

## NEWS ABOUT PEOPLE ON MACKINAC ISLAND

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game pitting Mackinac Island Fire Department against Mackinac Island Police Department will be held Sunday evening, August 13, at 6 p.m. at Great Turtle Park. This event benefits the Mark Gallagher Scholarship Fund. Come and join in the fun.

Happy birthday to Geraldine Wellington August 19. Enjoy your day.

What a sight! Wednesday morning, I received a call from Dr. Bill Chambers informing me that Captain John Wellington was going to be passing through Round Island Passage aboard the freighter *Roger Blough* around 1 p.m. The *Roger Blough*, which was loaded with taconite, lost its rudder in the St. Marys River. Captain Wellington is very involved in this type of emergency. Since the *Blough* was loaded, they had to have the 1,000-footer, *Edgar B. Speer*, tie alongside of the *Blough* and tow her all the way to Gary, Indiana, where the *Blough* will unload. For boat watchers, it was absolutely fascinating when you saw these two huge freighters tied together, moving very slowly through the Straits, with the tug, *Mary Page Hannah*, following close behind. Joe and Rosemary Kompsi went out in their boat to watch this special operation. Captain John Wellington came out of the pilothouse and waved to them. Friends gathered on the shore and waved as the *Blough* and *Speer* passed by and the captains gave a hearty salute. After the *Blough* is unloaded in Gary, Indiana, she will return to Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, for repairs.

Please mark your calendar for the Mackinac Island Medical Center auction Sunday, August 27, at Grand Hotel. Any donations would be greatly appreciated and may be dropped off at the medical center.

Guests of Virginia and Dan Riordan at their cottage on Market Street are Virginia's nephew and wife, Raymond and Terry Groseclose of Asheboro, North Carolina. They've come to take their son, Jordan, back to his college in Raleigh, North Carolina. Jordan has been on the Island since June, where he was employed by Star Line. Raymond is the son of Eileen McIntyre Groseclose and the late Dr. Jim Groseclose of Randleman, North Carolina.

Rick Marshall and his crew of St. Ignace are working at the Cable Cottage, doing repairs after the recent fire.

Emma Chambers hosted a

20th birthday party Tuesday, August 2, at the Chambers Gatehouse at Stonecliffe honoring her friend, Roxanne Pettit. Roxanne will be a junior at Grand Valley State University in the fall.

Happy 48th wedding anniversary to Annette and Bob Gillespie August 15. Have a great day.

We're very pleased that Carmen Golden of Monroe is back at the Island Scrimshander shop in the Chippewa Hotel. Carmen loves the Island, and we're happy to see her again.

It's nice to see Mimi and Pierce Cunningham back on Mackinac enjoying their cottage on Lakeshore Drive.

Marsha Orr will celebrate her birthday August 19. Hope your day is special.

We give a warm welcome to the new Mackinac Island Public School Superintendent Roger Schrock and his wife, Linda.

Congratulations to Dave and Joanna Armour on the birth of their son, Michael Stuart Armour, Saturday, June 10, at 11:10 a.m. Michael weighed six pounds, 13 ounces, and measured 19 inches in length at birth. He has two big brothers at home, Davey and Keith. Proud grandparents are Dr. Dave and Grace Armour. Best wishes from Island friends.

Sunday afternoon, August 6, the Mackinac Island Community Foundation Community Arts Committee presented a very beautiful concert at St. Anne's Church, featuring Peggy Bynoe, the youngest daughter of Judy Bynoe and the late Bob Bynoe. Peggy played a piano concert with selections from Chopin, Bach, Beethoven, and other leading composers. She ended her program with "Somewhere in Time," which was magnificent. At the end of the concert, Peggy was presented with yellow roses from her nieces and nephews, Katilyn, McKenna, Dawson, and Riley McKay.

Peggy grew up on Mackinac, and she plays each Sunday at Ste. Anne's for the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. masses.

Island friends send best wishes to Dr. Chris LaTocha of Mackinaw City, who is a patient at the University of Chicago Hospital in Chicago, Illinois.

In last week's column, I mistakenly said that Katilyn McKay had a birthday August 8 with her aunt, Peggy Bynoe. It was McKenna McKay. Sorry for the mixup.

The Mackinac Island Bible Church had a cute puppet show on Windermere Point Monday, August 7, which was enjoyed by everyone. On Tuesday, the children were invited on a trip to the Sleeping Bear Dunes for camping and rafting.

Guests of Alice and Buck Sharrow over the weekend were their son, Ron, and daughter, McKayla, from Charlevoix. Rest assured that Grandma and Grandpa Sharrow had a great time, especially giving them a ride in the surrey with the fringe on top. Riding in the rumble seat

of the carriage was Ron's black retriever, "Max." Thanks for the ride to church on Sunday.

A loaf of homemade cinnamon bread was found on our door Tuesday morning. Guess what! We just knew that Grace Armour and Dr. Dave were on Mackinac as this delicious bread is a specialty of Grace's. Welcome back to Mackinac.

I was pleasantly surprised last week to have a visit from Father Ted Brodeur, pastor of St. Mary's Pro Cathedral in Sault Ste. Marie, who was on Mackinac visiting his brother, Dennis. We reminisced about old times on the Island and stopped by The Gate House for lunch, where Father Ted was fascinated by the old photographs. Father Ted and Brother Jim Boynton played music in the Mustang Lounge each night, which drew

a large crowd. Father Ted and Dennis went to Detroit on Sunday to visit family and friends.

Congratulations to Phil and Megan Kromer on the birth of their new son, Derby Grey, Thursday, July 6. Derby weighed six pounds, 11 ounces, and measured 20.25 inches in length at birth. He is joined at home by his big brother, Gabe. We miss the Kromers on Mackinac and we send best wishes from Island friends.

Special thanks to the staff at the Mackinac Island Medical Center, the EMTs, Mackinac Island Fire Department, and the Mackinac Island Police Department, who respond to the many accidents.

Hope to see everyone at the Guns and Hoses Game Sunday afternoon.

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