

OBITUARIES

Theresa Bazinaw

Theresa Bazinaw, 73, of Mackinac Island and St. Ignace, was a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the Ste. Anne's Catholic Church of Mackinac Island.

Ms. Bazinaw passed away Friday evening, May 12, 2006, at Mackinac Straits Hospital Long Term Care facility, where she had been a patient for several years.

She was born on Mackinac Island October 27, 1932, to Alexander and Catherine (nee Chapman) Bazinaw. She was schooled on the island and helped raise many nieces and nephews. She worked for Carriage Tours for many years in the taxi office and also worked for the Island House.

Ms. Bazinaw is survived by



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two brothers, Joseph "Snapper" Bazinaw of Mackinac Island, and Ronald "Cushion" Bazinaw of Phoenix, Arizona; many nieces and nephews; great-nieces and nephews; and great-great-nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by several brothers, Carl

Bazinaw, George E. Bazinaw, John Bazinaw, Walter "Butch" Bazinaw, Clarence Bazinaw, and James "Beaver" Bazinaw; three sisters, Delia Perault, Emma Bazinaw, and Lorraine Camp.

Visitation was held Monday, May 15. Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, May 16, at 11 a.m. at Ste. Anne's Catholic Church on Mackinac Island with Father Rey Garcia officiating.

Burial was at Ste. Anne's Cemetery.

Pallbearers included her nephews, Bret Horn, Bob Horn, Jack Perault, Jimmie Gillespie, Dean Gillespie Jr., and Clayton Bazinaw.

Dodson Funeral home assisted the family with arrangements.

Margaret Kappa

Margaret Kappa of White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, a housekeeping consultant at Grand Hotel for many years, died Friday, May 5, 2006, at the age of 84 following a brief illness.

Services were held at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in White Sulphur Springs May 13 with the Reverend Thomas W. Dagle officiating.

A reception followed in the Crystal Room at The Greenbrier, where she served as Director of Housekeeping until 1984.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's issue.

Anna Bishop

Anna M. Bishop, 68, of Plattsburgh, New York, passed away surrounded by her family Friday, May 5, 2006, at CVPH Medical Center.

She was born on Mackinac Island April 26, 1938, to Frank and Marie (nee Perault) Visnaw.

Mrs. Bishop was an avid Yankee fan. She enjoyed playing bingo and going to casinos. Her greatest joy was spending time with her family, in particular, her children and grandchildren, friends said.

She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Church of Plattsburgh.

She married James E. Bishop Sr., of Plattsburgh March 21, 1955.

Mrs. Bishop is survived by her husband; children and their families, Joanne Bishop and Peter Smart of Altona, New York, Brian Bishop and Mary Latour of Peru, New York, Julie

Houghton of Plattsburgh, and Renee Monette of Plattsburgh; her siblings and their families, Josephine and Isaac Bunker of Mackinac Island, Lawrence Visnaw of Detroit, Mary Lannoo of St. Ignace, Francis and Ruth Visnaw of St. Ignace, Grace and Donald Allman of Cleveland, Ohio, Rose Visnaw and Mike Woodford of St. Ignace, John and Judy Bishop, Linda and Richard Darrah, Martha Ruscioni, and Bernice Cressey, all of Plattsburgh, Faith Haigh of Schenectady, New York, Rita and Jim Ramsey of Kansas, Frances and Ernest Gushlaw of Florida, Larry and Judy Velie of Peru, Horace Fountain of Peru, Joan Bishop of Plattsburgh, Betty Bishop of Plattsburgh; 10 grandchildren, Stephanie Vega, Brandy Bishop, Chad Burdo, Todd Bishop, Nathan Smart, Stephen Houghton, Ryan

Bishop, James Bishop III, Daryl Houghton Jr., and Maria Houghton; one great-grandson, Caleb Burdo, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three children, Stephen James Bishop, James Bishop Jr., and Bonnie Sue Bishop, four brothers, Thomas Visnaw, John Visnaw, Stephen Visnaw, and James Visnaw, three sisters, Mary Visnaw, Delia Visnaw, and Patricia Visnaw, a brother-in-law, George Bishop, and sisters-in-law Bertha Fountain and Patricia Trott.

Visitation hours were Sunday, May 7. A Mass of Christian Burial took place Monday, May 8, at Our Lady of Victory Church. Interment followed at St. Peter's Cemetery.

Donations in Mrs. Bishop's memory may be made to her family.

New Alumni Legacy Fund Remembers Island College

By Bernie Nguyen

Mackinac College closed in the early 1970s, but its graduates have found a way to keep its memory bright. The Mackinac College Legacy Fund, an endowed fund through the Mackinac Island Community Foundation, was set up by the alumni of Mackinac College and allocates funds each year to support environmental and educational projects on the Island. This year, however, an anonymous graduate has posed a challenge to the community: He will match every dollar donated to the fund, up to \$10,000.

Mackinac College was founded in 1966 on land purchased from Moral Re-Armament. Its campus was housed in the buildings that are now Mission Point Resort. The four-year undergraduate institution graduated its only class in 1970 and was sold shortly afterward.

The fund, which was created in September 2003, was started through the combined efforts of the College alumni to honor the Mackinac College motto: "To Learn. To Live. To Lead."

The challenge is, in part, an attempt to increase the fund's capacity as a tribute to the 40th anniversary of the College inauguration.

"The people who went to the college wanted to leave a legacy because the Island was so special to them," said Jennifer Blosswick, executive director of the Mackinac Island Community Foundation. "This is a great opportunity to build the fund and build their legacy."

Money earned from the Mackinac College Legacy Fund endowment will be used in perpetuity for the betterment of Mackinac Island, following the Foundation's motto, "For Good. For Ever." This new challenge presents a unique chance for donors to double the impact of their gifts, and the fund will grow twice as fast.

"The focus right now is the fact that this is a great, great opportunity to build this fund," said Ms. Blosswick. "We need to

take advantage of this opportunity."

The challenge is good until October 15, 2006.

Donors who wish to contribute to the Mackinac College Legacy Fund can mail their donation to the Foundation at PO Box 1933, Mackinac Island, MI 49757, or through its Web site, www.micf.org.

Rachael Sanderson Earns BGSU Degree

Rachael Sanderson, daughter of Carla and David Sanderson of Cygnet, Ohio, and Trillium Heights on Mackinac Island, has been graduated *summa cum laude* from Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business and majored in human resources with a minor in psychology.

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Wild Weather, High Winds, Rain, Batter Island May 11

Wild weather pounded Mackinac Island Thursday, May 11, with rain and wind, which sent Islanders and visitors inside. Winds were clocked at 30 to 40 miles an hour, said Jeff Lutz, a meteorologist from the National Weather Service in Gaylord.

In 12 hours, more than one inch of rain fell on the area. Mackinac Island started the day at 54 degrees and ended the day at 43 degrees.

The storm consisted mainly of rain, although weak thunderstorms passed through the area and up to a foot of snow was reported in areas of the Western Upper Peninsula.

A clash of warm and cold air caused the storm front, and, according to Mr. Lutz, the storm was more typical of those seen in the fall.

The only major damage reported, according to the National Weather Service were downed trees.

Some of the Mackinaw City ferry boats were halted during periods of high wind.

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