

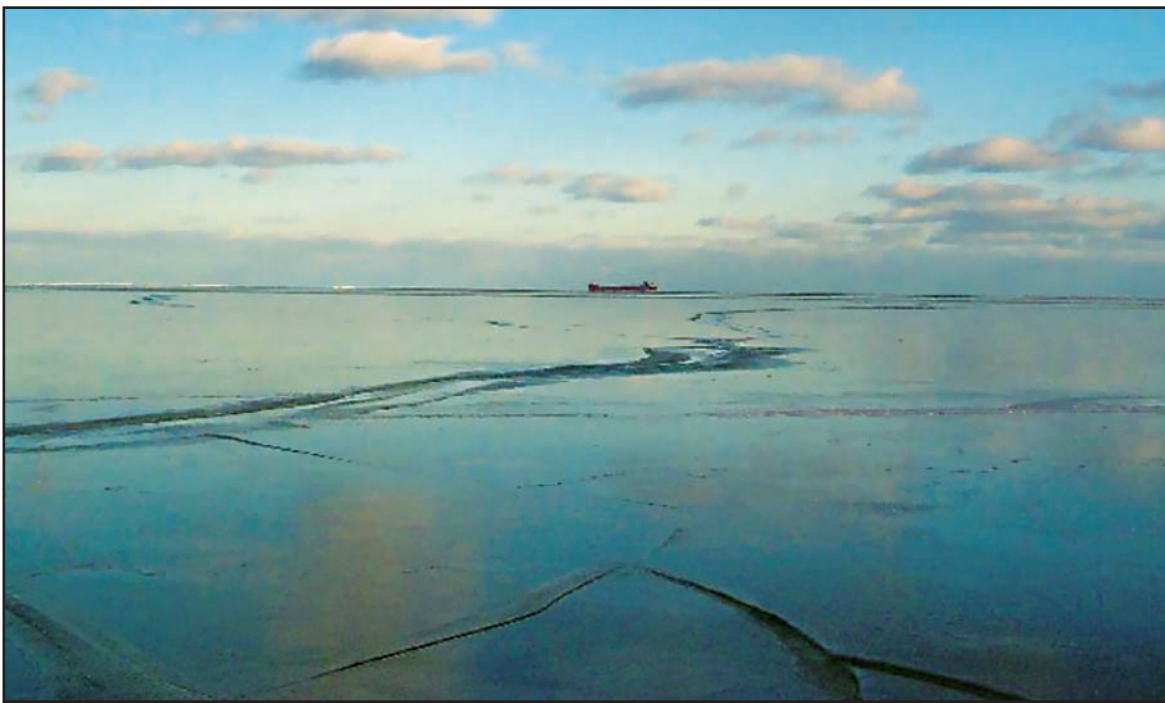
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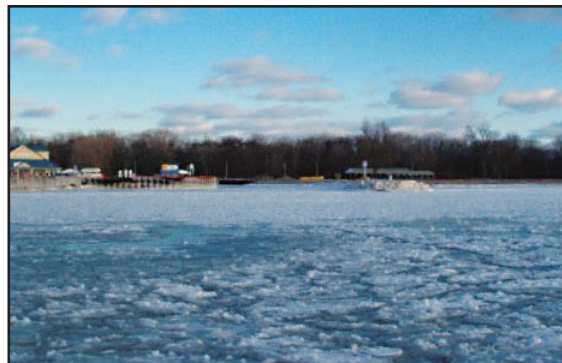
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## Ice man cometh-boat stop-eth



Kelleys Island Ferry Boat Line valiantly ran through to Jan. 3 as promised. Anyone who was on one of the boats on the 2nd was sure their boat would be the last. Apparently the very last boat was late in the day on Sunday the 3rd. An islander who wishes to remain anonymous allowed us to use these fantastic photos of the 3:30, Sat., Jan. 2 trip off island. All hale to our great captains!



## 2010 Census to Begin: Exercise Caution with Info Provided

With the U.S. Census process beginning, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) advises people to be cooperative, but cautious, so as not to become a victim of fraud or identity theft. U.S. Census workers will count every person in the United States and will gather information about every person living at each address including name, age, gender, race, and other relevant data.

The big question is - how do you tell the difference between a U.S. Census worker and a

con artist? BBB offers the following advice: If a U.S. Census worker knocks on your door, they will have a badge, a handheld device, a Census Bureau bag, and a confidentiality notice. Ask to see their identification and their badge before answering their questions.

Census workers are currently only knocking on doors to verify address information. Do not give your Social Security number, credit card or banking information to anyone, even if they claim they need it for the U.S. Census.

Remember, you really only need to tell them how many people live at your address.

Eventually, Census workers may contact you by telephone, mail, or in person at home. However, the Census Bureau will not contact you by Email, so be on the lookout for Email scams impersonating the Census.

Never click on a link or open any attachments in an Email that are supposedly from the U.S. Census Bureau. For more advice on avoiding identity theft and fraud, visit [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org).

## Village Pump has great turnout for Marblehead Appreciation Day 2009 - Thanksgiving Friday



Good times and good friends! A great turnout of Marblehead friends enjoyed the after Thanksgiving Day potluck at the Village Pump.

## Erie County announces 2010 Health Clinics



The Erie County Health Department will continue the Kelleys Island Public Health Clinics for 2010. The dates for the 1st Quarter of 2010 are:

**January 8, 2010 9am-3pm**

**February 12, 2010 9am-3pm**

**March 12, 2010 9am-3pm**

All clinics will be held in the Kelleys Island Public Library. The following services are available: Family Practice medical services including physician consultation/exam; blood testing/lab services; H1N1 flu vaccines, child and adult vaccinations; lead testing, etc. Medicare, Medicaid and Private insurance is accepted. Sliding fee scale for charges is also available for the uninsured.

It is important to schedule an appointment for services. Please contact the Erie County Health Department at 419.626.5623 to schedule an appointment. You will be asked to bring a Driver's license or other photo ID, current health insurance card and a utility bill or other correspondence showing current residence if the photo ID does not show the current address.

For further information, please contact:

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# Ehrbar brings in a 13-pounder!!

Eddie Ehrbar brought in this mega-sized 13-plus-pounder last February while ice fishing with Joel Byer. Byer shot the photo from one of his rentable fishing shanties. He predicts this will be a stellar year for ice-fishing enthusiasts.



## Three incredible years of celebrations

Hello friends -

Way back in 2008 it feels like that some days, we celebrated our 20th year in the breakfast business. In 2009 many of you helped us celebrate our 10th year as a microbrewery. Cheers to home brewers and vintners from past and present; Nobody makes a maple brew like QuickDraw! And perhaps no one should. We didn't think of 2010 as another celebration year until we realized it will be our 50th year as an ice cream stand! We are busy writing the story about my father and my uncle putting the finishing touches on the Dairy Isle at 3AM on Memorial Day weekend in 1960. This inspired us to offer our new sundae this year, called old #50, featuring the Tofts ice cream that has been so important to our family business.

Currently we are working on our breakfast lunch and dinner menus; keeping your old favorites and adding

new. We'd love to hear any comments on our food or suggestions, so feel free to e mail me at islandpj@lrbcg.com

Our current events and special parties are shaping up beautifully for 2010. We will have them on the website soon. The brewery will open in April again (weather permitting) and we have the following dates in the planning stages. There are two coupons in this issue we hope that you will clip and save and make plans to come see us this season. Let us help you with one of your parties; our new catering menu will be on the updated website soon at [www.kelleyislandbrewpub.com](http://www.kelleyislandbrewpub.com).

**March 2, 2010** - 7th Annual Parrot Key Luncheon in Ft. Myers Beach, Florida-call me 419-656-4335 for directions

**May 1-** Derby Weekend-call ahead for large party reservations

**May 9** - Mothers day weekend-pre-

order any dinners or desserts for your house

**May 14-16** Yoga weekend

**May 22** - Handcrafted Beer appreciation weekend-coinciding with National Brew Week- a must for current and wannabe homebrewers-stay tuned for details on activities and prizes.

**June 4-6** "Fishing" tournament-Details on this will be out soon. It is boatless and no fish will lose their lives in this competition.

**July** - We party all July because it is SUMMER TIME ON LAKE ERIE

**August 21** KI DAZE-a music filled evening

**September 12** - Doggie Brunch

**September 18** - closed for private party-reopen Sept 19 at 8:04 AM

**October 2** Oktoberfest-Homemade German Buffet 1Pm until we run out! (Usually about 6-7 PM)

**October 9** - 11th annual Chili Cook Off

**October 16** Classic Car Show that is in the planning stage as a "Ride for Hospice"

As for the brewery, Doug will be offering the five flagship beers (Anglers Ale, Anniversary Ale, Dawg Bizkit Brown, Island Devil and Gale Force). He is busy working on the reformulation of the Lake Erie Lager. It is going to be lighter, crisper and more user -friendly; A pleasant surprise for our light beer drinking friends. I know this month sounds all business, but for those of you who know; it's been an emotional year and we are grateful for your prayers for Shannon. Her surgery went well and now it is ROUND 2.

May your year be blessed with health, family and friends to enjoy it with.

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## Another great KI School Christmas play

Kelleys Island Students before the Christmas play in December. Back Row L-R: Ben Krzynowek, Rusty Zettler, Michael Krzynowek, Ty Bell, Gage Peterson, Middle Row: James O'Dee, Crystal Krzynowek, Collin Nunn-Strassner, Layne McNeal, Front Row: Octavia Schnittker, Zuri O'Dee, Lexia Gonzales, and Olivia Schnittker.

## Governor Signs Midwest Agreement to Promote Regional Passenger Rail Service

Joined by the governors of seven other Midwest states, Ohio Governor Ted Strickland today signed a memorandum of understanding to coordinate regional efforts to secure federal funding for development of the Chicago Hub High-Speed Rail Corridor, including Ohio's 3C Passenger Rail Plan, at the Midwest High Speed Rail Summit in Chicago.

The agreement signed today demonstrates the importance of Ohio and the 3C Corridor to the Chicago Hub. It also commits the Midwest to work together to bring high-speed rail to our region," said Strickland.

The memorandum of understanding was signed by Governor Strickland, Illinois Governor Pat Quinn, Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm, Iowa Governor Chet Culver, Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle, Missouri Governor Jay Nixon, Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty, Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels and Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley. Ohio Department of Transportation Director Jolene M. Molitoris also participated in the event.

"A modern transportation system that includes passenger rail service

enhances the quality of life for those in its proximity, revitalizes our cities and boosts the economic development and growth potential of a region," Strickland said. "I thank President Obama and the Congress for their visionary leadership and commitment to expanding passenger rail service in the United States."

Ohio's 3C Corridor will connect Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, and Cincinnati as part of President Barack Obama's nationally-prioritized Chicago Hub Network - which connects with Toledo, Louisville, Indianapolis and Chicago to the western United States.

"Ohio's central location makes our state the connection between the Chicago Hub to the west and the Northeast Corridor to the east," Strickland said. "I look forward to collaborating with my fellow governors and U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood to make the Midwest a regional leader in high-speed rail and move our state into the future."

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act has made \$8 billion in funds available for passenger rail service, and this MOU establishes a


Midwest Rail Steering Committee to coordinate the region's efforts to secure resources.

U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown also offered his support of the collaborative effort. "You can't have a nationwide passenger rail system without Ohio," Brown said. "This agreement, coupled with new federal funds through the economic recovery package, will make the 3C corridor one step closer to becoming a reality. High-speed rail is critical to the long-term economic competitiveness of our region. By connecting Ohio's

largest cities with others cities in the Midwest, we can bring jobs and economic development to our state."

Restoring passenger rail service at conventional speed is Ohio's first step toward implementing a high-speed rail network connecting Ohio to the Midwest and the rest of the country.

With ARRA funding, Ohio would have initial conventional-speed service running by 2011. Ohio is seeking at least \$250 million and up to \$400 million in ARRA resources for the 3C "Quick Start" Passenger Rail Plan.



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## Birding up close with KI Audubon

Zuri O'Dee and Olivia Schnittker, along with many other children and adults got a chance to view bird tagging very up close and personal this past fall, thanks to the KI Audubon Club and the Jones Nature Preserve on Long Point.

Photo by Pat Hayes



# Kelleys Island Audubon 2010 Events

Judy DuShane

Mark your calendars for Kelleys Island Audubon Club's 2010 events. Our opening event "Nest with the Birds" coincides with the spring migration. It begins on Mother's Day, May 9th and continues through the week until May 15th. The first meeting is that Thursday, May 13, with a program during the afternoon and the potluck in the evening. There will be more information on the specific schedule in the next issue of "Kelleys Life."

The popular "Nature Camp" for kids, that the KI Audubon Club

holds every other year, will be on Wed. Aug. 4. Bring your children/grandchildren up for Nature Camp and have them enjoy the Circus just before and the Film Festival the next weekend. What a fun filled week for them! Peggy Cooney who chairs this event is putting together another fun-filled, exciting day of outdoor activities for the kids.

Other special events include nature month in September: with Glacial Glimpses on Sun. Sept. 5 during Labor Day weekend; Butterfly

Festival on Sat. Sept. 11 (Let's hope the butterflies cooperate this year.); Kayak Poker Paddle Sat. Sept. 18; and Fall Feathers and Foliage on Sat. Sept. 25.

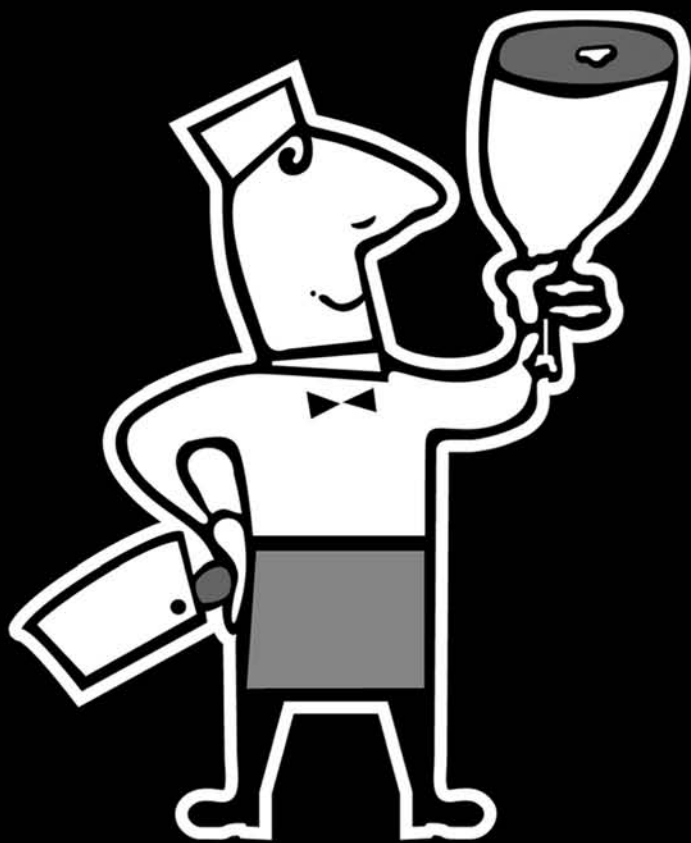
Regular meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month usually at the Pavilion on Addison-- weather permitting. They start with a potluck at 6:00 and then a program at 7:00. All are welcome. This year's meeting dates are: May 13, June 17, July 15, Aug. 19, Sept. 16 and Oct. 21. The traditional end of the year party is held at the Inn on Sat. Nov. 6.

Join the Audubon for only \$15 for a single membership and \$25 for a family. Send membership dues to PO Box 42, Kelleys Island OH 43438. Donations to support our research and programs are always welcome. Watch the post office bulletin board for other bird-banding opportunities.

Hope to see you on the island in the spring.

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## KI Ladies Steppin' out

From left to right- Kim Watkins, Claudia Brown, Jane Wick, Penny Kyle, Lucy Collins, Arti Mader, and Sandy Alexander at the farm market in Holland, Michigan. These friends from Kelleys Island go annually to visit Lucy, Kim Watkins' sister in Holland, Michigan. Visiting with Kim's other two sisters, Banba and Erli, her father Basil, shopping, and enjoying Michigan cuisine make this a much anticipated event each year. (Looks like they had a blast!)

## Students reach out to furry and feathered friends

Erin Sandvick

On October 19th, the elementary school students from Kelleys Island visited The Humane Society of Erie County and learned about what they do there for animals. We also learned about what supplies they need most. This school year instead of having a big celebration at school for the 100th day of school, we are learning about service to others, and are looking to collect 100 items for the Humane Society. The goal is to collect 100 items to donate by the 100th day of school, which is February 2nd. We are hoping that everyone on the island will help us meet our goal.

Please bring items to the school. The collection pile has already begun!

Here is a short list of the items they most need: cat litter, canned cat food, puppy food, dog food, single cat bowls, paper towels, gently used bath towels, hand towels, throw rugs, washcloths, copy paper, and laundry soap. For more information on the Humane Society, check out the link at <http://www.humanesociety-oferiecounty.org>.

Please call Erin Sandvick at the school if you have any questions. Please help us with our endeavor!



Stop in & Enjoy

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### AFTERNOON ENTERTAINMENT

MAY 29	CRUISIN'
MAY 30	ARMSTRONG BEARCAT BAND
JUNE 5	COLIN DUSSAULT'S BLUES PROJECT
JUNE 9	BURNT RIVER
JUNE 12	ARMSTRONG BEARCAT BAND
JUNE 13	JONAH KOSLEN
JUNE 19	CRUISIN'
JUNE 20	ALEX BEVAN
JUNE 26	BURNT RIVER BAND
JUNE 27	ACCOUSTIC TAPESTRY
JULY 3	JONAH KOSLEN
JULY 4	ARMSTRONG BEARCAT BAND
JULY 10	CRUISIN'
JULY 11	ACCOUSTIC TAPESTRY
JULY 17	ARMSTRONG BEARCAT BAND
JULY 18	JONAH KOSLEN
JULY 21	CRUISIN'
JULY 24	JONAH KOSLEN
JULY 25	ACCOUSTIC TAPESTRY
JULY 31	CRUISIN'
AUGUST 1	JONAH KOSLEN
AUGUST 4	CRUISIN'
AUGUST 7	ARMSTRONG BEARCAT BAND
AUGUST 8	ACCOUSTIC TAPESTRY
AUGUST 14	BURNT RIVER BAND
AUGUST 15	ALEX BEVAN
AUGUST 21	CRUISIN'
AUGUST 22	ACCOUSTIC TAPESTRY
AUGUST 28	COLIN DUSSAULT'S BLUES PROJECT
AUGUST 29	ALEX BEVAN
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# The Keeper of the Keys: *the*

Carol Nelson-Burns

Bonnie (Bickley) and Ted Blatt return each spring to their unassuming yellow house on Division Street, much like the swallows returning to their coastal California origins. Ted (born in 1925) traces his family's arrival on the island to the 1890's when mother Pauline (Kurtz) and father Norman Blatt came here. Finding work first in the quarries, later as clerk of courts, and then as a grocer, the elder Blatts made a living doing the kind of work needed in the new community they found themselves in.

Bonnie's heritage includes the Feyedelems who immigrated from Hungary and the Bickleys, well-known island stock, her father Herbert Sr, described as "one of the most successful commercial fisherman" of Kelleys. Island trades like fishing made Kelleys "self-sustaining"

during the Great Depression years, so no one ever wanted for food here, recalls Ted. Dairy herds, chicken, fish, field crops and orchards kept tables full and appetites satisfied-until the quarry shut. The last hourly employee had the job of keeping water out of the quarry. At church, when the collection plate was passed, a man might put in fifty cents in, and take twenty-five cents out-giving what his family could afford. Adults were proud of their community's two churches, and the kids were active in church-sponsored activities.

Ted remembers the 'birthday jar' kept below the pulpit in Zion. Kids came down front to put in their pennies in when their birthday came around, and the money went to Flat Rock, island kids mindful of charity to others. He was happy to hear Zion's bell ring again this fall-a bell

he rang for many years-a bell that not only called folks to Sunday service but rang as "cars went to the cemetery" or when there were accidents at the quarry or in fishing (like Charles Schnittker losing his arm or nets entangling fishermen). He remembers the amazement when a man went through the stone crusher, and lived! There were accidents on the roads, too, such as a child getting run over, but people went up to a family and apologized-it was an accident, and people recognized that fact, unlike the litigation-reaction today.

In winter, coal that fueled the train to haul limestone from the quarry might fall loose, especially if the engineer jerked the throttle over an especially rough patch. Suspicions about the 'accidental' nature of just such a jerk were rumored to be the cause of a stove blowing up, perhaps from a little dynamite placed in amongst the coal

## Update Your Phone Book Info

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## Keeping your investment portfolio properly balanced

Submitted by Joseph C. Randazzo, JD, CFP®

While most people know the importance of regular investing, they frequently overlook the crucial role their investment mix plays in reaching their financial goals. It is best to develop an appropriate combination of asset types in your portfolio; stocks, bonds and cash. One size does not fit all. It's important to remember that there is no standard solution that will determine the right investment mix for every individual. As you determine your investment mix, two key factors to consider are your time horizon and risk tolerance.

If you are in the accumulation or saving stage, your investment mix should be determined primarily by when you will need to use the money. If you are in the distribution stage, such as retirement, your investment mix should be determined primarily by the need for income from your portfolio.

All investments carry risk, some more than others. The amount of risk you are comfortable with should also play a role in the makeup of your investment mix. For example, if you are a risk-averse investor, you may prefer more conservative investments in your portfolio, even if that means forgoing the potential for greater returns.

While your time horizon and risk tolerance are important, other factors can also influence how you should be invested, including how much money you have already saved and how much you can afford to invest.

Maintaining an appropriate asset mix is a lifelong series of shifting goals, life changes and fine tuning. When your personal circumstances change, your goals, time horizon and risk tolerance are also likely to change, sometimes significantly. It is always a good habit to evaluate your portfolio on an annual basis - regardless of whether or not your situation has changed. Let us take a look at your investment mix to determine if you need to rebalance your portfolio.

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# island love story of Ted and Bonnie Blatt



to catch a thief?

Winter meant everyone went skating, and kids participated in two or three school plays at year. They took long walks through the quarry, even in 36 degree temperatures, and danced in the back of Martin's Ice Cream Store (with a nightly curfew of 9:30). In summer, teenage boys learned to swim, as Ted described, "bare tail" in 'the cut' at the end of Trout Line Road. (This stopped when women started showing up there in the 1940's, he said). The cut or the lake were the places to get a bath, too, as the island water supply was limited to rain collected in buckets and cisterns. At the school, students used outdoor facilities until 1947.

After graduating in 1943 (Bonnie in 1947), Ted enlisted in the Navy and landed in Pearl Harbor-"Going from one island to another," he says. Of all the island men who went off to that war, only three were killed.

After the war (WWII), a lot of the local men used the GI bill to take up flying instead of going to college. Aviation made sense for living on the island. The list of pilots included Bob Schnittker, and Bonnie's uncle Logan Bickley who had the first pilot's license on Kelleys. Unofficially, there were as many as eight hangers and landing strips, mostly muddy fields.

In 1950, Ted married Bonnie in St. Michael's -an 'inter-religions' marriage that some said would never last.

(Bonnie reports that after 59 years together, she doesn't think it's likely to stop now!) After their marriage, Ted and Bonnie moved to the mainland where they worked for most of their adult lives, returning to Kelleys on weekends, until both retired and were able to 'come home' again.

A prominent brass key dangles as a marker on the Blatt's kitchen door-a marker of Ted's best known hobby, but he also makes lists, keeps records, counts and compiles. Five or six albums with nearly 100,000 photos capture life on Kelleys from the turn of one century to the next. He's photographed nine sets of carriage steps around the island, and he tracked down his brother-in-law's WACO plane, photographed in its original state and its restored condition after being bought in disrepair in New York state and restored by its present owner in West Virginia (see letter), having made its own journey.


Ted calculates there are 443 alumni who have graduated Estes, 94 of them still living, among them his brother Milton who returns from California for Homecoming every summer. The oldest living alum is Mary Ellen Bauman Wilke, Judy DuShane's aunt, who graduated in 1934. The largest graduating classes were 1914 and 1934, he states, with twelve graduates each; at the other extreme, there were no graduating classes for thirteen years. Ted reckons that 50 Estes graduates have earned higher education degrees. Despite his interest in Island facts, he dis-

claims being a historian-that title belongs to his late friend Kurt Boker.

Ted's accumulated 642 bottle openers-just one other category of his inventory, neatly recorded by hand, and compiled in folders, notebooks, zip lock bags, and other containers. (Bonnie smiles kindly and proudly as she indulges her husband's past-times-maybe a secret of a long successful marriage?) According to Ted's count, there are 150 people on the island these days after the boats stop-"that's the REAL ones [islanders]" says Ted.

But of all his collections, Ted is the keeper of keys--31,604 of them! Ted reports he has identified who gave each key to him, when, and what the key is for. He may just have a key to the VFW, a glider, a church. And he has never had to buy even one of those keys in his possession. Story goes, if you can't get a door open, go to Ted: he's likely to have just the thing.

As autumn chills threaten indoor plumbing pipes, the Blatts pack the car with winter needs and head across the water to Sandusky. Come spring, you'll find them scooting along in their golf cart en route to senior lunch, or charging up Division St. for happy hour at the VFW, an Island institution they've supported for over 25 years. With clear blue eyes, ready and cheery smiles, the Blatts are comfortable with who they are, what they have, and the rich life they've shared on this island since childhood. No doubt, they've found the real keys to happiness.



## Thank You to 2009's Kelleys Island Historical Association Members

**Kelleys Island Historical Association wishes to extend our warmest and most sincere thanks and appreciation to our 2009 members!  
You are truly a part of Kelleys Island history. Don't forget to rejoin this year and to tell your friends and family about us.  
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for the first time ever so many of our truly treasured artifacts will be on display for all to see.**

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# A purr-fect ten (Q) to community members

Erin Sandvick

February 8th is the 100th day of school and the elementary school children are well on their way to pleasing many needy cats and dogs. This school year we decided to celebrate the 100th day of school by helping the animals at the Erie County Humane Society. After a visit to the shelter, we pledged to collect one hundred items to donate to them. With one month left in our quest, we have received more than two hundred items! We have over one hundred towels, forty cans of cat food, four bags of rawhides, three bags of kitty litter, a big bag of toys, many rolls of paper towels, and even an animal carrier.

We also have one great big donation to deliver to our furry friends from our Bakers for Barkers cookie sale held on the night of the Christmas play. Our goodies raised \$150!

Please do not let all this great news stop you from further donations. We will be collecting items through the winter and into the spring. Please feel free to bring them to the school whenever we are in session.

Thank you very much to everyone who has donated supplies, baked goods, and money. We are thrilled with the success and are looking forward to delivering the goods when the ferry starts running in the spring.

# Steve Mack earns the Resort and Second-Home Property Specialist Certification

Steve Mack of Prudential Stadtmiller Realty has recently completed the course work and testing to earn the title of Resort and Second-Home Property Specialist (RSPS). The RSPS certification is a nationally-recognized certification awarded by the National Association of Realtors® to real estate professionals who wish to demonstrate and promote - to consumers and their peers alike - their expertise in the varied specialty.

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# Taylor home a total loss



Photos by Pat Hayes.

Nancy Taylor, 431 West Lakeshore Drive, who's home was behind the Post Office, suffered the total loss of her home and belongings when a major fire took the home on Sept. 29. About mid-day on the 29th Peggy Cooney noticed smoke coming from the rear area just to the west of the Post Office. She alerted the postal clerk who phoned the fire department.

Units responded and fought the blaze for several hours before leaving.

Chris Weitzel full-time resident of the home was the only one at home at the time. He was not injured.

Later on that same evening--about 2 a.m.--the entire fire crew was recalled to the site as the blaze re-ignited.

The location of the home made fighting the fire difficult.

Also lost in the fire were many original paintings of Christine Taylor, deceased wife of deceased former homeowner Jerry Taylor. Christine's island paintings were highly regarded.

From the editors--Please accept our condolences on the loss of your home and belongings--Nancy.

# Not to early to start thinking about 2010 Swim for Make-A-Wish

Jeni Hammond

For all you snow birds who are looking forward to the spring and summer remember to mark your calendar for the 16th Annual 2010 Kelleys Island Make - A - Wish Benefit Swim & Golf Cart Poker Run. The Poker Run will be held on Saturday, July 31st and

the Swim will take place on Sunday, August 1st.

Last year we made a record \$25,900 for Make A Wish granting 5 childrens wishes. Goes to show you Kelleys Island does it better! Come and have some fun while helping out local chil-

dren. Need more information call Portside Marina after April 1st or keep reading the KI paper. Want to make a donation: send a check to US Bank c/o Make A Wish 205 West Perkins Ave. Sandusky, Ohio 44870. See you in the Summer...

# Happy Birthday

## January

- 8- Collin Nunn-Strassner
- 14- Jim O'Dee
- 16- Cathy Coffman
- 19- Wayne Neumann
- 20- Jean Boyd
- 24- Brad Newcomb
- 28- Frank Yako

## February

- 3- Jay Campbell
- 4- Mary Gen McCafferty
- 4- Sharon Schafer
- 9- Carla Cordaro Benvenuto
- 17- Park Schafer
- 20- Marie Mowrey
- 21- Marty McCafferty
- 22- Toni Mullins
- 22- Katie Joyce
- 28- Heidi Smith

*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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**MARCH/APRIL DEADLINE IS MARCH 15**

# FIREWOOD ALERT!

Please remember that the State of Ohio prohibits transporting firewood and Ash Tree materials to the island.

There will be a container available at the boat line dock for disposal of any wood being brought unknowingly.

Fines can be as much as \$4000.00

For information: 1-888-OHIO-EAB or go to: ww.ohioagriculture.gov/eab/



## Young entrepreneur on hand to refresh the masses in ferry parking lot



Rob and Heidi Quinn's son Robby Quinn closed out the summer with an ice cream cart selling treats to those waiting for the ferry on weekends. Good work Robby!

## Wintertime Island Air Transportation

With the approach of winter upon us and the freezing of Lake Erie, the mode of transportation changes from ferry to air. Last year, Griffing personnel announced a move for ALL island flights to Port Clinton a decision based on increasing efficiency, dealing with rising fuel costs, and keeping fares reasonable. Flights to Port Clinton from Kelleys Island will resume on December 1, 2009. Please familiarize yourself with the policies and view their website ([www.griffingflyingservice.com](http://www.griffingflyingservice.com)) or contact them directly at 419-734-5400. The transportation costs listed includes taxes, etc. Following are the winter policies and transportation costs for this coming year.

### FLIGHT POLICIES

- ALL passengers and ALL freight-flights will depart and arrive from Port Clinton only.
- No flights will be offered to or from Sandusky.
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- All cancellations and changes require 1 hour advance notice from departure time or you will be billed the normal seat fare.
- Please arrive 15 minutes prior to departure time.
- Upon reservation let us know if you will have more than 2 items (12x12x24" each), heavy items, large items, dogs, or any special physical needs.

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• Unaccompanied children \$47.00 each way. (inter-island fares add \$1.00 for each island)

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\*Please call ahead about any perishables and or freight.

# 2010 Calendar of Events

## APRIL

- 10 Early Bird Party - Pump
- 17 Spring Wine Fling - KI Wine Co
- 24 Fish Fry - Pump

## MAY

- 1 Derby Day - All Taverns
- 8 EMS Spaghetti Dinner
- 9-15 Nest With the Birds - KIAC
- 15 EMS Safety Services Day

## JUNE

- 7 Spring Perch Derby - Caddy Shack
- 9 OHIO BIKE WEEK - KI DAY
- 13 15TH ANNUAL 5K & 10K RUN
- 19 Annual Horseshoe Tournament- KI Wine Co.

## JULY

- 4 CONCERT IN THE PARK
- 10 Historical Home Tour - KIHA
- 23-25 ISLANDFEST 2010
- 31 Charles Herndon Galleries Open House
- 31 Make a Wish Golf Cart Poker Run - Dockers

## AUGUST

- 1 Make a Wish Mystery Swim - Dockers
- 2 & 3 KELLY MILLER CIRCUS
- 6 & 7 Outdoor Films - Pump
- 7 Art Show - KIHA
- 14 Homecoming - KILA
- 28 EMS Poker Run

## SEPTEMBER

- 4 Island Singers
- 5 Glacial Glimpses - KIAC
- 11 TREASURE ISLAND DAY
- 11 Butterfly Festival - KIHA
- 12 Doggie Brunch - Brew Pub
- 13 Fall Perch Derby - Casino
- 18 Winefest - KI Wine Co
- 18 Kayak Poker Paddle - KIAC
- 25 6th Annual Lobsterfest - Pump
- 25 Feathers & Foliage - KIAC

## OCTOBER

- 2 Oktoberfest - Brew Pub
- 8-10 Murder Mystery Weekend - KI Venture Resort
- 9 Chili Cook-Off - Brew Pub
- 9 Annual Clambake - Casino
- 23 Adult Halloween - Taverns
- 23 Family Hayride - KILA
- 30 OcTogaWeen - Taverns

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# 2009 Kayak Poker Paddle Photos



We ran out of space last issue to include these photos from Pat Hayes and Jim Zeller, but the turnout for the 2009 Kayak Poker Paddle was so large and the event so much fun, we wanted to include them this month. Below Left: Jim and Barb Zeller Below Right: Barb Weltman and Lori Hayes



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## The students walking adventure

Bobby Coulon

Since the beginning of the school year you may have seen kids walking to and from school. You may be asking yourself why don't they get a ride if they live so far away? Well, they are doing this as a school project. The project is for the technology class taught by Miss Amy Krajnak. Every day of the week students have been recording if they've walked to school and if they're walking home after school. The grades that are participating in the project are the 8th grader through the 11th graders. The students have walked most everyday of the year except for some occasions where it was necessary for them to get a ride.

So how is technology involved? To begin the project in September, the students were given a city in the world. For example, Crystal was given the city Philadelphia. She walked 60 miles, which was multiplied by 10 to give her six hundred miles to travel. Crystal found out that Jacksonville, FL was 600 miles from Philadelphia. She had to make a website for that main city and the history of the city. They make a website for each city they visit and do the same thing over again.

The students have a very good attitude towards this project. Almost all of them have walked to school the day it started. When the project ends at the end of the school year the students will receive incentives for all of their hard work. The students were given step counters to use for walking after school. For how many steps they take they receive extra credit points for other classes. This project has gotten students out and about and being less dependent on motor vehicles and more on themselves. This project will continue the whole school year.

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# The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th Month... KI Veterans never forgotten



Left: Kelleys Island students and staff among the audience at the Veterans Day ceremony at the KI Cemetery in November.



Right: Kelleys Island community members congregate at the Veterans Day ceremony at the KI Cemetery in November.

Known in England and its Commonwealth countries as "Armistice Day," Veterans Day initially commemorated the signing of the treaty that ended a great war which reached across the globe. On Kelleys, a loyal band of veterans gathers around the cemetery flag to lower then raise the flag, offers words of gratitude for service men and women alive and dead from US involvements past and present, and recites poems in honor and remembrance. A sharp rifle discharge strikes the air, and a haunting bugle call concludes the simple ceremony.

Mike Feyedelem, Jim Sennish, Don Koshla, Ben Elfers, Ray Meyers,

Brad Stiles, Frank Pohorence, and Charlie Burns gathered to salute, pledge allegiance, and honor through act, word, and deed the service of their brothers and sisters who answered a call to arms and served their nation, sometimes with their lives, in wars foreign and domestic. A cadre of islanders gathered against a biting wind on this bright, breezy November morning to remember that sacrifice and recall the acts of honor that national service requires.

Mike Feyedelem offered thanks to all the community members who turn out for this memorial, especially the students and staff of the school who, standing in solemn witness, are learn-

ing first hand what their history books record. These young and maturing boys and girls shared in the symbolic retirement of flags no longer usable—faded or torn and aged. They then joined village residents and guests at the VFW for a luncheon provided by Jim and Karen Erne following the 11 a.m. ceremony.

Officers of the Kelleys Island Post include long-term loyal servant, Trustee Mike Feyedelem, Quartermaster Bob Schwarz, Senior Vice Commander Charlie Burns, and Commander Paul Finnegan. Some island vets have already 'deployed' off-island for seasonal 're-assignment,' including Ted Blatt and Bill

Gorchester.

The VFW serves the Kelleys Island community throughout the winter months, opening at 4 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, and providing a host site for winter potlucks beginning Nov. 29 at 6 p.m. Supportive of Island traditions and services, VFW Turkey Shoots provide money for children's gifts at the traditional annual Christmas party celebration at Town Hall. Please join Kelleys Life in saluting the perpetual service of the men and women of the Kelleys Island VFW Post and the wider community of veterans during this season of remembering and thanksgiving.

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# 2009 Wreaths across America Ceremony

Mary Monak

The 2009 Wreaths across America ceremony was held at the Ohio Veteran's Home in Sandusky on December 12, with Jennifer McGrady, Clyde VFW Auxiliary welcoming the assembled.

There was the Presentation of Colors by the Clyde VFW Honor Guard, Invocation by Rev. Paul Birmingham, Chaplain Ohio Veterans Home, and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Boy Scout Troop#24 Castalia. The Wreaths Across America story was presented by Deb Scherer, AMVETS #17 Ladies Auxiliary, followed by Speaker Rick Hatcher, Superintendent Ohio Veterans Home.

Presentation of Memorial Wreaths were placed by U.S. Army: Sgt. Justin Fauver; U.S. Navy: BM2(SW) Harr;

U.S. Marines: Bob Milleson, Clyde VFW; U.S. Air Force: Tech Sgt. Griff Hemphill; U.S. Coast Guard: Petty Ofc. Magiera; U.S. Merchant Marines: OVH Honor Guard; POW/MIA Weath: OVH Honor Guard.

Ohio Veterans Home Honor Guard: Art Weisz, Edward Rabatin, Sheldon Suid, Richard Winnes, Paul Brown and John Hendricks. Residents of the Ohio Veterans Home assisting with the Memorial Presentation were veterans Almus Byrd, U.S. Army; Kurt Farenchak, U.S. Navey; Tom Taylor, U.S. Marine; Larry Stansberry, U.S. Air Force, Robert McEanene, U.S. Navy (Coast Guard Wreath).

There were closing remarks by Deb Scherer and Benediction offered by Rev. Paul Birmingham. The rifle salute



Photos by Camille Sobolewski

and taps were conducted by the Clyde VFW Honor Guard.

Representatives of the Marblehead VFW Post 7572 were Trustee Bob Sobolewski and past Commander Dan Monak; Ladies Auxiliary President Debbie Garrard, Guard Camille Sobolewski, and Historian Mary Ann Monak.

Ladies Auxiliary members representing District 9 were Kay Collins, Rose Foos, Laura Sherman, Jenny McCready, Lisa Cook, and Pam Crow of VFW Post 3343; Sonya Limmer of VFW Post 7576; and Ruth Conrad and

Lorraine Cragin of VFW Post 1079.

On this sunny, but cold day in December, one could only imagine the sufferings of the winter of 1776 and the Civil War, the WWII Battle of the Bulge, the mountains of Korea in the 50s and the present. We remember the heroes of yesterday and pray for the safety of today's. Each year there are more donations, more volunteers, and more wreaths and now the many that lie beneath our flag are also honored with the Christmas circle of love during the season of joy.



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# Kelleys Island School News

Phil Thiede, Superintendent

## "Frankly, Christmas"

Once again, everyone who attended the annual Kelleys Island School's Christmas program were treated to another excellent performance. With 100% student and staff participation, under the direction of Mrs. Erin Sandvick and Miss Amy Krajnack, the students did an outstanding job as usual. The school's program is a fitting way to begin the holiday season on Kelleys Island.

## KI School gives back three mills of school tax to taxpayers

At the November 2009 board meeting, the Kelleys Island Board of Education passed a resolution to NOT collect three mills of outside school millage for calendar year 2010. This action saves approximately \$245,000 in school taxes for island property owners. This is the tenth consecutive year property owners have realized a savings on the school portion of their tax bill.

## Thank You! Mrs. Twila Joyce

For the past four years, Mrs. Joyce has served on the Kelleys Island Board of Education. Along with the other members of the board, she has been involved with numerous decisions and improvements for the school. Thank you for your generous time and dedication for the students, staff, and community of Kelleys Island.

## Welcome Mr. Pete Legere

At the January Kelleys Island Board of Education Meeting, Mr. Legere was sworn in as our newest board member. He will be filling Mrs. Joyce's position on the board of education. Mr. Legere was elected for a four year term this past November.

## Free Adult Art Classes

Kelleys Island School once again this winter is offering FREE art classes for adults on the island. Mrs. Bonnie Shoff's adult art classes will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning January 12 at 2:45 PM. For more information, call Kelleys Island School (419-746-2730).

## Open Gym for the Community During the Winter Months

**DAYTIME HOURS (SCHEDULED SCHOOL DAYS)**  
Monday through Friday (Mornings)  
8 AM to 11 AM  
Tuesday through Thursday (Afternoons)  
Noon to 3:30 PM  
Monday and Friday (Afternoons)  
1:30 PM to 3:30 PM

## EVENING HOURS

Tuesdays\* & Thursdays beginning January 14  
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM  
\*No evening open gym Tuesday, February 2

For evening open gym times, students in grade 6 and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian for the duration of the activity period.

Street shoes or shoes with marking soles are not permitted. During the winter months, a dry pair of tennis shoes is recommended.

## JANUARY/FEBRUARY SCHOOL EVENTS

Tuesday, January 12 - Community Open House - 9 AM to 11 AM  
Friday, January 15 - 2nd Grading Period Ends  
Monday, February 15 - No school/President's Day  
Monday, February 22 - Parent/Teacher Conferences (3-6 PM)

# Kelleys Life in China



Jim Coleman of KI is shown here with, Zhang Yan and Fen Hong reading "Kelleys Life" in my Hedstrom Asia office located in Lili, China, about 75 miles west of Shanghai. This photo was taken in mid-December.

Right is a Christmas sale banner in taken in front of a department store in Shanghai. Christianity is the fastest growing religion in China and though less than 0.03% of the population is Christian, everyone seems to understand capitalistic marketing!



## January is National Radon Month

Christine Stelzer, Erie County Health Dept.

The Erie County Health Department would like to remind you that January is National Radon Action Month. Radon is an odorless radioactive gas that is naturally occurring in the soil. It can get into your home through small cracks in the foundation or through the sump pump. Radon gas is the second leading cause of lung cancer next to cigarette smok-

ing, and the leading cause of lung cancer in nonsmokers. The only way to know if your home has radon gas is to test for it.

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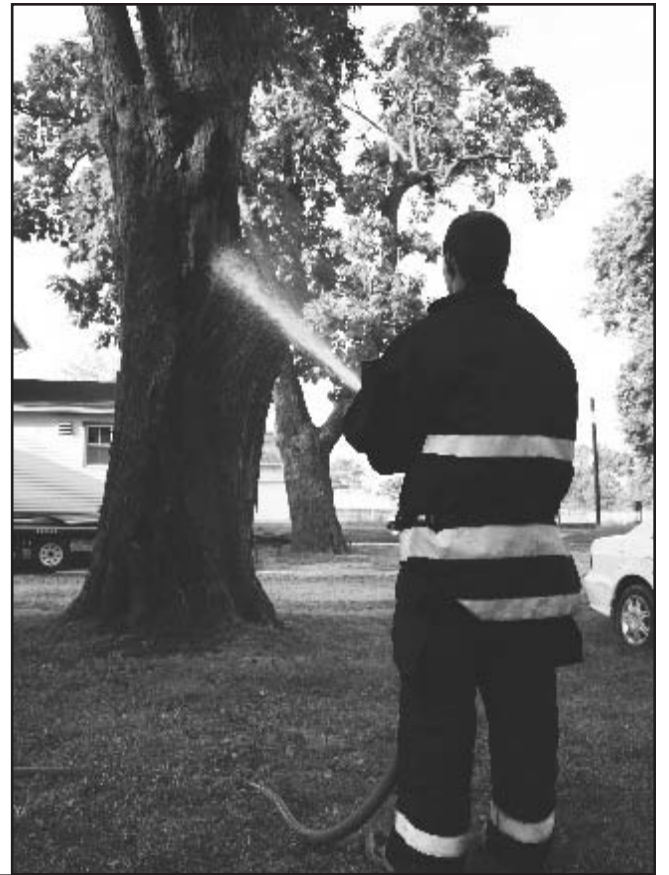


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# Tree fire?



No real information on this--just an old tree that someone had perhaps threw a cigarette butt in--but it caught fire outside the Island House Restaurant in early Sept. The KI?Volunteer Fire Department was called out and made quick work of the blaze. Thanks to Dobrin Minkov for the photos!



# Do we take the time to keep God in our life?

Fr. Ron Brickner, St. Michael's Catholic Church

"Marinate in it." The first time I heard this phrase from a theology professor I had at the seminary, I didn't quite understand it. "OK, try this one - 'Sit in it.'" This was the next phrase I heard. After a period of time, I slowly

started to understand that there are things in life we need to take time to try and understand. When we hear "God is Love" - do we fully understand this or do we need to take time to marinate or sit in it? As I look

around our society and world, I wonder if we are losing the ability to take time to try and understand. We have become such a fast-paced, disposable society that we may be neglecting to take time to even listen to people.

With the technology available today and who knows what will be invented in the future, we may be forgetting to take whatever time is necessary to try and understand life and our relationship with God and others. One can go into some large stores today and buy what they need (by using the self-serve check-outs) and never even talk to anyone. One can drive-through an eating establishment and eat on the go and did they even slow down to give thanks?

We are moving away from December 25, but did we even slow down and think about what Christmas means to us? Did we take any time to marinate in the reality of the Incarnation? Did we sit in the manger scene with Jesus Our Savior? For some people, their decorations and Christmas cheer were boxed up and back in the attic before we even had time to wish them a Merry Christmas. Celebrating Christmas and then the Holy Family and then Epiphany (over a couple of weeks) gives us a chance to take some time and see that the birth of Our Savior has changed us and changed the world. We can still take that time to grow in our awareness of God's Love for us through Jesus. Now that the boats have stopped and the quiet of Winter has come to us once again, what an opportunity to sit in the Presence of Our God!

If we find ourselves getting stressed over being too busy, then a realization of what we are getting caught up in - just may allow us a chance to shift our priorities. Do we keep God in our life at all times? Do we pray daily? Do we celebrate with other believers on Sundays? Do we really listen to people? Shifting priorities may just give us some of the Peace that Christmas promises.

Before long, the snow will be gone and new leaves will appear and firing up the grill will signal the coming of Spring. How many of us use a good marinade on our steaks or chicken? Think about how we can become better believers if we allow ourselves to marinate in the Love of God. It takes time and energy - but think about the end result. Should we choose to sit some more with God during Winter, won't Spring be a season to remember!

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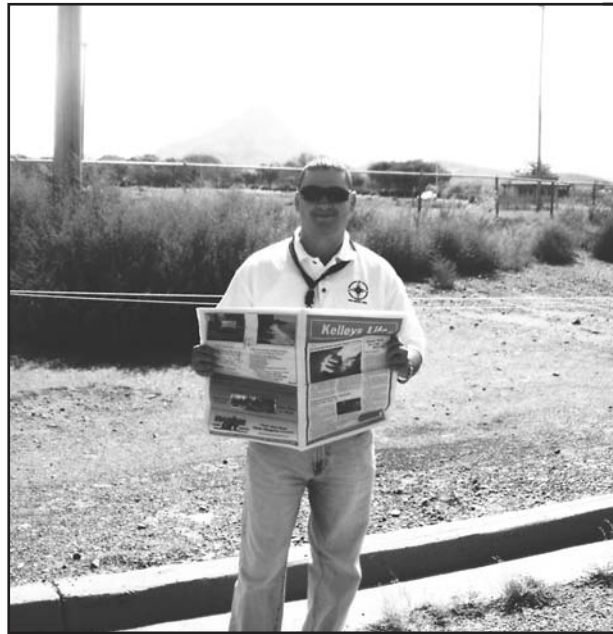
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**Vacationing Huntleys remember to bring along their favorite reading**

Ashley and DJ Huntley remembered to bring their Kelleys Life on their recent vacation to Disneyworld.



**KI Officer remembers to bring his Kelleys Life**

Kelleys Island 3 year veteran police officer Shawn Craig recently attended training in El Paso, TX; Deming, NM; and Playas, NM for Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings with SWAT, and he still had time to catch up on his local Kelleys Life reading. Congratulations Shawn! Thanks for thinking of us and for continuing your training.

**Investments in efficiency deliver strong returns**

Submitted by Tom Konecny, Hancock Wood

In today's troubled economic climate, people are searching for places to sock away money that offer the promise of a healthy return. While no one can predict when, or if, the stock market will fully recover, crunching a few numbers does show one safe investment alternative: energy efficiency.

Even in good financial times the annual Wall Street return on stocks averages 14 percent, followed by 4.2 percent for 30-year bonds and 3.5 percent for money market accounts. In comparison, incorporating 10 home efficiency measures carries a 16 percent rate of return, according to the U.S. Department of Energy Home Energy Saver program.

Looking at it another way, the

energy bill for a typical American home averages \$1,283 per year, while a home that has purchased and installed ENERGY STAR products spends just \$774. That's a savings of more than \$500 annually, a nice profit for smart and efficiency-savvy investors to take to the bank. Even better, you get to keep the money you save on your electricity bill; normal investment incomes are taxed heavily.

The first two energy efficiency areas to invest in-those with the highest rates of return-are lighting and sealing ducts. Upgrading to compact fluorescent lightbulbs (CFLs) and fixtures in a typical home costs about \$200, but with an annual savings of \$80 the initial investment pays for itself in 2.5 years with a 41 percent

rate of return. Proper duct sealing, which can cost up to \$250, pays for itself in 2.6 years and matches lighting's high rate of return.

Your next purchase should be an ENERGY STAR front-loading clothes washer. Even though one costs an average of \$194 more than a non-efficient model, you reap a 37 percent rate of return- allowing you to recoup the extra expense in less than three years.

A programmable thermostat provides another boost to your bottom line. With a 30 percent return it pays for itself through energy savings in 3.7 years.

A water heater tank wrap with an R-12 insulation rating should be your next step; the initial cost of \$85 saves

you \$23 every year, offering a 28 percent return on your investment. An ENERGY STAR refrigerator, heat pump, and dishwasher follow with rates of return ranging from 18 percent to 27 percent. Finally, adequate air sealing and increasing wall and attic insulation offer between an 8 percent and 9 percent return.

To find out how you can start investing in your home's efficiency, visit Home Energy Saver at [www.hes.lbl.gov](http://www.hes.lbl.gov). You can learn about local promotions for ENERGY STAR appliances-and save even more-by using the rebate finder at [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).

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# Obituaries

## Kelley descendant dies

**Richard Kelley DeBoard, April 30, 1955-Dec. 23, 2009. Northville, MI,** died unexpectedly at home on Wednesday, December 23.



He was born in Detroit to Caroline DeBoard and Richard E. DeBoard. He attended Detroit Public Schools. DeBoard owned E & T Lawn Service in Northville. Up until a few years ago he was managing partner in Gad Cartage Company with his uncle and father. He also owned E & T Cartage Corp., a sister company. Both companies dispatched steel hauling trucks around the Detroit area.

DeBoard is survived by his wife, Wendy (Carmer) DeBoard, and a son, Jacob. His Mother, Caroline DeBoard of Kelleys Island, sisters, Lori (Patrick) Hayes of Kelleys Island, Stacey DeBoard of Northville and Beth Kranyak of Northville, and niece, Kelley Price.

He was preceded in death by his father, Richard E. DeBoard and brother in law, Terry Kranyak.

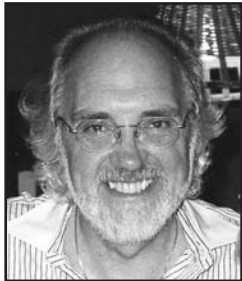
Richard was very proud to have been the great-great-great-great-great grandson of Datus Kelley, who with his brother, Irad, founded Kelleys Island.

Richard loved fishing, swimming and camping on his favorite place,

Kelleys Island. He also loved reading, keeping up with news and nature. He was devoted to his wife, Wendy, and was her caretaker. Wendy has Parkinson's Disease and in lieu of flowers or charity donations, a fund has been set up through Fifth Third Bank to assist her.

Richard DeBoard Memorial Fund  
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**Frank Graham Dickens, Age 66 of Farmington Hills, MI,**



formerly of Fenton and Leigh-on-Sea, England, died on Monday, December 7, 2009 at Providence Park Hospital in Novi after a lengthy battle with Mesothelioma.

Funeral services were held on December 14, 2009 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, with the Reverend Joshua Hoover officiating. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to the International Mesothelioma Program - Brigham and Women's Hospital, Attn: Dr. David Sugarbaker, 75 Francis St, Boston, MA 02115.

Graham was born in Chester, England August 19, 1943 the son of Frank Pogson Dickens and Nancy Graham. A distant relative of Charles Dickens, Graham felt a great pride of

heritage.

After working briefly in Charleston, SC, Graham secured a position with the architectural company of Minoru Yamasaki and Associates in Troy, MI where he joined the design team working on the World Trade Center. He worked on many significant projects across the globe including Century City Los Angeles, The Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency in Riyadh, and the Jeddah Airport. Subsequently he worked for the interior design firm of Ford and Earl in Warren, MI and later Smith Hinchman and Grylls, Contract Interiors and Workplace Integrators. Recently he returned to Yamasaki and Associates to work on The Education Center in Doha Qatar.

He was also a member and former president of the AIA of Michigan. Graham had a deep appreciation for architecture, the arts and classics which he loved to share with his family and friends. He was an avid sailor who loved the water and spending time with his family at his home on Kelleys Island, Ohio.

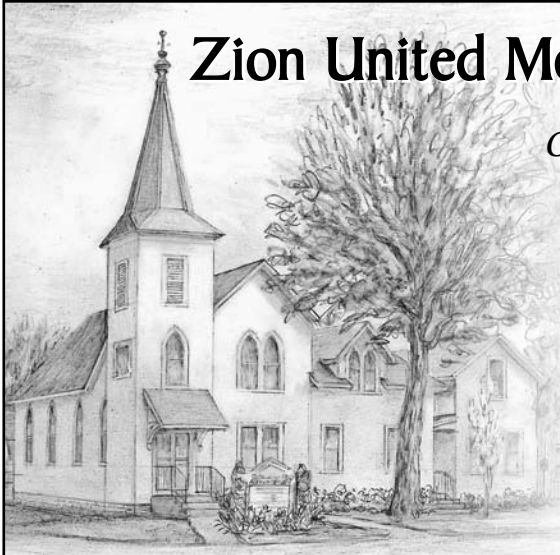
He is survived by his wife Sandy; daughters, Tara Wakeham and husband Dave, Kirsty Rising and husband Troy; their mother Elizabeth Dickens; grandchildren Lily, Elliot, Ella and Elizabeth; and special friends Katie Field and Ron Ehrbar. He was preceded in death by his parents; and parents-in-law, Raymond and Gizella Feyedelem. Tributes and condolences may be shared at the obituaries page at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com). His lust for life and his gentle spirit will be greatly missed.

**Vance Patrick Mowrey, age 46, of Kelleys Island,** passed away Sunday, December 13th, 2009 at St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center surrounded by his loving family. He was born May 27th, 1963 to Vance and Patricia (Hoare) Mowrey in Toledo.

Vance was employed with the Village of Kelleys Island for 10 years. He was a wonderfully supportive husband and loving and devoted father to his daughters and granddaughter. Before moving to Kelleys Island, Vance lived in Toledo with his wife, Ruby and their daughters, Valerie and Marie. Vance visited the island many times with his family as a child and young adult. It was his love of the island that drew him and his family to move here 10 years ago and enjoy its beauty every day.

Vance was preceded in death by his parents, Vance and Patricia Mowrey and sister, Jill Mowrey. Vance is survived by his loving wife of 23 years, Ruby I. (Leiner) Mowrey; daughters, Valerie (Brian) Papazian and Marie Mowrey; granddaughter, Madelyn Papazian; brother, John (Pat) Mowrey; sister, Joy (Tom) Facey and several nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

A Celebration of Vance's Life was held Saturday, December 19th, 2009 at St. Michael's Church on Kelleys Island. Memorial Contributions may be made to Vance's Family.



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*Serving Our Seniors is a local, not-for-profit organization funded by the Erie County Senior Services Tax Levy. Serving Our Seniors is a geriatric social service agency that provides a variety of help to Erie County residents age 60 and better. The organization's purpose is to assist older people in maintaining their independent lifestyle.*

**Q:** What is the income limit to qualify for HEAP (Home Energy Heating Assistance Program)?

**A:** The total household income is what is counted. So it depends on the number of people in the household and each person's GROSS annual income.

Household size of 1 the total household income for 12 months must be less than \$21,660.00

Household size of 2 the total household income for 12 months must be less than \$29,140.00

Household size of 3 the total household income for 12 months must be less than \$36,620.00

Household size of 4 the total household income for 12 months must be less than \$44,100.00

Household size of 5 the total household income for 12 months must be less than \$51,580.00

Household size of 6 the total household income for 12 months must be less than \$59,060.00

If you want to receive an application to apply for HEAP, call Serving Our Seniors at 419-624-1856 and ask us to mail you one.

**Q:** I heard that there is a program that will insulate a senior citizen's home for free. Is that true?

**A:** It's partially true. There is a program called HWAP. Home Weatherization Assistance Program. It does insulate homes for people who fall in the income brackets listed above.

If you would like an application to apply for free "weatherization" call Serving Our Seniors at 419-624-1856 and ask for an application. Or you can contact the organization that manages the weatherization service. They are called WSOS-CAC, Inc. 1-800-775-9767. They are based out of Fremont, Ohio.

**Q:** Is it too late to sign up for Medicare Part D? (Prescription Drug Coverage)

**A:** If you turn age 65 in the last 3 months or if you are going to turn age 65 in the next three months, it is not too late for you to sign up for Medicare Part D. If you are older than that, you missed the deadline to sign up for Medicare Part D.

**Q:** Is a Medigap Policy the same things as a "Medicare Supplemental Insurance Policy"?

**A:** Yes, they are the same thing. Medigap means the same thing as Medicare Supplemental Insurance.

**Q:** Can Serving Our Seniors help me understand the differences between the Medigap policies that are available for me to buy?

**A:** Medigap Insurance is something is not our agency's area of expertise. However, we do know who is. Her name is Barb Roth. She works at Firelands Regional Medical Center. She wears many hats. One of her responsibilities is to advocate for senior citizens to

make sure they understand what their Medicare coverage and their Medigap coverage does and does not do. She is a wealth of information. I suggest you set up an appointment to speak with her. Since you live on the island, it may be something you can accomplish by phone. Give her a call at 419-557-7052.

**Q:** I tried to get a ride from Serving Our Seniors to an appointment at Firelands Regional Medical Center and I couldn't get a ride. Why?

**A:** As a resident of Kelleys Island age 60+, you do qualify for the Out of Town Medical Transportation Program. We recommend that you call no later than 7 days before the date of your appointment. Some days are filled to capacity. This is why Serving Our Seniors could not accommodate your request. A volunteer will pick you up in one of Serving Our Senior's vehicles, take you to your appointment and bring you back to the Marblehead Ferry Service. The cost of using this service I an anonymous donation.. Whatever you care to donate is gratefully accepted.

**Q:** If I have been a victim of Medicare Fraud, can I just give it to Serving Our Seniors to handle? I tried to handle it myself and I have to be on the phone for an hour just to get through to someone at Medicare to hear my complaint. It's so frustrating. I have difficulty hearing the automated voices and when I get a live person, its hard for me to hear them, too.

**A:** Yes, you can make arrangements for Serving Our Seniors to function in your place to file a complaint of Medicare Fraud. We will need to you the first phone call to Medicare. At that time we will need to ask for a document. The document is from Medicare. You would sign it verifying that you are giving Serving Our Seniors and the specific name of the employee to work on your behalf on the Medicare Fraud complaint. Give our office a call. We would be glad to help you with this. 419-624-1856.

**Q:** Serving Our Seniors was going to do a Memory Screening, as a way to make people more aware of Alzheimer's Disease and related disorders - and not to ignore signs of memory impairment. This was going to take place in November 2009, but the Ferry Service had to suspend service that day due to rough water. Will Serving Our Seniors offer this when the weather warms up?

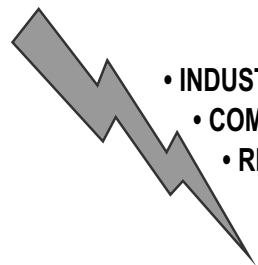
**A:** Yes, we will. We are planning to do this in the month of May 2010 when the weather warms up. It would be helpful to know in advance how many of the full time residents age 60+ would be interested in participating in the Memory Screening if we held it in May 2010. Give us a call at 419-624-1856 or drop us an e-mail at [sued@servingourseniors.org](mailto:sued@servingourseniors.org)

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# Hometown Hero receives Bronze Star

Mary Ann Monak

The Operation Restore Honor Bronze Star Medal Awards Ceremony was held September 7, 2009, at the Port Clinton Performing Arts Center. This ceremony was initiated and organized by the Ottawa County Veterans Service Office. Seventy-six (76) Bronze Stars were awarded to WWII army infantrymen and members of combat medical units. Bronze Star Medals were awarded to survivors present and to family members of those unable to attend. Thirteen veterans personally received their medals.

Among the many invited special guests, veterans, and their families were Tom and Ann Kukay of Medina, and Bob and Jean (Kukay) Dewey of Marblehead, son and daughter of John "Hank" Kukay. Hank had served in the Pacific during WWII and after six decades was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star. Tom Kukay proudly and emotionally accepted his father's award. Hank and his wife Jean, with their children Tom and Jean, lived in Marblehead on the shore of Lake Erie, where the Kelley Island Ferry Line is now located. This writer's pleasant

memory of Hank and Jean was to watch them bowl at Marblehead's bowling alley and to dance together. Commander Bob Peroni, Men's Auxiliary President Mike Garrard, Ladies Auxiliary President Debbie Garrard, with all members of Marblehead VFW Post 7572 proudly salute comrade John "Hank" Kukay. As we sadly grieve at the loss of yesterday's heroes, we heartily pray for the safety of today's. Thank you to Hank, to our hometown heroes, and to all who have served and are serving.



# Veteran's Day Tribute--Marblehead

Mary Monak



The Marblehead Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7572 comrades, auxiliaries, associates, and guests gathered at 5:00 p.m. on November 11, 2009, to honor and remember all who have served and are serving to protect our freedom.

Beneath the American and POW/MIA flags, the assembled included Commander Bob Peroni, with Surgeon Dave Groene, Chaplain Rodney Zehfus, Dave Morehead, Deane Osborne, Bob Weaver, Earl Mencil, Walt Lenox; Color Guard Terry Rahner, Bob Sobolewski, Bob

Dewey, and Duane Goebel.

Ladies Auxiliary President Debbie Garrard, with Color Bearers Jean Dewey, Darlene Novak, Camille Sobolewski, Alice Peroni, Men's Auxiliary President Mike Garrard, Mary Goebel, Vickie Kozak; Chaplain Elaine Roth. Ladies auxiliary members Wanda Morehead, Blanche Baillie, Nancy Hogan, Lynnda Osborne, Nancy Lenox, and Mary Ann Monak.

Men's Auxiliary members Tony Novak, Paul Lee, Heath Horn, and Don Brown. Associate members Dan

Elchisco, Karen Dalenburg, Doc McCormick, photographer John Kozak, and guests Tom Lucas, Bob Lucas, Linda Price, Diane Krynock, and Connie Biro.

Commander Peroni welcomed the assembled; Chaplain Rodney Zehfus offered the opening prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commander Peroni. There were emotional remarks of tribute of our veterans and military by Commander Peroni and Ladies Auxiliary President Debbie Garrard; Chaplain Elaine Roth offered the closing prayer. The tradi-

tional salute by the Honor Guard Cal Twarek, Larry Twarek, Bob Lucas, Mike Bodnar, and Dan Monak, was followed by the solemn sound of taps by Earl Davis, member of the men's auxiliary.

On this Veteran's Day army stew was served, birthday wishes were extended to Alice Peroni, and Terri Rush was a "happy camper". The veterans of VFW Post 7572 and their families deeply appreciate the generosity of Warren Biggs of the Marblehead Golf Carts, and Bruce Schermbeck.

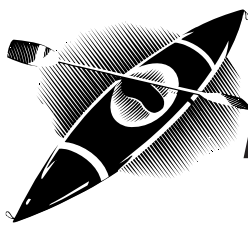
# Christmas Decorations Got A Facelift

Bonnie Shoff

Kelleys Island students refurbished the village Christmas decorations. After several winters sitting outside in the severe weather the figures were badly in need of repainting. Art students have had fun sanding, priming and now painting the figures with a "Diamond Hard" paint. After the paint has fully cured two coats of polyurethane varnish will be applied. Everyone from 1st grade to 11th grade has had a chance to be part of this community project. Snowmen, Ice skaters, elves, and dogs should be in good shape to withstand Kelleys Island winter weather for many years to come. We know the community will enjoy the colorful display and will appreciate the efforts of our children to create a festive display for the Village Green

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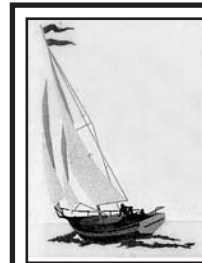
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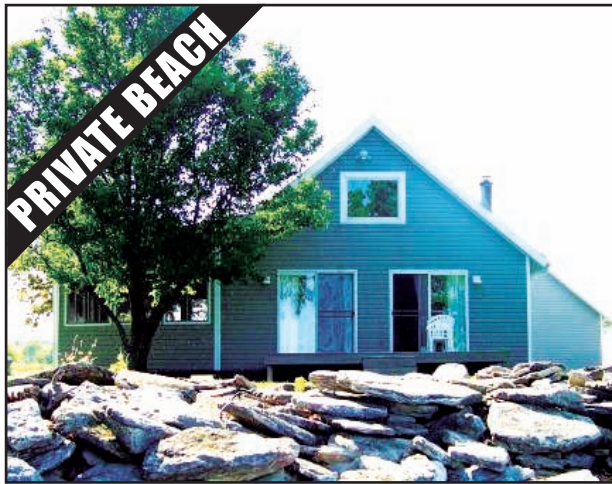
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