks. Even places such as Devil's Kitchen and Arch Rock have received numbered street addresses, along with every building on the Island, thanks to the work of Lange

for their homes and businesses.

The action of assigning numbers to buildings is not as easily done as it might appear. According to Mike Lange, who worked directly with the City to come up with addresses, it is an arduous process under the best of circumstances, but working on an Island can prove even more difficult.

Because islands all have a distinct shape, they can rarely work with a county grid system. Streets do not lie directly north and south or east and west, making the addressing of an island a little more difficult.

"There really is no straight road here," said Mr. Lange. "And there was a unique situation with M-185, which runs a circle around the island."

The first thing on Mr. Lange's agenda was to choose a north-south direction. The straightest road on the Island is Cadotte Avenue, so he simply adjusted a grid by a 30 degree angle so that, according to his addressing system, direct north would run along Cadotte Avenue and end up near British Landing. All streets had their directions chosen from that primary line.

Point two was to decide how far apart the numbers would be placed. In a normal, mainland addressing job, 400 numbers would be assigned to a mile. Mr. Lange realized, however, that the island would require something a little different.

"We numbered at 1,600 numbers per mile, to minimize



A series of maps are available for viewing in the city council chamber. Along with a map of the whole island, there is also a more detailed map. Featured here is an excerpt of the downtown area, complete with tentative addresses.

the distance allocated for each numbering job," said Mr. Lange. "This was done with downtown being heavily populated and by the logistics of the Island. This gave us the maximum numbers while still keeping the addresses at four dig-

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Enterprises. When Mackinac Island joined the rest of Mackinac County in its Enhanced 9-1-1 emergency telephone program, the Island was required to provide a comprehensive addressing system for all buildings on the Island. Though the process has taken a long time to complete, it is now nearing the final stages, and later in the fall or early winter, Island residents can look forward to receiving permanent addresses

Jim Lenfestey To Speak at Grand Marais Aug. 21

East Bluff cottager and author Jim Lenfestey will share his observations of life at Campbell Street Gallery in Grand Marais Sunday, August 21, at 5 p.m. as part of the gallery's Summer Series. A fourth anniversary party for the gallery will follow.

Mr. Lenfestey published three collections of poems in 2004, "Saying Grace," "Affection for Spiders," and "Odalisque," and, this fall, will publish his collection of poems in the tradition of his literary mentor, Chinese Zen poet Hanshan.

In 2000, he published "The Urban Coyote: Howlings on Family, Community and the Search for Peace and Quiet."

He also chairs the Literary Witnesses poetry program in Minneapolis, and is organizing the Mackinac Island Poetry Festival for the summer of 2006.

Campbell Street Gallery is on the corner of Campbell and Carlson streets, one block west of the Lake Superior Brewing Company.

The gallery is owned by



Jim Lenfestey

Maeve Croghan and Stu Stuart of Mackinac Island.

Other events at the gallery include "Folias," a Flamenco guitar and flute duo, Sunday, August 7, at 5 p.m., and John Latini, winner of the Detroit Songwriting Contest, Thursday, August 11, at 5 p.m. Tickets for these two events are \$12.50 at the door. The Lenfestey talk and anniversary celebration is free.

Ship Tours Offered by Windy II

The tall ship *Windy II* will be docking at Mackinac Island Wednesday, August 10. The ship, which makes its home port at Navy Pier, Chicago, will be offering three sailing times,

at 1, 3, and 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 for adults, and \$20 for both children under 12 and seniors over 60. Part of the proceeds will benefit the Mackinac Island Community Foundation.

Lordy, Lordy Jennifer is 40 on August 4th



Happy Birthday
Love, Mom, Dad & Family

Terry Beaune and family wish to thank everyone who was so kind during the illness of their beloved husband and father. We are most grateful to Jim and Barbara Chambers, Dr. Bill, Sue and Brad Chambers, and to the Benser and Nephew families and Island friends for their many kindnesses expressed at the time of Vic's death.
~ THE TERRY BEAUNE FAMILY ~

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Saturday, Aug. 13

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