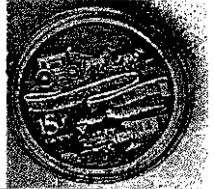


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BLACK BART'S REAL GOLD  
CAN BE YOURS



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Special thank you	

Who can make money off Black Bart Days? Anyone. How? Simply sign up with the BBD committee. Contact Ikey Todd for the arts and crafts, Jenny's restaurant for the treasure hunt, Gary Johnson, for the food, or Bill DeGenaro if you want the man in charge. We have deliberately closed the food sales to anyone, or any group, from outside of Republic Township. The churches, service and civic groups, and indi-

viduals living here, will be the only ones permitted to sell food. Can you buy food elsewhere, such as Lawry's Pasty Shop, and sell them here? Yup. But only one group or individual will be authorized to sell that particular item. First one registered gets the permission. What kind of fund raising activities would be appropriate? Think back, what was popular at the turn of that century? One individual is painting two life sized

TREASURE HUNT

Begins, July 19th

First clues will be available at the Summer Place, 10:00 a.m.

Entrants must register for the treasure hunt.

Coins turned in by people not registered are not eligible for the prize.

Immediate family members of the Black Bart Committee are not eligible to win.

pictures. One of Black Bart, and one of his "Miss Kitty". The faces will be

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Forget about all the reasons why something may not work.  
You only need to find one reason why it will.  
Dr. Robert Anthony.

**SMITH'S MOUNTAIN FOUNDATION**

**Dedicated to the rebuilding of Republic, Michigan**

Thanks to the initial guidance from Mike Kolasa, a committee has been formed for the express purpose of creating a tax exempt, 501(C)(3) foundation dedicated to the rebuilding of Republic, Michigan.


The Foundation will accept tax exempt donations from present or former residents, or other contributors, with the donations to be solely dedicated to enhancing the community.

It is presently planned that the Foundation will have it's initial kick-off at the Black Bart Days Festival.

It's summer, people are walking. Tie up your dogs.

May 14, 2010

To: Gary Johnson, Supervisor and  
The Republic Township Board  
From: Olga Williams for the Heritage Gardeners  
Re: Heritage Garden: Progress and Requests



IF YOU AIM AT  
NOTHING, YOU  
WILL MOST  
LIKELY HIT IT.

**PROGRESS.**

In its fifth year, Heritage Garden is doing well. Our goals for this season are continued planting of flowers and shrubs, including memorial contributions; identification and labeling of all plants; top-layering paths with smaller, walker-friendly stones and erecting a potting shed. The fence provided by the Snowmobile Club has been a wonderful addition to the Garden and has protected it well.

We will continue our related community service projects: the weekly Farmers' Markets at Munson Park during the growing season and making swags and hanging them for the Christmas season. Our funding activities will continue as usual: serving coffee, bakery and crafts at various events and participating in the community yard sale. We have started a *Friends of the Garden* program designed to garner interest and a little outside support for the Garden.

**REQUESTS.**

1. One of the biggest tasks we have at the Garden is watering: hauling heavy hoses and connecting them in ways to avoid damage to the plants. The connecting hose to the fire hydrant needs replacing every couple years due to the vehicle traffic over it.

We would ask the Township to consider installing a water faucet on the Garden premises. There is a cap labeled WATER near the sidewalk—presumably an existing water connection? If that's what it actually is, the distance from that to the Garden would be just a few feet.

2. It would also help immensely to have a source of electricity available at the Garden. We need to be able to use electrical tools—trimmers etc. Gas models are extremely heavy and difficult for us to handle. Looking to the future, we also anticipate having Garden events on location. (We served the Snowmobile Club lunch with coffee pots and crock pots plugged into the outlet at the Methodist Church.)

Both of these utilities would not only help the gardeners, but would be a step in making Heritage Garden a useful and vibrant part of community activity.

We appreciate all your help thus far. We hope we have your continued support of our volunteer efforts to maintain this corner of beauty and to further develop what we hope you agree is an asset to our town.

**LEADING THE WAY**

Anyone notice that the SUMMER PLACE and the BEAUTY NOOK got a face lift? Looking good.

New sidewalks going in around the town hall this week, and two broken pieces being replaced in front of the Summer Place. Please watch your step. John Greenhoe is assisting the township in the project.

ST AUGUSTINE CONFERENCE  
OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL  
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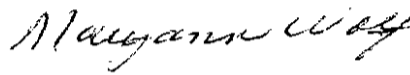
ENCLOSED FIND A 2009 ANNUAL REPORT FO THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL. THE FOL-  
LOWING NUMBERS ARE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT TOTALS:

DURING 2009 ST AUGUSTINE CONFERENCE AND FOOD PANTRY GAVE OUT 163 FOOD OR-  
DERS, HELPING 498 PEOPLE; HELPED 4 FAMILIES WITH THEIR WATER BILL (8 PEOPLE); HELPED  
7 FAMILIES WITH FUEL (18 PEOPLE); HELPED 10 FAMILIES WITH POWER BILLS (27 PEOPLE). ALSO  
HELPED 8 FAMILIES WITH TRANSPORTATION (24 PEOPLE)

OF THESE FAMILIES 24 ARE FROM MICHIGAMME; 33 FROM CHAMPION/HUMBOLDT AND 71  
FROM REPUBLIC

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE FOOD PANTRY AND THE CONFER-  
ENCE.

THANK YOU



MARYANN WOLF

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT PICNIC**

**Thursday, August 5th, 6:00 p.m.**

For this year the National Night Out Picnic will be held at the EMS Building, on Highway M-95.

There are a number of reasons for moving the location:

- 1. It's barrier free
- 2. Everything is there, nothing needs to be moved from place to place.
- 3. Rest rooms are conveniently available.
- 4. Weather won't be an issue if it's raining.
- 5. The fire trucks and ambulance are on site.



More publicity will follow.

**ALL CLASS REUNION**

**Just a reminder, we would encourage everyone to send in their registration forms. There is still time. The event will be held July 31st. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. EST and the program and luncheon will follow.**

**Anyone with questions please call Marilyn Helmila. 906-376-8830.**

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**Black Bart project, progressing.**

cut out, so photographs can be taken. Jenny is going to host a rolling pin throwing contest. Bill DeGenaro has throwing tomahawks for someone to hold that particular contest. A little chicken-wire fencing, someone's 80lb pig and a little grease, and I'll bet you no one could hang on. Hoop rolling. Anything that might be an activity normal to the 1880-1890 era. Contact the committee members listed, for further information. First come, first served.

We do not have music scheduled. There is not enough money in the fund this year to pay for any. If there are any wandering minstrels that would like to perform, they would be welcome. We would ask that the music

and costumes be "in period", if possible. Also, the committee is in need of a wireless sound system. We need a wireless microphone for the "story teller" who tentatively will be stationed in Munson Park, who will "tell the story" and build the entry to the performance. If anyone has a system they might be willing to share, please contact Bill DeGenaro. If we can make enough money to keep this going, it will be an annual event, that people/organizations can depend on for their budgets.

**Think, how can YOU get a part of Black Bart's REAL gold?**

Ikey—arts and crafts      Summer Place—treasure hunt  
Gary — food sales      Bill — Chairman.  
Deliver applications to individual chair-persons or  
Mail to Republic EDC, P.O. Box 82, Republic.

**Michigamme River Basin**

The basin committee met on June 14th, at 5:30 p.m. at the Township Hall.

A motion was approved to accept the project committees recommendation to repair the existing structure by rebuilding the center gate, and eliminating the two side gates, replacing them with concrete at a pre-determined height, and reinforcing the new concrete with rock on both faces of the concrete.

The projected cost of improvements is in the \$500,000 range, which will all be covered by the money captured by the tax increment financing arrangements. It was stressed, there will be no costs to the public for these actions.

A motion was approved to submit a formal request with the MDNR\_E for a pre-application meeting, to review the proposed repairs, and request a permit for the work.

Executive Director Dan Mitchell will prepare costs for electricity to be provided by UPPCO, to include three sodium area lights, for dam security.

As soon as decisions are made, the public will continue to be brought up to date.

Complete minutes of all of the meetings are available on the Township's website at <http://republicmichigan.com>

**THANK YOU**

To Jim Kippola and Erik Anderson from Marquette County Resource Management Department, for working with the Township to get the roads along the Michigamme River in the vicinity, and north from, the Michigamme Basin dam, into the County Hazard Mitigation plan. Jim and company have set it up so the affected roads will qualify for Hazard Mitigation Grant Funds for reconstruction, saving our taxpayers the cost.

The affected Roads are County Road LG/River Road, County Road 601 from it's River Road intersection (Clavell's corner) to the LE/Hawks Drive intersection (Wickinson's corner) and LE/Hawks Drive. We are hoping to fit into the grant cycle this fall, or next spring, depending on the amount of available funding through the grant. The fall grants are only the remainder of the year's funds that are available (haven't been spent by the original grant recipient).

## 20TH ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

**Kloman Bridge on the Michigamme River, Republic, Michigan**

**July 17th & July 18th 2010**

**Saturday 6:00—8:00 p.m.— Sunday 7:00 a.m.—3:00p.m.**

### Pre Registration

**July 12th-16th at the Beauty Nook & the Summer Place, 10 to 6**

**July 14th—16th at Norm's Black Rail 6 to 10 p.m.**

<b>Walleye,</b>	<b>1st Place \$2,000,</b>	<b>2nd Place \$400</b>
<b>Northern Pike</b>	<b>1st Place \$500,</b>	<b>2nd Place \$250</b>
<b>Rock Bass</b>	<b>1st Place \$100</b>	<b>2nd Place \$0</b>
<b>Bass</b>	<b>1st Place \$100</b>	<b>2nd Place \$50</b>
<b>Crappie</b>	<b>1st Place \$100</b>	<b>2nd Place \$50</b>
<b>Perch</b>	<b>1st Place \$100</b>	<b>2nd Place \$50</b>
<b>Bluegill</b>	<b>1st Place \$100</b>	<b>2nd Place \$50</b>
<b>Trout</b>	<b>1st Place \$100</b>	<b>2nd Place \$50</b>

**Entry Fee: \$15 (17 & Older), \$5 (12-16 yrs) Free under 11 yrs. Two categories-adults & kids**  
**Free Camping—Fireworks display—bonfire—food available—beer tent—raffles—t-shirts—**  
**food available—live entertainment by the Slamtones**

**Republic Fire Department Duck Race at 5 p.m. Sunday July 18th.**

**For information call 906-376-8882 or 906-376-2456**

### **Summer Place Restaurant**

#### **Appreciation of friends and customers.**

Charlie and I want to thank all of you for the donations of money to help out with the new equipment. You find out who your real friends and customers are in a time like this. Theresa and Bob and all your friends in Chicago, Ishpeming customers, Republic Sportsmen Club. We can't thank you enough...

Jenny and Ikey would like to thank Fred Nannestad for his contribution toward the facelift on the Summer Place and The Beauty Nook. **Thanks Fred!!**

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