



The QUACKER

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Merry Christmas!

To all our readers, our contributors and our advertisers, the Sugar Island Lioness Ladies wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy & Healthy New year.



LIONESS CLUB

On November 5 we had lunch at Zim's and a nice time was had by all. We said good-be to our snowbirds, hope they have a safe flight and an easy landing!

We have a new Lioness, Sue Davidson. Congratulations and welcome!

We won't be having a Christmas food basket this year as our state number for the raffle didn't get back in time to sell tickets.

The Lioness will be donating wreaths to the local businesses on the Island. They will be going to Esther & Ed's Bayview Store, Westshore Convenience Store, Hilltop Bar, Timber Ridge Resort and the Community Center.

The list of recipients for our donations this year are: Diane Pepler Center, Salvation Army, Silent Children, Hospice of Chippewa County, Special Olympics, Michigan Eye Bank, Leader Dog for the Blind and Baycliff Health Camp. By our community supporting us we are able to support many others. Thank you.

There will be no meeting in December, we will be going to Kewadin Casino for lunch on December 10th at 12:00 Noon. We will resume our meetings in January at 1:00pm in the afternoon.

We donated \$250 to Zac Sherwood for his clean-up and replacing markers at he Holy Angel's Cemetery. He did this for an Eagle Scout project. Thank you, Zac.

A big thank you goes our to Lion Leo Rich for his kindness and offering of help in our time if need. My husband Bill might have needed a flight to Traverse City due to his heart attacks and the Lions have been part of the Northwoods Air Lifeline he was going to contact. We ended up in Marquette, no flight needed.

Happy Birthday to our December Lionesses: Millie Polley, Evelyn Drury and Thelma Nemeth.

To all of you, have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Gloria Spicer, Lioness Secretary

Editor's note: The Lioness Ladies thank Linda Beaumont for her work as Secretary and wish her the best on her new job as Director of the American Red Cross. We also thank Gloria Spicer for graciously taking over the Secretary position.



COME & SEE!

Donald and Shirley Jahr have decorated their home for the holidays. You are invited to drive by and see the results of their hard work. The address is 1 S. Westshore Dr.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- 2. Fire Training
- 7. Planning Commission 7:00pm
- 8. Township Board 7:00pm
- 10. Lioness Christmas Party 12:00 Noon, Kewadin Casino
- 10. Lions Christmas Party, Islander House 6:00pm
- 13. Red Hats Christmas Party, Studebaker's, 1:00pm
- 16. Fire Training
- 19. Children's Christmas Party 2-4pm
- 20. Lions Brunch 8:30-11:30am
- 20. **QUACKER DEADLINE**
- 25. **CHRISTMAS**
- 27. Quacker Distributed



Sugar Island Children's Christmas Party

Sugar Island Community Center
Saturday, December 19th 2-4 pm
There will be Singing, Lunch, and a visit from Santa (Parent's may bring a snack or desert to pass-but not required call Tina Fox at 632-1929 for more info)



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The time has come, so Lawrence says,
 To talk of many things,
 Of trees and wreaths and candles too,
 Of all that Christmas brings—
 And why did this year pass so fast
 As if it were on wings.
 The time has come, he also says,
 To think of friends and such,
 Friends who live so far away,
 And whom we miss so much—
 And why we can't be near enough
 For them and us to touch.
 The time has come, he doth go on
 (With this I do agree).
 To greet those lovely friends of ours
 Whom we so seldom see.
 So herewith heartfelt greetings come
 From Lawrence and from me.
 Poems by Sylvia Hovey



SICK CHESS

The prize winners at the "Monster Chess Tournament" near Halloween were Mike Miller, Steve Miller, and Eddie Skaggs (the younger), who all tied for the prize. Due to the tournament being held late in the month, results were not available for the November *Quacker* edition. In any event, there was a good turnout of players—eight played in the tournament, and even more played casual games. Our next major event, other than our normal Thursday Night Chess, is the Holiday Party on Thursday, December 17, at 7:00 p.m. at the Hilltop. There will be snacks, games, and prizes. Join us if you can!

Glen



CHIPPEWA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"Then and Now" Display and Book

About two hundred people turned out recently for the "Then and Now: The Changing Face of Sault Ste. Marie" exhibit opening and book signing at the Chippewa County Historical Society. The Walter Materna photography projects were supported by grants from the City of Sault Ste. Marie's Chase S. Osborn Trust Fund. The display is on view until Christmas, Monday through Friday, 1-4 p.m., at 115 Ashmun Street. The gift shop will also be open on Saturday, November 28, and Sunday, December 6. The new book by Bernie Arbic and Deidre Stevens is available at the CCHS Gift Shop, Sault Printing Company, the Mole Hole, and Up North Books. You may call 906-635-7082 or e-mail cchs@sault.com for more information.



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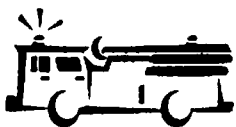
I'm filling in for our club secretary Leo Rich, who is unable to write a report this month due to knee surgery. Which means either the surgery went horribly wrong or he intends to milk this for all he can. While on this subject get well greetings go out to Lion Ron Bertram who also had knee surgery. Hopefully, everyone will be back on their feet soon.

Christmas shopping will be a little easier for our four winners in this month's raffle: Wanda Mohr, Arbor Andrus, Kevin Jones & Sandra McPherson. Our tickets sold out again this year. Thank you everyone for your support.

Do you ever wonder what is wrong with our kids today??? Well apparently not a lot. One of our island kids, Zack Sherwood, took on the restoration of Holy Angels Cemetery in Payment as his Eagle Scout Project. After a summer of hard work by Zack, his family and a few dedicated volunteers the Cemetery has been transformed into the type of place you will be "dying" to visit. Congratulations to Zack and the many businesses that donated materials. The Sugar Island Lions were able to help by donating \$250.00 towards the cost of grave markers. See picture.

Along with Christmas Greetings we send out a Birthday Get Well to Leo Rich who by his birthday on December 24th will be well on his road to recovery. Also, a final Birthday Greeting to Jack Fox. Our condolences to his family.

Jim Handziak, temp secretary



FIRE PLUGS

Christmas came early for the Sugar Island Fire Department when Denny McKelvie announced that \$22,000.00 in 2% Funding from the Sault Tribe had been awarded to the department. The money will be used to refurbish the South End Fire Station. See picture.

The Funds will be used to lengthen the building to provide room for a larger tanker and restroom facilities. Also a work/training area is planned. Our thanks to Denny and the other Sault Tribal Board members who are making this possible.

Christmas Greetings to everyone from the members of your Sugar Island Fire Department. Let's make this a safe & happy fire season.

Jim Handziak

SUGAR ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Sugar Island Historical Preservation Society is having a New Year celebration potluck on January 15, 2010 at 5:30pm. We welcome visitors as well as our members. There will be a brief meeting, an historical presentation and sharing. We look forward to seeing you and hope that we can include you in our plans. Info: call Sandy Reining 632-2316



FOR SALE

Moving Sale 8hp yard machine snowblower 350.00, 8hp simplicity snowblower 300.00, new couch-daybed 250.00, new queen size bed & mattress 250.00, china cabinet 50.00, new treadmill 75.00, new box trailer 1200.00 new only 800.00. Look items over & register for door prize. Call 635-0154 for showing at 3896 S Westshore Dr

FUN FACTS



MOUNTAIN GORILLA

Gorilla beringei

Size	Up to 6 feet tall
Weight	300-425 pounds
Life Span	As long as 40 years
Habitat	Dense forest, rain forest

The mountain gorilla is the largest of the five great ape species. Only about 700 remain, living high in the mountain rainforests of Rowanda, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Gorilla groups may have up to 40 plus members. The average family is much smaller. Wild celery, bamboo, bedstraw and nettles are their favorite foods. Gorillas get most of their moisture from these plants so they rarely drink water.

AWF has worked since 1978 to ensure the survival of the mountain gorilla and its forest home.

African Wildlife Federation



CRIME STOPPERS

ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH, AT 8:00 AM THE VICTIM'S BLUE 2009 NISSAN WAS STOLEN FROM HER RESIDENCE ON WINDAMERE DRIVE. THE SUSPECT GOT THE VEHICLE STUCK NEAR THE BUNKERS NORTH OF KINROSS CORRECTIONAL FACILITY AND HAD TO ABANDON IT. THE VEHICLE WAS DAMAGED DURING THIS INCIDENT.

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Thank you for all the cards, phone calls, good wishes and prayers. You have been so supportive.

Louise



APPLE RASIN FRENCH TOAST STRATA

Original Recipe Yield 12 servings

Ingredients

1 (1 pound) loaf cinnamon raisin bread, cubed
1 (8 ounce) package cream cheese, diced
1 cup diced peeled apples
8 eggs
2 1/2 cups half-and-half cream
6 tablespoons butter, melted
1/4 cup maple syrup

Directions

Coat a 9x13 inch baking dish with cooking spray. Arrange 1/2 of the cubed raisin bread in the bottom of the dish. Sprinkle the cream cheese evenly over the bread, and top with the apples. If you like extra raisins, add them now. Top with remaining bread.

In a large bowl, beat the eggs with the cream, butter, and maple syrup. Pour over the bread mixture. Cover with plastic wrap, and press down so that all bread pieces are soaked. Refrigerate at least 2 hours.

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F (165 degrees C).

Bake 45 minutes in the preheated oven. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving.

A very special Christmas breakfast

BEST FUNNY CHRISTMAS STORY

It was the day after Christmas at St Peter and St Paul's church in Borden, Kent, England. Father John, the vicar, was looking at the nativity scene outside when he noticed the baby Jesus was missing from the figures.

Immediately, Father John's thoughts turned to calling in the local policeman but as he was about to do so, he saw little Nathan with a red wagon, and in the wagon was the figure of the little infant, Jesus.

Father John approached Nathan and asked him, 'Well, Nathan, where did you get the little infant?'

Nathan looked up, smiled and replied, 'I took him from the church.'

'And why did you take him?'



With a sheepish grin, Nathan said, 'Well, Father John, about a week before Christmas I prayed to Lord Jesus. I told him if he would bring me a red wagon for Christmas, I would give him a ride around the block in it.'





BAYLISS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Dec. 1-12, Food for Fines. Bring nonperishable food items (in good condition) to the library and you may reduce your fines by \$1 per item. There is no limit to the number of food items allowed. (You may not pay for a lost item or a collection fee for long overdue items with food items.) Food collected will be donated to the Presbyterian Church food pantry.

Dec. 1, 7 p.m., Bayliss Book Club, The Namesake will be discussed. A Great Michigan Read program on the theme of Immigration.

Dec. 3, No meeting of the Support Group for the Visually Impaired

Dec. 5, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Friends Gently Used Holiday Book Sale and 10 a.m.-noon book signing by Bernie Arbic and Dee Stevens of "Then and Now: The Changing Face of Sault Ste. Marie"

Dec. 5, 1 p.m., Harry Potter movie (PG13) will be shown in the Children's Room. Free movie. Popcorn by donation. Call for title, 632-9331. Licensed through Movie Licensing USA.

Dec. 8, 12-2 p.m. Creative Endeavors support group for writers and artists

Bayliss Continued

Dec. 8, 6:30 p.m. Film @ Bayliss, "Troubled Water" (Drama, Norway). Free to the adult public. Film Movement subscription series. See www.filmmovement.com for more information.

Dec. 10, 7 p.m., Superior Poetry Café, Featured poet Phil Dansill, and Open Mike. Free to the public. Bring your poetry to share.

Dec. 12, 1 p.m., Family Movies @ Bayliss, call for title, 632-9331. Licensed through Movie Licensing USA. Free movie. Popcorn by donation.

Dec. 15, 7 p.m., Chippewa County Genealogical Society research session

Dec. 19, 9-11 a.m., Creative Endeavors support group for writers and artists

Dec. 19, 12 p.m., Brown Bag Family Book Club, Masterpiece by Elise Broach will be discussed. This group is for ages 8-12 with an adult.

Dec. 19, 1 p.m., Harry Potter movie series (PG), in the Community Room. Call for title, 632-9331. Free movie. Popcorn by donation. Licensed through Movie Licensing USA.

Dec. 22, No meeting of the Autism Support Group

Dec. 24-26, 31, Library is closed

Sugar Island Chess Klub

"SICK Chess for Sick Minds"

FIND THE MOVES—Black to move. Black can gain material. How? (Theme: Pin)

Difficulty Level: Extreme

♔/♚ KING (K)—moves one square in any direction
 ♕/♛ QUEEN (Q)—moves any number of squares in any direction (on rows, columns, or diagonals)
 ♖/♜ ROOK (R)—moves any number of squares sideways, forward, or backward (on rows and columns, not diagonals)
 ♗/♝ BISHOP (B)—moves any number of squares on diagonals
 ♞/♟ KNIGHT (N)—moves in an "L" shape (2 squares one way and 1 the other) to a square of the opposite color. Knights are the only pieces that can jump over others.
 ♙/♟ PAWN—moves straight forward (cannot back up) 1 or 2 squares on the first move and then only 1 at a time. A pawn can capture only on the diagonal squares immediately in front of it. Pawns can become queens when they reach the 8th row. Pieces CAPTURE ("X") by running into and displacing others. A king is in CHECK ("+") when it is attacked. CHECKMATE occurs when a player cannot save the king from capture.

ANSWER: Black gains white's knight on f3 by moving black's bishop to g4, "pinning" the knight to the white king. [1...Bg4] White cannot move the knight since this would illegally put white's king in check. White only has 2 pieces defending the knight (the queen on b7 and the bishop on g2), while black has 3 attacking it. If white tries to add a 3rd defender by moving the king to e3, black chases the king away by moving the a8-rook to e8.

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