



Making Kelleys Island History Everybody's Business

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Construction moves along

The museum building is really coming along now. The walls are enclosed, the roof is on. The stone mason



Stone mason **Brad Santoro** of Sandusky is doing the stone front on the new museum. Brad's 25 years of experience have enabled him to closely match the front of the Old Stone Church. All of the stone Brad is using he selects and mines at the **Kelleys Island LaFarge Quarry**. Beside allowing Brad access, La Farge has donated all of the stone.

has been putting stone on the street side of the building.

The stone is selected and mined from the **Kelleys Island LaFarge Quarry** by the mason. Thanks to LaFarge for donating the stone and allowing the mason access.

The Board decided to spend the extra money and have this exterior wall of the new museum match the original German Reformed Church building that has housed the museum since its inception.

The Board also selected a textured cement finish for the wide front porch of the museum. We are looking forward to seeing the windows go in, the doors go on, and finishing enough of the interior to be able to start moving some items in. Current plans call for there to be an exhibit in the new building for the summer of 2006,

whether it is completely finished or not. The electric and heating will be some of the next items tackled in the construction process.

Also, regular maintenance on the buildings continues as needed. The bell tower, doors, and trim on the Old Stone Church were painted this September.

KIHA Fall newsletter 2005

Apologies- The fall newsletter is later than usual this year. The Kelleys Island Historical Association is entirely volunteer at this time and the newsletter is produced on personal computers. One of those computers crashed and caused delays in being able to do the work required for the newsletter.

President's message

Another summer has passed, but when I stop to think, I wonder where it went. As of this printing, our building is nearing the completion of Phase One.

Phase One was the construction of the building with a completed, weather-tight shell. The stone work, which is being done by Brad Santoro of Sandusky, is nearing completion and looks very close to the stone

work of the church.

The contractor is finishing the siding and trim. There are many little things that need to be completed, but the contractor feels that he should be wrapped up in approximately three weeks. This has been an intense and time consuming project, but the lasting value has made it all worth it.

The Board will be working on the planning of the interior of the new building

over the fall and winter. That phase will be on-going and will begin as soon as possible. In the next newsletter I will give a complete wrap-up for the building and all the events of the summer. Enjoy this beautiful fall weather.

**Historically Speaking,
Michael Feyedelem
President**

Tour of homes success

Co-chairs **Annalee and Carol Frindt**, along with their many volunteers created a very successful 2005 KIHA Tour of Homes. More than 100 visitors made the tour. Next year is expected to be twice as successful.

A special "Thank You!" to all the hosts and hostesses of homes open on the Tour: **Anne Sennish, Carole Geschke, Annalee, Caroline DeBoard, Judy DuShane, John & Barbara Ohlemacher, and Pastor Bob & Nancy May, and Mary Ellen Wilke.**

The House Tour volunteers made the day a huge success: **Ed Frindt, Jan Ransom, Laura Jean Pohorence, Gye & Norm Landis, Ruth Bradshaw, Ila Dick, Pete & Sam Legere, Joan & Rolly Quillin, Wendy Kowell, Chris Yako, Jane Wick, Bonnie & Ray Meyers, Jennifer Koba, Vicki Finnegan, Sis Bradburn, Pat Seeholzer, Roger & Madeleine Williams, Ann Brown, Lawson & Peggy Wiseman, Sis McKillips, Claudia Brown, Jacquie Kranyak, Lydia Bechtel, Lori Hayes, and Stacy DeBoard.** And a special thank you to all the bakers.

 * **Gift Shop thanks** *
 * Thank you, Thank you, Thank you *
 * to the summer Gift Shop volunteers- *
 * **Pat Seeholzer, Mary Ann Pileski,** *
 * **Betsy & Fred Walcott, Fran Min-** *
 * **shall, Anne Eddowes, Annalee,** *
 * **Madeleine Williams, Shirley Crabill,** *
 * **Dee Mack, Jacquie Kranyak, Don** *
 * **Gilles, Pat Hayes, Ed Frindt, Mar-** *
 * **lana Mielke, Sharon McIntire, Marge** *
 * **Clapper, Cindy Merkel, Jan Ransom,** *
 * **Joan Quillin, Muralli Pallaki, and** *
 * **Marv Byer.** *

Volunteers always needed—backbone of our organization

Volunteers are needed in every area of the Historical Association. The Gift Shop has been the major volunteer area in the past, but when the new building is open, we will need volunteers to help with museum openings, with displays and several fund raising events.

There will be office work and hands on projects. Perhaps you have a dynamite idea

Grand Tour of Homes scheduled for 2006

The 2006 KI Historical Association Home Tour will include many historical and unique homes. **Carol and Ed Frindt** are the energy behind the event, along with the **Ways and Means chair Annalee.**

The homes that will be visited during the day's event

are **Violand's house** (originally the **Bauman House**) on **Monagan Rd.; Jackie and Gary Finger's house** (originally the **Moysey Hotel**) on



East Lakeshore Dr.; Frances Minshall's house (the first **Cameron House**), and the home of **Werner and Joan Minshall**

(originally the **Cattanaugh House**), both **Victorian homes**, on a long private drive on the **NW side of the Island; The Kevin Pape house** (originally the bowl-



ing alley for the **Himmelein Hotel**) on **E. Lakeshore Dr., the Caroline & Ed Jorski house** (the second **Cameron House**) on

Division St., Navorska's house (originally the **Carpenter House**) on **West Lakeshore Dr., and Village buildings** including the **Police Station and the Stone Town Hall** on **Division Street** (both from the **1800's**); and

the **German Reformed Church** (**1800's**) (at the **KIHA Museum complex**) on **Division Street.**

In 2006, as in 2005, the participants will receive a catalogue of the homes on the Tour, with photos and history of the buildings. Tickets for the House Tour will be \$20, with a 10% discount to KIHA members. Volunteers helping with the event will get a further discounted rate. The tour will be on **Sat., July 8th.**

See you there !



Board meeting notes

The Board has decided to reduce the size of the gift shop and move it into the new museum building. The Old Stone Church building will have its original pews returned and will be available for lectures and organ concerts. Some historical memorabilia will still be housed in the church, our original museum space.

An area had been designated for a gift shop near the front door in the plans of

the new museum, and this is where it will be located.

The Board has decided to contract with an accounting firm to do the books for KIHA, starting in 2006. The Board has changed the levels for donations to the museum and is purchasing plaques with brass plates to list our benefactors.

The new levels are (for money given in a calendar year) Patron \$100 to \$499,

Benefactor (\$500 to \$999), Founder (\$1,000 to \$2,499), and over \$2,500 the Board will do some kind of special recognition.

The donation plaques will be on permanent display in the new building. We are researching donations made in the past to list them at the levels described here. Board Officers have not changed yet for this year, but we will have an update in the next newsletter.

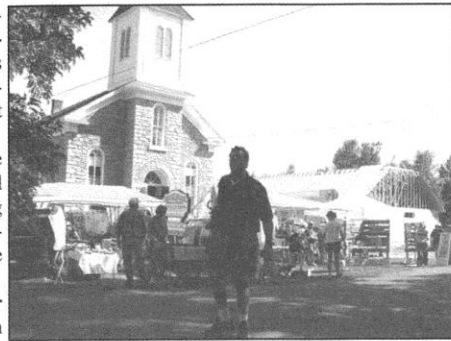
Butterfly Festival fun fund-raiser

The day was beautiful for the KIHA Butterfly Festival this year. Annalee organized the event and it was another success.

Pat Hayes once again demonstrated and talked about tagging butterflies and explained the flight of the Monarch Butterfly.

Glenn Holzhauser managed the food booth for the event and was helped by Marcie and Marlana Mielke. Hot dogs, sloppy joes and chips were among the goods offered.

The bakery booth and rummage sale were staffed by Shirley and Byron Crabill, Marge Clapper, Dee Mack and Jacquie Kranyak.



Busy was the order of the day at the Butterfly Festival with food, rummage sale, and postal cancellation.

Thanks also go to Laura Jean Pophorence and Ann Brown for making all the calls for bakery and rummage items. Many thanks to all the good bakers who supplied KIHA with donated baked

goods to sell. They were yummy.

Potato Chips were donated by Rob & Kim Watkins for the food booth. The tents were set up by Fred Walcott, Ed Frindt, Ray Meyers, Russ Matso, Mike Feyedelem, Bill Koenigseker, and Gary Finger.

Profit from the food booth was \$170.56, the art tables \$60, the bake sale \$178.15, and the garage sale \$91.78. Quilt tickets sold during the Butterfly Festival bring the festival total to \$909.49.



Butterfly Bears awaiting their new adoptive parents.

Pictorial Cancellation

We thank Postmaster Jean Boyd for all her support in making the first KIHA pictorial cancellation a great event and a huge success.

KIHA invested in some of the US Post Office pictorial cancellations so that they will be avail-



Jean Boyd

able in future years to collectors in our gift shop.

The pictorial cancellation is a one day cancellation to commemorate a special event. The Post Office set up a postal sub-station during the KIHA Butterfly Festival and offered the cancellations on site. These are collectors' items.

Postmaster Jean Boyd also did special Butterfly Bears, a stuffed bear from the US Post Office, for this event. A Pictorial Cancellation and a registration card were attached to each Butterfly Festival Bear

sold. The registration card is supposed to then be sent back to KIHA, telling us who the proud owner of the Festival Bear is and where it is. We have received cards from near and far—including from Canada, Washington, New Jersey, Florida, and Germany.

The registration cards are in a binder, along with information about the event, which will be kept in the KIHA archives. Thank you KIHA member and Postmaster Jean Boyd.

Donations welcome, wanted, needed

If you would like to make a donation to honor someone, or in memory of someone, please send us the following information:

Your name and address, the reason for the donation, and the name and address of the person to be notified, and of course the donation check.

KIHA has an attractive announcement that we send to the person with your name on it as the giver, and we also send an acknowledgement of the

donation to you which can be used for tax purposes.

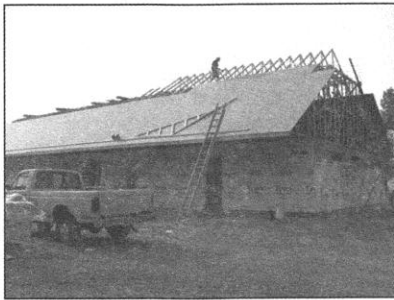
While most of the donations are in memory of someone, it is also a good way to mark a special birthday, or anniversary, or just to say thank you. Donations will be credited to the building fund, unless some other indication is given.

The board has been looking into several additional ways for contributors to share in the association's progress. With

the new museum we will be installing the plaques mentioned elsewhere in this publication, purchase of bricks with donor names engraved on them is being discussed; as well as donor-purchased display cases; display areas; etc.

The bottom line is that expenses in the new building will be increased and we as an organization will have to continue to find new and additional methods to raise funds.

Watching it go up is a dream come true every day...



Barely a month ago the roof was being installed.



Stone waiting to be mortared in.

The roof is on, the doors and windows are in. The building is weather tight for the winter!



Memorials & Donations

Donations made to the Building Fund:

Benefactor Level

To honor Roger and Madeleine Williams on their 55th wedding anniversary, their children Peter Williams, Sally Williams, Ned Williams, and Sheila Brockmeier donated to KIHA.

Other Donations

In memory of Ivan T. Lange—from J. Bruce and Laura Lange, Ruth Bandeen, Karl Beatty, Dennis and Jacqueline Darling, Linda and Thomas James, Paul and Lois Brown, Donald and Mary Ellen Beatty, Audrey Karshuk, Richard T. and Juanita Collins, Bob Pimsner, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mettert, and Cathy Lange.

In memory of Jack Saxby, by Ila Dick

In memory of Helen Zettler by Lydia Bechtel

In memory of Dr. Ramie Dick, by Catherine Ullrich, and by Martha and Michael Mielke

2006 Calendar

- **Historical Home Tour**
Saturday, July 8
- **Art Show**
Saturday, Aug. 5
- **Butterfly Festival**
Saturday, Sept. 9

The KIHA Board meets on the third Thursday of the month at 4:45 p.m. in the office behind the Old Stone Church. If you have anything that you would like the Board to know or discuss, please contact President Mike Feyedelem, or another Board member before a Board meeting, or write to the Kelleys Island Historical Association; P. O. Box 328, Kelleys Island, OH 43438.

The current KIHA Board Members are: Annalee, Claudia Brown, Ila Dick, Jacquie Kranyak, Michael Feyedelem, Russell Matso, and Sharon Brunell McIntire.

If you have any comments or suggestions, please address them to a Board Member or to the President.

Treasurer's report

As of September, 2005

Checking account
\$46,398.98
Savings Account
\$29,182.13
\$75,581.11



The original bid for the museum building as planned by the architect was \$124,765.00. We have had to make numerous upgrades for State of Ohio requirements. To date KIHA has paid \$137,403.23 with \$29,121.50 still owed on the construction (as of 9-20-2005).

Raffle Updates

We were fortunate to have another beautiful quilt from **Teri Betzenheimer** for our raffle. **Fran Minshall** and **Laura Jean Pohorance** sold quilt tickets at every Kelleys Island event this summer, and generated \$2,680. **Rick Lyon** had the winning quilt ticket. Thank you to everyone who bought or sold the tickets and special thanks to Teri for her ongoing generosity and her tremendous talent.

The **Joe Corso** painting of the **Camp Patmos Lighthouse** was won by **Judy DuShane**.

The July 50/50 winner was **Madeleine Williams**, the August 50/50 winner was **L.A. Brown**, and the September 50/50 winner was **Bill Koenigseker**.

Recent Accessions

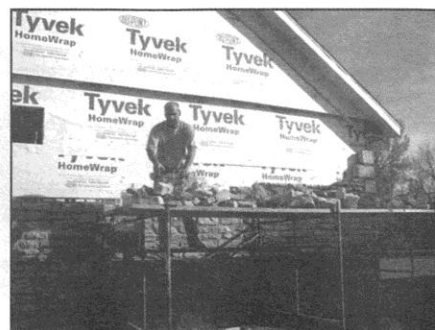
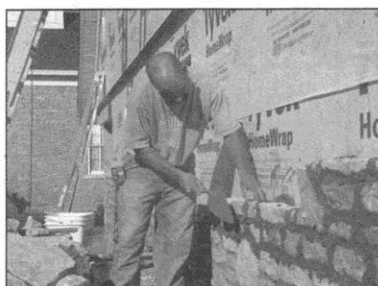
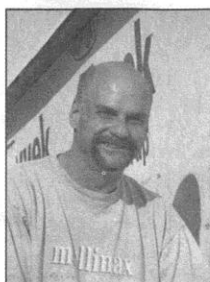
Donations

Used computer and ink-jet and laser printers were donated by **Claudia Brown**. The plan is for these items to be available to members for genealogical research when the new Museum building is open with a suitable office space.

KIHA has purchased over 100 negatives from **Thomas Root**, a professional photographer. Mr. **Root**, took a number of aerial views of Kelleys Island spanning 1956 to 1997. They are fascinating to look at. He was retiring and contacted us to see if we had an interest in the work. A donation had been made by **Jude Brown** to the Accessions Committee and it was used for this purpose. The Board is planning eventually to make some of the views available for museum displays and possibly as framed photographs for sale in our gift shop.

Other donations for museum displays include a U.S. Army shirt and insignias worn by **Jeffrey Norris** when he served in Vietnam. Also included in the gift are some photos from that era. Bronzed baby shoes from **Jeffrey Norris** and **Willard Norris** were also donated to the museum collection. The Norris gifts were donated by **Claudia Brown**.

Artisan at work



Brad Santoro of Sandusky and formerly of Bellevue is performing the masonry work on the front wall KIHA's new museum. Brad's assignment was to match as closely as possible the masonry on the Old Stone Church, as the new museum is to have an appearance similar to an old carriage house.

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Membership Application

Name: _____

Summer address: (from / / to / /) **P.O. Box** _____

Street: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **E-mail:** _____

Phone: _____ - _____

Winter address: P. O. Box _____

Street: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ - _____

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