

# The Put-in-Bay GAZETTE

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## In the News.....



ABOVE: Ali Said Alkhatib from Jordan proudly shows off his certificate of citizenship he received when he became a naturalized U.S. Citizen at a ceremony at the Monument Visitor Center on July 4th. With him is Perry Monument Ranger Trudy Roth.

## Attention all island workers!

Attention all Island employees!!! Once again, it's time for us to say "thank you" to you for serving us all season. It's the 6th annual Island Employee Appreciation dinner, Thursday, Aug. 16, 2012 from 5 - 7:30 p.m. All Island employees are invited and encouraged to enjoy a FREE dinner consisting of salad, pasta, with or without meatballs, garlic bread and dessert. Please join us at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, right on Catawba Ave. for food fun, friendship and fellowship. We do all the work! You just sit, eat, relax and enjoy. If you are unable to come and join in person, simply call the church at 419-285-5981, place your order and we are happy to deliver. These Appreciation Dinners are sponsored by St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Mother of Sorrow Catholic Church and St. John's @ the Bay Lutheran Church.

## Take part in the 2012 Mossback picture!

Paula Garsteck from the Round House is asking islanders, cottagers and summer employees to come down to the Round House on Tuesday, August 14th at 10 a.m. for an old-fashioned group Mossback photo. The photo will be taken on the steps of the Round House, just like years ago. Come on down!

# Be part of island history!

In the next few weeks, those interested in the history of the Lake Erie Islands and the upcoming Bicentennial of the Battle of Lake Erie will have several chances to make a bit of history themselves.

The first event will take place in Cleveland on August 30th. It will feature a symbolic transfer of command and longboat rowing celebration. See the complete story on this page.

The second event is the placement of a buoy marking the spot of the Battle of Lake Erie which took place 199 years ago. This will take place on September 8th. You can read about this event on this front page, too.

The third event is the Lights of Peace illumination of Put-in-Bay Harbor. Flares will line Put-in-Bay's harbor for a dramatic and historic event. This is also on September 8th. See the story on page 13 telling how to become a part of this exciting, first-ever event.

Check the ads on page 3 and 13 for more details about these events which are open to the public.

## Symbolic transfer and Naval ceremony in Cleveland

In a symbolic transfer of command, the direct descendants of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry will present Navy Rear Admiral Greg Nosal with the "Don't Give up the Ship" flag in a Longboat Rowing ceremony hosted by the Perry Group at the Port of Cleveland on Aug. 30, 2012.

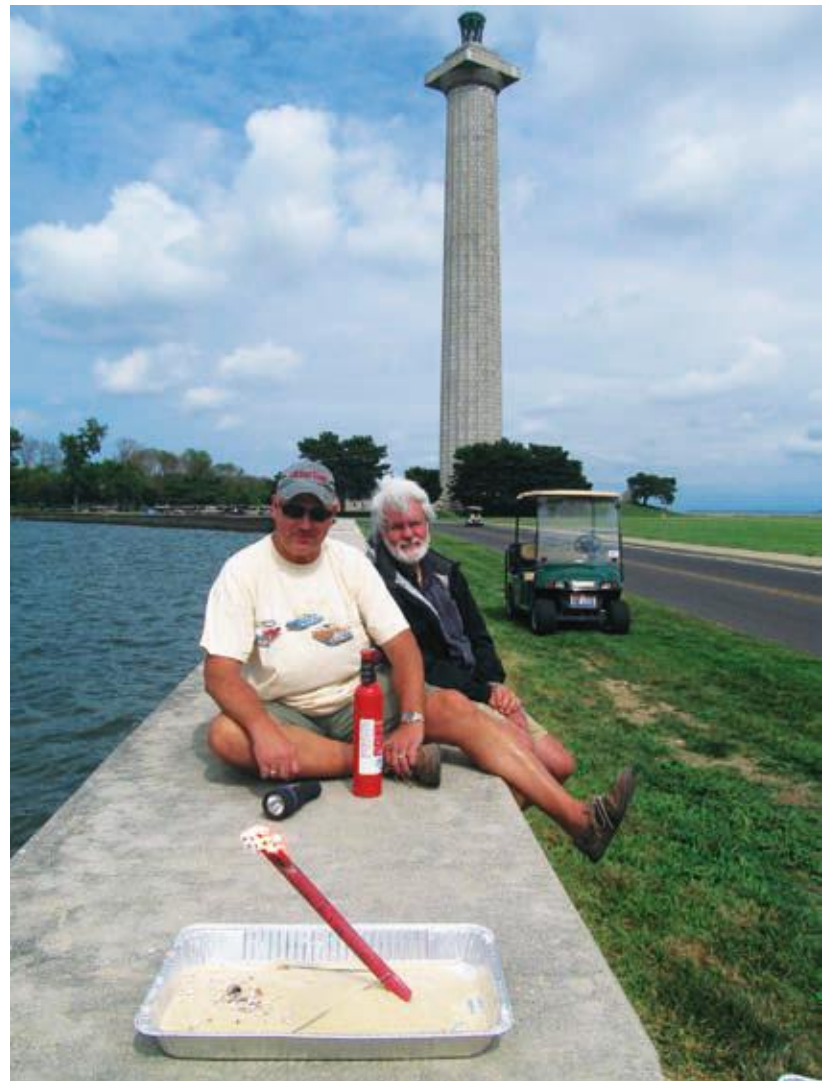
The United States Navy will be commemorating the War of 1812 during Navy Week in Cleveland Aug. 27 through Sept. 4, 2012. The presentation of the flag from Perry's descendants to Rear Admiral Greg Nosal is representative of Perry himself passing on the motto "Don't Give up the Ship" to the modern Navy. The Navy has instituted this slogan for 200 years since Perry's historic triumph on the waters of Lake Erie.

A pinning ceremony will conclude the events, in which all members of the ship's crew will receive a Bicentennial pin. To cap off the "Don't Give up the Ship" flag ceremony, the Perry Group will host a reception at the Port of Cleveland from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. featuring socializing, dining, and music from the United States Navy Jazz Band.

Over the next year special events, lectures, concerts and member-only opportunities will be posted to [www.theperrygroup.org](http://www.theperrygroup.org).

## Bicentennial Buoy to be placed at Battle of Lake Erie site

The Perry Group in conjunction with the Coast Guard, U.S. Navy and representatives from the Royal Navy will place a permanent marker buoy at the battle site as part of this year's 199th commemoration ceremony on September 8, 2012. The Navy will be represented by the USS Hurricane, and the Coast Guard is sending the USCGC Mobile Bay. "We are deeply honored to have received permission for the placement of the permanent marker buoy at the battle site," stated David Zavagno Chairman of the Perry Group Bicentennial Committee. "The overwhelming support of the Coast Guard team and Navy representatives



ABOVE: Marc Burr (left), president of the Perry Group, and Peter Huston (right) test one of the flares which will be used to line the shoreline of Put-in-Bay Harbor on September 8th, 2012. The event which will see 500 lit flares illuminating the Bay is called "Lights of Peace." After testing the flare in an aluminum baking pan with sand to weight it down, they were satisfied the event could be enjoyed by anyone who wanted to take part in it. See page 13 for details about how to sign up for a flare and take part in the event.

[www.theperrygroup.org](http://www.theperrygroup.org). The full calendar of events commemorating the Battle of Lake Erie Bicentennial, as well as opportunities to get involved, can be found at [www.battleoflakeerie-bicentennial.com](http://www.battleoflakeerie-bicentennial.com). To learn more about the U.S. Navy's participation in the Celebration of the Bicentennial of the War of 1812, visit [www.ourflagwasstillthere.org](http://www.ourflagwasstillthere.org) or <https://www.facebook.com/Navy1812>.

About The Perry Group The Friends of Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial, also known as The Perry Group, is a volunteer, 501c3 non-profit organization working with the National Park Service and the local, national, and international community to commemorate the Battle of Lake Erie and celebrate the long-lasting peace between Britain, Canada and the United States. For more information please visit [www.theperrygroup.org](http://www.theperrygroup.org).

Additional Resources [www.theperrygroup.org](http://www.theperrygroup.org) [www.battleoflakeerie-bicentennial.com](http://www.battleoflakeerie-bicentennial.com) [p://chasing-perry.wordpress.com/](http://p://chasing-perry.wordpress.com/) [www.flagshipniagara.org](http://www.flagshipniagara.org) <http://twitter.com/theperrygroup> <https://twitter.com/lakeerie2013>

to help all of us commemorate this location is a dream come true" he added. The commemoration is hosted by the Perry Group in conjunction with the National Park Service and Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce.

The buoy will be maintained and placed on site annually by the Coast Guard as part of their seasonal rotation. The ship departures from Put-in-Bay for the ceremony will be at 12 p.m. on September 8th. For more information and invitations please contact the Perry Group at <http://www.battleoflakeerie-bicentennial.com>.

## ADDRESS BOX



The Battle of Lake Erie buoy will be placed on the battle site in September.



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## Found on the Internet (Craig's List) (Not edited)

Vacation Boat Rental for Put In Bay (Put In Bay)

Date: 2012-07-03, 1:19PM EDT

Reply to: 5wv5b-3116466741@hous.craigslist.org [Errors when replying to ads?]

I would like to find someone who can either take their boat over to Put In Bay Ohio and park it or lease out an existing boat at Put In Bay. I am NOT looking to take the boat out into the water. I just want to find someone who will rent their docked boat out for a long weekend. I am willing to pay dockage fee and nightly rentals and a cleaning deport however, I promise to leave the boat as clean as I get it. Just want to experience the boating life at Put In Bay without

acutally having to buy a boat. THANKS! Hope someone will consider this!

- Location: Put In Bay

- it's NOT ok to contact this poster with services or other commercial interests

PostingID: 3116466741



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- Mad Dog • 3rd - 5th
- Empire Drift • 3rd & 4th
- Killer Flamingos • 5th - 7th
- Sandtown • 8th & 9th
- Tricky Dick • 8th & 9th
- Mad Dog • 10th - 12th
- Lucky You • 10th - 12th
- Seattle • 13th
- Bartender Olympics • 14th
- Calabash • 15th & 16th
- Mad Dog • 17th - 19th
- Modern Bliss • 17th - 19th
- Bob Gatewood • 20th & 21st
- Mr. Echo • 22nd & 23rd
- Emily's Toy Box • 23rd - 25th
- Pete & Wayne • 24th - 26th
- Seattle • 26th
- Paul Franks • 27th & 28th
- Paradise Island • 29th & 30th
- Paul Franks • 30th

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# The Ray Fogg Show

## warning: dangerously fun!



"One of Put-in-Bay's most popular entertainers..."

- The Columbus Dispatch

"What attracts people to Fogg's shows is his ability to write, and better yet ad lib, edgy comical songs and anecdotes perfectly suited to a beer-drinking crowd." - Sun Papers

"...gut busting, adult humor..."  
- The Daily Oakland Press

"a wacky blend of music and humor, wrapping songs about boating and drinking around a hilarious stage performance..." - Macomb Daily



## Ray is in the House(s)

Schedule subject to change  
Check [Rayfogg.net](http://Rayfogg.net) for updates



[www.theroundhousebar.com](http://www.theroundhousebar.com)

August

Fri & Sun, August 3 & 5, 7pm @ Boathouse

Fri & Sun, August 10 & 12, 7pm @ Boathouse

Tue, August 14, 7:30pm @ Round House Bar

(Bartender Olympics Emcee)

Fri, August 17, 7pm @ Boathouse

Fri, August 24, 7pm @ Boathouse

Sat, August 25, 6:30pm @ Round House Bar

(Key West Day)

Sun, August 26, 7pm @ Boathouse

Fri, August 31, 7pm @ Boathouse

Check [www.RayFogg.net](http://www.RayFogg.net) for more schedule information, updates and to order Ray's Cd's and T-shirts.

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# Battle of Lake Erie Bicentennial

## 2012 Bicentennial Kick-off Events

# Get On-Board Today!

*Spaces Limited and Selling Fast*

### August 30th - Noon Departure from Put-in-Bay

Board the Jet Express for a round trip to the Cleveland inner harbor and experience history in the making! In a symbolic "*transfer of command*" the direct descendants of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry will row from the Tall Ship "Niagara" under fire, to the USS De Wert to meet today's Navy Admirals. The ceremony, Naval Ships, Air Show rehearsals and reception is our signature event during Navy week in Cleveland.

**Round Trip Fee** - \$50.00 for Perry Group members (\$75.00 non-members)  
Departure time 12:00pm. Return departure time 8:00pm. Food and drink on board.

### August 30th - Niagara Day Sail and Reception

A once in a lifetime opportunity to sail on board the USS Niagara and be part of the historic transfer of command with the Perry Descendants. 2:00-4:30pm day sail available to 60 passengers. The only water access and viewing of the event. Cannon Fire, Battle Simulation, Long Boat Launch, and Ceremony.

Participants to board the Niagara in Cleveland Harbor.  
\$295.00 per person and \$500.00 per couple.

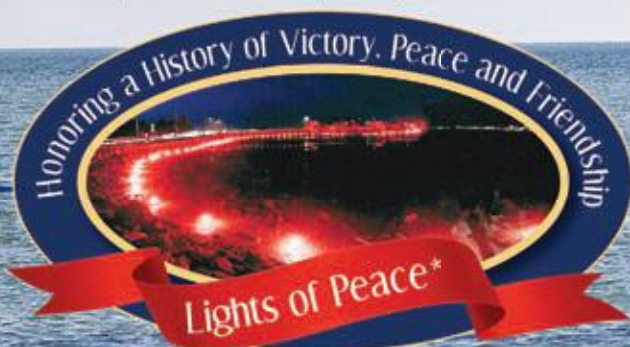
### September 8, 2012 - Put-in-Bay

#### Battle of Lake Erie 199th Anniversary Commemoration Ceremony

Join the U.S. Navy, Coast Guard, British and Canadian representatives on board one of the naval vessels and set sail to the battle site. Commemorative ceremonies including the installation of the new historical marker buoy will be conducted. Noon departure. 3:00pm return. Reception, presentations and symphony to follow the events. \$50.00 for Perry Group members. \$75.00 for non Perry Group members to support the reception.

#### Lights of Peace...The Harbor Illumination

At dusk or after the Toledo Symphony has concluded its performance, from the Monument property to Stone Lab and along the shores of Gibraltar, flares will be deployed every 15 feet. **For only \$10** you can dedicate a flare to someone close to you. Call the Perry Group or see the website for details.



## Sign Up Today!

Tickets are available online, at the Lake Erie Island Historical Museum at Put-in-Bay or via phone at 419- 285- 2804.

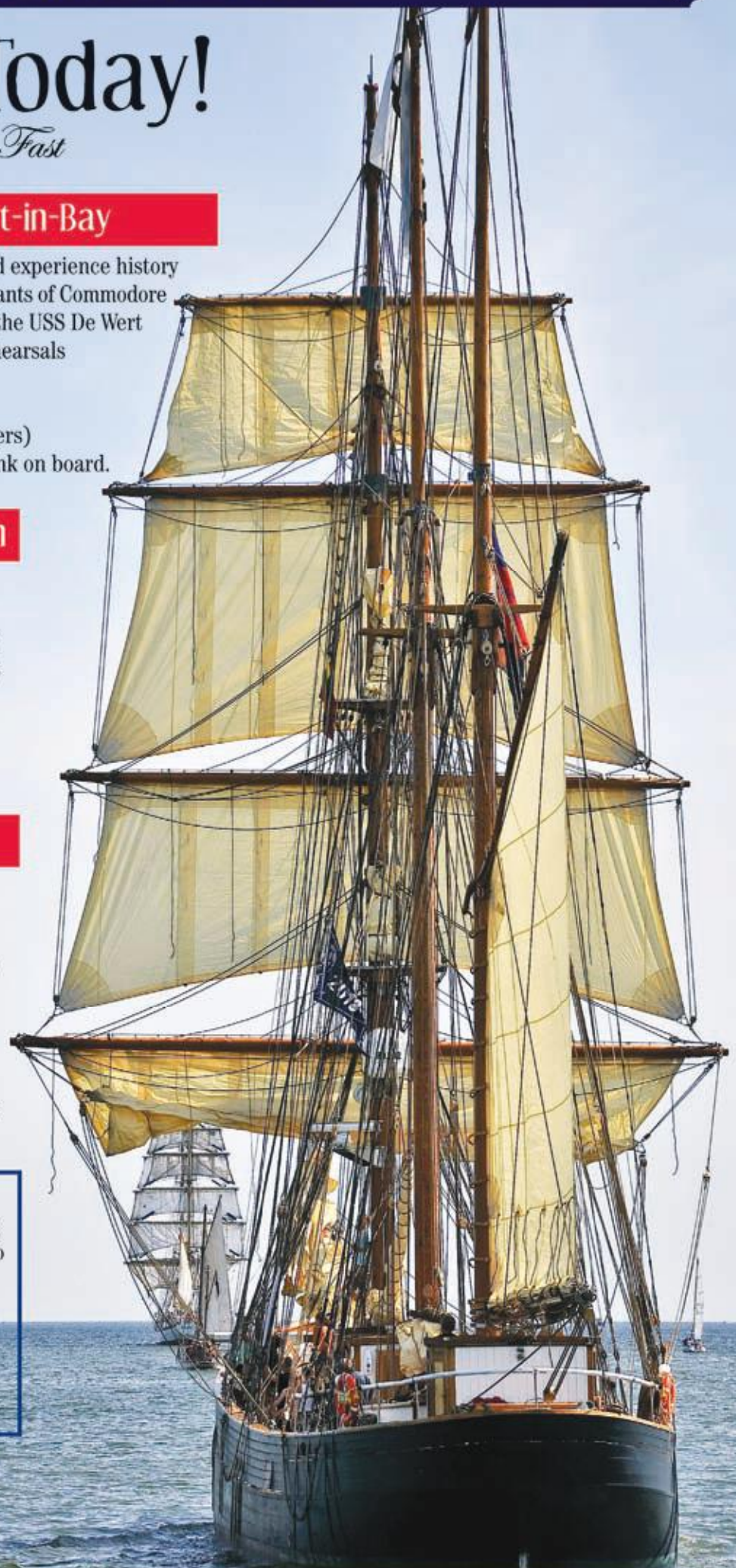


For further Details on all Event activities visit  
[www.BattleofLakeErie-Bicentennial.com](http://www.BattleofLakeErie-Bicentennial.com)

and be sure to sign on for 2013...JOIN THE CREW or JOIN THE FLEET...

On Sept. 2, 2013 (Labor Day) be a part of the official re-creation of The Battle of Lake Erie at Put-in-Bay ~ Spaces are limited sign on today!

Sponsored by: The Lake Erie Heritage Foundation, Inc. in conjunction with The Perry Group a 501 c3 charitable organization





# One Resort for all Your Island Fun!

The Islander Inn and Grand Islander Hotel are located in downtown Put-in-Bay and feature 5 pools, 6 bars, golf cart rentals and some of the best memories you'll have with your friends and family on Put-in-Bay.



## Open to the public!

Do you want to have the most fun possible in one afternoon on Put-in-Bay? Then head over to Splash! The World's Largest Swim-up Bar and The Flaming Skull, the only pirate ship bar on the island. We have all the fun you can handle right here, so why waste your time anywhere else?

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Level 2 is Put-in-Bay's premier night club and features live DJs nightly and an atmosphere unlike anywhere else on PIB. Great drinks, good service, and today's hottest tracks make this nightclub one of a kind for the island. Bring your night life to the next level.

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LEFT: This couple, Brad and Michelle (no last names), became engaged to be married on top of the Monument on July 4th when Brad proposed. - Photos compliments of Ranger Trudy Roth



ABOVE: Doug and Victoria Emch (center), from Concord Ohio, were the first visitors in line to go up in the Monument when it opened on Tuesday, July 3rd. They waited patiently for a storm to pass until it was safe to go to the top. The couple was celebrating their first wedding anniversary.

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## Join the Middle Bass Eco-Tour Aug. 15

The Put-in-Bay Township Park District is holding its Middle Bass Eco-Tour and Historic Tour on Wednesday, August 15. Tickets are \$160 per four-passenger cart. The number of carts are limited, so reserve your space now by calling Kendra Koehler at 419-341-2725. Bring your own 4-passenger golf cart to take over on the Miller Ferry. You'll want to line up at the downtown Miller Dock for the ferry no later than 9:30 a.m. This fundraiser for the new Park District will help to purchase and maintain fencing, interpretive signs, trails and restoration on their preserved properties.

Highlights of the tour include the new Middle Bass East Point Preserve, the new facilities at the Middle Bass Island State Park, the bald eagles' nest at the Middle Bass Airport across from the Kuehnle State Wildlife Area and Petersen Woods, the historic Payer Estate, and much more. Included are guided tours to all these locations as well as a commemorative booklet. Lunch is on your own and will be available at J.F. Walleye's or the new Jibaro's, formerly St. Hazard's. The Middle Bass Town Hall will have grilled sandwiches for sale as well as tables of local vendors and organizations and local archeological displays. More information will be made available on other vendors that day. Join us for a wonderful time!

### Articles you'll never see in the PIB Gazette Put-in-Bay, a Tobacco-Free Community

For the health and wellness of our visitors, Put-in-Bay is a tobacco-free community. Smoking and the use of other tobacco products are prohibited on South Bass Island, with the exception of privately-owned properties.

The policy supports Put-in-Bay's long-range Strategic Plan, providing an aesthetically pleasing and safe environment for all visitors, as well as filling Put-in-Bay's obligation to protect the health of all residents and visitors.

Please help Put-in-Bay achieve its goal. Together we can ensure Put-in-Bay is truly a place that nurtures mind, body and spirit. Thank you for your support.

## Middle Bass Island Eco-Tour and Historic Tour on your own golf cart

Wednesday, August 15th, 2012

Leaves from Miller Boat Line  
downtown Put-in-Bay dock in the morning  
A full day of touring and fun stops, complete  
with an interpretive guide book

\$160 for the entire  
4 passenger cart

#### Highlighted stops include:

- The new Middle Bass East Point Preserve
- A tour of the historic Payer Mansion
- The New State Park facilities
- Bald Eagles Nest
- Kuehnle State Wildlife Area
- Petersen Woods and more!

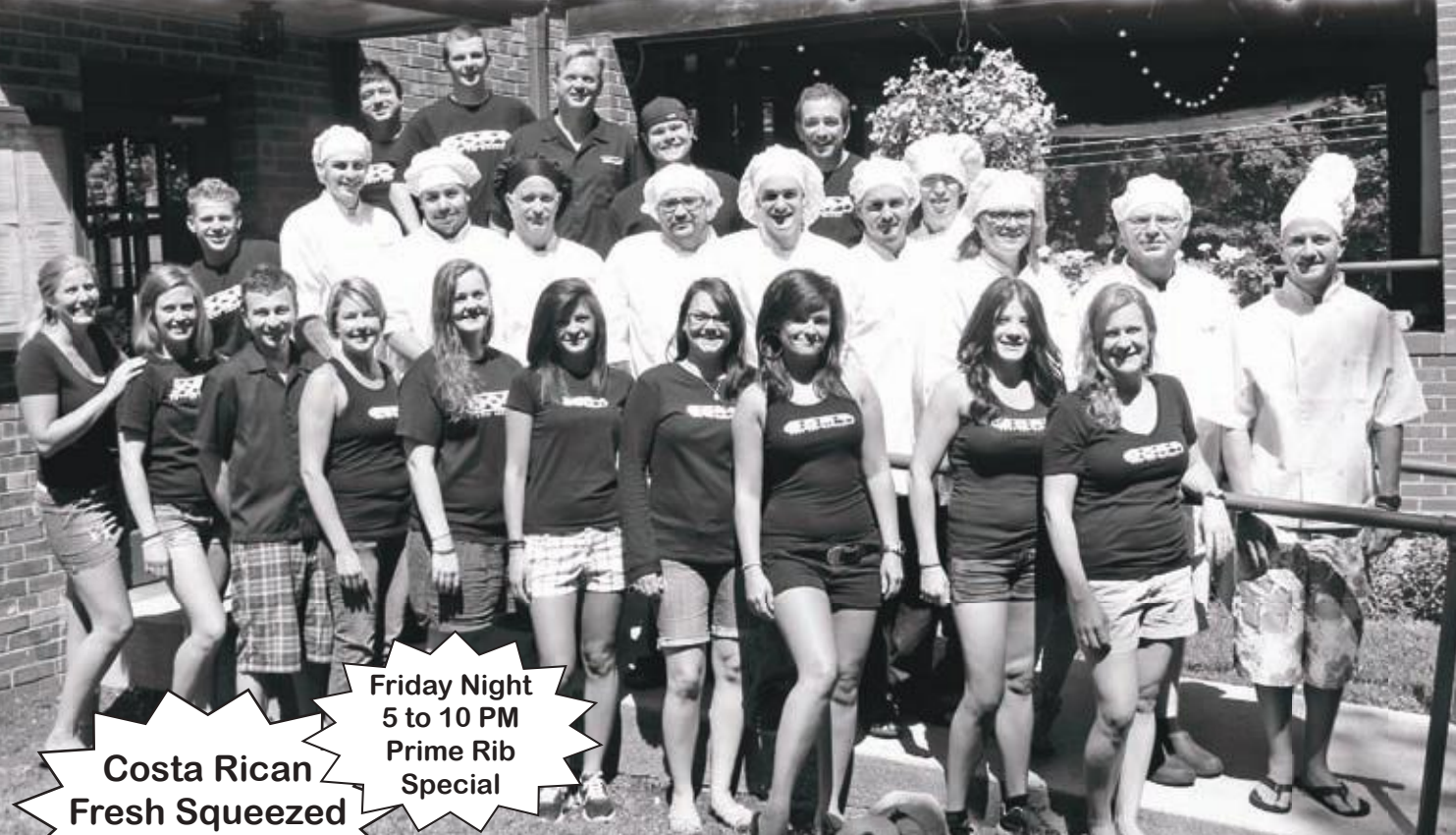
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From our garden to your plate...made fresh every day - soup, sauces, desserts - and a unique delicious menu to satisfy every taste and age. Welcome to the GOAT!

Scott Jackson and his crew are back again from the ski season in Colorado, offering a few twists on local, casual fare. Take a seat at this former winery, either inside windowed, air-conditioned rooms or on an outdoor patio. Originality shows here, in the home of the perch taco, a pleasant take on the southern California way, or order up a basket of walleye "fingers," strips of the fresh, Lake Erie fish expertly breaded and fried. There also are meatloaf dinners, soups from scratch and, downstairs, ice cream.  
- Cleveland Plain Dealer

"Lots of local places cook up perch and walleye, but this kitchen crew from Colorado puts a lot of them to shame."  
- Cleveland Plain Dealer

Nearly every menu on the islands offers fried perch and walleye. Most of it is fine, but it's also easy to dread for a while. Just when I thought I couldn't eat another piece of whitefish, the fried perch tacos at Goat Soup and Whiskey saved the day: crunchy, savory and tangy. Most things on the menu are homemade.  
- Chicago Tribune

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# PUT-IN-BAY YACHT CLUB

## AUGUST ACTIVITIES

- 2nd - 5th I-LYA Sail Regatta
- 3rd - I-LYA Steak Roast (Open to PIBYC Members)
- 4th - Ladies Tea - The Anchorage
- 6th - 9th - Shark Nationals
- 9th - Shark National Banquet
- 10th - Friday Dinner - 6 - 8 p.m. - BBQ Ribs & Chicken
- 11th, 18th & 25th - Adult Sailing Series
- 11th - Board Meeting 9 a.m.
- 11th - Really Big Fundraisere (Irish Theme)
- 12th - Breakfast 8:30 a.m. - Noon
- 13th & 14th - Club Rented
- 16th - Club Rented
- 16th, 23rd & 30th - Adult Sailing Series
- 17th - Friday Night Dinner - 6 - 8 p.m. - City Chicken
- 17th - 19th - Leamington Cruise Out (Tomato Festival)
- 18th - Club Rented
- 24th - Friday Night Dinner - 6 - 8 p.m. - Prime Rib
- 31st - Friday Night Dinner - 6 - 8 p.m. - Steak Roast

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### Found on the Internet

The following was a question in a blog on the Internet. (Not edited)

What time does put in bay bars start IDing people?

I was looking to go to put in bay with family and they are all over 21 and I am not. I was wondering what time the bars start to ID people? Im not trying to get drinks or anything. Just trying not to be left outside all alone.

## Listen to Larry

by Larry Schrader

News, views and comment from a South Bass cottager...

Sometimes, the best times come along unexpectedly, without any planning at all. Recently, some cottage guests visiting for a long weekend had to make an early departure. So, there I was, vacation days already scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, but suddenly alone, no one to entertain! Mrs. Larry was scheduled to work and was already off on an early ferry. I could reschedule those vacation days for another time. It was Monday morning, hmmm, I contemplated my options ... for a few seconds anyway!

Then, without hesitation, I clicked off my cell phone, poured a hot cup of coffee, and settled in to watch the parade of vacationing tourists - walkers and joggers, bikes and golf carts, the occasional Tour Train - great viewing as I planned my day. I decided I couldn't just lounge around all day - although I considered the possibility - but, as usual, my to-do list was long, offering plenty of options. It was a perfect South Bass day, the sky was a deep blue and the temperature quite pleasant - certainly, today's project would need to be outdoors. So, after another cup of coffee and some absent-minded wandering, I decided it may be the perfect day for the annual maintenance on the island vehicles.



Larry

I poked around the garage for a while to find the needed supplies - tools, filters, grease, oil, and such - interrupted only by a quick break for lunch. Soon, I was reminded that I was getting too old to crawl around on the garage floor and that my bony knuckles were no match for a stubborn bolt. With an occasional break to admire a passing boat, a colorful bird, or an attractive jogger, the afternoon slipped away and my project was complete.

I rewarded myself with a cold beer as I cleaned up and tended to my wounds - the hours had passed so quickly. Soon, two neighbors, surprised to see me outside my usual weekend schedule, wandered by. We shared neighborhood news, cigars, a fine old scotch, and eventually, a stunning sunset. As they walked back to their cottage, I was reunited with the quite peace and stillness of a mid-summer evening on the lake. Stars poked through the dark sky, the breeze softened, and the sound of the waves was all that could be heard. I thought, hmmm, I think I'll do this again tomorrow!

## St. John @ The Bay

We at St. John @ The Bay invite you to come worship with us at our worship time for the summer months! We will be gathering on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at Mother of Sorrows Church from now through the month of October. Please join us to renew yourself through the worship and music of a traditional Lutheran service in a contemporary style! If you have any questions or would like a visit, contact Pastor Dan Keck at 419-341-7216. We will be having a special worship service on August 5, beginning at 7 p.m. Please keep this schedule change in mind! Also... On Tuesday, August 28, at our 5:30 p.m. worship service, we will have our annual "Blessing of the Backpacks, Students and Teachers" as they all prepare for a new school year. Please join us for that special service as well!

Parents, grandparents and children...don't forget...Vacation Bible Camp 2012. This year Bible Camp week is scheduled for August 6-10, 2012 from 9:45-12noon each day, and is for children entering grades K-6! It's right around the corner!! The theme is quite appropriate for our island community... "Adventures on Promise Island" where we will discover God's promises for us! We are focusing our outreach efforts by collecting school supplies to benefit the children of Haiti...another island community! If you would like more information on this, please contact Pastor Dan at 419-341-7216. Also give him a call to register your child, or to let us know he/she will be joining us! We are also always in need of extra hands to help out! We will be meeting at the town hall!

## Stop for cause only

If you're a boater on Lake Erie and have been stopped by Homeland Security or one of the other security boats on the lake, you know it's interesting, but a bit of a pain. Maybe it's time for stops to be made based on a justifiable cause, rather than random stops. A "justifiable cause" stop policy on the part of the security boats would certainly make the recreational boating community a lot happier. Write your Congress people and let them know what you think.

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### ITALIAN GRINDER SUBS

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- Stromboli
- Smoked Ham & Cheese
- Italian
- Meatball
- Fajita Chicken

### APPETIZERS

- Wing Dings
- Mac & Cheese Wedges
- Mozzarella Sticks
- Basket of Fries

### SALADS

- Chef's Italian Salad
- Fajita Chicken Salad



Open Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Everyday

Happy Hour: Sunday - Thursday 4 to 7 at the Tiki Bar and Waterfront Restaurant

### Nightly Specials in August

Sunday - \$2 OFF any Dinner Entree and also receive a free Dessert of the Day

Monday - Chef's Choice

Tuesday - Chicken Paprikash - \$11.95

Wednesday - Sweet & Sour Pork over Rice - \$12.95

Thursday - Crab Cake Dinner - \$14.95

Friday - Lake Erie Surf & Turf - \$13.95

(Choice of perch or walleye, sirloin steak, potato, vegetable, salad & rolls)

Saturday - Grilled Chicken & Beef Kabobs - \$13.95 (comes with potato, vegetable, salad & rolls)

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www.bayshoreresortpib.com

1977 Ford Granada



Framed Hotel Victory Menu



# PLEASE JOIN US

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### August 11th at 4PM

### The Lake Erie Islands Historical Society's

# 10th Annual Island Auction

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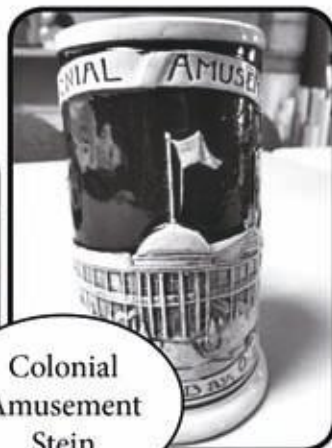
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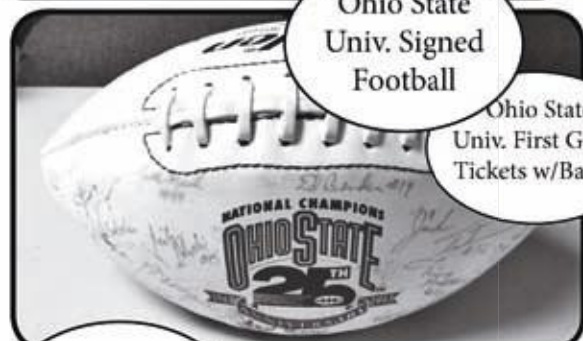
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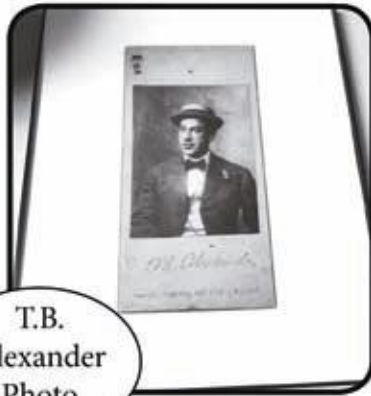


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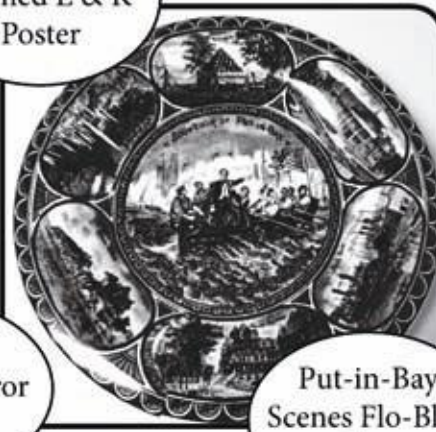
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ABOVE: Put-in-Bay Yacht Club Commodore Don Gokee congratulates Itiya Sandra Felix from Nigeria who became a U.S. Citizen at a ceremony at the Monument Visitor Center on July 4th. The Put-in-Bay Yacht Club hosted a luncheon for the new citizens following the ceremony. ABOVE RIGHT: The speaker at the Naturalization Ceremony was a young law student intern, Calin Radoi, who came to the U.S. when he was ten years old. As an immigrant himself, his remarks hit home for everyone.



## NOAA Issues First Seasonal Harmful Algal Bloom Forecast from Stone Lab

GIBRALTAR ISLAND—The National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration's National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science (NCCOS) issued the first-ever seasonal harmful algal bloom (HAB) forecast for Lake Erie at an all-day press event at The Ohio State University's Stone Laboratory in July. The forecast predicts a mild bloom, similar to conditions last seen in 2007, and about one-tenth the size of last year's bloom.

"A mild bloom is great news for this year," says Dr. Jeffrey Reutter, Director of Ohio Sea Grant and Stone Laboratory. "But this is happening because we're in a drought, not because phosphorus loading to Lake Erie has improved. If we have a real wet spring in 2013, we could be right back to where we were."

Phosphorus, which is contained in many commercial fertilizers, tends to be the nutrient that determines how much this harmful algal species can grow in Lake Erie. Phosphorus usually enters the lake in the form of fertilizer runoff from agricultural fields, as well as through combined sewer overflows caused by heavy rains.

Representatives from NOAA, the University of Toledo, Heidelberg University and Ohio Sea Grant were on hand to not only answer questions related to the forecast and HABs in general, but also demonstrated techniques used to sample algal blooms as part of a science cruise onto Lake Erie. Sampling algal concentrations is an important part of validating and refining computer models like the one used to create NOAA's forecast, because it allows researchers to determine whether model predictions match up with actual conditions in the lake.

"It's not enough to have satellite images," explains Dr. Richard Stumpf, Oceanographer at NCCOS. "Without field data, you have nothing." This summer, that data will be collected at Stone Lab to help NOAA modelers further improve the algorithms used to convert satellite images of Lake Erie into actual and predicted algal concentrations. Collaborations with the National Center for Water Quality Research (NCWQR) at Heidelberg University, as well as with the University of Toledo, also continue to provide information on nutrient levels in the lake and its tributaries.

In addition to the morning press events, a live webinar also allowed additional reporters and the general public to ask questions about the forecast, harmful algal blooms and nutrient loading in Lake Erie. 130 people attended the on-line session, which is available for viewing at [go.osu.edu/habsforecast](http://go.osu.edu/habsforecast).

Harmful algal blooms in Lake Erie most often consist of Microcystis, a cyanobacterium—more commonly called blue-green algae—that can produce a liver toxin called microcystin. The toxin can be removed from drinking water drawn from the lake, but increases the cost of water treatment by \$3,000 or more per day. In addition, Microcystis can severely reduce tourism income, as recreational water use is made hazardous by the toxin, or unpleasant by layers of blue-green algae floating on the water's surface. Being able to forecast the HAB's extent allows community officials and tourism managers to prepare for its impacts and adjust seasonal budgets in advance instead of reacting to the event as it happens.

NOAA's press release on the HABs forecast is available at [ohioseagrant.osu.edu/news/?article=481](http://ohioseagrant.osu.edu/news/?article=481). Images are available for download at [noaoceanscience.wordpress.com](http://noaoceanscience.wordpress.com) and [www.flickr.com/photos/ohioseagrant/sets/72157630449473822](http://www.flickr.com/photos/ohioseagrant/sets/72157630449473822), or they can be requested from Ohio Sea Grant. Images of previous HABs in Lake Erie are available at [www.flickr.com/photos/ohioseagrant/sets/72157627913398235](http://www.flickr.com/photos/ohioseagrant/sets/72157627913398235).

Located on the 6.5-acre Gibraltar Island in Put-in-Bay harbor, Stone Laboratory is The Ohio State University's Island Campus on Lake Erie and the education and research facility of the Ohio Sea Grant College Program. The Ohio State University's Ohio Sea Grant College Program is part of NOAA Sea Grant, a network of 32 Sea Grant programs dedicated to the protection and sustainable use of marine and Great Lakes resources. For information on Ohio Sea Grant and Stone Lab, visit [ohioseagrant.osu.edu](http://ohioseagrant.osu.edu).

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There's so much we have to do

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But to me the event of the month  
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Number of Mercury outboard engines on the Homeland Security boat which patrols this part of Lake Erie - **4**

Horsepower of each outboard engine - **300**

The Troop number for the Daisy Girl Scouts on Put-in-Bay - **10719**

Average St. Paul's Episcopal Church attendance in 2010 - **28**



LEFT: Peter Huston and Tracy Burgess enjoying a bit of good conversation at the Lake Erie Islands Historical Society's member party on Saturday afternoon, July 14th, 2012.

**Moss on the Rocks**

Internationally known Chef Michael Thomson, owner of "Michael's Cuisine" Restaurant in Fort Worth, Texas, will be at Joe's Bar on Saturday, August 4, 2012. (michael-scuisine.com) He will be preparing his famous, "Roc-doc Rub" Hot Tub Beer simmered, Texas Brats, with roasted Peppers and Onions, Chips, and Tangy Texas Coleslaw. From 11 a.m. until gone, so come early and enjoy! Now this is truly from the "Taste of Texas" in Buffalo Gap, TX, to Joe's Bar and Restaurant at Put-in-Bay, OH.

We've noticed a couple of unusual things this summer. With little rain this winter, spring and summer, the water in Lake Erie is down from last year. And thanks to the lack of rain washing fertilizer off farmers' fields on the mainland, the lake is relatively free of algae this summer. Have you noticed, too, how clear the water is around the docks? And what about the Mayfly season this summer? It was negligible this year. We also saw one other interesting thing this summer. When we were on Pelee Island in July, we passed Fish Point. There are always seagulls there, but this year, the long sand spit was literally blanketed with seagulls, perhaps five times the number we'd ever seen in the past.

John Ladd and Paula Ladd had fun attending the ice cream social President Obama held in Sandusky early in July. Paula said she got John's visit with the President for his 80th birthday he celebrated in July.

When President Obama passed Port Clinton and Catawba Island in July for a campaign stop in Sandusky, Scott Jackson from the Goat reported a Secret Service man came over to Put-in-Bay that day and ordered \$200 worth of perch tacos to go. The agent reportedly told the chef the President wanted extra Pali Wali spicy sauce on his. OK, enough is enough! Let's chalk this one up to the other rumors much like Johnny Depp and Bruce Springsteen having been seen on the island.

Karina and Elliot Kowalski, representing St. John @ the Bay Lutheran Mission, were in New Orleans, Louisiana, participating in the ELCA Youth Gathering. Over 33,000 youth from around the country practiced peacemaking, justice and discipleship through community service projects throughout the city (Karina and Elliot helped to de-construct a house from hurricane Katrina). The gathering is so large, worship service and activities are held in the Super Dome!

This past month there was a report of finding Asian Carp DNA in Sandusky Bay. Asian Carp, an invasive species of fish, would certainly change the ecology of Lake Erie.

We read this on the Internet last month. "With over 12,000 visitors on a busy summer's day and over 5,000 bar and restaurant seats, it's not surprising Put-in-Bay is often referred to as "The Key West of the North." We were kind of surprised with the 5,000 seat number. We think that may be high, so we're soliciting volunteers who want to go out and count the bar and restaurant seats on the island. This is not to be confused with the popular pub crawls where a drink is had at each place visited. Volunteers are encouraged to remain sober so we can get an accurate count.

For some, it certainly seems the noise level coming from downtown Put-in-Bay is lower this season. Could it be because of the noise ordinance passed by the Village Council or have entertainers realized loud doesn't necessarily mean talent?

Did you know BoatUS is a sponsor of the Inter-Lake Yachting Association Regattas here at Put-in-Bay? Boat Owners Association of The United States helps sponsor Junior Bay Week, the Power Regatta and Sail Regatta.

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Peter Huston has announced he will be stepping down as head of the Put-in-Bay Arts Council later this month. He has worked hard over the last few years to promote the Arts Council. A big thank you from the community goes out to Peter who has been working on the Bicentennial Celebration of the Battle of Lake Erie for the Perry Group.



ABOVE: Wally Mey, Destinee Vitoz and Scott Mey posed outside the Dockside Deli at the Lime Kiln Dock. Stop in for a pulled pork or other sandwich, some ice cream treats or other refreshments while waiting for the ferry. You'll find the Dockside Deli on the upper deck by Susan Market's Dockside gift shop.

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## Griffing to call Port Clinton Airport home

After years of serving the Lake Erie Islands with air service from their private airport in Sandusky, the Griffing Flying Service is making a permanent move to Carl Keller Field in Port Clinton. The move was announced just before the 4th of July.

The move is not only good for the Griffing family, but also for islanders who depend on air service in the winter to fly back and forth from the mainland.

For Griffing, the move means they can sell the airport in Sandusky, which is terribly expensive to operate and maintain and gets no government subsidies like Port Clinton does for its facility. When there's stormy weather in the area, Port Clinton usually clears before Sandusky, thus increasing service to the islands. With all the Griffing flights to and from Pelee Island in Canada, the new Border Patrol and Customs facility on Rte. 53 is right near the Port Clinton Airport. During the winter, Griffing had staff in Sandusky and Port Clinton. The move will centralize everything in one location.

Islanders will benefit with more consistent service from Griffing since, when the weather was poor, pilots had delays flying from Sandusky to Port Clinton.

Private pilots who hangar planes in Port Clinton will benefit, too. When Griffing moves, they'll bring a full-service maintenance shop with them. That's a real plus for private pilots in the Port Clinton area.

The move should take place sometime this fall before the winter flying season sets in.



ABOVE: Dino Uszak from Park Bike Rental shows off the the first solar-powered golf cart on the island. The solar cell grid seen here on the top of the cart constantly charges the batteries for the electric motors when exposed to sunshine. Dino said he thinks he'll have to charge the cart from a plug, too, but wasn't quite sure since he had just installed the solar cell grid. Cost of the add-on power source - a mere \$1,000.

## ATTENTION CIGAR SMOKERS!

If you like a good cigar, you may want to attend the 2nd Annual Cigar Dinner at the Crew's Nest on Thursday, August 30th, at 6 p.m. There's no need to be a member. For reservations, call 419-285-3625.

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ABOVE: Paul Jeris read his Put-in-Bay Gazette at the Sheraton in the Maldives while he visited his 100th through 103rd countries, Sri Lanka Maldives Cambodia and Malaysia. Paul exceeded his goal of visiting 100 countries. This is the first time Paul has had his picture reading the Put-in-Bay Gazette, but we understand he has a collection of such pictures from numerous countries he has visited. We'd like to see them sometime. We just hope they're not all pictured at the Sheratons he's stayed at.

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## Two commercial properties change hands

Thursday, July 26th was a big day for Scotty Jackson, Linda Mahony and her daughter, Amanda Goaziou.

Scotty closed on the Goat property, buying it from Tim Mathews and Pat and Anne Dailey who originally bought it from Joy and Steve Urge back in the 1990's. Interestingly, as the final papers were being signed at a corner table in the popular restaurant, Joy Urge walked in with a group for dinner. She was happy to learn about the sale which has taken several seasons to come to fruition.



Celebrating the purchase of The Goat property on the Thursday before Christmas in July were (left to right) Ritchie Hahn, Kendra Koehler, Scotty Jackson, Jimbo Fortson, Caroline Koehler, Derek Jackson and Tsvety Pancheva.

Linda Mahony and Amanda Goaziou closed on the Candy Bar property that day, too. Linda has run the Candy Bar for fourteen years and for some time has wanted to buy the property from George and June Stoiber who have been gradually liquidating their island holdings.

## ATV accident takes life of boat line employee Kurt Rohrbacher

A tragic accident early in the morning of Friday, July 20th, took the life of Kurt Rohrbacher, a 28-year old employee of Miller Boat Line who had recently become a captain. The accident took place about 3:30 a.m. on Trenton Ave. near the Put-in-Bay Township building.

Kurt was pinned under his four-wheel ATV when discovered by Jacob Batt, who immediately called 911 for help. When police and Batt were finally able to get the ATV off, they found Rohrbacher was not breathing and had no pulse. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

There were no witnesses to the accident, so nothing is known about the cause. There were no skid marks, only a small dip in the gravel near the final resting spot of the four-wheeler.

## Get WILD on Tuesday's at Put-in-Bay!

You won't want to miss any of the "WILD Tuesday" programs at the Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center in August. The programs run from 1 to 3 p.m. every Tuesday through August 21st. The goal of our WILD Tuesday programs is to educate our visitors on Ohio's native wildlife by providing an up-close and often hands-on interactive experience! Cost for each program is FREE! Although your donations are appreciated and help bring in our special guests! So come out, bring the kids and get WILD in a good way at Put-in-Bay! The Center is located on Meechen Rd. just down the road from Joe's Bar as you head towards Airport Rd.

2012 Wild Tuesday August Program Schedule  
 August 7th: Amazing Amphibians!  
 August 14th: Creepy Crawlies  
 August 21st: For the Birds

## Guest lecture series on Gibraltar Island

Don't miss any of the guest lectures at The Ohio State University's Stone Lab on Gibraltar Island in July. All lectures begin at 7:45 p.m. and conclude at approximately 9 p.m. Each lecture is preceded by a short lecture on current research at 7 p.m. Members of the public are welcome and can take the Put-in-Bay Water Taxi (at their own expense) from the Boardwalk Restaurant Dock at 6:30 p.m. or 7:15 p.m. before each lecture. A short tour of Gibraltar Island will be provided before the lecture.

The public can view the lectures and research briefs via a live web seminar from any computer with internet access. Connection is simple and fast. Those interested in more information about the webinar option and getting the log-in information for specific lectures should send an email to stonelab@osu.edu.

**Thursday, August 2nd** - Cameron Davis, Senior Advisor to the Administrator (Great Lakes), U.S. EPA

**Thursday, August 9th** - Workshop Week—No Lectures

**Special Event Saturday, Sept. 8th** - Open House—11:00-4:00 Saturday—Open to Public. Stone Laboratory Open House with Educational Programs and Tours of Gibraltar Island and South Bass Lighthouse followed by the Friends of Stone Laboratory Annual Meeting.

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## Museum fundraiser auction

Come join the fun on Saturday, August 11th, when the annual Lake Erie Islands Historical Society holds its annual fundraiser auction. This year, the auction will take place at T&J's Smokehouse Pavilion (formerly Crescent Tavern Pavilion) Viewing of items will start at noon. The auction will start at 4 p.m. Pavilion (formerly the Crescent Pavilion). There will be loads of items including vehicles, island memorabilia, antiques and more. Food and beverage will also be available. Everyone is welcome to come and join the fun!

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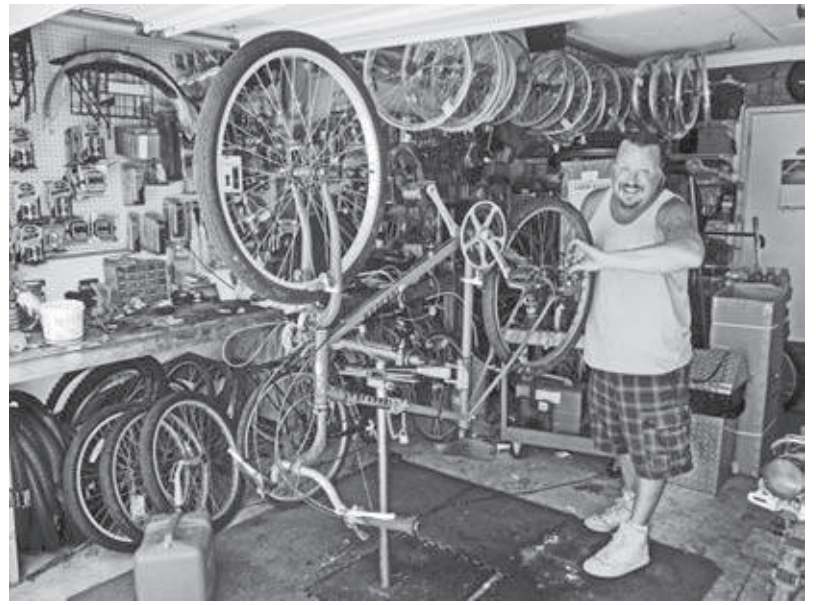
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RIGHT: Rob Hard was busy in the Bike Shop repairing an old Schwinn bike. Rob repairs all kinds of bikes, old, new, all colors, all makes and sizes. His shop is located at the north end of the Put-in-Bay Airport next to the old Skyway.



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## Restoring our Opera House

We need your help. On Saturday evening, August 25th, the Put-in-Bay Arts Council will host a fundraising concert at The Boat House Bar and Grill. We have secured Grammy nominated rhythm and blues artists John Lee Hooker, Jr. and Liquid Soul to come for a one-night performance. You can purchase tickets at The Goat Soup and Whisky Restaurant or The Boat House Bar and Grill before the concert for a suggested donation of just \$10. On the night of the concert, tickets will be exchanged for wristbands. You can also donate at the door to get in. But please support this important effort.

Put-in-Bay is just one of a handful of communities in Ohio with a documented historical opera house as part of the town hall. In fact, our opera house was the subject of a full-length study done by The Ohio State University and submitted to the National Historic Theaters commission. Over the years the Opera House has been used for everything from town meetings to a funeral parlor. This past year the Put-in-Bay Arts Council along with the Village of Put-in-Bay took steps to update the lighting and improve the safe use of the space.

But much more is left to be done to restore this space to its past glory. Ultimately this is a place for our community to use for theater, events, weddings, get togethers, work outs and play space. But the “unisex” bathroom and plumbing are in need of improvement and the cost of heating this space in the winter is astronomical. It would be our immediate goal to raise the money to improve the heating and air conditioning, making this a year-round usable space. Let your joy of music and civic pride help propel this effort. This wonderful musical event is a start in that direction. Please join us Saturday, August 25th, at the Boathouse Bar and Grill.

## Hey! It's August, so it's Barbershop Harmony time

For the 64th consecutive year, barbershop singers will converge on the Bass Islands to entertain with their unique style of close harmony. Approximately fifteen quartets and a chorus of 50-75 voices from all over Ohio and the neighboring states will perform Friday evening, August 10th, at Put-in-Bay and Saturday evening, August 11th, at the Middle Bass town hall.

Headlining this year's quartets will be “The Allies” who were recently International finalists. Friday night's free program will start at 7 p.m. on the back porch of the monument visitors center and a highlight will be the chorus singing Oh, Canada and The Star Spangled Banner as the flags are lowered. In case of rain or threatening weather, the concert will take place at the school gym, using the entrance across the street from the ball diamond.

On the following evening, Saturday at 7pm, the Middle Bass concert will take place at the town hall, the 64th year where it all started.

## For the sailboaters

The words to this Alex Bevan song about young junior sailors will be appreciated by all the sailors who visit Put-in-Bay for the annual I-LYA Regatta.

### Little Wings by Alex Bevan

See them wait for the wind to rise  
 A clump of snow-colored butterflies  
 Gathered close 'till some small breath softly comes  
 They bob, they dip, they circle and shine  
 They float like milkweed across the line  
 Canvas catches air and fills the sheets like lungs  
 Little wings upon the water  
 These are our sons and our daughters  
 Sailing under clear and summer sky  
 Little wings upon the water  
 Our sons and our daughters  
 With little wings we learn, we learn to fly

A slow ballet, a quiet parade  
 The timeless dance upon the waves  
 Of line and tiller, mast, hull and small trapeze  
 The boats point high, make markers round  
 And then you hear that popping sound  
 As rainbows blossom brightly upon the breeze  
 Chorus

And the vision seen and picture made  
 Could be a scene from the pallet of Claude Monet  
 Tiny dabs of paint on aquamarine and blue  
 People on the ferries passing by  
 Point their fingers and cup their eyes  
 They smile and they wave and they shout  
 “good luck!” to you!  
 Chorus

The boats will gather up and then clump again  
 Each soul is a captain each mate is a friend  
 Easy chatter 'till another race breaks them all apart  
 Then with the sounding of the starting gun  
 They set their course hard they chase and run  
 With fair winds full and blowing through every heart  
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ABOVE: Bridget Wise who works at the Put-in-Bay branch of First National Bank is seen here taking a picture of the sunset over Put-in-Bay Harbor the night of the Ice Cream Social at the Monument on July 11th. Visitors were able to go up in the Monument and tour the basement. This was Bridget's first time on top of the Monument. Visitors also had the opportunity to tour the basement of the Monument.

## Be part of history and illuminate Put-in-Bay's harbor

So this summer in Put-in-Bay the island is going to celebrate its good fortune, that feeling of security we enjoy that has come with an open border and enduring peace, by staging a history-making illumination of the inner harbor. This potentially spectacular event will take place at dusk on September 8th after the Toledo Symphony has concluded its performance.

From the edge of the Monument property to Stone Lab, and along the shores of Gibraltar, there will be flares deployed every fifteen feet. At a prescribed time, all the flares will be lit providing an illumination of the harbor that will be visible by land, boat and air. The flares will burn for about twenty minutes allowing for great photos, quiet moments and some heartfelt remembrances to be shared.

To have this happen your help is needed. Perry's Victory, Stone Lab and the Village of Put-in-Bay have given permission to stage this event, but your thoughtful involvement is needed as well. Buy a flare, maybe two, for your lost loved ones, or for your family that enjoys life here in the Bass Islands. They cost just \$10 each and you can write a special quote or memory in our online logbook for the event. Plan to invite friends and family to the island for Historic Weekend and celebrate the Bicentennial of the War of 1812 and the Battle of Lake Erie.

Hopefully, this first year of the illumination there will be at least 500 flares lit. Call, write, go online or email The Perry Group if you're onboard, \$10 a flare for a memory and moments of thankfulness. The Perry Group also needs volunteers, supplies and helpful cooperation from all the businesses and homeowners along the waterfront.

Now, when we think back to the events that unfolded during the War of 1812, we are especially thankful for the bold and brave actions of our Navy and Commodore Perry on that fateful day in September of 1813. Their sacrifice is embodied in our enduring peace with Great Britain and Canada today. Come celebrate!

To participate or to get more information about this great event, contact The Perry Group at PO Box 484 Put-in-Bay, Ohio 43456, by phone at 419-285-2491 or on the Internet at [www.theperrygroup.org](http://www.theperrygroup.org) or [battleoflakeerie@gmail.com](mailto:battleoflakeerie@gmail.com).

### Remember When?

Back in the 1960's, the island had a 4th of July Fireworks show just like there is today. Joe Parker, who ran Parker's Garage, was in charge of the event. The fireworks were shot off the shoreline on Monument property out into the harbor. There were no fireworks experts setting off the rockets, just some of Joe's employees and a few others who wanted to help.

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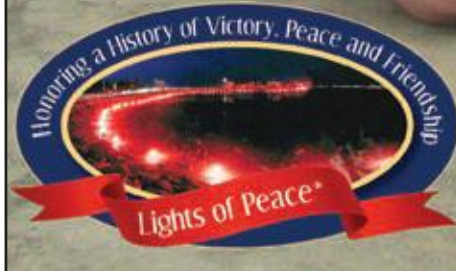
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ABOVE: Mark Nemecek and Linda Parker didn't make the short list of "Island Party People" for the month of July, but they did have fun at the Lake Erie Islands Historical Society Museum's member party in July. Linda is one of the hard-working volunteers at the Resale Shop, and Mark, who recently retired, or as he tells people, "got out of prison," says he's moving to the island year-round.

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2nd - Chad Hoffman 2 PM The Spazmatics 8:30 PM	7th - Scott Paris 2 PM The Michaels 8:30 PM	12th - Jackson Rohm 2 PM Ray Fogg 7 PM	17th - Chad Hoffman 11 AM Acoustic Mayhem 2 PM Ray Fogg 7 PM	21st - 88 Keys and the Truth 2 PM Shane Piasecki 8:30 PM	27th - John Salamon 8:30 PM
3rd - Chad Hoffman 11 AM 88 Keys and the Truth 2 PM Ray Fogg 7 PM The Spazmatics 9:30 PM	8th - The Michaels 2 PM The Michaels 8:30 PM	13th - Trailer Park Ninjas 9 PM Trailer Park Ninjas 8:30 PM	18th - Chad Hoffman 11 AM Acoustic Mayhem 2 PM Pat Dailey 7 PM	22nd - Shane Piasecki 2 PM T.B.D. 9 PM	28th - John Salamon 8:30 PM
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5th - Ray Fogg 7 PM Scott Paris 9 PM	10th - James Ranke 11 AM Jackson Rohm 2:30 PM Ray Fogg 7 PM Naked Karate Girls 9 PM	15th - Chris Donley 2 PM Chris Donley 8:30 PM		25th - James Ranke 11 AM Acoustica 2 PM	30th - John Salamon 8:30 PM
					31st - Jesse Davis 11 AM Acoustic Mayhem 2 PM Ray Fogg 7 PM Disco Inferno 9 PM

**Kelleys Island nixes booze cruise**

Kelleys Island officials nixed one of two Friday night party boat cruises to their island after continuous complaints about the rambunctious crowd departing from Sandusky and creating chaos on the island. The Goodtime operates what is commonly called a booze cruise. Officials say the second, later run of the evening is what causes the problems.

The Kelleys Island police chief said, "I can't control them. These people just come over here, and they drink from the time they get off the boat to when they get off the island." Too many drinks consumed by some Goodtime passengers — who then become aggressive and erratic — struck fear into locals according to some island people.

At first, officials considered a halt to both cruises, but it was decided just to halt the later boat. The later boat dropped people off on the island at 10 p.m. and didn't return to Sandusky until 1 a.m. On the earlier boat, people came over and ate at the island restaurants, but by the time the second boat got to Kelleys, all the restaurant kitchens are closed, and it's basically a "drink fest" according to some.

According to reports, the economic hit for the remainder of the 2012 season will cost the island business community and the Goodtime an estimated \$88,000.

The Goodtime also brings visitors to Put-in-Bay, but does not have a "booze cruise" run like the ones to Kelleys Island.

**Remember When?**

Fifty years ago on Put-in-Bay you didn't have the number of bars there are today. Fifty years ago, there were bars at what is now the Boathouse, at the Crescent, Round House, Frosty's, the Colonial, Cooper's (now the Goat), the Skyway and the old Castle Inn. Quite a change!

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Sat.	Aug. 11	1 pm	Islander Inn
Thurs.	Aug. 16	2 pm	T&J Smokehouse
Fri.	Aug. 17	2 pm	T&J Smokehouse
Sat.	Aug. 18	1 pm	Islander Inn
Mon.	Aug. 20	9 pm	Tipplers
Tue.	Aug. 21	9 pm	Tipplers
Wed.	Aug. 22	1 pm	Sandusky Co Fair, Fremont, OH
Wed.	Aug. 22	9 pm	Tipplers
Thurs.	Aug. 23	9 pm	Tipplers
Fri.	Aug. 24	2 pm	T&J Smokehouse
Sat.	Aug. 25	1 pm	Islander Inn
Fri.	Aug. 31	2 pm	T&J Smokehouse

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# Bob Gatewood accepts Emmy



On Saturday, July 7th, a special presentation was made by the Cleveland Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences to a popular Put-in-Bay entertainer. Bob Gatewood, noted singer, songwriter and local entrepreneur was given a long overdue Emmy Gold Certificate in honor of his 2003 Emmy nomination. The Interview/Discussion program featured the music and entertainment career of Mr. Gatewood. It was produced by Cuyahoga Community College (a Cleveland area institution that is the educational arm of the Rock-n-Roll Hall of Fame); the show was entitled "Words and Music: Bob Gatewood." The 35th Annual Emmy Awards was highly competitive; in fact, the Emmy for best Interview/Discussion that year went to an Indianapolis television station's special featuring the music of John "Cougar" Mellencamp.

Bob Gatewood has been a fixture on the Lake Erie islands since 1987. His band, Calabash, has appeared at The Round House Bar and the Beer Barrel on a regular basis for years. He also appears as a solo performer in places like The Fishbowl. His recently formed country music group, the Trailer Trash Trio, makes frequent appearances at newly remodeled, T & J's Smokehouse. His most recent collection of songs, "Be Good to Yourself" has received quite a bit of airplay in the Midwest and was charted at number one in the Cleveland area. In addition, when not making music, Bob and his wife, Andrea, are busy with their watercraft rental shops located throughout the Islands. They made PIB their fulltime home in 2005.

In presenting this recognition to Bob Gatewood, Dennis Thatcher, Executive Director of the National Academy said, "Bob Gatewood is a perfect example of the quality of talent produced in this region of Northern Ohio. The Cleveland Chapter is proud to honor one of our own in this special way." Mr. Gatewood was presented with a framed Emmy Gold Certificate in an informal ceremony on the porch of The Crew's Nest Restaurant. Upon receiving this award, Bob Gatewood said, "Well, if you are going to be outdone by someone I guess it might as well be Johnny Cougar!"

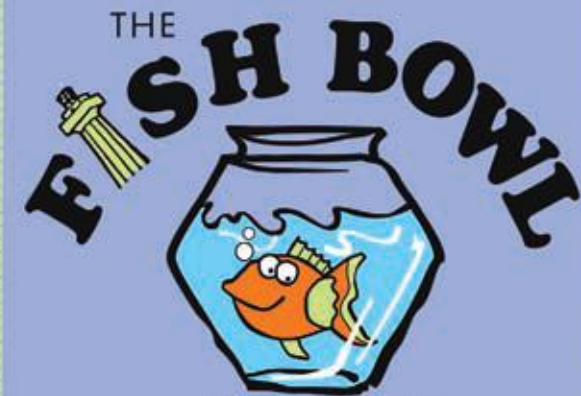
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- 9th Christian Kaser 7:30-11:30pm
- 10th Bob Gatewood 9pm-10am
- 11th Bob Gatewood 7pm-12am, DJ Shawn 10pm-1am
- 12th West Side Steve 3pm-7pm
- 16th Simple 7:30pm-11:30pm
- 17th Bob Gatewood 9pm-12am
- 18th Bob Gatewood 3pm-6pm, Relations 7:30-11:30, DJ Shawn 11:30-2
- 19th Cristian Kaser 3pm-7pm
- 23rd Christian Kaser 7:30pm-11:30pm
- 24th Bob Gatewood 9pm-12am
- 25th Christian Kaser 3pm-6:30pm, Bob Gatewood 7-10, DJ Shawn 10-1
- 26th Simple 3pm-6pm
- 30th Lance Horwedel 7:30pm-11:30pm
- 31st Bob Gatewood 9pm-12am



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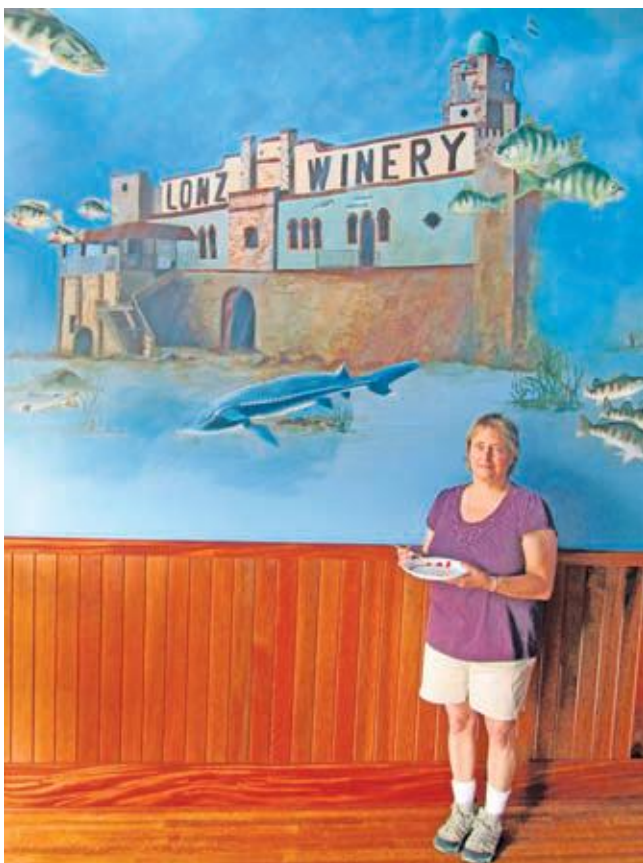
## Swimming in a Fishbowl - By Peter Huston

I'm swimming in The Fishbowl, really. Here inside amid sharks, walleye and seals, even Lonz Winery has sunk below the lake's surface. The old steamer Arrow still churns its way across the tank surrounded by shipwrecks and barrier reefs. The old Fishbowl, (Ted's Tackle) was given the deep six this winter by Todd and Jennifer Blumensaadt. They decided it was time to build a new tank, so they renovated and updated the old Valentine Doller building top to bottom. It sports all new mahogany woodwork and a beautiful new bar and, for those who have spent long late hours swimming in the warm waters of Put-in-Bay late nights, lots of cool air conditioning! But after renovation the walls were as blank as a newly stretched canvas.

Luckily, 10th generation Middle Bass islander Janet Evan Sterns, who does maritime murals, has been tapped by Jennifer Blumensaadt to bring these walls alive with aqua marine life again. Janet's island roots are deep, and her family goes way back to the 1830's. She explained to me she is related to the Lawrence, Kler, Snodgrass, Benson, Leonard and Evans families of Middle Bass. (The Evans were instrumental in getting the barber shoppers to MBI). She spent the summers of her childhood roaming Middle Bass soaking in the history and serene nature of the island. You can see from her work she has a keen understanding and love for the animal world.

Janet loves to paint; she told me she has been at it since she was in 4th or 5th grade. After high school, she went to Cooper School for Art and then Hiram College in Cleveland to study, but she owes her love of the water and sea to her family influences, especially great-great-grandfather, Captain Ebenezer Evans, who was first to come to Middle Bass and Put-in-Bay as the Captain of the steamship "The City of Cleveland." Ebenezer eventually bought property on MBI, spent summers here, and bought wood from the native Indians living on the island at the time for his steamship. Later Janet's grandfather, Norman Evans, first met his bride-to-be Valerie in DeRivera Park one beautiful Sunday afternoon while Valerie was visiting Put-in-Bay. They lived out their lives together on Middle Bass and are buried there.

Janet has been collecting old penny postcards of lake steamers and other maritime craft and has a collection of over three hundred post cards she has used for inspiration



ABOVE: Artist Janet Evan Sterns with one of her Lonz Winery under water paintings in the Fishbowl at Put-in-Bay.

for her maritime painting. She told me one of her cards she is most fond of is postmarked from Ballast Island and the message on it simply reads, "Bring back the ox".

Janet will be working her magic on the walls of The Fishbowl this summer and then she is off to the Terminal Building in Cleveland to do a mural of the tall ship "General Hunter". I suggested to her she should keep track of all the species she paints this summer for a future trivia for the many divers coming to the Fish Bowl for a try at downing a Shark Bite! You can catch Janet in the mornings on scaffolding painting a walleye's view of the world.



ABOVE: A crowd gathered along the shoreline between the Village's C-Dock and the public launch ramp on Sunday morning of Christmas in July Weekend and watch Todd Blumensaadt help lift the stern of a boat that had sunk during the night. Too many people boarded the boat, and before they knew it, water started pouring in over the stern. They tried to keep it from sinking, but it was too late. Todd came down with his back hoe and lifted the stern of the boat so pumps could get the water out and refloat it. The boat was finally refloated, and the party resumed!

## Kelleys Is. Swim to benefit Make-A-Wish

The 18th annual Kelleys Island Swim, benefiting Make-A-Wish Foundation, will kick off at 9 a.m. and finish at 3 p.m. Aug. 5th. Sisters Jeni Hammond and Cindra Mielke will swim around the island to raise money to help make wishes come true for northwest Ohio children. For information on Make-A-Wish, visit [makea.wishohio.org](http://makea.wishohio.org) or call 800-666-8539.

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- 13-19 Tipper's PIB
- 22 Hookstown Fair Hookstown, PA
- 23 Downtown Claddagh 8-11
- 24 Sandusky County Fair 7-10
- 25-26 Shaker Woods Festival Columbiana 11am-4pm
- 30 Ashland University Tailgate party 5-gametime
- 31 Downtown Mansfield Concert Series 7-9

**September**

- 1 Private party
- 2 Cleat's Marblehead 6:30-9:30
- 5-9 Tipper's PIB
- 13-16 Tipper's PIB
- 21 Flapper's Mt Vernon 10-1am
- 22 Captain's Lodge Marblehead 7-10
- 28 Downtown Claddagh 8-11

**October**

- 29 Elks MI 8-11
- 30 Mon Ami Winery 2-6
- 5-6 Tipper's PIB
- 7 Mon Ami Winery
- 12 Flapper's Mt Vernon 10-1am
- 13 Wedding Mt Vernon
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- 26-27 Tipper's PIB
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ABOVE: This bevy of beauties were the contestants in the Bikini Contest at Tony's Garage in July. Unfortunately, there is no list of names to go along with the "faces," but we do know the girl on the far left was the winner. The next Bikini Contest at Tony's Garage will take place on Saturday, August 18th at 7 p.m. If you'd like to be a contestant and win the \$150 first place cash prize, stop in at Tony's Garage and sign up.

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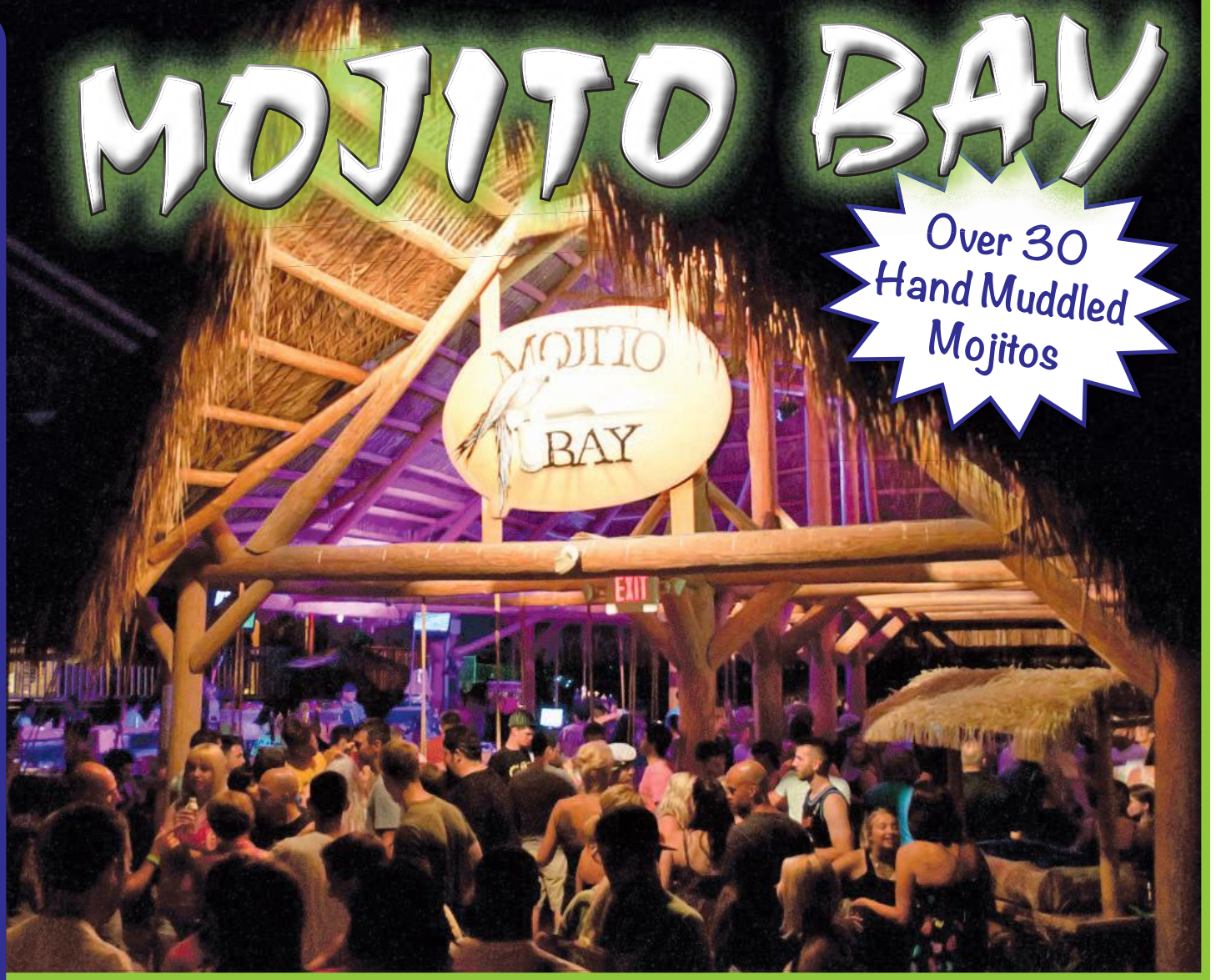
<b>August 2</b>	Marine Max: Kelleys Island
<b>August 3 • 8:00 pm – 11:00 pm</b>	Mojito Bay: Put-In-Bay
<b>August 7 • 8:00 pm – 11:00 pm</b>	Mojito Bay: Put-In-Bay
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<b>August 21 8:00 pm – 11:00 pm</b>	Mojito Bay: Put-In-Bay
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<b>August 24 • 8:00 pm</b>	Doc's Beach House: Port Clinton
<b>August 25 • 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm</b>	Sandusky County Fair: Fremont
<b>August 25 • Allie and The Rockers</b>	Pioneer Mill Island Party: Tiffin

**This quote about Put-in-Bay was found on the Internet!**

"Any girl in her right mind won't pass by the opportunity to enjoy some chocolate, which warranted a visit to the island's Chocolate Café and Museum."

**August Entertainment**

- 1st - Leah Orlikowski 8-11 PM
- 2nd - That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 3rd - Leah Orlikowski 2-5 PM  
That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 4th - Leah Orlikowski 2-5 PM  
The Gryphons 8-11 PM
- 5th - The Gryphons 2-5 PM  
Leah Orlikowski 8-11 PM
- 6th - Leah Orlikowski 8-11 PM
- 7th - That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 8th - Leah Orlikowski 8-11 PM
- 9th - That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 10th - Leah Orlikowski 8-11 PM
- 11th - Leah Orlikowski 2-5 PM  
Neon Black 8-11 PM
- 12th - Neon Black 2-5 PM  
Leah Orlikowski 8-11 PM
- 13th - Drew LaPlante 8-11 PM
- 14th - That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 15th - Drew LaPlante 8-11 PM
- 16th - That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 17th - Drew LaPlante 8-11 PM
- 18th - Charlie Weiner 1-4 PM  
Drew LaPlante 4:30-7:30 PM  
That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 19th - Charlie Weiner 2-5 PM  
Drew LaPlante 8-11 PM
- 20th - Drew LaPlante 8-11 PM
- 21st - That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 22nd - Drew LaPlante 8-11 PM
- 23rd - That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 24th - Drew LaPlante 8-11 PM
- 25th - Drew LaPlante 2-5 PM  
The Gryphons 8-11 PM
- 26th - The Gryphons 2-5 PM  
Drew LaPlante 8-11 PM
- 27th - Leah Orlikowski 8-11 PM
- 28th - That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 29th - Leah Orlikowski 8-11 PM
- 30th - That Allie Girl 8-11 PM
- 31st - Leah Orlikowski 8-11 PM



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ABOVE: On Tuesday, August 31st, there was a 30th birthday party for Kathryn French (center) at the home of her aunt, Pat Aveni at High Shores. Among the invited guests were Linda Parker (left) and Jeanette Luecke who brought Kathryn thirty white bows which you see here adorning Kathryn. We just had to ask where Linda and Jeanette got thirty bows. The answer, of course, was at the Resale shop behind the Lake Erie Islands Historical Society, downtown Put-in-Bay. Kathryn, who now lives and works in Colorado, took the bows off after the picture was taken and presented herself as a normal person during the rest of the party.



ABOVE: When we saw this boat at one of the village docks over the Christmas in July weekend, we just had to ask, "What is this." It turns out the plastic tarp top with the little white holiday lights supported by a framework is called a "West Virginia Bimini Top." We wanted to run right out and get one, so we stopped by West Marine, the big recreational boating supply store. Unfortunately, West Marine does not carry them, but a subsidiary of the company, West Virginia Marine, does. The only problem is the closest store is in West Virginia, a several hour drive from Put-in-Bay. If this is the bimini top, we wonder what the boat trailer looks like.

## 95.1 FM to host party at Beer Barrel

Radio station, Classic Rock, 95.1 FM, will be at the Beer Barrel Saloon on Saturday, August 18th. The station is hosting a party with the Danger Brothers at 2 p.m. While you're there having the time of your life, the 95.1 FM crew will be giving you the opportunity to win station t-shirts and other great prizes! Listeners can also win free tickets for the Jet Express to Put-in-Bay, so turn your dial to 95.1 FM to find out how.

## It's all about having fun!

Put-in-Bay and the Bass Islands are synonymous with good times and having fun. So with that in mind, we want "good time" readers to keep track of the fun times this season. Each month we've been listing some of the parties and events for you to check off if you attended. The first list was in one of the winter editions of the Gazette. It's impossible for us to list all the good times, but we'll try to have a variety of the top events each month. At the end of the year, we will recap with the list of every month of the year. We'd like to have your complete list turned in with the number of major


parties and events you attended. The winner will be recognized as the ultimate island social king or queen. We will print a list for each previous month, so here goes the list of events you can check off for July. Remember - no one can attend them all, so keep track.

### JULY LIST

- You attended the Naturalization Ceremony at Perry's Monument Visitor Center on July 4th
- You attended the Ice Cream Social at the Monument
- You enjoyed the Chataqua Beatles concert
- Attended Tony's Garage Bikini Contest
- You attended Cigar Night at Joe's Bar on July 16th
- You attended the Lake Erie Islands Historical Museum Membership Party
- You bought a book or two at the Erie Islands Library Book Sale
- You took a boat ride and enjoyed time at School House Bay
- You attended the Garden Club's tour of island gardens
- You chartered the M/V Restless and took a sunset cruise
- You gave blood at the Senior Center on July 31st

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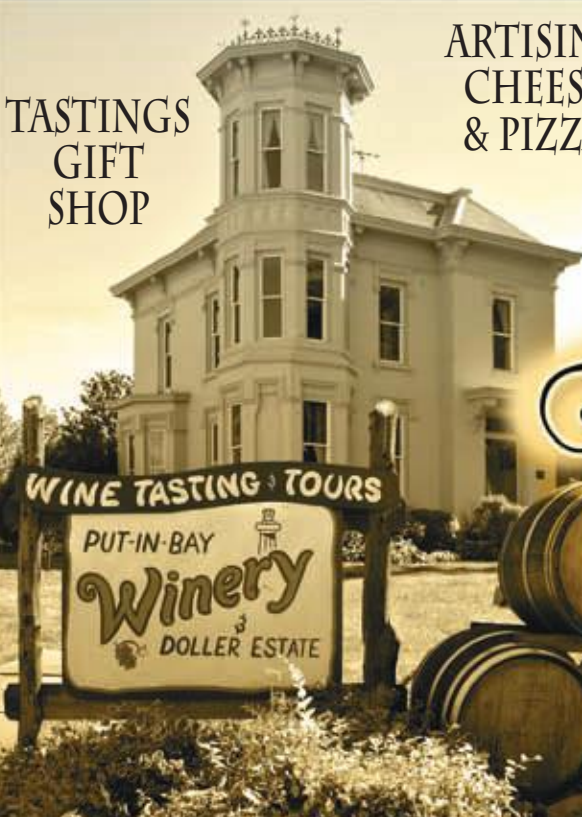
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## Kaleidoscope

by Berni Steinbach

*Editor's note: This is the second chapter of "The Adventures of Mason Riley," a novella in progress.*

Kate awoke to the creaking hall floorboards and a barely perceptible click of the deadbolt in the front door, in spite of her mother's attempt to keep a hush over the house. Reaching beside her bed, Kate tapped the snooze/light button and dared to believe the time. Her mother often rose early to prepare for a charter. It was a few minutes shy of 4 A.M. Kate picked up her camera, frequently used to create text messages, and checked the date: Thursday. She had three more hours to sleep before it was time for school.

Darkness prevailed on the water. Not a moonbeam or sparkling star, not even a flicker from a shore-bound window. The air was thick with moisture and fairly calm. The only audible sound emanated from the solitary figure standing behind the sailboat's helm: the slight rustle a navigational chart makes when it is folded for easier viewing. A few ripples formed along the hull, indicating that the wind was rising.

Lyn Ramy chartered her thirty-foot sailboat, Griffon's Ghost, to anyone who could pay the daily fee in cash. She did not mess with checks or credit cards. Up-front payment of \$375, plus \$125 for the captain, and the boat was yours for the day.

"This isn't illegal, is it?" Lyn had asked while taking the payment from a black-bearded, well-dressed gentleman. The terse reply was, "No." He did not provide much information, only that he did not want to be aboard the boat. All Lyn had to do was sail--no motoring--to the coordinates on the chart he handed her. If someone met her at those locations at the appointed times, she was supposed to return them to Port Huron. If not, she was free of further obligations. Easy money.

Preparing to cast off from the pier beside The Crew's Nest, a private club where she rented a costly slip because of its proximity to people who swarm the waterfront on summer days looking for entertainment. Lyn searched the sky for the southwest air that would give her a run to Middle Island. It was uncommon to pick up a passenger in Canadian waters, but there was no law against it. No commercial goods transported, no problem. Lyn lifted the bow and stern lines off the pilings, quietly raised the main sail, pulled in the main sheet to catch the wind, and Griffon's Ghost was underway. Gibraltar Island hovered faintly and briefly on the port side, Green Can "1" slipped past on starboard, and Lyn momentarily left the wheel. She reached into the cabin, flicked on the running lights, and pulled a Diet Mountain Dew from the icebox. Back at the helm she turned from due north to 47° magnetic, a heading that in a mile and one half would put her between Middle Bass and Ballast Islands. Lyn grasped the chart without looking at it and pondered whether anybody would be waiting at her destination:  
N 41° 41.1' W 82° 40.9'

Beyond Ballast Reef, Lyn eased the boat to the east and planned to come around Middle Island's lee side and approach her appointed destination on a port tack. The total distance was just over five miles. If the wind continued at ten knots, Lyn would arrive close to the pick-up time.

Dawn's glow shimmered slightly on the water's edge, as did the colors of numerous aids to navigation. Lyn enjoyed the solitary moments when sea and sky blended around her, but she remained cautious and steered significantly to the left of number "4" buoy at Gull Island Shoal--a red flash every four seconds. It was anchored 1.5 miles due south of Middle Island, which allowed plenty of space for her transit. She

had to keep in mind the current pushed the boat towards the shoal in spite of the bow's heading of 90°, and that depths dropped from 32 to seven feet. It was comforting the sun would be up by the time Griffon's Ghost ventured past the shoals.

Kate lived on Peach Point and rode her bicycle from West Shore Boulevard, beyond the third oldest U.S. fish hatchery, around the waterfront to The Boardwalk, and then up the slight incline of Catawba Avenue to South Bass School & Library. She enjoyed pedaling past the kayakers who often circled Gibraltar Island in the harbor, and she inhaled the smell of the bread ovens as she passed Island Baked, where locals appeared early for fresh coffee and buttered biscuits.

"What's up, Kate?" Laz dropped his backpack on the library floor as he sank into the red and white beanbag chair like a marble falling into cotton.

"Hey you!" she replied cheerfully. "I found some interesting information about symbols. One thing that is really cool is how mariners used the constellations to guide them across the oceans. So, I was thinking, maybe your code card is a constellation?"

"Do what?"

"Laz, think. A constellation is a picture in the night sky. If the card is a constellation, night or day, it is a picture of something familiar. We have to find out what picture it is."

"You are always talking about pictures, Kate."

I could watch my two friends keep up the banter, or I could get them to turn the page. I decided on the latter.

"Hey people, don't you know it's time for Homeroom?"

"Whoa, where did you come from?" Laz wondered aloud.

"Hi Rebel. Laz isn't following my thoughts. Listen . . ."

"I heard you and I think you have a good idea, but let's get to Homeroom," I answered.

Without moving, Kate continued, "So, if the card represents a figure, and if it has something to do with the Island, then we need to look for images that symbolize Bass Island."

"I get it," Laz replied. "It's a schematic, isn't it!"

"Explain," Kate said abruptly.

I marveled at how the pace of their conversation was accelerating.

"Skh\_ma is Greek for plan. When you wire a house for electricity, you first have to prepare a diagram showing how all the switches and outlets will be connected to the power source."

"Hmmm . . . so the card could symbolize a plan?" Kate asked.

"Exactly; which means the red spot is not just a place--it is where the action ends up. The green ones could be starting points, and the yellow ones might be waypoints."

I had to ask, "What are waypoints?"  
"Rebel, remember the geocaching symbol? Waypoints are specific GPS locations on the path to the destination. Think of them as Hansel and Gretel's little white stones!"  
Suddenly, the tardy bell raised us from our depths and we scattered like mice discovered in a kitchen pantry.



ABOVE: It was like old home week for Walt Duff (center) and Ty Burgess (right) when they toured the basement of Perry's Monument the night of the ice cream social with Rod Karr who works on the maintenance staff there. Both Walt and Ty retired from the maintenance staff at the Monument, and this was the first year in many they returned for an updated look.

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RIGHT: Some of our readers might remember when The Goat was Cooper's Restaurant, owned and operated by Gus and Delores Cooper in the 1960's and early 70's. This is one of the covers on the books of matches they gave away.



RIGHT: Here's an old picture of Roy Webster (left) at his winery at the Castle. We think we recognize Bruce Duggan (striped shirt) and Tim Reinhart to Bruce's left. If you recognize anyone else, please let us know.



## News Updates from your Put-in-Bay Community Senior Center from Candace Pucci

Summer is in full swing here at the Senior Center. Our August calendar is packed with activities and programs for all to partake in and enjoy. We have three guest speakers scheduled throughout the month to give presentations on various topics starting with...August 1st Mary Jane H-Meadows, Site Manager from the Port Clinton Senior Center will talk about a new program called "Seniors Helping Seniors." Friday, August 10th, we have Dar Mensing, Nutritionist from The Ohio State University here to discuss "Reading and Understanding Food Labels." And Jennifer Waldron from Gerner-Wolf-Walker Funeral Home will be here to explain "Funeral Arranging, Crematories, Cremations" and other options available to folks and answer any questions you may have regarding this matter. For additional information on any of these speakers just call the Senior Center.

If you've driven past our Senior Center lately you may have noticed all the construction trucks and orange cones. The old railroad ties that formed a retention wall around the Senior Center were slowly falling apart and were in need of much attention along with our signage out front. Thanks to our PIB Township Trustees we have been able to address this matter. We now have stone walls in place of the crumbling railroad ties and colorful roses and landscaping to dress up the surrounding building. We are also having a concrete patio poured in the courtyard area so we can make better use of this space. And what better way to christen our new patio...but with a "Lemonade Social" Aug.8th at 10:00am. Pastor Dan, Sister Lucille and Mother Mary will be joining us along with all the children attending Bible Camp for this special occasion. We'll enjoy lemonade and homemade cookies while working side by side with the children on their camp craft project. This is sure to be a memorable inter-generational experience for both the seniors and the children.

In order to stay in compliance with Federal and State ADA Regulations a few improvements needed to be made to the Senior Center. A new wheelchair ramp with handrails was installed at the entrance of the building, along with electronic power-assisted doors for better accessibility. Mirrors were lowered in the restrooms to their specific required height and signs were painted and installed for additional handicap parking. All of these improvements to the building were funded through a grant and all meet Local and State Building and Zoning Codes.

The American Legion Post 542 will hold their monthly meeting and luncheon at the Senior Center on Thursday, August 16th. Lunch is served at 11:45am immediately after will be the meeting. The following Thursday, August 23rd, The Ottawa County Health Department will be offering FREE Health Assessments at our Senior Center from 9am to 12 noon for any senior residents 60+ and over. If you would like to schedule an appointment or have any questions regarding the Health Clinic call 419-734-6800.

Did you know...August 22nd is celebrated Nationwide as "Be An Angel Day." The purpose of this day is to do "one small act of service for someone" - Help celebrate this very special day and BE A BLESSING IN SOMEONE'S LIFE."

Back by popular demand - It's time to "get off the rock" and do some "SHOPPING" on the Mainland then lunch at a local restaurant. This may not seem that exciting to some of you, but if you live on an Island with limited stores, shopping at Walmart can be a real treat!! Our shopping excursion will be on Tuesday, Aug.28th. YEAH!!!

And lastly, I'd like to congratulate Marylou Ramsbottom, MaryAnn McCann, Judy Bahney and Alberta Stoney for so proudly representing all the SENIORS on the Island at our Annual Cardboard Boat Race! It was quite the battle! Unfortunately, the ladies forgot Lake Erie is not heated and the water temp was just a little too brisk for them. But look out...there's always next year! Who says you have to be young and in your twenties to enter the race?!? GO SENIORS - YOU ROCK!!!

Wishing you love and laughter, Candace Pucci, Activity Director

## Matt Sandella - Put-in-Bay's new full-time police officer

In April, Put-in-Bay Village Council voted to hire John Foran as the Put-in-Bay Police Department's new full-time officer, but within just a few weeks, he changed his mind about the job

and resigned. At it's July meeting, Council approved the hiring of a new full-time officer to take Foran's place. He is Matt Sandella, a 25-year old native of North Ridgeville, just west of Cleveland.



Matt Sandella  
 Put-in-Bay's new full-time police officer

Matt graduated from Avon High School and has a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Bowling Green State University. After obtaining his police certification at Lorain County Community College, he went to work for the police department at Cedar Point.

Matt, who was never on the island until he was interviewed, found the job posting on the Internet. He applied thinking he might become a part-time officer, but ended up with a full-time position.

So far, Matt says the job here at Put-in-Bay is a lot more interesting than the one he had at Cedar Point, and he is looking forward to winter life on the island. He says he might even try ice fishing when he is not playing his guitar or video games.

There is a six-month probationary period for new police officers and after that, he will be officially approved for the position.

If you see Matt, introduce yourself. You just might need his help some day.

## Don't Forget in August

August 2--Twilight Concert

August 10--Barber Shoppers at Put-in-Bay

August 11--Barber Shoppers at Middle Bass (7 pm)

August 16--Twilight Concert



All events at Perry Memorial Visitor Center at 7 pm unless otherwise noted. Events free & open to the public.



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LEFT: Representing many decades of PIB High School graduates are (left to right) Eric Booker, Becky Diaz, Nick Faris, Emily Deeks, Nate Seaberg, Robert Courtney, Scott Seaberg, Aaron Wilson, Christian Wilson, Kerry Wilhelm Burris, Sue Seaberg, Natalie Ontko Price. This impromptu photo was taken at Hooligans celebrating Robert's 21st birthday.



RIGHT: Kate Ptak, Joe and Linda Shull, and Maryann Moore reading the PIB Gazette while listening to the concert at Mounment.

## School News by Steve Poe, Superintendent

Coach Randi Wertenbach begins her sixth year as our cross-country coach and will begin workouts with her 2012 runners on Wednesday, August 8th. This year promises to be a good one as we return a number of talented distance runners. Good luck, cross-country team!

Work has been completed on our gymnasium roof. Damschroder Construction installed a new Duro-Last Roofing System on the gymnasium's metal roof. Paint began to peel and the metal was starting to rust from exposure. This new installation not only addressed those problems, but added insulation and ventilation, which will help us save on our heating and cooling costs.

The first day of school for students is Wednesday, August 29. Letters will be going home early this month listing the school supplies needed to begin the school year. Parents can also check the school's website at: [put-in-bay.k12.oh.us](http://put-in-bay.k12.oh.us) In addition, new students to our district should register at least one week prior to the beginning of school.

When school does begin on August 29th, we would like parents to adhere to the following guidelines when dropping off and/or picking up their children:

1. No parking on the sidewalk (ball field side of Concord)
2. No parking behind the cars in the parking lot.
3. No parking across the street on Catawba (heading toward the State Park)

All drop-offs and pick-ups will take place in designated areas on Catawba Ave. heading into town. For those walking or riding their bikes to school, the corner of Concord and Catawba will be monitored by crossing guards, school faculty and/or local police to ensure a safe crossing.

Again, our students performed quite well on the Ohio Academic Achievement Tests this past school year. Of the 75 total tests taken by our students in grades three through eight, 43 of the scores were either in the advanced or accelerated categories. Parents should have received their child's individual scores in the mail last month. Overall, these high test scores helped Put-in-Bay School receive an "Excellent Rating" on the State's Annual Report Card. Congratulations to all our teachers and students for this achievement.

Our guidance counselor, Ms. Alicia McKee, accepted a position as middle school principal at South Central Local School near her Willard home. We appreciate all she did during her time at Put-in-Bay School and wish her the best of luck. We hope to name a new guidance counselor in the coming weeks. Here are some important dates to consider when making appointments and travel plans this coming year:

- August 31 Early Dismissal • September 3 Labor Day – No School
- October 15 Appointment Day - No School
- November 21 - 23 Thanksgiving Break – No School
- December 21 Early Dismissal • Decembr 24 – Jan 2 Christmas Break – No School
- February 8 Early Dismissal
- February 11-15 Winter Break – No School
- March 29 Early Dismissal
- April 1 – 5 Spring Break – No School
- May 24 Early Dismissal
- May 27 Memorial Day – No School
- June 6 Early Dismissal (Last Day of School)

## Stone Laboratory welcomes new research coordinator

The Ohio State University's Stone Laboratory recently hired Justin Chaffin, a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Toledo, as its new research coordinator. He will manage on-site research, the Lab's Research Experience for Undergraduates, and some of the laboratory renovations currently in progress, along with teaching classes and supporting the lab's outreach and education efforts. Chaffin is also heavily involved in Stone Lab's monitoring and research of harmful algal blooms and nutrient levels in Lake Erie, a topic he has focused on throughout his academic career.

"Justin will be coordinating the lion's share of our research and the REU program here at the lab," says Matt Thomas, Stone Laboratory manager. "He'll also be our on-site limnologist, playing an instrumental part with the renovation of the analytical laboratory, and with HAB monitoring."

"I am really excited to come back to Stone Lab, where I began my Lake Erie research career, to work as a team member of Ohio Sea Grant," said Chaffin. "I took classes at Stone Lab during 2005 and was an REU student during 2006. Since 2007 I've been a grad student at the University of Toledo, studying Microcystis blooms and nutrient dynamics in western Lake Erie, so I'm looking forward to the new and improved laboratory for limnology research and water quality."

Chaffin is currently completing a doctorate in ecology at the University of Toledo, focusing on the effect of nitrogen concentrations on phytoplankton. His master's degree work in ecology at UT examined Microcystis blooms in Lake Erie, and he received a bachelor of science degree in biology from Bowling Green State University. He has been an assistant teacher for Stone Lab's limnology class, as well as a biodiversity class at the University of Toledo and high school biology at Clay High School in Oregon.

Located on the 6.5-acre Gibraltar Island in Put-in-Bay harbor, Stone Laboratory is The Ohio State University's Island Campus on Lake Erie and the education and research facility of the Ohio Sea Grant College Program. The Ohio State University's Ohio Sea Grant College Program is part of NOAA Sea Grant, a network of 32 Sea Grant programs dedicated to the protection and sustainable use of marine and Great Lakes resources. For information on Ohio Sea Grant and Stone Lab, visit [ohioseagrant.osu.edu](http://ohioseagrant.osu.edu).

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## Kelleys Island News by Leslie Korenko

August is the busiest month as islanders and visitors prepare to bid goodbye to summer. Among the major events for the month are: August 5 – Those MAKE-A-WISH SWIMMERS, Jeni Hammond and Cindra Mielke, will swim again for their 18th year. The CIRCUS comes to town on August 6/7 and the Village holds a special ELECTION on August 7 for an operating levy (1.25 mills, 5-years). August 8 is the Audubon NATURE CAMP and August 9-COUNCIL meets at 7 pm. MOVIES August 10-The Muppets! And on August 11 a double feature: Glee Live and the classic Caddy Shack. This is a free event. Donations go to the EMS, Fire and KI Audubon Club. Keep cool with ice cream, cold beverages, movie candy and snacks. August 11 - The KI HISTORICAL ASSOC. holds their annual meeting and local author, Leslie Korenko, will present a SLIDESHOW and talk about historic Kelleys Island. In the evening enjoy the FIRE DEPT. STEAK FRY at the VFW. August 16 is the AUDUBON pot luck and program and August 18 is HOMECOMING. September 1 – The Island Singers present songs from Guys & Dolls and a little Rock and Roll at two shows, 6:30 and 8:00 pm.

### ISLANDFEST

ISLANDFEST was a success. Friday was cool and breezy on the island, but apparently extremely rough and windy on the peninsula. Unfortunately, it was too rough for all but the Shirley Irene to run. That meant hourly service and long wait times. Saturday was also quite pleasant and the parade was long and colorful. The fireworks, always a highlight, were nicely spaced and allowed time to really appreciate how great they looked.

### HOMECOMING

Saturday, August 18, is the big day. The parade begins the festivities and leads people to the pavilion on Addison St (just a short walk from the ferry). This year sees the return of Frank [Sinatra] and Dean [Martin] for cool MUSIC and witty banter. New this year is the Fat City Band with a mix of oldies and new songs. We also have a MAGICIAN this year – Magic Mike. Start training your pet for the PET PARADE (prizes are \$10 gift cards from Pet Supplies Plus) and practice munching those gooey golden treats for the Twinkie eating CONTEST. A SILENT AUCTION will feature a sailboat cruise and a champagne tour of the island in an antique car. Don't forget the shopping, kids' games, and wild life display and show by BACK TO THE WILD. Break out your rolling pin and plan to compete for best pie on the island at the PIE CONTEST. Contact info for this event is [kiLandowners@aol.com](mailto:kiLandowners@aol.com).

### BACK TO THE WILD

Back to the Wild, a regular attraction at Homecoming, has rescued more than 40,000 animals, returned more than 26,000 to the wild and have admitted more than 50 bald eagles. The center has educated more than 1 million children and adults since opening its doors 22 years ago. But the wildlife rehabilitation center could close within months. It is facing a financial crisis. Show your support by sending donations to: Back to the Wild Wildlife Rehabilitation & Nature Education, P.O. Box 423, 4504 Bardshar Road, Castalia, OH 44824

### SCHOOL NEWS

It is official, the school is suspending operations. The Board met on June 16 and voted to temporarily suspend school operations at the school for 2012-13. Three full-time staff positions were eliminated. The Superintendent and some support staff will be kept on the rolls, but since they are paid hourly, those hours will be reduced. While arrangements are being made to send the remaining two students off-island for their education, the State requires the district to have an active Board of Education, a superintendent and a treasurer. The district still has students, but while they actually attend school at EHOVE and in the Post Secondary Enrollment Options Program at Firelands Campus, they are still considered students at the KI school. The Board expects to continue the Lake Erie Field Station program, wants to plan more adult winter options, and to continue making the gym and library available to the community.

### VILLAGE COUNCIL

Council continues to wrestle with the financial burden created, not by the residents, but by the

tourists, and is looking at ways to shift the burden to visitor. Letters are going out to property owners with HAZARDOUS TREES to determine their intent on resolving the trees in question. The POLICE report eight arrests, fifteen tickets, and two accidents for the last month. They also reached an agreement with the Goodtime to have only one Friday cruise to the island. The surge of evening visitors bent on enjoying themselves created a situation that was becoming difficult to manage. SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE JOHN BOEHNER made an unannounced visit to the island. He requested privacy and Chief Ehrbar was honored to be part of his security staff. No details of his trip were shared. Our hard-working EMS and PARAMEDIC have been busy. Last month they made eighteen runs. The Village is pursuing a grant for the AIRPORT which will upgrade signs, replace the wind sock (damaged by vandals), install some new lighting, remove some trees and move a building, among other things. Details of the project were presented in detail to Council in a package, but only briefly discussed during the presentation. Survey work will be done on Division St., Huntington (for the waterline) and the south line of the Village office property. Hartung received the award for this work. A tar and chip project for paving roads in the SWEETBRIAR SUBDIVISION is expected to be advertised soon. This will be an assessed project. The State will be doing road work on the highway (between the State Park and the old Newman's dock) in August. Mayor Kyle Paine was called upon to break a tie vote for the first time on the hiring of a dispatcher. With three votes for, two against and one abstention, he voted yes to the hiring. The WATER DEPT has installed the low volume public fill station. It is located by the old building near the big fill pipe station.



Leslie



ABOVE: Island author Leslie Korenko, left, received the Henry P. Howe Award from Susan Zacharias, president of the Ohio Genealogical Society at the OGS conference in Cleveland recently. The Henry Howe Award is given for outstanding Ohio history books and was awarded to Korenko's first two books about the island, "Kelleys Island 1810-1861: The Courageous, Poignant & Often Quirky Lives of Island Pioneers" and "Kelleys Island 1864-1865: The Civil War, the Island Soldiers and the Island Queen."

### Dear Patriot

The person or persons who on July 20, 2012, stole my new (4'x2') nylon American flag AND pole from off my house on Mitchell Road, I sure hope you are flying it with proud colors. You must have needed a new flag really bad. I'm so sorry you spent all your money on beer, booze and wine and couldn't afford to buy your own. I bet you and your friends thought it was really funny, too. - Linda Parker

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ABOVE: The Mehlings, Doug and Barb (standing), recently traveled to Ida and Monroe, Michigan, to visit Vida and Tom Parker and Carl "Bub" and Nona Meyer Brown (seated), cousins of Barb. Bub is the son of Paul and Leona Keimer Brown and Nona is the daughter of Joseph and Libbie Heuchele Meyer. Nona graduated from PIBHS in 1944. Bub's father once worked on the Chippewa and his mother came to live on PIB when her father, Henry Keimer, started working on Perry's Monument and later was an island carpenter. Bub and Nona send greeting to their PIB friends. Their address is 4890 W. Dunbar, Monroe, MI 48161.

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## Middle Bass

### News by Gordon Barr

JiBaro Tiki Bar a Hit!: Restaurateurs Elvis Serrano and wife Lorna McLain are new to Middle Bass, but they bring a food tradition that is centuries old. The Latin food the couple offers is amazing! Over the Fourth of July, we had several picnics to attend and instead of cooking (it was too hot!) Kyle and I purchased a pan of the black beans and rice with pulled pork. It was a huge hit! Not only was it delicious, we froze several bags for future meals from the leftovers. Thinking about it makes my mouth water!

If you get a chance, stop by and welcome Elvis and Lorna to Middle Bass. We are fortunate to have two really interesting restaurants in our MBI food arsenal. Both Walleye's and JiBaro are wonderful places to have a drink and enjoy a delicious meal! When the going gets tough, the tough go out to dinner!

#### Dr. Frank D'Amico 3rd Annual Triathlon:

Dr. Frank D'Amico passed away in February 2010 but he is still remembered by his MBI friends. They hold an annual triathlon in his honor every July. The day is chosen by weather conditions and who is on Island. The competition is spirited and fun. This year's winners were Paul Garverick, Men's and Melissa "Goose" Goist, Woman's.

Frank's parents, Anna and Frank, and his brother, Anthony, have summer homes on MBI. A memorial fund has been established in Frank's name: The Dr. Frank J. D'Amico Memorial Scholarship Fund for Ohio Students Studying Dentistry at the University of Michigan. Donations can be made at the University of Michigan Dental School/ 540 East Liberty Street/ Suite 204/ Ann Arbor Michigan/ 48108

#### MBI Volunteer Fire Department Sunset Cruise:

The MBI Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank all the people who attended their Annual Sunset Cruise Fundraiser. The support is greatly appreciated. Attendance was down a little from prior years. The Fourth of July weekend fell into the lap of the cruise and many people had conflicting events to attend. Looking forward to next year! We will be back on track!

There were a few misspelled names in last months MBI Fire Department picture and I want to apologize for that. We really appreciate what you do for us! Thank you!

#### ECO Tour:

The Put-in-Bay Township Park District will host a Middle Bass Eco-tour and history tour on Wednesday August 15th. The golf carts from Put-in-Bay will arrive about 11:00. If you live on Middle Bass and want to participate, the cost is \$40.00 per person. Included in the tour is a beautiful commemorative booklet. Light duty vehicles (AKA golf carts) should be used. Tour participants will be badged to prohibit poaching (this is for a good cause so no bandits). This will be a great opportunity to see MBI as you have never seen it before! Call Kendra Koehler at 1-419-341-2725. Reservations are required. Black tie, optional.

#### The Island Band:

Russ Brohl, Steve Stapleton and Bruce Miles want to shout out to their extensive fan base. There is rumor of a record contract (but you didn't hear it here!). The Island Band was at Cape Canaveral where one of Virgin Atlantic's commercial rockets was set to be ignited. The band was asked to hit the big red launch button (like ringing the cow bell at the opening of the trading day at the New York Stock Exchange). The rocket exploded on the launch pad (the Department of Transportation ruled out any connection to the Island Band being at fault for the disaster). In the resultant fire ball, supposedly Craig Branson (owner of Virgin Epic Music) approached the lads about a possible record contract. Outta sight!

#### Barbershop Weekend August 10-12, 2012:

Break out the lemonade, straw boater hat, red, white and blue vest, and spats! On Saturday August 11th, Barbershop Night comes to the MBI Town Hall! The music is exceptional as are the performers. According to Members of the Island Band, the sound characteristics of the Town Hall have been likened to that of Severance Hall in Cleveland, Cobo Arena in Detroit, and the Sidney Opera House (Toledo?).

This show is a piece of Americana that can't be missed! Admission is free but don't forget to buy your raffle tickets early (and often).

#### Middle Bass Fine Arts Camp:

Kelly Halterman is pleased to report the success of this year's MBI Art Camp. The camp served 65 students in grades K-8. The theme was Middle Bass Bandstand! The kids enjoyed wearing poodle skirts and learning about songs from the past. In the finale show, parents and grandparents were seen rocking to the children's performance!

Per Kelly, "Our art projects were awesome this year! Larry Wadsworth outdid himself! The older kids created clay pots, egg shell jewelry, sand castings, to name a few. The younger children made mosaics with beach glass, created beaded jewelry, and more working with their teacher Shanny O'Rourke Scherf."

Kelly and her team want to thank everyone who made this event a success as well as the MBI families who allowed their children to attend.

#### MBI Town Hall Picnic:

Saturday, August 18th, 2012, Noon to 3p.m. will be the Middle Bass Island Picnic at the Town hall. It is an opportunity to visit with neighbors, make new friends, sample delicious food, and play old-fashioned picnic games! Bring a smile, blanket, and a main dish and dessert to share. Please contact Bob Cummings or Lynn Gill for more information. They can be contacted through the MBI General Store!

#### Welcome to LEINWC Roberta!

Roberta Jones has been coming to Middle Bass for 60 years! She is retired but just took over the summer post for LEINWC. She has participated in nature camp for years and also acted as an interpretive ranger at Perry's Monument. She knows her island facts! Thank you for your volunteerism! People like Roberta make an "island visit" memorable!

#### Burgundy Bay Sunset Cocktail Party:

Burgundy Bay residents, join your neighbors for a night of cocktails on Saturday August 25th, 2012, 7:30 to 9:30. Glasses and Napkins will be provided. Bring snacks to share!

#### Lastly:

Please send your Middle Bass news to gbarr@newkor.com. The winner of last month's Caribou giveaway was Harry "Axel" Foley. The animal can be seen grazing on the Burgundy Bay Golf Course (occasionally) near that pride of Lions by Lloyd Bean's house.

## Interesting facts about winter lake ice in the Great Lakes

Recently released research shows the amount of ice covering the Great Lakes has declined on average by 71 percent over the past 40 years. Lake Ontario has lost the most during this time: it is down 88 percent over the last 40 years. On average about 40 percent of the lake's surfaces freeze every winter. This winter, only about five percent of the surfaces froze, and here in the Western Basin of Lake Erie, the winter was relatively ice free.

A loss of ice increases warming by altering surface color, so more heat is reflected back into the atmosphere. A decrease in ice also accelerates evaporation which can cause water levels to drop. Ice loss, warmer temperatures, and greater evaporation also affect the state of fisheries and ecosystem health, including the prevalence of harmful algal blooms.

Scientists attribute the loss of ice to global climate change, natural variability and regional weather patterns.



ABOVE: Rachel and Hayden Stafford and Jared and Tracy Aquilla enjoy 80's prom night on the Taliak porch! The only thing missing was A Flock of Seagulls! But they broke up in the 90's...

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#### Island Trivia

West Sister Island, west of South Bass Island, was a popular stop for bootleggers during Prohibition. The island provided a certain level of visual cover from the authorities for rum runners crossing the lake. When approached by these authorities, bootleggers would often dump their illegal stash overboard. Legend has it bottles of Prohibition-era alcohol can still be found on the bottom of the lake around the island.



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## St. Paul's Episcopal Church - August 1912 - A turning point in church history

St. Paul's continues to be a very busy place in the summer. 100 years ago this month the residents of Middle Bass Island gave St. Paul's a carved stone baptismal font in thanksgiving for the Rev. Fred Speel who regularly held services at Middle Bass from 1907 to 1912. Mr. Speel was well liked by the entire congregation. As part of his ministry, he made regular visits to the people on Middle Bass Island. In appreciation for his service at Middle Bass, the residents of Middle Bass gave St. Paul's a baptismal font in August 1912 which is still in use today.

Mr. Speel was away from the island on August 4th 1907. Jay Cooke's daughter, Laura Barney described some of the events of August 1912 in the Gibraltar records she recorded that when Mr. Speel returned from his trip he tendered his resignation and told the congregation he was leaving the island for a larger Reformed Episcopal church in Albany NY. Later, in 1920, Mr. Speel left the Reformed Episcopal Church and returned to the Episcopal Church, following the same path taken by St. Paul's in 1912.

Laura Barney and her husband Charles met with Mr. Vroman after Mr. Speel's announcement to discuss the parish's future but waited for his departure in September 10th, 1912 to take any action. Mr. Vroman was the senior lay leader of the congregation at this time in St. Paul's history. Laura's journal entry indicated Mr. Vroman felt the church should seek re-admittance by the Episcopal Church. At this point in the church's history, Laura has inherited the property where St. Paul's sits after her father died so she had an interest in the church's decisions.

### St. Paul's still active in 2012

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, the church with the red doors, offers three services on Put-in-Bay and one on Middle Bass throughout the summer. The 7:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services will be services of Holy Communion as in past

RIGHT: Enjoying the membership party at the Lake Erie Islands Historical Society Museum on Saturday afternoon in July were (left to right) Dan Savage, the museum's new curator, museum director Suzie Cooper, and Cindy Clausen



ABOVE: A Friends of the Library Book Sale was held on July 6th & 7th at the Erie Islands Branch Library. Friends Linda Frederick and Marylou Ramsbottom are pictured here taking in donations for the Library's largest fundraiser.

years. The 9am service will be an all faiths, informal (come-as-you-are) service of prayer and praise. The Worship service at Middle Bass Town Hall continues through Labor Day at 1:30 p.m.

The labyrinth is available for contemplative/prayerful walking dawn to dusk daily. Groups may call ahead to schedule a labyrinth workshop. The weekly history tours continue on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and may be requested at other times by any size group.

The 6th annual employee appreciation spaghetti dinner will be in August. St. Paul's is also looking forward to joining with St. John's Lutheran and Mother of Sorrows RC churches as we offer a Vacation Bible Camp. Sign-up forms are still available at the church.

Throughout the summer St. Paul's offers an AIR CONDITIONED space for the Lifetree Café to gather. This is a nationally known "Conversation Café that invites participants to discuss everything from politics to prayer. This "conversation café" — is an opportunity for people who visit PIB to join with those who live and work here for participatory events related to life and faith. The Lifetree Café experience is a scheduled hour of "stories and conversations to feed the soul. The hour typically includes a short original film and conversation. A local host directs the hour. "It's sort of like a live, local talk show — with an inspirational twist." Lifetree Café will be offered at 4:00 pm every Tuesday, starting on June 5th. Admission to the 60-minute events is free. Snacks and beverages are available at no cost.

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ABOVE: Mona Rutger showing a turtle to some of the young people who took part in Nature Camp. You can tell by the looks on their faces they are totally involved in what Mona is showing them. ABOVE RIGHT: Mona is seen here at the South Bass Island State Park with one of her many birds she has rescued.

## Back to the Wild needs your support

Anyone who has attended Put-in-Bay School in recent years knows about Back to the Wild. Every spring, Mona Rutger and her assistants come to Put-in-Bay with a menagerie of animals they have rescued at their facility in Castalia, Ohio. Mona also presents her Nature Camp programs here on the island. Needless to say, her programs with her birds, reptiles and other animals have been very popular and extremely educational for people of all ages.

Since 1990, Back to the Wild has rescued more than 40,000 animals, returned more than 26,000 to the wild and have admitted more than 50 bald eagles. Among the many animals are ones from the islands which have been rescued. The center has also educated more than 1 million children and adults since opening its doors 22 years ago.

With economic hard times, Mona and her husband, Bill, like so many other endeavors funded by donations, have felt the pinch of not having enough funding to operate.

As Back to the Wild fights to keep its doors open, the

area communities have been answering the call for help, but not nearly enough to keep the \$300,000-per-year operation in the black. The rehabilitation center survives completely on private donations and grants, but total donations lately have been about half of what they've been in the past, leaving the Rutgers searching every nook and cranny for enough money to keep the Castalia wildlife rehabilitation center and its many educational components running.

Mona tells us Back to the Wild already has numerous fundraisers, but these, too, are not enough. With your support and suggestions, Mona is optimistic Back to the Wild can continue to operate.

Please show your support by sending donations to: Back to the Wild Wildlife Rehabilitation & Nature Education, P.O. Box 423, 4504 Bardshar Road, Castalia, OH 44824.

Visitors are always welcome at Back to the Wild, so plan on stopping in and seeing the wonderful work being done there.

## Monument opens ahead of schedule

Tours to the top of Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial resumed last month on July 3rd, more than two weeks ahead of schedule. Visitors lined up in spite of a morning thunder storm delaying trips to the top.

Visitors may have enjoyed the view from the newly renovated and reconstructed observation deck, but officials say there is much more work to be done to bring the Monument back to where it should be.

At an ice cream social hosted by the Monument on Wednesday, July 11th, visitors had a chance to go to the top and also tour the basement of the Monument. Unfortunately, they also heard about how much more needs to be done to assure the Monument will continue to be a symbol of peace for many years to come.

Superintendent Blanca Stransky and maintenance worker Rod Karr showed us the work that was done this spring. Workers pinned and literally "glued" areas in the flutes which were in danger of falling. It was hoped the white residue which has seeped out of the joints for many years would be cleaned off, too, but there was so much pinning which had to be done, there was no funding for cleaning the pink milford granite blocks. This will take more funding as will the need to repoint the joints in the hundreds of blocks which reach over 300 feet up in the sky.

Worst of all, workers back in the 1980's changed the dynamics of how the upper plaza drains. The upper plaza is the area at the base of the Monument accessible by the rows of steps leading from the lower plaza. The stones in the upper plaza have shifted and engineers discovered the concrete roof of the basement below the Monument is starting to deteriorate and in need of replacement. The monumental task of pulling all the stones and brick up from the upper plaza and then removing the concrete basement roof must be undertaken. A new concrete roof must be poured and then the stone and brick must be replaced to make the upper plaza safe for visitors. Blanca says several million dollars will be needed just for this job alone. She says it may take several years to get the funding because the various National Parks compete against each other for money from Congress.

In the meantime, as we head into the celebration of the Bicentennial of the Battle of Lake Erie, the Monument will look like the ragamuffin child of the National Parks, dirty, in need of new clothes and a pair of shoes, yet still trying to do its job of promoting international peace.



ABOVE: This close-up photo shows an example of the repairs workers were making on the Monument this spring. This piece of granite block was cracked and in danger of falling. From their scaffolds, workers repaired numerous areas of the fluting by pinning and "gluing" the pieces so they would be stabilized and not fall. The black dots on this piece of granite are where the workers put in pins. You can see also see the severe cracks in this particular piece of granite.



LEFT: This photo shows the stone and brick on the upper plaza at the base of the Monument. Bricks in the design are missing, plus the granite stone pieces have heaved and pose a trip hazard. It will take several million dollars to take all this up, remove the concrete roof over the basement it sits on, pour a new waterproof roof and then replace the brick and granite paver stones. Each year Congress budgets money for the National Parks, but it is never enough to fix everything, so parks compete for repair dollars. Superintendent Blanca Stransky hopes the project will get funding as soon as possible.

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## Island Girl Yellow, Blue, Red and Green

By: Christine L. Ontko

Cliff and I decided to meet up with The Libby and David Miller family out on the lake one sunny day. Summer is always a good time to catch up with my childhood friends who have moved away. As we anchored our vessel into the sandy bottom of Schoolhouse Bay, I noticed Chris Miller was already wading in the waters of Lake Erie, and three of Libby's kids were happily swimming. Cliff and I got out of our boat to talk and have a cocktail all while feeling that sandy bottom beneath our feet. In that afternoon conversation, we quickly leapt to a time of our softball days of the 70's and 80's on Put-in-Bay.

Much like today, it was the most important thing to many-a-kid during summers on the islands. This sport gave the summer kids and year-round kids a reason to get together in camaraderie, and also some great competition amongst the four teams. The Little League program was very organized, and we have our parents, coaches, and numerous other volunteers, to thank for that. With mixed ages of 6-12, children would play ball together, with the older kids eager to help the younger ones.

It was during my first season, I recall a memory of me coming into home plate, probably after Eric Turner had hit an amazing home run - AGAIN! We were on the old field behind the school, where the gymnasium is now, and I was just learning how to play. David Banta, who was a few years older than I, was on my team and cheered me on the whole way around the bases.

"Come on Christie!" he called as my little legs took me past third base, "Run!"

I looked up and saw that Banta boy hollering my name, and he gave me the encouragement I needed to get across that plate. Well, my approach to home plate was somehow interfered with, and I think I tripped over a bat. (Or, at least that's what I will tell myself.) I completely fell, skinning my elbows and ruining my new jeans with the dusty dirt that every home plate has. And, it was David Banta who picked me up, put me on his shoulders and paraded me around the protective fencing behind the field. Through my six-year-old tears, my embarrassment quickly left me and all I felt was pride that can still be felt today at age 39. David was on the yellow team with me until his family moved off the island to Nebraska.

Ahh...the yellow team. We began like The Bad News Bears, never winning, but as the years progressed, we got good and actually won a championship or two! But, to be fair, I must mention the other three teams: Green, Blue, and Red. If you research color meaning, you will find that yellow means cheeriness, happiness and action. Green is about nature, generosity, and success. Blue is said to mean truth, healing, and tranquility. Optimistic, dynamic, and intense are the verbs behind the color red. Ask a person of ages 35-45 from Put-in-Bay what color team they were on, and they can quickly tell you. (Maybe their personalities match their old team color?)

When discussing Put-in-Bay Little League of long ago, the conversation still gets a little competitive. "The Mean Green Machine Team was the BEST!" David Miller boasted as he handed me a cocktail that day on the water.

I quipped back, "Don't forget, the yellow team had Eric Turner and he could hit a homerun nearly every time on that old field!"

Libby and David Miller were on the green team, along with all three of the Riddle Family kids. They were also known as the "Green Machine." And, they were mean. (Not really, but they tried to act that way so they could win the championship.) Libby and David have a framed picture of the each of them in their green shirts, holding steady their bats and above the two individual shots, is a team picture. They remember this time fondly as they began their friendship then, and now all these years later can proudly say they have been married fourteen years.

If my memory serves me correctly, Megan Faris was on the red team. The Cooper Boys, Jason and Chris, along with Berni Isaly and Jill Turner, were all yellow team players. Robin Burris informed me she was on the North Bass Island Team. (I don't recall that team color, sorry.) Tommy Dailey was a member of the blue team, but recalls being more com-



ABOVE: You may have seen this 1964 Ford Galaxy police car parked by the Town Hall. It's Put-in-Bay Police Chief Ric Lampela's version of the police car used in the small town of Mayberry by Andy Griffith (Sheriff Andy Taylor) and Don Knotts (his deputy Barney Fife) in the old 1960's TV sitcom, the Andy Griffith Show. Ric tells us he always wanted a car like this from the time he was a youngster. He found this one on eBay and placed a bid. He said he was totally surprised when he learned he was top bidder. He then had to go to Pennsylvania to pick it up. During the last year and a half, Duff Spatafore painted the car, installed a vintage siren and put on the obligatory red gumball police light on top. Visitors to the island see the car and often have their picture taken with it. Ric says he still has work to do on the car, but as of now, he's happy to park it where everyone can see it and have a little "trip back in time."

fortable with a guitar in his hands, instead of softball and a mitt. Still, though, if you ask what year the blue team won the championship game, he will quickly tell you, "1981." I just text TJ Burgess and he filled me in on his family. His sister Tanya and he were on the blue and green teams. Tracy didn't play. TJ was even put on the yellow team with me for a while.

"Eventually, I just gave up," is what TJ's last text message just read.

Like TJ, I felt like giving up after my first year. Quite frankly, I didn't know what I was to do when I first started my six-year stint as a yellow team player. My coaches Scott Parker and Boo Prendergast put me in right field. That's because nobody ever hit balls out there, and all the newbies had to play that position. I recall sitting down out on the field, because I was bored - not to mention HOT! (Sitting down would make the time go faster and also cool me down - right?) But, I was quickly noticed sitting down out there, in my extra big yellow shirt - they didn't have small sizes then - and my caring coaches told me I couldn't sit down on the field. Actually, I think Scott - who was also my cousin - yelled at me out on that field, "Christie, STAND UP!"

After my first season of not knowing what to do, I was determined to get better and become part of the action. My brother, Davey, would help prepare me in our yard each spring and as long into the fall as the weather would allow. He would hit balls to me and many times those Riddle kids would join us, too. Of course, our little sister Natalie was also in training. Grounders, fly balls and fast ones, too. Davey would remind me to use both hands as I captured that ball. He was patient with and tough on me at the same time.

After a few more years of softball playing, I was determined to become pitcher. Brandi Walton was a yellow team pitcher, but being a few years older, I knew her time was running out. So, after a few tries at second and third bases, I knew I wanted more. I asked Davey to now help me learn to pitch. It was something I had to work towards, and work I did.

I summoned up my courage and asked my coaches if I could try pitching and they said, "YES!"

Woohoo! My summertime Little League career as a pitcher began. I remember the pressure was high-but I loved it. As a pitcher, I was involved in every single play. If I didn't pitch well, then the plays couldn't even begin. It was a lot of pressure, filled with excitement at the same time. I would actually cry after a game if I hadn't pitched my best. (Don't tell my brother, he would probably TOTALLY make fun of me.) But, I would head out to that mound each game and feel more alive than ever with serious ten-year-old competition running through my veins.

It also brought the competition out in the parents. David Miller recalls green shirts being made that said something like "Mean Green Machine." His mom, Reni Miller, along with Sue Amrine, proudly wore those green shirts as they cheered on their kids. My parents would make it when they could, and those bleachers would really fill up during the championship game!

As we all waded in the water at Schoolhouse Bay that hot summer day, our conversation consisted of the usual catching-up talk: our jobs, kids going off to college, and the gray hair sneaking onto our scalps. The talk of softball brought us back to an easier time in all our lives and brought out the young kid in us all. Even to this day, the friendly competition could be felt, and it even brought two ball players together in marriage! Playing softball brought all us island kids together each and every summer, all those years ago, and continues on today achieving the same thing.

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ABOVE: Dale Larcey with his seagull friends on one of the docks at the Middle Bass Island State Park.

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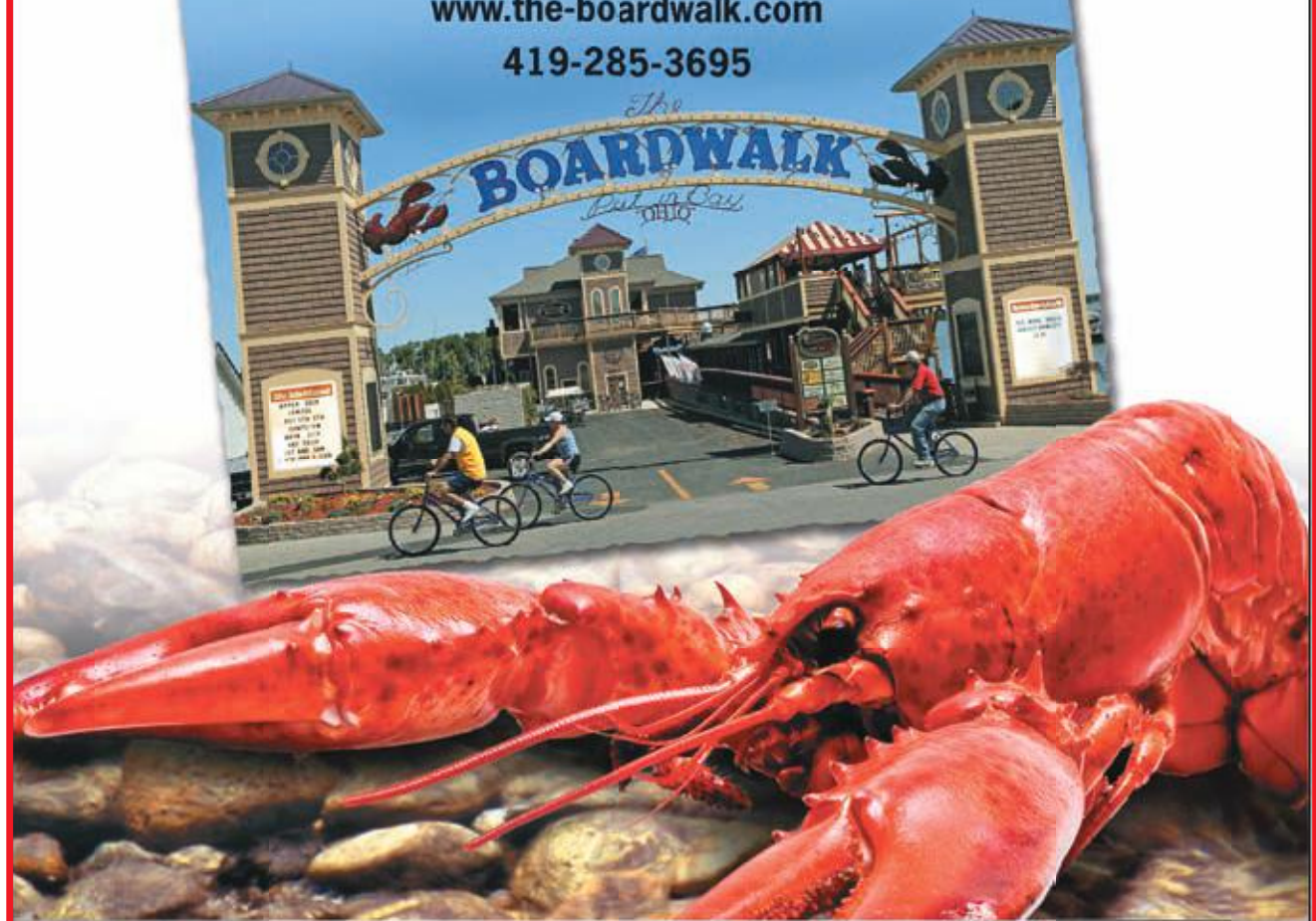



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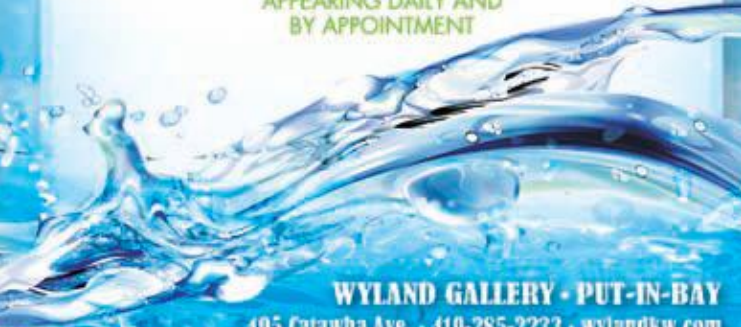
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## Wyland Gallery to welcome two leading contemporary artists

PUT-IN-BAY, Ohio - Put-in-Bay's Wyland Gallery, 495 Catawba Ave., will continue its "meet the artist" showcases with acclaimed American artists through the Labor Day holiday. The gallery opened for the season in May and features the work of renowned artist and environmentalist Wyland and other well-known painters and sculptors.

Stephen Harlan will present his colorful digitally-created works Thursday through Sunday, August 23-26. Using electronic "paintbrushes," Harlan creates land and water scenes rich in intricate detail. His hyper-photo-realistic vistas, whether on canvas or aluminum, incorporate a dramatic perspective and assured use of light and shadow.

The gallery's next "artist in residence" is Jim Warren, whose surrealistic and fantasy images blend rare artistic talent and a quirky imagination. Warren will debut his latest canvasses Saturday through Monday, September 1-3. His recent work includes wistful canvases of dogs and cats in pastel-hued, dreamlike settings.

Both artists will be on hand daily and by appointment. Put-in-Bay's visiting and resident art lovers are invited to meet them, and view their new creations, during their shows at Wyland's 495 Catawba Ave. gallery.

The gallery remains open daily throughout the season. For more information, call (419) 285-2233 or visit [www.wylandkw.com](http://www.wylandkw.com).



ABOVE: "All Cats Go to Heaven," by Jim Warren. Warren will present his fantasy and surrealistic art at Put-in-Bay's Wyland Gallery Sept. 1-3



ABOVE: "Red Sky at Night," by Stephen Harlan. Harlan will showcase this and other digitally-created images Aug. 23-26 at Put-in-Bay's Wyland Gallery.

## Kelleys Island to celebrate 38th Annual Homecoming festival

KELLEYS ISLAND -- The Kelleys Island Landowners Association will host its 38th Homecoming festival at 11 a.m. Aug. 18 with a parade along the south shore.

The parade will end at the picnic pavilion on Addison Street.

Parade marshals this year are Vi Feyedelem, of Vi's Gift Shop, and Tony Vacca, of Papa T's Ice Cream, for coming back after a 2010 fire destroyed their businesses.

The parade is open to anyone, and entrants are limited only by their imagination. Golf carts, classic cars, trucks, lawnmowers, tractors, bikes and people are welcome. There will be trophies for the top three theme-related entries based on originality and imagination. The theme this year is "Celebrate Kelleys Island."

There will be two concerts featuring Frank and Dean and Then Some and the Fat City Band. Vendors will offer a wide variety of food and beverages, and people can shop at craft and gift booths, take in Mona Rutger's Back to the Wild show and enter the pie contest.

New this year is Magic Mike, an illusionist, balloon artist and magician.

Children's games and a bounce castle and competitions will be offered. Visitors also can bring a pet and compete in the pet parade. Gift cards from Pet Supplies Plus will be awarded for the most talented, best costume and the pet that looks the most like its owner.

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ABOVE: Several islanders and people who used to ride the Ford Tri-motor were among those who attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Liberty Aviation Museum / Ford Tri-Motor Heritage Museum just east of the Port Clinton Airport on the mainland. Left to right are Dale Hartlaub, Peter Huston, Ken Benjamin, Maurice Hovius of Hov-aire, Inc. in Kalamazoo, Michigan, Lisa Benjamin, Jeanne Burgess, Kavaeh Sayeh, Tracy Burgess, Nema Sayeh and Jack DeVore. Read more in the article below.

## Tri-Motor Museum opens by Port Clinton Airport

On Friday morning, July 20th, there was a ribbon cutting for the Liberty Aviation Museum / Ford Tri-Motor Heritage Museum on East State Rd. just east of the Port Clinton Airport on the mainland. The museum will help preserve the history of the Ford Tri-Motor, the plane that served the Lake Erie Islands for four decades from the 1930's into the 1970's. As part of the museum, there will be the ongoing rebuilding of one of the Tri-Motors which served the islands in the 1940's.

Among those in attendance for the history-making event were several islanders and people who used to ride the Tri-Motor to and from the islands. Dale Hartlaub, for example, used to ride the Tri-Motor to North Bass where he visited his grandparents who lived there. Dale has a superb collection of Ford Tri-Motor memorabilia at his Sandusky home. Jack DeVore, who grew up on North Bass, also rode the Tri-Motors. Not only was he at the ribbon cutting ceremony, but he is active in rebuilding the Tri-Motor which was recently moved from the hangar at the Port Clinton Airport to its new home in the museum.

Jeanne Burgess from Put-in-Bay was there with her daughter, Tracy, and grandsons, Kavaeh and Nema. Jeanne remembers riding in the Tri-Motors. It was the lifeline to the mainland in the winter for her family during the winter. Hopefully, Kavaeh and Nema will walk away with a feeling for what was an important part of the lives of their mother and grandmother.

Also on hand for the event were Ken and Lisa Benjamin whose interest helped spark the building of the museum. They have put in endless hours helping plan, raising funds and promoting the project. Ken was also instrumental in obtaining the Tri-Motor being restored at the museum. Several years ago he contacted Maurice Hovius of Hov-aire, Inc. in Michigan. Hovius rebuilt the last Ford Tri-Motor to serve the islands after it crashed at Put-in-Bay more than thirty years ago and has a profound interest in the old birds. Hovius presented museum officials with the title to the old Ford at the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Although the museum isn't filled with exhibits at this point, it is still something to see. Islanders will be happy to know the Tri-Motor era of the islands' history will be preserved for years to come.

## Man collapses in island pool

A Powell man, John Werner, 63, was found unresponsive in the pool at Adventure Bay on Friday afternoon, July 13th. It took several people to pull the man out of the pool due to his large size. Werner was flown by medical helicopter to the University of Toledo Medical Center.

The call came in as a drowning, but paramedics thought he had some kind of a health problem according to a Put-in-Bay ambulance dispatcher. When paramedics arrived onlookers had already hauled Werner out of the water. He was unresponsive, but still alive. Werner died later in the hospital.



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# The Put-in-Bay GAZETTE

August 2012 **SECTION B**

## Beach Glass Hunt Stories!

By Gordy Barr

*Editor's Note: This is the third part of a four-part series about beach glass which is continued from the July 2012 issue of the Put-in-Bay Gazette.*

### Beach Glass Part 4

My first piece of beach glass was found on the west point of Middle Bass. It was a deep rich blue about the size of silver dollar. It was probably the wall of a heavy soda bottle. It was thick, heavy and highly abraded/ frosted. But a small chunk of it was missing.

By looking into fissure of fresh cut glass, with the shell of the frosted and abraded glass surrounding the entire outer surface, it was like looking into a small self contained world. Small bubbles were suspended in the glass. The waves of the glass spoke of it being hand blown by a bottle maker. The azure interior was permanent and unmoving.

At the age of six, before falling to sleep, I would hold the glass to my nightlight in my parent's Middle Bass cottage and know that although the world was chaotic and changing (Vietnam, student protests, police knocking down civil rights demonstrators with water shot from fire hoses, Kent State Student Shootings) the interior of my piece of beach glass was forever frozen. It was a beautiful blue moment in time.

I asked a few collectors their thoughts about beach glass. There is the thrill of the hunt and the exploration of new shores that brings out the youth in many collectors. Most collectors are very involved with their beach glass collections. On some special pieces most collectors can tell you the time and place of discovery and perhaps what was happening in their lives at the time of the find.



Nicole Waffen and Mary Evans display their favorite beach glass!

### Nicole Waffen, Kelleys Island:

"Beach glass hunting is a favorite family past time. We love to explore new beaches with the kids. Avery (11), Kade (12), and Jake (14) love the hunt as much as I do. One of our favorite spots is Fish Point, the long spit of sand on the south side of Pelee. For the holidays, we have made inlaid beach

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# Beach Glass

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glass trays for neighbors and friends. For us, beach glass is a summer and winter activity!"

Nicole's husband, Chad, is the captain for these trips (often in the family's trusty 17' Boston Whaler). Chad captured pictures of several of the family's favorite beach glass hunting grounds in his hardcover book Ohio's Lake Erie Islands (available at Amazon).

## Mary Evans, Middle Bass:

Mary and Dave Evans own a 26' Lyman and it takes them to special places. On an expedition to North Bass Mary found some beautiful pieces of beach glass and carefully saved them in an empty Bloody Mary glass. When it was time to leave, her husband Dave helped her up the ladder of the boat. He took the cup thinking it was full of ice and dumped it in the lake. Mary was shocked. She had found a wonderful heart shaped green piece that she was going to have Jessie Greene make in to a pendant to celebrate the birth of her grandson Colin.

She took Dave back to shore and they searched for another hour. Fortunately, they found another great green that was identical to the heart shaped piece. Grandson Colin (now two years old) thinks Grandma's necklace is stunning!

## Ruth Stonerook, North Bass:

People might assume there is nothing to do on



Mary Evans' top peices of beach glass!

North Bass. Ruth Stonerook begs to differ. There is always something going on! She is an avid collector of beach glass. She even has several bottle stoppers that are very rare. One is a blue Lea and Perrins stopper, beautifully frosted.

When she isn't walking the beaches of NBI, she is making jewelry. She has some remarkable pieces (the result of years of collecting). She uses the best wire and often adds personal touches including Swarovski crystals to her pendants and ankle bracelets, and wrist bracelets.

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ABOVE LEFT: Just a small part of Ruth Stonerook's beach glass collection. Ruth lives on North Bass where there is a nice beach or two to search for glass. ABOVE RIGHT: Gordon Barr found this doll head on the beach this summer. Not only is something like this extremely rare to find, but it kind of looks like Gordon, too.

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Her favorite beach glass story involves her husband Bud and her Grandson Aaron (13 at the time of this story). They were on the east beach of NBI. A strong easterly was driving up the water and the beach they were cruising in their vintage Jeep was getting thin. Waves started to brake over the Jeep's hood. In the foamy corona of one of the waves, back lit by sun, she saw a very large piece of blue in the tumbling surf.

She made Aaron and Bud stop the jeep and went back to locate the piece. After several minutes of hunting, she was rewarded with a very special piece of glass. Meanwhile the water continued to rise.

Fortunately, Bud is an expert at Baha-ing (NASCAR slick driving, razor's edge of control, often tipped precariously at a 45 degree angle, airborne). The Jeep found purchase and they escaped. Ruth made the blue into a pendant that she treasures to this day.

Ruth's work is for sale at Perry's Cave (PIB), The Country House (PIB), and JODY-DIDIT Shop (Marblehead).

**Kyla Elderton Middle Bass:**

Kyla Elderton and daughters Berit and Tate love to hunt for beach glass on Middle Bass. They have been collecting for many years. Their collection is sorted by color and size.

One Christmas, Kyla and the girls made miniature Christmas tree for family and friends using green beach glass (for the branches) and brown glass (for the trunks). They looked great! She used super glue (another option is a glue called E-6000). Beach glass is porous and bonds nicely.

Kyla holds the distinction of being the only person to find gold on the beaches of MBI. She found a 1950's 14kt gold New Jersey class ring.

Tip: Ladies, with gold at \$1,700.00 per ounce, don't throw that ring in the lake when you break up with your boyfriend. Although your heart may be broken, he ran off with your best friend, and your senior year of high school will be ghastly, try a pawn shop!

**Some parting thoughts on beach glass:**

1). My oddest beach find was a bisque doll leg (1890's) and a glass doll head. Both are water worn and display the same properties (wear) as other beach glass. They are a little creepy.

2). Time on a beach progresses at half the rate of time on the mainland. Einstein's theory of relativity does not cover this particular issue. However, it is a real phenomena! If you plan on going beach glass hunting for an hour, tell your spouse you will be back in three... E=MC2

3). Some people look at diamonds and see sparkle and cash. Diamonds start out as coal. Some look at beach glass and see a old bottle, trash. Beach glass may have started out as a broken shard however, over time, it becomes a polished gem. People are like beach glass. Nature and environment change things over time. One never knows what one has the potential to become...

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# Middle Bass Nature Camp

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We would also like to thank the Middle Bass Town Hall for the use of their facility, Pat Chrysler for a donated fishing trip, the Miller Boat Line for their sponsorship of our speakers, the Ohio Division of Wildlife for the Wild Ohio magazines, tattoos, stream fish, and wildlife booklets. Kelly Halterman for her constant help, Zoe Titchener for handling the confirmation mailings, Chris Zeitler for transport in the J. F. Walleye's van out to the MBI East Point Preserve, Diane Lauber Dougherty for putting together a scavenger hunt for the Adventure Camp kids, to Anderson Martin for being our lifeguard, Russell Brohl our chase boat while kayaking. Thanks to our great help E. J. Wiza, Hailey Halterman, Kim Miles, Matt Ofneski. We appreciate the cooperation of OSU Stone Lab, Walmart Photo and Pharmacy Departments, the Middle Bass General Store, and the Middle Bass Ferry.

Thanks also to the following parents and grandparents who donated food or firewood for the campouts- Abigail Barnes, Beth Homon, Marcy O'Loughlin, Pat DiGiacomo, Shanny Sherf, Marie Rader, Rachel Stafford, Kelly Halterman, Bruce Calmer, Dawn Wagner, Mrs. Mitchell, Joy Durica, Kristin Effinger, Donna Harper, Nancy Welter-a great time was had and we are already planning for next year!

We hope we have not overlooked anyone as we really appreciate everyone's support and look forward to working with everyone again next year!



Adventure Camp 1 fishing on board the West Reef with Captain Pat Chrysler. Justin Wilhelm is lending a hand.



My First Nature Camp looking at the world thru "bug" eyes.



Adventure Camp 2 exploring the dock at the Middle Bass East Point Nature Preserve.

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ABOVE: Tallulah Ann Sopko  
 RIGHT: Tallulah Ann with island grandmothers Debbie Hirt and Kathy Sopko



## GRADUATED

**Ashley Bransome**  
 Congratulations go to Ashley Bransome who just graduated at the Pentagon from the Department of Defense Executive Leadership Development Program. Ashley was one of sixty chosen out of thousands to be a part of this ten month program which took her around the world training and working with our fighting men and women. She took Seal and Sere training in San Diego, Ca and Ranger training in Ft Benning, Ga. Her travels took her from the South Korean DMZ to Bahrain in the Straits of Hormuz. Brussels, Berlin, Normandy, Hawaii and Morocco were just a few of the other places she went to, to work with our troops. Ashley is Chief of Creative Services for the Department of Security Services.



Ashley Bransome

## MARRIED

**Christian Eriksen & Julie Mae "Lab" Mojedo**  
 Best wishes go out to Christian Eriksen (PIBHS Class of 1998) and Lab Mojedo who were married in Las Vegas on July 19th. The couple's parents were unable to attend the wedding, but watched via Skype. Christian studied criminology at The Ohio State University and works for Fertitta Enterprises doing executive protection. Julie comes from Iloilo City in the Philippines. The couple has no plans for a honeymoon at this time.

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## Jeff Fogle & Danelle Giracs

Danelle Giracs and Jeff Fogle were married at sunset on Saturday, May 26th at the Fogle family waterfront house on the West Shore of Put-in-Bay. The sunset ceremony was officiated by Pat Chrysler. Jeff is a Veterinarian at the Richfield Animal Medical Center in Richfield, OH, and Danelle is a Project Manager with Philips Healthcare in Highland Hts, OH. The couple lives in Medina, OH.

## Randy Green & Kristina Tritsarolis

Randy Green & Kristina Tritsarolis were married June 30, 2012, in Strongsville, Ohio. Randy is the grandson of George & Sharon Weisenbach of Middle Bass Island.

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

### Don McIlrath

There is a Celebration of the life of Donald McIlrath, Sunday, August 5, 1 to 5 p.m. at the Crew's Nest Pavilion. Everyone is welcome!



ABOVE: Left to right are Jeanne Hildebrandt from the West Shore, Bob Schmidt from Back Bay and Amy Carper from Thompson Rd. Bob and Amy are seen here wishing Jeanne a happy 90th birthday at a party in her honor on beautiful night in July.



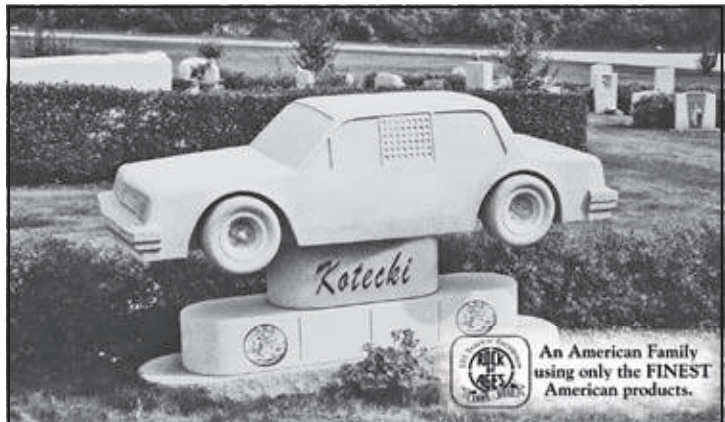
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The Hildebrandts, an old cottage family from the West Shore, gathered at Mother of Sorrows Church on July 14th. Arthur William Hildebrandt was baptized during a mass said in memory of Arthur A. Hildebrandt and honoring Jeanne Hildebrandt's 90th birthday.



Among the guests at Oliver Thwaite's (left) graduation party on Sat., July 28th were Rachel Fox Riddle and her two daughters, Isla (left) and Lauren.

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### Abby Breier

**PIBHS**

Abby Breier (PIBHS Class of 2007) graduated June 10th from The Ohio State University, acquiring a Bachelor's degree in Human Ecology. She graduated with 10,641 others, making her's the largest graduating class in OSU history. She spent three hours in direct sun on a 90+ degree afternoon in the horseshoe, whereupon OSU President Gordon Gee conferred upon her a much deserved bachelor's degree. Her mother, Linda Dress Gray, her father, Don Dress and her stepfather, Dennis Gray spent this glorious afternoon with her, after which, Abby, family and friends enjoyed dinner with copious amounts of cheesecake and libation at the Cheesecake Factory.



Abby Breier

# Milestones

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**OBITUARIES**

## Kurt T. Rohrbacher

Kurt T. Rohrbacher, 28, of Castalia and Put-in-Bay, died unexpectedly Friday, July 20, 2012, in an ATV accident on Put-in-Bay. He was born March 11, 1984, in Sandusky, and was a 2002 graduate of Margaretta High School. He graduated from Baldwin Wallace in 2007 with a degree in criminal justice. He was a captain with the Miller Boat Line, and was head of security at Mr. Ed's Bar and Grill, both on Put-in-Bay. Kurt was 6 ft. 2 in. and weighed in at 290 lbs. making him the ideal bouncer. When he first came to Put-in-Bay, he worked the door at the Put-in-Bay Brewing Co. He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Castalia, and the Put-in-Bay Chapter of Ducks Unlimited. He loved to fish, ice fish, build ice shantys, catch minnows for bait, hunt, help others, being outdoors and living at the Bay. One friend commented, "When Kurt would walk into a place he would be smiling and the crowd would be happier." Kurt had more than 1300 Facebook friends. Ironically, Kurt posted on his Facebook page as one of his favorite quotations from Bob Gatewood's song Friends of the Bay, "I can't count all the nights I've drank until dawn. I can't count the friends that I've made. So many memories and good times I've had, and I'll carry them all to my grave." Kurt is survived by his parents, Jeffrey and Barbara (Matta) Rohrbacher; two brothers, Kiel and Kevin; his maternal grandmother Louise Matta; and paternal grandfather Willard Rohrbacher. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather John Matta; his maternal grandmother Jean Rohrbacher; and his paternal step-grandmother Gennie Rohrbacher. Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 25, at Grace Lutheran Church in Castalia, following visitations in Castalia on Tuesday, July 24th and at Put-in-Bay on May 25th. Those wanting to ride with Kurt on his last boat ride were welcomed to join the family at the Lime Kiln Miller Boat Line Dock for the boat back to Catawba Island. In lieu of a boat fee, memorial donations were suggested for Kurt's Memorial Fund, in care of Put-in-Bay Employee Cares. The Rev. Kathleen Suggitt officiated at the funeral and burial was at Castalia Cemetery. Additional memorials may be made to the Renovation Fund of Grace Lutheran Church, or to the Margaretta Booster Club, 305 S. Washington St., Castalia, OH 44824. Condolences may be shared with the family at ransomfuneralhome.com.



Kurt Rohrbacher

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- The Miller Boat Line Family and The Markets



Marc Wright and Ty Winchester from Put-in-Bay Employees Care (PIBEC) with all the goods donated to the "Help Drive Out Hunger" food drive.

### Thank you....

Put-in-Bay Employees Care would like to thank everyone who donated to the "Help Drive Out Hunger" food drive. We donated over 880 pounds of food and personal care items to Toledo's Cherry Street Mission and the Cleveland Foodbank. PIBEC would like to especially thank Julene Market and Miller Boat Line for helping us promote the food drive and giving discounts to the people who donated on July 17th. We would also like to thank Bob Sullivan at Gordon Food Service for getting 2 large cases of toilet paper donated. We truly appreciate the help and support the community has shown for all of PIBEC's projects and we look forward to many more projects to come!

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ABOVE: A Friends of the Library Book Sale was held on July 6th & 7th at the Erie Islands Branch Library. Friends helpers included: Carol Root, Jeanne Burgess, Linda Frederick, Fran Beck, Annie Parker, Sharon Duggan, Mella Davies, Sarah Toole, Nancy Russell, Judy Bahney, and Joan Zigler. Also pictured are teen volunteers Andrew, Ryan, and Lauren Peter and Breanna, Cory, and Amber Boca. These teens donated two hours of their time to help set up and take down before and after the sale. Thank you to all the Friends and volunteers for their many hours of service in support of the Library!

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**Mysterious Bats!**

An interesting and fun program on Mysterious Bats was presented by educator Jerry Schneider at the Butterfly House and Perry's Cave on July 19th. Slides of bats from around the world along with a creative t-shirt craft were enjoyed by many. Thank you to The Butterfly House and Perry's Cave for supplying the t-shirts and thank you, Jerry, for a very successful program and for donating The Butterfly Game to the Library!

**Island Trivia**

Put-in-Bay Township encompasses an area of 108,344.47 acres making it the largest township in Ohio. Put-in-Bay Township governs 14 islands.

**Island Calendar August**

Schedule Subject to Change

TH = Town Hall • Senior Center = SrCen  
PMVC = Perry Monument Visitors Center • TwpH = Township Hall  
Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center = LEINWC  
MBITH = Middle Bass Island Town Hall

**AUGUST EVENT SCHEDULE**

- Blood Pressure Day • Mondays 10 - 11a • Senior Center
- BINGO • Wednesdays - 8p • Town Hall
- Antique Car Parades • Sundays - 2:30p-ish
- Wild Tuesday Programs • Aug 7, 14 & 21 • LEINWC
- Deep Water Races • Aug 1
- Twilight Music Concert - Lisa Biales • Aug 2 - 7p • PMVC
- I-LYA Regatta • Aug 2 - 5
- Middle Bass 5K Run • Aug 4
- Chef Michael Thomson serving "Roc-doc Rub" Texas Brats • Aug 4 • Joe's Bar
- Annual Church of Middle Bass Picnic • Aug 4 - 5:30 to 7p
- LEIML Softball League Playoffs • Start Aug 5
- Vacation Bible Camp • Aug 6 thru 10
- Skype Class • Aug 7 - 6:30p • Library
- Barbershoppers • Aug 10 - 7 to 10p • Monument
- Museum Auction • Aug 11 - Noon Viewing - Auction starts 4p • T&J's Smokehouse Pavilion
- Barbershoppers • Aug 11 • Middle Bass TH
- Popcorn & Movie Night • Aug 14 - 6:30p • Library
- Mossback Picture • Aug 14 - 10a • Round House
- Bartender Olympics • Aug 14 - 7ish • Round House
- Middle Bass Eco-Tour • Aug 15
- Island Employee Free Spaghetti Dinner • Aug 16 - 5 to 7:30p • St Paul's
- Twilight Music Concert - Lone Raven • Aug 16 - 7p • PMVC
- LEIC Browns Backer Tailgate Party • Aug 16 - 8p • Sand Bar
- Bikini Contest • Aug 18 - 7p • Tony's Garage
- PIB Classic Volleyball Tournament • Aug 18
- Middle Bass Community Picnic • Aug 18 - Noon to 3p
- PIBArts Council Fundraiser • Aug 25 • Boat House
- LEIC Browns Backer Tailgate Party • Aug 30 - 7:30p • Joe's
- The Perry Group-sponsored "Bicentennial Welcome Ceremony" • Aug 30 • On board the USS De Wert in Cleveland

**AUGUST MEETING SCHEDULE**

- Put-in-Bay Village Council • Aug 6 - 8:30 am • Town Hall
- PIB Twp Zoning • Aug 7- 7p • Twp Hall
- PIBYC Board Mtg • Aug 11- 9a • Yacht Club
- Put-in-Bay Village Council • Aug 13- 8:30 am • Town Hall
- PIB Village Plan Com • Aug 13 - 7p • Town Hall
- Village of PIB Tree Commission • Aug 14 - 9:45a • TH
- Park District Meeting • Aug 14 - 10a • TH
- LEI Chapter Blackswamp Conservancy • Aug 14 - 7p • TH
- Bd of Education • Jul 10 - 7p • School
- PIB Twp Trustees • Aug 14 - 7:30p • Twp Hall
- PIB Twp Port Authority • Aug 20 - 5:30p • MBITH
- Town Hall Board Meeting & Elections • Aug 18 - 9a • MBITH
- Legion • Jul 19 - 11:45a • Sr Center
- PIB Twp Zoning Bd of Appeals • Aug 16 - 7:30p • Twp Hall
- Property Owners Assoc Mtg • TBA • Check Website

**AUGUST CHURCH SCHEDULES**

- Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church**
- PIB Mass • Sun. 10:30a • Sat - 5:30p
- Middle Bass Mass • Sun. - 12:15p • MB Town Hall
- St. Paul's Episcopal Church**
- Holy Eucharist and Church School • Sunday 7:45a & 10:30a No 7:45a Service on July 8
- Casual Prayer • 9a
- Vestry • Aug 21
- Middle Bass Services • Sundays - 1:30p • Mid Bass Town Hall

**St. John @ the Bay**

- Services • Tuesdays - 5:30p • Mother of Sorrows

**Church of Middle Bass**

- Sunday Services • Sundays - 10a • Middle Bass TH

**COMING EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER**

- Historical Weekend • Sep 7, 8 & 9
- Stone Lab Open House • Sep 8
- Art in the Park • Sep 8 - 10a to 7p • DeRivera Park
- Toledo Symphony • Sep 8 • 6:30p • PMVC
- Muffins vs Mossbacks Historical Baseball Game • Sep 9 - 2p • Ball Diamond
- New Year's at the Bay • Sep 15 (Fireworks!)
- Grape Stomp • Sep 15 • JF Walleye's on Middle Bass
- Put-in-Bay Road Race Reunion • Sep 20-22
- Miller Boat Line 5K Run • Sep 22
- Fire Dept Clambake • Sep 22 • PIBVFD Station
- Buckeye Island Hop • Sep 28 - 30 • Gibraltar Island

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- Fridays • 1 to 4p
- 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month • 10a - Noon
- Preschool Story Time • 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month • 10a

**SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS OF THE MONTH**

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Email your Island Event Info for the Island Calendar to [pibgazette@frontier.com](mailto:pibgazette@frontier.com)

August 2012 Put-in-Bay Senior Center				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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6 9 Strength Train 10 BP's & Coffee 12 Tipper's LUNCH 7pm Dominoes	7 8 Fitness Walk 9 Aquamation 7 pm Bridge	89 Strength Train 10 Lemonade Social & Craft Time w/Bible Comp Kids 7pm Men's Poker	9 8 Fitness Walk 9 Aquamation 12 Tipper's LUNCH 7pm Mah Jongg	109 Strength Train 10 Guest Speaker "Nutrition" 1 pm Bridge
13 9 Strength Train 10 BP's & Coffee 12 Tipper's LUNCH 7p Helping Hands	14 8 Fitness Walk 9 Aquamation 7 pm Bridge	15 9 Strength Train 10 Guest Speaker Walker Funeral 7pm Men's Poker	169 Aquamation 11:45 American Legion Lunch 12 Tipper's LUNCH 7pm Mah Jongg	17 9 Strength Train 10 Coffee Social 1 pm Bridge
20 9 Strength Train 10 BP's & Coffee 12 Tipper's LUNCH 7pm Dominoes	218 Fitness Walk 9 Aquamation 1pm Book Club 7 pm Bridge	22 Be An Angel Day 9 Strength Train 10 Coffee Social 7 pm Men's Poker	23 60+Health Clinic 9 Aquamation 12 Tipper's LUNCH 7pm Mah Jongg	24 9 Strength Train 10 Coffee Social 1 pm Bridge
27 9 Strength Train 10 BP's & Coffee 12 Tipper's LUNCH 7p Helping Hands	288 Fitness Walk 9 Aquamation 11 Shopping Trip & Lunch Mainland 7 pm Bridge	29 9 Strength Train 10 Coffee Social 7 pm Men's Poker	308 Fitness Walk 9 Aquamation 12 Tipper's LUNCH 7pm Mah Jongg	31 9 Strength Train 10 Coffee Social 1 pm Bridge

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**Beach Glass Part 4**  
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**Highlight:**  
**Jessie Greene**

By Gordy Barr

Jessie Greene of Put-in-Bay is an island artist. One of her favorite mediums is beach glass. Over the last ten years she has made over one thousand pieces of beach glass jewelry in her store that was at Wharfside next to the Boardwalk. She now works out of her workshop located at 160 Thompson Rd. between Heineman Winery and the Airport Rd. She would comb the beaches of South Bass daily looking for beach glass she could turn into special custom art pieces.

Her favorite piece of beach glass was found in the dead of winter. She was climbing over some ice shoves after a strong wind had blown them ashore. The beach had been torn up and there laying on the ice was a piece of rare yellow glass shaped like an archetype female form (curvy, hourglass shaped). Jessie crafted this special piece of beach glass into a gold and sterling setting. She calls this pendant her yellow Goddess.

Her new baby is keeping her busy so beach glass hunting has been a little slow. She can't wait to take the baby with her!

Here are beach glass collecting tips from Jessie:

- 1) When hunting glass, give yourself plenty of time. Often, one gets lost in the moment. One hour turns to three.
- 2) The best time to hunt is after strong winds or after a storm has passed.
- 3) Rounded pebble beaches seem to offer the best yields.
- 4) Take time to run your hands and feet through sun warmed stones. They act as a gentle exfoliate and feel delightful on your hands and feet.
- 5) Practice makes perfect. Over time one develops an eye for beach glass. An experienced collector can find 2 to 3 times more beach glass on a hunt than a rookie.
- 6) Hunters find as much on the return trip as they do on the way out. Search while walking both ways (Mary Evans, Nicole Waffan)
- 7) Where there is one piece of beach glass you will find more to match (Ruth and Bud Stonerook)

Notes on the Story!

Jessies Jewelry is located at 972 Put in Bay Road (on the Corner of Put-in-Bay and Thompson Road). Come and see Jessie in action! Visit her web site at [Jessiesjewelry.com](http://Jessiesjewelry.com). Jessie can also be reached at 330-608-4664 or email her [jessiesjewelry1@yahoo.com](mailto:jessiesjewelry1@yahoo.com).



Jessie Greene's favorite creation she made with beach glass.

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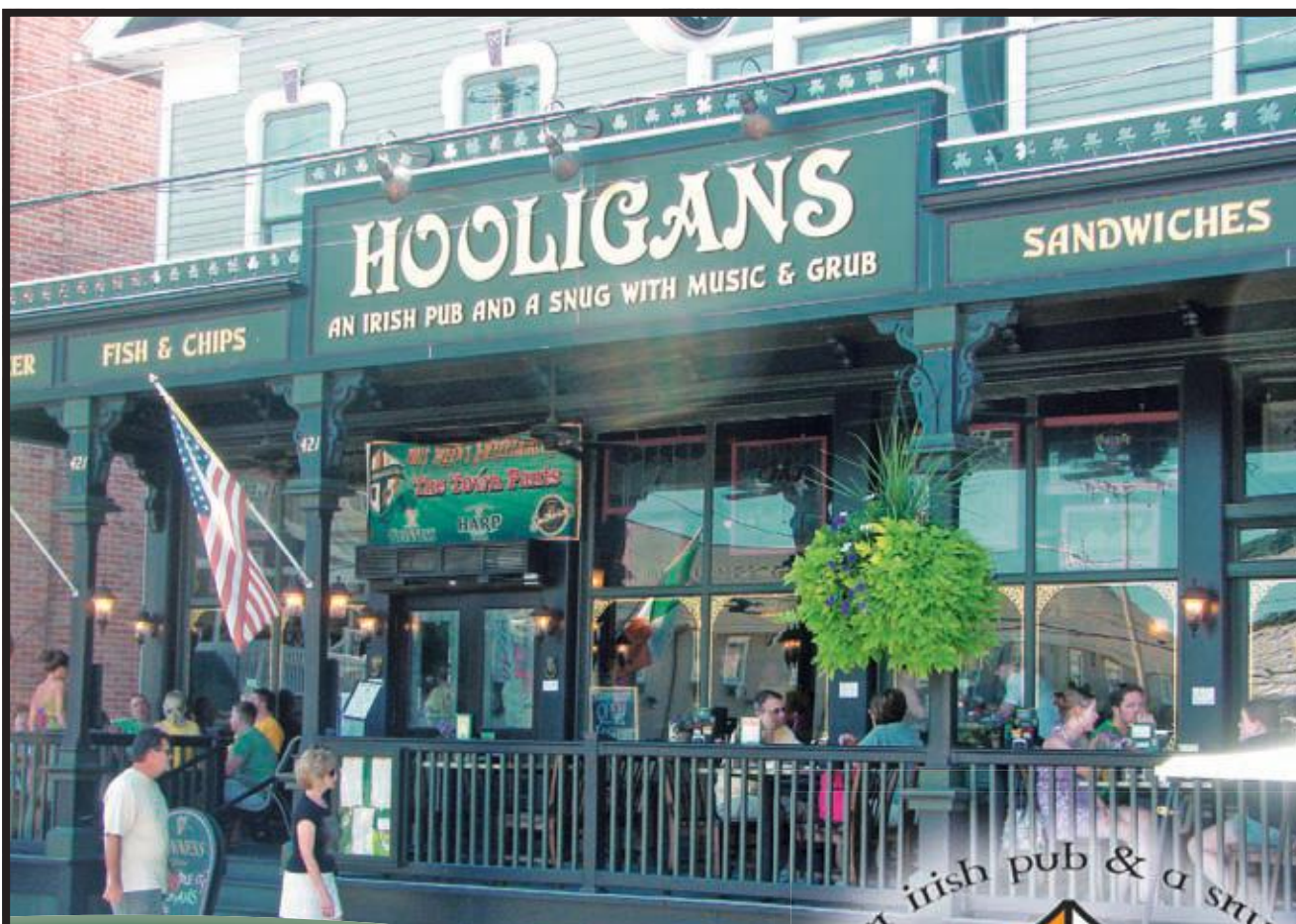
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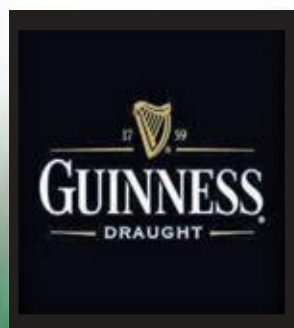
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RIGHT: Here's a picture of one of the sports cars racing on island roads fifty-years ago. In the background are the hangars at Put-in-Bay Airport. The car is on Meehen Rd. heading towards Joe's Bar.



## Sports Car Racing returns to Put-in-Bay for 2012 PIB Road Races Reunion - Sept. 20-22

Organizers of the Put-in-Bay Road Races Reunion (PIBRRR) are making plans for the fourth consecutive year of offering one of the most enjoyable events on the vintage sports car / vintage racing scene. PIBRRR is a relaxed, low-key event that celebrates the early days of U.S. post-war road racing by mixing a variety of activities all around the theme of capturing the memory of the races that took place back in the '50s and early '60s on the public roads of historic South Bass Island -- a few miles offshore in Lake Erie near Sandusky, Ohio. This is the 60th anniversary for the beginning of the races.

The big news for 2012 is the new date for the event! The event has moved to a Thursday, Friday, Saturday format on September 20-22, 2012. Previous PIBRRRs took place on the Monday-Wednesday prior to the Fourth of July weekend.

Plus, sports car racing returns if the Put-in-Bay Port Authority OKs the use of the runway for it. Following a successful demonstration race in 2011, PIBRRR 2012 will hopefully introduce a day of "road course" racing for qualified cars on a temporary course at the Put-in-Bay Airport on Friday.



ABOVE: This picture was taken near the entrance to the Skyway on Airport Rd. more than fifty years ago during one of the road races. These cars came from downtown, turned on Meechen heading for the old cemetery and then back into town. You can believe they weren't going at golf cart speed either!

### Another race!

You're probably getting into condition for the 9th annual Miller Boat Line 5K race scheduled for Put-in-Bay on Saturday morning, September 22nd. This race starts on Put-in-Bay's main street in front of T&J's Smokehouse. This 5K run is one of the most scenic in Ohio. There is also a shorter race for walkers who want to help. The race benefits Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church. See the ad on page 39 - B7 for more information about registering.

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August 10th & 11th	Crazy Talk 9pm - 1am
August 17th & 18th	The Fries Band
August 24th & 25th	Steve Jochum 9pm - 1am
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## Island license plates

No doubt you've seen many island-themed vanity license plates. There are many different types, so in the next couple of months we'll show some of the ones we've photographed with our trusty digital camera. You'll notice most of the license plates are the Perry Group Put-in-Bay ones, but we'll have others, too.

This month we'll concentrate the plates who owners have put their name or initials. Obviously, those are the one like BURR to the lower left. This plate is found on West Shorians Marc and Nan Burr's golf cart.

WDYPIB is another name plate, but like many, the initial PIB is either put in front of the initial (PIB E), or behind it (JB PIB). These plates belong to Woody Widmar, the Put-in-Bay Gazette's staff poet, Elaine Martens who owns E's Carts, and Judy Bahney who lives on the tip of Peach Point.

Joy Urge, whose plate reads JAU 8, is not eight years old, so we're thinking that may be a number for the number of vehicles her husband Steve had.

Kay Latham from the West Shore has an Ohio plate, BAYKAY, for her golf cart here on the island, and on her car, she has a plate with BAY KAY from Florida. She's a snowbird and spends her summers here on PIB and her winters in Florida.

Next month, we'll discuss some of the other types of island vanity plates we've seen and have more pictures.

Oh! And by the way, if you'd like to get a Put-in-Bay Perry Group with the Monument and PUT-IN-BAY on it, you can get one just like you'd get any other license plate. They cost a little more than a regular plate, but there's nothing like having your own custom plate. For each Put-in-Bay plate that is sold, a portion goes back to the Perry Group to help fund their activities which include having the annual Toledo Symphony on Saturday evening of Historical Weekend each year.

## Man busted for bringing drugs to Put-in-Bay party

In Monroeville, Ohio, deputies arrested a 31-year-old Kyle Walters of Blacklick, OH, who admitted he was taking drugs to a party on Put-in-Bay, reported Detective Josh Querin of the Huron County Sheriff's Office.

Deputies stopped Walters for a double yellow line violation on July 6th at SR 99 at Fulton Street. Police found fifteen grams of cocaine in his pocket, nine and a half percoct pills and \$1,652 in his car. The drugs and money were seized as evidence.

Walters was charged with trafficking cocaine and possession of cocaine and taken to the Huron County Jail. According to Norwalk Municipal Court records, he was later released on a personal recognizance bond of \$10,000.

Reports say Walters admitted to police he has been going to Put-in-Bay every year for the last four and taking narcotics to a party.

If Walters is smart, he won't be bringing drugs to anymore Put-in-Bay parties. Hmmm! Cross out smart. There's no way this guy is smart.

## Moss on the Rock

Someone asked about anyone seeing any of the island deer lately. Mary Parker reported seeing a deer in her island garden at her home on Mitchell Rd. recently, but we sure haven't herd (no pun intended) anything about the deer lately. We think some of them may have left South Bass Island and settled in on Middle Bass and North Bass, so the population here is not what it was.

Amy Thwaite (PIBHS Class of 1995) was on the island in late July. She currently teaches in San Francisco.

The Lake Erie Islands Browns Backers Tailgate Parties for August are scheduled! Aug. 16 will be at the Sand Bar at 8 p.m. and Aug. 30th 7:30 p.m. at Joe's. Go Browns!

Over Christmas in July weekend the Old Forge Cafe & Creperie (in the old Blacksmith Shop between Tony's Garage and the Brewery) opened a crepe cart and served fresh, made to order crepes. They even had some sidewalk seating for a touch of European class.



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ABOVE: This is an architectural rendition of what Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church will look like with the new Activity Center addition.

## Fundraising begins for new Activity Center Project at MOS

Fundraising for a new activity center addition for Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church here at Put-in-Bay begins this month. The project will hopefully be completed in the fall of 2013.

The Mother of Sorrows Activity Center will have approximately 2000 square feet of space and will accommodate 100-150 people. It will have a small kitchen and men's and women's restrooms. There will be plenty of storage/display space including built-in cabinets in the Great Room. It will have a ramp for wheelchair access and will be connected to the church bringing the entire building into ADA compliance. There will be parking space for cars and three entrances/exits for safety and easy manipulation of caskets. The exterior facade will complement the existing building with matching windows, pillars and doorways.

With both the year-round and summer population of the island continues to grow. It


is time to address the un-met present needs of our community and prepare for future growth. Currently there are many things mainland churches can do that we cannot or can only do with great difficulty. The construction of a modest Activity Center would satisfy these needs for many years to come, providing space for education, meetings, receptions and small parties, funerals and after-church hospitality.

For more information or to make a donation, please call the church office at (419) 285-2741, or write Mother of Sorrows Activity Center Project, P.O. Box 179, Put-in-Bay, OH 43456.




ABOVE: Floor plans for the new Mother of Sorrows Activity Center addition.


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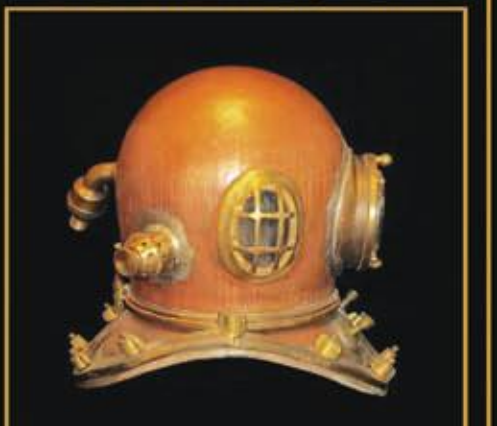
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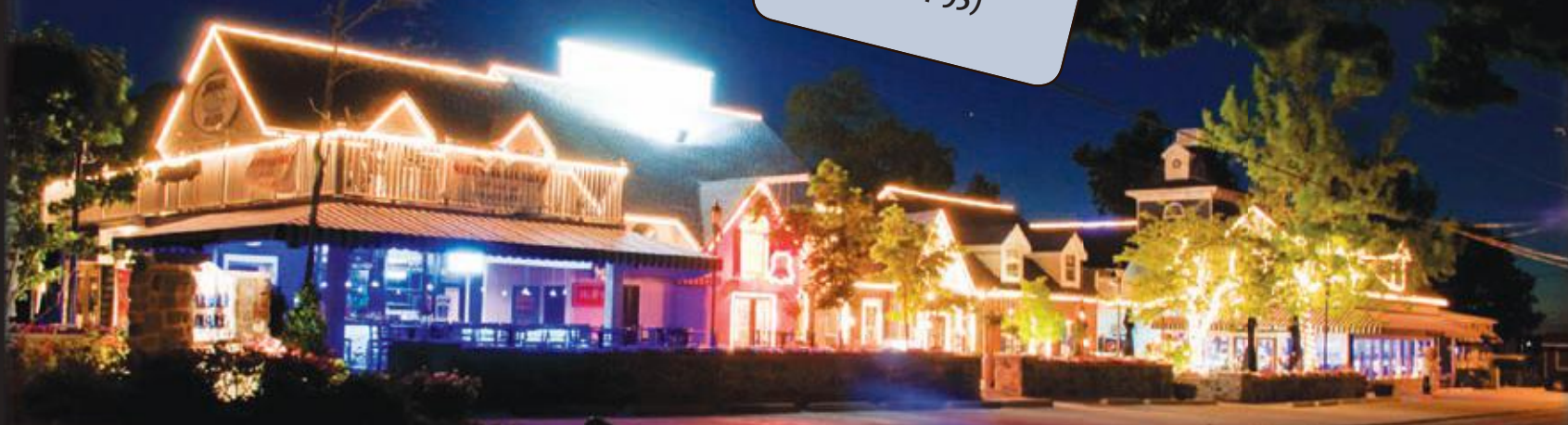
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## Island Augusts Past August 1901

Henry Cooke recorded in the Gibraltar Record in August 1901 that he and his family and guests made frequent sailing excursions to Ballast Island. They met a Dr. Wilson, who was summering with his family on Ballast Island. Dr. Wilson invited Henry's party to an open-air Sunday worship service on the grounds of the Gardner Cottage.

## August 1993

Jeff Schill was Commodore of Put-in-Bay Yacht Club. Vice Commodore was Raymond Arth and Rear Commodore was Steve Cooks. The president of the Ladies Auxiliary was Pam Tigges, Vice President Ruth Griebel, Secretary Linda Mansell and Treasurer Joan Kempf. The Round House won the Lake Erie Islands Mens Softball League championship.

## August 2001

The new Visitor Center at Perry's Monument is under construction. Steph Thompson was a bartender at the Skyway and was featured in the PIBTV.COM ad for Lakeside Outfitters. A seaplane got stuck at the bathing beach a the east end of Delaware Ave. Heineman Winery won the Lake Erie Islands Men's League Softball championship. Ryan Stoiber was "Bud Man" in the Bartender Olympics parade. Erika Suttman and Caroline Koehler left the island to attend school in Austria for the coming school year. The deck at the Lime Kiln Dock where Docksider Deli is located was called Moby Deck's. Ladd's Landing, now The Keys, held a grand opening on August 16th. Put-in-Bay Boat Line announced it was building Jet Express III. You could buy a lakefront lot at Put-in-Bay Airport for \$125,000.

## Letter to Editor

### Santa & his Helpers don't steal

Christmas in July here on Put-in-Bay has become a bad joke for local residents and new visitors and their families to South Bass Island.

There was a time when this special summer island event was to help retailers who missed out on the real Christmas Holiday.

Our visitors enjoyed getting a jump on buying, seeing the early holiday decorations, and joined the island fun and spirit of something very special, and helpful to locals.

After witnessing this years behavior of the "testosterone terrorist" hoard who have taken over the PIB village and parts of the township, I vote to scrub next years Christmas in July! One policeman told a friend, "they cannot control the crowds", really?

If they can't, who can?

Is this drunken and trashy behavior what we all worked so hard to overcome, as an up-scale island tourist community?

Do we continue to allow a few establishments to blindly over-serve, blare their street music, make lots of money and dump these "testosterone terrorists" back into our public streets to litter, puke in public restrooms, our parks, their cars, playgrounds, woods and at all hours of the day and night.

South Bass Island's physical facilities, homes, docks, parks, hotels, restaurants, B&B's, airport, public transportation, fire, police, senior center, newspaper, visitor center, monument tour, churches, school, winery, caves, ball field, ferry's, golf course, antique car parade, 1812 Bicentennial, hardware store, gas station, car repair, and other family attractions are the best in the 33 years since we have lived here.

I simply refuse to allow a few to ruin all the positive features that make living here so unique because of uncontrolled over serving and greed.

Take your rowdy customers and go somewhere else to dump on.

A personal note, some of their customers night zombie's stole our family attraction signs during this Christmas in July, the fifth and sixth expensive custom signs taken this year, terminal stupidity.

I understand there was much island vandalism along with stealing, as well as busy Life Flight and Squad activity during the Christmas in July weekend.

The Santa and his helpers I grew up with did not behave this way.

The Ohio law and liquor enforcement folks, and our city and township officials need to do their jobs and stop this public madness once and for all.

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Respectfully,  
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LEFT: Marc & Nan Burr (left) (West Shore) along with frequent visitors Dr. Mark and Marianne Bussell (right) and Internationally known Chef Michael Thomson (center) all of Ft. Worth TX, enjoying the PIB Gazette at the "Taste of Texas" in Buffalo Gap, TX in April. Bussells and Michael will again be visiting the island the first weekend in August.

**Put-in-Bay residents support local agriculture**

In late July, Put-in-Bay residents received their first delivery of fruit and vegetables from Jentzen Farms in nearby Monroe, MI. By subscribing to Jentzen's Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) plan, Island residents receive fresh fruit and vegetables each Thursday morning at the Miller Ferry freight barn. The Put-in-Bay Property Owners' Association (PIBPOA) sponsored Jentzen Farms to get at least fifteen subscribers to their CSA.

Our first delivery included Spearmint, basil, oregano, blueberries, romaine, eggplant, kale, carrots and onions.

**What is a CSA?**

It's an alternative, locally-based model of agriculture and food distribution. Individuals pledge support to local farms, paying a subscription fee at the beginning of the growing season for a share in the anticipated harvests. Once harvests begin, subscribers receive weekly shares of vegetables, fruit, herbs,

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**Why Join a CSA?**

For some people, it's environmental, for some it's agricultural, for some it's health. One of the top reasons to join - taste! Freshly picked food that doesn't travel thousands of miles tastes better!

**Know Your Farmer**

We got to meet and talk with the farmer, Brian Jentzen, in person during our June PIBPOA meeting. Subscribers are also welcome to visit and tour the farm.

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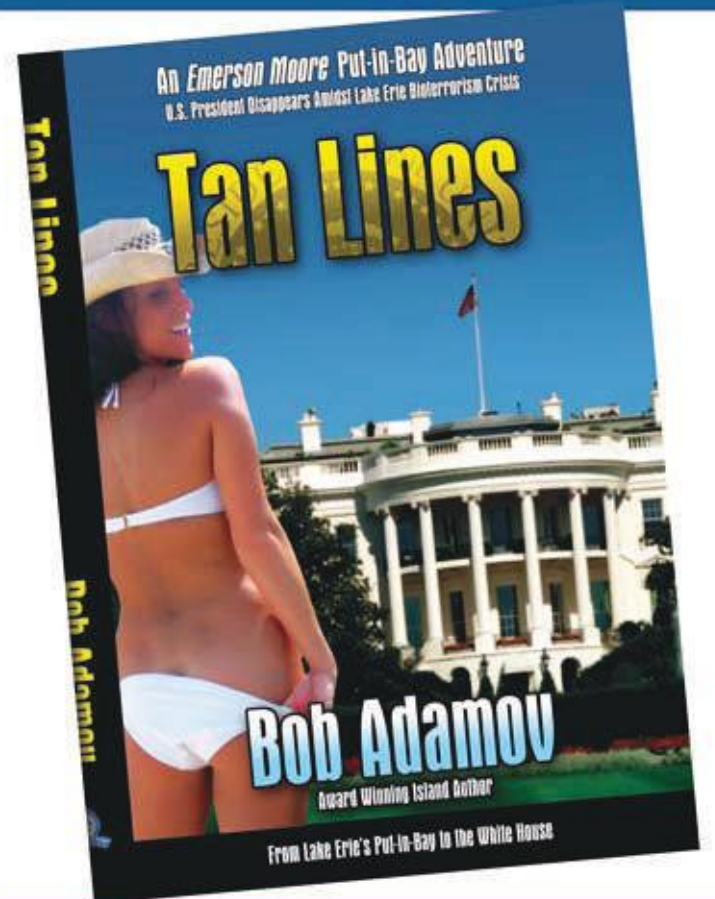
Decreasing the distance between you and your food supply source increases the quality, flavor and nutritional value of your favorite fruits, veggies, and other products. Subscribing to a CSA also helps consumers understand how their food is grown. Small, local farms help preserve the genetic diversity that larger centralized farms cannot.

If you are interested in subscribing to the Jentzen CSA for the remainder of this season or next, contact Karen Frederick at 614-989-1574.



Joseph Byrnes from Put-in-Bay with the PIB Gazette and his 26" Northern Pike caught in Quebec, Canada.

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RIGHT: Sue Duff enjoys sitting the garden gazebo at the home of Ted and Joan McCann during the Garden Tour in July. Ted and Joan have a wide variety of plants in their island garden. They also have a vegetable garden and a large pond.



## Put-in-Bay Garden Club has successful Garden Walk and other news

by Sally Duffy

It's over, but it was wonderful. The 2012 Put-in-Bay Garden Walk on July 18th was a big success. There were lovely vases with gorgeous flowers donated and decorated by members and non-members for the excellent and delicious luncheon at the Crew's Nest Pavilion. Numerous prizes donated by the restaurants and merchants of the Island that were so very generous, along with the day that was definitely picture perfect.

The houses were superb and finely tuned by the owners and other assistants to make the day unforgettable. Thank you to the Graves, Janickis, Keith and Tammy Kahler, Val Kowalski, Ted and Joan McCann, Brad Ohlemacher, and Joey Wolfe at the Anchor Inn. It was a perfect and will be remembered as a highlight of the 2012 summer.

Rose Kahler, Patti Mans, Pam Tigges, and Pat VanKeuren were the team that organized the day and made this sellout event seem effortless. Thanks for their hard work. Looking forward to the next walk in 2014.

Another meeting that was interesting was the co-event with the Property Owners that took place on July 26 at the Town Hall. Composting, Organic Gardening, and Rain Barrels were discussed and explained by Karen Frederick and Jody Frimel. It was a very informative meeting. On the Put-in-Bay Property Owners (pibpoa.com) web site are the major points presented and further information about these topics. The audience also contributed much to this discussion.

The August 2, 2012 trip to Sandusky for the City Park and Merry-Go-round Museum has been rescheduled to 2013. It will be on the Jet Express and will be extra special because of an insiders tour of the Merry Go Round Museum. Look for the date next spring.

Plants around DeRivera Park are thriving, and the Beach Project will be reported on in the next Gazette issue. If you want to help with the watering, please call 419-285-7381. We do have spots available. It's not a hard job, and there is plenty of public encouragement as the job is being done. There are quite a number of interesting sites and sights at 8:00am. Call.

Next meeting is September 13, 2012. A potluck with gifts from your garden and a remembrance tour on the Tour Train of the Garden Club's past.



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LEFT: This year's Vacation Bible Camp on Put-in-Bay will feature a short puppet skit at the start of each day. Three of the puppeteers are shown here with their characters. Left to right are Karina Kowalski, Gwenna Market and Erin Urge along with Gadol the Dog (left) and the puppet cast from Promise Island. Each day they will have adventures and learn about God's promises.

## 46th Annual PIB/OBT Golf Tournament

by John Chervenak

On August 11th, 2012, we'll tee'em up once again at Saunder's nineteen-hole layout.

Rain or shine, thirty-five plus golfers from Ohio Bell Telephone will strive to best everyone to get their name engraved on the "Wine Barrel Key" trophy. Only one hole-in-pine in the 24,000-plus shots to the pins on this par 3 course during the numerous tournaments.

After gold, we'll all meet at Perry's Pavilion for a steak cookout with all the trimmings. Afterwards, the trophy and prizes will be awarded, and then it's on to Heineman Winery to complete the outing.

However, it doesn't stop there, because most of the "stay-overs" will visit the other watering holes on the island.

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# Island Diary July 2012

**Sun., July 1st** - The Central Ohio Symphony at the Perry Monument Visitors Center was rained out.

**Mon., July 2nd** - Michael Paselsky, the grandson of Bob and Judie Bahney from Peach Point, attends the Put-in-Bay Village Council meeting with his mother, Marilyn, to meet a requirement for his Communications merit badge necessary to become an Eagle Scout. Put-in-Bay Police Chief Ric Lampela told Village Council and Mayor Scarpelli police officer Ryan Stone would be leaving the PIBPD this fall. The chief also discusses the need for a new or renovated bunkhouse behind the Town Hall for officers.

**Tues., July 3rd** - Visitors at Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial are able to go up in the Monument for the first time after three years of construction work there.

**Wed., July 4th** - There's a Naturalization Ceremony at the Monument Visitor Center. The fireworks are almost rained out. Sixty-one Cars showed up to parade in the incredible heat. All but one made it through. Sharon Duggan's car caught on fire but made a full recovery. Thank you to PIBVFD who reached the car so quickly and to the Burrs who rushed to help with a fire extinguisher. A little paint and Sharon's Model A should be parading again soon.

**Thurs., July 5th** - The Chataqua Beatles perform in one of the Put-in-Bay Arts Councils Twilight Music Festival concerts at the Monument Visitor Center. There's a wonderful crowd in attendance. PIB Airport, as are other airports in the area, is temporarily shut down for President Obama's visit to Sandusky.

**Fri., July 6th** - Average temperature for July 6th on the islands is 81 degrees. It's 94 degrees and stinkin' hot. The heat is definitely keeping visitation to the islands down. Down at PIB Yacht Club the adult sailing series is going on. It's the first day of a two-day book sale at the Erie Islands Public Library at PIB School.

**Sat., July 7th** - The Middle Bass Island Sunset Cruise and Pig Roast Benefit for the Middle Bass Volunteer Fire Department took place. Tickets were a \$40 donation to the Middle Bass Fire Department

**Sun., July 8th** - Well, the 4th of July week has ended, and for many island visitors it wasn't exactly a barn burner. There was too much confusion about which weekend was the holiday weekend, plus the heat kept visitation well below expectations.

**Mon., July 9th** - Nature Camp at Put-in-Bay for children six to eight years old starts. It goes through the 12th. Village Council members discuss an agreement with Scott and Annette Sneller which would allow a new Village of Put-in-Bay sign on their property on Langram Rd. Delaware Cart owner Mark Mathys questioned the actions of police officers who he says booted a golf cart stolen from one of his customers and then charged him for the booting and then ticketed him, too.

**Tues., July 10th** - No one on the islands remembers or even cares about the fact 518 tern nests were found by researchers on Starve Island on this date in 1938. The Ladies Auxiliary at PIBYC has their Moosemilk luncheon.

**Wed., July 11th** - A drunk driver hits the rear of a golf cart with two people on board. The golf cart plows into the fence at the Cargo Net and the driver drives off, but is later apprehended.

**Thurs., July 12th** - The rumor going around the island is the driver of the cart hit the day before has died, but Carolyn Miller from Island Transportation confirms this is not the case.

**Fri., July 13th** - Members of the Put-in-Bay Village Council and the DeRivera Park Trustees meet to discuss issues concerning their lake bottom rights lease and issues concerning the proposed public dock renovations.

**Sat., July 14th** - The Lake Erie Islands Historical Society has a party for its members and Dan Savage is introduced as the new curator at the museum. There's a 90th birthday party for Jean Hildebrandt at her West Shore cottage.

**Sun., July 15th** - The Post-Parade for the antique car paraders is at Bay Lodging and is sponsored by Putinbay.com. The Pre-Parade was sponsored by Kay Drake and Judy Kania. John and Peggy Leopold are watering the floor baskets on the lampposts around the Village Park.

**Mon., July 16th** - There's a 130-ft yacht anchored in Put-in-Bay's harbor near the Monument. Now that's big. That's about the size of Miller Boat Line's M/V Put-in-Bay.

**Tues., July 17th** - It's a hot one at Put-in-Bay. Temps in the mid-90s, but thankfully the humidity wasn't real bad. How does one know that? If you can see Pelee Island from Put-in-Bay, you know the humidity level is low. The higher the humidity, the less the visibility. Carol Makruski goes home for the day from her Bay Designs shop downtown to her cottage on the West Shore. The digital temp gauge in her car reads 100 degrees almost all the way.

**Wed., July 18th** - Among those enjoying Lobster Mania at the Boardwalk are June Stoiber from the Carriage House, Paula Garsteck from the Round House and Kim Stoiber and her fiance Skip Morrison. The Put-in-Bay Garden Club tour of island gardens takes place. Cupcakes for those who attended the post-tour luncheon at the Crew's Nest Pavilion were donated by Pauline Garsteck from the Village Bakery.

**Thurs., July 19th** - Westside Steve, who is scheduled to play during the afternoon at The Keys, checks Put-in-Bay weather on the Internet. He finds there's a "riptide" warning up for the island and an advisory not to go swimming. Thank goodness the swimming classes for the young kids are over for the summer.

**Fri., July 20th** - Islanders learn of a tragic ATV accident on Dump Rd. in the wee hours of the morning which takes the life of 28-year old Kurt Rohrbacher.

**Sat., July 21st** - Over on Middle Bass Jibaro's, the new restaurant where St. Hazard's was formerly located, is having it's grand opening. You can't find a golf cart to rent anywhere on South Bass because there are so many visitors. J.F. Walleye's on Middle Bass welcomed the staff of the "Deal Detectives" to Middle Bass! They were there to shoot a commercial, plus there were free appetizers!

**Sun., July 22nd** - Fifty-five cars showed up for the Antique Car Parade. Santa, Pinky Batt and Sue Amrine kicked off the holiday week. Scotty Jackson and his crew at the Goat hosted the post parade party. Pasquale's doesn't open because of a small fire in the kitchen. In a make up softball game with the Cameo Pizza team, the Boardwalk team hits four home runs in one inning. Glass artist David Wight is busy sculpting a wave garden decoration made from an old piece of sidewalk sandstone for the Wyland Gallery.

**Mon., July 23rd** - Jeff Koehler gets a surprise email from his brother, Terry, who has been doing the family genealogy for several years. It says he has a 2nd cousin six times removed by the name of Oliver Perry Rudolph who was born on the 10th of September in 1813, the date of the Battle of Lake Erie. Bud and Ruth Stonerook have BLTs made from tomatoes from their North Bass garden.

**Tues., July 24th** - The women of the PIBYC Women's Auxiliary have a luncheon in memory of Betty Neff at the club reminiscent of a 1950's/ Betty Neff was one of the early promoters of the auxiliary. The lunch is complete with food from 1950's cookbooks. The group was also asked to bring their own silverware and plates just like in the olden days when the club didn't have a kitchen and dishes.

**Wed., July 25th** - The island family of friends of Kurt Rohrbacher pay their respects



ABOVE: Al Gebhardt (front left) led a parade of bagpipers from the Commodore's Memorial in De-Rivera Park to the Yacht Club as part of the Inter-Lake Yachting Association festivities on Sunday afternoon, July 22nd.

at a funeral reception at the Put-in-Bay Resort and Conference Center. The employees of Miller Boat Line honor their departed fellow worker by lining up on dock for Kurt's final voyage on the ferry.

**Thurs., July 26th** - Put-in-Bay police officer Ryan Stone starts his 30th birthday celebration by attending an 8:30 a.m. meeting of the Put-in-Bay Village Council. Taps pour the first ever Christmas Ale at The Brewery! YUM. :A much-needed rain helps the parched islands. There are two new vested business owners on the island. Scott Jackson closes on the Goat property, and Linda Mahony and her daughter, Amanda Goaziou, close on the Candy Bar property.

**Fri., July 27th** - Bill and Sue Latham's golf cart, truck and car and fence were vandalized by morons during the night. There was extensive damage.

**Sat., July 28th** - There is a graduation party for Oliver Thwaite at the home of his parents.

Mike Gora on Middle Bass took some great photos of a wrecked boat on East Point (MB) and a Coast Guard swimmer in the water helping three people being lifted into the chopper. We wonder if they ever heard of a lake chart. There's a rather long reef there. Another boat capsized off the West Shore. The Hook, Line and Sinkers fundraiser took place on Middle Bass Island at the Town Hall

**Sun., July 29th** - A crowd gathers to watch Todd Blumensadt on his backhoe help pull out a boat that sank at the Village's C-dock when too many partygoers overloaded it and water started coming in over the stern. There was a wedding shower for Crew's Nest bartender Phoebe Tracey at the PIB Yacht Club. Sixty-eight cars take part in the antique car parade.

**Mon., July 30th** - Capt. Russ Brohl and passengers Eric Engel and Scott Jackson visit Pelee Island. They successfully run the gauntlet of Homeland Security and other patrol boats on the return trip back across the border and are never stopped. Brohl knows his way around the Great Lakes.

**Tues., July 31st** - The PIBYC Ladies Auxiliary held their "Ditty Bag Fundraiser." It was the last luncheon of the season for the group. There's a 30th Birthday party for Kathryn French at the home of her aunt, Pat Aveni, at High Shores. Kathryn says she's on to next maturity level.

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**Coast Guard rescues three from aground vessel off Middle Bass**

A Coast Guard aircrew rescued three men from an aground boat in Lake Erie near Middle Bass Island, Ohio, at about noon Saturday, July 28th

The names of the individuals involved are not being released. A search-and-rescue controller from the Coast Guard Sector Detroit Command Center was contacted via a VHF-FM marine radio at 9:11 a.m. The caller reported that the boat he was operating ran aground, and he was requesting assistance.

Coast Guard Station Marblehead, Ohio, and a boat from Tow Boat U.S. responded, but was unable to assist, due to the shallow water depth. An air crew aboard an MH-65C Dolphin rescue helicopter launched from Coast Guard Air Station Detroit at 10:46 a.m. and arrived on scene at 11:10 a.m.

A rescue swimmer was then lowered from the helicopter and the air crew hoisted all three men into the helicopter and delivered them to the Port Clinton Airport. No medical serves were needed, and the rescued boaters returned to their vehicles at the Midway Marina.

"The Coast Guard promotes proper personal floatation devices and operational survival equipment like VHF-FM marine radios and GPS, as it was critical in this case in notifying and receiving assistance in the distress situation," said Lt. Tasha Hood, a pilot assigned to Air Station Detroit.

Weather conditions for the rescue were favorable with clear visibility, 10-knot winds from the north and 80-degree temperature.

The owner of the boat was working with Tow Boat U.S. to salvage the vessel.

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ABOVE: The ball players from Middle Bass - (top row) Paul Swisher, Albert Gmelch, William Swisher, Ward Swisher, and Hank Stickrod (NB) and (bottom row) Harry Deist, Walter Swisher, Happy Wertenbach, Joe Swisher and Sherman Bretz.

## Walter Swisher Softball Field at Middle Bass Island

The new sign at the softball field at Middle Bass Island bears the name of Walter Swisher. The original sign disappeared a few years ago and the Town Hall Board commissioned Janet Evans Stearns to paint a new one above the scoreboard. At a recent softball game overheard was, "Who is Walter Swisher?" I realized that since Walter passed in 1978, it is reasonable many island residents have no idea how this respected man left his legacy to our island. Thankfully, his niece, Joyce Fleming of Milan, Ohio, was able to supply the following biography of her uncle Walter.

Walter was born in 1902 in Columbus, Ohio, and moved to Middle Bass Island around 1920. Through the years, he owned and operated "Isabel's Inn." The Inn, which was located on the east side of Fox Road across from the present day Island General Store and the MBI Post Office, was the first recognized "tavern" on MBI. This local watering hole, grocery store, and candy shop was named after his wife "Issy" and was located at the back of his home. Walter was a commercial fisherman and ice guide for over 22 years never experiencing a mishap of any sort on the ice. He started out with two one-man shanties and lived on Middle Bass for over 50 years.

The family love of baseball was ideal for the large Swisher family which consisted of seven boys and two girls. William, "Dad Swisher," coached and managed the island team. Sons on the team were Walter, Paul, and Joe, and grandson Ward. Albert Gmelch, Harry Deist, Sherman Bretz all of Middle Bass, Hank Stickrod from North Bass, and Happy Wertenbach from South Bass comprised the rest of the team.

Walter was offered a position with the Cleveland Indians, which he refused. Whenever the question arose as why he turned down such a lucrative prospect, it was understood by the Swisher family Walter was not interested in fame or fortune. He loved Middle Bass Island and did not have a desire to leave it.

His love of the game and his love of baseball came together, and for years he mowed the Town Hall and ballfield area for years, cared for it, and kept the area groomed. After the property was acquired, the ball field area was dedicated to Walter around 1987 because of his dedication and support. Hopefully, as our team takes the field, Walter is smiling down on our boys and his beautiful island where he called, "home."

## Fighting to end hunger one bowl at a time

Some of our Put-in-Bay residents are participating in a charity event to feed the hungry and they could use your help. The event is called Empty Bowls By The Lake. It will be held on Saturday, October 13 at Bleser Park in Avon Lake and all of the proceeds will be given to CRS and Second Harvest Food Bank.

Empty Bowls is an international grassroots effort to fight hunger. The soup bowl idea began with a Michigan art teacher in 1990, whose students made ceramic bowls. Since then, the Empty Bowls concept has raised millions of dollars for food banks, soup kitchens, shelters and other organizations around the world. The basic premise is simple: Potters and other craftspeople, educators and others work with the community to create handcrafted bowls. Guests are invited to a simple meal of soup and bread. In exchange for a cash donation, guests are asked to keep a bowl as a reminder of all the empty bowls in the world. The money raised is donated, too. You can help by painting a bowl. One night will be set aside for volunteers to go to the twine shanty and paint clay bowls. Look for posters announcing the date. All are welcome. Donations for the bowls and glazes are also needed. Perhaps you know a restaurant owner in one of the west-side suburbs of Cleveland who would be willing to donate soup or an artist who would be willing to donate his or her work to the silent auction or an entertainer who would like perform. You can learn more about the event at EmptyBowls-ByTheLake.org or by talking to Carole Craigs (419-285-7011) or Laura Kirchner (440-263-5632).



ABOVE: The 130 ft. long Antares paid a visit to PIB in July. You can see from the photo how big it was in comparison to the mini-van parked on the lake front.

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After reading this, we asked ourselves if maybe she has Put-in-Bay confused with some other island she visited.



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There were Burgundy Bay building lots on Middle Bass selling for \$1,000 in the 1980's.

**The truth about "Man Weekend"**

**By: Gordy Barr**

I have been to many "Man Weekends" on Middle Bass. Like an out of control Odd Fellows Lodge meeting, I am sworn to secrecy about what actually happens at Man Weekend. The truth has consequences (which sounds like a 1960's game show). However, here is a list of the characters and some of the behaviors I have witnessed.

**1) Fire Bug:** Will take a modest fire and turn it into an inferno. His friends tell him not to do it. The flames rage anyway. Fuel? Telephone poles, ice shanties, tree trunks, gun ammunition, nut shell pram's, bags of peat moss, lawn furniture, and aerosol cans of insecticide.

Favorite line? "Sorry about your eye!"

**2) Spyder Monkey:** He short sheets beds, squeezes out contents of tooth paste tubes into shoes, finger paints household surfaces with barbeque sauce, and leaps on people from low tree branches. He will jump through a fire to tackle an unsuspecting victim. There is a fine line between cuddling and holding someone down so they can't get away.

Favorite line? "I am invisible. You can't see me. You have no idea how you ended up on the ground, do you?"

**3) Opinionator:** He will argue any point and not let facts get in the way of his argument. Expert on the minutia of every Cleveland sports team. Knows more than the team's management. He dispenses martial advice even though he has been divorced three times.

Favorite Line?: "Behind every successful man is a woman. Behind the fall of a successful man is usually another woman. Go OSU!"

**4) Walrus:** There is always a big guy. He is 300 pounds of shambling, unkempt love. He is easy going. Will occasionally capture Spyder Monkey (after being slide tackled multiple times) and throw him in Fire Bug's inferno. The Walrus keeps peace. Not afraid to putt with his pants down.

Favorite line: "No problem. We'll fix it tomorrow."

**5) Fight Monger:** Copious amounts of beer turns mild mannered accountant into Mike Tyson. Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience. Never seems to be able to catch Spyder Monkey who dances around just outside punch range. Wife throttles him when he returns home for having pornography in his overnight bag cleverly hidden there by Spyder Monkey.

Favorite Line: "You looking at me?! The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it is moving up my "to do" list!"

**6) Chef Tell (all):** There is always a good cook that emerges during Man Weekend. Usually bald, soft spoken, and knows the difference between 60% lean hamburger meat and 90% lean hamburger meat. Tries to avoid Spyder Monkey and Fight Monger but could dispatch both with his Ginsu spatula. Spyder Monkey urinated on his broccoli prior year.

Favorite Line: "Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting a tomato in fruit salad."

**7) Ambushed by Alcohol Guy:** Doesn't normally drink much. However, drinks first Labatt's Blue on Glenn Cooper's Miller ferry at 9:15AM by Mouse Island, second beer by the light house at 9:35AM, and third beer by Gibraltar Island at 9:50AM.

Spyder Monkey draws mustache on Ambushed guy with black Sharpie marker at 10:45AM (after "Ambushed" passes out).

Favoite Line: "Adriaaaaaanne...." (Like Rocky after being bludgeoned by Clubber Lange). Ironically, he is married to a woman named Patsy.

**Conclusion (or concussion?):**

Dear Wives, Fiancés, and Significant Others,

"Man Week" is a good thing. Let them off the spiked collar once a year. Sure, they do silly things. But men, by nature, are silly. Allow them to show their "true self" every 12 months. He gets it out of his system. It takes a good six months to recover from "Man Week". He will be pliable in the interim.

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LEFT: The mud-covered Claymen, as they call themselves, posed for this picture one evening while out on the town at PIB. Left to right are Drake Larson, Mary Parker, Richard Larson, Giffin Sheehan and Jack Booker. Disturbing, what?

## Found on the Internet

*Editor's Note: We apologize for not covering this story we found on the Internet recently.*

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RIGHT: The Lake Erie Islands Historical Society's member party on Saturday afternoon, July 14th, was a fun time for those who gathered to enjoy some stimulating conversation, yummy finger food and beverages. Those present had a chance to meet the new curator, Dan Savage, a current museum board member from Toledo, and Cindy Clausen, the new office manager. If you'd like to help support the preservation of island history, stop at the museum and sign up for a membership.



### PIB visitor launches "Buy Ohio" website

Life-long native of Ohio, and frequent visitor of Put-in-Bay since 1984, Kelly E. Persichetti is proud to announce the new launch of FOBO – forOHIObuyOHIO.com!

FOBO is a grassroots effort founded on the basis of supporting Ohio economy and offering independent businesses throughout the State of Ohio, an affordable and extensive online advertising tool that does not include corporate chains, franchises, national .com's, or big-box retailers.

"FOBO is a differentiator for independent businesses and an online ONE-STOP that gives consumers who wish to support local economy, a tool to easily find independent businesses in Ohio. As an independent business owner myself, I understand the long-term value and importance of supporting local businesses in Ohio from A to Z!" says Kelly Persichetti, Founder.

A recent study conducted in Ohio indicated over 83% of consumers wish to support independent locally based businesses, but don't have the tools or valid resources to easily find them.

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LEFT: Congratulations to Josie Sheehan and Ellen Snyder! The girls are seen here sailing in Put-in-Bay Harbor. They will be representing PIB Yacht Club at the 2012 US Sailing Nationals August 6-10 at San Francisco Yacht Club. Josie and Ellen will be competing in the 420 fleet against the top 20 teams in the United States. Go girls!!

### PIBYC Hosts the 2012 AYC Carson Cup

Fifty five junior sailors age 8 to 18 participated in the AYC Carson Cup on Saturday, July 14th at the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club. Light air in the morning gave way to enough breeze in the afternoon to complete four races on the 420 course and three races on the Optimist Dinghy course. Colin Mackay and A.J. Rush of North Cape Yacht Club took home top honors for the third year in a row beating the second place PIBYC boat sailed by Audrey Sheehan and Ellen Snyder. Other top sailors for PIBYC were Adam Myers and Ericson Booker (5th), Ian Pippert-Ladd and Michelena Ballas(6th), Marisa Rudolph and Chase Clark (8th), and Tyler King and Morgan Kempf (9th). Also sailing 420s for PIBYC were Sagan Kahler, Cayla Harrison, Andrew Peter, Zach Olson, Meredith Snyder, Carter Pugh, and Andrea Stevens.

In the Junior Carson Cup, eleven of the seventeen boats were sailed by PIBYC sailors. Griffin Sheehan finished in third place and Ellie Zawisza finished fifth. Also finishing in the top ten for PIBYC were Carson Dale (6th) Dominic Ballas (7th), Collin Drake (8th) and Blake Booker (10th). Also participating in this year's racing were Jack Booker, Drake Larson, Henry Genzman, Connor Clark, and Mac Kempf.

After putting away their boats, all the sailors and their families enjoyed a delicious dinner prepared by Chef Woody and Elizabeth at PIBYC compliments of the Associated Yacht Clubs. This small regatta provides a wonderful opportunity for our local sailors to compete against kids from North Cape and Jolly Roger in Toledo and Grosse Ile in Michigan without having to travel. Add in t-shirts, trophies, and complimentary food and all in all it is a great one day event and the perfect warm up to Junior Bay Week which started the following day.

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