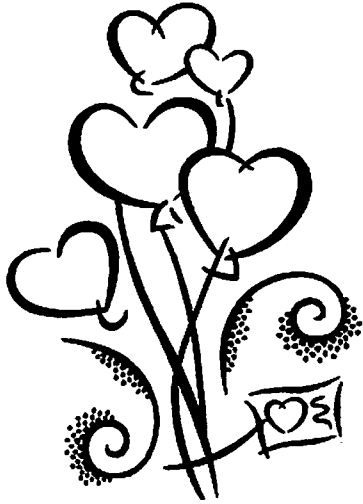




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Happy Valentine's Day!

LIONESS CLUB

With the holidays behind us and after a lovely meal offered by the Community Action Agency, the Lioness Club held their January meeting at 1pm, Thursday January 6th. For a typical winter day on Sugar Island there was a good attendance. A very informative presentation, by Doreen Howson, of the Diane Pepler Resource Center, was received and all members agreed our donations are being well used. Joyce Odell won our 50/50 and a luscious dessert was enjoyed by everyone.

The Lioness' send their best wishes to Dorothy Rich and Heidi Myerscough for a speedy recovery. Happy Birthday to our February Birthday Girls: Teresa Brennen, Judy Colein, Connie Smithling, Ellen Rose Parlmer and Jean Willis. Our next meeting will be held February 3rd at 1pm.

Bonnie Campeau
Interim Secretary

In Memorium
Marion Morley



LIONS DEN

At our January meeting Lions Brian Smith and Jim Handziak reported on the distribution of Christmas baskets to shut-in residents and former residents of Sugar Island. This is a annual event of the Lions Club and this year there were ten baskets given out to; Ken Fox, Al Hutton, Willie Belonga, Faith Hitchcock, Vi Neuman, Ruby and Archie Freeland, Agnes Fox, Ruth and Eugene Kovisto, Ester Belleau and Ted Snyder. Another item on the agenda was a donation of \$200 to the Myerscough family for medical supplies. I understand that Heidie is in fair condition and will have a long road to recovery. It's a little early to think about a Walleye Tournament but the Club has set June 5TH as the date, so think "warm and sunny" on these cold winter days.

The monthly Raffle winners are; Marian Handziak, Dianne Pendeil, Millie Polly and Cathy Parsh. The 50/50 winner is Terry Conroy.

We have only one Lions Club member with a birthday in February and he is Jim Handziak (he's been 39 for so many years, I think he has moved on to 49). HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Jim and many more.

Leo Rich secretary

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

2. Groundhog Day
2. Fire Station Meeting North 7:00pm
3. Lioness Club Meeting 1:00pm
7. Planning Commission Meeting 7:00pm
8. Township Board 7:00pm
13. Red Hats, Great Wall 1:00pm
14. Valentine's Day
16. Fire Station Meeting South 7:00pm
17. Lions Den 6:00pm
20. Lions Brunch 8:30-11:30am
21. Presidents Day - No Banking, No Mail
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FIRE PLUGS

I hope that when you read this it is warmer than when it is being written. Cold weather normally means people try to find indoor activities to keep warm. So it would appear that the fire department is not staffed by normal people as our last meeting found us practicing outside pumping water, pulling hoses and starting reluctant pumps in below zero weather, but since emergencies don't always happen on nice days it is probably a good thing we have lots of bad weather in which to practice. I guess.

We still have 2 recruits attending the fire training in Kinross. This requires a lot of dedication so make sure you thank Bill and Wendy when you see them.

While handing out Thank you's we have to include Pat and Carole Topij for all the work they have done at the Southend Fire Hall. Their work has saved the Township several thousand dollars and the amazing thing is its all done before 9am.

And a final thank you to the people of Sugar Island who continue to support the Fire Department. Your tax dollars enable us to provide the expensive equipment that is required to operate a fire department. The balance in our account shows that we don't waste funds and while it may seem high at times, we are saving for some purchases. One of which is a replacement tanker for the South End Station. While we are always on the lookout for grant money it often comes with a matching fund requirement and if we are unable to locate a grant having cash on hand allows us to move quickly if a good deal does come up on a piece of equipment we need. Thanks again for your support.

Remember to be careful out on the ice and with your home heating systems. We have chimney cleaning equipment available for loan at the fire station on the north end.

Jim Handziak
Sugar Island Fire Department

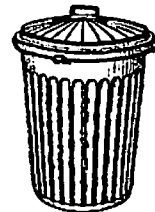
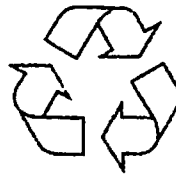


SICK CHESS

The Sugar Island Chess Klub (SICK) sent one representative to the 2011 Michigan Master/Expert/Class Championships in Lansing in January. Our player ended up in the middle of Class B with 2.5 out of 5 (2 wins, 2 losses, and a draw). The class championships tournament is one of the largest held annually in Michigan. It gives serious players a chance to compete against other players who have similar skill levels. Players are placed into a specific class under a "rating" system that keeps track of their performance in official tournaments throughout Michigan or even other states. The classes consist of novice (under 1000 or unrated), Class E (1000-1199), Class D (1200-11399), Class C (1400-1599), Class B (1600-1799), Class A (1800-1999), and an Expert (2000-2199) and Masters (2200+) class. Your rating improves when you do well against other players, with greater gains when you beat a better player. Here at SICK Chess, we have only one class of player--those who want to play for fun. We hope to see you for a fun game soon. (7:00 p.m. on Thursdays at the Hilltop).

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Groundhog Day is February 2nd. It is said that if the groundhog sees his shadow there will be six more weeks of bad weather, and if he doesn't, that spring will be here soon.

THANK YOU

Many Thanks to my Sugar Island Friends for their thoughtfulness this Holiday Season

Terry
Refuse Engineer

Help Wanted

Sugar Island Township is in need of Election Inspectors. Anyone 16 years and older can apply. We have a rotating schedule on Election Days from 6:30 a.m. until after the close of the polls at 8:00 p.m. at a rate of \$8.50 an hour. It's an excellent opportunity to be involved in the Election process! If interested, please call Louise Bledsoe at 253-9353.

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movie in honor of Groundhog
Day
- Feb. 3, 6-8 p.m. **Support Group for the**
Visually Impaired
- Feb. 5, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Sault Winter**
Farmers' Market sponsored
by the MSU Extension,
Greening Michigan Institute
- Feb. 5, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. **Creative Endeavors Support**
Group for Writers and Artists
- Feb. 8, 6:30 p.m. **FILM @ Bayliss, "How I**
Ended This Summer" (2010,
Thriller, Russia)
- Feb. 10, 6:30 p.m. **Sierra Club Three Lakes**
Group, "Gasland" film
- Feb. 12, 9 a.m. **Friends' Sweet Sale**
- Feb. 12, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Sault Winter**
Farmers' Market
- Feb. 12, 12 p.m. **Brown Bag Family Book**
Club, *Gossamer* by Lois
Lowry
- Feb. 15, 12-2 p.m. **Creative Endeavors Support**
Group for Writers and Artists
- Feb. 15, 7 p.m. **Chippewa County**
Genealogical Society
research session
- Feb. 16, 6-7 p.m. **War Memorial Hospital**
Community Education Series,
topic to be determined
- Feb. 17, 7 p.m. **Superior Poetry Café Open**
Mic, bring your poetry or
poetry by another writer, who
inspires you.
- Feb. 18 **AARP Tax aide begins. For**
free tax help, call 253-9519 to
set up an appointment.
(Meets at the library every
Friday until early April)
- Feb. 19, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Sault Winter**
Farmers' Market
- Feb. 19, 1 p.m. **Baka Squad for Teens**
- Feb. 24, 7 p.m. **Bayliss Book Club, *A***
Primate's Memoir: A
Neuroscientist's
Unconventional Life among
***the Baboons* by Robert**
Sapolsky
- Feb. 26, 1 p.m. **Family Movie @ Bayliss 632-9331**

**SUGAR ISLAND
FERRY SCHEDULE**



Sugar Islander II

Ferry leaves Sugar Island
on the hour and half-hour.
From 5:00 a.m. till 2:00 a.m.
3:00 a.m. 4:00 a.m.

Ferry leaves Sault Ste. Marie
on the quarter-after and
quarter-before the hour.
From 5:15 a.m. till 2:15 a.m.
3:15 a.m. 4:15 a.m.
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Fueling Dates

Last Island Ferry
Before fueling is at 9:30am
Tuesday February 8th
Tuesday February 22nd
Fueling takes about an Hour



Sugar Island Fest
Valentine's Dinner
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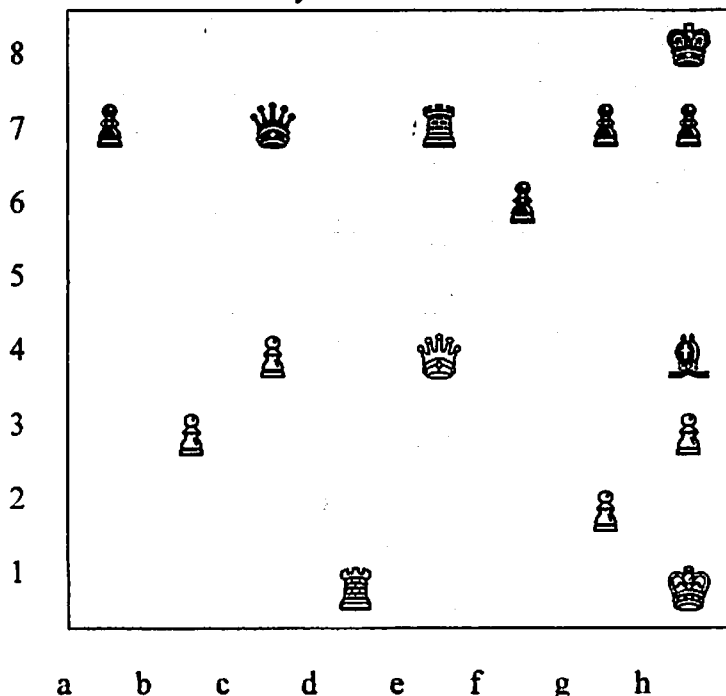
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FIND THE MOVES—What is white's best move? (Theme: Mating Attack/Back Rank)

Difficulty Level: Moderate



- ♔/♚ 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: White could gain back a piece by capturing the bishop, but white has a mating attack that will win the game. By moving the queen to the a8 square, white attacks black's king. Black must save the king and can only do so by blocking with the queen and/or rook, which white will then capture, attacking the king again and eventually leaving no escape. [1.Qa8 Qb8 (or c8 or d8) 2.QxQ Re8 3.QxRe8 mate]

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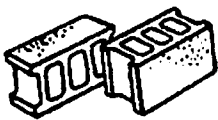
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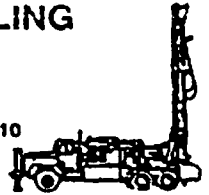
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