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Jet Express from Lorain begins service



The Jet Express IV has begun service from the Black River Landing in Lorain, OH, as of Aug. 21. They are offering a narrated day-trip cruise to Kelleys Island and Put-in-Bay. Service is available Friday, Saturday & Sundays and features one trip to the islands at 9:30 AM, and one trip back to Lorain at 7:30 PM (from Put-in-Bay) and 7:50 PM (from Kelleys Island).

The cruise to Kelleys Island is approximately 29 miles long, will take around 45 minutes, feature a narrated cruise and cost \$26.00 one-way/adult, \$5.00 one-way/child (age 6-

12), and FREE for children ages 5 & under.

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More information can be found on the Jet Express website or by calling 1-800-245-1538.

Treasure Island Day - Butterfly Festival Sat. Sept. 12

Marvin Robinson

It's that time of year again. Time to have a yard sale and turn your treasures into cash. Clean out your closets and ANYTHING that is useless to you or that you don't want and put it in the sale. Don't throw it away. You'd be surprised. What is one person's trash is another's GOLDMINE!

Don't be afraid to drag out those outgrown items, old dishes, two-of-a-kind items you don't really need and generally "clean house." You'll find the money in your pocket is better than all the clutter in the house.

The annual Treasure Island Day is scheduled for Sat., Sept. 12 from 9 am to 3 pm. For those interested in having a yard sale and turning their treasures into cash, registration forms are available at the Island Market, Country Store, and the Kelleys Island Chamber &



Visitors Bureau at Seaway Marina. If you have any questions you can also give them a call at 419-746-2360.

The cost to participate is \$25, which includes an island business license for the day, site signage, notation on the official island

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KILA invites you to meet the candidates in person!

The Kelleys Island Landowners Association is once again hosting a Candidates Forum on Sat., Sept. 26 at 1:00 pm at the Town Hall on Division Street. All candidates who filed for public office have been invited to present their platforms. A public Q & A session is scheduled and there will be a more casual meet and greet with coffee and cookies afterwards.

KILA hosted the first forum in 1989, 20 years ago!

Turn to page 4-5 to learn more about the candidates.

Thanks, Molly, for a Job Well Done!

By John & Anne Bauswein
Kelleys Life Publishers

Seems like only yesterday we met Molly Minshall.

We had returned to Kelleys Island after vacationing here several times, this time to hopefully begin a newspaper on this spit of land we so loved in Lake Erie. This was not our first barbecue, as the saying goes. We owned another community newspaper east of Chagrin Falls, and thought the island would be a good venue for a paper--and give us a reason to visit here more often!

Molly caught word of our intentions and, although she had never sold newspaper advertising before, said she would like to try it. She liked the idea of the position being flexible, so she could work around the school schedule and activities of her son, Billy. She talked about using her earnings to buy some new furniture she had her eye on.

That was 10 years ago.

Molly's vivacious personality was a natural for selling advertising. She approached large businesses and small ones, island enterprises as well as those on the mainland. We originally intended to have a second account rep on the mainland, but Molly seemed poised to handle that as well.

She took our concept of an island newspaper and expanded on it. Having lived here for years, she offered great editorial input as well as boosting advertising sales. She worked well with advertisers, as well as the newspaper's columnists and our production staff here in Chagrin Falls.

This week Molly called to let us know that she has decided to take a break from the paper for awhile. She would like to have more personal time for herself and her family. We will miss her classy style and her skilled marketing technique. She has promised to make herself available to whomever takes the position, but we know already that no one will ever completely fill her shoes.

Molly, we salute your hard work and dedication to Kelleys Life. We couldn't have made the newspaper a success without you.

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Novelists return to KI

Marvin Robinson

Like the Monarchs returning to Mexico, a group of novelists return to Kelleys Island.

"It's a beautiful and peaceful location, perfect for writing," says C. C. Finlay, Ohio resident and organizer of the annual weeklong retreat that has attracted authors from all over the United States and Canada and as far away as Puerto Rico, England and Switzerland.

The group is called "Blue Heaven" after Himmelblau House, the bed and breakfast where they had their first workshop in 2003.

The authors write mainly science fiction and fantasy, for middle grade students, young adults, and adults. In the past few years, the group has had remarkable literary success.

Tobias Buckell, who has come to Kelleys Island every year since the workshop started, reached the New York Times Bestseller List for his novel HALO: The Cole Protocol, based on the popular video game. And Paul Melko won the Compton Crook Award and the Locus Award for Best First Novel for his book Singularity's Ring, about a future where some of the last remnants of humanity live in Ohio.

"Paul is not the only award winner," Finlay said. "The last three winners of the Crawford Award for best fantasy book are all Blue Heaven writers - Mary Rickert, Christopher Barzak, and Daryl Gregory. It's been amazing."

Other writers are building steady careers. Sandra McDonald, a retired U.S. Navy officer, writes military space adventures. The Stars Blue Yonder, the third novel in her space travel trilogy, was released in 2009.

McDonald lives in Florida but looks forward to her annual visits to Lake Erie. "I may one day be tempted to move to Ohio," she said. "I like the place!"

William Shunn, co-author of the ghost story Cast a Cold Eye, enjoys late afternoons at the Village Pump. "After the intensity of our daily critique sessions, it's a great place to settle down with some food, drink, and wi-fi and dive back into the writing itself. Several of us usually gather there late in the day. The camaraderie is terrific."

"Most people look forward to vacation time so they can get away from their co-workers," explained Greg van Eekhout, author of Norse Code, a novel

about the old Norse gods and a very modern apocalypse. "But writers generally work alone, spending hours at our computers without talking to another soul. So when we have time off, we like to gather with other writers to exchange thoughts and ideas."

Tobias Buckell echoed that thought. "Coming to Kelleys is part of my yearly process," he said. "Being around other working writers for a week gets me juiced back up for another year of writing novels in a more solitary environment."

The tiny island has become the source of some big careers. "Blue Heaven made all the difference for me," said Sarah Prineas. "The workshop enabled me to take that next step, from being a writer to becoming a writer with a book contract and a career."

Prineas, who was an English professor at the University of Iowa before she became a writer, is the author of The Magic Thief, an E.B. White Read-Aloud Award honor book and an NCTE Notable Children's Book for 2009. Her children's books have been translated into seventeen languages and are read around the world.

Heather Shaw, who is making her second trip to Kelleys Island from California, has yet to sell her first book, but she hopes good things are in store for her too.

"I've learned so much about how to structure, pace and create a novel, not just from the superb critiques I got on my own work, but also through the process of giving feedback to the other authors in the group," she said. "It was encouraging to realize that every novel goes through a long process of hard work and revision."

It's not all hard work. "The week is really, really fun," Shaw admitted.

Last year, some of the Blue Heaven authors donated books to the Kelleys Island Library as a way of giving back to the island. Himmelblau isn't operated as a bed and breakfast any longer, but the writers continue to stay at the Eagle's Nest. This fall some of them will also be staying at The Old Stone House for the first time.

"I love it here," said Finlay, who is the author of the Traitor to the Crown series about the American Revolution. "It's my favorite week of the year. I can't wait to come back, where I always feel relaxed."

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Treasure Map, pricing stickers, and the right to feel good about participating in an event that helps the KI Chamber & Visitors Bureau (KICVB). The KICVB also promotes the event in all area media.

In addition to Treasure Island Day it is also the official Monarch Butterfly Festival, which is held

annually at the KI Historical Association at their museum facility at the Old Stone Church on Division. Pat Hayes from the KI Audubon Club will once again hold a butterfly tagging demonstration behind the Old Stone Church at 11 a.m. Tagged butterflies can be officially adopted by demonstration attendees for \$5.00. If

the tagged butterflies are caught and counted when they reach their destination of Michoacan, Mexico, the adoptive parents will be notified.

Classic and Antique Car Show

Classic and Antique car enthusiasts will have a visual feast from Fri. to Sun., Sept. 10-12, as the vehicles

will be cruising around the island. On Sat., from noon to 1pm, the cars will be on display for spectators to get an up close and personal view of the cars free of charge. The display will be held at the Seaway Marina across from Pavilion C. On Sunday, the cars will join the Kelleys Island Classic Car Club in a parade along Lakeshore

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Jeni Hammond

Our wonderful swim took 4 1/4 hours, the first part of the swim from the sand bar to the Marblehead lighthouse was a dream come true, flat water. From the lighthouse to Portside Marina was a totally different story. Waves were 4-6's coming out of the west. Needless to say we were pushed to the east. A BIG "thank you" goes to KI Ferry Boat Lines who kept clear of us as we were swimming through. It was hard to see anything as the water was very murky and the waves tossed us around, but when we got into sight of Portside Marina and saw a dock full of people, we could hear them cheering us on!

Rose Marie and Kent were on the dock along with many of our past Wish children. LifeFlight flew over and dipped its nose in honor of our children again this year. Thanks to everyone who supported us, we have topped over \$24,700 so far. Any donations are still welcome and can be mailed to US Bank 205 W. Perkins Ave. Sandusky, Ohio 44870 c/o Make-A-Wish. This will not only grant our 2 children's wishes but 3 more.

Total Distance over all the years = 110.7 miles. As a fun fact, that is like swimming from Portside Marina to the town of St. Clair, Michigan (which is 3/4 of the way up the St. Clair river going towards Lake Huron). If you swam that far, you would have gone across Erie, up the entire length of the Detroit River, Across Lake St. Clair and 3/4 of the length of the St. Clair River. Please realize that this distance

is as the crow flies, and we never swim straight. Now that's a swim!!

I would also like to thank Sam, Fred, Lad, Kathy, Doctor Doug, Emily, Cookie, Scooner & Harley, KI Ferry, Kurt & Robbie, LifeFlight and every-

one else who helped us with the Golf Cart Poker Run and Swim, without these people and all of you this would never be as big as it is. God Bless.

.....Jeni

Editors note: We'd like to give you a

huge "Kelleys Life" Thank YOU for putting on this incredible, amazing and touching swim each year! It ought to be on national television! May God Bless you!



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2009 Council candidates



Dennis "Moe" Kaminski

Dennis M. Kaminski, Sr., best known to his friends as Moe, is seeking re-election to serve on the Kelleys Island Council for another four-year term.

Denny has been associated with the island since he was born in 1946. During his youth, he spent his summers at his Aunt Mary's home "The Big House" on Woodford Rd. In 1979, he and his wife of 43 years, Mary Lou, and their four children Shellie, Dennis Jr., Stacie, and Karrie built their own island home on Bickley Court. Their four married children and seven grandchildren visit the island frequently.

Denny's strong educational background, experiences in the business world, and commitment to the island provide him the attributes needed to make a difference for Kelleys Island.

He would consider it an honor and privilege to serve on Council for another term.



Patricia Seeholzer

Pat came to Kelleys Island during World War II and fell in love with the environment and the friendly islanders. After college, she married islander Jim Seeholzer, with whom she raised five children, who all attended Kelleys Island School. Pat has been blessed with ten grandchildren, who are on the island with their parents from ferry-start to ferry-stop. She has lived on the island year-round for 53 years, and has seen many changes to the island. Being a teacher and an assistant administrator, Pat was employed for 40 years at Kelleys Island School, where she still serves as an occasion-

al substitute.

An active member of St. Michael's Church, Pat has held various offices in church organizations and has enjoyed directing and teaching Vacation Bible School for many years. Other island groups that Pat has been involved with include the Kelleys Island Landowners Association, Historical Association, VFW Post 9908, PTO, and school Wellness Committee, as well as being a volunteer at the Library, Historical Museum, Islandfest, Homecoming, and V.F.W. events.

Pat joined the Village Council 2 years ago to fill Jacquie Kranyak's vacated seat. She has served on the Finance Committee with Mike Feyedelem and Claudia Brown, and the Land and Buildings Committee with Gary Finger. The Finance Committee reviews all revenue and expenditures, and through their assistance, the village is operating within its budget. One item of business for the Finance Committee was the resurfacing of the East-West runway; the levy was placed on the ballot, and bids will be opening in September 2009.

The Lands and Buildings Committee helped with the improvements to the Dwelle House, remodeled under cost, to house police officers and any other officials who may need lodging. The Town Hall lift and handicap restroom are still in the works—hopefully they will be started soon. The council hopes to have the public restrooms in operation next spring. Pat hopes to continue to serve the Kelleys Island community as a councilperson to see the above projects to fruition and to improve the quality of life for all residents of Kelleys Island.

November for Kelleys Island Village Council. He plans on bringing a fresh and enthusiastic outlook on topics and issues that face the island.

Lance graduated from Sandusky High School, and is retired from Sandusky International, where he was employed for 31 years as a Maintenance Master Mechanic. He is a member of the International Association of Machinists (IAM) Local 1711.

On a personal note, Lance and his wife, Sue, have been married for 39 years and have one son, Andrew, who lives in Columbus. He is actively involved with the Kelleys Island Volunteer Fire Department. Lance's interest in the island's well-being runs deep—his parents, Cecil Marchky and Kathleen Feyedelem grew up on Kelleys Island, his aunt Helen Marchky was a former Mayor of Kelleys Island.

Gary Finger

A life-long, full-time resident of Kelleys Island, Gary has served the village in many capacities. He is currently the longest sitting council member. He and his wife Jackie own The Village Pump and have worked tirelessly to promote the island, advance it's safety and cleanliness, and to bring new events to the island.

As a council member he serves on the Safety Committee and the Lands and Buildings Committees and has accomplished a myriad of things for those and other committees. He's very proud that the Dwelle Home downtown has finally been refurbished and will be available for our village police department or other guests. Currently he is working on downtown public restrooms and the handicap accessibility for the Town Hall. Two years ago he was instrumental in finally accomplishing air-conditioning for the Town Hall. In addition, he serves as the council liaison-member of the Village Planning Commission, and as Village Council rep on the Board of Zoning Appeals. A tireless leader and community activist, he would like to serve an additional term as one of your Village Council Representatives.



Lance Marchky

A full-time resident of Kelleys Island for the past 6 years, and 11-year landowner, Lance Marchky would appreciate your vote in

Ted Klonaris

Ted and his wife Lisa own the Captain's Corner Restaurant downtown and Ted manages The Casino. He has been involved in island events and promotions for many years.

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11th District Court rules in favor of lakefront property owners

In late August the 11th District Ohio Court ruled that the public owns the land beneath the water at any given moment, and that lakefront property owners own all dry land above the water. This ruling upheld a Lake County Common Pleas Court ruling from 2007.

The Ohio Lakefront Group called the decision a victory in The Cleveland Plain Dealer. "This ruling takes away a question mark I've had over my property," Tony Yankel of Bay

Village, the group's president said.

Members of the Ohio Environmental Council were quoted as saying the ruling was bad for the public.

In essence, the law means that the public can have their feet in the water but cannot tread anywhere landward beyond that.

the National Wildlife Federation and the Ohio Attorney General's office had argued that the public owned up to the high water mark.

2009 School Board candidates



Pete Legere

Pete Legere is retired from Liquid Transport Corp (LTC) of Indianapolis where he held positions of V.P. Training, Development, and Quality Systems; V.P. Safety & Compliance; and, finally, Assistant to the President. He was with LTC since 6/98. He currently is working from his K.I. home as a Web Training Administrator and Consultant. He holds both a Masters and Ph.D. from St. Louis University. His professional career started with teaching and administrating for 12 years at both the college and university level, finally, as an associate professor/full professor elect and chairman elect of his English Department. From there, he joined Roadway Express for 19 years, working, originating and developing its formal training function. When he left Roadway as a Director in 1998, he was responsible for all of Roadway's educational and training programs, for both exempt and non-exempt personnel.

Pete is married to Sam, a retired Art Teacher and Department Head. Sam taught High School for 30 years, finishing her career with two years as the Kelley Island School's Art teacher. They have three grown daughters and five wonderful grandchildren. Pete and Sam have been "all seasons" residents of K.I. since 1997 and will continue to do so for the indefinite future. He is the current President of the K. I. Landowners Association.

Consistent throughout Pete's professional and retired careers is his involvement in Education and Training. At the college level, he taught and managed an academic teaching staff; at both Roadway and LTC, he taught and managed a corporate teaching staff; and at LTC he was part of a Senior Management Team that directed an international Transportation Business. This theme continues in retirement, as past colleagues continue to involve him in their educational and training business decisions as a hired consultant.

Pete is running for a position on the Kelleys Island School Board; he

is not running against anyone, but is running for himself, the school and the island. He would like to channel his career-long academic, educational, and business experiences into civic duty ... and asks the island's registered voters to give him the opportunity.

Twila Joyce

Twila and her family (husband Tony, children Katie (20), Kyle (18), and Erin (12)) moved to Kelleys Island in 1997. Since their arrival, she has worked at the Island Market and is a "fudgemaster" at the Island Fudge Shop. In 1998, Twila was the director of the Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce.

While her children were students at the school, Twila was a member of the Kelleys Island PTO, and has enjoyed serving as a school board member for the past four years. She hopes to be re-elected this November to continue working for our great island school.



Kim Watkins

Kim and her husband, Rob along with their children, Elic and Robin moved from California to Kelleys Island in 1979. Both children attended school on Kelleys Island, and the Watkins family has owned the Island Market for 26 years.

Kim has a long history with the school board. In both 1982 and 2003, she was appointed to fill a board vacancy, each term lasting for 2 years. In November of 2005, Kim was elected to serve a 4-year term. During this term, she has served as school board President, and attended many school board conferences, which have provided professional development, helping her to be a better board member and president. Her intent in the next four years is to work for the children of Kelleys Island to prepare them to be successful in the 21st Century.

Fred Walcott

Fred Walcott has proven his dedication to the community of Kelleys

Island in many ways for many years, including the students and staff of Kelleys Island School, as a school board member. Fred holds a degree in Industrial Arts Education from Wilmington College, has taught and coached in area high schools, and (prior to his appointment to the board) served as a substitute teacher at Kelleys Island School.

He was employed as a quality control engineer for 28 years at Ford Motor Company in Sandusky, and since retiring, has lived on Kelleys Island in a house he built in 1981, eight months a year. During that

time, Fred has been a (longtime) member of the Kelleys Island Historical Association. Fred has served as President of the Sandusky Jaycees and Commodore of the Sandusky Sailing Club.

As a civic-minded individual committed to the development and improvement of our community, Fred would like to continue his work with the school board of Kelleys Island helping our students to be productive members of society through their unique experiences at Kelleys Island School.

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Legislators and lobbyists include KI on island tour



Lake Erie Shores and Islands Legislative Days, where 19 legislators and lobbyists, along with their family members toured Kelleys Island. They left Put-In-Bay for Kelleys aboard the Trade Winds IV, where they had breakfast with Mayor Quinn enroute to Kelleys. The breakfast was provided by Dockers Restaurant. Once on the island, they received a tram tour of the island led by Marvin Robinson, Director Kelleys Island Chamber and Visitors Bureau.

In this photo, they are on board the tram and the other photo is where they received a tour of the Glacial Grooves and State Park.



Kelleys Island Audubon news

September is Nature Month!

ALL programs are free and open to the public. All Potlucks and programs meet at the pavilion or St. Michael's Hall. Potlucks start at 6pm. Bring a dish to pass, your own table service, and beverage. Programs start at 7pm. For more information contact the Kelleys Island Audubon Club at 419-746-2258.

Sunday, September 6th - 1:00 PM -Glacial Glimpses Walk

Meet at the Fisherman's Parking lot at the end of Division Street

Come discover and learn about

one of Ohio's greatest geological marvels. the Glacial Grooves. From there we will walk the North Shore Loop to the shore of Lake Erie where we will explore the Natural Areas and Preserve's rare coastal community called an Alvar.

Saturday, September 12th - Butterfly Festival

Old Stone Church on Division Street

Sponsored by the Kelleys Island Historical Association
Monarch Tagging

Thursday, September 17th - 6:00 PM -Kelleys Island Audubon

Meeting Pot Luck and Program

Program TBA

All are welcome!

St. Michael's Hall - rain location

Saturday, September 19th - 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM -Kayak Poker Paddle

Meet at the State Park Beach
Sponsored by the Kelleys Island Audubon Club and the Kelleys Island State Park

Saturday, September 26th - 7:00AM - 2:00PM -Feathers and Foliage

Bird Banding at Long Point

Thursday, October 15th - 6:00 PM -Kelleys Island Audubon Meeting

Pot Luck at 6:00 p.m. and Program at 7:00 p.m.

Meet at St. Michael's Hall on Chappel Street

Program TBA

Saturday, November 7th - 6:00 PM -End of the Audubon Season Party--Pot Luck and Program

Program - "Meet Tom Bartlett", our Bird Banding Project Coordinator

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KI Historical announces "Memory Walk"

Sharon Brunell McIntire



Photo by Roger Williams.

KIHA Memory Walk ending at Betsy Walcott Memorial Bench.

The Kelleys Island Historical Association (KIHA) is proud to present our new landscaping in front of the Old Stone Church and the installation of a brick "Memory Walk" in front of our new building. Islanders and island supporters will now have a unique opportunity to literally put their support or the island in stone, and have their family name or sayings remembered forever.

The KIHA board met with Thompson Landscaping during the month of May to plan and design a brick memory walkway, and to choose the shrubs, trees and plants to enhance our new landscaping. The lilacs in front of the Old Stone Church were in such bad shape that they could not be saved, so they were replaced with two pink flowering dwarf dogwood trees that are appropriate for the island. A permanent location for the stone bench in memory of Betsy Walcott which was given to us by the Mad Hatters was included in the design plan.

Landscape work was done when weather permitted on July 7th through the 10th with eight men carefully hand carrying the thousand pound granite bench to its new, permanent location.

Other plantings included: dwarf red barberries, winter gem boxwoods, blue princess hollies, sea green junipers, stella doro lily, and a flowering beech.

Now that the 4 foot x 91 foot limestone/sandstone mix brick walkway is complete, the Kelleys Island Historical Association is selling engraved bricks to replace the blank bricks in the "Memory Walk." You can purchase a blank brick - two different sizes are available for purchase-, and we will have it engraved for you with your name, boat, or a loved one to leave as a permanent mark on the island. An order blank form is below and/or available at the museum gift shop, or in our next issue of the KIHA newsletter-which everyone who is a member receives. Don't miss this opportunity.

Kelleys Island Historical Association Memory Walk



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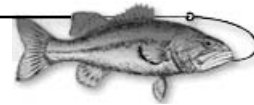
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91 looks great on Tony Perruchon



Happy 91st Birthday to native Kelleys Islander Anthony (Tony) Perruchon. Born on July 27, 1918, he is the son of the late Max and Elizabeth Perruchon. He grew up on Kelleys Island, served in WWII and settled in Cleveland with his wife Alice and two daughters--Peggy (LoPresti) and Paula (Bussard). He has six grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Happy birthday Dad!
Congratulations Tony! from everyone here at *Kelleys Life*!

Community Bulletin Board clean-up

The August Kelleys Life explained the rationale for the "Bulletin Board Clean-up." The "standards" noted below are posted on the side frames of the Bulletin Board at the Post Office. In order to communicate to as many "islanders" as possible, the article will also be reprinted in the K.I.L.A. Newsletter. The "clean-up" is as of 9/4/09. - Pete Legere, President, K.I.L.A.

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- Item must be legibly dated
- 30 day posting; may have additional 30 days with new date on item
- Recommended size: 3x5 cards; no larger than 5.5x4.25 (a ¼ sheet)
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- No "over posting"

Items not in compliance will be removed.

Happy Birthday

September

- 1- Denny Tyler Benvenuto
- 2- Brady Quillin
- 3- Kolby Quillin
- 3- Julie Mack
- 4- Jaime Fisher
- 5- Keith Haig
- 6- Ed Jorski
- 6- Bob Neumann
- 10- Dennis Krzynowek
- 12- Jane Wick
- 13- Katie Quillin
- 17- Rachel Schodowski
- 23- Chris Petri
- 24- Sarah Krafty
- 27- Dennis Diemer

October

- 3- Tom McNeal
- 10- Suzanne Gaglione
- 10- Tony Joyce
- 11- Kelsey Haig
- 11- Tama Schodowski
- 13- Jim Erne, Jr.
- 13- Don Gilles
- 13- Dan Hazard
- 13- Ekaterina Zabalueva
- 17- Natalie Holmes
- 18- Mike Feyedelem
- 22- Shelly Quillin
- 23- David Brown
- 25- Paula Moody

Editor's note: We are looking to update our calendar with islander's birthdays. Please email Amy amykelleys@gmail.com with your island family's birthdays.... no years needed. Thank you.

Also, in our updating process, we may accidentally omit a birthday. If we forgot yours, please let us know!

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2009 KIHA CALENDAR

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Jorskis attend granddaughter's wedding

Ed and Caroline Jorski attended the wedding of their granddaughter Anastasha to Ryan Morse in Duluth, Minnesota on August 22, 2009. Officiating at the ceremony was family friend, Benedictine, Fr. Edward Recoccia from Seattle, Washington. The reception was held at the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center where approximately 125 guests were in attendance. The couple is spending their honeymoon in Japan. The bride and groom are presently employed with the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota.

Pictured with Anastasha are her parents, Susan and James Hencinski. Also attending the wedding was Ed and Carol's daughter, Janette Jorski.

Take your dog to brunch!

Amy Porter, Erie County Humane Society

The Kelleys Island Brewery, along with the Humane Society of Erie County, will be hosting a breakfast buffet on Sun., Sept. 27th from 9am-1pm and your dog is welcome to join you!

Treat yourself to a delicious

breakfast buffet with your best friend while enjoying an amazing view of the lake. Cost is \$8.00 per human. Toys, treats, and goodies will be provided for all dogs. There will be raffles, games, and a Garage Sale for Pets featuring all kinds of items your

furry friend would love to have. All proceeds of this event benefit the many homeless animals at the Humane Society of Erie County in Sandusky. The shelter receives no city, county or government funding of any kind.

Come join us for a great cause, a wonderful brunch and a delightful morning with fellow animal lovers. Your dog will love you even more! Reservations are suggested, but not required. You can reach the K.I. Brewery at 419-746-2314.

Former islander update

Mike Ludu, who is currently working for the U.S. Border Patrol in Tucson, AZ recently wrote island council representative Mary Sennish and she decided to share his letter with us:

Hi Mary!
How are you? I know you don't hear much about us up north because the problem is not that bad (up here). However down here in Tucson it's a real problem. Last week I arrested four

people who were aggravated felons trying to cross the border. We are the first line of defense for our great country.

I will be damned if some rapist or felon crosses into the United States

on my watch. I miss the island so much but I feel that this is what I have to do.

You take care and please tell everyone I said hello!

Mike Ludu

Family Hayride
Saturday, October 24 3-5pm
at the \$-H Camp



There will be hot dogs, marshmallow toasting, stories, games & a hay ride - Rain or Shine - It's still a lot of fun.

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The Summer's end

When the leaves begin to fall in August, and the katydids sing, everyone knows it's almost time for school. We always know this is a bittersweet time of year. When one season ends, another begins. It is the beautiful cycle of life; it is also very difficult when a cycle ends. We take our lessons, the love that we have gained and we begin again. Whether it is

school that we return to when summer ends, or a new life without someone that you've had for what seems forever. We get through the muddy water, we look forward in a different way.

We continue to believe in miracles. We believe, especially in the fall, that we are blessed. We are blessed to know our neighbors, to

have our friends who gather for us and with us in all times of darkness and light. We hold our families tighter. We celebrate the journeys of their children and mourn the loss of those injured.

Summer's end means fewer tourists but more events. It means longer conversations and shorter days. Enjoy the fall here, we know we will. We are looking to put in a fireplace after Labor Day.



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We'd like to thanks al the members of FAT City for coming all the way and staying up to play the KI DAZE. It is in memory of my mom, Pat, each year with a special toast this year to Bob and Bibber Overcashier.

Thanks guys and Amanda and Tonja for making the night and weekend such a success.

Pictured above: Bill Bruner, Ralph(elvis), Him Hooter Hoyt Harvey Webster, Amanda Bruner, Dave Alexi, and Jimmy and Tonja

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Homecoming roundup

Caroline Jorski

Amid sunny skies and many smiles, the annual Kelleys Island Homecoming festivities took place on Sat., Aug. 15, 2009. This was the 35th year that the Landowners Association of Kelleys Island presented this annual event. The theme this year was, "Kelleys Island Loves to Read" and the parade participants certainly emphasized that with their creative

The Big Band sounds of the North Coast Band and the Island Singers filled the pavilion with cheers and tears as patriotic music started off the festivities. To end the day of musical delight, Big Chuck came on board as a surprise musical director and of course the last song was, "Beer Barrel Polka." The crowd in the pavilion clapped and cheered and got into the



spirit; however, one band member mentioned, "I had a heck of a time following that director!"

Sumo Steve returned to again secure his title as Pretzel Eating King. Even the pets enjoyed the spotlight. Roscoe (Isabela, Ronnie and Elaina) took the prize for Best Dressed Pet and Tinkerbell and Gwen won for matching plaid outfits. Nellie (Bobby Kiskin) showed remarkable self-control with her biscuit tricks and the Judge's Choice went to Petey and KI Brewery. Four ten dollar gift cards were donated by Pet Supplies Plus.

The annual Pie Contest drew

seven of the best pies ever. First prize consisting of an extraordinary basket of goodies from local businesses went to Artie Mader for her Strawberry Cream Pie; second place to Courtney Ann Rice and third place winner was Donna Algase. Carol Ann Dodson chaired this event and did a fantastic job.

There was plenty of shopping, neighbors greeting neighbor, lots of kids games, and some of the best food and drink around. All in all...a good time was had by all. See you next year!

entries.

Taking first place and winning a magnificent trophy donated by Polar Pure Distributors of Sandusky Ice were (Wagner, Blake, Widemans) with their Treasure Island float; second place trophy winner was "Call of the Wild"/Pape Library (KI Audubon); and third place, also receiving a beautiful trophy, was the "Book Mobile" (Jim and Sharon McIntire). Entries drew smiles, applause and children and adults diving for goodies being tossed from the floats.

News from your Hancock Wood Trustee

Finally after continuous insistence to get something moving on the other side (the mainland) Buckeye Power personnel from our G&T (Generating & Transmission) Co-op met with management of Ohio Edison (First Energy) to discuss our supply reliability.

Since Hancock-Wood's Substation at Lakeside (Mainland) is supplied by Ohio Edison's 34,500 Volt line, we had to go to them for relief in eliminating our major outages here on Kelleys Island.

Word has it that the meeting recently went exceptionally well. Ohio Edison noted that this 34.5 KV Line has been a problem for them also and that they are committed to improving reliability.

They are doing several things to accomplish this. The Planned Improvements are:

- 1.) Infrared the entire line
- 2.) Implement a 3-year trim cycle
- 3.) Add a tie line between Marblehead & Pamona Substations (next year). This will provide flexibility and reduce exposure.
- 4.) Install fault locators to expedite outage restoration
- 5.) Build a 138 KV to 34.5KV Substation in the future.

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Randazzo and friends party like it's 2009



Another great time was had by one and all who attended Charlie Randazzo's most recent summer party. Above: Charlie Randazzo and girlfriend Denise.



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Many investors forget the risks involved with buying stocks when the market is soaring. Recent months

have made it tempting to forget about the losses 2008 handed us, and have made it to consider investing without considering the risks. It's easy to be lured by sky-high returns and to forget the possibility of a market downturn, or worse, of a bear market. Likewise, during a bear market or a sharp drop in the market, many investors suddenly become extremely risk averse. But if you create a plan built around your personal risk tolerance and stick with that plan, you will avoid having to make sudden changes in your investment strategy as the market changes.

Although your personality will affect your underlying risk tolerance, your stage of life also will affect it. The amount of risk you feel comfortable taking may be very different at each of stage in your life.

Most people aren't prepared for the risk posed by being 100% invested in stocks. But younger investors saving for retirement may be able to afford the risk of placing the bulk of their money in stocks. In modern U.S. stock market history, investors have never lost real money investing over a 15-year period. Over a 10-year period, the odds of making money are more than 90%. So stocks have proven to be the best investment over the long term and will likely continue to be unless the U.S. economy crashes to a halt.

On the other hand, as you move closer to retirement, or if you will need a portion of your money in the short term, you may be better off foregoing the highest returns and putting your money in investments that are more secure, such as bonds or money market accounts.

The levels the stock markets have reached over the last few months presents a tremendous opportunity to re-evaluate our investment portfolios. In doing so, we look at more than just an asset allocation; we analyze the quality and cost efficiency of the investments that make up a portfolio. We also look to see whether the investments held are consistent with the risk tolerance and stated objectives of the investor. We provide a complete x-ray of clients' investments and can show where strengths should be further capitalized and where weaknesses should be addressed.

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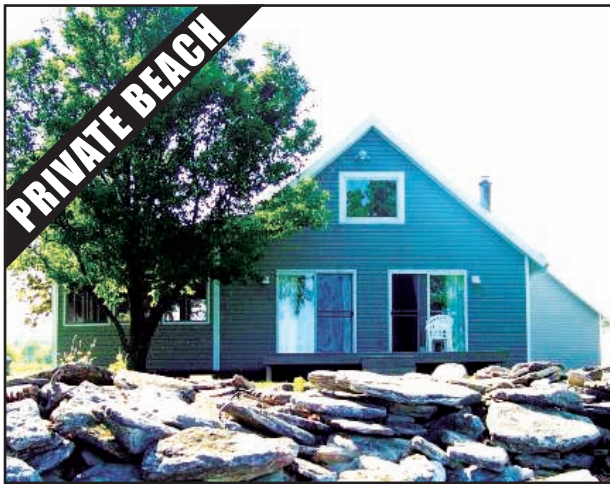
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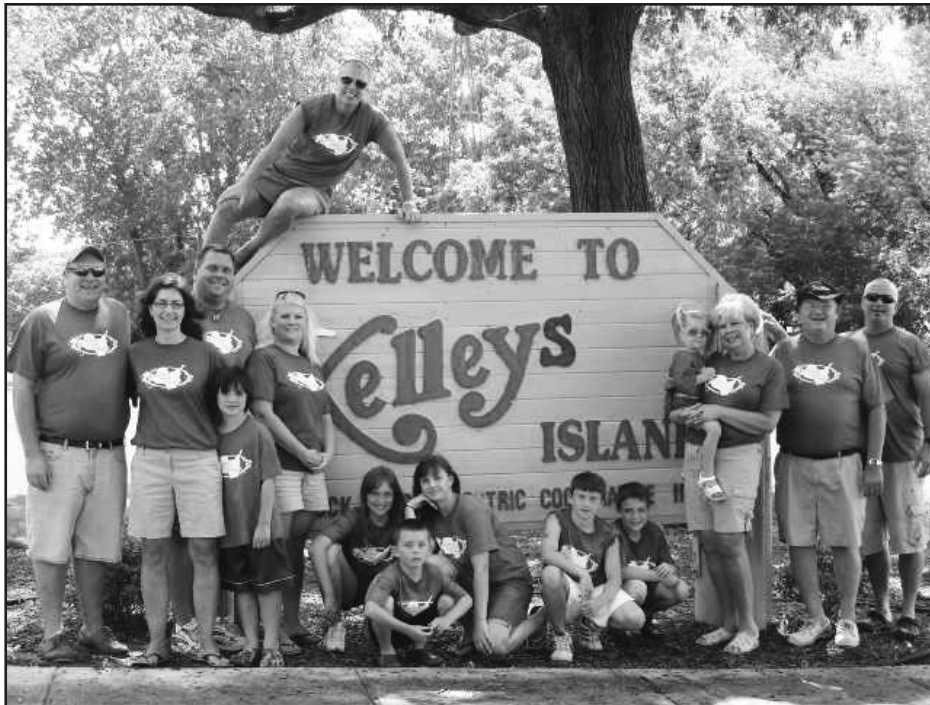
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The Krafty Family has landed



New landowners, Mike and Sarah Krafty celebrate the purchase of 312 Melody Lane with what appears to be their entire family. They are happy to be living their dream with the purchase of their island home on June 12, 2009. They reside in Perrysburg, Ohio and have 3 children (below with Mike and Sarah); Erin 11, Adam 10 and Mikey 8.

They wish to thank their family and friends for all the help they received in moving and settling in. If you see them out and about, come over and say, "Hi!"



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Prize-winning Walleye

If the photos existed they could launch the words that tell the story like the jet motor launched the boat in cloudy Lake Erie teeming with walleye and perch. Now the flawed memories that are snapshots must suffice.

The driftwood monument decorated by seashells and Christmas tree lights offers a tribute to kitsch. Protected Glacial Grooves inspire thoughts of log flumes built for rabbits' or other small creatures.

The quaint island near Sandusky, fisherman's paradise resort, sits on the lake polluted with acid rain but still retains a certain charm. It's a taste of American pie served up with fried perch.

Clotheslines are tenderly hung with bedsheets, embroidered maybe forty years ago near gingerbread houses with porches that wrap them like Christmas paper.

A hundred folks who stay year 'round, four hundred seasonal visitors and countless day trippers. I enjoy their unselfconscious ways. lakeside vending machine supplies a dozen night crawlers for three fifty and the coveted blood-worms for four bucks. The cashier at the general store offers free samples of real licorice bears.

The famous amusement park on the nearby mainland boasts the most plentiful and the tallest roller coasters with treacherous runs rivaled only by the nitro cars at the nearby motorsport park

He steals a kiss in the putt, putt, putter golf cart, hidden by wooded lots. The clandestine naughtiness excites her until they come upon a clearing where onlookers stand. She pulls away.

Lynn Ciesielski
 Buffalo, NY
 (An island visitor.)

Town-sized lots of uncut forest share the avenues with carefully manicured lawns, a miniature cemetery, surprise campgrounds fronted by sandy beaches. All nearly two hundred years old, standing still. The shrine that honors Our Lady of Fatima adorns the pristine woods, graces the hallowed grounds.

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Film Festival success story

Beautiful weather, great films, popcorn and treats brought over 1000 islanders, visitors, friends and families together for the third annual Outdoor Film Festival!

Alan Glazen and Big Chuck Schodowski hosted the event, which Glazen and Jackie Finger again produced as a public service to the island.

In addition to everyone having a great time, generosity was also in the air. The festival was able to donate \$500 each to EMS, the Fire Department and the KI Audubon Club. Direct donations from attendees and profits from their purchases added to that.

"We raised over \$9,000 in difficult economic times," said Glazen, "and even though this would only cover 2 nights and a slightly smaller screen, everyone had an amazing time," he added.

The 4th Annual event is scheduled for August 6 and 7, 2010, although if additional funds can be raised, it would be extended an additional night.

Thanks to everyone who supported and attended this free event. We're lining up sponsors for 2010 now, so please contact Jackie Finger at jackiefinger@aol.com for further information. Naming rights are also available.

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Island kids in the swim...

Holly Miller once again held her annual week of swim lessons at Camp Patmos, during the week of circus. "There was a strong turn out this year," said Holly. "We had lots of kids!"

Instructors were John Nestra, Beth Frisbee, Jerrid Tucker, Sandy Nemitz, Zach Pfeil and Holly Miller.



Use your space heater safely

Submitted by Tom Konecny, Hancock Wood

Many people turn to space heaters—both electric models and those powered by kerosene or even wood—as a convenient source of warmth in winter months. However, space heaters can be dangerous if not used properly.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) estimates that more than 25,000 residential fires every year are associated with space heaters. More than 300 people die in these fires. In addition, an estimated 6,000 people annually receive hospital emergency care for burn injuries connected with space heaters.

Space heater hazards stem not just from fires caused by contact with or close proximity to heating elements. They also include fires started by flammable fuels used in the heaters; defective wiring in the appliance; and carbon monoxide poisoning caused by

improper venting or an incomplete combustion of fuels.

Here are some tips for using your electric space heater safely:

- Keep the heater at least 3 feet from flammable items such as curtains, furniture, or bedspreads.
- Select a space heater with a guard around the heating element.
- When buying a heater, choose one that has been tested and certified by a nationally recognized testing institution such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
- Buy a heater that can handle the area that you want to heat.
- Read and follow the manufacturer's operating instructions.
- Keep children and pets away from space heaters.
- Never leave a space heater unattended.
- Never go to sleep with a space heater

on.

- Never use or store flammable liquids near a space heater.
- Do not use a heater in a bathroom—it's a high-moisture area that could cause damage.
- Keep heaters away from water to prevent electrocution.
- Do not use an extension cord with a space heater.
- Do not use the heater to dry clothes.
- Be sure the heater's plug fits snugly in an outlet. The cord and plug may feel warm when operating since the unit draws so much power, but they should not feel hot. If they do, unplug the heater and have a qualified repair person check for problems.
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Kelleys Life is even read in far away Cabo San Lucas while vacation locals Donna Schwab, Susan Smith (Village Pump employee & Donna's daughter), Ramona Roberts, while the owner of a famous shrimp bar in Mexico pours his famous Bulldog House drink.



Hammonds and Kelleys Life visit Big Ben

Margaret Volz Hammond and daughter Dana Hammond reading Kelleys Life in front of Big Ben in London, England. Dana is living and studying in London at Hult International Business School, getting her Master's in International Relations.



Kelleys Island School News

Phil Thiede, Superintendent

2009-2010 School Year Off and Running!

The '09-'10 school year began on Mon., Aug. 31st for Kelleys Island School. For the past three years, Kelleys Island School has started the school year after the Labor Day weekend since tourism is an important part of our economy. The Kelleys Island Board of Education has been and continues to be very pro-active for our island businesses and residents.

However, this year Labor Day falls on Mon., Sept. 7th. To complete our state-mandated 180 days of instruction time for the students, if we were to begin after Labor Day, the end of the school year would fall in the middle of June next summer.

Michigan's legislature mandated a few years ago that all schools begin after Labor Day no matter when it is on the calendar. Ohio has not decided to go this route. Two factors which are used as an argument against this after Labor Day starting date are statewide required Ohio Graduation Tests (OGT) for Ohio students and the football playoff schedule.

The OGT is always administered the last week of Oct. School systems are usually evaluated by their communities and throughout the state by how well their students perform on these tests. Many schools like the idea of starting before Labor Day to add instructional days prior to the testing dates in Oct.

A second reason for schools starting before Labor Day is high school football. The state championship for the six divisions in football are always scheduled the weekend after Thanksgiving. Since the games are played outdoors, the OHSAA (Ohio High School Athletic Association) schedules the dates before winter weather becomes too cold for outdoor activities. For high school football teams to play their ten individual games before the four weeks of playoffs (14 total weeks), their first game

must start the week before Labor Day. A football game not only involves the players on the team, but also the cheerleaders, marching band, student fans and community. To generate more revenue for the athletic programs, having school in-session usually brings more people to the games.

Cleaning Up (Again)

After a successful springtime island trash clean-up, students and staff will again head outside and take to the streets for two Autumn clean-ups: tentatively scheduled for Fridays Sept. 18 and Oct. 16. These cleanups will be held after lunch time, with all collected plastic, glass, and metal items taken to the mainland for recycling. Students and staff have worked on recycling items from classroom use and lunches since the spring cleanup. Some teachers even recycle (slightly) used paper in their classrooms.

Hola!

Beginning this fall, our elementary students will be taught Spanish each day. This will not be a graded subject, but more an opportunity for our students to be exposed to another language.

This program will be coordinated through Jefferson County Virtual Learning Academy. Our students will be instructed each day for a single lesson over the course of the school year. We have been working for the past two years to initiate this program. We will keep everyone updated throughout this school year.

Open Gym Schedule 2009-2010

**Open to the public on scheduled school days*

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays

7:45 AM to 11:00 AM

Noon to 3:30 PM

Mondays & Fridays

7:45 AM to 9:00 AM

2:30 PM to 3:30 PM

** These times subject to change if school function is scheduled.*

Counselor's Corner

Dave Slosser, School Counselor

The school year is off to a great start! We are without our graduates from last year but they are doing well. Kyle Joyce is a Freshman at Firelands College of Bowling Green State University and J. P. St. Julian is in an electrical apprenticeship program.

This year we have one Senior, Mallory Coulon and she attends our Career Center, EHOVE in the Visual Communications Program.

On the island we have 2 first graders, 1 second grader, 1 fourth

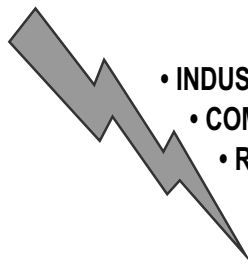
grader, 3 sixth graders, 1 eighth grader, 1 ninth grader, 2 tenth graders and 2 eleventh graders, and our staff has remained the same as last year.

Last year was a great year for academic successes. Our state test scores on the Ohio Achievement Test were well above average as well as scores on the ACT Explore Test and ACT Plan Test. Thanks to a great staff and parents. We also had 100% passing on the Ohio Graduation Tests.

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VFW Post 7572 Ladies Auxiliary Holds A Special Event

The Marblehead Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7572 Ladies Auxiliary held their annual fund raising polka fest on Saturday August 8, 2009; from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. This event was the Whitey Priebe Polka Fest in loving memory of Post 7572 comrade Whitey Priebe, who originated this festive occasion in 2000.

Ladies Auxiliary members assisting, providing entrees, and supporting President Debbie Garrard included Jean Dewey, Camille Sobolewski, Blanche Baillie, Donna Ungvarsky, Elaine Roth, Mary Glovinsky, Carol Hamit, Alice Peroni, Lilah Groene, Donna Renton, Roseann O'Keeffe, Mary Ann Monak, and Jeanne Snowball, with her 7-month old daughter Josie.

Special thanks Commander Bob Peroni of the welcoming committee;

to comrades Bob Dewey, Terry Rahner, Dave Groene, Pat O'Keeffe, Dave Glick, Dan Monak; and to Men's Auxiliary President Mike Garrard with members Terry Glovinsky, Frank Zalar, John Batcha; and post members Harvey McGiver, Doc McCormick, and Dan Elchisco for their support.

Comrades Dale Fitterling, Bill Bixler, Dave Emrey, Gary Youndt, Billy Beck, and Ed Spevak of VFW Post 8795 in Lancaster County, Pa., were there to support this event. Timing for their fishing trip was perfect for the second year in a row.

John and Libby Batcha, with their children Nick, Kate, and Anna added to the afternoon fun and brought back pleasant memories of John's father, past Commander Emil Batcha playing the drums to many polkas and the music our families loved.



Another former drummer in the Mike Batcha band was Anthony "Jim" Glovinsky, father of Terry Glovinsky. Terry and Mary were there to enjoy the afternoon fun and to promote Polish Pride.

"Happy Campers" were Donna Renton, Harvey McGiver, Edna Zalar, Bob Dewey, Dale M. Fitterling of Pa. VFW Post 8795, and Jessica Garrard.

"Happy Birthdays" to John Batcha, Jean Dewey, and Debbie Garrard.

Thank you to Frank Moravcik and the members of his band for bringing to VFW Post 7572 the music of our lives; a posthumous thank you to Whitey Priebe, who introduced Frank

Moravcik to us; thank you to the workers Commander Bob Peroni, Quartermaster Bob Dewey, Jean Dewey, Camille Sobolewski, Blanche Baillie, Donna Ungvarsky, Alice Peroni, and Carol Hamit; thank you to Jim Leihenseder for his special donation; and to Jessica Garrard for the donation from her 50/50 drawing winnings.

Thank you to all who enjoyed an afternoon of fun, while supporting our program to fight cancer; the dreaded disease that took Whitey Priebe and many of our loved ones from us.



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Erie County Senior Center will be selling tickets for a "Supermarket Sweepstakes." Tickets are \$5 each or a book of 6 for \$25. The winner will get a 5 minute free run at Kreimes Cardinal Grocery Store in Sandusky on November 18th.

The ticket drawing will take place on November 16th at 12 Noon at the Senior Center. Tickets also available from Jeni Hammond at Portside Marina.

Put-in-Bay Blood Drive

Tuesday, September 22, 2009

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10am - 3pm Senior Center

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- It was breakfast, lunch, dinner time and I didn't want to disturb you.

If you or someone around you is ill or injured and you are concerned about what is happening, then you should call for help.

When should you call 911? Ask

yourself the following questions:

- Is the victim's condition life or limb threatening?
- Could the victim's condition worsen and become life or limb-threatening on the way to the hospital?
- Could moving the victim cause further injury?
- Does the victim need the skills or equipment of paramedics or emergency medical technicians?
- Would distance or traffic conditions cause a delay in getting the victim

to the hospital?

Why shouldn't I just drive the patient myself?

Calling 9-1-1 immediately connects you with an emergency medical team, who are all trained to handle these situations.

Once they arrive, paramedics and emergency medical technicians have been trained to begin assessing and administering emergency care. They can communicate with the hospital's and alert them to the patient's condi-

tion prior to their arrival.

They are trained to know when a patient needs to be transported to a hospital capable of providing the care that is needed for a specific illness or injury. Driving the patient yourself may put others in danger if you are distracted if the patient suddenly gets worse.

Make the right call. If it's potentially life-threatening or if you're in doubt, call 9-1-1.

**Sharon A. Devine, paramedic,
Kelleys Island EMS**

Are LEWS still protected? YES, but...

Megan Seymour, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Reprinted from LEWS News, Sept. 2009

If you think that over the past few years, more and more Lake Erie Watersnakes (LEWS) have been showing up along the shoreline, you are probably right! Annual population censuses performed by Dr. Rich King and Kristin Stanford (the Snakelady), Northern Illinois University (NIU), show adult LEWS numbers steadily increasing over the past 8 years.

The most recent population estimates demonstrate that true recovery of the LEWS population is happening. This is good news for several reasons--first, it indicates that LEWS may no longer need protection under the Endangered Species Act anymore. Additionally, it indicates that shoreline habitat important for the snake and many other fish and wildlife species is available and providing the right mix of food and cover. Endangered and threatened species recovery is about more than just numbers of critters. Habitat is important, too.

Part of the LEWS Recovery Plan is to ensure that suitable habitat sufficient for protecting a portion of the LEWS population in perpetuity is available on each of the large islands. A number of partners in LEWS recovery have been working diligently to protect habitat on the islands, and as a result, the habitat protection goals included in the LEWS Recovery Plan have been met. Major partners in land protection and management include the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Lake Erie Islands Chapter of the Black Swamp Conservancy, Put-in-Bay Township Park District, Western Reserve Land Conservancy, and Cleveland Museum of Natural History.

So, the numbers of LEWS are up and LEWS habitat is protected, isn't that all we need to say they are "recovered" and remove them from the endangered species list? Not quite. In order to determine that LEWS are no longer threatened with extinction, we must address ALL past, present and future threats to the species. One of the main threats to the species past, present, and likely future, is intentional persecution by humans.

Surely you have seen snake signs on the islands, read an issue or two of LEWS News, spoken with the Snake Lady, or seen THE episode of Dirty Jobs on TV. All of these media encounters have been specifically planned and aimed at...YOU. The goal of the public awareness campaign has been to expose people to the snake, and convince you that, like a cardinal, rabbit, monarch, or walleye, LEWS are part of the island environment that you live in. They have their place, and we have ours, and we can co-exist. You don't have to like the LEWS, talk about them, or even notice them--you just have to let them be. Several public opinion surveys of the island residents were recently undertaken to see

if the message was reaching folks, to assess the opinion of island residents towards the LEWS, and to help determine if the threat of human persecution has been sufficiently abated.

Responses from the 2008 NIU survey of a subset of island residents on Kelleys, Middle Bass, North Bass, and South Bass indicate that 99% of respondents are aware that it is a protected animal. It also showed that 83.5% of respondents indicate that their knowledge of LEWS has increased since listing in 1999. Generally, these data indicate that our outreach and education campaign is reaching the vast majority of island residents, and helping to increase their access to information about the watersnake.

Opinion surveys seem to indicate that most people do not now and will not in the future kill Lake Erie Watersnakes.

We have also considered other potential threats to the LEWS, including contaminants, invasive species,

roadkill, fishing by catch, and LEWS population demographics, however recent research indicates that none of these are threatening the population.

It is important to understand that the "endangered" and "threatened" classifications are not just about numbers of animals. All threats to the listed critter must be addressed such that, if it were to be removed from the endangered species list, it would not become endangered or threatened again within the foreseeable future.

The process may seem slow to island residents, but it takes time and effort to ensure that a population of animals is secure. After all, the 10 years that the snake has been listed is only a small fraction of the time that the snakes have been present on the islands, and subject to a variety of threats that drove the numbers down to record lows. As we work through the de-listing process, we hope that you will continue to provide input on the status of the LEWS. We hope that you will try to appreciate the LEWS for

what it is, an animal not unlike a squirrel or fish, that we share the island with. Most importantly, we hope that you as an individual will be one of the many that contribute to the LEWS's survival and recovery, whether threatened or endangered, or not.

So, is LEWS still a federally threatened and state endangered species? The answer is... "Yes, BUT..." The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the federal agency tasked with evaluating the status. A document is currently being written to remove the LEWS from the Federal threatened species list. After internal review it should be available for public review in the winter of 2009-10. Once the comment period closes, a final ruling will be made and published in 2010.

Until a final desisting ruling is published, the LEWS has the full protection of the Endangered Species Act. Hopefully it will have the full protection of all human residents for the rest of the future.

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Carol Jorski formed and leads the group each week. Jorski stated that the group came together at the request of several islanders and meets all year with the summer months drawing summer residents as well as visitors. Everyone is welcome and invited to attend.



Obituaries

ELIZABETH "BIBBER" OVERCASHER, age 81, of Kelleys Island, died Tuesday morning, August 4 at her residence.



She was born June 18, 1928, in Ft. Wayne, IN. She is survived by two daughters, Kate Overcasher and Jane "Dennis" Diemer; one son Robert "Joyce" Overcasher; 8 grandchildren Brandon, Kara, Clayton, Joseph, David, Nicole, Robert, and Anthony; one sister Kathryn B. Herndon; several loving nieces, nephews, and many friends.

Bibber was preceded in death by her husband Robert A. Overcasher in 2008; and her parents Lewis and Kathryn (Marvin) Laylin.

Online condolences may be shared at www.ransomfuneralhome.com

VIRGINIA "GINNY" M. WILSON, age 61, died Sun., July 12, 2009, at her residence in Concord Township. She

was born Aug. 11, 1947, in Mars, PA, and was formerly of Georgia.

Mrs. Wilson was a longtime employee for the former Lake Hospital Systems, where she was an OB nurse and educator in the child-birth classes and also served as a Care Coordinator.

Ginny was a member of Christ Child Society at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Mentor. Her love of traveling took her to many favorite spots including her vacation home on Kelleys Island.

Mrs. Wilson is survived by her husband of 39 years, Budd; daughters, Barbara Anne (Major JJ) Merriam of Wiedersbach, Germany; and Jennifer (Mike) Evans of Pittsburgh, PA; grandchildren, Anna, Jack and Michael; mother, Mary Yurko of Mars, PA; and brothers, Bob (Sandy) Yurko of Boston, MA, and Bill of Buffalo, NY. Her father, Albert Yurko, preceded her in death.

A Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated in July at St John Vianney Catholic Church in Mentor.

ALBERT S. "AL" JANIK, age 82, of Elyria Township and Kelleys Island, died Wed., Aug. 26th, 2009 at his residence following a brief illness.

Al was born in Lorain on Feb. 10, 1927 and had been a resident of Elyria Township and Kelleys Island for his entire life; he was a graduate of Clearview High School.

He was a World War II veteran of the United States Navy and had been formerly employed as a machinist for the Bendix Heavy Vehicle Services Group in Elyria; he retired from that position in 1980 following a career that spanned thirty years of service with the manufacturer.

Following retirement, Al actively made his second home at Kelleys Island.

Mr. Janik was a parishioner of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church and was also a member of the Kelley's Island Historical Association. In his free time he enjoyed fishing and all types of repair work. Many an island resident has mowers, washers, dryers, and even refrigerators that were

repaired by Al's always friendly, always prompt, knowledgeable fix-ups.

Survivors include sons Louis of Jacksonville, Florida, Paul of Elyria, and James of Lorain, daughter Lois Burkiewicz of Lorain, nine grandchildren, three great grandsons, one great granddaughter, sister Dorothy Super, and brother Ernest Janik.

He was preceded in death by his wife Dorothy V. Janik (nee Kinder) in 2002, by his parents Marton and Gizella (nee Hoszereti) Janik, by sisters Stella Boris, Anna Dice, and Mary Betzel, and by his brother Steve.

Funeral services were held at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Elyria Township. Interment will take place in Kelleys Island Cemetery.

The family encourages memorial contributions to the New Life Hospice, 3700 Kolbe Road, Lorain, OH 44053.

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Q: I'm age 62 and drawing early Social Security Retirement. Can I sign up for Medicare, too?

A: No. As a healthy (non-disabled) person retiring at age 62, this does not make you eligible for Medicare insurance.

Q: Since I don't get Medicare at age 62, when do I become eligible?

A: At age 65.

Q: I'm 57 years old. (My birthday is April 13, 1952) When does the age of eligibility for Medicare increase beyond age 65?

A: It doesn't. I think you are confusing the "Full Retirement Age" for Social Security retirement with Medicare. There is no planned increase in "Full Retirement Age" to qualify for Medicare. As best as anyone can tell, it is still age 65 years old.

Q: I heard that when I'm on Medicare I have to pay a monthly premium for it? I thought Medicare was free?

A: There are 3 parts to Medicare Insurance--Part A, Part B and Part D. Part A pays for care in the hospital. This insurance coverage does not require a monthly premium -- if you are on "traditional Medicare."

Q: What is Medicare Part B?

A: Medicare Part B is insurance that you don't have to take. To get it, you do have to pay a monthly premium. Today, that monthly premium is 96.40/month. It pays for "out-patient" care. So if you go to see the doctor, have out-patient physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, bloodwork.... These are the type of things Part B pays covers. All are examples of care you need, but

you aren't a hospital patient, so Medicare Part A won't pay for it.

If you don't buy Part B when you are first eligible, to purchase it, later it will cost you a penalty. And believe me, we have seen senior citizens decide after the fact that they need this insurance, and they are paying a hefty price in penalty costs for buying into it late.

If you don't have medical coverage, Part B is a good value compared to the alternative. The alternative is paying for all of your outpatient services yourself.

Q: What is Medicare Part D?

A: Medicare Part D is PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE. This is insurance you do not have to take, but if you don't take it the day you are eligible for Medicare, and want to buy it later, it will cost you more. You will have to pay a 1% penalty compounded for each month for not buying Medicare Part D. The 1% penalty is calculated based on the date that you were first eligible for Medicare Part D coverage. You see, the federal government doesn't want to insure just sick people who need prescriptive health care -- they want people who don't use medications to buy the insurance, too. So, by warning you that you will pay a penalty on your monthly premium, the hope is that you will choose to buy Part D BEFORE you need it.

Q: How much is Medicare Part D insurance?

A: That cost varies, depending on the insurance plan that you select. Some plans are as economical as 16.00 or 17.00/month other plans are more comprehensive in their coverage and cost over 100.00/month.

Q: I don't take any medications. Why would I buy Part D?

A: The easiest way to answer it is to give an analogy as a homeowner. Even though you have never had a fire at your house -- did you buy fire insurance? The answer is probably yes. You hope you will never use this insurance, but if a fire ever occurs you know you can address the problem

through your fire insurance. The same concept applies to prescription drug coverage. You may be as healthy as a horse today, but what happens if you have a heart attack tomorrow and need 5 different medications. Could you afford those drugs without insurance? Do you want to risk it?

Q: How much coverage does Medicare Part D give you?

A: This year (2009) Medicare will help you pay for the first \$2,700.00 in medication purchases. After that... you are on your own for the rest of the calendar year. They call this "falling into the donut hole." However, they do make provisions for those who are in the donut hole and are spending an excessive amount of money on med-

ications.

If you spend a lot of money after you fall in the donut hole, there is a provision for "catastrophic coverage." This "catastrophic coverage" definition could cause your Part D insurance to begin covering your medications later within that calendar year. The way this works is too complicated to explain via Q &A's, but if you call our office we would be happy to tell you more.

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Another school year has begun and once again there is excitement and enthusiasm in the air. Along with the start of a new year, comes the possibility of having fog delays. Already have had one delay so far and more can be expected. I heard a radio personality describe what happens when fog forms. "Fall is eager to get here but Summer isn't ready to leave yet." I found that description rather interesting. Maybe that is why not everyone is excited to start a new school year. Some people would rather remain in their "summer" mode and when "fall" rolls in there is lack of enthusiasm or even despair. Are we always ready to welcome the changing of the seasons? Ready to move to the next phase of our lives? Do we need a "delay" to get us going again?

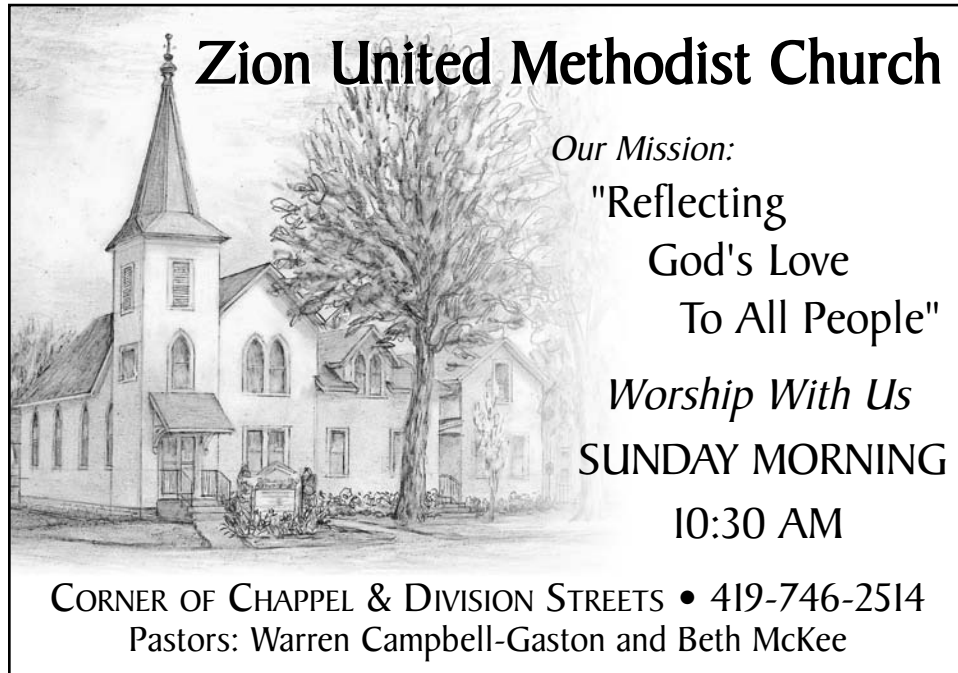
Someone once said, "the only constant in life is change." How we adapt to those changes is reflected in our enthusiasm or lack of it. When we wake up each day - how do we approach the day? Do we only see the list of things to be done or do we see a list of opportunities?

When we look in the mirror - do we see the beautiful person God has created and continues to Love or do

we only notice the new wrinkle or gray hair? When someone asks us how we are doing - do we tell them the truth or give them the standard answer so we may not have to face that truth? When Sunday comes - do we go to Church only because we meet an obligation or do we welcome the chance to be present with fellow believers and with Our Loving God?

The start of a new school year and the changing of the seasons are parts of the cycle of life. Will this year be any different? If we look for the opportunities that are present everyday and welcome them knowing that we are never abandoned by our God, then we can experience joy, enthusiasm, and inner peace. If our attitude needs a little adjustment, then maybe the "fog delay" will remind us that we are not always in charge - the world doesn't revolve around us. The fog will eventually dissipate and we will have another opportunity. In John's Gospel - Jesus said - "I have come that you might have life, life in abundance." (John 10:10). Jesus is present with us always - no matter what the weather. Isn't that something to get excited about?

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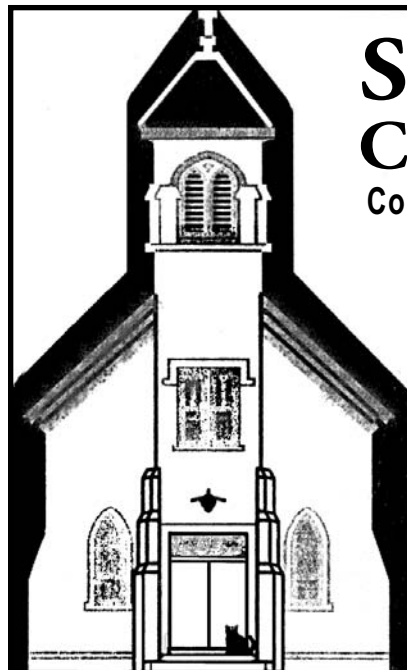
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Island son visits Belize



Kelleys Life readers may recall seeing some stunning photos from Costa Rica submitted by Jim Miller, son of islanders Steve and Holly Miller last year, and he's back at it this summer. Jim is currently a graduate student at Miami U. of Ohio working towards his Masters Degree in Teaching and this year, the class Jim

took was in Belize.

The focus was on community-based groups who protect the environment and use inquiry methods to do research. The first picture is Temple V in Tikal, Guatemala. Jim took an overnight trip here to view one of the greatest Mayan sites yet to be discovered where over 3,000 struc-

tures have been identified. The city of Tikal probably once supported over 100,000 people and covered more than 25 square miles. The photo shows the scale of the Temple. The second picture was taken while SCUBA diving at Hol Chan Marine Reserve and Shark Ray Alley; considered by some to be the two of the best

diving areas on the planet. He was able to see moray eels, sea turtles, stingrays, and nurse sharks. Jim says it was amazing to see these creatures in their natural habitat and not behind the glass of an aquarium.

Congratulations Jim! Our first underwater Kelleys Life photo!

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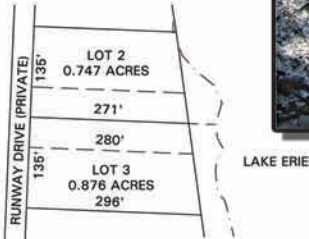
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