

NEWS ABOUT PEOPLE ON MACKINAC ISLAND

BY JEANNETTE DOUD



Monday, May 28, was a beautiful spring day on Mackinac, when American Legion Post 299 held an impressive ceremony honoring all the veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom, especially the men and women from Mackinac. Master of Ceremonies for the occasion was Armand "Smi" Horn, who introduced Post Commander Paul Wandrie, followed by Mary McGuire Slevin singing the National Anthem. The opening prayer was offered by the Reverend Vince Carroll, retired Captain of the U.S. Navy and pastor of Little Stone Church. Mayor Margaret Doud spoke of the Veterans Memorial being a living tribute to our men and women who served our country. Guest speaker was William Porter, a veteran of World War II, who gave a moving account of his memories of the war. A wreath-laying ceremony was dedicated to Angeline Bunker, the mother of six sons who all served in the military. Her granddaughter and great-granddaughter received this tribute. Closing prayers were offered by Brother Jim Boynton of Ste. Anne's and American Legion Post 299 Chaplain Scott Stevenson. At the close of the ceremony, a bugler from Fort Mackinac played "Taps." At noon, the American flag was raised to full staff by American Legion Post Adjutant William Lenaghan and Gracie Francis. It was a fitting tribute to all of our veterans.

At 12:30 p.m. Monday, May 28, at the grave of Father Joseph Ling, longtime pastor at Ste. Anne's, Father Pat Hussey and Brother Jim Boynton celebrated a Memorial Day Mass. Following the service, graves were blessed in all of the Island cemeteries. It was a beautiful day, with the woods filled with trilliums, lily of the valley, and ladyslippers.

Sunday, May 27, at the 10:30 a.m. service at Little Stone Church, Dr. Vince Carroll conducted a special service commemorating Memorial Day. American Legion Post 299 participated, and there was patriotic music. It was a very moving experience.

Bishop Alexander Sample of Marquette celebrated a very impressive Mass Saturday, May 26, at 5:30 p.m. at historic Ste. Anne's. The large congregation consisted of parishioners, members of the Knights of Columbus convention, and visitors. The altars were beautifully decorated with fresh flowers and lighted tapers in antique candle holders, dating back many years in the history of our church. Assisting Bishop Sample were Lois Lenaghan, reader and Eucharistic minister, and altar servers Woody Beardsley and Robert Jeffrey Chambers. Beautiful music was provided by Peggy Bynoe and Carolyn May. As the congregation



At the Drummunity event, (from left) Adrienne Rilenge, Hailey Armstrong, Dana Roguska, and Sierra Kompsi listen to Lori Fithian's presentation on drum circles Friday, May 11. (Photograph by Kyle Sweet)

departed Ste. Anne's, everyone sang "America the Beautiful." Bishop Sample greeted everyone with a hearty handshake after the service. It was indeed an honor to have Bishop Sample visit Ste. Anne's. Special guest at the Mass was our beloved pastor, Father Rey Garcia S.J.

Happy anniversary to Ron and Mary Dufina June 3. Enjoy your day.

Our dear friend, Rosie Charnes, will celebrate her birthday June 7. Happy birthday, Rosie, from Island friends.

Happy news to report! Melissa and Michael Straus of Okemos and Mackinac became the proud parents of a baby son, Michael Orion, born Saturday, May 26, weighing 6 pounds, 10 ounces. He is joined at home by his sister,

Ariana. Grandparents are Dr. Fran and Lorna Straus of Mackinac and Chicago. Now Hubbard's Annex will welcome another little Straus. It was in 1891 that Lorna's parents first came to the Island, and in 1892, the Puttkammer home was constructed in the Annex by the late Patrick Doud; it continues to be enjoyed today by members of the family. Congratulations to Michael and Melissa from Island friends.

Our good friend, Jim Roe, remains a patient at Cheboygan Memorial Hospital in Cheboygan. Island friends send warmest greetings to Jim. He would enjoy hearing from his many friends in the area.

Melissa Riel of South Bend, Indiana, has chosen Mackinac for her wedding Saturday, June

9, to Shan Jaffar. Melissa spent many happy summers with her parents and grandparents, the late Hoover and Rita Bankard,

at their West Bluff cottage overlooking the Straits of Mackinac. Melissa will be married at Ste. Anne's Church.

Happy birthday June 3 to Gene Hagenbaugh and Kristi Graham. Have a great day.

Penny and John Barr of Chicago have opened their West Bluff cottage and are enjoying another beautiful summer on Mackinac. Their special team of black horses is harnessed to a restored carriage.

Amelia Musser took several lessons in Mah Jongg this past winter in St. Croix. She would love to hear from anyone who knows how to play Mah Jongg. Call her at 847-3558.

Nice to see the lovely East Bluff Keogh cottage, Cross-trees, open for the summer. Nancy and Larry arrived over the weekend. When Larry's mother was living, I would always enjoy stopping by for a

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