

NEWS ABOUT PEOPLE ON MACKINAC ISLAND

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than 100 years old. Many glorious colors can already be seen on trees and shrubs that grace the Little Jewel golf course and those at the tennis courts.

Happy birthday to Jim Hagenbaugh October 4. Have a great day.

The fall flowers that are blooming in the beds in front of Grand Hotel are so special, adding much to the ambience of the famous hotel, which has welcomed guests for years. One special variety in full bloom are the dinner plate dahlias, very tall and stately in reds and yellows with huge blossoms.

Mary Thompson will celebrate her birthday October 4. Hope your day is special.

Famous New York decorator Carleton Varney greeted guests who attended the antique night at Grand Hotel Friday, September 29. A record crowd enjoyed a fabulous evening, where precious jewelry, wicker furniture, and antique trunks caught the eye

of many people looking for treasures. Refreshments and cocktails added to the enjoyment of the wonderful evening. It's an annual event which is looked forward to each year. The proceeds of the evening were donated by the Musser family to the Mackinac Island Public Library Fund at the Community Foundation. A great time was enjoyed by all. Guests from St. Ignace seen enjoying the party were Sis Brown, Giz Brown, Janie Perry, Mary and Wes Maurer, Emily Fullerton, Janis Holle, Paula McNamara, Claudette Brown, and John and Lucy Evashevski. Debbie Holle came over with nine residents of Curtis.

Happy anniversary to Patty and Bruce LaPine October 6. Have a wonderful day.

Happy 2nd anniversary to John and Beth Chambers October 2. They spent the weekend on Mackinac visiting family members. They now reside in Holland.

The Great American Turtle Feast benefiting the Mackinac County American Red Cross and the Mackinac Island Medical Center portable X-ray machine will be held Thursday, October 19, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at The Gate House. A \$40 admission includes a buffet dinner. A special late boat will be provided by Arnold Transit Company. Come and enjoy a silent auction, food, and fun.

Brad and Nancy Chambers will celebrate their wedding anniversary October 6. Enjoy your day.

Jane and Richard Manoojian never miss an antique show and could be seen Friday evening at Grand Hotel enjoying the party. Special thanks to them for having the wonderful stairs from Pontiac Trail to the shore road rebuilt. As small children, we loved those stairs



Renowned decorator Carleton Varney (center) enjoys the Carleton Varney Antique Festival at Grand Hotel with hotel Chairman R. D. Musser Jr. and Vice President Mimi Cunningham.

and had loads of fun going up and down the old stairs.

Happy birthday to Rosemary Kompis October 6. Hope your day is very special.

My good friend, Carol Clifton, in Muncie, Indiana, will celebrate her birthday October 7. We miss you and look forward to your next visit to Mackinac.

We shall miss the sound of the bell at Little Stone Church welcoming the parishioners to the Sunday worship service. Dr. Vince Carroll and his lovely wife, Molly, departed the Island for their winter home in Sarasota, Florida, Wednesday,

October 4. The last church service was Sunday, October 1. The beautiful stained glass windows are illuminated throughout the winter season, adding much to the beauty of Mackinac when the ground is covered with a blanket of snow.

Debra Orr will celebrate her birthday October 7. Have a wonderful day.

Our family enjoyed a visit over the weekend from Nancy and Jean LaBorde of Crivitz, Wisconsin. They were finishing their trip around Lake Superior, which was wonderful with the fall colors. Both Nancy and Jean

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This Black Crown Nigh Heron returns to the same tree behind the Windermere Hotel each year around August. (Photograph by Brian Hellis)

Fireworks Mark Surprise Birthday Party on Island

A man from New York treated his wife, family, and Island residents to a fireworks display Saturday, September 16, during a surprise 60th birthday celebration for his wife. The fireworks were shot from a barge off Round Island.

The man planned the elaborate birthday party by making arrangements for the couple's children and grandchildren to meet them at the Iroquois

Hotel. The couple was traveling by boat from New York through the Great Lakes and down the Mississippi River to the Gulf of Mexico, said Becky Barnwell, restaurant manager at the Iroquois.

After the family dined in the Iroquois Saturday evening, the man arranged for a champagne toast at the restaurant's outside patio, when the fireworks began, said Ms. Barnwell.



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