

New Publisher Kelleys Life Newspaper



Greetings island residents, visitors and readers of Kelleys Life newspaper. I hope you and your family are well and keeping safe. I am the new publisher for *Kelleys Life* newspaper. My name is Sharon Leidheiser and my husband Gary and I are summer residents of the island. Gary is also the 4-H Camp Director. We have been long-time summer residents of the island. We own a house with other family members and Gary's been coming to the island since 1956. When we married he introduced me to the island; its history, beauty and charm. We love the island community and are members of the Landowners Association.

I took over the newspaper in possibly the worst time in history with the coronavirus closing businesses and restaurants only allowed to deliver or take "to go" orders. However, I'm a survivor and former business manager and *Kelleys Life* newspaper will survive too. With historical articles, a new front cover color in July and other exciting changes this newspaper will thrive!

I'd love to hear any ideas you have for the newspaper and would love to meet you.

You can email me at: KelleysLifeNewspaper@gmail.com

Be safe, Be happy, Sharon

Scrap Metal Recycling Day

Where: Kelleys Island Transfer Station

When: Saturday, June 6, 2020 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm or until container is full.

Cost: Free except for Freon removal (\$10 per appliance-subject to change if rates increase)

You can make recycling a way of life!

Recycling is a great way to save money and make a positive environmental impact. Erie County has thirteen recycling centers, a list of which is posted at the Village of Kelleys Island posting places.

The following items are accepted at the Erie County Recycling Centers:

Glass: jars and bottles only, all colors.

Cans: Aluminum, steel & bi-metal cans from food & beverages, empty dry paint cans, empty aerosol cans.

Plastic: Beverage & laundry product bottles marked with a #1 or #2 on the bottom.

Paper: Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, office paper, junk mail & paperboard boxes.

Cardboard: Clean corrugated, without wax coating or foil.

Keep it clean, remove lids & discard, bag cans, glass and plastics together, separate paper types.

Aluminum cans are collected at the Village of Kelleys Island Transfer Station for recycling.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt



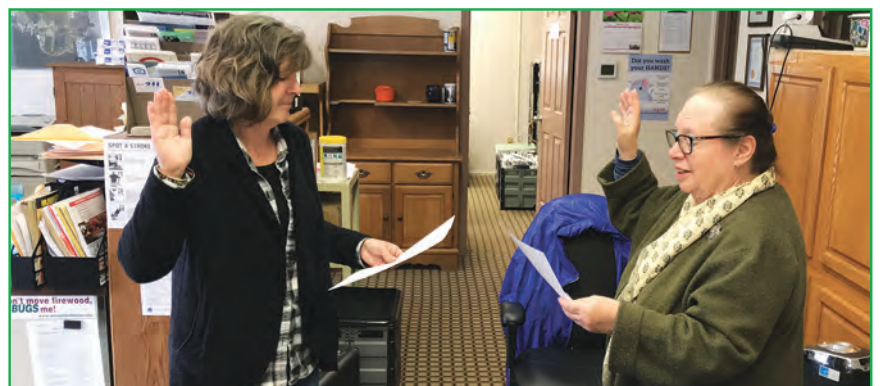
Due to the recent pandemic, it was not possible to hold the traditional Easter Egg Hunt in Memorial Park.



However, the Village Pump provided families with Easter bags that were handed out by the Easter Bunny at their Pick-Up window on Easter morning. Thank you to Tina Callari, Chicklet's Closet, for providing the Easter Bunny. Thank you to everyone that contributed to making this a wonderful event.

Happy Easter!

From the Mayor's Desk



Lisa M Klonaris, new Clerk-Treasurer, being sworn in by Claudia Brown, retiring Clerk-Treasurer.

It has been a rough couple of months for all of us here on Kelleys Island. We are all wishing that this virus would just go away. As we know, this is not going to happen. I do appreciate that we are all following the Governor's guidelines to be safe. Following the orders of washing hands, safe distancing and quarantining for two weeks, if coming from out of state, we should be trying to set the example for our seasonal residents that are returning. Let's all continue to do our part to limit the spread of this virus as we are, "All in this Together". Thank you to all that have reached out to help others during this time.

As for Village news, on March 31st, Claudia Brown, doing her last official duty, swore in Lisa Klonaris, our new Clerk-Treasurer. Lisa has been working very hard to get familiarized with everything

and preparing for her first council meeting as Clerk-Treasurer. Along with that, we had our first video conferencing Village Council Meeting on April 11th and it was a success. A few minor stumbles, but no major problems. A Thank You to Steve Wermuth who helped us get through the morning without any glitches.

Spring is here, the flowers are blooming, the grass is growing, and temperatures are trying to get warmer. Our maintenance crew consisting of Robert Skeans, "Bobby", has been doing a great job of keeping up with the spring growth and I would like to commend him for a job well done. Memorial Park looks better than it has in sometime. "Thank You Bobby".

That is all for now, everybody keep up the good work and "Stay Safe". Ron Ehrbar, Mayor



KILA Korner

After a long winter and still in self quarantine, the KILA board met in April. But, rather than the in person, face to face meeting at Estes school, we met via Google Hangouts. And, by all accounts, from computer savvy “geeks” to Luddites, we had a pretty successful meeting.

Of course, the big issue is the covid-19 virus and how it affects our daily life both on and off Kelleys Island. We'll just have to follow our national, state, and local leaders for the level of activities on Kelleys Island.

Scheduled activities on KI are in flux. Local businesses; restaurants & bars, merchants, rental properties, fishing, and all services are severely impacted. Many events are either “on hold” or already postponed/cancelled. KILA's Welcome back Potluck scheduled for May 18th has been postponed. While Homecoming on August 7-8 is still planned, we are monitoring if this event will be possible. If we're in “Phase 3” by then, we may be able to have the celebration.

KILA wants to help support our local business as well as Kelleys Island residents. We have suspended the issuance of “KILA Kards” to KILA members this year. These cards offered discounts to members from several merchants. Because of the business impact of the virus, KILA has not asked these merchants to offer discounts this year. We do encourage everyone to support our local businesses.

Each year, KILA holds a raffle which concludes at Homecoming. We still plan to have a raffle to help support projects to improve and enhance Kelleys Island. KILA will be purchasing gift cards or certificates from KI business to use as prizes for the raffle. So, participating in the raffle by buying tickets will help both KI business and the island in general.

As an island focused project, KILA will be giving washable cotton masks to KI property owners. We expect to distribute these masks by the end of May. Details of distribution are not finalized at this time, but we expect to give each property owner household two masks. You do not have to be a KILA member. These are compliments of KILA to promote safe social distancing.



Please watch our website <https://kila.rocks/> and our Facebook page for details on how to get your masks and updates or announcements about KILA events.

Also, please remember to renew your KILA membership or become a new member.

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 224 Division St. (a short walk from downtown)
 www.KelleysIslandHistorical.org
 KImuseum@msn.com
 Kelleys Island History Museum

*Our opening has been delayed
 Updates will be on our website & Facebook page
 Our displays this year are new-Suffrage & Island Doctors
 Our gift shop is new and the Resale shop is overflowing*



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Kelleys Island 2020 Calendar of Events

Events are still in the process of being cancelled and / or rescheduled.
 Please be sure to check the Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce NEW
 website for changes. www.kelleysislandchamber.com

MAY		
27	Ohio Bike Week - CANCELLED	Island-Wide
JUNE		
7	5 & 10K Run/Walk - CANCELLED NEW DATE TBA	Memorial Park
12-14	Bacon Fest	KI Wine Co.
13-20	Ohio Craft Beer Week	Caddy Shack & Island House
19-20	Razzles Volleyball Tournament	Seaway Marina
22	International Student Dinner	Village Pavilion
27-28	Mad River Bike Tour	Island-Wide
28	M-A-W Horseshoe Tournament	KI Wine Co.
JULY		
4	Russ Wilson Cornhole Tournament	Ball Field
11	KI's Got Talent - CANCELLED	Memorial Park
13-17	Vacation Bible School	St. Michael's Catholic Church
16	KI Bartender Olympics	Peeper's
17-19	Island Fest	Memorial Park
20-24	Vacation Bible School	Zion United Methodist Church
24-26	Film Fest	Ball Field & Town Hall
27-31	Nature Camp (4-11 years old)	KI Field Station
AUGUST		
1	Arts & Crafts Fair	Historical Museum
1	Make-a-Wish Golf Cart Poker Run	KI Wine Co.
2	Make-a-Wish Benefit Swim	TBD
3-7	Adult Nature Camp (21+)	KI Field Station
7	Justin Horseshoe Tournament	KI Wine Co.
7-8	Homecoming – KILA	Village Pavilion
12	International Student Dinner	Village Pavilion
22	Poker Run / Dice Roll	Peeper's
29	KI Outdoor Adventure Weekend	Island – Wide
SEPTEMBER		
5	Find the Apple of Your Eye	Herndon Galleries
5	Island Singers Concert	Town Hall
6	Glacial Glimpses	Audubon Club
12	Treasurer Island Day	Island Wide
12	Butterfly Fest / Yard Sale	Historical Museum
19	Wine, Art and Food Faire	KI Wine Co.
19	Feathers & Foliage	Audubon Club
26	Lobster Fest	Village Pump
OCTOBER		
3	Harvest Fest	Memorial Park
3	Oktoberfest	West Bay
10	21st Annual Chili Cook-Off	Peeper's
14	Owl Banding (thru Nov. 23)	Audubon Club
16-18	Murder Mystery	KI Venture Resort
17	Trunk or Treat – Seaway Marina	KI Wine Co.
17	EMS Pumpkin Carving	Peeper's
17	Kid's Halloween	KI Wine Co.
17	Family Hay Ride-KILA	4-H Camp
17	EMS Terror at Town Hall	Town Hall
24	Adult Halloween	Island-Wide
24	Day of the Dead Celebration	KI Wine Co.
NOVEMBER		
6 - 8	Owl Fest	Audubon Club
15	Half Marathon & 5K	Village Pump
27	Thanksgiving Pot Luck	Village Pump
27	Annual Park Lighting-KIFD	Memorial Park
28	OSU Tail Gate Party	Village Pump
28	Sights, Sounds, & Scents of the Holidays	KI Wine Co



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News From the Kelleys Island Historical Association

We were so excited about opening up the Museum, gift shop and resale shop – but as you know, things took an unexpected turn with the COVID-19 restrictions. Normally we open up on weekends from mid-May to the second weekend in June, then go to seven days a week. However, we want to protect our volunteers and visitors and with the restrictions on travel, a May opening looks very iffy. We will keep you posted on our Facebook, website pages and on our signs.

But, that does not mean we have been sitting back and relaxing. Sonia has been working at the resale shop rearranging things to make them even more appealing. Leslie has been exploring new sources of items for the gift shop that are not available anywhere else on the island.



lot more. The pirate section has expanded and there are more things to keep kids happy and busy, like magic kits and bath time fun. There are loads of really cute items for the home, garden and kitchen. Many of the smaller items are available in our online store (KelleysIslandHistorical.org click on Gift Shop) and we included photos of items that we cannot ship but are available in very limited quantities (we only buy 2-4 of an item so when they go they are truly gone). So watch for our season opening (whenever that occurs) and stop by and say hello to everyone.

Vegas Night – After much deliberation and weighing of options, we decided to cancel the Vegas Night fundraiser for this year. But we are working on a date for 2021. It was such a great idea, and our team worked so hard and made such great arrangements that cancelling it entirely was not an option. Now this gives you a whole year to think of the perfect costume.

www.KelleysIslandHistorical.org
Facebook: Kelleys Island History Museum



New this year is the Harry Potter section that includes Marauder's maps, Hermione's time necklace, Dobby Is Free socks, Gryffindor scarves, wizard wands, and a whole

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For updates on open businesses and events, visit www.KelleysIslandChamber.com

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Kelleys Island Park Board Bulletin

The Kelleys Island Park Board is ready to begin another busy summer season, improving our parks and preserves, with projects to enhance the enjoyment of residents and visitors. Monday, May 22 is the first meeting at 5:00 pm at the Village Pavilion. The meetings are open to the public. Ideas and suggestions for Park Board projects are appreciated.

The year 2019 was very busy with numerous projects completed and others begun. Included are improvement to the drainage at the ball field (Dave Marco and Bob Simonson); addition of new picnic table base, picnic table and two park bench bases (Kelleys Island Community

Chest, Dave Marco and the military camp kids); re-striping the tennis court for three games, basketball, tennis and pickle-ball; upgrading the electrical system at the Village Pavilion with 250 amp service and all new GFI receptacles; Curilla Preserve trail cut and main entrance sign installed; main entrance sign installed at Huntley-Beatty Preserve; Quinn Preserve trail cut (Chris Ashley, Tom Bartlett and Mike Mielke); privately owned stone stored in Curilla Preserve removed.

On-going projects include the Master Plan for the Pavilion park and pollinator garden areas in Memorial Park and Pavilion Park. More new

projects will be presented this season.

The three Preserves, donated to the Village of Kelleys Island by the Western Reserve Land Conservancy (WRLC), are under a conservation easement of the Cleveland Museum of Natural History and the WRLC. Both agencies make annual inspections of the Preserves and assist in maintaining encroachment from neighboring properties, removing invasive species and assuring that the Kelleys Island Park Board is maintaining the property in accordance with the deeds.

The Park Board's responsibility is to maintain the Preserves and pro-

vide hiking and nature environments that provide wholesome activities for residents and visitors. The Preserves help maintain property values of neighborhoods and the quality life for all to enjoy.

We invite you to attend meetings and offer your suggestions to improve our parks and Preserves. Or tell any of the members your ideas. Park Board members are: Robby Zettler, Marvin Robinson, Tom Pieratt, Lisa Klonaris and June Campbell.

Five members of the community serve on the Kelleys Island Park Board, each with a five year staggered term. Current members and the dates their terms expire are: Tom Pieratt –

2020; June Campbell – 2021; Lisa Klonaris – 2022; Marvin Robinson – 2023; Robby Zettler – 2024. Three members are appointed by the Mayor with the Council approval, and two are appointed by the School Board. Members may be reappointed when their term expires.

June Campbell, President
Kelleys Island Park Board

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VFW NEWS

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KI Audubon Happenings

Judy Dushane

Kelleys Island Audubon Club (KIAC) cares about your health and safety. So we are cancelling our indoor potluck/meetings for now. Instead, people interested in a nature walk can meet at the school at 7:00 PM. Social distance guidelines will be in effect for the walks.

Nest with the Birds is cancelled for the public. Tom Bartlett will still be doing banding but, no one other than the official banding team will be permitted.

Though organized activities may be different the birds are still coming through. Spring migration is in full swing and you can still enjoy seeing the birds. Check the KIAC website: www.kelleysislandnature.com for further information. Also members should have received our newsletter, the Hoot Owl by now.

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Editor's Note: Stories written without a by-line are written or compiled by Kelleys Life editor. Kelleys Life is not responsible for the views of its writers or editor.

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Kelleys Island Police Department

Greetings friends and neighbors. We're all experiencing a challenging, unpredictable and anxious moment in our history, both locally and nationally. The news and updates are coming faster than we can keep up with them, and every one of us is affected in some way. As we navigate this challenge, the Village of Kelleys Island Police Department can lean on our strength: working together. It's time to do our part to support one another, to stay safe and to save lives. While I know it's hard, it's important that we follow recommendations on social distancing, staying home if possible especially when we're sick, avoiding social gatherings and postponing non-essential travel and trips. These are difficult actions, but they're necessary.

As you've heard, our mission right now is simple: help reduce and prevent community spread of the virus that causes COVID-19. This helps to ensure that our most vulnerable stay safe and that our health systems maintain the capacity to care for those who sick. Otherwise, even an exemplary health care system like ours can become overwhelmed. Our incredible staff here at the Kelleys Island Police Department is continuing to coordinate with county, state and federal officials in our response. This situation has proven to change from hour to hour, and we continue to adapt to the guidance we're provided with. What I can tell you is that the Kelleys Island Police Department is committed to provide critical service, reliable information and steady leadership regardless of how long this epidemic takes.

This includes planning now for the future. We know the incredible economic burden this event has had on our residents and our businesses. We the Kelleys Island Police Department will continue to provide the safety and security for the residence and their homes. We will continue to go that extra mile in providing welfare checks to the elderly and their families during this time of need. We also will assist with the local businesses on maintaining the economic momentum we've built of the last decade as becoming ONE as a family. With so much coverage on television and social media it can be hard to keep up, or even knowing what is relevant or fake news to us here at home. So if you have questions don't hesitate, during this health emergency to contact the Erie County Health Department at (419) 626-5623 or www.eriecounty-healthohio.com to receive updates about the COVID-19.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact myself at (419)746-2735 or email me at policechief@kelleysisland.us. This is hard, there's no doubt about that. But I know that we're up to the challenge. Take care of yourself. Take care of your family and your neighbors. Be sure to express gratitude to the Health Service, Law Enforcement & Fire and other workers who are on the frontline during this time. I leave you with a bible scripture from Isaiah 26: (3-4) those of steadfast mind you keep in peace because they trust in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for in the Lord God you have an everlasting rock.

Respectfully,
Shawn M. Craig, Chief of Police



EMS News

I hope everyone reading this is healthy and safe. It looks like we might still be isolated for a little longer. This is the time of year when we normally start to get busy!

Congratulations to Bernadette Koshla and Robert Skeans on completing the requirements to recertify their National Registry EMT cards. They have received the required 40-hours of continuing education spread out over the past

two years. Once we are no longer isolated, the EMS Volunteers will be able to receive additional training in preparation for the Summer Season.

EMS Week was May 17th through May 23rd. Thank the Kelleys Island EMS for all the hard work they do to continue providing emergency services to all in need.

Sharon A. Devine, Paramedic
Kelleys Island EMS



May

- 1 - Molly Leckler
- 2 - Madeline Walker
- 3 - Barbara Feyedelem Donnelly
- 4 - Mark Schodowski
- 4 - Bill Campbell Sr.
- 5 - Eric Nedrow
- 7 - Kirt Zettler
- 8 - Jodie Smith
- 9 - Pat Seeholzer
- 12 - Kathi Thomas
- 12 - Paige Fisher
- 13 - Heidi Quinn
- 13 - Randy Lorenz
- 14 - Jonathan Burns
- 15 - Connor McCafferty
- 18 - Sandra Elfers Cairelli
- 19 - Angela Burns
- 22 - Mark Priebe
- 24 - Dan Kranyak
- 24 - Kyle McCafferty
- 24 - Ken Weibel
- 25- Janet Beck
- 25 - Ron Ehrbar
- 25 - Victor Elfers
- 25 - Joe Joyce
- 29 - Beverly Vetovitz
- 30 - Alison Priebe

June

- 1 - Jonathan Schodowski
- 1 - Bill Campbell Jr.
- 2 - Keegan McCafferty
- 2 - Jessica Shenker
- 2 - Kelley (Elfers) Yorks
- 2 - Leslie Algase
- 3 - Dave Rich
- 5 - Jan Lochotzki
- 6 - Mark Walters
- 8 - Lauren Kranyak
- 8 - Lillie Leckler
- 9 - Amy Karpowicz
- 9 - Erin Sandvick
- 10 - Benjamin Elfers
- 11 - Stuart Humphrey
- 12 - Kreg Vetovitz
- 14 - Shane Nelson
- 14 - Jennifer Volz
- 15 - Doug Karpowicz
- 16 - Eric Benjamin Elfers
- 16 - Johanna Vetovitz
- 17 - Kristen Pascoe Krecic
- 19 - Ernie Bell
- 19 - Mac Quillen
- 20 - Deb Brian
- 21 - Drew Algase
- 22 - Brad Bechtel
- 22 - Ty Bell
- 22 - Dale Pilcavage
- 23 - Anne Lynn Smith
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Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau Update

Jordan Killam, Director

So...things are going to be a little different this season. Our #1 goal at the Chamber is to communicate what's happening - whether it's messaging from the Mayor, Council, Safety Forces, or any other business or organization on

the island.

Our other focus is promoting safer tourism of Kelleys Island. Most states are not "open" for tourism yet, as I write this. In fact, Ohio is not even open for tourism, technically. However, we choose to be realistic about the hoards

of people itching to leave their homes after long spats of quarantine. They're coming anyway, so we have to make sure both they AND you (island residents, business owners, and employees) are safer.

You may not see us at our office just yet. While our brochure racks may be stocked, we have not yet figured out how to run our office safely during this time, as we receive thousands of visitors a season. We do not know if we have the budget for personal protective equipment (PPE) to do this. However, you know you can always call (419) 746-2360 or email info@kelleysislandchamber.com and I'll get back to you with whatever you need. We are also looking at other ways to be "on duty" but not physically there. Stay tuned.

Many events will be modified, cancelled, or postponed. With murky information from our state about how many people can gather in public, we just don't know how to proceed at this moment in time. We understand that this is frustrating (believe me, it's frustrating for us, too). Please try to be patient. Please use our social media (Facebook page) and our website, www.kelleysislandchamber.com, as a place to look for the latest updates on the events of the season.

We will be talking a LOT about safety. We know that welcoming tourists back to the island is vital for our members, but we don't want anyone to forget that COVID-19 is still a real and present danger. Expect a lot of posts and signage reminding visitors about the safest ways to interact with our businesses during this time. We, as an organization, are proponents of mask wearing whenever possible, common sense hygiene practices, and staying home if you are sick.

We'll be asking for your help and feedback. Business owners and organization leaders, it's extremely crucial you share your experiences with us about reopening. We want to keep in touch with our state legislators and let them know what's going on. What's working and what's not working? We're happy to pass on the message. Please also let us know how we can better communicate with our visiting public about how to interact with your business or organization as we reopen.

Finally, I want to wish you all the best in this strange time. I believe we're all resourceful, can-do island folk - and we're perfectly capable of making this work in the best way we can. The Chamber is here for you, too. We're in this together and we're #KIStrong!

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"Island Residents Need to Respond to 2020 Census"

Good Morning Kelleys Island Leaders: I am a Partnership Specialist with the US Census Bureau, focused on Erie, Ottawa and Sandusky Counties. My role is to encourage participation and to share the self-response progress on the 2020 Census. Currently, Erie County's self-response rate is currently 56.6%, but the Village of Kelleys Island's self-response rate is 5.3%. The Put-in-Bay Gazette News article, "Island residents need to respond to 2020 Census," outlines similar challenges (Put-in-Bay- 12.2%).

I am sure you know that census data is used to determine representation and to inform how federal tax dollars are distributed for the next 10 years. Funding for emergency services, health care, schools, grants and much more are negatively impacted when communities fail to get a complete count of the population.

Kelleys Island residents need to know that the census is still ongoing! Completing the census is vitally important to your community's future. Please email, post on your websites, or message residents with the following information:

Thank you to the Kelleys Island residents who have responded to the Census. If you haven't responded yet, it's not too late. Please do one of the following.

1. Go online to 2020census.gov to complete the questionnaire online.
2. Call: 844-330-2020 to respond by phone. When prompted to enter the Census ID, enter the code if you received one OR select the "If you do not have a Census ID, click here." It will ask for your address, then will go into the survey questions.
3. Complete the paper copy of the census which will be mailed to non-responders this month.

We encourage everyone to respond now to eliminate the need to have a Census Taker come door-to-door to interview non-responders.

You can follow Kelleys Island's progress yourself. The self-response rates are updated daily on web site.

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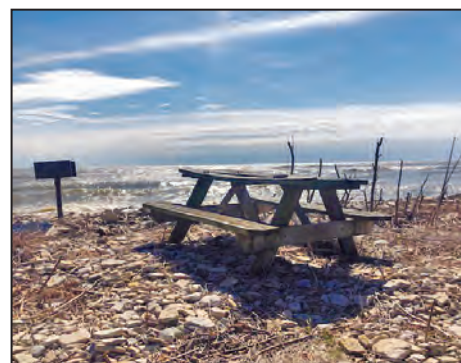
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OBITUARIES

Joanne B. (Janka) Golias



June 2, 1932 ~
March 31, 2020 (age 87)

Joanne B. Golias, age 87, of Kelleys Island, died Tuesday night, March 31, 2020, at the Sunset

House, Toledo.

To her children, Joanne was mom, mommy, momma, "jeezus christ mom", and Joaner... to her grandchildren, she was grandma and nana-boat, the latter for when they took the ferry boat to visit nana at her home on Kelleys Island. To her late husband

Robert, she was Joanne and sometimes "god-damnit it Joanne"... she could be feisty! To her doctors, she was a very special patient, to her nurses and aids, Joanne was always their favorite. Her devoted aid and "adopted grandson" Sam Jordan said she was the closest thing he knew to a saint on earth; we are forever grateful to his love and excellent care for our mom over the years at Sunset House.

A 1949 graduate of John Adams High School, she married Robert D. Golias in 1955, and worked as an Executive Secretary for Republic Steel, became a Medical Transcriptionist at Marymount

Hospital, and retired with Robert to Kelleys Island, working as an assistant to the clerk for the Village. Many Islanders will remember her driving her jeep, and food prepping tartar sauce at The Village Pump. When we got to the K.I. house, she greeted us with a full buffet spread of food saying, "I just made a few things"! Joanne could light up a room with her smile, her quick wit and her uncanny ability to make friends everywhere she went.

Daughter of the late Joseph and Helen Janka, sister of the late Lenny Janka, she is survived by sister Fay Roman, sons Bob (Julie), David (Sharon) and daughters Diane, and

Carol (Patrick) Conlan. Beloved grandmother of Emily, Sarah, Lizzy, Neil, Piper, Cooper, Parker, Tate and Sam, and numerous nieces and nephews. Joanne planned everything, so she requested no wake, but instead, a gathering of loved ones and friends with mass on Kelleys Island. We will schedule a proper celebration of Joanne's life when social distancing is a thing of the past... hugs will be required. We will miss her forever!

Ransom Funeral & Cremation Service, Castalia, is in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences may be shared with the family by visiting www.ransomfuneralhome.com

Leo Goldner



Leo Goldner was born in Toledo Hospital on July 3rd, 1923, son of Herman and Margret Fleichochoer Goldner and brother to his beloved sister Josephine (Meyer) Teitlebaum (deceased).

Leo died on Saturday February 1, 2020 in Aventura, Florida. For many years the Goldner's lived above their family dry goods store called the Chicago Bargain House.

He lived in a Hungarian immigrant neighborhood in East Toledo and learned to speak fluent Hungarian. He was an avid Stamp collector and a yoyo champion. He was the only Jewish Boy in his Elementary and H.S. He learned to defend himself against neighborhood bullies by learning Judo and quickly worked his way up to Black Belt 5th degree status. He had release parochial time in elementary school but instead of taking 2 bus's to go to his synagogue, he agreed at the

request of the Monsignor of St. Stephen's Church, to become an altar boy at St. Stephens Church, an interesting choice for a Jewish boy.

There are pictures of Leo hanging in Waite High School and in St. Stephen's Church where he donated the bronze statue of St. Stephen, which still stands there out front today on Genesee Street. He Graduated from Waite High School, as a member of the National Honors Society. After graduating from High School, he attended the University of Toledo to study pre-law, was on the wrestling and tennis team and joined the Lamda Chi fraternity, and tennis. Upon the invasion of Pearl Harbor, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. There, as a lowly private, he was eventually sent to officer's candidate school to become a Lieutenant. Eventually he was assigned to be shipped to Manila in the Philippines where he had many harrowing experiences. In the Army, he served under General George C. Marshall as chief of staff and helped liberate the Philippines under General Douglas MacArthur where he was

injured in hand to hand combat. He had no less than 12 medals and five decorations including the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. He served as director of USO Camp Shows in the Western Pacific after being wounded in battle. He was an expert Magician and Hypnotist.

During the time he was an infantry officer, he used two three day passes to marry, the love of his life, Marian Rachel Baron, to whom he was married for 76 years. Marian always claimed that their secret to a long, happy marriage was easy: separate bathrooms

After being discharged from the Army he worked at the family dry goods store, but really wanted to have a store of his own. In the end, he accepted a job offer from his brother-in-law, Jerry Baron at Baron Steel Company. There he flourished as a salesman, making an unheard of million dollars for the firm, his very first year. Later, he and his brother-in-law Sidney Baron, started Tyler Steel, in 1953. Two years later, Leo started Parker Steel Company, which today is the number one distributor of metric metals in the nation.

Leo and Marian began their married life in a house on Vermont Street in Toledo. In 1955 they built a home in

Ottawa Hills. He included in the home a Theater room where he could perform magic tricks. The grandchildren remember the room included a free candy machine, a movie screening area, jumbo projection TV, popcorn machine and an ice cream soda fountain with seating for six.

He was past president of the Association of Steel distributors, founding member of Magicians' Ring 68, Toledo, Ohio. He was the longest living member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians (where he was awarded the Order of Merlin), where he joined on his 16th birthday. He and his wife were founding members of the Toledo Chapter of Hillel at the University of Toledo. He did hundreds of Hypnosis demonstration benefiting Waite High School and raised over \$200,000 for scholarships.

For well over 34 years he was State of Israel Bond Chairman for NW Ohio and traveled to Israel over 20 times. He was on the National Board of Myasthenia Gravis Foundation, the Darlington House, (home for the aged) the Elks Club, the Kiwanis, a 32nd degree Mason, the Damascus Lodge, as well as a member of Temple B'nai Israel, Temple Shomer Emunim, Congregation Etz Chayim, and the American Israel Policy Conference. He was also a member of the American Society of Clinical Hypnotists, National Guild of Hypnotists Gold Baton Group at Toledo Symphony Orchestra, President's Council of the Toledo Museum of Art, and the Ohio Governor's Club.

He is listed in Who's Who in America, and is a member of the Jewish Community Center, where he taught Judo for many years. He was an avid boater and fisherman as well as being an expert boat Captain and sea and lake fisherman, known for gourmet cooking, especially Hungarian Turkey.

Leo was President of Parker Steel Company, board member of Temple Shomer Emunim, Couples Club Co-chair, and Chairman of the board of the Footlighters' Club of South

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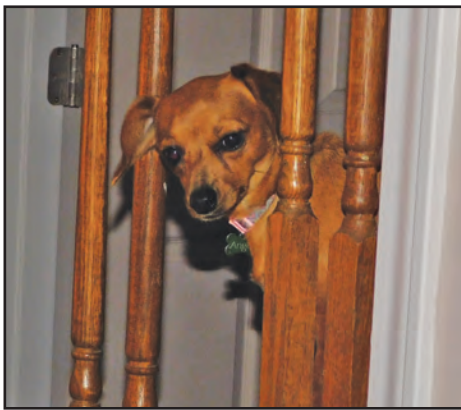


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The last 24 hours were some of the happiest and saddest of Carol's and my lives.

We were married yesterday and had a reception at the house with family and friends. We were going to south Texas and Mexico for a week for a honeymoon. Grace and Angel were going to stay with Carol's daughter Lisa for the week. They have stayed with Lisa before. The excitement of strangers coming and going and all of Carol's grandchildren was very exciting for Grace and Angel. Lisa took them home in a car full of kids to end a couple of days of excitement. Angel gets excited easily while Grace is laid back. About 10:00 pm Angel had a seizure and her heart arrested. Lisa (a nurse) gave her CPR



and got her back. Lisa rushed her to the SETX Animal Emergency Hospital. We got there about 10:30 pm and she had another seizure. The doctor got her back again and let us (including Grace) see her. After 11:00 pm she had another seizure. After three more times getting her back Angel went to heaven about 4:00 am.

We are not going on a honeymoon. We will have her cremated tomorrow. Grace is upset and lost without her sister. We can't leave her alone. They were a year old 18 days ago. Grace has never spent a day or



night without Angel at her side. The vet believes anxiety may have triggered the epileptic seizure after several days of excitement. Our hearts are broken.....how some being could bring so much joy in our lives leaves us so sad when with the lost that joy.

Grace has to do double duty of providing joy to our lives despite being alone with the loss of her sister. I know she is up to the task and we will give her enough love to perform such a heavy task. Rest in Peace our little Angel.

Leo Goldner Obituary ————— continued from page 8

Florida which raises money for indigent entertainers and musicians. He and Marian had many joyous years at the family cottage, the Squeezum Inn, on Kelleys Island.

He and Marian spent many winters in their home in Florida Keys, before moving to the Vi in Aventura, FL for the last 16 years. He had 4 Children: Paul (Linda Bender, Sandra Soifer), Harriet (aka Camryn Lee), Marcia Alter and Janet Killam (Michael); Grandchildren: Andrea DeMar (David), Mark Goldner, Sharon Tipping (Michael), Olivia Potash (Daniel), and Jordan Killam; Great grandchildren: Lauren, Noah and Rebecca DeMar, Talia, Emma and Abigail Tipping and Omri Potash.

Quoted from Audio recording from Feb.18, 2006 Talk with his daughter, Marcia Alter:

"I love my children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren. It doesn't always work out the way you hoped. I hope I taught them well and treated them well and that they love me. And they should do good for other people. It is so important to do good for people that can't do for themselves.....I believe that the good deeds I did in my life will live on after me. We should give of ourselves, not just money.

Advice to Grandchildren:

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Do you have any regrets?

"Not really, I really don't have any regrets. I've lived my life enjoying every minute. I've tried to enjoy every minute. I don't know when it's going to end, but I don't want anyone to feel sorry for me when I'm gone. I've

enjoyed every minute and accomplished everything I ever wanted to do. As far as I'm concerned, they can dance and celebrate a life well lived at my funeral."

Funeral services were held on Thursday, February 6, 2020 in the Robert H. Wick/Wisniewski Funeral Home 2426 North Renolds Rd. Toledo, OH. 43615. (419)535.5840. Followed by Interment at Beth Shalom Cemetery, Oregon, Ohio.

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1875 - The Telegraph Cable (Part 1) How It Came About

As early as August 1867, a sub-marine cable was being planned to connect Kelley's Island and Put-in-Bay to Sandusky. However, it wasn't until 1875 that Kelley's Island finally had regular communication with the world with the laying and connection of the much anticipated telegraph cable.

Good planning allowed the cable to accommodate both telegraph and the new telephone technology. The first telegraph messages were exchanged between Sandusky and Kelley's Island. It would take eight years to get any telephone service and several more years before regular telephone service would be available to islanders.

In March 1875, Islanders reported that arrangements were being made to lay a sub-marine cable from the east end of Marblehead and they 'confidently expect to have it laid as early in the spring as the weather will permit.'

The Kelley's Island & Sandusky Cable Co. filed incorporation papers in Columbus in March 1875. The incorporators were Erastus Huntington, Jacob Rush, Addison Kelley, Emeline K. Huntington and Lester Carpenter. With a capital stock of \$10,000, in shares of \$100 each, they organized to lay a cable from Kelley's Island to Marblehead. The company was variously reported as being the Kelley's Island & Sandusky Cable Co., the Kelley's Island & Sandusky Cable Telegraph Co., The Sandusky & Kelleys Island Cable Co., and even the Kelley's Island & Sandusky Telegraph Cable Co. The organizing company held several meetings and by May, telegraph service to the Island was well on its way to becoming a reality. This was due, in great part, to the hard work of Jacob Rush.

May 6 - "It is now a fixed fact that Kelley's Island is to be placed in telegraphic communication with the outside world by means of a cable to Marblehead. Messrs. Jacob Rush and

Erastus Huntington have succeeded in raising among our business men the balance of the amount required to put the cable in working operation. The land line on the Island will be run from Erastus Huntington's store to Addison Kelley's Point [the corner of Addison St and E. Lakeshore near Addison Kelley's house]. The cable will be laid from the latter place direct to Marblehead light house, a distance of 3¾ miles. The land line on the Marblehead side will be run from there by way of the bay bridge. [The new railroad bridge that crossed Sandusky Bay.]



The telegraph would be located in Huntington's Store (The Store on the Corner or more commonly known as The Lodge), which was also the Post Office (the small building on the left).

A meeting of the stockholders of the company was held at the Island House, Kelley's Island, on Tuesday at which time the following officers were elected: President and Manager-Jacob Rush; Vice President-Norman Kelley; Secretary and Treasurer-Erastus Huntington; Directors-Jacob Rush, Erastus Huntington, Mrs. E. K. Huntington, Lester Carpenter and Norman Kelley.

Mr. Rush was in the city on Wednesday en-route to Cleveland to complete the negotiations for laying the cable, which, it is expected, will be in operation by the 20th. Too great credit cannot be given to Messrs. Rush and

Huntington for the enterprise and energy which they have evinced in pushing this matter forward. They have labored assiduously to get the cable, and now have the gratification of seeing their hopes realized for the speedy establishment of telegraphic communication with the main land and points beyond.



The stockholders met at the Island House.

The management of the cable, as will be seen by the list of officers above, is in the hands of those who will spare no endeavor to make it a success and conduct it for the best interests of the stockholders and in a manner eminently satisfactory to the public. We sincerely hope that the company will meet with that success which it so well merits...

Mr. Rush was appointed a committee of one to go East immediately and contract for the cable, and make all the necessary arrangements for laying and putting the line in operation as soon as possible. We confidently expect to send our first greeting by telegraph to you by the 20th of May 1875. This company was organized with a Rush, we intend to put it operation with a Rush, and do business with a Rush after we get it ready for use. EKH"

The May date came and went, but by June 16, hopes were still high for the project. "The Kelley's Island & Sandusky Cable Telegraph Co. have been ready for several days to lay their cable from the Island to Marblehead, but have been

obliged to wait for the main line connections to be established. The laying of the cable will probably be commenced next Saturday."

A little behind schedule, on June 19 "to-day the sub-marine telegraph cable will be laid between Kelley's Island and Marblehead. The steamer Gazelle will leave her dock at the foot of Columbus Avenue at half-past 9 o'clock, sharp, this morning. She will proceed directly from here to Put-in-Bay, touching as usual at Kelley's Island. After landing her regular Put-in-Bay passengers at Put-in-Bay Island, the steamer will return to Kelley's Island, take onboard excursionists and at once begin the laying of the cable. When the boat touches at Kelley's Island, those who desire to do so, may get off there and remain two hours while the steamer is going to and returning from Put-in-Bay, or the excursionists may remain on board during the entire trip if they choose. As the steamer will return to this port in time to leave on her regular trip from here in the evening, the people who reside on the Islands can participate in the excursion and return home this evening.

The laying of the cable will be a novel and interesting sight and will no doubt be witnessed by a very large number of people. The land line on Kelley's Island will be run from Erastus Huntington's store to Addison Kelley's Point, and the sub-marine cable will be laid from the latter place direct to Marblehead lighthouse, a distance of 3¾ miles.

This excursion affords an admirable opportunity for those who are so disposed to witness an interesting operation in sub-marine telegraph cable laying and enjoy a pleasant ride. The fare for the round trip from this city or the Islands is only 50 cents. The steamer will return to Sandusky from the excursion at 4 o'clock this afternoon."

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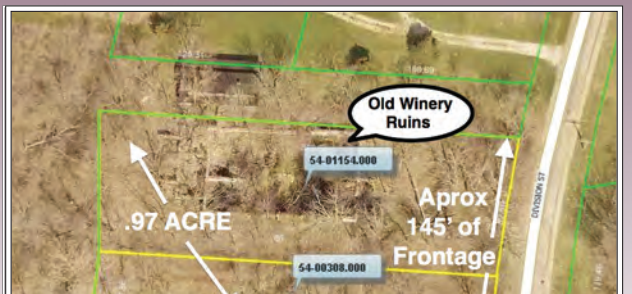
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