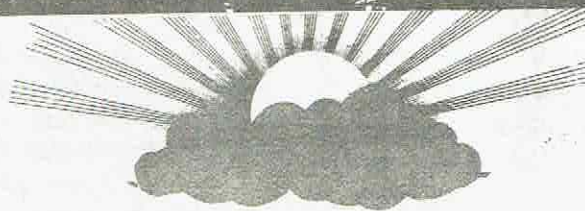


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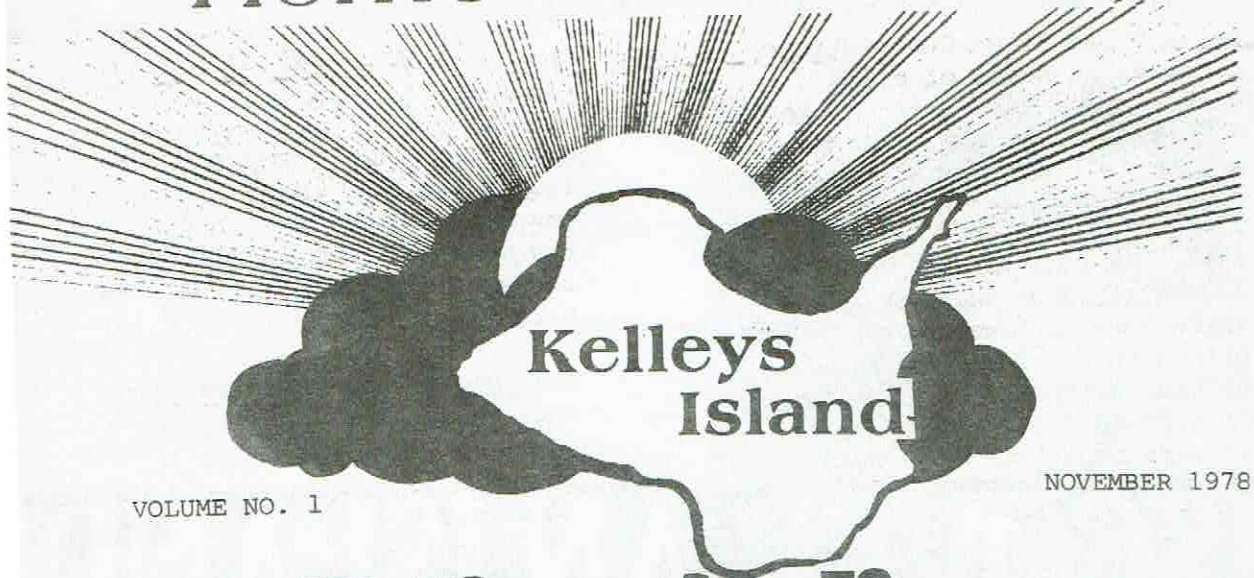


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Editor's diary

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GREETINGS FELLOW ISLANDERS!.... Just when you thought you had lost all ties with the island for the winter, along comes a new publication which is designed to help you fight off the winter doldrums...THE KELLEYS ISLAND HOME TOWN NEWS is the end result of a lot of us who are tired of fighting the "communications gap" between island and mainland.

It is designed to bring to your doorstep each month news of the island, cottage owners, and year-round residents alike. We hope to feature many pictures each edition, so that you may see for yourself just what an island winter is like. And when the lake is covered with a thick skin of ice, we will take you personally by car. (And some of the cars are unbelievable themselves).

We will take you back to a bygone era to the sweet innocent days when grapes and commercial fishing were the main industries of island working people, and introduce you to some of the

old-timers that you may have heard legends about.

And we will feature articles concerning your neighbors... fellow cottage owners whom you may know through the wave of a friendly hand or a smile when leaving the church steps.

We hope to include the island school, fire department, village council and notes from the mayor regarding new legislation

And we want to hear from you... Let us know when you are celebrating something special, weddings, births, anniversaries, and any other significant happening that you might wish to share with us. It promises to be another long, cold, winter, and the more we can ban together to keep the memories warming our hearts, the sooner we will hear that welcome boat whistle.

Island people are a very special breed. We have all found solace of one kind or another in that special jewel set in a silver

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sea. Those of us who continue to drive hundreds of miles each weekend know that we are compelled to do so. Some of us are retired now and perhaps cannot return as often as we would like to. It is our hope that this publication will keep alive that special spark which just mention of the island brings to our hearts. In lieu of the fast-pace which keeps us hopping from day to day, it is more important than ever

that we have a special hiding place, an island.

We welcome your comments, and look forward to hearing from you soon. Won't you take a few moments today to fill out the subscription blank printed herein and help us prepare for

our special Christmas edition.

DISCOVER AN ISLAND BEFORE EVERYONE ELSE DOES.

A BRIDGE TO THE PAST



Scene from the past....fishermen mending twine in the quarry....here Nelson Dwelle, as his daughter remembers him.



Nelson P. Dwelle...

Familiar to many of us, Nelson rode his bicycle each morning to hang the weather flag. Earlier in his life he worked as a commercial fisherman with his brother, Leslie Dwelle in their boat the "Nel-les". Pulling the boat ashore at the foot of Dwelle Lane, the brothers would walk home together each night.

Later, Nelson fished for Lay Bros. beginning in 1930 and finally retiring in the early 1950's.

Shown here in an oil painting done by his daughter, Patricia Rotsinger, Nelson wears the familiar oilers and mends twine with a fisherman's needle.

SQUARE DANCERS TURN TOWN HALL HERE INTO GALA DANCE HALL

The town hall here became an old-fashioned dance hall this fall when square dancer from across the state met to twirl and shuffle their way across the floor to instructions sung by callers.

All were members of their neighborhood dancing clubs a phenomena which is sweeping the country. Appealing to young and mature alike, the "American Square Dancing" craze presents a return to good clean fun for many who are apparently turned off by the boogie and disco.

Many who have never danced before find this update of early western square dancing the perfect answer to their quest for a new hobby or means of expanding friendships, according to Stan Burdick, caller from Sandusky.

"The West Side of Cleveland has really accepted this dance form. There must be at least 30

different clubs formed from within that area", Burdick said. Since this particular area has always been noted for it's ethnic customs, it appears that square dancing has grown up from the suburbs," he said.

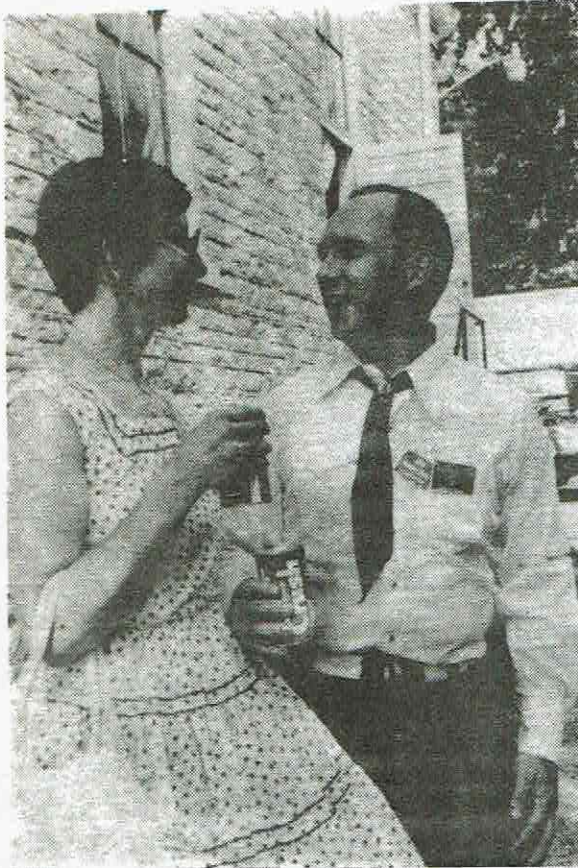
Everyone agreed that the island was an ideal setting for the dance, and plans include a return trip next year.



Top photo; l to r (bottom row) Mr. and Mrs. Alma Kimberly, Lambertville, Michigan (top row) Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Goeder, Ogden Ave. Toledo

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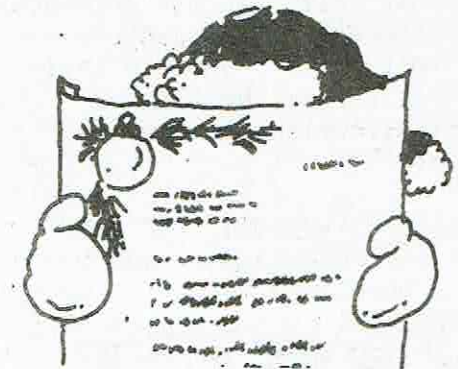


Resting between sets, Mr. and Mrs. Don Rasgaitis, North Olmsted, Ohio, have been dancing for two years now. they enjoyed the cool lake breezes of Kelleys Island on a recent visit.

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At last....the answer to your problem buying for Christmas presents. Send your family and friends news of the island...it's people and their happenings during the winter months.

Five dollars will keep them informed for six months (six issues) and each month they will remember that you thought of them.

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Over two thousand boy scouts camped on the island for their second annual Jamboree. American and Canadian scouts learned new skills, but more important they were practicing international relationships. All agreed the scouts were welcome visitors anytime.



TIPS FROM THE TACKLE BOX OF GLEN TETZLOFF

Falling temperatures are triggering the return of coho salmon to the Chagrin and Huron rivers, and anglers are having the times of their lives. The 1978 salmon run is in full swing, with 23 to 25 inch adult fish being taken regularly.

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Div. of Wildlife also reports that a bonus fish may be caught now and then as the steelhead and chinook salmon also migrate with the coho.

Water temperatures and stream levels are the key factors in the salmon run. As stream levels rise, the salmon come into the rivers where fishermen have an opportunity to catch them. Salmon fishing can last through December, or at least until ice-over.

Recommended areas in the Huron River are around the Ohio Turnpike bridge and below the dams at Milan Wildlife area, and at Monroeville. The Monroeville Dam, 13 miles from the mouth of Lake Erie, is the farthest point the migrating fish can travel. The salmon can be found anywhere in that 13 mile stretch, in the deep holes on the outside of a turn in the river.

Reports indicate the best areas in the Chagrin River are in Willoughby at Daniels Park, State Rt. 84, Todd Field and Gibson Park; at Woodlawn Park in Eastlake; at the state route 283 bridge, and at the mouth of the river.



The best baits to use are medium sized spinners. I like to use a number three Mepps. I paint the outside of the spinner blade a bright orange or red.

Cast the spinner into a nice deep hole, allowing it to fall slowly to the bottom, keeping your line as slack free as possible. Most of the time, the salmon will pick the falling spinner bait up before it hits bottom, so look for a sudden movement in the line when trying this technique.

In other fishing news, yellow perch are being caught daily, when weather is permitting. This favored table fare is being taken just about everywhere along Lake Erie's shoreline from Toledo to Huron. The best areas are Marblehead, Catawba, and Lakemont. Another favored spot is just off Cedar Point. Some smallmouth bass are being taken around the Lake Erie Islands on spottail shiners in 10-15 foot of water.

THIRD ANNUAL HOMECOMING DAY ON THE PUBLIC SQUARE BIG SUCCESS!!!

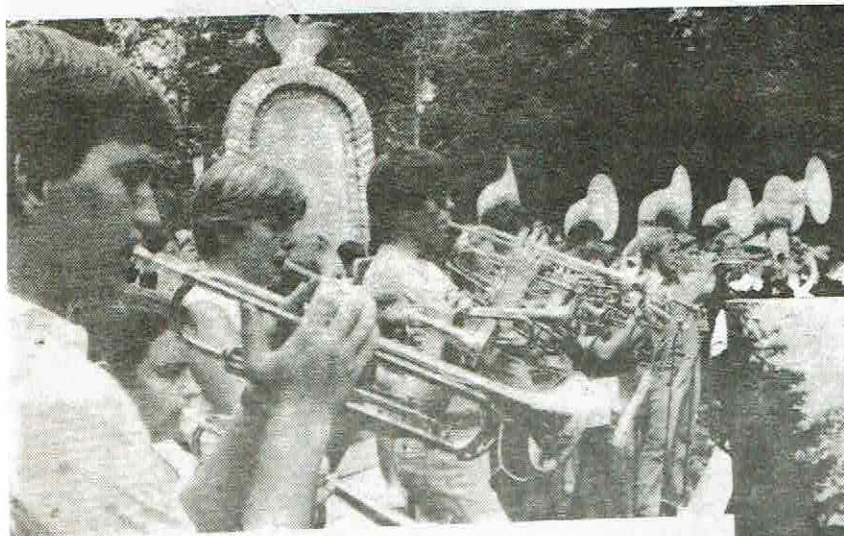
Islanders and Old Friends Meet Again



Master of Ceremonies, Lee Myers calls encouragement to Tug O War



Hank Knapp and Bill Gorchester worked the "beer wagen". Their's was a job which required dedication, concentration, saturation and total celebration. The only one who drank excessively however, was Bill's dog.



Edison High School
Marching Band

THIRD ANNUAL HOMECOMING CELEBRATION

The annual homecoming day celebration was another success and a tribute to all those who worked so hard to make it a reality. A special thanks to all of you who traveled from afar to meet with old friends

Highlighting the activities were guest appearances from the Edison High School Band of Milan under the direction of Mr. Nick Georgeifandis. Although a sudden summer shower interrupted their music, the band was welcomed by all in attendance.

Prizes were awarded for the oldest person,

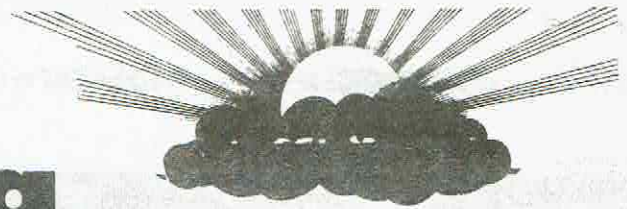
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Dick Celeste
addressed the crowds

What's happening



Jean Lichtenberg and her mother have been hand-embroidering this lovely quilt for many months. Cleveland residents, they have been spending their summers on the island for many years. Now that the cottage is winterized, the lovely quilt has gone home to Cleveland where the ladies are working on other craft projects in time for Christmas.



Kelley's Island water tower gets a new face-lift. Workers have been welding the inside and painting the exterior.

Introducing...

