

From Our Family to Yours ~

Season Greetings

and Thank You for all of the goodwill you've shown us over the years, we are deeply grateful.

Kelleys Life Staff



KILA Korner

Drew Algase, V.P. KILA

Another wonderful season comes to an end. The "summer people" have winterized their homes and await the last ferry. But the winter season is upon the hearty "year 'rounders" who enjoy all the months on Kelleys Island. A big thank you to all the KILA members who helped with the Welcome back Potluck, Homecoming, the Family Hayride and supported KILA all year.

KILA Family Hayride

The winds were howling, the sun was shining, tractor engines were humming, and children were laughing as they boarded the hay wagons, filled with straw from Steve Miller, for a trip around the grounds of the 4-H camp, decorated with Halloween Snoopy murals painted by Robin Benvenuto. Thanks to Bill Leonard for using his tractor and trailer to provide the second wagon so the line was not

well as the tractor and driver for the hay wagon and the Fingers for coordinating the loan of the hay wagon. There were over 20 Kelleys Island Landowners who volunteered in many ways as well as 4-H staff and volunteers including Boy Scouts, who all worked together to make this a great tradition of family fun on Kelleys Island. And a big thank you to Jennifer Pieratt who coordinated this event for the last nine years and made it fun for everybody.

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too long waiting for a ride. Inside the dining

hall there were carnival games, crafts, cookies

being decorated, marshmallows being toasted, and hot dogs and baked beans served to hungry goblins. Over 400 guests attended this fun event. Thanks to Bev and Chris Huston

who make the use of the 4-H camp possible, as



Congrats to the boy who won the piñata from the matchgame

Hay Wagon Ready to Roll

2022 KELLEYS ISLAND CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 25 Thanksgiving Potluck Village Pump
November 26 OSU Tailgate Party Village Pump
November 26 Sights, Sounds & Scents of the Holiday K.I. Wine Co.

Molten Magic!



Glass Blowing Artist Jackie Polofka
PHCR: Brian Foox

Cindy Herndon

The Molten Magic Event at *The Charles Herndon Galleries and Sculpture Gardens* on September 24th was well attended with over 150 guests. Artists' interactions and presentations were fun to watch and informative.

Many islanders and some new visitors came to the event including people from Cleveland, Columbus, Toledo, Port Clinton, and a few from Colorado, North Carolina, and New York State. Our guests were each special and unique.

Our focused artists were Jackie Polofka, glass blowing artist with an BFA from Bowling Green State University; Carmen Smith, Jeweler with a BFA from Bowling Green State

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Scott Smith with Charles Herndon

PHCR: Brian Foox

FAREWELL

Sharon Leidheiser, Publisher

It has come time to stop the presses! This will be the final issue of the Kelleys Life Newspaper. Due to the high cost of doing business, the newspaper can no longer exist, and it is not a viable business to sell. It's been a joy providing the community with the life of Kelleys Island through stories, history, events, photos, and celebrations.

A BIG thank you to Vicky Rovder our designer, Janet Wermuth our editor, Caroline Jorski our advertising/sales representative, Frank Dodson our distributor for Kelleys Island, and Cindy Waugh our distributor on the mainland. Also, thank you to everyone who has advertised, written articles, submitted photos or contributed in any way to Kelleys Life Newspaper

to Kelleys Life Newspaper.

I wish the best to the island community.

May the years in the future be exciting for Kelleys Island. I encourage everyone to keep in touch personally and through social

media

KILA Korner: October 2022.



Bill's Tractor and Hay Wagon

GLIA

The Great Lakes Islands Alliance (GLIA) brought its Lake Erie Islands Summit to Kelleys Island on October 4th. KILA was a sponsor of this event. We were proud to show island attractions like the newly improved Glacial Grooves, North loop, Herndon's gallery, the pollinators, and our Estes School. The students, teachers, and staff hosted a luncheon at the school. Thanks to all the KI folks who made this a great opportunity to share our island life and learn about other great lakes islands.



Park Manager Chris Ashley explains the Grooves



Hot Dogs for All

Member Note

On a sad note, William G. Coleman passed away September 28, 2022 at the age of 93. He and his wife Barb purchased the Bookerman Road cottage in 1962 that became their home away from home. Bill and Barb were two of the five original founding members of KILA (Kelleys Island Landowners Association) that prevented the State of Ohio from taking 2/3 of the Island via eminent domain for State Park expansion in the mid-1970s. Barb has served on the Board of Directors since then and son Jim joined the Board in 2016.

Membership
Membership is the engine that
drives KILA. Initial membership is
\$25.00 and annual dues are only
\$20.00. You may join or renew on
our web site (www.KILA.rocks) using
PayPal, or mail to our PO Box 22 on
Kelleys Island, 43438-0022. We are
planning to get 2023 membership
renewal notices out much earlier this
year. Expect to start receiving those
before the winter holidays. We will
be sending information by email and
traditional mail.

KILA - Request for Support for

Projects

Each Year, KILA selects projects to "improve and enhance KI". For 2022, we selected two main projects. The main project is for the Community Park playground equipment. This will purchase & install a saucer swing and a solo swing as part of the phase 2 for the new playground. The successful and sold out KILA Raffle will allow for this purchase.

KILA, a 501.c.3 charitable organization, is interested in improving and enhancing Kelleys Island. We ask that KI organizations or individuals with a specific project or initiative that will further this interest and wish for support from KILA, please submit a Request for Support to KILA.

We have no formal "grant application process", but do require a type-written request of no more than two pages (8 ½ x 11 paper; 11 pt. font size minimum) containing the following information:

1. Requestor's name and contact information

2. Title of project

3. Concise description of project including what is the project, who benefits from it, and how it "improves or enhances" KI.

4. Approval or support by the Village of KI, if applicable (i.e. Mayor or Village Administrator) or property owner (e.g. park, preserve, school, etc.).

5. Type (financial and/or volunteerism) and amount of support requested.

6. Any other information to help "sell" your proposal.

Requests for 2023 projects must be received by April 1, 2023. Please send requests to info@kila.rocks or PO Box 22 Kelleys Island, OH 43438-0022. We will review requests and

make a decision at the May 20, 2023 Board of Directors meeting. There is an on-line form available. If you want to use it, please request at info@kila.

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Donations to KILA

KILA relies on several sources of revenue to support our projects and initiatives to improve and enhance Kelleys Island. These include membership dues, fund raising activities, and donations. In addition to supporting these projects, your donation to KILA, a 501.c.3 charitable organization, may have some tax advantages per IRS regulations.

1. Your donation may be deductible when you itemize expenses.

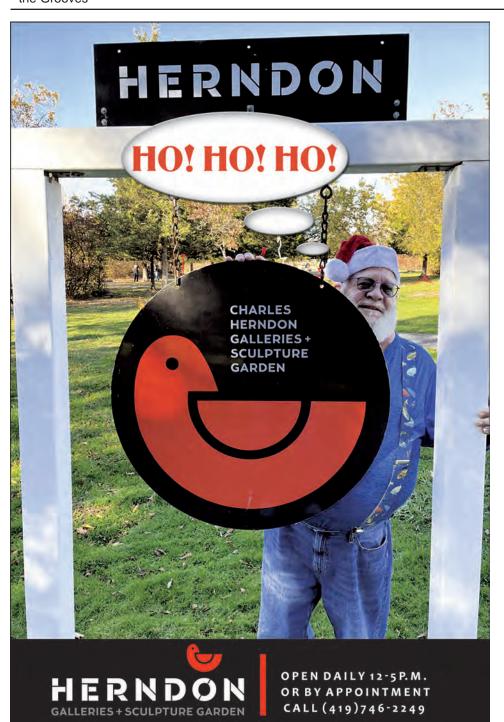
2. But, if you claim the standard deduction, you may still claim a deduction, in addition to the standard deduction, of up to \$300 per individual or \$600 for joint filers.

3. You may make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) directly from your IRA/401k to KILA. This direct donation does not count as ordinary income to you as a distribution from your retirement plan usually would. This QCD will count towards your required minimum distribution (RMD) for those of you older than 72.

It's not too late to consider a donation to KILA in 2022. Please consult with your tax advisor to be sure you understand the tax issues with these donations.

We welcome your support, volunteering, donations, and suggestions for activities, projects, or initiatives to help KILA improve Kelleys Island. Please contact us via email to info@kila.rocks.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT IN 2023.







Molten Magic!

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University and an MFA from The Columbus College of Art and Design; and, Brian Furukawa, Fooxs Photography, who attended the University of Youngstown where he played football and then trained with his father and grandfather. He has self-taught himself along the way. Jackie's glass blowing friends, Dara Alper and Claire Cadorette, traveled to participate in this event. They were charismatic and made the event more intriguing.

Jackie, Carmen, and Brian's work can be purchased at The Herndon Gallery and the gallery can direct you further.

Right: Glass Blowing Demonstration Left: Jewelry Artist Carmen Smith with her husband Gbenga Banjoko on leave from his Naval Service on the USS Cole.

PHCR: Brian Foox





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KI Audubon Calendar for 2023

Regular Meetings on Thursday:

May 18, June 15, July 20, Aug 17, Sept 21, Oct 19

2023 Event Schedule

Saturday, May 20:

Sunday, September 3:

Sunday, September 17:

Friday-Sunday, November 3-5:

"Nest with the Birds" "Glacial Glimpses"

"Feathers and Foliage"

"Owl Fest"

VFW Post 9908 Bugle Call

The members of Post 9908 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars would like to thank each and every one who makes our post possible - all the volunteers throughout the year. Those who help every day, and those who help occasionally. Our post, our community, would not be what it is without your help. Thank You!

Veteran's Day is November 11th, and our post will be holding a ceremony at the flagpole in the cemetery at 11:00 o'clock that morning in honor of all our veterans.

Elections are normally held every year in the spring to select the Post Officers for the year. At our October meeting a special election was held fill the vacancy ofQuartermaster position. I, Paul elected Burns, was Quartermaster, and according to our by-laws, no person can hold two elected positions. I had to step down from being Commander of the Post. Greg Yoscovits will be assuming the Commander position. Brad Styles into the Senior

Commander job. Jeffery Koenigseker was elected to the Junior Vice Commander position. A congratulations to Greg, Brad, and

Ann Lorenz has accepted the position of our Canteen Manager. Our canteen will be open on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sundays all winter long.

We are always looking for new members or members that would like to transfer to our post. Remember if you have received a campaign medal for overseas service: have served 30 consecutive or 60 nonconsecutive days in Korea: or have ever received hostile fire or imminent danger pay, then you're eligible to join our ranks. Please contact one of our members or stop by our Post for more details.

Did you know that the 155MM Carriage Howitzer that is on display at the Seaway Marina is on permanent loan to our VFW from the US Army? We've been the custodian on the Island since 1972.

Museum Musings

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last chance to visit, schmooze and shop for holiday gifts at 20% off, no less! It's our 2nd ANNUAL HOLIDAY $\,$ OPEN HOUSE! Saturday, November 12th, with extended hours from Noon until 6:00 p.m. As always, you'll find delightful, island-centric, and holiday themed enticements, this time, there'll refreshments! Don't miss because, after November 12th we won't be waking up, officially from our long winter's nap, until Memorial Day Weekend 2023.

In more good news, we'd like everyone to welcome our newest board member, Carmen Smith. Carmen comes to KIHA with extensive experience from college studies in many museum related realms, such as interactive exhibition installations. We feel very lucky to have her and so will the inanimate objects in our collection! The reason being, is that now Carmen will be employed, on a part time basis, with the vital task of cleaning, preserving, and protecting all our precious, irreplaceable, items.

We also want to bid adieu to Greg and Dee Dee Ritchie who have given so much of their time to the KIHA. Dee Dee acted as bookkeeper and secretary and Greg, as our very long term, non-gratis accountant.

Volunteer opportunities abound at the museum! Only 2 hour shifts to have fun, meet new people, and share the rich history of our beloved island. And, if you don't watch out, you just might learn something too! All you need do is call our wonderful managers Justiina and Julie at the museum at 330-205-2285 or 419-746-2299.

Happiest of Holidays to all and a very Happy and Healthy New Year!

Happy Birthday

November

3 - John Fisher

3 - Stephanie Allan

4 - Bob Coulon

6 - Michael Krzynowek

6 - Jack Wade

7 - Mac Bechtel

7 - Robin Benvenuto

7 - Shirley Selig

8 - Izaak Elfers

10 - Olivia Schnittker 12 - Shawn Craig

13 - Jane Diemer

14 - Lloyd Burns

15 - Brandy Kluding

15 - Matt Sandvick 17 - Eddie Ehrbar

17 - Alex Mack

18 - Katie Brian Mack 18 - Knut Lahrs

18 - Donna (Elfers) Lusk

18 - Debby (Elfers) King

18 - Philip Kitzmiller 19 - Twila Joyce

20 - Carol Nelson-Burns

20 - Stacey DeBoard

21 - Helena Longbrake 23 - Lydia Artz

23 - Frank Dodson Sr.

23 - Anne Eddowes

24 - Lynn Maiers

24 - Samantha Schmidt 25 - Scott Smith

25 - Derrek Wagner

26 - Julie Thomas

26 - Joel Hassinger

27 - Jacquie Kranyak

27 - William Charles Welly

28 - Carlie Quillin

29 - Rose Herndon

30 - Cindi Jenkins

30 - Todd Patterson

December

1 - Jeremy Smith

2 - Marvin Robinson 2 - Evan Sandvick

2 - Elizabeth Leugers

3 - Michelle Maher

3 - Mike Maher

3 - Sharon Vetovitz

5 - Erin Joyce

6 - Dan Schroer

8 - Julia Martin Kennedy 8 - Craig Vetovitz

9 - Will Toldy

11 - Sierra Cremean

12 - Maggie Quillin

13 - Erin Fuller Brian

14 - Barry Brian

14 - Ava Gonzalez

16 - Kit Killen 16 - Nick Walker

18 - Kayla Maher

18 - Sarah Weaver

19 - Sonia Taylor

20 - Lynn Cooper

24 - Mike Mielke

24 - Griffin Bates 29 - George Kitzmiler

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31 - Teanna Brunnet

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Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce Update





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Joseph Sugalski GLIA

On October 4th, Kelleys Island welcomed 89 people to the island for the Great Lakes Islands Alliance Summit. They visited the Glacial Grooves, North Shore Alvar, Kelleys Island History Museum, Charles Herndon Galleries, and the Kelleys Island School. Lunch was held at the school which included a performance from Kelleys Island School students, and a great presentation from Principal/ Superintendent Todd Hanes, the keynote speaker. He held a Q&A session afterward that was well received and our common bonds with the other visiting islands was educational for many. We received great feedback from many in attendance and were glad to have all of them visit the island and the school. Thank you to Kelleys Island Landowners Association, Charles Herndon Galleries, Crooked Tree Vineyard, and the Kelleys Island Brewery, for their donations to help sponsor the luncheon.

2023 Chamber Events

Save these dates! Here are the 2023 Chamber of Commerce Events:

Dice Run: May 31st, 2023 5&10K: June 4th, 2023 Motorcycle Tour: June 24th & 25th, 2023

KIGT: July 8th, 2023 Islandfest: July 14th - 16th, 2023 Filmfest: July 22nd - 23rd, 2023 Light Up KI: September 1st - 4th, 2023

Treasure Island Day: September 9th, 2023

Progressive Cleveland Boat Show

The Chamber will once again be at the Progressive Cleveland Boat Show in January! If you are interested in checking out all the vendors and boats, make sure you come to check it out! The show will run from January 12th - 15th, 2023 and will also have Steve Brownell play on Sunday, January 15th!

2022-2023 Membership Year is Underway!

The 2022-2023 Membership year has started! If you are a current member and have not renewed your membership yet, make sure you do so by December 1st if you are wanting to be on the Island Map. If you are wanting to join the Chamber as a Full or Associate Member, head to: kelleysislandchamber.com/about-the-chamber/for more information.

Office - Closed for the Season

As of October 30th, our office on Addison Street is now closed for the season. It will reopen next Spring with limited hours until Memorial Day weekend.

Thanks to all Island Residents, Visitors, and Tourists for making this season a successful one. We are eager for next season and hope everyone has a good winter!

Photos: Harvest Fest PHCR: Brian Foox



The Kelleys Island
Landowners Association
KILA

Thank You for a Great Year and Wish You
Health and Happiness
in 2023.

See you in the Spring.

Cleveland Museum of Natural History Volunteer Awards 2022

In June, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History held their annual Volunteer Awards ceremony at the Museum. This was the first time since 2019 due to the pandemic. At this time Paula Bartlett was presented with an award for 2500 volunteer hours to the Museum. Most of her time volunteering has been on Kelleys Island assisting with bird banding and property maintenance. Tom Bartlett was presented a hand-carved Northern Saw-whet Owl for his 10,000 volunteer hours. He was also given an honorary Life Membership to the Museum. It was noted that he has now contributed over 11,000 hours of volunteer time. Tom is one of two individuals to do this for the Museum. As with Paula, most of Tom's volunteer hours have been on Kellevs Island. Last October Tom banded his 1000th Northern Sawwhet Owl on Kelleys Island, so the hand-carved saw-whet was very appropriate. This fall they have already spent a week on the island banding birds in September. At some point in late October, they will band their 25,000th bird on Kelleys Island.

If you want to see them in action, they are back October 14. They will be banding songbirds at the Jones Preserve on Long Point daily from October 14 to November 15 (weather permitting). They will be at



Tom and Paula Bartlett

the Scheele Preserve banding owls each evening from October 14 to November 22 (weather permitting) and some days after that into late December. All open to the public.









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The Parsonage Perspective



Above: New Parsonage Sales Room Below: Inside the new sales room



Janet Killam

After yet another successful season, which is NOT over yet, we are tickled pink and crazy proud to spill some exciting news - we've expanded! You may have noticed a new structure on the Historical Association campus, that definitely was not there one day and suddenly, like magic, is now a new jewel in the museum complex. This new structure, masterfully built by the JDM Corporation, arrived with five skilled workers, on the first boat Tuesday morning, October 11. In a matter of a few hours, they literally raised the roof, construction was complete, and the workers departed on the 11:30am ferry.

What is this new structure, you ask? It's our new and improved sales room! Due to the growing popularity of the Parsonage Resale Shop, we needed a larger, weather-tight location to showcase sizable items donated by the community to save you on exportation. Vice versa, islanders can delight in quality, beautiful furniture, with an island history, without having to incur the cost of going to over to the mainland.

We plan to call this sweet little building "Sis' Cottage" in honor of beloved Islander Sis Betzenheimer McKillips, who lived in the Parsonage house well into her 90s. Throughout her life, Sis lovingly cared for both the Parsonage House and the Old Stone German Reformed Church. It is largely due to her strength and stoic efforts that we can protect, preserve, and utilize these historic structures!

The success of the Parsonage Resale Shop could not have been possible without our marvelous volunteers! They are worth their weight in gold, and we owe them a huge debt of gratitude. All volunteers are eligible to earn "Volunteer Bucks" for each hour they work/play as incentives for the time they devote to our organization. One may spend their earnings in the museum gift shop or the resale shop. If you or someone you know may be interested

in volunteering, please do get in touch. It's a lot of fun! Our motto to our fantastic crew is "if you are not having fun in the resale shop, then you're FIRED!"

As the holiday season approaches, you can rely on the Parsonage for inexpensive, unique treasures with an island history. You will not believe the selection we can tempt you with for Thanksgiving and Christmas decorations and gifts. Come by to check out our selection! We brag that we have the best stocking stuffers and amazing, never owned gifts of all the islands in Lake Erie. Brand new, never sold masterpiece Harmony Kingdom, marble curiosities, imported from England will astound and captivate you with their craftsmanship and wit. You will not be able to put them down as each one is cleverer than the next. Come see!

We dare you to stop in and challenge this bold statement. You will never be disappointed when you come visit our historic locale. If you are, let us know!

The Parsonage accepts donations, but there's a method to our madness! Please refrain from dropping off items unannounced or after store hours. Instead, call any of the following numbers to arrange for pickup or delivery. Call Janet Killam 419-304-3095, Jodie Smith 419-350-1082, or Sonia Taylor 419-202-8083. Janet Killam and Jodie Smith will come to your home to move larger items (two women and a truck!), so please don't hesitate to ask for assistance.

From the bottom of our hearts, we wish to thank our island community and our intrepid visitors for their patronage. It is because of their support that we are now an established shopping location and bustling local hub. Some even proclaim that the Parsonage is their first stop after they disembark from the ferry whenever they visit Kelleys Island. We're honored and humbled to serve our community in this capacity, fueling the maintenance and refinement of our Historic Island!

2022 Great Lakes Islands Summit on the Lake Erie Islands

Peter Huston, GLIA Project Manager

After two years of pandemic delays, the voluntary, bi-national Great Lakes Islands Alliance (GLIA) recently held its marquee event, the Great Lakes Islands Summit, across four island communities in Lake Erie: South Bass (Put-in-Bay), Middle Bass, Kelleys Islands in Ohio, and Pelee Island in Ontario. This was GLIA's fourth such Summit since 2017 and the first to span multiple islands. The Summit rotates to a different island(s) each year and allows that community to showcase its successes and challenges to visiting leaders from other islands across the vast Great Lakes region and beyond.

In 2022, a total of 89 participants came from eight states and one province, including as far away as Maine and Florida. This included islanders from 13 Great Lakes Island communities plus additional partners and advocates from mainland organizations. As a sign of the times, a number of additional people sent late regrets and had to cancel due to family, COVID, professional commitments, and even Hurricane Ian complications.

The Sunday night reception and mingling, coupled with a tasty turkey dinner at the Boathouse Bar and Grill, set the tone for the Summit. For the next three days, we would start with a 7:00 a.m. eye-opener breakfast and work session and then proceed to site visits and other activities, with each day focusing on a different island community.

Monday morning tours on South (Put-in-Bay) included infrastructure and tourism destinations. The Infrastructure tour went to the Senior Center and PIB Volunteer Fire Department where heads of the Senior Center, Police, Fire and EMS explained island services. They also visited the National Park Service Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial for a talk about the three-year seawall reconstruction by Superintendent Barbara Rowles. They then visited the PIB airport for an explanation by Port Authority Secretary Rosann Keiser about how the airport plays a vital role in transportation, mail delivery, and freight forwarding.

Meanwhile, the Tourism tour went to Perry's Cave to see the cave and butterfly house and listened to Dee Dee Duggan, owner of the cave and Island Transportation, explain the evolution of island transportation and hospitality. This theme continued as the tour went to the Heineman Winery to hear Ed Heineman, head winemaker, explain the island's wine industry. The next stop was the South Bass Island State Park and a photo op at the new "Put-in-Bay" sign. The Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center was visited and hosted by GLIA Steering Committee alternate Renee Fultz who spoke about how the Center has expanded their displays and programs offered to the public.

Both tours then went to the Miller Boat Line's Lime Kiln Dock and were transported to Middle Bass Island for lunch served by the Island Grind. Keynote speaker was Dr. Jeffrey Reutter, who has over 50 years working on Great Lakes issues, most recently as former Director of Ohio Sea Grant and Stone Lab. Dr. Reutter gave an information-packed overview of Lake Erie including its ecosystems and fisheries plus threats like pollution and eutrophication. Dr. Reutter noted that island communities are surrounded by water and have more at stake than anyone. GLIA recommends that all islanders hear or view his recommendations on how we all must take an active role and become voices in the future for water quality and fisheries for all the Great

Lakes

After lunch, all participants were taken by bus to see examples of land conservation, as explained by Lisa Brohl. This was followed by a walking tour, led by Robert Skul, to see the former Lonz Winery, MBI Marina and the state park, a great example of a public-private partnership.

Tuesday the group departed for Kelleys Island aboard the Jet Express. Everyone stopped for a group photograph before boarding Island Transportation buses to visit the world renowned "Glacial Grooves" explained by Chris Ashley of the Ohio DNR. We also visited a historic stone crushing site and the Kelleys Island alvar. Next, we headed to the KI School for lunch and presentation by KI superintendent Todd Hanes who explained the challenges of operating a school with such low enrollment that the number of teachers often exceeded the number of students. The KI elementary school students, led by music teacher CC Wisniewski provided a musical interlude before Mr. Hanes gave his inspiring presentation on how the KI School is used in multiple ways by KI citizens. Attendees asked a number of good questions that gave rise to potential ways GLIA may help assist island educators going forward.

In the afternoon we visited a pollinator habitat developed on public land near the airport that supports dozens of species of insects including migrating monarch butterflies. Jackie Taylor and Chris Ashley laid out the process for developing the habitat which will prove useful to others planning similar facilities elsewhere. The final stop on Kelleys was at Charles Herndon's sculpture studio and

gallery which provided a good example of how the arts can be an integral part of island commerce.

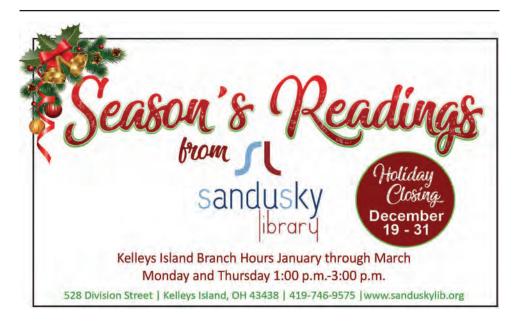
We returned to Put-in-Bay and headed to the Boardwalk dock for the water taxi to Gibraltar Island, a small nearby island owned by Ohio State University and home to the OSU Stone Lab, classrooms, dorms and Cooke's Castle. OSU Students gave GLIA participants a detailed overview of the island's history and role in understanding the ecology of Lake Erie. After returning to PIB, a presentation by Dr. Brian Alford, Assistant Director at Stone Lab, about their mission and current research programs.

Wednesday, we undertook some GLIA business which included affirming membership on the Steering Committee for the coming year and hearing suggestions for our focus over the next few years. Among other topics, there was resounding

agreement that emphasis should be given to finding ways to support and connect island educators, a key element to supporting sustainable, year-round island communities.

We rounded everyone up for a quick trip home on the Jet Express to downtown Put-in-Bay where we were greeted by the U.S. Customs team to check us in. We said our goodbyes and went our separate ways. GLIA Steering Committee member Joe Shorthouse commented, "Great Summit! It will take weeks to digest all that we learned and to establish dialogues with new contacts. Well done Peter and your team". And it was really a team effort. Thank you!

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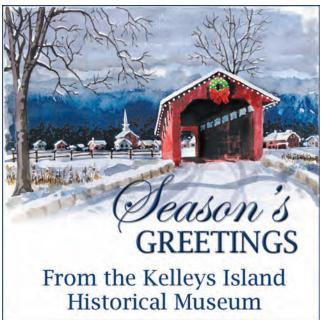


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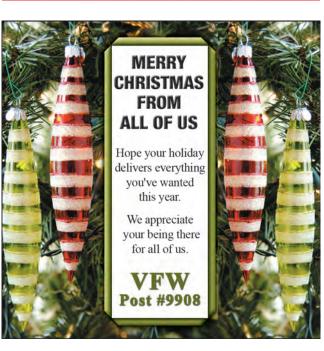


















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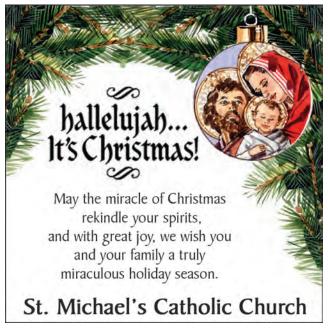


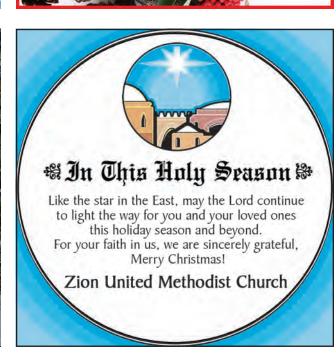






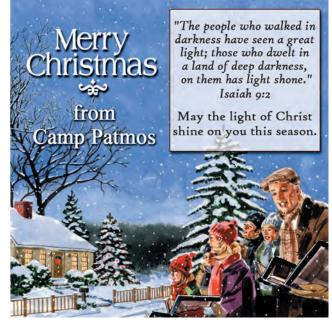














A 9-Year-Old Boy's Appreciation for Kelleys Island

June Campbell shared this thank-you letter from her very bright 9-yr old Great-grandnephew, Will Buckner of Perrysburg. He sent the letter after visiting the island this summer. His island connection is through Schlesselman, Schnittker and Maag families.

On my visit to Kelley's Island I learned about two new landforms: alvars and glacial grooves. An alvar is a giant limestone formation but still has biological factors such as Moss, lichens and other unusual plants. An alvar does not have soil but these vegetations are still able to grow. Limestone is the bedrock of Kelley's Island. There are only 120 alvars in the Great Lakes region, many of which are found out by the islands.

Another rare landform found on Kelley's Island is the glacial grooves. The grooves were cut into the limestone bedrock by the movement of glaciers 18,000 years ago. The glaciers also formed the Great Lakes and the islands within them. The grooves were found when quarries were being dug in the island. The Kelley's Island grooves are the largest and best example of geological phenomenon in the world.

During our adventures on the island, my Great-great Aunt June and I found a horn coral. The horn coral existed 488-251 million years ago. Many different organisms lived on horn coral. I learned many things on Kelley's Island, but the most important thing I learned was my family history from my Great-great Aunt June. She taught me things that couldn't be learned from a book. I will remember this trip forever. Thanks Aunt June!

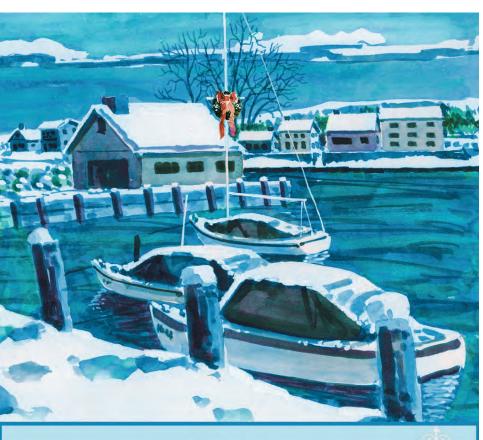


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September 24 Fremont Streaks Invitational



Cross Country - Viktoryia Skeans in Green



Cross Country - Josie Gaither

Jodie Smith

On Saturday, September 24 the Kelleys Island Middle School cross country and elementary running club boarded the 7:30 a.m. ferry to begin their journey to Walsh Park in Fremont, Ohio. The fall day was perfect Cross Country weather!

Viktoriya Skeans prepared for her race by walking and running the 2-mile course with assistant coach Emily Beal. Viktoriya's race began at

10:30 with 30 Middle School girls toeing the line. Viktoriya has progressed each meet this season and stayed on that same progress line! Improving her first mile time brought her to a personal best of 15:49 and 14th overall! Viktoriya's next meet is Tuesday September 27 at Oakharbor High School where she will race against Schools from Ottawa County.

Nikolay Skeans and Josie Gaither competed in their first elementary

cross-country race of the season. They raced alongside other 3rd-6th grade runners. Nik improved his time over last year by 21 seconds! Josie ran her very first cross country meet and finished in seven minutes and 20 seconds. Both are gaining valuable experience and having fun in these competitions. Nik and Josie will race again on Sunday October 9 at Osborn Park, Huron, Ohio.



Cross Country - Nikolay Skeans

We Paws to Give Thanks



Kelleys Island Raffle Basket

Jan Jorski

Thanks to all the Kelley Island businesses and friends who contributed to the Canine Life Line Reunion Picnic held in September, 2022 in Macedonia, Ohio. It was a big success. The Canine Life Line assists in rescuing dogs, caring for them, including medical care and placing them in good and loving homes.

The picnic is held every year for all rescued dogs and their adoptive families who adopted dogs through Canine Life Line. Everyone comes together to enjoy free food, contests for the animals, like the Tasty Paws eating contest, and many other contests

Families were given the opportunity to take a chance to win many prizes and one of the highlights of the picnic was the Raffle Baskets. Kelleys Island was represented and donated a basket worth over 500 dollars in prizes and was one of the big hits at the picnic. The winner of the Kelleys Island basket was Rachel Velaquez from Barberton, Ohio who adopted "Otis" from Canine Life Line in 2018. She is looking forward to visiting Kelleys Island in the summer along with her dog Otis.

Thank you again to the Village Pump, Herndon Gallery, Steve Mack, Monarch Winery, The Crooked Tree Vineyard, Patti Johnson, The Parsonage, KI Landowners, Meg's Makeshop, PaPa T's and Dave Algase.



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OBITUARIES



William G. Coleman, 1929-2022

William G. Coleman beloved husband of 72 years to Barbara (nee Knebusch);

father of William Jr. (Lucy), Robert (Tina), James (Robin), Timothy (Amy) and Elizabeth Ritz (Dean); grandfather of 9; great-grandfather of 10, stepgrandfather/great-grandfather to 18, passed away on September 28, 2022.

William Grant Coleman was a third generation Lakewood resident who lived his early years on Wagar Avenue down the street from his grandparents. Bill spent much time with them and a favorite uncle until the depression required his father to take a job in Akron and he and his parents moved to Cuyahoga Falls.

Bill contracted polio at the age of 16 and spent almost a year being treated for this crippling disease. During this time, he lost the use of his legs and was unable to speak. After one particularly challenging evening his church youth group held a prayer vigil and the following morning his health began to improve. With the help of a tutor, he caught up on his high school work, enough so that he was able to graduate in the

spring of 1947 with his class at Cuyahoga Falls High School.

Bill attended Ohio Wesleyan University where he planned to major in pre-med because he was so inspired by the medical professionals who saved his life. While in college, Bill met the love of his life, Barbara, and they both graduated with degrees in Zoology after marrying in December 1950. He went on to Ohio State University to complete his teaching credentials and Bill Jr. was born there. He and Barb moved to Portsmouth where he taught at the local high school and two more sons were born, Bob and Jim. In 1957 the family moved back to Lakewood, where Bill became a biology teacher at Lakewood High School, and Tim and Liz were born soon after.

In the early days of teaching the salary was not spread out over 12 months, so as a father of five, Bill needed to take on summer jobs. He taught summer school, worked for the Bureau of Commercial fisheries, Kellstone (the quarry at KI), Newman's Boat Line, the USDA (inspecting local agriculture for Japanese beetles) and had many other odd jobs to supplement the family income.

Although Bill's vocation was teaching, he was the epitome of learning. His children have fond memories of weekend hikes in the Cleveland Metroparks and on Kelleys Island. Every hike was an opportunity

for Bill and Barb to use their love of nature as a backdrop for learning. Grandchildren also experienced his love of the outdoors as the family grew and took vacations together at Mohican State Park.

In 1962, The Colemans purchased a cottage on Kelleys Island that became their home away from home. Bill and Barb's families thought they were crazy for buying a cottage with no electricity or running water (they were!), but they absolutely loved the time spent there. Their children learned about green living before it became a "thing." The family used candles, hauled water, and learned to live with less. Even after he was unable to visit KI, a mention of the Island would fill his face with a warm smile that lit up the room. It is appropriate that he rest there for eternity because Kelleys Island was and is now forever "home."

Soon afterwards, a small Lyman was purchased and used for fishing and many experiences. Bill learned how to pilot a boat and to navigate the sometimes-treacherous Lake Erie waters. As his navigator, Barb kept hold of the charts and together with their family explored the waters around Cleveland and the Lake Erie Islands.

Bill was obsessed with airplanes and enjoyed making and flying model airplanes. At the age of 43, he took airplane pilot lessons and did a solo flight out of Cleveland Hopkins Airport.

Bill had a sarcastic sense of humor and was the king of "Dad Jokes." He was able to laugh up until the end as he joked with family members and the caretakers who surrounded him.

Bill and Barb supported many environmental causes together and were members of the Jacques Cousteau Society, World Wildlife Fund, and The Nature Conservancy. There were lifelong members of the Cleveland Museum of Natural History and became stewards of the "Coleman Tract" a piece of land on KI that is a nature preserve. Additionally, they were two of the five original founding members of KILA (Kelleys Island Landowners Association) who prevented the State of Ohio from obtaining 2/3 of KI for State Park expansion through emanant domain in the mid-1970s.

Bill's love for Barb was a testament to devotion and nothing made him happier than when she was by his side. He quite simply adored her. Bill will be greatly missed by his family, friends, and students whose lives were immeasurably touched by him.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, October 8, 2022 at Zion United Methodist Church, Kelleys Island followed by interment at Kelleys Island Cemetery. Memorial in Bill's honor can be made to the Cleveland Museum of Natural History.



Dr. Elizabeth Anne Eddowes, 1931-2022

Dr. Elizabeth Anne (Evans) Eddowes, 90, residing in

Sandusky, passed away Thursday morning, September 15, 2022 at Parkvue Health Care Center following a brief illness

Anne was born on November 23, 1931 in Sandusky, OH to the late Carl and Helen (Sutter) Evans and dedicated her life to her family and education. She and her husband, Ed, lived in several states across the country. She began her career as an elementary school teacher and continued her education through a Ph.D. in Early Childhood Education. This led to experience at the community college and university levels. She retired from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1996.

Anne's roots were with the United

Church of Christ. Over the years she belonged to various Presbyterian Churches. She supported music and preschool programs at the First Presbyterian Church of Huron. With her academic background, she assisted several churches in starting weekly preschool programs. Throughout her life Anne belonged to and volunteered for numerous professional and service organizations.

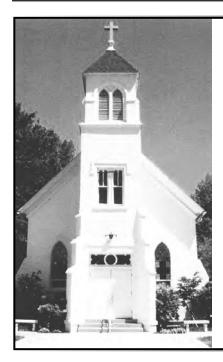
Anne and her family visited the Sandusky area often during her life. She spent many summers at her family cottage on Kelleys Island, which her family has owned for 42 years. Anne volunteered to secure several grants from local foundations to complete the Kelleys Island Historical Museum.

In 2018, Anne moved from Arizona and became a resident of Parkvue. Soon afterwards, she assisted in writing a grant proposal to fund repaving the walkway on the Parkvue campus. Anne continued to assist with grants for Parkvue, supported and advised on resident campaigns, provided testimonials for grant requests, connected the community to philanthropic resources, and endorsed the Ruth Frost Parker Center for

Abundant Aging as a founding funder. She received the 2022 Ben M. Herbster award in August.

She is survived by son, Scott Eddowes of San Jose, CA; sister, Mrs. Robert (Martha) Speers of Huron and granddaughter, Mrs. Gerard (Rachel) Souser of Richmond, VA.

In addition to her parents, Anne was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Edward Eddowes and son, Capt. Andrew Eddowes, USN.



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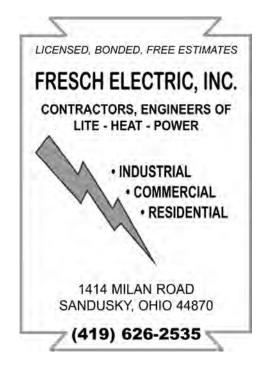
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Zion Methodist Update: "Don't Touch My Stuff"

Pastor John Butchko

The Holy Days will soon be upon us. Holidays have a clear connection with Holy Days. Celebrations are a part of faith and community. In many Christian faith expressions, the person presiding over the Eucharist is called the Celebrant.

When does the holiday season begin. There is a sense that it almost begins with Halloween. I know this is a shift from the more traditional Thanksgiving to New Years. The other day our grandchildren were with us at the guest house next to Zion Church when a collection of adult characters paraded by. There was a big bad wolf, three not so little pigs, a little Bo Peep, but no sheep and others. We were all delighted

Many of us are aware there is a connection between Halloween and the Christian Celebration of All Saints Day. On the first Sunday of November Zion Church will remember those connected to Kelleys Island who have passed away during the past year.

We are all aware that life slows down a bit as fall proceeds. There are less people as November and December become reality. We will give thanks wherever we are. There are times when we get anxious about how we greet each other. Some bristle at the words "Happy Holidays." Those words do not have to be seen as an attack on Christmas. When I say "Merry Christmas" I am not trying to force my way upon someone. It is a means of affirming an understanding that ultimately the love of God is a gift freely given to all.

Advent is a season that many churches observe. It is the four Sundays that lead to or prepare us for Christmas. Some churches do not sing Christmas Carols until Christmas Eve. Let us simply be gracious.

There is a hymn Jesus Hands Were Kind Hands which I have used it on or near Christmas. It is not about the birth but a very basic expression of the value of kindness. One of the verses asks "take my hands Lord Jesus, let them work for you. Make them strong and gentle, kind in all they do."

One of the aspects of my brief time on Kelleys is to shape who I hope to be - a sticker on folds of a car map of the Island with KI in the middle letters added to say Be Kind. May it be so for all of us. May this Holiday season bring you a generous portion of joy and peace.

Serving Our Seniors is Seeking a Mother-Daughter or Father-Son Look Alike

Sue Daugherty, Director, Serving Our Seniors

Serving Our Seniors is seeking local models, to convey a positive message about aging. The non-profit, geriatric social service, which advocates for Erie County residents, ages 60+, would like to know if there are any Kelleys Island residents, ages 60 to 90+, who have a son or a daughter, ages 30's, 40's or 50's for a Mother-Daughter or Father-Son Look Alike contest. If so, Serving Our Seniors would like to show you off to the Erie County community.

Why? In an effort to communicate a positive attitude toward aging to young and middle-aged adults, Serving Our Seniors will select images that convey..."We're not as different as you might think."

The "winners" of the Mother-Daughter or Father-Son Look-Alike Contest will be asked to appear on the cover of Serving Our Seniors Magazine to dispel ageism an create a positive attitude about being "older." The selected images are also being sought to for a brochure that

explains two new philanthropic funds - Serving Our Seniors Fund for the Future and Serving Our Seniors Fund for Today.

To enter the Mother-Daughter or Father-Son Look-Alike Contest e-mail the Mother-Daughter or Father-Son photos to Mail@ServingOurSeniors.org In the subject line please write: LOOK-ALIKE CONTEST. Entries are requested no later than January 2, 2023. Be sure to include your name and phone number so we may contact you.

OBITUARIES



Charles "Chuck" Hacker, 1935-2022

Charles "Chuck" Alva Hacker, 86, residing in Sandusky, passed away and joined his heavenly Father on Friday morning, October 28, 2022 at The Meadows at Osborn Park. Chuck was born on December 10, 1935 in Sandusky, OH to the late

Leonard "Ted" Bixby and Erma Catherine (Heyman) Hacker.

Chuck lived and was raised in Castalia and graduated from Margaretta High School in 1954. He worked for a year as a meat cutter at Mark's Pick N Pay, and then joined the United States Army in 1955. Chuck was honorably discharged after serving 17 months in Korea. He was a long-time member of the VFW. Chuck worked at various job over the years, among which were a driver-salesman for C.H. Gundlach & Sons, Polar Food salesman, manager/operator at Sandusky Red Barn on Perkins Ave., and then for 11 years owned and operated the Wagon Wheel Restaurant on Cleveland Rd. in Sandusky. He retired in 1985.

Chuck married Dianne E. Weisz on July 24, 1960 and they built their first home in Castalia. They later moved to 46th St. in Sandusky, where they resided for 34 years. They also enjoyed their part-

time home on Kelleys Island for 33 years.

Chuck was known for always having a smile on his face and enjoying people no matter where he was. In the family, he was known for his being able to "fix" anything and he was always called upon by his daughters to remedy a problem that arose. Chuck especially enjoyed cooking, working in the yard, attending his monthly class luncheons and most of all spending time with his family.

He was the proud father of 3 daughters, Melissa (Ty) Senelath of Lake Los Vegas, NV, Leanne (Charles) White of Delaware, OH and Andrea (Todd) McKillips of Sandusky; he adored his grandchildren, Lexis, Lindsay and Laci McKillips and Tyler and Dylan McConahay; stepgrandchildren, Chase and Morgun White; greatgrandsons, Carter McConahay and Torryn Gillard-

Adkins; sisters, Alyce Ann Felske and Jane Hoelzer both of Castalia and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. In addition to his parents, Chuck is preceded in death by his wife, Dianne Hacker in 2017; sisters, Pearl Lydia Schmitt and twin, Carol Balduff.

A sincere thank you to Chuck's special caregivers and friends, Lori Roth and Kristin Slater, for their love and care. Also, a special thanks to the staff at The Meadows at Osborn Park, Dr. Vaschak and Claire Yuerong Bayer NP for all their loving care and support they gave to Chuck and his family.

In lieu of flowers those wishing to contribute to Chuck's memory may do so to Back to the Wild, 4504 Bardshar Rd., PO Box 423, Castalia, OH 44824 or to Faith Church, 1320 E. Strub Rd., Sandusky, OH 44870.

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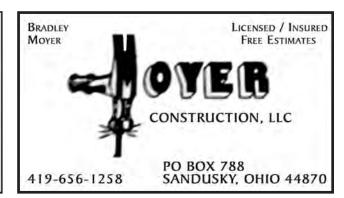
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had the pleasure of attending. It would not seem necessary for us to give minute description of the Dance, Supper &c., as thought most we everyone on the Island was there and could judge for themselves. In point of numbers, we think that it was the largest party that ever assembled in this Hall on a similar occasion. The entertainment was gotten up by our Citizens of the Catholic Church and designed as a benefit to the church.

Invitations were extended to all classes and the extreme politeness and attention shown to persons outside of their denomination is deserving of special praise and cannot be too highly appreciated. Their programme of arrangements seemed to be perfect as everything went on like clock work, fully convincing us that the committee in charge understood their business. We not only enjoyed ourselves participating in the dancing but were remarkably well pleased in seeing some of the others dance.

Among the different kinds of dancing that was indulged in, the 'French Four' and... 'The Break

Down' were particularly amusing. Some of our elder friends, whom we heretofore supposed to have passed their dancing days, here showed themselves to be fully versed in the various steps and changes pertaining to their favorite dances and many well-advanced in years appeared on this

occasion entirely devoid of the infirmities that frequently accompany old age. And the extraordinary and difficult 'Double Shuffles' and 'Triple Clogs' were performed with the gracefulness of a French dancing master and executed with the perfection of a 'Dick Sliter.' [Dick Sliter was a selfproclaimed champion dancer who December 1850 challenged any dancer to a match dance. He was awarded a belt by citizens the

Cincinnati with the word 'Champion' engraved in silver letters.]

Besides the magnificent and bountiful supper prepared about Midnight, an elegant breakfast was served up between 3 and 4 in the morning, consisting of all the delicacies of the season. The dancing was discontinued about 5 o'clock, everybody appearing to be satisfied that the advent of the New Year had been duly celebrated and each one had performed their part faithfully on this



The dance was held in Kelley's Hall. This photo shows (L) The Lodge, (middle) Kelley's Hall (R) the Kelley family home.

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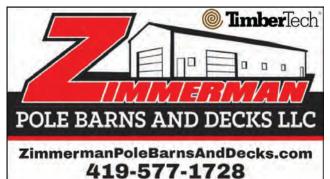












Kelleys Island - A Diamond in Lake Erie



Trudy Brandenburg

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Our first, bi-annual visit from our Columbus home to Kelleys Island was in the fall of 2018. Our last visit was a few days ago and we're already looking forward to exploring Kelleys Island's 4.41 square miles again next spring.

Kelleys Island is a peaceful, beautiful, quaint island that offers boat docks, golf cart rentals, camping, resort, cottage and house rentals, an RV campground, restaurants, wineries, and bars. The pace there is slow and relaxing. The flat terrain makes it easy to walk, bike, rent a golf cart or drive your vehicle. There are no traffic lights on the island, and a stop sign on Monaghan Road alerts walkers and drivers to check for small plane traffic at the airport.

My partner, Stan, and I enjoy the ferry ride from Marblehead to Kelleys Island. It's a fun, twenty-minute cruise across the lake with indoor and outdoor seating or standing on the car deck. The Marblehead Lighthouse is the oldest, continuously operating lighthouse on the Great Lakes, stands proud and pristine on the Marblehead shoreline and Cedar Point

shows off its many roller coasters in the distance. Boats and nearby islands are visible, including Perry's Monument rising from Put-In-Bay. Gulls, cormorants, and eagles can often be spotted.

After disembarking the ferry, a few steps away sits Inscription Rock, where you can see Petroglyphs that were carved between A.D. 1200 and 1600. From there, we stroll the island, enjoying the lake views, the woods, homes, businesses, unique buildings, and churches. Along Division Street stop by the Kelleys Island Historical Association and the village cemetery where some of the original Kelley family is buried. Stone remains of an old winery stand on the other side of the street. We always enjoy Toft's ice cream at Unc'l Diks located near the Glacial Grooves Geological Preserve.

On our first visit, we discovered the Ward Road entrance to a spectacular hiking area—Horseshoe Lake. This short trail opens to a breathtaking view of crystal water, trees, plants, and rocky terrain. The former quarry is a goldmine for fossils, trees, plants, and small wildlife. We sit on a bench, soaking in the sights,



Horseshoe Lake

before we hike around the rim and down into the quarry and back out. It is surreal.

Horseshoe Lake was a limestone quarry operated by Kelleys Island Lime & Transport company between 1933 and 1940. This quarry was originally connected to the larger quarry west of Division Street and the company's trains, powered by Shay locomotives, were used to haul the stone. Some of the railway can still be seen in the water in Horseshoe Lake.

We ate a late lunch at The Village Pump and enjoyed the Halloween festival in the city courtyard.

In 2021 we decided to rent a golf cart rather than just walk to get around. I'd never been in a golf cart, let alone drive one, but "How hard could it be?" We pulled out of the parking lot and the horn started blaring and we couldn't figure out how to stop it. I wheeled back into the golf cart lot and an attendant yelled, "Lift your left foot." I did. Silence. We laughed and made our way to our normal stops and to watch Tom Bartlett band birds at Scheele Preserve, which is owned by the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. Scheelee is

one of five places in the state of Ohio where there are rock elm trees.

Being a birder, I was excited to watch Tom band birds. After parking the golf cart facing a rock wall along the lake, I turned to Stan and asked, "How do we back up?" We read the instructions several times but remained stumped. Luckily, another couple in a golf cart parked beside us and showed us how to operate the switch under the seat.

We rented a golf cart on our next visit, but on our last visit, we ferried our car to the island and drove to our favorite destination—Horseshoe Lake. Afterward, we enjoyed our Toth's ice cream at Unc'l Diks. We walked out onto the breaker in the north bay and discovered the North Shore Loop Alvar Trail. We enjoyed the easy mile hike through the woods and along the shore, where we caught glimpses of the lake and nearby island.

It's best to use a map to help you discover Kelleys Island's many charms. Its enchantment will linger with you long after you leave. Like us, I'm sure you'll look forward to returning—again and again.

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Kelleys Island

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812 Woodford Rd., Kelleys Island \$649,000

Built in 1867 as the McGettigan Winery, now a 2,886 sq ft home atop of the 1,400 sq ft wine cellar. Island history and craftsmanship, beautiful surroundings, approximately 3 acres of land, house has city water.





Monaghan Rd Kelleys Island Lakefront Land \$524,900

13.46 acres of wooded land just south of the airport. Approximately 440 feet on Monaghan Rd plus a 28 foot wide strip stretching south all the way to Woodford Rd.





Lot 9 East Point, Kelleys Island \$289,000

Enjoy spectacular sunrise views. 0.63 acres w/approx. 80 ft of lakefront.

City water & electricity available. Septic/building subject to local and county approvals.





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