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# The Put-in-Bay GAZETTE

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## **In the News.....**

### **Easter Egg Hunt Sat. Apr. 11th**

Peter Cottontail will be hopping down the Put-in-Bay Bunny Trail on Saturday, April 11th. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Perry's Cave Family Fun Center again this year and will begin promptly at 11 a.m. The children will be divided into three age groups for the egg hunt. Parents are encouraged to bring a camera for their child's special photo with the Easter Bunny.

### **PIB Volunteer Fire Dept. to hold Open House April 26th**

The Put-in-Bay Volunteer Fire Department will be holding an open house on Sunday, April 26th from noon to 3 p.m., and everyone is welcome to come down to the station to see what the volunteers are doing there.

Mark Wilhelm says there will be a limited number of smoke detectors given away, plus island residents will be able to get house numbers so the firemen can located their residences in case of emergency.

There will be free hamburgers and hot dogs, so come on down and see what's going on. And, don't forget, support the fire department levy on May 5th.

### **Informational meeting for Airport levy**

The Put-in-Bay Port Authority has placed a one-mill tax levy on the ballot of the May 5th Special Election. There will be an informational meeting regarding the levy on Saturday, April 25th at the Town Hall concerning the levy which will be used to retire the debt on the purchase of the Put-in-Bay and North Bass Airports and help provide help with operational expenses. Please plan to attend.

### **Attention Fishermen! Free dockage at city docks**

Fishermen coming to Put-in-Bay this spring will enjoy free dockage at Village Docks A & C. The Put-in-Bay Village Council is offering the free dockage to fishermen with boats under 25 feet long until May 14th. Fishermen can stop at Put-in-Bay for lunch, stretch their legs and use the facilities. For fishermen who stay on the island, they'll be able to launch their boats and keep them tied up overnight at the Village's A and C docks.

The Village has also frozen dockage rates at \$1.40 per foot at A and C docks for the 2009 season, so plan to boat to Put-in-Bay and enjoy the fun.

### **Lost & Found**

Ring found outside Tipper's. Please call 419-348-7537 and describe the ring if it is yours.

## **An island scene this summer!**



This is the scene islanders will be seeing this summer if Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce officials finalize negotiations with Dominican Cruise Lines. The Chamber has been working on making Put-in-Bay a port-of-call for the last four years, and things are really looking bright. Dominican officials say the Sunny-S has already been contracted to tender passengers into Put-in-Bay because the harbor is too shallow to land dockside, but Mayor Mack McCain reports plans call for draining the harbor next fall, similar to what was done at the Middle Bass Marina last year, and excavating it to accommodate the biggest cruise ships. Mayor McCain said, " We've already gladly accepted stimulus money from Washington for this infrastructure project." - Photo by John Rees

## **"Never Kiss a Naughty Nanny" a Sure Fire Hit - See it Apr. 2nd, 3rd or 4th**

Rehearsals ended recently for the Put-in-Bay Dramatic Society's production of Michael Parker's "Never Kiss a Naughty Nanny" on April 2, 3, and 4, 2009. The cast and crew have been working diligently for the last few weeks to put this comedy into production on the Town Hall Opera House stage for all to see. It is three nights of laughter you just can't afford to miss. The story unfolds as we enter the House of the Future which is filled with all sorts of gadgets, like a self-lighting fireplace, a self-cleaning bathroom, automatic closets and much, much more. With all that "new" technology there are glitches, failures and surprises. Add that to a snow storm with a surprise visitor and a case of twisted identities and you get loads of laughs. Come tour the house with Mr. and Mrs. McNicoll as they spend the

night in their possible dream home and explore the amenities of the "House of the Future." Make your plans now to attend this program upstairs in the Put-in-Bay Town Hall Opera House April 2, 3, and 4. Curtain is at 8 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the door.

The PIB Dramatic Society has a second stage production planned for May 7, 8, and 9. "Getting Sara Married" by Sam Bobrick is the Mother's Day week-end entertainment special.

Keep up to date with all the happenings of the PIB Arts Council by visiting their web page at [www.PIBArts.com](http://www.PIBArts.com). To get their email updates, send a request to [vmettler@verizon.net](mailto:vmettler@verizon.net). Meetings are held the first Sunday of every month at 7 p.m. upstairs at the Town Hall.



LEFT: Nine of the Island's young girls participated in sewing classes this winter. Classes were held one day a week for six weeks. There was also a special session for the girls who didn't get to go off-island for vacation. On Valentine's Day they had a pizza party at Lisa Neff's home. Lisa's great-niece, Morgan Myers, was there that weekend so they also celebrated her birthday that day with a special cake. It had blue batter and icing - her favorite color! Pictured here back row(left to right) are Gwena Market, Elyse Drake, Jessica Krueger, Meredith Engel, and Tatey Kowalski, and in the front row, Morgan, Chelsea Mays, and Willow Lipke-Benn. Not pictured are Sophia Schroeder and Erin Urge who could not attend the party but participated in sewing lessons. The girls made aprons, fabric baskets, scarves, bags and a quilted backpack. Each did a fantastic job on your projects and can be proud of what they accomplished.



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March 25th  
were (left to  
right) Don and  
Rosi  
Stephens, Tim  
and Jeanette  
Luecke and  
Lois and Bill  
Jellison.



## Blanca busy looking for funding for Monument repairs

Blanca Stransky, the energetic superintendent at Perry's Monument, told islanders at a Spring Soup Supper at the Town Hall she was busy this winter looking for funding to repair the Monument before the bicentennial of Perry's Victory in 2013.

After a complete engineering study of the Monument, she told those gathered the total cost of repairing the shaft, upper observation deck and the upper plaza is in the neighborhood of \$55,000,000. Work being done this winter to rewire the electric motor for the elevator inside the shaft is \$635,000 alone, and further elevator repairs are expected to cost another \$800,000.

Her expectations are high about having the Monument ready for the 2013 celebration, but said without funding soon, the complicated contracting process and actual repairs could mean a delay in reopening the Monument in time for the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie. The Monument is scheduled for closing this coming

August 1st.

Blanca said she'll know in April if some of the stimulus money coming out of Washington will be used to help with the repairs.

Aside from looking for funding, Blanca and her staff have been busy planning some new and exciting events for visitors this season. See info about these in other articles in this and coming issues of the Gazette.



ABOVE: At the Spring Soup Supper Monument Superintendent Blanca Stransky used Doraine Toms from the West Shore to demonstrate a prototype of a Battle of Lake Erie ship which will be used in education programs.

## Perry Group has big plans for 2009

The Perry Group (Friends of Perry's Monument on South Bass Island) is conducting its annual membership drive. Their letter says that the year 2009 will be an exciting one on the island. The new monument park superintendent has put together a roster of activities and events for the summer tourist season. Something new on the agenda will be a series of Wednesday night concerts (every other week) sponsored by the Put-in-Bay Arts Council. And, very good news, the U.S.S. Brig Niagara is scheduled to come to the island twice this summer, June 26 – 29 and August 22 – 24. Mike Mans will be the new president of the Perry Group as these events unfold.

# Round House Bar

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Ray Fogg • Apr. 19 - 9p to 1a  
SPEDS • Apr. 24 & 25 - 9p to 1a  
Mike "Mad Dog" Adams • Apr. 25 & 26  
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Ray Fogg • Apr. 26 - 9p to 1a

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**JUNE 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20 & 21, 26 & 27**  
**JULY 3, 4, 5 (4TH OF JULY WEEKEND) 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 31**  
**AUGUST 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22 & 23**  
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# Celebrate Earth Day at Perry's Monument

The Lake Erie Islands Chapter of the Black Swamp Conservancy and Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial will sponsor an Earth Day Celebration filled with activities for children of all ages beginning at 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 25, Superintendent Blanca Stransky announced today.

Starting at 8 a.m. naturalists will lead a bird walk and conduct a "feather toss" for tree swallows at the Scheef East Point Nature Preserve on Put-in Bay, Ohio. The National Park Service will host a Junior Ranger Jamboree at 10 a.m. at the Niagara Conference Center, said Stransky.

During the Junior Ranger Jamboree, children ages 5-12 will learn about the different Ranger jobs in the National Park Service and earn Junior Ranger badges, added Stransky.

Following the Junior Ranger Jamboree, everyone is invited to a Mother Earth salad and pizza buffet featuring a special guest speaker at 11:30 a.m. at Tipper's Restaurant. The price for the lunch buffet will be \$8.95 per person.

After lunch, Melissa Moser from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Area and Preserves will give a presentation and lead a field trip to study invasive plant species. Trail construction and garden clean-up activities will be conducted at the end of the day at the Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**8 a.m.** Bird walk at Scheef East Point Nature Preserve, Meet at the Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial Visitor Center

**10 a.m.** Junior Ranger Jamboree at the Niagara Conference Center

**11:30 a.m.** Mother Earth Salad and Pizza Buffet at Tipper's Restaurant

**1 p.m.** Invasive Plant Field Trip by Melissa Moser, Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Meet at the Visitor Center at Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial

**2 p.m.** Trail Construction and Garden Clean-Up at the Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center. Come dressed to get dirty for gardening and walking in uncleared woods for trail construction. Bring along hoes, shovels, racks, fire racks and pruners if you have them.

# I found a Ford! by Ed Cooper

I found a Ford! I should say my daughter, Monica, found it. A few weeks ago she awoke sleepy eyed and turned on Channel 3 Phoenix to listen to Dan Davis, formerly of Marion, Ohio, do his news broadcast. Channel 3 Chopper Pilot - Reporter Bruce Haffner - had done a video on a Ford Tri-Motor arriving at Chandler, Arizona. Larry Perkins, who has flown almost every plane that has been made, had just flown it in from El Paso, Texas.

The Ford is now part of a beautiful private collection of flyable planes. Since this is a private collection, we were not allowed to take pictures or even take its serial number. It was owned by Johnson Flying Service in Montana, and used for many years hauling smoke jumpers and hauling freight for the Forest Service. It has been restored to like new and is "beautiful!" I took note; there was no smell or frozen fish slime on the floor. There was even a "potty" back in the baggage compartment.

I was allowed to get inside the plane and go up and sit in the cockpit, like I did so often when I worked for Milt Hersberger. If only my old buddy Harold Hauck had been sitting in the left seat, my day would have been perfect.

Yes, this 85-year old man had a couple of tears in his eyes. I hated to leave. Young folks dream of the future; we older folks sometimes live on our memories.

Monica and I are so appreciative of the wonderful tour Larry gave us. He is not the owner of this collection, but flies everything there, even helicopters.

# First Gazette "scratch and sniff" ad

Thanks to new technology, the Gazette's first "scratch and sniff" ad appears on page 14 of this issue. Scratch the Chocolate Easter Bunny in the Candy Bar ad. You'll be pleasantly surprised by the rich aroma of chocolate.



Speaking of the Ford Tri-motor, Caroline Koehler (PIBHS Class of 2004) and her cousin, Kara Larcey, who both waited tables at The Goat last summer, visited the Naval Aviation Museum in Pensacola, Florida, and had their picture taken with the Ford Tri-motor that's there. Tri-motors were used by the Navy, but none of their original ones are left. This one came out of a private collection and was restored to look like a Navy one.

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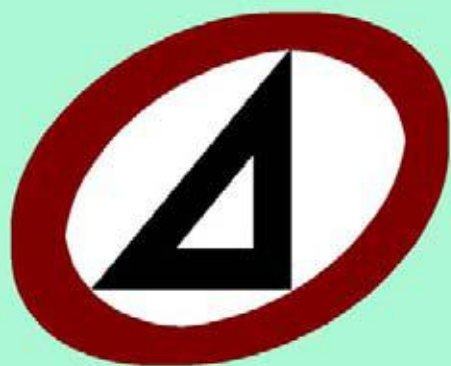
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Islands for the Birds - Sunday, May 3rd

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migrate each year through the Lake Erie region. Begin your day with certified bird bander Tom Bartlett while he demonstrates how to band and record migratory songbirds. Brush up on your listening and song recognition skills during an expert-led nature walk and learn to identify birds by sound and sight. After lunch enjoy a private visit to the Lake Erie Island Nature and Wildlife Center, followed by a walk on their nature trail and around their gardens landscaped for the birds.

Caves of South Bass - Thursday, July 9th

Share a grand adventure with your family as you explore the caves of South Bass Island. With local cave experts, investigate the rock formations and the island's deepest caverns.

Your Discover Island Nature session begins with an introductory slide show on the island's caves and natural history. With cave expert Erin Hazelton, enjoy a private tour of an historical cave which is open to tourists, then move on to a privately owned cave which is one of the island's largest. Have lunch with Amy Newell Huston, author of Caves of South Bass Island. It is required for this tour there be one adult per child.

Nature, Up Close and Personal! Friday, July 17th

A relaxing family day with Kate Ptak observing the diversity and wonder of our natural world. Our first activity has everyone looking closely at a patch of land and noting the diversity of organisms found there. Next, each participant will choose an organism in the area to sketch or photograph, and take careful, detailed notes describing it, just as a real biologist does. After each of these activities, we'll have a sharing session discussing what we've discovered. We'll take a quiet leisurely walk in the woods observing the wonders of a woodland habitat, have a picnic lunch, and finish our day just silently sitting by ourselves for about 15 minutes and letting Mother Nature communicate with us through our senses. At the end of this session each participant is asked to share their response to this activity, perhaps with a poem, a song, a sketch, a paragraph, or even just a list of what they discovered during this quiet time.

Snakes of the Lake Erie Islands - Saturday August 8th

Spend a family day with "Island Snake Lady" Kristin Stanford and gain a new appreciation for snakes! Explore the habitat of snakes in Lake Erie and participate hands-on in the conservation efforts made to improve their numbers. The day begins with a presentation on Lake Erie Water Snakes (LEWS), providing insight into the history and conservation of this state endangered species. Learn about the habitat and identifying characteristics of the LEWS and then roll up your sleeves for a hands-on experience. Walk the beach, capture LEWS, and learn to tag and record their physical data.

Island Trivia

During World War II the Conservation Department changed the date of the open season for commercial fisheries from March 15 to March 1. The first year the temperature hit zero on March 2. The ice lifted the anchors and the nets. High winds carried them all over Western Lake Erie. By March 15 they had found the truant nets, repaired them and re-set them. Two weeks of icy fingers and no profits.

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Bob Gottesman standing along the breakwall put up in front of The Lodge on the east shore of North Bass. The picture was taken about 1990.

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8:00 a.m.	Daily	8:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m.	Daily	9:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m.	Daily	10:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.	Daily	11:30 a.m.
12:00 Noon	Daily	12:30 p.m.
1:00 p.m.	Daily	1:30 p.m.
2:00 p.m.	Daily	2:30 p.m.
3:00 p.m.	Daily	3:30 p.m.
4:00 p.m.	Daily	4:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m.	Daily	5:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m.	Daily	6:30 p.m.

**Additional Trips Starting April 10**

7:00 p.m.	Fridays Only	7:30 p.m.
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### May 1 - May 21

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7:00 a.m.	Daily	7:30 a.m.
8:00 a.m.	Daily	8:30 a.m.
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10:00 a.m.	Daily	10:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.	Daily	11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.	Daily	11:30 a.m.
12:00 Noon	Daily	12:30 p.m.
1:00 p.m.	Daily	1:30 p.m.
2:00 p.m.	Daily	2:30 p.m.
3:00 p.m.	Daily	3:30 p.m.
3:30 p.m.	Daily	4:00 p.m.
4:00 p.m.	Daily	4:30 p.m.
4:30 p.m.	Daily	5:00 p.m.
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# If only the walls could talk

By Robin Burris Cadez

North Bass is a small island with big history. It’s everywhere you turn, in the vineyards, in the woods, along the beaches, and on the paths once trodden by children, some of who would become famous in their own right. However this history extends beyond that, it is soaked into the very walls of every building upon the island. And this is the story of a house that carries a history belonging not just to the two islands it stood on, but also of the people who found themselves within its rooms.

The Lodge, which was a name that came later, began its life not first on North Bass, but actually on Johnson’s Island and was one of the many buildings built there as part of the Civil War prison. The role it played during the war is lost in time, but by the design of the main structure it possibly served as a bunk house or a type of meeting place. After the war ended it was torn down board by board and loaded onto a steamer bound for North Bass Island. It was brought here by a man called General William Dell Lindsley. Gen. Lindsley didn’t actually participate in the Civil War, but had become a Brigadier General in the Ohio Militia in 1843 and was elected as a Representative to the 33rd Congress in 1853. However, after the war ended, the General purchased eleven acres of island land intending to establish a vineyard. He used it as his island home, but also kept a much larger substantial house in Perkins Twp, just outside of Sandusky. General Lindsley, like most of the islanders enjoyed much success as a result of the fruit of the vine, but as time went on, his popularity with the other islanders declined.

In the 1870’s, when the islanders began to raise money for a much needed church, many of those who were well-to-do made generous cash donations and purchased cemetery lots used as a fundraiser. General Lindsley kept promising money, and at one point he even stated he would match “apples for apples.” However, he never came through and gave not a dime to the cause. He passed away about 1890, and was not very much mourned by his island neighbors, as he had lost their respect with his empty promises.

After the passing of General Lindsley, the property came under the ownership of the Hallock family, an island name known first on North Bass and later Put-in-Bay as well.

A number of Hallocks were born in this little home, and some are still alive today. The family raised grapes and ran a blacksmith shop which would one day be washed away with the waves, which is why we find horseshoes scattered about the shore on a regular basis. The Hallocks married into the Sanderson family and when they united, fishing became a focus of theirs that carried on long beyond that of North Bass. The families enjoyed their island lives and were certainly respected and an important part of the community. They transported the mail between islands, were postmasters, and always had food to share with anyone who might land on their doorstep. It was Prohibition in the end, like so many, that forced the two families to move off the island. They sadly sold out to Meier’s Wine Cellars shortly after the company took an interest in purchasing the small island farms. They reluctantly moved to Sandusky and found themselves living among a number of North Bass families residing on Decatur St. In a way it is as if by living on the same street they were trying to maintain some of the close bonds once established, the type which can only be forged when you share an island way of life.

Henry Sonneman owned Meier’s Wine Cellars, and it was he who dubbed the home “The Lodge” as it would permanently be known. He would use The Lodge as a place to work from while on the island as well as a place to entertain his many guests. Anyone who owns an island home understands guests are frequent and here was no exception. So in the 1960’s, Henry decided to expand the structure and it took on the basic form we see today. One of the oldest buildings on the island became the most modern and luxurious one there to date. An addition of a number of bedrooms with private baths and a huge kitchen outfitted with the latest appliances, along with a large walk in pantry and a complete redecoration, made it a very comfortable and cozy place to be.

In the early 1970’s, the Winery along with much of the island found itself for sale and was purchased by Bob Gottesman, owner of Paramount Distillery in Cleveland, Ohio. Along with his purchase of the island came an overall expansion, extending not only to the island as a whole, but The Lodge as well. Mr. Gottesman enjoyed much success in business and because of this The Lodge has played host to many other successful people, such as Governors, Senators, Congressmen, and many other well-known individuals from all walks of life. However, the building was also his home and he would come here often to fish and relax, to walk among his vineyards, and to enjoy the peaceful island surroundings. It was at The Lodge were Mr. Gottesman would hold a large family reunion,

with relatives coming from all over the country to attend this highly anticipated yearly event. He also had other ideas for the house and not long after he purchased North Bass he started an exclusive hunt club which operated for years upon the island. Groups of avid hunters would enjoy a couple of days hunting and a stay at The Lodge with all their needs attended to.

The Lodge also was used by the island community from time to time. In the late 70’s, the school boiler broke in the middle of the winter, so the children and teacher met for classes in The Lodge until a new one could be retrieved across the ice. The building has shared Thanksgivings,

wedding parties, funeral gatherings, birthday parties, plus numerous other events. Many islanders from long ago and the more present share a past with this building; it does and always has meant a lot to those who know the island as home.

Then again, a change of ownership took place in 2004 when the State purchased the Winery’s interests upon the island. The Lodge is now within their hands. If only the walls could talk; it now stands empty and unused as if waiting at attention for its next command, like the soldiers who once used it so long ago

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ABOVE: While Laura Fogg reads the Gazette in Argentina, Ray takes the opportunity to dance the tango!

## EIC-BSC Native Tree & Plant Sale

The Lake Erie Islands Chapter of the Black Swamp Conservancy (LEIC-BSC) is now taking orders for native trees and plants to raise money for the newly acquired Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center located on Meechen Road that was purchased jointly in 2008 by the LEIC-BSC and the Lake Erie Islands Historical Society.

All native trees for sale are sold in 3-gallon containers and range from \$25 (1-2' tall) to \$40 each (3-6' tall). The ten varieties available are White Oak, Chinkapin Oak, Northern Red Oak, Swamp White Oak, Bur Oak, Kentucky Coffee Tree, Silver Maple, American Sycamore, Sassafras and Boxelder. All the trees are native to the islands and will thrive in this environment. They have been grown from Ohio seed stock by Riverside Trees in Delaware, Ohio.



In the "Better Late than Never" Department, here's a picture of Cathy VanLiere and Teri Winchester reading the Gazette on their Amtrak trip they took from Florida, up the east coast, to Chicago and out to the west coast, MORE THAN A YEAR AGO! This could very well be a record for timeliness.

LEIC-BSC is also selling over 40 varieties of native perennial plants and flowers from the Naturally Native Nursery in Bowling Green, Ohio. Order information is available on [www.lakeerieislandsbsc.com](http://www.lakeerieislandsbsc.com) and in the LEIC-BSC spring newsletter, or by calling Susan Byrnes at (419) 285-2306. In addition, all families of students at Put-in-Bay School will receive order information sent home with their child from school. Beautify your yard and support the Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center.

Orders may be placed until May 1 and your order can be picked up on May 16 from 12 to 5 p.m. at the Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center. For those on Middle Bass, a pick up on Middle Bass will be set up with LEIC-BSC board member Carol Richardson on May 16th as well.

In addition to the native plant sale, we are also offering perennials from Spring Hill Nursery from Tipp City, Ohio and seeds from Gurney Seed Company, Greendale, Indiana.

If you need ordering information or forms delivered to you or have any questions, please contact Susan Byrnes 419-285-2306.

Remember Earth Day at 2:00pm at the Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center there is a general spring clean-up of the grounds and gardens, as well as construction of a new trail behind the building. Come prepared and give a helping hand if you can. Any amount of time is appreciated. Remember it's our earth, our island... let's try do our part!

## Island Facebook groups

Thanks goes to Mike Gora of MiddleBass.org for compiling this list of Lake Erie Island Groups on Facebook. If you haven't signed up at [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) and explored it, you may be in for a surprise. Island groups include: Middle Bass Dockmasters, Middle Bass Island Clubbers, Middle Bass Volleyball and Cornhole, Miller Boat Line, Friends of the Bay, Friends of the Bay II, North Bass Island Reunion, Put-in-Bay, Put-in-Bay Revelers, Put-in-Bay 2008, Put-in-Bay Widows, Splash Bar Put-in-Bay, I Peed in Lake Erie and many more.

Make the right friends on Facebook and you'll find pictures of the 2008 antique car parade on MB, historic pictures of PIB and much more.

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Thursday 23: On Tap  
8 PM - Montrose, Ohio  
Friday 24: McCarthy's Ale House  
7 PM - Lakewood, Ohio

May 2009

Saturday 2: Dietz's Landing 9 PM  
Akron's Portage Lakes  
Friday 8: McCarthy's Ale House 7 PM  
Lakewood  
Saturday 9: Firehouse Grille and Pub  
Malvern, Ohio  
Crescent Tavern Patio Put-in-Bay  
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Sun. Apr. 19 - 2:00 pm  
Sun. Apr. 26 - 9:00 pm  
Sun. May 3 - 2:00 pm

BREWERY SHOW ROOM  
Sat. May 16 - 8:30 pm  
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Sat. May 30  
Sat. June 6  
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Fri. Sat. - June 19, 20  
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Some of those at Little Linda's surprise birthday party at Tipper's in March.

## Port Authority levy on May 5th ballot

The Port Authority has placed a one-mill tax levy request on the May 5, 2009 Special election ballot. The previous tax levy funding expired on December 31, 2008 and currently the Port is operating without the assistance from any property tax funds. The usage of the levy funds would be to retire the debt of the initial purchase of Put-in-Bay and North Bass Island Airports. The balance of the funds would be utilized for operational expenses which include terminal service employees at the Put-in-Bay Airport.

Through the Port Authority's assistance, the Middle Bass has an improved dock facility. Also, the PIB Volunteer Fire Dept. received reduced insurance rates directly due to the installation of the waterline in the township which the Port Authority helped fund with over \$1.3 million. A reduced insurance rating has also been extended to all property owners along that line due to the Fire Department having access to fire hydrants. An extended question and answer session regarding the levy will be held on Saturday, April 25th at 10 a.m. at the Town Hall to discuss the levy request.

## Lake Erie Islands Browns Backers donate funds to local charities

The Lake Erie Islands Browns Backers out of Put-in-Bay, spend all year raising money for the local community as well as cheering on the Browns. The fundraising starts with Draft Day in April than their biggest fundraiser, the Lake Erie Islands Browns Backers Rib Burn Off that will be June 20, 2009, to tailgate parties every Sunday during football season. The main events are held at the club's official headquarters, The Skyway Restaurant &

Lounge. The club was named "2007 Club of the Year" by the Cleveland Browns as well as being "Club of the Month" numerous times.

After donating all of the club's emergency money fund last year to the fire chief on the island, the club voted on replenishing this fund for the future with \$1,000.00. Every year the club donates \$500.00 to the Cleveland Browns Foundation as well as three local high school scholarship

funds, the Gustav Heineman Scholarship Fund, the Ricky Dysert Scholarship Fund and the Jeff Verhoff Scholarship Fund. This year the club started their own scholarship for the local high school with \$1,000.00 going to one student for their first year of college with hopes of being able to offer this scholarship every year. The club voted to donate \$400.00 to the local ball diamond that is used by the school and community alike. \$350.00 was donated to the Put-in-Bay Arts Council that puts on plays for the community as well as shows popular movies to the residents, since there are no movie theaters on the island and it is tough getting off the island in the winter months. The club also voted to donate \$250.00 to the "Back to the Wild" Foundation that comes to the island twice a year and educates the community and school kids with programs focusing on informing the public about conservation of wildlife habitats.

The club is working on a new fundraiser for the fall, the Lake Erie Islands Browns Backers Golf Tournament. This fundraiser was suggested to help keep the club's scholarship growing so more local kids can benefit.

Since their inception in 2001, the Lake Erie Islands Browns Backers have been dedicated to supporting their local community, while enjoying their love for the Browns.

## PIB Community Sr. Center Calendar

### MONDAYS

10 a.m. – Strength Training  
11 a.m. – Coffee & Conversation  
11 a.m. to noon - Blood Pressure

### TUESDAYS

10 a.m. – Let's Walk Program  
1 p.m. – Knitting Club • 7 p.m. – Bridge Group

### WEDNESDAYS

10 a.m. – Strength Training • 1:30 p.m. – Card Party

### THURSDAYS

10 a.m. – Let's Walk Program  
12:00 p.m. – Lunch Served

### FRIDAY

10 a.m. – Strength Training  
1 p.m. – Mah Jongg

### SATURDAYS

10 a.m. – Let's Walk Program

## SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER

**April 8th** – 3:30 p.m. Filling Easter Eggs w/HS kids

**April 10th** – 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Lenton Lunch - Menu: Bob Schmidts' Famous "Walley Chowder," Deep Fried Perch & Walleye, Deep Fried Cod & Onion Rings, Healthy Baked Fish & Sweet Potato Fries, Cole Slaw & Macaroni Salad  
Dessert & Beverage \$3.00 suggested donation

**April 11th** – Easter Egg Hunt @ Perry's Cave Family Fun Center

**April 24th** – 7:00 p.m. Pajama Party Movie Night - Feature Film: "Pillow Talk"

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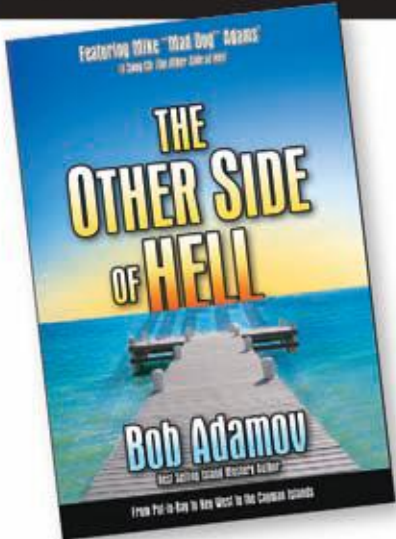
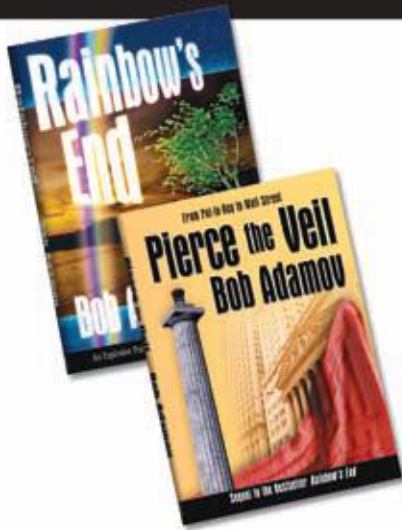
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## Events in April 2009

- ❑ Blood Pressure Day • Mondays 11 a.m. to Noon • Senior Center
- ❑ Ladies' & Mens' Cards • Weds - 1p • Sr Center
- ❑ Arts Council Play - Never Kiss a Naughty Nanny • Apr 2, 3 & 4 - 8p • TH Theater
- ❑ Women's Restroom Dedication • Apr 6 - 6p • Skyway
- ❑ Spring Break of PIB School • Apr 10 - 12:30p
- ❑ Pasquale's Opens • Apr 10
- ❑ Round House Opens • Apr 10
- ❑ Easter Egg Hunt • Apr 11 - 11a • Perry's Cave Family Fun Center
- ❑ Round House Whiskey Light Ceremony • Apr 11 - 2p
- ❑ Frosty 60th Anniversary and Pizza Buffet • Apr 17 - 5p • Frosty Bar & Family Pizza
- ❑ 3rd Annual Pajama Party • Apr 18 • Mr Ed's
- ❑ School Resumes • Apr 20
- ❑ Arbor Day Celebration • Apr 24 - 4p Langram near Concord
- ❑ PIB Brewing Co Opens • Apr 24
- ❑ Beer Barrel Saloon Opens • Apr 24
- ❑ Port Authority Info Mtg • Apr 25 - 10a Town Hall
- ❑ "Earth Day on South Bass Island • Apr 25
- ❑ PIB Vol Fire Dept Open House • Apr 26 - Noon to 3p • Fire Station
- ❑ Blessing of the Fleet • Apr 28 - 11a Fox's Dock (Jet Express Dock)
- ❑ PIB Chamber of Com Meet & Greet • Apr 28 - 1 - 4 p • Put-in-Bay Resort & Conf Center
- ❑ Game & Discover Day • Apr 28 - 3:15p • TH
- ❑ Children's Choir & Liturgical Dance Team • Apr 26 - 2:30p • Mother of Sorrows

### April Meeting Schedule

- ❑ PTA • Apr 2 - 7p • School
- ❑ PIB Arts Council • Apr 5 - 7p • TH
- ❑ Put-in-Bay Village Council • Apr 6 - 8:30am • Town Hall
- ❑ Rec Committee • Apr 6 - 3:30 p • School Multi-Purpose Room
- ❑ 4-H Mtg • Apr 6 - 3:30 p • TH • All Members
- ❑ PIB Twp Zoning Com • Apr 7 - 7p • Twp Hall
- ❑ Bd of Education • Apr 8 - 7 p • School
- ❑ Put-in-Bay Village Council • Apr 13 - 8:30a • Town Hall
- ❑ PIB Village Plan Com • Apr 13 - 1 p • Town Hall
- ❑ PIB Chamber of Commerce Mtg • Apr 13 - 7 p • Chamber Office
- ❑ PIB Twp Trustees • Apr 14 - 2p • Twp Hall
- ❑ Legion • Apr 16 - 11:45 am • Sr Center
- ❑ PIB Twp Zoning Bd of Appeals • Apr 17 - 7p • Twp Hall
- ❑ PIB Twp Port Authority • Apr 20 - 9a • Twp Hall
- ❑ 4-H Mtg • Apr 20 - 3:30 p • TH • 4 - 12 Graders
- ❑ Village of PIB Tree Commission • Apr 21 - 9:45a • TH
- ❑ Park District Meeting • Apr 21 - 10a • TH
- ❑ 4-H Mtg • Apr 27 - 3:30 p • TH • All Members

### April Church Schedules

#### Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church

- ❑ PIB Mass • Sun. - 10:30a

#### St. Paul's Episcopal Church

- ❑ Holy Eucharist • Sunday 10:30a
- ❑ Sunday School • Sun 10a • All ages welcome
- ❑ Annual Mtg & Potluck • Apr 16 • After Service

#### St. John @ the Bay

- ❑ Sunday Services • 1:30p • Mother of Sorrows

### Coming Events in May

- ❑ 11th Anual Spring Fling • May 1 & 2
- ❑ Discover Island Nature Bird Prog • May 3
- ❑ Elderhostel at Museum Week 1 • May 3 - 8
- ❑ Elderhostel at Museum Week 2 • May 10 - 15
- ❑ Victoria Day Weekend • May 15 - 18
- ❑ Perry Memorial Peace Garden Dedication • May 16
- ❑ Island Garage Sale • May 16

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**Birthday of the Month**  
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Retiring PIB Senior Center Director Sue Duff turns over the center keys to Candace Pucci, the new director, at a surprise luncheon on March 27th at Tipper's.

## Sue Duff says thank you

Dear Residents of Put-in-Bay and Members of the PIB Senior Center:

As I leave the position of site manager at the Senior Center, I need to say thank you to all of you. Your help and support has been overwhelming to our Center and to me. Your participation kept us in operation and enabled the older population to have a good time at all of our activities. So many of you have been of help to us that this issue of the Gazette would not hold all the names.

I realize this is the April 1st edition of the paper, but I really, really mean it.

I do need to say special thank you to: the Market Family, Marv Booker and the Boardwalk Crew, Miller Boat Line and Crew, Beth Niese, the PIB EMS crew especially Keith and Tami, Paula Garsteck and the Village Bakery, the Senior Center Angel Crew, the Jet Express, PIB Yacht Club and crew, Gary Kowalski, Larry Kowalski, Mark Wilhelm and the PIB Fire Dept., Put-in-Bay School and all the people and businesses who have participated and helped with all our programs.

I need more time to take care of my mother and my aunt who are in their nineties, but I intend to remain an active member of the Center and to help out when necessary.

Candace Pucci is taking my place as site manager. She has lots of good ideas and the energy to carry them out. She has experience in the Senior Care field and comes highly recommended. She is open to new ideas and suggestions. Mella Davies will be the assistant manager when she returns from her winter home. These two gals will keep the programs and activities moving along. Please support them.

Sincerely, *Susan R. Duff*  
I am proud to call myself  
"A Put-in-Bay Senior Citizen"

## A Greener Put-in-Bay

Since moving to Put-in-Bay last summer, we have observed a number of programs to make the island "greener." We would like to join current groups or individuals who are working toward this end. For example, is anyone working on alternative energies? If you have a contact or would like to create a like-minded group, please call us at (419) 285-5792.

Sincerely, *Doug and Barb Mehling*

## Something to think about

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## Oops!

Last month we inadvertently had the date for the Island Talent Show in the Island Calendar twice. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused. - *The Editor*



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RIGHT: A group of PIB summer people vacationing in Siesta Key, Florida. Left to right seated: Jan Anteau, George Cisar, Diane Nemec, Standing: Dave, Jim Anteau, John and Jean Chervenak, Gino and Maryann Kadar, Audrey and Ron Borchert.

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## Nature Camp at the Bay Registration Begins!

We are excited to share our plans for the 2009 Nature Camp at the Bay! Camp will take place over three weeks, July 20-23, July 27-31, and August 3-7, 2009. See the attached (or below) Registration form for proposed times and age groups.

Nature Camp this year will include Nature in Your Own Backyard at Perry's Victory, Butterflies at the Butterfly House, and a cookout on the last day! The Environmental Adventure Camps will be visiting Stone Lab and learning about Insect Forensics with Dr. Carmen Trisler at the Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center (LEINWC.) This year Adventure Camp 1 will be Kayaking and Adventure Camp 2 will be Geocaching with Jen Miller and Karen Wilhelm. Both groups will visit The Ohio State University Stone Lab and enjoy camping with a star night with Gene Zajac. Environmental Adventure Camp 2 will be traveling to North Bass for their Campout!

New this year will be three days of Environmental Adventure Camp (instead of two) followed by an optional Overnight Campout. To register for an overnight campout, the camper must have at least completed Environmental Adventure Camp 1 that week or in the past. Priority will be given in Campout registration to those who have signed up for the accompanying Environmental Adventure Camp. We are trying this as there are some kids who might enjoy the adventures but not the overnight camping.

Nature Camp at the Bay is sponsored by the Lake Erie Islands Chapter of the Black Swamp Conservancy, the Lake Erie Islands Historical Society, and the Put-in-Bay Recreation Committee.

Registrations can be received on our [www.lakeerieislandsbsc.com](http://www.lakeerieislandsbsc.com) website, by e-mailing, or stopping by the Lake Erie Islands Historical Society or Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center.

Questions, call director Lisa Brohl 419-285-5811 or e-mail at [leic\\_bsc@cros.net](mailto:leic_bsc@cros.net). We look forward to working with the kids again!

July 20-23 (Age 6-8) Morning (10:00AM-12:00pm) or Afternoon (1:00-3:00pm)	Fee \$50
July 27-30 (Age 4-5) My First Nature Camp (9:00-10:30am or 11:00am-12:30pm)	Fee \$30
July 27-29 (Age 9 + 10) Environmental Adventure Camp 1 1:30-4:30pm	Fee \$75
July 30-31 (Age 9 + 10) Environmental Adventure Camp 1 Overnight Campout	Fee \$15
Aug. 3-5 (Age 11 and up) Environmental Adventure Camp 2 9am -12:00pm	Fee \$75
Aug. 6-7 (Age 11 and up) Environmental Adventure Camp 2 Overnight Campout	Fee \$15
Aug. 11 Discover Scuba (Ages 12 and up) - Discover Snorkel (Ages 9 and up) 9 a.m. to Noon	Fee \$25

## NEA director threatens to eat book if all of Kelleys Islanders do not read "To Kill a Mockingbird"

If the 128 residents of Kelleys Island (a small island considered part of Ohio) don't all read To Kill A Mockingbird, then David Kipen vows to eat the book ... as in, the actual printed matter, from the front cover to the back.

A former book critic at the San Francisco Chronicle, Kipen is the director of The Big Read, a program devised by the National Endowment of the Arts to encourage communities to read together.

On The Big Read blog, Kipen has said: "For most of the life of The Big Read, I've been wishing aloud for a town small enough and brave enough to accept the challenge of dragooning every last literate resident, without exception, into tackling its chosen book."

He didn't say whether he'd be tackling the hardback or the paperback edition of the novel if he fails to convince the island to get reading.

As of early March, Kipen has received 70 pledges from Kelleys Island residents to read the book, and he only needs 58 more pledges to save himself from what could probably be the worst stomachache of his life.

And if the 58 holdouts all sign up? Kipen vows to buy the town pizza!

## P.T.A. News - Roses for Mother's Day

The Put-in-Bay P.T.A. with the help of the school students will be selling roses for Mother's Day. The roses cost \$20 for a dozen and the P.T.A. earns \$5 for each dozen sold. The sale starts next week and ends April 20 with the flowers arriving two to three days before Mother's Day. The P.T.A. plans to use the money earned to help the teachers so they are not using their own money for things in their classrooms. If you would like to order some roses please call Kelly Mohn at 419-341-2976.

Kelly Mohn would like to thank all those who helped serve the teachers' breakfast on Feb. 20 in appreciation for the hard work they do for our students.

Dave and Sue Hufnagle were thinking about Put-in-Bay while on their cruise to the Panama Canal. They read their PIB Gazette on the MS Zuiderdam as they were going through the first set of locks on the canal in February.



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ABOVE LEFT: While visiting Australia, Chondra Richwine and Bernie Hineline took time to read their PIB Gazette with a new friend. This Koala, like most, sleeps 23 hours a day and eats only eucalyptus leaves which make him very groggy. He is very soft but has very long claws. Koala's are not bears, but Marsupials and carry their babies (Joey's) in a pouch. ABOVE RIGHT: Ray Skelton and Jeanne Burgess reading the Gazette as they cross the Progreso/Nuevo Progreso International Bridge into Mexico from Progreso, Texas. Ray and Shirley were in Mission, Texas, to visit their daughter, Patricia, while Jeanne was visiting friends Bud and Mary Jane Conshafter who wintered in Mission.

## PIB Archery team to compete in Nationals

by Susan Harrington

When you think of March Madness, you think of basketball. Put-in-Bay School got a taste of March Madness but in a sport very different from basketball. The Put-in-Bay School Archery Team got a ticket to the big dance and qualified for the NASP Archery National Championships in the high school division.

Teams that qualify for the NASP Archery Nationals at the high school level are normally made up of 16 - 24 high school students. Due to the small size of Put-in-Bay School, putting together a team required some creative thinking outside the box. The Put-in-Bay 'high school team' is made up of one high school student, six middle school students, and ten elementary students.

The team members are also all beginners at archery. The team had their first archery lessons in physical education class in late October. This under-aged, under-experienced team of over-achievers has worked very hard to reach their goals.

The team's first official competition was at the NASP Ohio State Archery Championships on March 6th in Columbus, Ohio. The team finished in 8th place. The team scored a remarkable 2711 points which qualified them for the National Championships. The team also got to see Arnold Schwarzenegger and got autographs from Randy Couture (UFC wrestler).

This is the first time that Put in Bay has competed at a State Championship in any sport. This will also be the first time that Put-in-Bay will compete at a National Championship. The National Championships will be held in Louisville, Kentucky on May 8th and 9th.

The team is really looking forward to taking their game to the next level and competing at the Nationals in Louisville, Kentucky. In the words of the fourth grade team members, "We want to do our best and we want to eat some Kentucky Fried Chicken IN Kentucky!"

In the State Championship, archers shot 30 arrows with a maximum possible score of 300 points. Put-in-Bay individual scores were: High School: Robert Courtney - 259; Middle School: Mitchell Blumensadt 234, Wyatt Auger - 233, Casey Pippert Ladd - 232, Riley Drake - 226, Molly Domer - 213, Victoria Wertenbach - 201; Elementary School: Ian Pippert Ladd - 247, Tyler King - 240, Elyse Drake - 233, Meredith Engel - 205, Gunnar Auger - 203, Sophia Schroeder - 188, Tom Chrysler - 184, Matthew Luecke - 177, Carter Pugh - 167, and Ericson Booker - 133.

Advisor Susan Harrington said, "This success could not have come to a nicer bunch of kids. They are the kind of kids who say 'thank you' and mean it. Where else but Put-in-Bay do you have kids who say 'thank you for letting us have practice today.' This team's success is due to their self confidence and their ability to concentrate. They can



also rebound quickly; if they shoot a bad arrow, it is no big deal, they come right back and get a bullseye on the next arrow. We feel like we are Cinderella, and we are on our way to the NCAA Final Four!"

The Ohio NASP (National Archery in Schools Program) is coordinated by the Ohio Division of Wildlife. The program includes a school curriculum that teaches international style archery at the elementary, middle school, and high school level. The curriculum exceeds the national physical education standards.

### Thank you.....

□ On behalf of the Put-in-Bay Senior Center, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation to the McCann Family for being so kind and allowing us the use of the Crews Next lap pool during the winter months so Aquamotion classes could be taught. The Aquamotion program was such a great success and was able to help so many of our Put-in-Bay residents. You have no idea how very grateful we are! Thanks a million!  
- Candace Pucci, Activity Director

## \$14,000 worth of H<sub>2</sub>O

This winter, Chris Ladd from the Put-in-Bay Water Dept. was scurrying around the island trying to figure out why the water treatment plant was being worked overtime pumping thousands of extra gallons a day.

Like a detective on television, he had to hunt for clues of leakage or excessive usage.

With the plant pumping 50,000 gallons of water a day more than it should, Chris felt under the gun to find where all the water was going.

One by one, five huge leaks were found in the residences of summer people who had failed to turn their water off when they left the island in the fall. Their pipes froze and broke, fortunately causing no structural damage, but just going into their basements or crawl spaces. By the time the last broken pipe was found, the owner had racked up a water bill of \$14,000.



Arnold Schwarzenegger at Archery Championships

## Ode to Woody the Poet

by Steve Mehno



When the weather starts to snow,  
But it wasn't always that way,  
There was a time when he would stay  
at Put-in-Bay.

Cooking at the Winterbar,  
And watching rec league volleyball.  
Riding all over town on his ATV,  
Baring those hairy legs for all to see.

He wore shorts and a bomber hat  
When it came to fashion he was "all that"  
A "Rock Star" in the kitchen everybody knows  
You can search and search  
But never find anything to equal  
Woodys' Perch.

Though Kelly and I left the Island  
years ago  
We still have fond  
memories of everyone we know

Don't expect any more poems from me  
A toast instead will be easy  
Raise your glasses with Ben, Hannah,  
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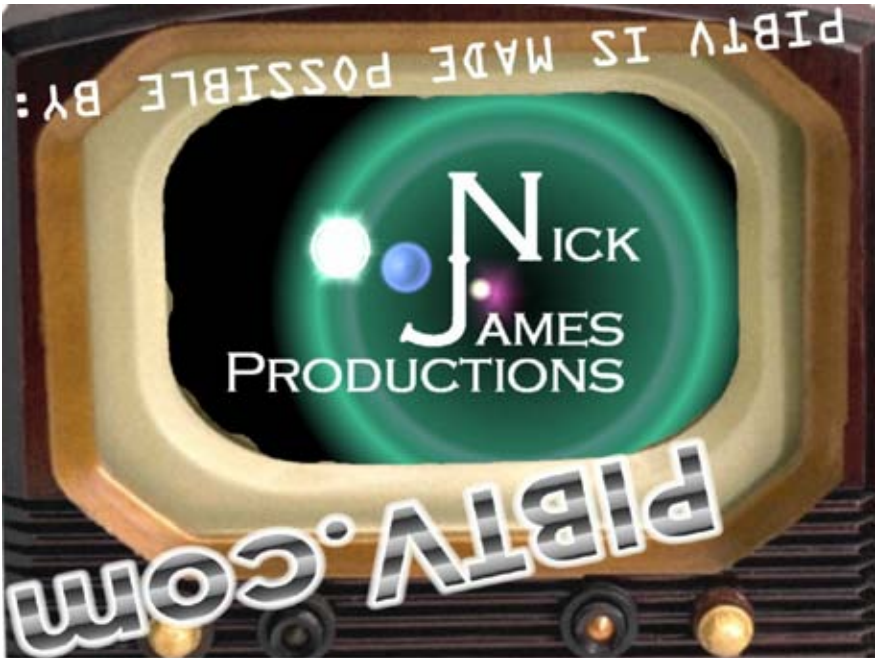
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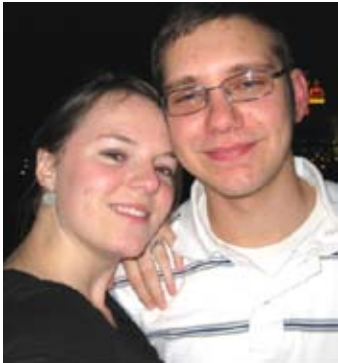
Emma Michael



Nathan Stonerook



Samantha Dress



Hillary Delhees  
& Craig Cerny



Nicholas & Crystal  
Jurkiewicz



Craig & Erin  
Ward

APRIL  
BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Mark Hagerty  
Bill Golaszewski  
Mysti Karr  
Caroline Conrad  
Kit Miniclier
- 2nd Norma Mann  
Sam Wygant• Jill Myers  
David Skinner  
David Mettler  
Nancy Sergi
- 3rd Kathy Sopko  
Betty Parker Bruening  
Marquis
- 4th Oliver Thwaite  
Daniel Niese  
Jill Cooks• Sue Parker  
Becky Cornelius
- 5th Viv Ladd• Russ Drake  
Doug Knauer
- 6th Linda Warrington
- 7th Annemarie Eriksen  
Ted McCann
- 8th Beth Homon  
Don McIlrath  
Barry Koehler
- 9th Jen Booker  
Charlie Duggan  
Donna Washtock  
Dave Glatzer  
Margaret Baker  
Sara Meldrum  
Rosi Stephens
- 10th Bill Booker  
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Karen Beckler  
Justine Rhoad  
Kenny Kartheiser
- 11th Ellen Martens
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Jamie Horseman
- 13th Larry Reinhard  
Kristin Rupp Wygant  
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Betty Finkbeiner  
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Jim Arbaugh, Jr.
- 14th Betsy Drennen
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Cecilia Glauser
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Monica Drake  
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Leah Market
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- 20th Christine Ontko  
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- 24th Cheryl Szabo  
Judith Racicot  
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Wertenbach
- 29th Roger & Mary Parker
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Milestones  
BIRTHS

Emma Chantal Michael

Congratulations to Nick and Simona Michael on the birth of a 6 lb. 3 oz., 20 inch long daughter, Emma Chantel, on March 15th in Sandusky. Simona had her an hour after she was Lifeflighted to the hospital, quite an adventure! A big thank you to Tammy, Keith and Rick from EMS and Life flight crew for getting everyone to the hospital just in time. Nick and Simona own the Arbor Inn B&B.

Nathan Gabriel Stonerook

Bud and Ruth Stonerook from North Bass are happy to announce the arrival of their 6th grandchild. Their daughter-in-law Sarah Neuendorff gave birth to a bouncing baby boy on March 10th. Their son Ernie and Sarah live in Pemberville. Nathan Gabriel Stonerook was born 7 lb. 9 oz., 20” long.

GRADUATED  
Samantha Dress

Put-in-Bay High School '05 Graduate, Samantha Dress, graduated from The Ohio State University on March 22, 2009, receiving a Bachelor of Arts in Strategic Communications. She spent four years in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences majoring in Communications and minoring in Sociology. Samantha is the daughter of proud parents Kelly and David Dress, granddaughter of Sonya Dress and the great-granddaughter of Katie Dress, all Put-in-Bay residents. Samantha is also the granddaughter of Sharon (Crowe) and Leon Mann of Whitehouse, OH, and the great-granddaughter of Clarence and Anne Crowe who, after spending many years on Put-in-Bay, now reside at The Vineyard on Catawba.

ENGAGED

Craig Cerny & Hillary Delhees

Craig Cerny (PIBHS Class of 2001) the son of Joe and Carol Cerny, and Hillary Delhees from Port Clinton (PCHS Class of 2002), became engaged on Saturday, March 14th, 2009 in Cincinnati along the Ohio River. Craig worked at Captain Cappuccinos, then at Cameo Pizza as a pizza delivery man from 2003-2005. (The original Cameo Pizza delivery guy!). Hillary worked at the South Bass Island State Park for three summers 2005-2007. Also in 2007, she began a second job at the Beer Barrel for one summer (2007), then bartended at Tipper’s for the winter (07-08), where the couple met. Craig works as a software developer for Horizon System in Columbus, and Hillary works for Columbia Gas as a payment operations specialist and is also attending Franklin University full-time pursuing a degree in Financial Management.

Crystal Bykowski & Nicholas Jurkiewicz

Crystal Bykowski and Nicholas Jurkiewicz became engaged over the holidays. The couple is planning an island wedding at Crystal’s family’s beach on East Point on September 12th, 2009. Crystal is proud to be known as The Last Baby Born on Put-in-Bay, a title she stole from DJ Parker when she was born at home with Dr. Heinz Boker in attendance. Crystal works for the University of Toledo, at The Center for Drug Design and Development. At the Center she conducts research related to breast and prostate cancer, while also pursuing her Master’s Degree in Pharmacology. Nick works for the Doug Beat Company in Toledo, where he is Supervising Manager. The company rebuilds industrial electric motors for companies all over the United States. The couple plans to honeymoon at a beautiful resort in Riviera Maya. They will live in Toledo, in the house they have been remodeling for two years.

MARRIED

Erin Duff & Craig Ward

Erin Duff married Craig Ward on Valentine's Day at the Kalahari Resort in Sandusky, OH. Erin and Craig are high school sweethearts, graduates of Port Clinton High School and Bowling Green State University. Erin is employed with Huntington Bank on Catawba, and Craig works for the Erie County Health Department in Sandusky. Erin is the daughter of Allen Duff of the island, and Melanie and Tom Anslow of Catawba Island. Craig is the son of Rick and Vicki Ward of Port Clinton. They currently reside in Sandusky,

OBITUARIES

Bob Keppler

Bob Keppler, 84, passed away at his home Feb. 27th, in Parma, Ohio. Bob was a long-time summer resident of Fox's Den where he and his family have had a trailer for many years. In the past couple years you may have known him for his white 1957 Chevy he drove in the Sunday car parade or by his antique bicycle he would ride downtown to pick up supplies. Bob and his wife Ruth were both avid aviators and would fly their Cessna to the island many weekends. Bob had been visiting the island since he was a youngster and only missed his summer visits to take time off to serve in the US Marines in WW II.

Ron Baer

Ronald Henry Baer, 62, passed away Feb. 25, 2009. Ron lived on the island from 1997 to 2002. He did maintenance at the Island Club, then worked for Tim Niese during the construction of the Islander Inn. Ron was born and raised on the eastside of Cleveland. For many years he was a barber and later became certified in AC and heating which he used working in apartment maintenance. Ron is survived by his children, Jay, Brian and Jennifer, and his former wife, Frieda Baer, of Put-in-Bay.



Ron Baer

LaVina Greunke Salute

LaVina Greunke Salute, 95, of Spring Hill, died Mar 20, 2009, at Spring Hill Regional Hospital. She was born in Milford, Indiana, on April 13, 1913, and moved to Spring Hill in 1986. She worked as an entertainer and did volunteer entertaining at nursing homes. She was a member of First Baptist Church where she sang and played piano.

Lavina will long be cherished for her enthusiastic love of life as well as for her gifted piano playing and singing in the Round House.

She and her late husband, Bill, purchased the Round House and Park Hotel in 1944, creating a thriving business in the post-war years which centered around LaVina’s talented, as well as colorful and largely humorous renditions, of old favorites and contemporary songs of the day. Her effervescent presence emanated from center stage in what was originally a round bar, but eventually became a semi circular bar so that more people could crowd in to hear her. Her ready smile and loving wit charmed one and all. She became adept at throwing up her arms and then striking the right keys in rhythm while she belted out “You Can Throw A Silver Dollar,” always bringing the house down. Late in the evening, when she sang “The Indian Love Song,” there was not a dry eye among the remaining revelers.

In the late 40s and early 50s a large ferry ran daily from Detroit. Each summer, at the end of the season, she would get in the back of a pick up with a group of Island friends, including the McCanns and Duggans, and head for the docks where she played her accordion and serenaded the last ferry, quickly to be answered by the on-board orchestra, with the captain madly blasting his booming steam horn and the passengers cheering. The long gray winter on the island would soon set in. During the ice fishing season she switched from piano to apron and became the chief cook for the Park Hotel's 50+ weekend fishermen guests.

LaVina was born in a farm town in Indiana where her father ran a small bus line. Her three octave vocal range and advanced piano skills were soon evident as she sang opera on the radio at age 10 and in her later teens pounded out honky-tonk piano, for 10 cents an hour, in a theater showing silent films. Three years after her only child, Greg, was born the family began sailing to the island on weekends. This eventually led to the purchase of cottages on the north shore and shortly thereafter the Greunkes settled in a permanent location on the island, acquiring the Round House and Park Hotel.

The family left the Island in 1953 and moved to Clearwater, Florida. After the passing of Bill and her marriage to Ted Salute, she started a whole new life. The Salutes traveled extensively around the US including visits back to the Island. Their big adventure was to Australia - via the far east - to see her son Greg and his family who were living in Sydney.

Always the entertainer, her music eventually glided gracefully into the gospel format. She was a featured soloist at her church, her voice still hitting the high notes as only she knew how. Before services she played a healing piano prelude with a smile to all who came to worship. In her 80s and 90s she delighted in entertaining others of a lesser age in rest homes several days a week. She continued volunteering in this way until just a few weeks before her death.

In her 50s, and for many, many years after, she resumed painting and captured the dark mystery of a sunset over a Florida swamp, brooding pines dripping with Spanish moss, as well as the action in sports scenes - especially horse racing - and the quietude of a still life as simple as a piece of bread, on a cutting board, begging to be eaten. Sundays found her cheering the Tampa Bay Bucs - she knew all the players by name - and on Saturdays she engaged in lively hands of pinochle with Ted and his family. She did not like to lose... but always took it gracefully. An extremely verbal commentator on politics to the end, she was overjoyed with the recent national election. Her correspondence included Presidents, authors, newspaper editors and a myriad of friends.

She passed away peacefully in the early morning of March 20th, Ted by her side continuously. “Stinky,” as she became known on the island, will be known by one and all forever and will be truly missed. You may send a tribute, share a memory or your love and friendship at <http://turnerfuneralandcremation.com>.

Logan Bain

Logan Matthew Bain went home to be with Jesus suddenly on Friday, March 27, 2009. He would have been 7-weeks old Sunday. In his short life Logan touched the heart of his family and everyone he met. He went to sleep in his Daddy's arms and went to heaven. Survivors include his parents, Matt Bain and Dayna Gadverry, grandmother Carol Engel, formerly of Put-in-Bay, and great-grandparents Bob and Ruth Engel of Put-in-Bay.



LaVina Greuke  
Salute



Logan Bain



# The Put-in-Bay BAYZETTE

**April 2009****Stimulus Reading for Your Mental Slump****Vol. 29 No. 4**

## PIB Island Mayor turns down stimulus package

Put-in-Bay Island Mayor Mack McCain says he and the town council will turn down any stimulus package money from Washington. At their March meeting, McCain challenged council to come up with ideas on how to increase revenue and save money during these tight economic times without depending on handouts from the Feds.

Members of council were quick to respond with belt-tightening and "revenue-enhancing" ideas.

The first suggestion was to rent cabana chairs at the bathing beach and charge visitors a nominal fee for swimming there. Season passes would be available for islanders and cottagers allowing them to swim there.

Other members quickly followed with suggestions of using the town hall for nightly Bingo games and child care. "We've already got a bingo board in the assembly room, plus plenty of play stuff upstairs which island pre-schoolers use in the winter time and go unused during the tourist season. We could offer "baby-sitting" service for island visitors and seasonal employees," said Judy Bearie.

Bill Jelloson suggested closing every third stall in the public restrooms in the Village park. That, alone, would save 33.3% in operating costs.

Bob Cooked suggested charging tourists 50 cents to walk through the park. "Can you imagine how much money that alone would bring in?" he proudly told the mayor.

Ruth Scampelli reported she already had approached Maizie Cox about renting space in the bath house building for a non-denominational confessional booth. Maizie, who already performs weddings on the islands, would be happy to expand her ministerial serves to those who empty the numerous island bars at night seeking redemption. Instead of saying "Hail Marys," Sinners could simply drop what spare change they have into a collection plate and walk away cleansed. One council person quipped, "A confessional at the bathhouse might bring in more revenue than the showers."

Other suggestions included user fees (taxes in plain English) on potlucks, ATVs, ice shanties, bicycles, snowmobiles, party beads and spud bars.

Head of the island police department, Rick Lampale, said he could cut the police budget by doing away with the harbor patrol boat and getting a jet ski or two to provide emergency service on the waters surrounding the islands. The chief also wants to install an ATM machine in the waiting room at the police station so transaction fees can be earned on folks getting out their bail money. Lampale also wants golf carts for his police officers so they won't waste gas riding around in the police cruisers.

Mayor McCain was so impressed with the ideas, he sent them all to committee where he hopes they will become incorporated along with earmarks in future legislation. "If all else fails, we can mortgage the town hall and sewage treatment plant to raise some quick cash," said Mayor McCain.

## Skyway to dedicate new women's restroom Apr. 6th

With summer right around the corner, the crew at the ever-popular Skyway Restaurant has been busy remodeling their women's restroom. Plans call for a gala celebration and unveiling on Martini Monday, April 6th. Everyone is invited to come out to the Skyway about 6 p.m. and enjoy the first-ever women's restroom remodeling celebration on the island. There may be a crowd, so reservations are recommended. Men and women alike are welcome to attend and see the new facility which has been redecorated from top to bottom. A complimentary toast and poo-poo platter will be served.

The Put-in-Bay Bayzette's nose-to-the-ground reporter has uncovered details about the redo which are printed exclusively here for the first time. There will be one less stall, new soap dispensers, new paint on the walls, "higher commodes" and smoother rolling tissue dispensers.

Skyway owner Susan Thwaite ruled out the possibility there might be a urinal installed. "It never was an issue, but someone downtown started that story weeks ago, and we flushed that rumor immediately.

## Island police to get GPS

The Put-in-Bay Island Police Department announced it will be installing portable heavy-duty GPS units in all of its police vehicles on South Bass and Middle Bass Islands this coming month. Chief Rick Lampale convinced Township Council to fork over nearly \$15,500 for the four units, telling them his officers needed them to save lives and property and to protect the island from a terrorist attack.

When Ray Stuffleburg from Northshore Cab Company heard about the police getting GPS, he told the Bayzette he will not be installing GPS units in his car, but, instead, radar units like boaters use on their boats. Ray said he would also be installing new digital to analog television converters in his cabs in time for the change over in June. These changes will serve the same purpose as GPS.

## Green Island could annex Put-in-Bay

Visiting environmental professor, Dr. Sarkasian Olgivie, at The Ohio State University uncovered a here-to-fore unknown codicil in Ohio's state archives in Columbus directing South Bass Island, Put-in-Bay Village and the township of Put-in-Bay to become part of Green Island to fulfill "environmental imperatives" of the Western Reserve. Olgivie cited clairvoyance for this 19th century treatise inasmuch as it even referred to mitigation of carbon footprints. Among many citations scribed were prohibitions against internal combustion engine powered vehicles from the Island excepting commercial conveyances such as Lories (a holdover from colonial parlance), horse drawn buggies and self-propelled carts "suitable for pursuit of golf impedimenta." Greenhouse gases from excessive indulgence into spirits were deemed offensive and encouragement was given to marginalize such emissions.

Dr. Olgivie who returns to Greenland on an A-380 flight this summer, said the annexation surely would make Put-in-Bay a model island. Passers through such as Al Gore could, notwithstanding codicil conflict, arrive by short take-off and landing Lear jet to sanction the annexation. In closing, Olgivie said "fossil fuel burning ferry boats could be replaced with Perry era schooners propelled by multiple oarsmen according passengers a serene lake experience and solving in part the unemployment issue."

Doctor Olgivie was rumored to have last visited the island five years ago with his blonde college-aged graduate assistant, although no-one recalled meeting the two of them after they were spotted late one night doing the frug at the Round House.



In an effort to raise money for the South Bass Island Port Authority, Derriere Bob has offered to have this giant fiberglass cow placed in front of the terminal to promote business. The cow, about 10 feet high, is quite an attraction, but Bob says he won't bring it to Put-in-Bay from Michigan until he gets a thumbs up from Port Authority Members.

## Airport authorities explore funding options

The Bass Islands Port Authority reports it will ask for as much money from President Obama's stimulus package as it can get, but short of a massive bailout for the island airports, authority members are continuing to explore new avenues of funding for their cash-strapped entity.

Members recently learned there is FAA funding for a team of TSA (Transportation Security Agency) officers who would be stationed at all four island airports - Put-in-Bay, Middle Bass, North Bass and Rattlesnake Island. The FAA would actually pay the Bass Island Port Authority to allow them to provide security. This would mean baggage checks and shoes-off inspections for anyone flying out of the island airports, but if it meant \$25,000 additional revenue a year, it would be well worth it. The one down side would be the cost of installing the baggage scanners and metal detectors in the waiting room at the terminals on the four islands with airports.

The best idea for raising revenue came from Authority head Terry Burnt who suggested opening a pizza parlor at the PIB Airport. "There's no pizza place in this part of the island, plus we've already got rental golfcarts we can use for the free delivery," he told fellow members. He added, "I've seen what success they've had selling pizza downtown, and unless all our pizzas are burnt (no pun intended), we can't lose." Hattrick Myers took the idea a step farther saying Derriere Bob could offer delivery to the upper islands in his plane.

One last idea for saving money also has merit. Officials want to shorten the runway by 200 feet to save about \$10,000 a year in maintenance costs. They could then sell off a building lot and not worry about having voters pass levies to pay off the airport property.

## Help the economy, spend your cash on Put-in-Bay this summer

Island bar owners are sponsoring a "Buy American, Support Put-in-Bay" promotion for island visitors this summer. Realizing if you spend your dollars at Wal-mart, they go to China. If you buy gas, the bucks go to the Middle East. If you buy a computer, the cash goes to India. Bucks for cars go to Japan and bucks for fruit and vegetables go to Mexico, Honduras and Guatemala.

There's only one option left, and island bar owners are positioned to help save not only the national economy, but Put-in-Bay's, too. The answer is "spend your cash on beer at Put-in-Bay." (Imported beer excluded.) It's made in America and will keep those dollars here where they belong.

## Mini-Moss

Island Entertainer Bob Gatewood says he gave up the key of C sharp for Lent. His new bride, Andrea, says she can hardly wait until Lent is over.

A huge crowd attended the ceremony where Perry Monument Superintendent Blanca Stransky announced Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Maggie Beckford as the island's first "2009 Junior Ranger." Those who were there reported Maggie got a hat, badge and sash. Blanca was so impressed with Maggie she provided her with a secure cellphone number for Maggie to use when she takes over operations at the Monument when Blanca is off-island.

An islander has written a letter to President Barack Obama inviting him to attend the Put-in-Bay Class of 2009 graduation ceremonies at the Monument.

Put-in-Bay Island Mayor Mack McCain recently suggested everyone on the island get their own Facebook page so he can send out island updates each day.

Did you know Capt. Pat Chrysler is on a first-name basis with John Stossel, the host of ABC's program 20/20? A show which might feature Pat is due to air in April.



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## Island Profile

# Patty Bauer

by Kit Miniclier

Sometimes regulars share their intimate secrets with this petite, blue-eyed pixie barely moments before she spontaneously sheds her decorum (but not her clothes) to dance on the bar.

Even without her roller blades, the veteran bartender seems to be moving much faster, and with more purpose, than anyone else at Tipper's or the Boathouse.

Ironically, she marked the first day of spring this year by working at the Winter Bar in the Park Hotel.

Although she lives in the "Walleye Capital of the World," her favorite dish is a tuna casserole.

During her last three years of high school in Fostoria, she learned first hand about life and death as an orderly in a nursing home.

"I'd just get to know someone and they'd die."

As part of her training "each of us had to prepare a body for the undertaker."

She credits that experience, and the fact that both her parents are in their 80s, with giving her the focus and patience to appreciate, make time for and enjoy older people.

"Patty makes a point of taking care of the older people first, always making them comfortable," says Tipper, who wooed her away from the Boathouse after nineteen years.

"It takes a very special person to work behind the bar and always keep the same friendly attitude," Tipper said, adding:

"She is the best we could have hired. When she walks in everything is taken care of." Instead of bartending for a season or two and moving "up" to the corporate world, Patty Ann Bauer says she did it "backward" - moving from the corporate world, with an oil company, back to the island to become a full-time bartender.

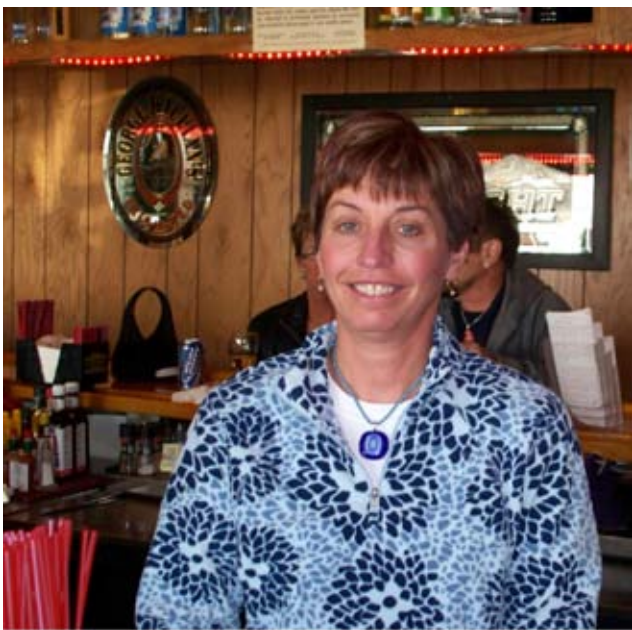
After 20 years behind bars at Put-in-Bay, she is probably the senior bartender on an island offering at least 51 bars suggested Paula Garsteck, a veteran bartender at the Roundhouse and a friend of Patty's.

When Patty worked in the office of Island Resorts, she'd often get to work before 7 a.m., work until five, go home and freshen up, and then work at the Boathouse from 6 p.m. until closing.

"She is good at everything she does and is a kind, thoughtful person who loves her family. She has a treadmill in the living room and I understand her cats walk on it too," said Caroline McCabe, who worked with her in Island Resorts.

Patty started work in Put-in-Bay in the summer of 1989, as a waitress at the Boathouse. Her sister Rose worked there as a bartender. Patty fell in love with the friendliness of the island, and really enjoyed waiting tables.

When she asked if she could come back as a server the following season, her boss, Michael McCann, refused,



Patty Bauer - Photo by Kit Miniclier

insisting she work behind the bar.

"It was the best thing he could have done," Patty says now, with an infectious smile.

"I may have a hard time with their names, but I know their drinks."

When regulars come through the door to the "Wrinkle Room" at Tipper's for Happy Hour, Patty likes to have their beverage of choice on the bar waiting for them as they sit down.

Her sunny, bubbly personality lifts spirits (literally and figuratively) at the bar and she is a pillar of stability for those in need.

If you have a personal problem she will listen. If there is a dispute, her diplomatic skills may suggest a less rocky road to communication.

"I love my job. I love talking and joking with people," says Patty.

"She always has an ear ready to listen and has a way of handling people without calling security," said regular Ted Hiles.

"She gets respect from people because she is respectful...sometimes she is a bit of a smart a--...She can give it as well as she takes it," Hiles added with an amiable smile.

Although Patty is manager of the 30-stool bar at Tipper's, she doesn't do job interviews or hiring. Those tasks are left to the owners. "I get to do the firing," she added.

What does she look for in a bartender?

"A great, outgoing personality, a good memory for drinks and the prompt, accurate, precise making of drinks," she unhesitatingly replied.

There aren't any resident shrinks on the island, so some bartenders, including Patty, become involuntary hometown psychologists. "We hear a lot and I'm learning to keep secrets," she said with a twinkle in her eyes.

Two customers who eventually married credit Patty with their marriage and at least one other couple credit her with melting glaciers of misunderstanding between them.

Her worst experience behind bars? "A woman spit in my face because she didn't think I waited on her fast enough." After dashing off to wash her face, Patty came back to kick her out, but the spitter had vanished.

As a generality she says drunk women tend to argue more than their inebriated male counterparts. Ever the diplomat, Patty refers to inebriated customers as "over-served," and she asks them to leave.

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ABOVE LEFT: Summer residents Kris and Reni Miller enjoy reading their Gazette on the deck of Yodeler Lodge at Holiday Valley while Dan Palmer re-enacts his proposal there to their daughter Deborah. By the way, Kris and Reni will be managing things at the Put-in-Bay yacht Club this summer. ABOVE RIGHT: Bob Drake, Bill Boag, Richard, Danny, Joan and Nora French and Debbie Larson at Sloppy Joe's in Key West, Florida.

## Lorain to PIB ferry moving along

Things are looking up for ferry service from Lorain, Ohio to Put-in-Bay this summer. The Lorain Port Authority recently receive two bids for a ferry boat which can provide ferry service this summer starting as early as July 4th.

The Port Authority has \$1.4 million in federal funds for the purchase, and The Jet Express, which will operate the service to the islands from the Black River Landing, has agreed to put up \$350,000 in required matching funds. The Jet Express will own 49 percent of the new ferry and will run and maintain it.

In the first round of bidding, no bids were received. The Port Authority will to either accept or reject the bids early in April.

## Trustees urge yes vote on reduced fire dept. levy

The Put-in-Bay Township Trustees will ask voters of South Bass Island to pass a 1.2-mil levy to fund the Put-in-Bay Volunteer Fire Department. The previous 4.0 mil levy was mistakenly not put on the November 2008 election ballot for renewal. This new levy will generate approximately the same or slightly less dollars as the 4.0 levy did.

The Trustees and the Put-in-Bay Volunteer Fire Department understand the hard times facing everyone due to the current economic downturn and will be striving to make due with less. The 1.2 mil levy will support a Volunteer Fire Department which costs little compared to a paid (personnel) department.

The South Bass Island Volunteer Fire Department is still paying off the balance for two new fire trucks which was supported by the 4.0-mil levy. Due to the 4.0-mil levy not being on the ballot in 2008, we will receive no tax payer funding in 2009. The lack of this funding has caused the Put-in-Bay Volunteer Fire Department to curtail needed improvements, and they will have problems making the final payments on the new fire trucks.

The voters are being asked to consider this levy on May 5th, 2009. Volunteer departments are the most cost effective of fire departments. The Put-in-Bay Volunteer Fire Department has worked to lower fire ratings on South Bass Island from a nine to a six in many areas of the island. These improvements should help lower your insurance rates if the voters approve the 1.2-mil levy. Having the South Bass Island Volunteer Fire Department will continue to keep our ratings down and help to lower them in some of the other areas of South Bass Island.

Unfortunately, if the levy were not to pass, the rating may go up to 10 and in some cases make properties uninsurable because we would not be able to maintain a Fire Department without funding. Put-in-Bay Volunteer Fire Department does not have the luxury of mutual aide with other fire departments. This department is your only choice for fire protection. We thank you for your time and patience and hope this answers your questions. - *The Put-in-Bay Township Trustees.*

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RIGHT: Most of the Put-in-Bay Archery Team with Randy "The Natural" Couture at the State Championship Archery Tournament. Left to right are Gunnar Auger, Wyatt Auger, Randi Wertenbach, Tom Chrysler, Victoria Wertenbach, Matthew Luecke, Ericson Booker, Molly Domer, Elyse Drake, Casey Pippert-Ladd, Tyler King, Sophia Schroeder, Ian Pippert Ladd, Couture, Carter Pugh, Meredith Engel, Riley Drake and Mitchell Blumensaadt. For those of you who haven't heard of Randy Couture, he's a nationally-known mixed martial arts celebrity.



What person from island history would you like to meet most if they could be transported to the island and see it now?

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# Beyond Belief - We'll be back

by Peter Huston

What do a bunch of elementary and middle school kids (and one high schooler) have in common with Robin Hood? Good Aim. It was the end of a long winter and just when you thought you'd never get off this island something amazing managed to warm the ice. Now I'm not saying this group of seventeen kids changed the weather, but I know they changed peoples' minds about what we call fun. Archery.

Archery for me has always been Errol Flynn, in his tights, locked in mortal combat with Basil Rathbone with a swooning Olivia De Havilland looking on, the object of both their affections. Or perhaps the funnier version our kids might know, the humorous spoof "Men in Tights" directed by Mel Brooks. Archery really has never been a mainstream school sport until now. With the help of the ODNR, some grant money secured by Susan Harrington and the school, and a little magic, archery has come to the island.

Every year April is a month of new beginnings here on PIB, when hope stirs our hearts. Businesses dust off winter's grime for a new season, softball teams start to shape up, (this will be the Winery's year I can feel it), and a brand new play, "Never Kiss a Naughty Nanny," (at town hall April 2,3,4) is being presented. But that can hardly compare to the fun of a possible first ever trip for our school kids to a national level competition when our first year Put-in-Bay School Archery Team aims for success at the National Archery in School Program (NASP) competition in Louisville, Kentucky, on May 8th.

How did this happen? It was cold, the ice was lingering, and on a chilly dark and dreary afternoon as the fog began to form over the water our intrepid team flew off the island fearful

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if they waited until the next morning they might never see Arnold Schwarzenegger (but that's a story for later).

The team made its way by van to the balmy weather that greeted them when they arrived at the third annual Ohio NASP State Tournament held at the Ohio Expo Center in Columbus on March 6, a competition in coordination with the Arnold Fitness Classic.

Dozens of Island folks from the Bay also converged on the Lauche building at the Ohio State Fairgrounds. They had come to see what all the buzz was about. Some were returning from their warm winter haunts in the south, others escaping from the frozen tundra known as South Bass. All who came managed to see something we could have never imagined.

And I can tell you it wasn't just RANDY COUTURE showing off his physique and posing with our kids or ARNOLD signing autographs (and looking for stimulus money from President Obama who was also in town the same day),. No, it was something much more. Now over the years Put-in-Bay has had some shining moments in sports, some great runners, sailors, even some talented ball players (not to mention some quick thinkers on the academic challenge team) but how about these seventeen kids. Out of 800 plus contestants and 100 or so teams our kids placed 8th in the state in the middle school division. Now I'm not sure everyone gets the idea about how this works, but a 50 pound 10-year old kid has just as good a chance of being a top scorer as a 200 pound 18-year old. In the scoring of the sport, even though they are broken up into divisions, Put-in-Bay can compete "toe on the line" with the big schools. This unique sport is the great equalizer for kids of all ages and sizes.

Now our team is qualified for the national championship in the High School Division in May. Singer Elvis Costello said it best, "my aim is true." Each and every one of our kids, under the direction of Coach Harrington, has learned how to aim. Now that doesn't sound like a big deal, but when less than an inch could be the difference between winning or not, you start to see we've got the "right stuff" right here in Put-in-Bay. And this is no flash in the pan accident; some of the highest scores on our team were managed by 4th graders. Yes, in the inimitable (albeit somewhat twisted) words of Arnold, "we'll be back."

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These island youngsters were part of this year's St. Patrick's Day parade on the island. In no particular order in this wagon towed by Mike Steidl are Dee Dee Duggan, her sons Talii, Doug and Michael, and daughter Lyla, Willow Lipke-Benn, Lucy Niese, Hope Cooks, Tyler and Jacob King, Max and Mia Hristovski, Ella Kostura, Jack Genzman and Jessica Krueger.

## 23rd Blessing of Fleet scheduled for April 28

PUT-IN-BAY – Three island ministers will bless a fleet of ferry boats, fishing vessels and emergency and rescue craft here on Tuesday, April 28, at the 23rd Annual Put-in-Bay Blessing of the Fleet. The blessing will take place beginning at 11 a.m. on Fox’s Dock, near where the Jet Express docks, in downtown Put-in-Bay.

The idea of blessing the fleet is a centuries-old tradition. Ports often bless boats in the spring for a prosperous fishing season. The main focus behind the blessings is that the vessels and those who operate them return safely to port.

“All of the vessels being blessed are important to our lives here on the island,” said Mike Steidl, Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce President. “Safe passage is always the goal.”

Put-in-Bay School’s choir will perform a medley of songs under the direction of Gay Pippert as part of the ceremony. There will also be a moment of silence for those who lost their lives at sea.

Rev. Webster Maughn from St. Paul’s Episcopal Church and Father Ron Brickner from Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church and Rev. Dan Keck from St. John’s Lutheran Church are scheduled to administer the blessings from the dock.

The traditional fleet blessing prayer asks God to bless the vessel, its equipment and all those who use it. The ministers’ prayers also ask Jesus Christ, who calmed a storm on the sea, and filled his apostles’ fishing nets with fish, to bring everyone back to safe harbor.

Watercraft will circle the bay after a rendezvous at the Middle Bass Island dock. They will each receive a blessing as they pass by Fox’s Dock at Put-in-Bay. Each blessing takes about 45 seconds and the entire ceremony takes about 30 minutes.

About 20 vessels participate each year, including aircraft from Griffing Flying Service in Sandusky and Dairy Air from Put-in-Bay. Lifeflight from St. Vincent Hospital in Toledo and Metro Health in Cleveland have also participated.

Charter boat captain Pat Chrysler will be the “on water” marshal for the event. Also participating will be Miller Boat Line, the Jet Express, charter captain Joe Kostura of Hard Water Charters, emergency and marine towing vessels and rescue craft from the U.S. Coast Guard Marblehead Station.

When the Miller ferry pauses to be blessed, it is significant to note Mary Ann Market, owner of the boat line with her three adult children, was one of the original organizers of the event. She co-chaired the event for 15 years. Miller Boat Line began running its 2009 schedule on March 20.

At the end of the ceremony the watercraft will gather for another tradition – a mariner’s salute of two long and three short horn blasts.

Coffee, hot chocolate, cookies and donuts will be served on Fox’s Dock after the ceremony.

## News from I-LYA

by Commodore Ed Payne

At the I-LYA Fall Meeting, we had our elections. For 2009, the honor of Commodore and First Lady of I-LYA is ours, Ed and Donna Payne. Our Vice Commodore and Lady are John D. Stewart and Nancy. Our Rear Commodore and Lady are Fred Schroeder and Charlene.

We all look forward to working with the island this year, in putting together our Regattas which, thanks in great part to the island businesses and residents, is the largest all-encompassing fresh water regatta in the world!

Our Junior Sail events will take place July 19 – 23. Our Power events will be held July 29 – Aug. 3. Our Sail events will begin with Deepwaters starting July 31, and completing with the final Awards August 5.

With many thanks to the people and businesses of Put-in-Bay,

### Thank you from the 4-H

Thank you to everyone who bought flower bulbs from our 4-H club. This fundraiser was a great success! We will be using the money to purchase supplies for the Town Hall for our projects.

### Vet coming to island

The Catawba Veterinarian Hospital will be coming to the island for animal vaccinations three times this season. The dates are May 14th, July 9th and Sept. 10th. As in the past, Valerie Kowalski will host the clinic at her residence on Mike's Drive on East Point.

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Island Profile

Patty Bauer

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They will deny it, so I just take their drink." She rarely needs to alert security.

Asked about her personality, which prompts her to practically sprint from place to place, she shrugged, agreeing that she is a bit hyper.

"I've always been on the go. I always find something to do to keep busy." She tries to walk three or four miles a day and enjoys both biking and roller blading. Friends say she has a treadmill in her home which her two house cats - Mimi and Maxine - share.

The cats were found under the Roundhouse three years ago and she says Teri Winchester talked her into keeping them.

After working 70 hours a week during high season she likes to go with a couple of friends and just hang out at one of the island's quieter bars, which don't have live bands or blaring loud speakers broadcasting the latest compressed musical offerings.

Summer nights she works from 6 p.m. until closing six days a week

In summer the bars close at 2:30 a.m. However, in the winter, when only islanders are about, the last guest gone on a truly memorable (if anyone can) night may not be until 4 a.m. Her cats awaken her by 9 a.m. to play.

Patty is devoted to her parents and her sister's children and is already trying to persuade the kids to come and work on our island when they grow up. However, their parents

Egg-citing things at the Senior Center

by Candace Pucci, Activity Director

"Egg-citing" things are happening at the Senior (Community) Center. Spring has finally arrived and our Miller Boat Line Ferry is back on schedule. Yah! The ice fisherman have pulled in their shanties and are now getting ready for warmer weather. And so are we.

What better time to get in shape. Because of it's success, we've decided to keep our "Get Fit" program running with Weight Strengthening classes Mon., Wed., Fri., and add a "Let's Walk" program Tues., Thurs., & Sat., @ 10:00am. We invite everyone to come and join us as we take advantage of the nice weather and admire the flowers

in bloom, the birds singing, (believe it or not, they're not all in Nancy Booker's yard), our beautiful island, take in the sunshine and spring in all its glory!

On Wednesday, April 8th, we will be working together with our high school students and filling plastic eggs with lots of goodies to be hidden on the grounds of Perry's Cave Family Fun Center for our annual Easter

operate a marina in Marblehead and have different ideas.

"I have great parents, Dad will be 88 in June and Mom is 85. They are both very healthy and still worry about me, as all parents do."

The other day her Mom, Corrine, came over to the island to help Patty pack up her three-bedroom bungalow at the Island Club, which she had just sold to pay for a new home she is building elsewhere on South Bass Island.

They got everything boxed up in one day with the help of Linda Ostrander and Stephanie Thompson. Where does Patty get her energy, enthusiasm and good cheer? "From me, I guess," her Mom spritely quipped.

Patty unabashedly admitted she turned 47 on March 31st, quickly adding "but I don't feel like it." She says she is so full of energy and happiness because "I love my job, I love where I am in my life and I've got a great support system."

When the mood strikes, she will dance on the bar or up on the stage with the band, but just for one number.

Never married, she says one boating couple has been trying to set her up with their son for years. "They'd be great in-laws but their son is much younger."

"I'm hoping one day my Prince Charming will walk in through those doors and I will serve him a drink." That is exactly how her sister Rose met her husband at the Round House.

After she lost her mainland job with the oil company (through a buyout) she figuratively limped back to our island. "I was crying and homeless."

Her despair was quickly broken by Martin Lamp, who told her "Patty you are NOT homeless. You are COMING HOME."

She still gets goose bumps when she thinks of it.

Egg Hunt scheduled for Sat., the 11th. Nothing reminds us more Easter is here than watching little children hunt for eggs and load up their baskets with joy!

On Good Friday, we're honoring the holy day with a "Lenton Lunch" being served at the Senior Center. Bob Schmidt is even sharing his famous Walleye Chowder recipe with us. Yum!

Did you know Doris Day was born April 3, 1924? To celebrate the birthday of this adorable and talented actress, we're throwing a "Pajama Party Movie Night." (In true PIB style, we'll find ANY reason for a party)! So, put on your pink fuzzy slippers and P.J.'s and join us as we watch "Pillow Talk" starring Doris Day and Rock Hudson on our big screen T.V. We'll have fresh popped popcorn, peanuts, licorice, raisenettes, and lots more movie munchies. This is sure to be an eventful, fun-filled night. Don't forget to bring your pillow!

Panthers collecting DVDs and stuffed animals

Put-in-Bay School's Panther Pride students are collecting used DVD's (PG and PG-13), used CD's and gently used or new stuffed animals for the Metro Health Children's Burn Unit. Collection dates are Monday, March 30 through Wednesday, April 8. Boxes are set up for collection at the School, General Store, and St. Paul Episcopal Church.



RIGHT: Judy and Island General Store butcher Don Ruggiero read their Gazette on Coopers Island in the British Virgin Islands. The only electric was lights after 5 p.m. They could only charge cell phones and cameras. Hot water was limited and showers were outside on the back porches of their unit. They had their own kitchen with propane refrigerator and stove. Great snorkeling and beaches. The Island Rocket which used to serve our islands is now painted blue and part of a fleet of go faster ferries running between Roadtown and Charlotte Amalie in the US. The trip is about an hour.

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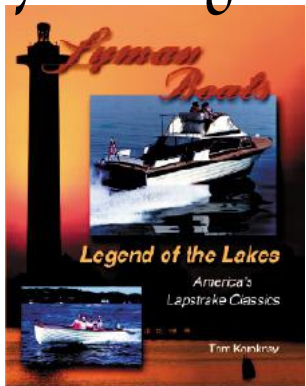
On Thursday, March 5th, the Put-in-Bay 7th and 8th grade academic challenge teams came away with first place finishes at the annual Ottawa County Academic Challenge. Pictured below seated left to right are 7th graders Arthur Wolf, Zoly Urge, Casey Pippert-Ladd, and Cody Porche; standing are 7th grader Victoria Wertenbach, 8th graders Molly Domer, Karina Kowalski, Shawn Seaberg, Wyatt Auger, and Riley Drake and 7th grader Madeline Pugh.



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## Schools News by Steve Poe

As this year comes to an end, many of our students (and teachers) look forward to a very busy Spring. Mr. Kowalski had the high school students applying their academic skills to "solve a Murder Mystery" the week of March 23. Ms. Jane Market will have her speed-stacking students compete at Genoa on April 1st. Mrs. Carol Cerny and Mrs. Linda Rence will have their foreign language students serve up Spanish and French cuisine on April 2nd. Mrs. Genzman has her environmental club participating in "The Big Turn Off" on Saturday night, March 28th, celebrating "Earth Day" on April 22nd and competing at the annual "Envirothon" competition on April 29th. Mr. and Mrs. Genzman and Mr. Craig Schuffenecker are excited about taking twenty-one of our high school students to the Andros Island Science Field Study over Spring Break. Ms. Susan Harrington hopes to be taking our archery team to Louisville, Kentucky for the National Archery Tournament on May 8th and 9th (details were not available at press time). Ms. Gay Pippert will have her choir students perform a Spring Concert on Thursday, May 14th at 7 p.m. And Mrs. Teri Pierce is preparing to take our five seniors to Chicago for their senior class trip the weekend of May 15th.

On March 24th our seventh and eighth grade Academic Challenge teams competed at the Tri-County Challenge at Firelands College. This competition consisted of three rounds of questions. After the first round both of our teams found themselves just one point out of first. However, in the subsequent rounds, as luck may have it, we seemed to run into a string of difficult questions compared to those of our opponents and fell further behind. We congratulated the team from Norwalk Schools (Huron County) for winning the 8th grade competition and the team from Perkins Schools (Erie County) for winning the 7th grade competition. Again, we are proud of our students for winning Ottawa County and qualifying for this event!

On Wednesday, April 22nd, senior Adam Bianchi will be honored at the Annual Ottawa County Top Ten Banquet. Seniors from every school in the county are recognized at this event for their high academic achievements. Congratulations Adam! Adam is the son of David and Debbie Bianchi.

Although the exact date and time is not set, Put-in-Bay School will be selling at auction over thirty pieces of industrial shop equipment, numerous hand tools and power tools, and various sizes of tool storage cabinets. Look for advertisements in the coming weeks for this summer event. If you would like to inquire about the things that will be sold at this auction, please contact Steve Poe at the school.

Just a reminder about the April calendar: We will release school at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, April 10th for Spring Break and return to school on Monday, April 20th. Students will be MAP testing and taking the Ohio Achievement Tests starting the week of April 27th. Testing schedules for each grade level will be sent home to parents.



Congratulations to Kindergarten student Nora Ladd who won First Place in the Primary Division (K-2) of the AAA Northwest Ohio Traffic Safety Poster Contest. Nora's poster, entitled "Strap In, Every Time," was created to illustrate a theme surrounding child and pedestrian safety. Over 275 posters were submitted from schools across Northwest Ohio. Nora's prize was a check for \$60 and her poster will be forwarded for judging at the National level. Great Job Nora! She is the daughter of Chris and Heidi Ladd. Pictured behind Nora are PIB School Board members Mike Byrnes, David Bianchi, JR Domer and Steve Riddle.

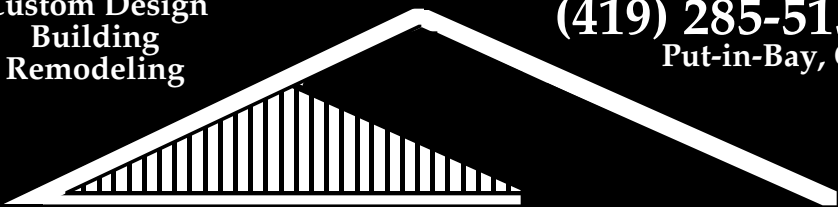
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ABOVE LEFT: Sharon Serfozo, Presshouse Joe Suttman and Cousin Jen Larcey read their Put-in-Bay Gazette in Philipsburg, St. Maarten. Joe was there on a cruise with Eric, Anna and Meredith Engel, Jane and Leah Market, and Greg, Pam and Chad Hughes. Sharon and her husband Mike operate the Del Sol store at Harbor Village on Put-in-Bay in the summer and two Del Sol stores in St. Maarten in the winter. Cousin Jen teaches school in St. Maarten when not working on Put-in-Bay in the summer. ABOVE RIGHT: Brothers Tyler and Jacob King repeated their "Blues Brothers" act at Tipper's after they performed it at the Island Talent show on Friday evening, March 20th.

## Lots happening on Kelleys Island

by Leslie Korenko

We are once again connected to the outside world. The first ferry ran on April 26 and I don't think there was one person left on the island.

### THE LIBRARY

The Big Read is heading for 100% so if you haven't signed up, please do. An official count was made on March 1 and 128 people were physically on the island. That is the goal. You can still sign up as a supporter, that counts too! Go to the Village website [www.KelleysIsland.us](http://www.KelleysIsland.us) and click on Big Read to contact Elaine). It's a shame the eagles weren't included in the count. They were spotted spring cleaning and repairing their nest at the end of February. By the way, our little branch library has some very impressive statistics under its belt. In 2008, the library circulated 7,735 items including 2,233 adult books, 2,855 children's books, 2,264 movies, 301 magazines, and 23 books on tape/CD.

### SAFETY AWARDS

The island's safety services were honored with an award from St. V's (Life Flight) for their assistance at the plane crash incident in 2007. A St. V 's Life Flight Conference honored our hard-working safety services with a plaque and the Dr. Frank Foss EMS Excellence Award. Accepting the award were Sally Hiller and Kathy Reddinger ( EMS ), Jack Hostal and Paul Hiller (Fire Dept.), Sharon Devine (Paramedic), and David Green (Police Dept.).

### RESORT TAX

The resort tax receipts are in and are a bit lower than previous years. The village received \$115,932 which equals \$7,728,800 in taxable sales. The resort tax is reported on sales in the village on items subject to the regular sales tax.

### GREEN OPTIONS

Council met in February for a work session. Different from the Council meetings, officials were encouraged to share their projects, concerns and comments. Recycling and Green initiatives include the purchase of an oil heater for waste oil for the maintenance building. An oil recycling program will likely be started. Aluminum cans continue to be accepted at the transfer station and other recycling options are under consideration. The scrap metal collection day is May 30.

### VILLAGE WEBSITE

The village website, [www.KelleysIsland.us](http://www.KelleysIsland.us), has loads of information for residents and visitors. You can look up sections of the Village Code, email your officials and download and request forms. Coming soon, PLANNING COMMISSION minutes. These will be of interest as the members have been working on rewriting the Zoning Code.

### OTHER VILLAGE NEWS

Work will continue on the Dwelle house, public restrooms and Kelleys Hall lift/elevator and restroom project. Trees, drainage and sidewalks will be priorities this year with hazards identified and action taken to assure resolution. The WATER DEPT. has presented Council with legislation to raise tap fees. The standard 3/4" tap will increase from \$3500 to \$7000. Don Alexander explained this was more an impact fee than a tap-in fee. John Kilko would like to see the Port Authority brought back to the Council table. Reassignment of powers from Council to the Port Authority was previously tabled. There will likely be a Council workshop on April 11 and the Council meeting will move to the 25th because of Easter.

### AIRPORT

The Airport Layout Plan is moving through the FAA review process. On the ballot this May will be a levy to cover repairs and resurfacing of the runways. Tom Griffing encourages voters to approve this levy. The Village is also pursuing some grant money for this project. If funds are received, they will not collect the levy. It's a win-win for the residents. The village website will have a link so you can calculate your cost per year for this levy.

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## Island Diary

**Sun., Mar. 1st** - Islanders are returning to the island after the mid-winter school break.  
**Mon., Mar. 2nd** - It's back to school for the island students.  
**Tues., Mar. 3rd** - Terri Travis is taking reservations for the Perry Holiday for Barb Chrysler while she's on vacation in Perdido Key, Florida.  
**Wed., Mar. 4th** - There's one last fish shanty on the ice in the harbor.  
**Thurs., Mar. 5th** - The Put-in-Bay 7th and 8th grade academic challenge teams came away with first place finishes at the annual Ottawa County Academic Challenge.  
**Fri., Mar. 6th** - Wow! It's 60 degrees at Put-in-Bay.  
**Sat., Mar. 7th** - The entire Put-in-Bay High School Class of 1988 arrives in the Florida Panhandle to visit former PIB School Superintendent Kelly Faris who is vacationing there.  
**Sun., Mar. 8th** - Anne Auger looks out her window on East Point and notices it's pouring rain. John Dodge runs his airboat from the State Park, along the West Shore and into the harbor. The ice is pretty soft.  
**Mon., Mar. 9th** - Wind overnight blows most of the ice in the bay and around the islands out.  
**Tues., Mar. 10th** - The Ed Heineman family leaves the island for Florida. Ed and daughter Ava fly off the island and Michele travels to the mainland on John Dodge's airboat with a few other friends. Ed said fog was a factor early in the day.  
**Wed., Mar. 11th** - Winds clear the lake of any lingering ice.  
**Thurs., Mar. 12th** - Joe and Suzanne Kostura text their customers thanking them for using their ice boat service this winter.  
**Fri., Mar. 13th** - Miller Ferry runs its first trip of the 2009 season.  
**Sat., Mar. 14th** - Roger Parker works all day inspecting his island properties. Fortunately, the casualties of a snowy winter are minimal.  
**Sun., Mar. 15th** - Linda Ostrander has dinner at the Skyway and then is surprised at Tipper's with a big 50th birthday party.  
**Mon. Mar. 16th** - Fred Berry makes his first trip to the island after recovering from major back surgery with severe complications in February.  
**Tues., Mar. 17th** - John Ladd and Paul Ladd head out for some fishing by West Reef. They report skim ice in the Bay and out on the lake. Tipper's and Mariner's Locker were turned into Irish Pubs for St. Patrick's Day.  
**Wed., Ma. 18th** - There are plenty of rumors flying around the island about who's buying the Dairy Queen, Mossbacks and the Lone Willow.

### Special Note

From the entire community of Put-in-Bay,  
we'd like to wish Sue Duff  
a "Happy Retirement!"  
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**Thurs., Mar. 19th** - Carl Krueger is in the process of painting the outside of the Island Surf Shop building.  
**Fri., Mar. 20th** - There are only four acts in this year's island talent show. Young Tyler and Jacob King perform their Blues Brothers act at the show and then perform it again on the stage at Tipper's.  
**Sat. Mar. 21st** - The 10th Annual Put-in-Palooza takes place in Port Clinton. Dino Uszak and Agnes Poroszewska are married by Maisie Cox at the Doller House.  
**Sun., Mar. 22nd** - Dave and Teri Moore, their son Nick and his daughter Isabelle, stopped by the Catawba Dock on Sunday to say hello to any of their friends who were boarding the ferry. The Moores owned Maple Cottage and also summer on Ballast Island.  
**Mon., Mar. 23rd** - If you're a proponent of wind energy, you love it on the island today. The cold east wind is strong enough for miniature white caps in the harbor.  
**Tues., Mar. 24th** - The demolition division of Todd Blumensaadt's Put-in-Bay Investments construction company tear down the old Kraus house on Lorain Ave. for Mr. Ed.  
**Wed., Mar. 25th** - Superintendent of Perry's Monument, Blanca Stransky, hosts a Spring Soup Supper at the Town Hall.  
**Thurs., Mar. 26th** - The seniors from the Put-in-Bay Senior Center had a surprise luncheon at Tipper's for Sue Duff. There was an awards banquet at the PIB Town Hall for the members of the PIBHS Panther Basketball team.  
**Fri., Mar. 27th** - Monument Superintendent Blanca Stransky and her husband Mark hosted a Casa de Blanca "The Whole Enchilada" dinner for Maggie Beckford's twenty islander guests. Maggie purchased the dinner at a recent fund-raiser auction, and Blanca cooked a wonderfully authentic enchilada, taco, rice and bean dinner, with plenty of Margaritas to wash it down. Sue Duff officially retires as director at the PIB Senior Center  
**Sat., Mar. 28th** - There's a tug with a big barge with a crane off the Middle Bass dock keeping busy doing "who knows what." It lays over at Put-in-Bay off Fox's Dock that night. Were you one of those who celebrated "Earth Hour" at the Monument?  
**Sun., Mar. 29th** - Bishop Leonard Blair is on the island for the first time. He is at Mother of Sorrows for the confirmation ceremony of nine island 9th thru 12th graders.  
**Mon., Mar. 30th** - Marv Booker, comes up with a real Irish name for the new Irish pub going in the Odd Fellows Tavern building - McCann's Irish Pub.  
**Tues., Mar. 31st** - The Port Authority holds a special meeting with Dairy Air Bob concerning issues at the airport.

### Please RSVP

Candy Pucci, the activity director at the Put-in-Bay Community Senior Center would like to remind everyone to please RSVP at 419-285-5501 in advance for lunch reservations!

### Thank you.....

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You will find sign-up sheets posted at the post office, grocery store and at school, so check it out! For more information about this or to share your ideas, please contact Pastor Dan Keck of St. John @ TheBay at 419-341-7216 or email at [prdan@stjohnlutheranpc.com](mailto:prdan@stjohnlutheranpc.com).

## Children's Choir and Liturgical Dance Team to visit Put-in-Bay!

St John @ The Bay is inviting everyone to join us for a special worship event on Sunday, April 26 at Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church, beginning at 2:30 p.m.! A combined children and youth choir from Zoar Lutheran Church and St. Rose Catholic Church in Perrysburg will participate in worship with us, singing several special music selections as well as participating in the liturgy. They also have a terrific liturgical dance team which complements the worship experience through the expression of dance. This ministry team includes approximately 30 children and youth! We hope you can and will join us for the special worship service. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Dan Keck at 419-341-7216 or email at [prdan@stjohnlutheranpc.com](mailto:prdan@stjohnlutheranpc.com).

## Earthhour 2009 at Perry's Victory

At 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 28, Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial celebrated Earthhour 2009 by joining millions of people around the world in turning out the lights for one hour. Starting at 7:30 p.m., astronomer Gene Zajac conducted a power point presentation featuring the wonders of the nighttime skies in the Visitor Center. Rangers lit campfires before 8:30 p.m. as the lights went out. Hot chocolate and cookies were served and everyone was encouraged to share stories of island life and history in the firelight. The evening was overcast, chilly and windy, but a good number of people did show up for the event even though they couldn't see any stars through a telescope.



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ABOVE LEFT: Larry and Carol Davis and Penny and Karl Schmidlin took a 12-day cruise in February out of New York to the Caribbean. The read their PIB Gazette while whale watching off Dominica. ABOVE RIGHT: Middle Bass Islanders Dave and Barb Nostrant found the only business in Key West that had a copy of the Put-in-Bay Gazette. ParrotHead Porters at 922 Caroline Street always has a copy available for keeping up on the Erie Islands!

## Middle Bass Buzz

### Mid Bass State Park project gets \$1.2M funding

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources has released \$1,256,700 for the water, wastewater and electrical utilities project at Middle Bass Island State Park.

"This project is critical to the vitality of Middle Bass Island State Park and Ottawa County as a whole," Rep. Dennis Murray said. "I'm extremely pleased the state saw the importance of this project, and I am excited to see what the park will look like when it's completed."

The project consists of the construction of utility system infrastructure to support current and projected future development within Middle Bass Island State Park, including the recently renovated marina basin.

Major items of work include new water and sewer lines

to connect the park to existing treatment facilities and a new elevated water tank (now under construction), an expanded electrical distribution system, proper abandoning of two existing groundwater wells that are no longer used, and miscellaneous minor site improvements.

Water supply and wastewater treatment will be provided through a previously executed agreement between Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the Lake Erie Utilities Company, who is in the process of upgrading their treatment plants to handle the additional demand.

All work on the project is scheduled for completion by September 2009.

### Middle Bass State Park Dock Lottery

There were 35 applications for seasonal docks at the Lonz Marina received by the deadline of February 25, 2009, 5 p.m. at the Catawba State Park Office. There were 70 slips set aside for the seasonal dock lottery. The drawing was conducted at the Catawba State Park office on March 5, 2009, 6 p.m. Thirty-four docks were assigned through the seasonal dock lottery. One of the 35 applications was a duplication, hence 34 docks were assigned out of the 35 applications received. Karen Beckman, the assistant park manager for Middle Bass, has been contacting those dock holders to work out the details. This year, the price of a seasonal dock is about \$30 a foot. By 2011, plans call for an increase to \$50 per foot.

**Spring construction plans**

Construction on the water tower near the school house and lines will continue. The Electric infrastructure will be built out. New roadways will be further planned and temporary roads will be used. There are to be some finishing touches to the marina basin, including two pipe piles and some rock in the channel to be cleared out. Docks are currently scheduled to be completed for public use the beginning of June.

### Safety

In regards to the General Public Docks in the Lonz Marina - docks may be in the water, but will not be available for use until they are certified by the contractors and engineers for public use. Contractors working on the docks have asked to let boaters know excessive boat traffic this spring could slow their progress. Please don't encourage boat traffic into the marina while the docks are being finished "on-site."

### Management change

Scott Doty, who was Regional Manager of the Lake Erie Island State Parks, has taken a new position at Maumee Bay and Harrison Lake Region State Parks. Ina Brolis, Regional Park Manager of East Harbor will assume the regional responsibilities over Lake Erie Islands. Karen Beckman, the Assistant Manager for Middle Bass Island, will continue with this project. She has been working with this project since the beginning. She can be reached at Catawba State Park, 419-797-4530.

### Middle Bass Cookbook

The Middle Bass Island cookbook is out and is a huge success! Wonderful recipes from islanders and relatives fill the pages. The books make great gifts. They are available at My Aunt Irma's, The General Store and J.F. Walleye's. Be sure to get a copy before they are gone!

### Middle Bass softball team being recruited

Island folk who want to play softball on the Middle Bass team this season are asked to contact Chris Zeitler at (440) 823-2990. Chris has volunteered to head up the committee. Middle Bass fields a pretty good team each year, so plan on joining the team. Volunteers are also needed to manage, coach and cook for the games.

### New members on MB Town Hall board

New members on the Middle Bass Town Hall Board are Kelly Halterman, Laura Schanz and Marika Gross. They are seeking suggestions for events, improvements and functions. You may inquire of available dates and policies regarding any function by contacting Laura at (440) 263-9148.

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LEFT: Left to right: Dana Blumensaadt, Mary Ann Market, Maryann McCann and Bill Blumensaadt were among those who enjoyed enchiladas, tacos, rice and beans and Margaritas at a party given by Maggie Beckford on Friday, March 27th. Blanca Stransky donated an authentic Mexican dinner for four at one of the island's fundraiser auctions and Maggie was high bidder. Blanca hosted the party at her home and ended up serving twenty guests. Great food, great company! We can hardly wait until Blanca offers another one of these parties!

## Island woman stones hubby and island car

We're not going to name any names, but we heard about a wild woman on East Point who continued to stone her husband while he pleaded her to stop. While on a visit to the family cottage this winter for a little ice fishing and relaxation, this "disturbed woman" was asked to help pull the family's 1994 green mini-van island car out of a snowbank.

Her poor husband apparently knew nothing of the stress pent up in his wife due to her high-pressure job in a hospital. After he hooked the ATV up to the mini-van with a chain and got behind the wheel, the wife gunned the machine beyond the red line. The tires of the ATV spun wildly, kicking up stone and gravel in the driveway. Feeling that rush one gets when revving up a machine, she never heard the stones slamming against the back of the van, breaking the taillights and rear window, or for that matter, her husband screaming for her to stop.

With her husband trapped inside the vehicle, she continued to gun the loud engine. The wheel tore up even more stones and rocks, propelling them inside the van, hitting her husband repeatedly, breaking the gauges on the

dashboard and even breaking the front windshield. As her husband screamed for her to cease, the wife continued to shower the van with the rocks. Finally, she stopped, exhausted, but obviously feeling better until she turned around and saw the damage she had inflicted.

Fortunately, her medical background allowed her to treat her husband until the EMS arrived and LifeFlighted him to the safety of a hospital room. The Put-in-Bay Police were called in to make a police report, and for a time considered filing assault charges on the woman. When all was said and done, the van was totaled, the husband was released from the hospital after four days, and the wife agreed to undergo psychiatric treatment for stress management.

## Man takes plea deal, will serve time

A man arrested for raping a woman at Put-in-Bay last August agreed to a plea deal in Ottawa County Common Pleas Court. Sammy Battigaglia, 53, Springfield, pleaded guilty to felony attempted abduction last month in a deal with the prosecutor's office. He had originally been charged with rape, two counts of kidnapping, one count of assault and two counts of abduction involving a 26-year-old woman. He received a sentence of 17 months in prison.

The woman told police Battigaglia was a long-time family friend and 'father-like figure.' She was at the island with him to celebrate his birthday with another friend, who canceled at the last minute.

The woman told police she and Battigaglia went back to the room after an evening out so she could go to sleep, but he held her down and assaulted her. After the assault, she told Battigaglia she had to use the bathroom and she escaped from the room.

Hotel staff called Put-in-Bay police who found Battigaglia in the hotel room, visibly intoxicated.

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Billy Market packed in four days of sightseeing in Paris, France, in March with his daughter, Caitlin, who is an exchange student from Put-in-Bay High School studying there now. They are pictured here at the Arc de Triomphe.



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Michael McCann enjoyed the last weekend of March. He took his two daughters, Elizabeth and Anna and their friend, Chad Hughes, to a Brittney Spears concert in Pennsylvania.

Mike "Mad Dog" Adams, the ever-popular entertainer at the Round House, was featured in an article in the Youngstown Vindicator on March 19th.

Workers began remodeling at Odd Fellows Tavern. Roger Miller's crew showed up Friday, March 27th to begin work on taking out the center wall. We hear it's going to be converted to a tavern with an Irish pub theme.



Yogi (Dale Sanders) and three Put-in-Bay angels, Tiffany, Courtney and Jessica, took time from their fishing for this striped marlin to read the PIB Gazette. We can only imagine what the fishing guide thought as they took time to have this picture taken.

When we read there was an Absolute Intense Wrestling event at the Put-in-Bay Lakewood bar a few weeks back, we thought something like that might go great here on the island, too. There was a \$5 cover fee and you had to be 21 or over to be admitted.

Did you know this year marks the 10th anniversary for Vicky Wigle's Kayak the Bay?

Bob and Deb Cook from the Park Hotel were in Arizona earlier this winter to celebrate their daughter Tiffanie's 30th birthday.

Pat Chrysler was on the You Decide program on WPCR (Port Clinton television station) and featured in The Beacon's website this past month. Sheriff Bob Bratton and Captain Pat were interviewed regarding ice fishing and ice safety. An ABC News crew was be in Port Clinton to record an episode of 20/20 and host John Stossel granted a 20-minute interview to Ron Miller for the You Decide program. The ABC show is scheduled to air sometime in early April.

Congratulations to Bill Trisler who won the Chili Cook off at the Senior Center. He won in all categories for his Kahlua Chili. Yum! Yum!

Capt. Russ Brohl has been busy pondering the extra time he'll have as he goes into semi-retirement. One of his brainstorms to keep himself busy is to provide more blue bird habitat on the island.

During the mid-winter break from school, pre-school teacher Annemarie Eriksen and her husband, Craig, flew out to Las Vegas to visit their son, Christian (PIB Class of 1998).

Speaking of Las Vegas, most of the Booker clan headed out for a family wedding there at the end of March. Marv Booker says he stopped along the way out to see the Painted Dessert, the Petrified Forest and the Grand Canyon.

Speaking of driving out west, Chip Duggan and his son, Dan, headed west to explore Route 66, which Chip just loves.

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## PIB grad makes national magazine

Lindsay Pierce (PIBHS Class of 2005), who works for Ladies & Gentlemen Salon & Spa in Lyndhurst, Ohio, had one of her hair styles featured in the magazine Celebrity Style 101 Hairstyles 2009. It's a publication featuring this year's 1200 of the most wanted hairstyles, colors and make-up. When Lindsay's grandmother, Joy Urge, bought a copy of the magazine at the newstand at Wal-Mart, she loved the hairstyle and make, but didn't recognize the model. She had to be told it was one of her other granddaughters, Michala Wertenbach, a high school student at Put-in-Bay and the daughter of Jack and Randi Wertenbach. Lindsay is the daughter of Put-in-Bay school teacher Teri Pierce and her husband Burns, who owns the tree trimming service on the island.

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  - Skyway, Lot 16 S of Co. Rd. Put-in-Bay Township, to Roy Fogg & Erik Booker Limited Partnership. \$175,000
  - South Shore Beach Resort, Lot 16 S of Co. Rd. Pt., to Jaris/Matees/Fizgerald, Tip Neese, LCC.
- NOTE TO BUYERS: Please send cashier's checks to escrow company, so we can finally close. Thanks!

## Island Trivia

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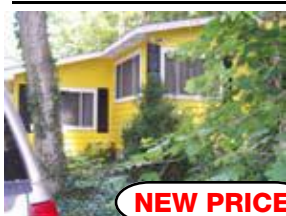


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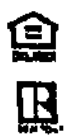


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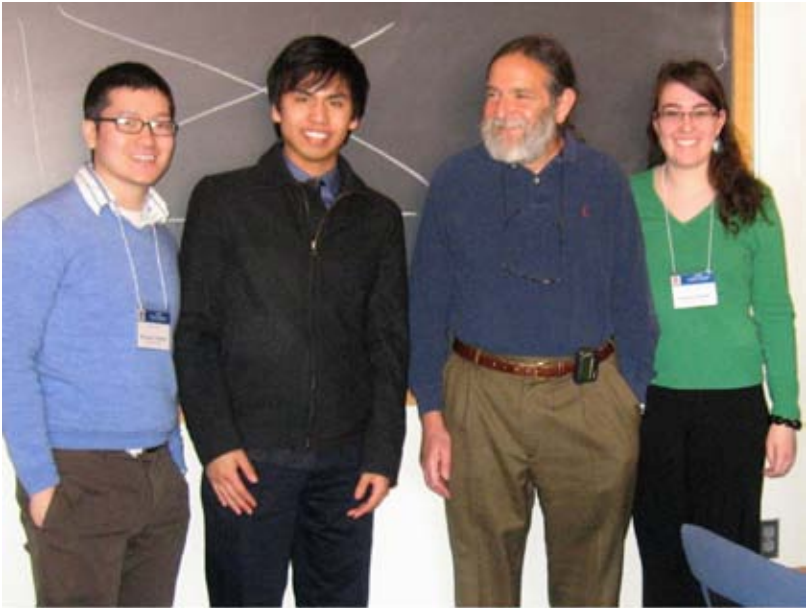
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Stephanie Bianchi is pictured with David Himmelstein, M.D . Associate Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School and Co-founder of Physicians for National Health Program, and two other students at The National Bioethics Conference at Harvard College in Boston.

## Stephanie Bianchi attends conference at Harvard

Stephanie Bianchi (PIBHS Class of 2006), a Junior at John Carroll University, recently attended The National Undergraduate Bioethics Conference (NUBC) at Harvard College in Boston. This event covers issues of current interest within the field of bioethics with discussions led by experts invited by the hosting students. NUBC provides a unique national venue for undergraduates to share their research, their concerns, and their considered views with each other. Topics at previous conferences have included: medical ethics, science in the media, biotechnology-derived products in agriculture, ethics in the penal system, the definition of disability, the "war" on drugs, bio-terrorism, genetically-based mental health, international bioethics, and the use of Human Beings in Medicine and Science. Stephanie also was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester. She is the daughter of David and Debbie Bianchi of East Point, and grand-daughter of Justine Bianchi.

## Arbor Day Celebration

In cooperation with the Village of Put-in-Bay and the National Arbor Day Foundation, the Village of Put-in-Bay Tree Commission will hold its first Arbor Day Celebration on Friday, April 24, 2009, 4 p.m., along Langram Road near Concord Avenue.

The Village of Put-in-Bay Tree Commission was created by Ordinance of the Council in May of 2008. Among the goals of the Tree Commission are to establish awareness of the positive way trees contribute to a healthy environment, to development an appreciation of the beauty of trees, to facilitate an urban tree planting program, and to establish community pride in the pleasure and enjoyment of trees.

The Village Tree Commission members are Marvin Booker, Lisa Brohl and Kelly Faris. Tree Commission members volunteer for the position and serve without pay.

Village of Put-in-Bay Mayor Bernard McCann has issued a Proclamation recognizing the first official Arbor Day Celebration.

It is hoped this Arbor Day Celebration will be the first of a continuing Island tradition and annual celebration of tree planting.

## Put-in-Bay winter video on Youtube


The video on YouTube titled, "Put-in-Bay, Ohio in Winter" has officially gone "Viral." This does not mean it is infected. What it means is that views of the video have increased exponentially due to people emailing to their friends who email it to their friends and so on... At the end of February, the video had about 3,500 views. By the time the April Gazette comes out, the "Put-in-Bay in Winter" video will have had over 50,000 views!!!

This is a video Nick James produced using "Island Legend" Pat Dailey's song "Here in the North" with video footage he shot while living at Put-in-Bay. Pat recently saw the video and thought it was great.

Here is the link for you all to enjoy: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aq6OdYzrIGA>

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