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Kelleys Island Home Town News

DON'T SWAT THAT HONEY BEE...IT MIGHT BE A FRIEND OF L.J.'s

The next time you are swatting at a honey bee, stop a moment and think about the good that bee is setting out to do....This has always been the philosophy of the island "Bee Man", Leland J. Greek.

"L.J." as he is known to everyone here, has been fascinated with bees ever since he can recall...and as a result decided several years ago to set us some hives on his property on the east end of the island. He began extracting honey and presenting some of the extra supply to friends at Christmas time.

He now has several hives near his cottage to help pollinate fruit and nut trees recently planted there. In addition, he has more hives places in special locations throughout the island.

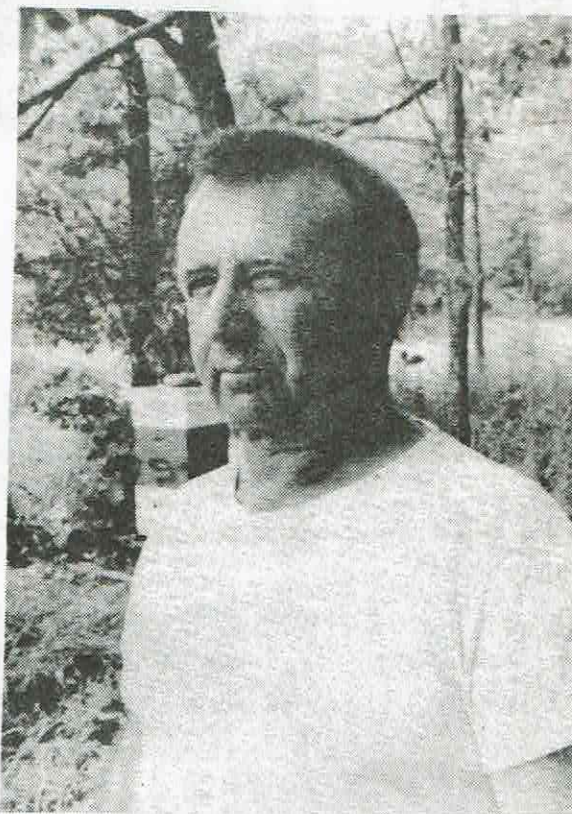
"The last two winters were hard on the bees", he said. "I lost several hives this winter due to the severe temperatures".

In addition to bees, L.J. is an avid bird watcher, and organic gardener. His plot near the cottage sports tomatoes, squash, onions, peppers, egg plant and

other vegetable varieties.

Last year he purchased a food drier to process his own dried fruits and vegetables.

A carpenter by trade, L.J. continues to travel between Sandusky and the island all winter. "The winters is the best time of all", he confides. "That's when it is quiet and you really get the feeling of the place".



L. J. Greek....
checks on one of his bee hives....

There's Good News, And Some Bad News

By Coradine Myers.....

I had thought my column was to be put to bed till October, but on Saturday March 31st, our "Board of Directors" (Carol and Julie) stopped by and told me otherwise...so "Hello Again!"

In a way, I am happy to keep on writing, as I have so many left-over bits and pieces from April's issue...

For instance, apologies are once more in order...this time to FRANKIE KLEINES...From the Marina. I cannot type, so these columns are hand written and at times my thoughts come faster than my pen can keep up, and Frankies name came out all wrong...SORRY.

And forgot to mention that at the St. Pat's Day supper at the Vets Club, we also sang "Happy Birthday" to the Dave Phinney's daughter-in-law, whose name happens to be Pat, and whose birthday happened to be that day! We later celebrated Elic Watkins and Brian and Barry Hibbs and Mollie Yoscovitz. Our hats off to Donna Farmer who has baked three surprise birthday cakes so far...one for Kurt Boker and one for Marie Feyeledem and the most recent one for Mollie. And our thanks to Kim and Rob Watkins, who have been on the ball with home-made-ice-cream at all those birthdays!!!

My own special thanks to my husband, Lee, for making gallons of popcorn for the crowd. How they ate it up!

Ice fishing is a thing of the past, but want to say just a few more words on the subject. To date, haven't heard if the prizes have been awarded for that fishing derby, but at last report, Jim Seeholzer had caught the largest pickeral and George Yoscovits, the largest perch. Also want to pay a small tribute to 2 people whom I consider the "hardest fishermen on the island"! Take Molley, she is a grandmother many times over, and yet she goes out to her shanty and spends hours there all by herself, and loves it...and really catches those fish as well...and Steve Kekelick, he has a portable shanty that he loads in the trunk of his car, along with a sled and all the rest of his gear and drives to where he wants to fish, unloads everything but the sled, hauls it out onto the lake, sets up shop, fishes (catching them too!) then reverses the process and heads back home again. Imagine that! Real dedication....

Just heard rather belatedly, that both Jim Bugle and Mary Williams had been in the hospital. We wish them well.

Also, just heard that our Florida based Islanders call us "snow-birds" and decided to call them the "Sunshine Boys" and to heck with 'Womens Lib

Congratulations to Roy and Ethel Fox on their new GREAT GRANDSON, JEFFREY

Saturday March 31st...saw a record number of passengers taking advantage of Neuman's first run of the season. Elmer Craft was one of the Sunshine Boys to return and he came to our house with 2 bags of oranges and a package of frozen and filleted Florida Crappeis. The next day, the Jim Russell stopped by with a pair of hand-embroidered pillowcases, all above being our reward for "house sitting". Then later, that week, Donna Nowak stopped by and gave us a bag of oranges. Then on Easter Monday, Jakie Martin brought over nearly a bushel of oranges and a huge sack of grapefruit. More house-sitting gifts! As I said once before, it is nice to have friends...and now I'll add "especially those who go to Florida for the winter".

EASTER HIGHLIGHTS:

1. Maunday Thursday, The members of Zion United Methodist church were invited to partake of a Passover program led by our Mayor, Helen Marchky. Each participant had a cup of grape juice and a plate with traditional Jewish Passover foods including herbs, vegetables and fruits. The program featured readings from a special Passover book by several islanders in the tradition of a Jewish family. Father Zak was present in the absence of Father Sherbno from St. Micheals Church. The program was followed by a delicious pot luck. Then we each went on to our own church for the solemn ritual of Maundy (or Holy) Thursday.

2. Easter morning... a special 6:30AM program at zion, with recitation and readings and songs pertaining to the Crucifixion and Resurrection. This was followed by a breakfast of orange juice, home made sweet rolls and coffee for all. This event was very well attended, especially by St. Michael's members, for which we were very pleased and grateful.

3. Easter afternoon...Easter Egg Hunt on the Village Square. Once more ESP came to figure in my life...had been thinking of the Easter Egg Hunts that we used to have at our former home town of Independence and before I had a chance to talk to Lee about it, the signs began to appear around the island announcing the event. We had a beautiful day, and a large crowd, especially children of all ages.

4. Easter Monday Lee and I and Ron drove down to Neuman's dock at 2PM to meet our son Bob and his family. We arrived as the ferry was docking and saw Bob's car and waved, then the first car rolled off the boat and Lee stared at it and said "That's Coralee! (our daughter) I said he was crazy, they weren't coming...But, sure enough, the car came to a stop and out jumped John (son-in-law) who came rushing up hollering "Surprise"...then came Coralee and the two boys David and Paul. How our children love to surprise us and how well they succeeded. Most of you are aware of the surprise 40th anniversary open house they planned for us two years ago! That was quite an undertaking and an event we shall long remember.

So, between our wonderful children and our beloved Island, and friends, Lee and I are two very happy and very grateful people!

Until next time,
CORADINE MYERS

**BAND CONCERT AT PAVILION
SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, MAY 6**

A free band concert is planned at the Kelleys Island Pavilion for Sunday afternoon May 6.

Sponsored by and featuring Alex Bevins, the music is his way of saying "thanks to the people on the island for being so kind to us".

Alex is a Cleveland transplant, who discovered that the tranquil atmosphere of the island allowed him time to think as to compose more original music.

The five-piece band will perform free of charge at approximately 2PM for islanders and their guests. Everyone is welcome to attend, and partake of a musical thanks from Alex and Steve James his business partner.

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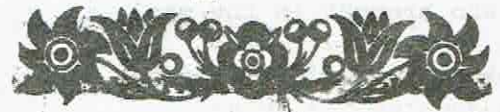
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our readers write



In the March issue of Home Town News there appeared a misprint of our son's name.....

It is ELIC, not Eric, as many people suppose. It is an old English name 7 generations removed on Rob's Mother's side of the family.

Thanks,
Mrs. Rob Watkins
Kelleys Island

Am enclosing a seven dollar check for the issues for next year. I have been meaning to write to you all winter to congratulate you both on the terrific job you are doing on the paper.

Bob and I fought about it everytime it came in the mail.

Who was going to read it first!

It usually ended up depending on who brought in the mail...

Looking forward to seeing you soon on the Island,

Pixie Schwartz
Lakewood

Greetings from "Down Under"....
We are enjoying our Kelleys Island Home Town News very much!

We look forward to it every month and everytime we read a familiar name it strikes a feeling of belonging somewhere.

How nice to have a paper of our very own. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you and your staff what a great job you are doing. What a good idea! Classified Ads! Would you please place the following ad in your next issue...

Thank you very much,
Eleanor Zettler
Sydney, Australia

Editors Note: See our classified section for Mrs. Zettlers ad and many more of interest to island lovers....



LARRY EATON HUGS
MANDY ELFERS ON A
SHORT BREAK FROM
LAWN MOWING. HE
IS NEVER TOO BUSY
TO GREET A FRIEND...



IT'S A GOOD DAY TO MEET A FRIEND

You've heard of a house warming, but have you ever seen a "house raising"?

Larry Eaton of Sandusky and Kelleys Island is famous for his ability to move a house from one location to another.

Despite the warnings of many older islanders, he successfully moved the old cabin which used to stand near sand beach to its present location behind Fr. Ehrbar's.

"There wasn't one cup or dish in the cupboard broken", exclaimed Carol Elfers. "We had heard stories of how the house would break apart when jacked up, but

Larry was very cool through the entire operation."

Actually, the cabin was a minor job compared to some which the L.H. Eaton House Raising and Moving Co. has tackled.

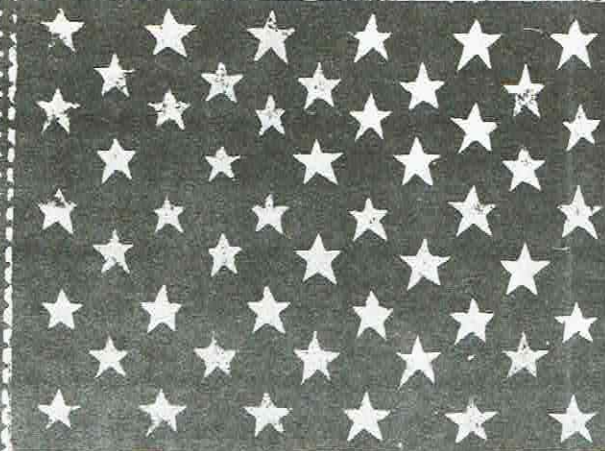
It is not uncommon to meet a large building coming down the road with Larry at the reins. As "King of the Road", he has been known to stop everything to exchange a friendly word with a friend oblivious to honking motorists.

In addition to the moving business, Larry rents his lake front cottages to island lovers during the summer months.

His regular customers explain that Larry and his assistant, "Winny" are as much a part of their vacations as the fishing and swimming.

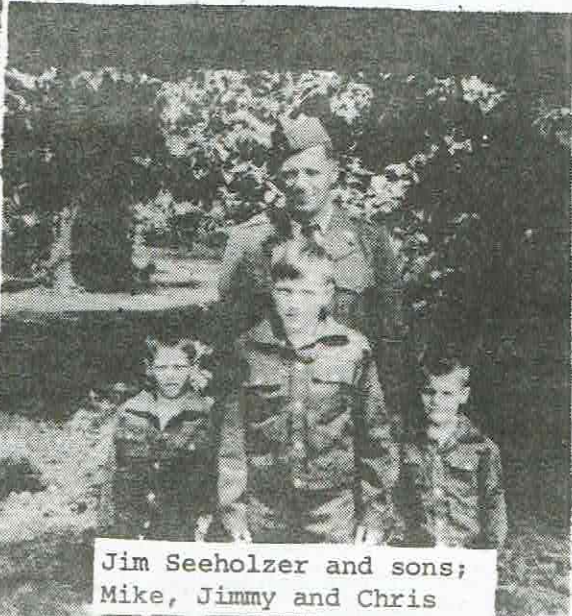


An old "softie" at heart, Larry is seldom seen without the company of his two dogs.



Kelleys Island

Then and Now



Jim Seeholzer and sons;
Mike, Jimmy and Chris

All the islanders took part
sidewalks with miniature fl
on well into the 60's.

Benediction at the cemetery
selected speakers on those
have gone before us. Also,
group who boarded Adney McK
flowers over the water for

MEMORIAL DAY

By Julie M. Kennedy

Through the years, Memorial Day services have taken on many facets of dedication to deceased veterans. In the early 1900's, the islanders gathered at the Town Hall for an invocation by a noted speaker, which would begin the all-day event.

Then a parade was assembled and proceeded down the gravel stone path, now Division St. The parade participants included veterans, the communities minister and priest, members of the Knights of St. John, local officials and small grade school girls donned in white frocks each carrying spring bouquets for a veteran's grave. Also in the parade was a horse drawn buggy carrying two elderly Civil War Veterans, Jared Dwelle and Carl Gerkens.

On this occasion, many lined their sidewalks to watch a tradition which was carried

on by the islanders. Heart-felt speeches by the veterans who fought for our country and now lay in state, featured a selected fishing rig to throw spring bouquets to the fallen sailors.

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Jim Seeholzer



Nick Bianchi



Walter Gasieski's.....
Button Popping Pride

LET'S TALK ABOUT ME

Lacking the notoriety given to mainland schools and their activities, many students of Estes School, Kelleys Island, have gone on to further their education and make a place for themselves in their communities.

In recent years, although island population has dropped, and school classes reduced in size, we are grateful that the school has remained open to serve those who live on the island all year round. While their mainland counterparts are often torn between bussing disputes, teachers threatened by their students, violence in the halls, and racial confrontations, students of Kelleys Island are blessed with a serene atmosphere and loving community. They are comfortable with their instructors, living closely within the small community, and they have the whole island to themselves when the winter season arrives.

We now publish the following list of names (which is surprisingly long) of islanders who, in the past, attended classes on the island and from this diverse background continued to study and obtain degrees in various fields.

It reinforces our belief that each man has the capabilities to do his very best, and by putting one foot in front of the other, we can go through life obtaining goals we might have thought not possible as a child. With graduation just around the corner, we feel this list is particularly appropriate at this time...see what some of the other islanders are doing or have done with their lives.....and follow.....

Dr. William Burger (his father was island undertaker)

Dr. Heinz Boker

Dr. Hugo Brown

DDS Rastis Huntington

DDS Frank Nowak

DDS Joe Nowak

Father Richard Bauman

Father Joseph Myers

Father Adolph Seeholzer

Sister Helen Bauman

Sister Marcella Myers

Professor Arnold Scheele (art)

Professor Don Beatty

Sister Margaret Marvo

Professor Clarence Ward

Professor Carl Gerkhin

Rev. Teddy Bickley

DDS Peter Nowak

Capt. Frank Hamilton

Capt. Clarence Gerlach

TEACHERS

Linda ERne

Jean Mosey White

Margaret Perkinson

Helen Marshky

Elko Sennish

Leon Baumler

Ruth Roswurm Koehler

Lizabeth Martin

NURSES

Julia Maag

Lillian Maag

Mona Sue Betzenheimer

Mary Louise Diffley McNutt

MARJORIE DERRINGER, RN

MORE NICK NAMES....

BUTCH...CHARLIE ERNE
PLATTY...WM. BLATT
JAZZY ...HELEN SABO
CHICKY...ANNA LENYO
LEFTY...QUINTON HECKEL
TINY...JUSTINE LENYO
COBBY...RALPH DWELLE
TINKY...JOHN FEYELDEM
FUZZY.. LAWRENCE FEYELDEM
SPUG...GEORGE SABO
DAZE...FRANK LANGE
COLLIE...CARL LANGE
HOOKS...HUGO SEEHOLZER
POLLYWOG...NELSON DWELLE
STOCKY...GEO. DWELLE
TIM...MYRON DWELLE
RICKY...TOM DUIGNAN
RIP...CARL ERNE
ROSCO...ROLLAND ERNE
FIDLER...FRED MARTIN
GABBY...ALBERT HAUZER
SPIDER...ELAINE MARTIN
SPECK OR MO...EILEEN MARTIN
HUCK...FRITZ MARTIN
CHICK...FRANK HAMILTON
PAPPY.....JIM RUSSELL

Charles Riedy, Engineer
John R. Lange, Bus. Adm.
Wayne Beatty, Bus. Adm.
Milton Blatt, physicist
Michael Semanson, Engineer
Joe Nader, Ele. Engineer

Glen Haas, Lawyer
John Reinheimer, Atty.
William Conkle, Atty.
Harold Kiefer, Engineer

NURSES CONTINUED

Sandra Elfers
Dorothy Jean Elfers
Miriam Reinheimer Haas
Harriet Meyers

COLLEGE DEGREES

Mary Marshky, chemist
Laurie Reidy social work
O. Hugh Lange
Wm. Lange
Roger Kurtz
Charles Martin Jr.
Dick Schnitker
Max Schnitker
Lyle Schnitker
Clayton Hamilton, archet.

TEACHERS CONTINUED

Nellie Elfers
Nadine Brown
Kurt Boker
Evangeline Bonchi
Hazel Lange
Catherine Lange
Marge Conkle

COTTAGES HAVE NAMES TOO...

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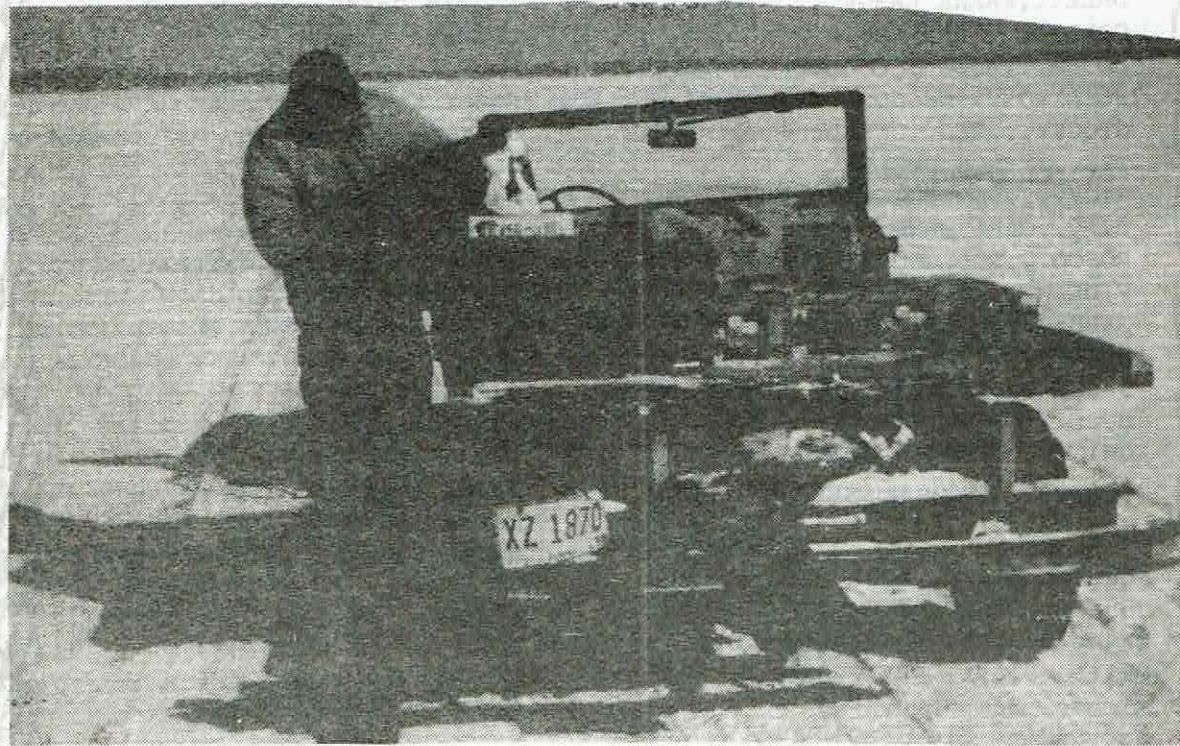
Nancy Ann Hartman to
Wallace B. Murphy, lot
10, William H. Overcashier
subdivision 1, Kelleys I.

Oliver H. Williams to
John M. Kilko, lot 14
Sunrise Shores subdivision
2, Kelleys Island.

CONGRATULATIONS!!! TO THE
NEW PARENTS....Mike and
Sally McCune.

The happy parents have a
new son whom they have
christened Scott Pargney
McCune...he is named after
his maternal and paternal
grandparents.

We look forward to meeting
the newest McCune soon...!



SWITCHING HORSES IN MID-STREAM?.....NO, JUST RE-FUELING
ON A TRIP ACROSS THE ICE FROM MARBLEHEAD TO KELLEYS ISLAND.
HERE, HUGH LANGE POURS GASOLINE INTO THE THIRSTY GAS TANK.
WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE BEER ON BOARD HIS ICE CAR WAS POURED.

NEW ISLAND RESIDENTS FIND HELIUM BALLOON FROM MICHIGAN 1ST GRADE CLASS

A warm welcome to the Reddinger family, who recently bought a cottage in the Kampfe Subdivision, belonging to the Archers. Ken and Kathy have 4 children Kellie, Kevin, Keith and Kenny.

"Guess what Kellie and Kevin found"? questioned Julie.

"I can't imagine, what?" answered Carol.

"A helium balloon...on the island with a note attached!" Julie replied.

"What did the note say?" Carol asked-

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YOU FOUND THIS BALLOON AND THE
DATE...

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Alganac, Michigan 48001

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SPOTLIGHT ON people



A commercial fisherman for over 50 years, Len Bickley retired in 1954 at 68 years of age. During the years he battled Lake Erie, he made all of his own nets.

He lived in an old stone house on the island before moving to Sandusky. Later he lived in a house on the south side of the island owned by Mr. Richards now owned by Dick Bier.

On his wedding day in 1910 on the Alcott, he was stuck on ice at Cedar Point. He and a cousin then walked across the ice to Sandusky!

In 1920, he sold his fishing rig to his brother, Herb Bickley, and moved to Marblehead where he fished until 1954.

He is still interested in any news of the fishing industry, and enjoys baseball, bowling, although not able to take an active part in most sports.

Len now lives in Florida and welcomes cards and letters from old-time friends and island acquaintances. His address follows; 200 72nd Avenue North, #223, St. Petersburg, Florida 33702

His second great-great grandchild is expected this summer.

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The eventful day climaxed with a lawn fate' also known as an ice-cream social in the park.

Times have changed and now approximately 70 deceased veterans have taken KI as their final resting place. Two of whom are the Civil War veterans mentioned above.

According to the VFW Post Commander, Joe Onders, Kelleys Island memorial services have been slated for 11AM May 28, 79 in the village cemetery. All are invited and urged to attend the ceremony. Reverend Walton, Father Sherbno and Mayor, Helen Marchky have been asked to speak for this special occasion. Page 14

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