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Making History of the Present

Elberta postcards offer contemporary snapshot

By Jacob Wheeler

Current Editor

Emily Votruba has long admired Bayside Printing's collection of historic postcards of Elberta and Frankfort. The Main Street print shop sells snapshots of historic homes, the car ferries, the bay, the big lake, and the Royal Frontenac Hotel for \$0.50 each.

"When I look through historic photos, I'm so glad that somebody took a picture of that," says Votruba, who is managing editor of *The Elberta Alert*, a hyper-local paper which was first published before World War I. She revived it in 2011. "A hundred years from now, what are people going to be happy that someone took a photo of?"

Votruba is teaming up with Robert Bushway and other area photographers to add their own contemporary entries to the historic time capsule. This past summer, *The Alert* published seven postcards featuring striking images such as fireworks during the Elberta Solstice Festival, a full moon rising over Betsie Bay, boardwalk planks on Elberta Beach, a swimmer diving into Betsie Bay, the

Ann Arbor car ferry apron, and ice caves at Point Betsie last Valentine's Day.



Betsie Bay was frozen over for several weeks in the winter of 2013-14, affording this vantage on the former Ann Arbor Car Ferry East Apron. The East and West aprons were remarkable engineering solutions to the problem of loading up to 39 rail cars onto the vast boats that took them from Elberta to four destinations and back between 1892 and 1982. Photo courtesy of Robert Bushway Photography.

The back of each postcard offers a description of the image and the photographer's name and website, as well as details about the project. Votruba says the postcards complement the mission of *The Alert*, which is to chronicle history in the making.

"There's a lot of emphasis on Elberta's past, such as the car ferry and the lumberyard," she says. "But images like the person jumping into Betsie Bay also tie the past to the present."

Images in the first batch of postcards were all taken by Bushway, a talented photographer and practitioner of shiatsu massage. Bushway's photographs—most of which can also be seen on his website, RobertBruceBushway.com—dance before your eyes and make you feel as if you are right there in Elberta.

"I like to celebrate the hidden things in Northern Michigan. Elberta is one those villages,"

Bushway says.

When asked for his muse and inspiration while photographing in Benzie County, he says, "It always come down to one thing: Lake Michigan and how it has formed a way of life here. Otherwise we might just be another Ohio. I also love photographing anything rusty and weathered, like many of those fading farmhouses in the Sleeping Bear Dunes."

Some day, Bushway's photographs will help our descendants to understand what it felt like to live in Benzie County in 2014.

"Robert is a great photographer," Votruba attests. "He has a wonderful eye. He has great vision with his pictures."

The postcards cost \$1.50 each or 10 for \$10 and can be purchased via The Alert's website, Elberta-Alert.org, or by calling Votruba at 231-399-0098. Half of the profits go to the photographer and half to the Elberta Parks & Recreation Commission, which receives no funds from the Village of Elberta. Email elberta.alert@gmail.com if you want to submit your photos for the next batch of postcards.

Zen and the Art of Ice Rink Maintenance

Templar of the Arcadian winter

By John Jass

Current Contributor

It starts with the equipment—a donated John Deere snow blower, circa 1980. (Who knew they even made them? No complaints though, as she has run steadily this year. She's noisy, shaky, and smokey, but she has run steadily.) Get the gas can and give it a shake to ensure the oil that was mixed in hasn't settled to the bottom. The motor is old, and it has probably been worked hard, so you want as much lubrication as possible. Top off the tank and turn on the key. It's cold, and she hasn't run in a week, so you slide the choke lever all the way over, closing the butterfly valve, which restricts the air to the carburetor, choking it



The Arcadia ice rink, looking well-groomed in concentric circles during the 2014 winter. Photo courtesy of John Jass.

off and helping to draw fuel more easily into the motor.

Then it's a few pumps of the primer bulb, an act that shoots fuel directly into the motor, giving it something to run on before the fuel is drawn past the butterfly valve. Don't want to prime too much though; then she'll flood, and it will take a number of pulls before all the raw fuel can be purged. Better

to start lean—we can always add more if she doesn't start right away.

Time to pull. First try and she barely kicks. But she kicks, and that means she's alive. Now it's just a matter of time before she's running. Second pull and she turns right over and begins to run richly—firing unevenly, coughing along, drowning in the overly rich mixture of gas and air.

If you slide the choke over to the middle, she clears up and begins to run smoothly; slide the lever too closed, and she starts to labor—too lean. It means that she's starving for fuel, which is not surprising as she's cold, so back to the middle and she evens right out.

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The Betsie Current Rings in the New Year

From the editors

Thanks to your readership, submissions, and advertising support, this Benzie-centric newspaper enjoyed a banner comeback in 2014 after an eight-year hiatus.

We were proud to publish celebratory features, like Crystal Mountain's effort to become waste-free and Benzie Bus's new direction; investigative stories about the future of the Beulah bowling alley and what the town needs to hum again; historic reads about shipwrecks in Betsie Bay and the ever-notorious Archibald Jones; profiles of favorite local hangouts like Stormcloud and Geno's; Q&As with our community's movers and shakers; ways to spend your day in our towns and villages; an ongoing community calendar to illuminate upcoming events like the Frankfort Film Festival and the Lakeside Shakespeare Theatre company;



The Betsie Current's newest reader: Nina Louisa Wheeler was born on December 18, 2014, to Beulah-native Sarah Eichberger and Current editor Jacob Wheeler. Nearly a month old, she's already a proficient copy editor.

The Betsie Current on store shelves throughout Benzie County on May 21, June 4, June 18, July 2, July 16, July 30, August 13, August 27, September 10, October 1, November 12,

and fun, funky narratives like the vintage shoe store in a northwoods barn.

After a brief hibernation, we plan to publish 12 editions between Memorial Day weekend 2015 and President's Day weekend 2016. Look for future issues of

and January 14 (2016).

Stories you might find in our pages next year include a musical history of The Cabbage Shed, a profile of the deer population in Frankfort, the summer camps around Lake Ann, and an examination of the etymology of the word "Benzie." As always, please check out our website, BetsieCurrent.com, to read through our archives or to suggest a story. Make sure to follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/betsiecurrent. Our pinterest page is good for things to do and places to see around Benzie County: pinterest.com/betsiecurrent. And, as always, check out benzie-calendar.com for all the latest happenings (or to submit your own event).

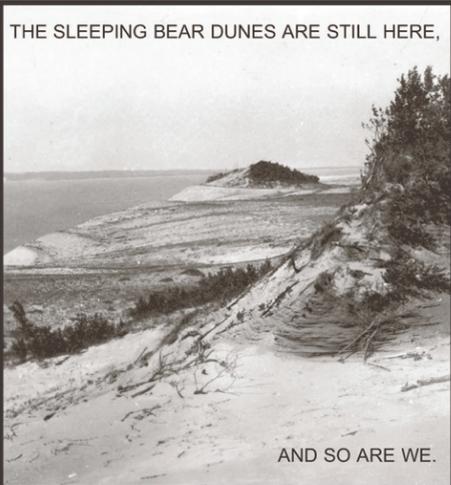
Stay warm, and see you in the spring!



Meanwhile, Current editor Jordan Bates and photographer Aubrey Ann Parker traveled to the Southwest for the holidays. One must-eat stop was the Pie-O-Neer Cafe in Pietown, New Mexico. The Pie-O-Neer Cafe was featured in a documentary film shown at this year's Frankfort Film Festival.

Bates, shown with his winter beard, researches the pumpkin, cherry, and chocolate cream pies. Photo by Aubrey Ann Parker.

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Feeding Benzie, Growing Community

Questions & Answers with Community Faces

By Jacob Wheeler
Current Editor

Local boy made good, Josh Stoltz personifies what makes Benzie County unique and special. He ditched the big-city freeways and sprawl for his native woods, lakes, creative characters, and community dynamic. Through his work with SEEDS After School program at Benzie Central, and now as the executive director at Grow Benzie, Stoltz is a local change-maker. But he and his family endured a roller coaster year in 2014. SEEDS ran out of funding in June. In October, he and wife Christina tragically lost her teenage son, Isaac. This community immediately rallied around the Stoltz-Ryan-McKinnon family and offered them light in the darkest of hours.

In this heartfelt interview, Stoltz describes why he loves Benzie, why he returned here, and what impact he hopes to grow in Benzie.

THE BETSIE CURRENT: What are your hopes and goals for Grow Benzie in 2015? How might the organization change in the future?

JOSH STOLTZ: My number one goal is for Grow Benzie to become a household name in this county. Everyone eats, so my biggest hope is for folks to know that Grow Benzie is their resource for all things related to local food: where to find it, how to grow it, what nutritional value it has, when canning or preserving classes are. Grow Benzie provides this information. We offer classes and events, community garden space, and a state-certified incubator kitchen to help local entrepreneurs to start their own business or to utilize it as a classroom for teaching families how to prepare a healthy meal. Hive Minded is a 10-week after-school industrial arts initiative, giving local students the opportunity to build bee boxes while earning scholarships. Bayou on the Bay is a blues & zydeco music picnic that we're planning in Frankfort as a fundraiser for August 29. These are two new ideas we're rolling out this year, all of which will be promoted regularly through our updated website, social media, and local media.

CURRENT: The local food movement has a strong foothold in Northern Michigan. What are hopeful signs that you see for local food in Benzie?

STOLTZ: We love to eat! Go to any family reunion, holiday party, church potluck, or a community dinner this winter at Grow Benzie, and you'll experience a lot of people and a lot of food. There's warm food in crockpots, a veggie tray, and—if you're lucky—Uncle Roger will bring smoked meat or Aunt Bev will bring homemade pie. You're guaranteed deviled eggs and cheese. So the fact that we connect ourselves with food is a great start in Benzie, but when you add the notion that every one of us is either a farmer, home gardener, hunter, fisher, or have a family member that's one of these, it seems Benzie

County was made to be on the front page of *USA Today* for representing local food movements. We already know the importance of eating healthy and buying locally. Grow Benzie is simply providing the support for us to get better at it.

CURRENT: Of what accomplishments are you most proud from your work with SEEDS After School program at Benzie Central?

STOLTZ: Geez. I could list a hundred students' stories that our SEEDS team played a role in and should be proud of. One of the most significant impacts our work had in the schools was with the creation of "Pride of BC." It's a student-led initiative comprised of high schoolers interested in promoting positive



Josh Stoltz, executive director of Grow Benzie.
Photo by Aubrey Ann Parker.

self-awareness and tolerance amongst their peers. They meet regularly and host different events, but their flagship is their stage performance. They write their own skits, dances, and monologues to perform in front of classes and schools in hopes of sparking inspiration to those in need and being the change rather than talking about it. What started as an anti-bully group has turned into much more and has directly impacted hundreds of students' lives. While SEEDS programs ended at Benzie Central, Pride of BC is still going strong.

CURRENT: You and your family have endured an excruciating and trying few months. We mourn the passing of Isaac and remember him fondly. How have you found strength through this period?

STOLTZ: We miss Isaac terribly. It is an unbelievable loss. My wife, Christina, is an inspiration. The love she has for Isaac and me is infinite, and to witness her courage to continue shining on is a lesson of strength and hope for everyone. We have so many good reasons to be alive. I referred to the gathering of folks at Isaac's celebration service as "my tribe," and it's that network of people—and so many others that weren't able to attend—who have held my wife and me in their hearts. Food, money, cards, visits, phone calls, texts: unbelievable. They say if we can make it through this, we can

do anything. I believe that and try to follow through, "paying it forward" every day. Grow Benzie is providing me a place to harness this endless community spirit, through my work of organizing volunteers and resources.

CURRENT: You left this region to study at Central Michigan and have lived in Arizona and Florida. Why did you return to Benzie? What did you miss while away?

STOLTZ: My return was only going to be temporary. After closing my [sales and marketing] company in Miami and working in the oil and gas industry for a year, I bought a school bus that I named "The Future" and brought it back to Benzie to convert it to run on recycled veggie oil. My plan was to chase the sunshine around the country and sell deep-fried ice cream at festivals and events, maybe do some writing or make some movies. After being home for a summer, though, I recognized the magnet that had repelled me away in my 20s was the same energy keeping me around in my 30s. Family, friends, and neighbors provide unconditional love and support to me and each other here, and I felt unlimited potential within this web, knowing I always had food and shelter. Plus, I fell madly in love with a girl I had known since attending Platte River Elementary with her in the '80s. Now we own a home in Frankfort, I'm involved with organizations that are important to me, and I'm surrounded by woods and water. In the same time it took for my morning commute in Phoenix, I can cruise up M-22, circle one-third of Crystal Lake's shoreline, cross the Platte River, visit Dad's house in a cedar swamp, two-track 20 minutes through the backwoods of Honor spotting deer and critters, and arrive at my Ma's house for warmed-up leftovers while I fix my Jeep in the garage with my stepdad. I love this county.

CURRENT: How would you spend your ideal winter day in Northern Michigan?

STOLTZ: I wake up at 6 a.m. smelling the bacon, eggs, and potatoes my wife has prepared for me. My coffee thermos is full, and the truck is warmed up. By 11 a.m., I catch my limit ice fishing after spending quality time both with friends and by myself. I arrive at Grow Benzie to clean the Inbox, make some phone calls, and catch up with staff as we graze on some of the veggies we're growing. By 5 p.m., there are five new volunteers signed up to donate their time, 1,000 views on our latest video, and Mario Batali called to confirm our meeting time to discuss The Big Idea. I head home to pick up my wife and dog for a snowshoe into the Elberta Bluffs, we fill up on the chili she's been working on all day, and then arrive at the Frankfort vs. Benzie basketball game for an overtime nail biter. Afterward, we meet up with family and friends somewhere, stoke the wood stove, and play euchre and music. I snack on some venison jerky and smoked fish out by the bonfire before heading home on plowed roads to our cozy abode. Honestly, I'm already doing most of these ... living the dream, right? It's how I Grow Benzie.

Check out all that Grow Benzie is doing at www.growbenzie.com. Donate to the Isaac Julian Memorial Fund at <http://bit.ly/1AK6oxd>.

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Mondays

Circle Time with Miss Char includes rhymes and movement for infants and toddlers. Benzie Shores District Library, 630 Main Street, Frankfort. www.benzieshoreslibrary.org (231)352-4671. 10:30am.

Tuesdays

Technology Tuesdays at the Benzie Shores District Library provides help with your technology issues. Learn how to download (free) ebooks, audio books, and digitized newspapers to your personal devices. 10am-12pm.

Dance Benzie: Improvisational partner dancing at the Mills Community House in Benzonia. Free, donations welcome. 8-10pm.

Wednesdays

Story Time: Books, songs, and rhymes for preschoolers (and parents/caregivers), but all ages are welcome. Benzie Shores District Library. January 14-February 18. 10:30am.

Trivia Night at Stormcloud Brewery in Frankfort resumes on January 14. Runs eight weeks; come every week or just drop in occasionally. Teams of up to four people. 7:30-10pm.

Thursdays

Open Mic Night at The Cabbage Shed in Elberta. (231)352-9843. 8pm.

Saturdays

Ranger-led Snowshoe Hikes: Come explore Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore this winter! Every Saturday through March 7. Meet at the Philip A. Hart Visitor Center in Empire. Need a park entrance pass or an annual pass. If you don't have your own snowshoes, a pair will be loaned for free. Reservations are required for everyone. Limited to 30 people. (231)326-4700, ext. 5010. 1-4pm.

Sundays

Michigan Legacy Art Park Snowshoe Tours: Snow offers a new challenge to the terrain and a fresh perspective to the extensive outdoor art collection at Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville. Offered every Sunday through February 22. Meet your guide at the Art Park trailhead. \$10 suggested donation. Dress for winter weather. Bring your own snowshoes or limited rentals are available. (888)968-7686, ext. 7000. 2:30-4pm.

ON THE DOCK

Saturday, January 17

Winter Hike at Fruithaven Nature Preserve: A 1.5-mile hike on the new trail at this gorgeous, lesser-known preserve with incredible wooded valley views. Park on the south end of Herron Road. Bring your own snowshoes and water. Dress for the weather, including windy conditions. RSVP at www.gtrlc.org/events or call (231)929-7911. 10am-12pm.

Tuesday, January 20

Pub Fiction: Benzie Shores District Library hosts a lively literary discussion in a unique atmosphere at Stormcloud. Short story is available at the library and the brewery. 7pm.

Wednesday, January 21

Book Share Group: Get to know fellow book lovers and find out what members of your community are reading at Benzie Shores District Library. Great way to hear about books you might otherwise miss and to get to know your neighbors. Share a book or two that you have recently read with the group. 9-10am.

Thursday, January 22

Great Books Discussion Group: We will discuss a selection from *Culture and Anarchy* by Matthew Arnold and *Pragmatism: A New Name for Some Old Ways of Thinking* by William James which are available in Great Conversations 4 at the Benzie Shores District Library. The discussion is always challenging and thought-

provoking. Since each discussion is complete and each meeting has a new reading, it is easy to join the group even if you are unable to attend every discussion. 3:30-4:30pm.

Saturday, January 24

Winter Hike at Green Point Dunes: A 2.5-mile hike through wooded dune forests to magnificent high bluff views of Lake Michigan and down to the shore for beach/ice exploration. Gather in the Green Point parking lot. RSVP at www.gtrlc.org/events or call (231)929-7911. 10am-12pm.

Tuesday, January 27

Spanish Conversation Group at Benzie Shores District Library. Practice your skills and meet other Spanish speakers. 7-8pm.

Saturday, February 7

Winter Hike at Arcadia Dunes Camp Trail: A new 2.5-mile path that wanders through beautiful wooded forests and open fields. Gather in the St. Pierre parking lot or on the road if lots of snow. RSVP at www.gtrlc.org/events or call (231)929-7911. 10am-12pm.

Thursday, February 12

Benzonia Academy Lecture: Lizzie Borden Revisited. The Borden murders of 1892 still fascinate us today. Numerous books, plays, movies, and songs have told the story and tried to sift out the facts to determine if Lizzie killed her parents. If so, then why? If not, then who? Featuring Al Bryant, a retired librarian. www.benziemuseum.org 4-5pm.

Saturday, February 14

Beulah Winterfest: Families will enjoy a day packed with fun, food, and unique winter activities such as a chili cook-off, a snowmobile poker run, an annual fish-toss competition, horse-drawn wagon rides, frozen turkey bowling, outhouse sprint race, the Winterfest Parade, a bonfire on the beach, and majestic winter fireworks in the evening over Crystal Lake. There will also be Sheriff's Department Dive Team Rescue demonstrations. Families can gather out on the ice of Crystal Lake to watch as divers go under the ice for up to five minutes! http://clcba.org/

Saturday & Sunday, February 14 & 15

Free Fishing Weekend: Everyone—residents and non-residents alike—can fish Michigan waters without a license, though all other fishing regulations still apply.

Friday-Sunday, February 20-22

5th Annual Benzie County Water Festival: A weekend of events including the ever-popular live reptile and amphibian display at Platte River Elementary during and after school on Friday. Hans VanSumeren, director of NMC's Water Studies Institute will present water-related further-education options to Benzie Central High School students on Friday. On Saturday, the Betsie Bay Frozen 5k begins at 10am with registration from 8:30-9:30am at Stormcloud Brewery. (Or register online http://bit.ly/1KCHntj) Run around the bay from Elberta to Frankfort with 100+ other crazy winter runners! Snow stories and crafts at 10:30am with Miss Ashley at Benzie Shores District Library for ages 3-5, plus a snowman competition in the park for all ages. Weekend fishing tournament put on by Big Bob's Up North Outfitters in Frankfort. More events are being added, so check water-festival.org for more details!

Ice Rink

Continued from page 1

It's finally time to take her to the rink. (No sense in hauling her out if she won't run.) The walk gives the motor a good spell to warm up. Now at the center of the rink, you slide the choke all the way off and she's singing now—running fast and smooth, and so, you begin.

You're anxious to start but unsure of which way to go—each direction is as valid as the other. But you must start somewhere, so you begin right in front of you.

The first steps are tentative, small, and unsure. But you continue, hoping to make sense of it soon. And pretty quickly you are turning around and going the other way. Then again, and again, and you don't seem to be going anywhere. But soon enough there's a track beginning to emerge, and you start to follow it back and forth and around and around.

It starts to go fast. You're covering ground quickly with an energy of excitement—finally on your way! The journey has begun, and it feels good to be moving as the chill starts to burn off.

Then, before you notice it, you're past the beginning mark and starting to cruise. The machine is sending out steam as the snow melts and falls on the muffler, and you look up to notice the bigger picture around you. You can see the pattern beginning to emerge, and you can see the open space ahead of you, and you know now which way you have to go, so you settle into a rhythm and continue on the way.

After a while, it all begins to feel the same—all curves now, one continuous, gentle arc laid upon the one before it. The engine drowns out all other sounds; it's a deafening white noise that fills up your head. Another step forward, and another, and another. Always angling to the left, overlapping the previous row so that there is no break in the pattern. And you continue, walking out the path you chose.

Eventually you start to sense the proximity of the edge—the border isn't that far away now. You realize that, without even knowing it, you crossed the line where there is less ahead than has passed. And it feels good.

You are confident now in your ability and happy with the pattern that has been created. You're looking forward to the new challenges that are ahead, and you're bored with the sameness of the middle. You understand that to complete the pattern you will have to modify it. (You can't fit a circle into a square.) But there is nothing to worry about, because you know how to solve the problem before it arises; you are prepared when the flat edges intrude into the arcs, merging them into each other so that, even though the pattern has changed, its continuity hasn't been broken.

And then you're done. And you look around and think simultaneously, "How impressive," and yet "How insignificant."

John Jass lives in Arcadia with his wife and two children.

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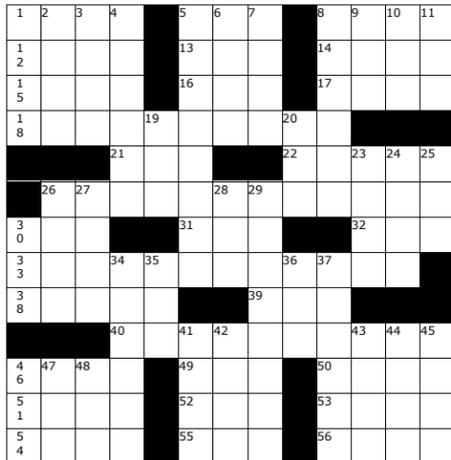
Across

- 1. They hang out in the belfry
- 5. Ratio word
- 8. Superhero attire
- 12. To be adjacent to
- 13. College athlete in Salt Lake City
- 14. Animals on the Oregon Trail
- 15. Org. that listens for aliens
- 16. Type of TV screen
- 17. Rocker Simmons
- 18. Relative of the trumpet*
- 21. ___ jongg
- 22. Half of *California Dreaming* quartet
- 26. The world's largest radio observatory, to be built in AUS and RSA*
- 30. Infraction related to BAC
- 31. Competed in a track meet
- 32. Alternative to Windows 8
- 33. Name of Mauritius when it was ruled by Napoleon*
- 38. Shade of purple
- 39. Spanish interjection
- 40. With great expertise*
- 46. Yarn
- 49. A guy's date
- 50. Scarlett's home
- 51. Actor Richard who played Jaws
- 52. U2 hit
- 53. Ghostbuster played by Harold
- 54. Vegas numbers
- 55. Johnny Bench, for one
- 56. Foul, as an odor

Down

- 1. They make a lot of the products you buy better
- 2. Famous murder victim
- 3. Ballerina attire
- 4. A set of negative beliefs
- 5. Common phrase on packaging
- 6. ___-a-Sketch
- 7. Try again
- 8. Region of France famous for its brandy
- 9. Primitive tool
- 10. Write
- 11. Direction from Frankfort to Traverse City
- 19. Dine
- 20. Letters that precede *Titanic*
- 23. Style of free, Web-based learning (for short)
- 24. Feature at the front of many churches
- 25. It's determined by X and Y
- 26. Actress Carol Ann who voiced Mrs. Wolowitz in *The Big Bang Theory*
- 27. What the Bride wants to do to Bill

- 28. Pre-scandal name of Livestrong org.
- 29. Signed up for classes
- 30. Tommy Pickles' baby brother in *Rugrats*
- 34. They hold canvases
- 35. 2007 Buckethead album
- 36. Gordon Shumway's Nickname
- 37. Bob Barker wants you to do this to your pet
- 41. Former Red Wing Larionov
- 42. It can end an address
- 43. Former Tigers first baseman Mike, famous in St. Louis for hitting a foul ball out of Busch Stadium
- 44. Science fiction author Hubbard
- 45. Pull hard
- 46. Boxing abbreviation
- 47. Help
- 48. Type of TV screen



Winter Crossword by Eliza Prager and Dan Flanagan

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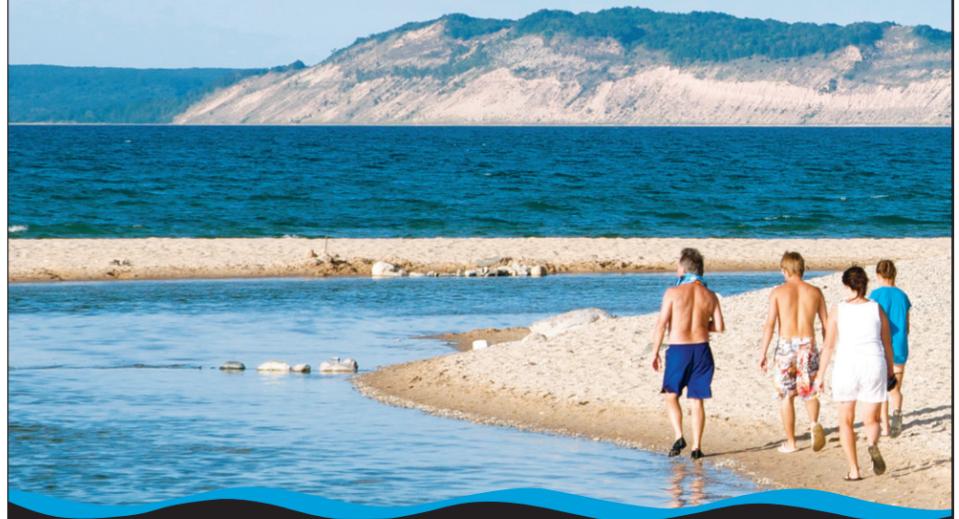
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