



Merry Christmas - Happy New Year



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Mary Rosetta Navorska, oldest Island Resident at 92, received a fruit basket from Santa Claus.



Natalie Rae Holmes, youngest Island resident at eight weeks, visits with Santa. Also shown are her mother Debby and Santa's elves Vicki Sullivan and Renee Greenway.

Marblehead Drops Dock Objections

The Village of Marblehead officially dropped its objections to the construction of a ferry dock at a meeting on December 9. The Village had been opposed to the proposed dock, to be built and operated by the Kelleys Island Ferry Boat Line, with the contention the activities of the boat would interfere with the supply of water to the Village. The intake for the water system is situated in close proximity to the location of the proposed dock. The Village asserted the prop wash from the boat would increase turbidity and also accelerate the deposit of sediment around the intake.

While agreeing to withdraw objections lodged with the Corps of Engineers and the Ohio EPA, the Council also

passed an ordinance to accept a payment of \$37,600 from Capital Control Inc. to be used as part of the matching funds needed for an Issue 2 grant to relocate the water intake. Capital Control Inc. is one of a collection of companies controlled by Jim Palladino. Capital Control Inc. has a large presence on the Island in the Seaway Marina.

The Marblehead dock project was initiated in August of 1990, but has been held up pending issuance of construction permits from the Corp and the Ohio EPA.

Construction of the ferry dock on the Island is progressing nicely, with piling for the dock being installed. The permit for the Island portion was obtained in September.

Santa Claus Visits Christmas Potluck

The annual Island Christmas Potluck at the Old Town Hall was held on December 14. Santa Claus arrived and had a gift for all the children on the Island.

The annual event is spearheaded by the VFW, which provides Santa Claus with the tips and donations for the toy awarded to all the good little boys and girls.

Some other Island good "little" boys and girls also receive presents from Santa Claus. The youngsters, all over 80 years old were awarded fruit baskets provided the VFW. Those who behaved well enough during the year to earn the award, and were in attendance at the potluck, were Joe Onders, Leroy and Coradin Myers, Ester Sennish, Rosetta Navorska and Edna Carroll.

Completion of Airport and Waterline Work to be Delayed

The two major Village construction projects, the extension of the water lines and the widening of the airport runway, remain uncompleted and will probably remain that way until at least spring.

The extension of the waterline along Division, War Harbor Lane and Titus roads left behind long ridges of dirt one to two feet high along side the road. These mounds could interfere with snow removal, and could enhance the formation of drifts across the roads. The prime contractor, Underground Utilities, responded when

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Time To See Red at The Transfer Station Again

Mayor-elect Don Haas opened his report on the Transfer Station with the words "We are finally running out of money since not everybody paid." On the surface that would not seem to be that serious of a shortfall since the year is almost over. Unfortunately, if the same schedule is adhered to as last year, no additional revenues will be received for the Transfer Station until May, with the exception of the \$.50 per bag disposal fee charged at the transfer station. Thus, almost a half year of the fixed expenses (compactor rental, operator salaries, utilities and dumpster rental) have yet to be covered from last year's assessments.

It was also divulged that, in spite of all the exhortation to the contrary, recycling of Island refuse by BFI is not free, but is charged at the same rate as other material removed from the Island. When the bills for the transfer station were sent out, a list of items that could be disposed of without paying the per pound rate was enumerated. These were to include paper, aluminum, steel, plastics etc. that would be segregated and removed by BFI without charge and recycled. The Village even obtained a used beer truck from a beverage distributor that was to be used to store recyclable material brought to the transfer station. The truck has never been put into service because no storage bins were ever installed in the vehicle. The reason repeatedly offered for not equipping the truck so it could be used was that it might be foolish to spend the money to outfit the truck (estimated at around \$500) if the Village loses a test case to determine whether the legality of assessing each business and household a portion of the cost to operate the transfer station. The Village has instituted the test case against Jay Johnson for not paying his Transfer Station availability fee.

BFI recently removed the containers of scrap metal and aluminum that had been accumulated over the summer, but billed the Village for the same amount of disposal fees as if the material had not been recyclable. In explaining the discrepancy, Haas said that "if we ever had a contract with them, it was at the beginning and we never renewed any contract." He went on to say that BFI also brought over a collection of empty containers and charged the Village over \$580 transportation for each one.

Haas also said "Since we're not going to get credit for our scrap, I'd like Council to consider not accepting any old refrigerators and stoves for the rest of the winter, unless you want to set a fee for them. Up to now we took them for nothing, because we thought we could at least break even on them." This was partly in response to one individual recently filling a dumpster and a half with old appliances, according to John Kuyoth, Village Street Commissioner. No charges were levied against this disposal, since it was thought the scrap metal disposal would not cost the Village any money. However, just the transportation for the dumpster over and back will result in charges of over \$1,100. The Council took no action on this suggestion.

Suggestions were made that the problems with handling the transfer station for next year be taken up soon. This would allow the bills to be sent out earlier and would resolve the issue before the season begins in the spring. It is not likely the matter will be attended to until after the middle of January. Don Haas, current chairman of the Transfer Station Committee, will take over as mayor in January. Thus a newly appointed chairman will inherit one of the toughest and most emotionally charged assignments of Council.

Haas Sworn In as Mayor

Don Haas was given the oath of office for the position of Village Mayor after the Council meeting on December 12. Outgoing Mayor Rob McCullagh administered the oath to allow Haas to begin performing functions of the position on January 1.

Haas will hold his Council position until January 1 unless he chooses to resign sooner. Reports indicated that such an action was to have taken place on Saturday, December 14 with a special Council meeting to be called to vote on his replacement. It was rumored that McCullagh might be appointed to the remaining two years of the position. Apparently the required votes could not be arranged so the meeting was never held.

Village To Attempt To Recover Salary Overpayments

Several instances of pay irregularity were disclosed recently. It was revealed that the previous two Zoning Inspectors were recipients of more pay than was deserved for their service during the past year. At the November Council meeting, a resolution was introduced and passed to send letters to L. J. Greek and Don St. Julian requesting they return the overpayment amounts, which were not specified. The overpayments resulted from incorrectly applying the compensation formula for the issuance of building permits. Neither individual participated in these calculations, and St. Julian protested the pay as being more than he was due when it was presented to him.

In a related issue concerning zoning permit fees, it was revealed in the December 13 Planning Commission meeting that the previous two Village Clerks, Megan Joyce and Sharon Bianchi, had taken the zoning permit writing fee of \$10 and appropriated it as personal compensation for their services. The wording of the ordinance specifying the permit fees says the permit fee is to "be paid to the Village Clerk." It was asserted the meaning of the ordinance was merely to specify who was responsible for the collection of the money, and not that it was to be additional compensation for writing the permits. The permit work was ostensibly done during normal working hours of the Clerk, for which they were already paid.

The Planning Commission approved a new ordinance to be submitted to the Village Council removing the ambiguity of the language, and also redesigning the permit application.



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1991 Council Meeting Statistics

Pay increases for the members of the Village Council will go into effect on January 1, 1992. The current pay for a Councilman is \$72 per year. The raises, passed in a special Sunday meeting in October, will change the compensation to \$50 for a regular meeting and \$25 for a special meeting.

Through the middle of December, 26 meetings of Council were held during 1991. Thirteen of those meetings were regular meetings, and the other half were special meetings. Additionally two regular meetings were cancelled because of a lack of quorum. Adjusting for absent members, payment for the year would have been \$3350 for regular meetings instead of the current rate of \$432. The special meeting would have resulted in payments, again with allowances for absent members, of \$1950 compared to no pay under the current schedule.

Nine of the thirteen regular meetings were preceded by executive sessions.

Attendance at Council meetings broke down as follows:

| Councilman | Regular Meetings Missed | Special Meetings Missed | Total Missed |
|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Ed Currila | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Bob Gruly | 4 | 3 | 7 |
| Don Haas | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Chuck Herndon | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Jake Martin | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| Russ Matso | 0 | 1 | 1 |

Dandelions in December

The first week of December on the Island saw dandelions blooming in lawns. The unseasonably warm weather of mid-December abruptly changed on the weekend of the 14th. The weather service posted a "storm" warning which signifies winds in the 60 mph range, and which is more severe than a gale warning. Waves of 18-20 feet were forecast, and the water level in the western basin of the lake was expected to be down 80 inches below recent averages. All the slips along the south shore of the Island were dry by the evening of the 14th.

The winds increased precipitously around noon and gradually shifted from southwest to west by late afternoon. The wave action at first was fierce along the south and west shores but subsided when the water level receded causing the waves to break farther from the normal shoreline. Earlier in the day, when the waves were striking sharply, several cars were observed on Neuman's dock using the flying torrents of water caused by the pounding waves as a car wash.

Jerry Bozak was heard to comment that he enjoyed gaining the extra 500 feet of property, even if it was only for the night.


Village Solicitor Resigns

Village Solicitor Lee McDermond has announced that he will not accept the position after his term expires at the end of January, 1992. He cited other aspects of his practice and family considerations as reasons for not wanting to continue in the position.

He thanked the Village for the opportunity of representing them, saying that he enjoyed his tenure with the Village. He also characterized the experience as "interesting." He further added that he would be available for future consulting, and announced his resignation soon enough that he can assist his successor in the transition.

As various members of Council offered their thanks for the job he had done, he threatened to return sometime and sit in the audience and heckle them. That prompted Chuck Herndon to say he could take Buddy Yoscovits chair when he moves to the Council table. Replied McDermond "I don't know that I can fill that seat."

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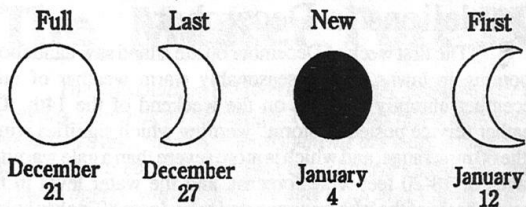


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Happy birthdays in late December go to Donna Singer on December 17, Laura Jean Pohorence on the 18th, and Donna Farmer on the 19th. Those celebrating in early January include Chuck Herndon on January 7, and Geraldine Betzenheimer and Bud Yoscovits, who share a January 14 birthday.

You may have heard that fishing has been good on the Island lately, but Bob Stoup has the best fishing story we've heard. He recently caught two trophy fish: a 14 pound walleye and a rare albino walleye. The albino was unusual enough that the ODNR wanted it, but Bob declined. He's having both mounted now, and will be showing them off around April.

L. J. Greek won the garden club's contest recently, and opted for a mixed bulb garden. Bruce Korenko has already begun putting the flowers in for him.

On a related note, Bruce reports that he and Bev Johnson have been naturalizing bulbs around the island. So far they have put in about 600 daffodils and another 250 mixed bulbs.

Stacey DeBoard reports that her parent's, Caroline and Richard DeBoard, Detroit home was broken into. Among the items taken were all their Christmas presents.

Marv Byer has been getting a lot of attention in the Sandusky Register recently. Marv, who has a home on West Lakeshore Drive, is closing his downtown Sandusky clothing store at the end of the year. The Register featured Marv on the front page of the second section of the December 8 issue. Also quoted in the article was Gary Finger, who thanked Marv for the help and advice Marv has given him in the start of the Fingers' On and Offshore store in downtown Sandusky. Marv was also the topic of the December 13 editorial which said their regret in the closing of the 44 year business "is more than just nostalgia. Marv has for more than four decades been a leader, cheerleader, and doer for Sandusky and its downtown. And he did it the hard way - with his money, his time and his personal effort."

Tea Time to a Tee

The Boston Tea Party was held in Boston harbor to protest British acts against the colonies. That was on December 15, 1773. One hundred and ninety eight years later, on December 10, a group of Island ladies met for another kind of a tea party. The group of Islander's met for a day of shopping in Cleveland that included a stop for "high tea" at the Ritz-Carlton Tower City, Cleveland. Those in attendance were Chris Yako, Lil Phinney, Nora Zettler, Carol Frindt, Virginia Neuman, Violet Feyedelem and Joann Wilson. Also joining the group were Kay Glaser and Pat Sarver of North Olmsted and JoAnne Perroz of North Ridgeville.

The group enjoyed the affair very much and pass on that High Tea is served daily at the Ritz-Carlton from 1:00 PM - 5:00.

Friday Night Volleyball

Volleyball games will be played on Friday evenings after the first of January from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the old Town Hall. These games will be for adults only, male or female. There currently are volleyball games on Mondays and Wednesday open to all ages. These games will continue.

Other Minutes Other Meetings

January 27, 1942

A letter read received from W. H. Spencer Strong relative to a local tire rationing board.

A letter read received from Air Raid Warden, Ohio State Council of Defense.

January 18, 1972

Mrs. Beatty presents suggestions for accomplishments during 1972 which includes rescinding amendment to the "gun ordinance," improving kitchen area in pavilion, converting basketball court to tennis court, make rules and regulations regarding use of the downtown park, and erect "Dead End" signs at streets leading to the lake with no turnaround.

Yoscovits reports he has received complaints regarding Charles Martin changing the structure of his barn without a building permit.

January 4, 1962

Mr. Cole states he has the petition from Sunset Point Subdivision for water, however there are not proper lot numbers and the petitions can not be accepted as is. The signatures are not two-thirds of the people owning property and until it is done right nothing can be done.



Lost and Found

All of the items on this page should have been printed in prior editions of the Perchie Press, but because of either misplacing them, running out of space, or laziness they were not included when they should have. Not wishing to enter a new year and a new Volume with unfinished business, they are presented here.

Scuba Class Graduates

A scuba diving class was taught on the Island during September and 11 Islanders as well as a participant from Put-in-Bay "survived" the class and received certification.

The class, which was taught primarily in the pool at Lynn Holdren's house, consisted of Mike Boryk, Chip Durham, Gary Finger, Pat Hayes, Steve James, Tim Kilko, Terry Kranyak, Mike Neuman, Kyle Paine, Mary Sennish, and Joel Trainer from Kelleys and Patrick Green from PIB.

Instructors for the class were Jack Wade, Huntington Lane, and Nick Mullet of Mullet Sporting Goods, Millersburg, OH. They were assisted by Wanda Mullet and Holly Cox.

Another class will be taught during a week next summer, yet to be determined. Anyone interested can contact Jack Wade or Gary Finger for more information.

Dick Navorska's Story

During the August Council meeting Dick Navorska stormed out of the meeting while vowing to "see you in court." The next issue carried a story telling of Dick's apology to those in attendance for the use of some explicit language, and promised to report on why Dick was so angry. We keep that promise by printing excerpts from an interview conducted with Dick the day following the tempestuous meeting.

For years I have been wanting to put a building on the dock for a bait shop. There is always some reason why you cant do this - they have this ordinance or that ordinance. Last year, Penny Kyle was going to check into it. She checked into it and said she would have to check further because she didn't know if mother owned the dock, whether the state owned the dock or whether the village owns the docks. And, nothing has happened since. Mother's been paying tax on it since 1944.

They said you couldn't build on the south side of the road. I said "There was a building there" which there was. They said once a building is gone it can't be replaced. Well John Neuman tore his buildings down and he replaced them. He moved his trailer off, and he replaced it. Jay Johnson put an addition onto his place. The Casino added on to theirs. I went down again and asked about the bait shop. Well, they got this "ordinance," you see.

I went down last night to ask about the bait house again. In fact there are the drawings that I have had for God knows how long, what it would look like and where it would sit on the dock down there. And instead I couldn't speak. That was his first statement, then I could have a minute, when everybody else was allowed two, so I'm only going to be allowed a minute. I just made

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T-Ball to a Tee

This story was written and submitted by Cindy Herndon.

On Wednesday mornings this past summer many of the children and parents gathered at the ball diamond ready to play ball. The T-ball crew has come a long way since our first morning. The Ulrich twins love to play now. They bat the ball and run the right way on the bases. The children have made great progress and have begun hitting the ball without using the "T". A big thank you to the older children who have been patient while the younger ones have learned new skills.

After two innings of play usually the heat of the day was building and enthusiasm waning so we pulled out a watermelon or popsicles.

Keep up the good work Kelleys Island Ball Players: Eric Eastman, Sherry and Morgan McGreevy, Sky and Colt Mielke, Katie and Sarah Finnegan, Holly, Joey, and Krista St. Julian, Kellee and Bryan Bonnell, Kelsey Haig, Blair Herndon, Chris Herndon, Matt and Mike Navorska, Nathan Wright, Diane Coffman, Lindsey Joyce, Steve and Matt Ulrich, Brandon Krzynowek, Eddie Terry, Mike Terry, William Manzeo, Melanie and Michael Leonard, Martin and Mathew Fisher, and Kevin Holmes.



We certainly hope this dog, named Sale, with good enough taste to fall asleep reading the Perchie, is house broken and not just paper trained.



We had promised to make Toshi, the Vietnamese Potbellied pig, our first centerfold. But we couldn't get a full frontal view.

Airport, Water...from Page 1

queried about the situation that they have 270 days to complete the project. They have removed all their equipment from the Island.

The contractor for the widening of the runway, Eric Blacktop, has asked for an extension for completion of the work. They have also asked for payment for the work already performed. The granting of an extension seems to be of academic interest, since they have removed all their equipment from the Island. Underground work has been done, as well as preparation of the area to be blacktopped. But no blacktopping has been done. Eric apparently abandoned efforts on this project to repave the runway on South Bass Island.

Airport Parking Stickers Must be Displayed

Airport parking permits must be displayed on all vehicles parked at the airport after January 1. The permits, available in the Village office, cost \$25. Any vehicle parked for more than two days must have a sticker. People parking at the airport are reminded that the area immediately north of the airport driveway and south of the Haig property is private and not owned by the Village. Cars should be parked on airport property and owners should park vehicles in a manner to allow for snow removal.

According to Airport Manager Ken Neuffer, the Village lost \$355 in unpaid parking fees last year.

Ordinance to Extend Harbor Line Gets First Reading

An Ordinance to extend the Village Harbor Line to the maximum distance allowed by law was given its first reading at the December Council meeting. Ohio law allows a municipal corporation to extend its jurisdictions into the lake up to two miles. The extension was suggested by the Planning Commission as an expedient to allow for future implementation of regulations governing certain nuisances such as noise from watercraft and operations with watercraft deemed to be reckless.

EMT Class Forming

A class to qualify for as an Emergency Medical Technician will be conducted in February if enough candidates can be found. The class will run for five weeks, with two eight hour days per week of instruction. If anyone is interested they can contact Ken Neuffer, Sally Dwight, or Russ Matso.



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Letters to The Editor

Dear Editor,

Your cartoon in the November 12, 1991 issue of your newspaper was in very poor taste.

It is difficult to assess what you are intimating by mentioning Don Haas, but the general tone infers this is a slur. We have known Don for many years and have yet to find him dishonest in any way.

You have lost two readers who, until your last biased issue of Perchie Press, enjoyed your newspaper very much.

Norman T. Pahler
Phyllis Ann Pahler

Dear Perchie Press

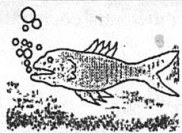
Thank you so much for hiring Rhonduh Behnke as your new proof reader. I have been an admirer of Rhonduh for sometime. Several years ago we became pen pals, but alas, we have never met face-to-face.

Rhonduh said she would come over on the next trimotor flight. I am not sure when that will be, but she assured me that it is on the schedule.

Thanks again Perchie.

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Post Office For The Dogs

It's that time again for certain seasonal things. Christmas cards need to be mailed, soon the taxes will have to be filed. In all the bustle of the season, don't forget about man's best friend. Dog owners in Erie County have to purchase licenses for dogs prior to January 20. The cost of a license, if purchased prior to the January 20, 1992 deadline, is \$8, and a kennel license is \$40. If these licenses are purchased after that date, the cost will double to \$16 and \$80 respectively.

Licenses can be purchased on the Island at the Post Office.

Failure to have a license on a dog over three months old is a misdemeanor punishable by up to a \$100 fine for the owner, and seizure and impoundment for the dog.

Transfer Station Hours Changed

The hours of operation of the Village Transfer Station have been changed. The transfer station will now operate Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday during the hours of 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM.



And Kelleys Island Too

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Don't Blame Rhonduh

The Perchie Press ordered calendars to present to subscribers, advertisers and readers. On the order form it was emphasized that "Kelleys" had the unusual spelling of an extra "e" and no apostrophe. Alas, the printer batted .500 and omitted the apostrophe, but also omitted the extra "e". So in keeping with a tradition that has been firmly entrenched after only seven months, the Perchie Press calendar for 1992 contains a typographical error.

This is especially tough to live down because of the coverage we gave to the Girls ball team and a similar mis-spelling on their shirts. Oh well, perhaps it is appropriate.

New Year's Eve Parties

There will be three public New Year's Eve parties on the Island this year. Matso's will have their usual festivities and the West Bay will have an open party, with a pay buffet. The VFW will also have a party.

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Dick Navorska's Story Continued from page 5

a statement there when my sister had asked a question, and then I asked him about the tail lights - if that law was in effect on the Island. So I was allowed a minute and I want to apologize in your little paper for the statement I made, because it sure wasn't for them. But as far as retracting it for the yo-yos on Council, no way.

And as far as taking them to court, I definitely intend to. Over the issue of the bait shop and discrimination and harassment, because there is no reason for this. Nobody, I don't care who you are, they should have an answer one way or another and not keep passing the buck. This has been going on for 30 years. We've been after them off and on and every time they change Council we try. It just cant be done, you cant do it, but everybody else can build on the south side of the road. As far as I can tell I don't think they have an ordinance that says anything about the south side of the road.

How long has it been since there was a building out there I have no idea, I couldn't tell you. It was there prior to when my dad bought the place in 1944. One of the things I've got against the Planning Commission is the fact they said that any new home that was built on the island had to be of the 18th century buildings. And what does that give you - dirt floors and log cabins. You would have oil lamps, no toilets, outside toilets.

I definitely intend to file a legal action against them for discrimination and harrassment. R and J bait was in business before we got married. They wouldn't let us put up a building then, that's how long we've been trying. And it was prior to that that nobody could build on the south side of the road, and right after that went into effect, Jake Martin's parents build a big house on the south side of the road - the Stone House. The one that belongs to Shadles. That ordinance was in, that you couldnt' build on the south side of the road so they built a house. Jay Johnson's little shed that he pulls down there to rent stuff out of is more than four foot above the street, because as soon as he put his addition on I went down and said "Whats the deal? Why am I being held up?". Well because that don't count. Then when Neuman got rid of his buildings and he started to build I said "How can he do this?" Well because. I dont have anything against Neumans doing it, but we have been trying for years.

Pretty soon I'll be old enough to forget the whole damn thing. So they will either see a building all of a sudden, or they will see a building on a barge, or I will buy a damn big boat and build it right on a boat and then they can go to hell because I'll buy a license for it. I've got all kinds of options.

Legal Sabers Rattled At Planning Commission

Chuck Herndon, as chairman of the Planning Commission, received a certified letter from a law firm representing certain island land owners. The letter read as follows:

This office represents Albert Fresch, Dan Ahner, and Dave Wolf with regard to the Port Matter (sic) Plan, and proposed Shore District Zoning and its impact and effect on the use of Lakeshore Drive property. As chairman of the Kelleys Island Planning Commission, I



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have been asked to contact you on their behalf and voice their strenuous objections to the proposed zoning change from the property's current Commercial Zoning classification to Port/Marina. Apparently this change came about at the Commission's November 22, 1991 meeting.

It is requested that the Commission take notice of the objection and our intent to oppose the reclassification to Port/Marina. Thank you for you anticipated cooperation in this matter.

The Planning Commission decided to refer the letter to the Poggemeyer group that has prepared the Port Master Plan and the Shore District zoning ordinance.

In other matters, the Commission reviewed the changes made by Poggemeyer to the shoreline zoning ordinance. The major

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The Perchie Puzzler

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| 1. Christmas | 25. Cards |
| 2. Holly | 26. Wrapping Paper |
| 3. Tree | 27. Eggnog |
| 4. December | 28. Sleigh Rides |
| 5. Snow | 29. Mistletoe |
| 6. Wreath | 30. Cookies |
| 7. Santa Claus | 31. Garland |
| 8. Elves | 32. Lights |
| 9. Reindeer | 33. Caroling |
| 10. Toys | 34. Red |
| 11. Stocking | 35. Chestnuts |
| 12. New Year | 36. Waldo |
| 13. Family | 37. Winter |
| 14. Bible | 38. Shopping |
| 15. Feast | 39. Grinch |
| 16. Children | 40. Silver Bells |
| 17. Bows | 41. Bethlehem |
| 18. Church | 42. Party |
| 19. Jesus | 43. Holy |
| 20. Music | 44. Cheer |
| 21. Candy Cane | 45. Poinsettia |
| 22. Ornament | 46. Icicles |
| 23. Frosty | 47. Skating |
| 24. Holidays | 48. Ho Ho Ho |

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changes were the additional classifications of Industrial Port Facilities and Commercial Port Facilities. The members spend a considerable amount of time attempting to define the meaning of the term "upland property" as used in the proposed ordinance. The two new classifications were added with the stipulation that all of the Port classifications could only exist where the upland property was zoned with a like classification (Commercial, Industrial).

Another major change to the ordinance would be the ban on allowing heavy equipment to remain indefinitely on the shoreline.

The Planning Commission hopes to submit the new Ordinance for Council Consideration in February.



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The Master Port Plan - Possible Wetlands

The presentation of material contained in the Master Port Plan resumes with this issue. The topic presented here is the section discussing wetlands on the Island. The subject of the definition of a wetland is currently under review by the federal agencies having jurisdiction over wetlands. The arguments are heated, and the potential effect is considerable. If the definition is relaxed, a wholesale loss of wetlands could occur. If the guidelines are tightened, and any of the three characteristic discussed as elements of a wetland exist on your property, you might not be able to fill in low spots or do anything else with the property. A future issue will carry a special report on the subject, but study the map carefully and you might be surprised at the amount of Island land that could be "wetland."

The Wetlands and Hydric Soils Analysis Map show the possible location of wetlands on Kelleys Island. This map was prepared by combining a National Wetlands Inventory Map with the Soils Map for Kelleys Island. The entire shoreline consists of wetlands that are both below and above the high water mark. Other wetlands also appear throughout the Island. Positive identification of wetlands would require the services of a qualified consultant or a determination by the Corps of Engineers.

The Benefit of Wetlands

Wetlands are unique and valuable natural resources that are becoming scarce. Rather than being the wastelands we once thought, wetlands have many beneficial environmental characteristics, such as:

1. Filtration of nutrients and sediments from the water, keeping lakes and streams clean.
2. Reduction of flood damage by storing runoff from heavy rains or snow melts.
3. Provision of spawning and nursery areas for fish.
4. Provision of habitat for waterfowl, pheasants, birds, and a number of rare or endangered animal and plant species.
5. Buffering of adjacent uplands against wave action and current erosion.
6. Provision of scenic and open spaces.
7. Provision of historical and cultural resources and related opportunities for education and research.
8. Provision of a natural system to process airborne pollutants.

Identification of Wetlands

There are varying definitions of wetlands. A general definition is an area inundated by surface or ground water at a frequency or duration to support and under normal circumstances support a prevalence of vegetation adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. The most widely accepted guide to wetlands identification is the Federal Manual for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands. The National Wetlands Inventory Maps prepared by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service provide the most comprehensive mapping of wetlands.

For an area to be considered a wetland by the Corps of

Engineers, it must possess three essential characteristics:

1. **Hydrophytic vegetation:** Plant life which grows in water, soil or a substratum that is at least periodically deficient in oxygen as a result of excessive water content.
2. **Hydric Soils:** Soils saturated, flooded or ponded long enough during the growing season to develop anaerobic conditions (absence of free oxygen) in the upper part.
3. **Wetlands Hydrology:** Permanent or periodic inundation, or soil saturation to the surface, at least seasonally.

The identification of the above criteria requires specialized training. Professional guidance from either the Corps of Engineers or a qualified consultant is required.

Status of Wetlands in Ohio

Currently, Ohio does not have a state law or a regulatory program for wetlands. Development which affects wetlands are regulated by the requirement to obtain a Corps of Engineers permit and an Ohio EPA permit.

H. B. No. 931 would create a state wetlands permit program to be administered by the ODNR Division of Wildlife, which is in the process of developing its own wetlands inventory maps created by satellite imagery and soil type information. This comprehensive mapping project is expected to be completed in 1995.

In addition to the permit program, H.B. 931 would create a wetlands protection fund and authorize municipal corporations, counties and townships to adopt more stringent wetlands protection ordinances.



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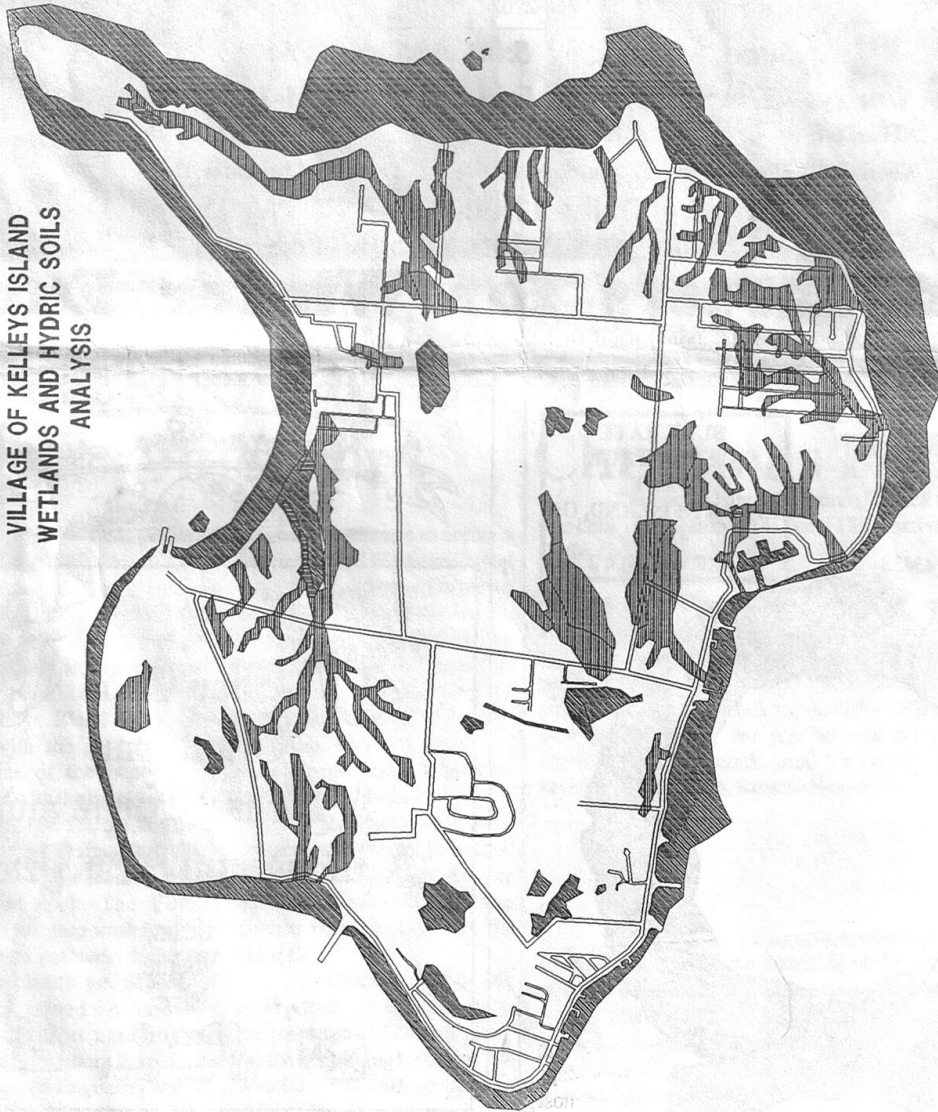
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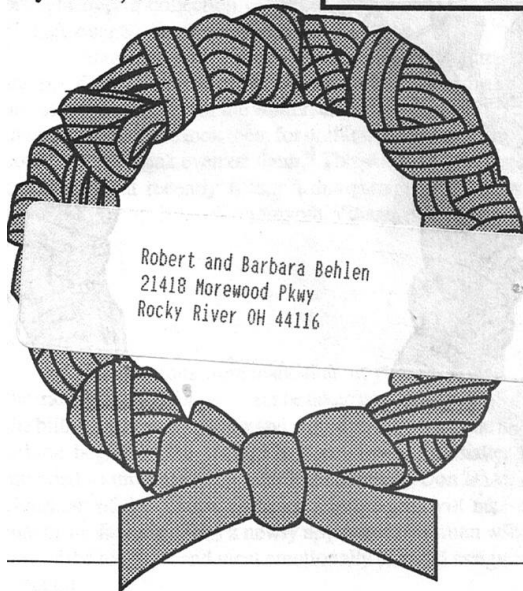
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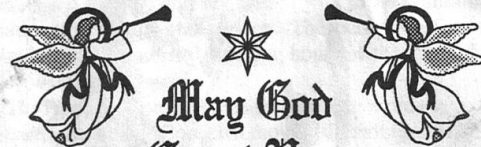
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