

WOLF'S



EYE

Houghton, Michigan

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What Is This ?!?!



For some time now there has been a desire for some sort of Isle Royale newsletter; a regularly published letter that would serve to bring all of the "Isle Royalty" into contact with each other. Also there are those in other NPS areas and "friends of Isle Royale National Park" who are interested in knowing about news items here at Isle Royale. In response to this desire, WOLF'S EYE will be published as nearly as possible on the 15th of each month.



The Name



It has long been pointed-out that ISLE ROYALE appears to be the eye of a wolf's head - - the head is an outline of LAKE SUPERIOR.

JUST WHERE OR BY WHOM THIS SAYING WAS FIRST INTRODUCED IS NOT KNOWN TO US HERE AT HOUGHTON - - IF YOU KNOW, WHY NOT DROP US A LINE AND WE'LL TELL EVERYONE ALL ABOUT IT! ANYWAY, WE'VE ADOPTED THE SLOGAN FOR OUR NAME AS YOU'LL SEE ON THE HEADING AT THE TOP OF THIS PAGE.

WANTED!

NEWS-AND-SUGGESTIONS

As with all such letters, it becomes a task

TO SCRAPE THE NEWS TOGETHER EACH MONTH. IT'S NOT HARD TO GET NEWS FROM THE HOUGHTON OFFICE, BUT NEWS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM YOU IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEM. JUST ADDRESS:

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C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S

Most people guessed it, but nobody dared breath a word about what they guessed. Now, we know for sure. January 25th is the date when we'll see the wedding of Ruby Bailey (Two Harbers, Minn.) to Bob Johnson. All of us extend our sincerest congratulations to two very nice folks.. The couple will spend about a month in Two Harbers after their marriage and then expect to move to Houghton where Bob will continue his work with the Park Service for the winter.

B R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R !

By the time WOLF'S EYE appears next month (we hope it does appear next month), the winter wildlife study on Isle Royale will have begun. The tentative date for the departure of the party is set at February 8th. Jim Cole from Rocky Mountain National Park will head-up the study as he has done several times before. With him will be Bob Linn and Roy Stamey from the Houghton Office. The study will last about 3 weeks during which time they'll attempt to determine numbers of moose, what they eat, how much they eat, numbers of wolves, what they eat, how much they eat, where most moose spend their winters, how congenial the friendship between moose and wolves is, the status of other wildlife species, the condition of browse vegetation, and generally the balance of the entire plant and animal populations. A pilot and small plane is expected to be with the party for about two out of the three weeks which will aid materially to facilitate the study.

BROTHERS IN THE CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE

Superintendent Lewis and Administrative Assistant Muehlenhaupt (John and Gus) left last Saturday morning on the plane bound for Philadelphia. They will be discussing park operations with Regional Director Dan Tobin and others in the Region Five Office. High on the list are talks concerning plans for the new Ranger III.

W H O ' S W H E R E !

This is the time of year when the Isle Royalty is as widely scattered as any bunch we can think of. Some have made their whereabouts known, and some have not. Here's the latest as we have it:

A recent note from the Davis' which had pictures of western characters shooting each other on it said they were having a peaceful time in that part of the country. Elt and Kay's address has been c/o Herman Winter, American Falls, Idaho. They will be met at the train here in Houghton on January 29th.

Roy and Susie Stamey returned to Houghton on January 7th after an extended trip over the Holiday season. They spent two weeks at Roy's father's place near Gatlinburg, Tennessee, and another week with Roy's brother at Shenandoah National Park. While near Gatlinburg, they visited the Gibbs' who said to say "hello" to the Isle Royalty.

Dave Stimson left Houghton early -- November 9th. He flew west to join his wife, Key, who had driven there at an earlier date. By west, we mean: three weeks at West Glacier, Montana, one week at Deer Lodge, 10 days at Minneapolis, then back to Houghton on January 7th. While Dave was at Glacier, an elk hunt took place, but, alas, no elk. Anyway, a good visit was had with old friends at Glacier National Park.

Holley and Bob Linn were off to Philadelphia for a two week N P S training course on December 1st. Following that they spent a week in Pikeville, Kentucky with Holley's folks and a week in Cleveland -- Bob's old home town, to arrive back at Houghton on January 2nd.

Out of our window right this minute it looks like the very dead of winter at the north pole. No wonder Commodore Joe Colombe took out-a here trying to catch the last bird migration southward. We hear his address is: c/o CENTRAL HOTEL, FORT MYERS, FLORIDA. He'll return with the spring migration.

A Christmas card from Karen Holte states that Ed and Ingeborg will likely survive the winter providing they make an escape to someplace in Arizona. The Lewis' spent their Holidays in Minneapolis, but there wasn't much time taken from pressing duties in Houghton. Louise Fretter was at Bets Grise for a week between Christmas and New Year's --- back in the old haunts, eh? Just a few minutes ago, Salem Lahti called in to say he was home from southern Michigan where he had spent several weeks. Coach and Mrs. Orsborn are reported to have been in Duluth (we assume to son Jim's home) during Christmas ... for Coach's information there are just exactly 158 days until June 22d which should be about opening date for Rock Harbor Post Office. Johnny Williamson spent New Year's in Milwaukee, but is currently keeping Ralph Bergh company doing dire things to the RANGER II's engine.

Among the stay-at-homes over the Holidays were Margaret Uren, the Markham's, John Murn, the Taddeucci's, the Miehlenhaupt's and the Bergh's. Bob Johnson was in Houghton for Christmas and returned to Two Harbors (Minn.) where he has been ever since. The Milford Johnson's and the Peter Edisen's have been in Two Harbors since their return from the island.

W H A T A B O U T R A N G E R I I I

The architect's preliminary "Report of Needs" has been received which states sizes, equipment, etc. Drawings have also been submitted and she does look to be a beauty! A ship with a length of 160 feet and beam of 32 feet is proposed. The preliminary specifications will undergo considerable study before a contract is let, however, so it'll be awhile before she steams into Rock Harbor.

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We hope you're well and happy!

Let's hear from you!