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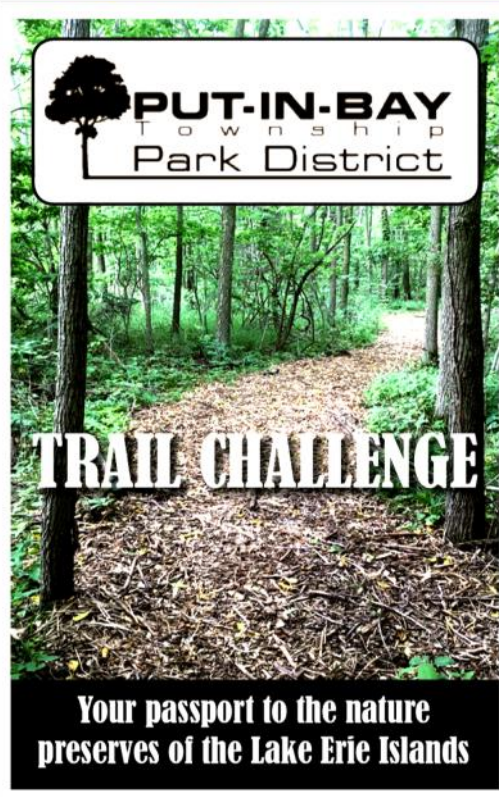
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Lake Erie Islands Conservancy Quarterly Newsletter

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Trail Challenge: New Passport to the Preserves!

The Put-in-Bay Township Park District is happy to announce its Trail Challenge. The idea came from PIB Chamber of Commerce head and LEIC member Peter Huston. Member Christine Ontko helped further the idea until OU graduate student Kristin Parrish offered her assistance with the Challenge. Kristin worked with Park District board members Kelly and Marty Faris, Kendra Koehler, and Lisa Brohl for content and editing and Brian Cultice for layout, maps and design. Trail Challenge booklets will be available at our preserves, the Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce, the Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center, and at Freshwater Remedies in addition to online at our website at www.lakeerieislandsconservancy.org. Enjoy!



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Our Mission:

To encourage conservation and Protection of Natural and Agricultural Lands in the Lake Erie Islands for the Benefit of Future Generations.



FUTURE GENERATIONS

Speaking of Future Generations.... Cameron Farber looks a little chilly but seems happy helping his dad Ken delivering trees from the Native Plant and Tree Sale. Thanks Cameron!

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Solar Energy on the Islands

The oldest freshwater biological field station in the country, the Ohio State University Stone Lab was established in 1895 and moved to Gibraltar Island in Lake Erie in 1925. With energy efficiency and sustainability in mind, Stone Lab administrators installed two solar energy arrays on the island.

The project was undertaken in two phases. Phase one, completed in June 2012, consisted



Photos: Left—Ohio State University Stone Lab's Research Building on Gibraltar Island; Right—Stone Lab's Solar Pavilion on Gibraltar.

of the installation of 44 solar panels to create a solar pavilion with two, 3-panel ground mounted units that can be manually tilted, and 3 solar thermal modules on the roof of the Dining Hall. Phase two, completed in October 2013, included the installation of another 40

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Ohio Wildlife Diversity Conference *By Lisa Brohl*

Lisa Brohl attended the Ohio Wildlife Diversity Conference in Columbus in March with the Conservancy exhibit. LEIC members

Debbie Woischke, Paula Ziebarth and Karen Jennings visited at the exhibit and met visitors to learn more about the island preserves.



Photos: LEIC Table at ODOV Diversity Conference; Debbie Woischke and Paula Ziebarth; Lisa Brohl with Kristin Parrish (Photo by Debbie Woischke); Lisa Brohl, Debbie Woischke, Paula Ziebarth, and Karen Jennings at ODOV Diversity Conference



T-Shirts and Hats for Sale!

We still have organic cotton made in the USA t-shirts with our LEIC logo in a variety of colors and sizes. They are for sale for \$20 each. Plus we have our LEIC hats in three colors as well for \$22 each. Contact Lisa Brohl at 419-366-2087 or leiconservancy@gmail.com or see our booth at Founders Day or the Artisan Fairs!



Photo: Volunteer Beth Furner with new LEIC t-shirt, Colorful LEIC T-Shirts, One of the Colors of Hats we offer

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Educational Exhibits



Sara Booker designed this sign that was placed near the Dairy Isle on a horse chestnut tree. She has plans for more educational exhibits there!



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*Please see page 19 for
details.*

Land Grant Protection Update *By Lisa Brohl*



Photo: Cut-leaf toothwort blooming this Spring along the path in Coopers Woods

The Lake Erie islands Conservancy is continuing to work with two of our granting agencies—The Conservation Fund and the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund on the purchase of Cooper's Woods. We have signed contracts with both and are proceeding to meet the conditions as set up in the purchase agreement with the DeRivera Park Trust Board. We hope to close on the property later this year and are grateful for all of the continued support.

The Put-in-Bay Township Park District is working to purchase two additional parcels on Middle Bass Island to add to their Middle Bass Island Forested Wetland Preserve. Grants have been awarded from The Conservation Fund, Clean Ohio Conservation Fund, and the Coastal and Estuarine Land Protection fund for the purchases. The Park District has been working hard to meet all the requirements and hopes to close on these very soon.

Introducing AmeriCorps Intern Emma Young

Greetings! My name is Emma Young and I am from Norwalk, Ohio. I have just finished my sophomore year at Capital University and I am majoring in Biology and minoring in Environmental Science.



Last summer, I completed an internship at Back to the Wild, a wildlife rehabilitation and nature education center, located in Castalia, Ohio. During my internship, I was able to learn a lot of new and exciting things that has fueled my passion for conservation. I have also been allowed the opportunity to do research on gray foxes with my advisor at Capital University. I am very excited and grateful to have received this Environmental Stewards Intern position, as I hope to gain further experience in the field of conservation.

LEIC Meeting at Kelleys Island *By Barb Zeller*

SUMMARY OF INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS
JUNE 3-4, 2019 KELLEYS ISLAND

Early risers who attended the LEIC meeting were able to visit the bird banding station on Long Point on both Monday and Tuesday. The information shared by Tom and Paula Bartlett about the banding station and the species of birds banded was much appreciated. Tom and Paula's banding station on Kelleys Island is very educational, and their discussion teaches all who visit about the migratory habits and diversity of our feathered friends.

After banding, we convened at the Kelleys Island school starting with a wonderful breakfast prepared and donated by Jennifer and Tom Pieratt, followed by a welcome from Pat Hayes, President of the KI Audubon Club. Pat introduced Jackie Taylor, Director of the Kelleys Island Field Station and Christopher Ashley, Manager of Kelleys Island State Park. Information highlighting the joint efforts between the Field Station and the State Park to present educational experiences to students and teachers throughout Ohio was shared, as well as plans to implement dedicated pollinator areas at numerous state-owned parcels on Kelleys Island. Lori Stevenson, Ohio State Private Lands Coordinator at the US Dept of Fish and Wildlife, provided information about how her department can assist private parties in implementing a pollinator garden. At a visit to the planned pollinator area of 15 acres adjacent to the KI airport, Chris discussed the steps and timeline that will be necessary to transition to native plants and to maintain a sustainable habitat for monarch butterflies, swallowtail butterflies, bees, and other pollinators. We continued to the Glacial Grooves Geological Preserve, where we were treated to an up-close tour of the grooves followed by a tour of the ruins of the late 1800s Stone Crusher and

adjacent building. Chris discussed efforts to restore, clean up, and better utilize the area around the crusher.

After lunch at the Island House, the group reconvened at the school to listen to a presentation by Matt Preissler regarding the Great Lakes Island Alliance (GLIA). Matt, who is the Lake Coordinator within the Water Resources Division of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, has been instrumental in forming GLIA and helping coordinate past Island Summits at Beaver Island (2017, Lake Michigan) and Madeline Island (2018, Lake Superior,) as well as the upcoming Summit at Mackinac Island (Lake Huron) in October of 2019. He said that of the 3200 islands in the Great Lakes, 30 are populated, with some having the same issues facing the Lake Erie islands, making an alliance useful for best-practice and issue-resolution discussions that are facilitated by face to face meetings. He provided information that will be helpful in planning the 2020 Island Summit which will be held on the Lake Erie Islands. Discussions began and continued throughout the rest of the LEIC meeting regarding the challenges we need to address in hosting an international, multi-island meeting including transportation and custom and border control issues for visiting and returning from Pelee Island. These discussions will be summarized further in the LEIC Business Meeting Minutes which follow this summary. Next stop was the newly opened Crooked Tree Winery, along East Lakeshore, where we were given a tour and wine tasting of KI's newest winery. Following the tasting, attendees were able to tour the Schaedler Winery Museum which houses many exhibits regarding the history of wineries on Kelleys Island.

On Tuesday, following bird banding, attendees convened at the Kelleys Island

Historical Museum for a tour hosted by Leslie Korenko, Kelleys Island Historical Association Board Member. Lesley provided colorful stories behind some of the museum exhibits, which we were then free to peruse at our own leisure. The Old Stone Church and the Parsonage Resale Shop were opened for us to explore as well.

Pat Hayes and Tom Pieratt then led the group of a tour of the Ed Currilla Preserve, which at 15 acres is the island's newest nature preserve, and the adjoining 55-acre Huntley Beatty Preserve. A walk through both preserves along the alvar to the "old cut" gave Tom and Pat a chance to talk about the efforts to save the natural areas and endangered plants that are part of each preserve. We were treated to a fabulous display of bank swallows nesting and feeding their young in the side of a nearby sand deposit visible from the road.

A visit to the Charles Herndon Gallery brought much of the events of the two days to a suitable conclusion, having learned much about the geologic and glacial history of the island, as well as its natural beauty. Visitors were treated to a tour of the Gallery that featured many of Chuck's works, including stone sculptures from native KI limestone and glacial erratics, and paintings inspired by beach stones and natural features of the island. We then convened at the KI Wine Company for lunch and the LEIC Business Meeting.

Special Thanks to the Kelleys Island School for allowing us to tour the island in fine fashion by use of their multi-seated golf carts, the Crooked Tree Winery for the fantastic wine tasting, the Chuck Herndon Art Gallery, the KI Historical Association, the Kelleys Island Field

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Photos: Tom Pieratt; PIB Group Standing-Marty Faris, Russ Brohl, Peter and Amy Huston, Kristin Stanford, Kelly Faris Sitting-Lisa Brohl, Renee Fultz, Jackie Taylor; Group touring Curilla Preserve

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Photos: Emma Young (Island AmeriCorps Intern) and Heather Tuttle from Back to Wild

Back to the Wild Visits Put-in-Bay By Lisa Brohl

Back to the Wild was at the Put-in-Bay Town Hall on Wednesday May 15 with their rehabilitated wild friends. Thanks to the Put-in-Bay Recreation Committee, Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center, Lake Erie Islands Conservancy and Miller Boat Line for sponsoring. The program was well attended with over 50 people. Keep Back to the Wild in mind with all your wildlife questions-they do wonderful work!

(SOLAR ENERGY Continued from page 1)

solar panels on the roof of Stone Lab Classroom Building. Funding for Stone Lab's solar panel project was provided by Ohio State's Office of Energy and Environment.

The solar pavilion has 44 240-watt panels with a microinverter to convert the electricity produced by the panels from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC). Half of these panels are monocrystalline silicon, which are more expensive, but also more efficient. The other half is polycrystalline silicon, which are less expensive, but not necessarily as efficient. In front of the pavilion, students and scientists can manually adjust the tilt of two 3-panel modules to determine the importance of being perpendicular to the sun.

The solar array on the Classroom Building consists of four rows of 10 300-watt high efficiency panels, each row using a different solar production strategy.

The solar thermal modules supply almost all of the hot water needed in the Stone Lab Dining Hall during the summer where most of the Lab's hot water is used. The solar panels provide about 25 percent of the power needs for all facilities on Gibraltar Island.

A set of lessons introduces students in grades 7-12 to the basics of solar energy via hands-on activities. The free curriculum is aligned with Next Generation Science Standards and Ohio's Model Science Curriculum, and is available to download at <http://ohioseagrant.osu.edu/education/resources>.

The lessons in the Solar Technology Curriculum are structured similarly to Ohio Sea Grant's Great Lakes Climate Change Curriculum, including teacher sections, student activities and links to background materials. The seven lessons cover a general introduction to solar energy, how solar electric and solar thermal energy is produced, how electric circuits can influence that energy output, and how the sun's location

can affect how much sunlight is converted to usable power..

Stone Lab had already taken advantage of its solar energy set-up in developing educational opportunities for guests who come to Gibraltar Island. Panels from the [Climate Expedition field trip activity](#) explain how solar panels work and how solar energy can help reduce the impacts of climate change and save the lab money.

The solar photovoltaic panels for electricity production and solar thermal tubes to provide the Dining Hall with hot water provide data on power production to a website at go.osu.edu/SLsolar, and staff wanted to make sure that freely available data was used more widely, so creating classroom activities for educators was a logical next step

Info for this article from <https://oeo.osu.edu/stone-lab-solar-feature.html>

and <https://ohioseagrant.osu.edu/news/2017/7xxm4/solar-curriculum>.

Solar Power on South Bass By John and Paula Ladd



Ohio State has been using solar panel energy at their facilities on Gibraltar, but there hasn't been a lot of interest on Put-in-Bay itself. That is, until Robert (Bob) Kindt retired and moved back to the island and restored his childhood home. Bob is a super "got to be doing something" kind of guy. He self-installed a very efficient solar panel electrical system. The system itself cost \$12,000., but he received a 30% credit on his federal income tax, which cut down on the actual cost. That incentive is still available, but only until the end of the year. The rebate will go down to 25% in 2020, and 5% lower each year after that, until it reaches 0%. His system runs his whole house, and excess power is sold back to Ohio Edison.

This system creates power during all weather conditions.

It also requires no maintenance. It produces 0% emissions of carbon dioxide, which Bob is proud to say keeps the many trees he has planted very healthy, as well as helps to provide clean air for our island. Ohio Edison predicts that all electric power will be produced by wind or solar power by 2030. In certain states that kind of power must be part of all new building plans. We thank Bob Kindt for being such a great innovator in our community.

He invites anyone who would like to check out his system to stop by his home on Put-in-Bay Road. He'll be glad to show you around.

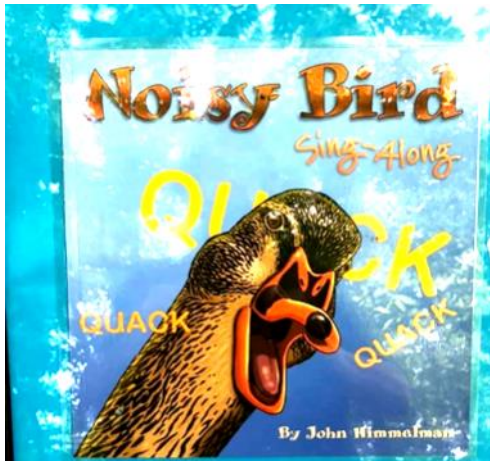


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New Book on the StoryWalk® Trail at Dodge Woods

There is a new book on the StoryWalk® Trail at the Dodge Woods this month on birds. The Lake Erie Islands Conservancy sponsored this book and board member Paula Ziebarth installed wren houses for visitors to observe as they read the book. Thanks to Karen Wilhelm of the Erie Islands branch of the Ida Rupp Library for this great community resource.



ISLAND ARTISAN FAIR

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Dan Duggan with the Alliance for the Great Lakes in Chicago *By Lisa Brohl*



Dan Duggan, son of islander Chip Duggan, has begun working for the Alliance for the Great Lakes, a non profit devoted to protect the Great Lakes for today and tomorrow. They involve tens of thousands of people each year in advocacy, volunteering, education, and research to ensure the lakes are healthy and safe for all. Their popular Adopt a Beach program has grown across the great lakes and they have held a clean up event at the Village Bathing Beach in the past.

"Today was my first day working at the Alliance for the Great Lakes, so I'm still feeling all of the excitement from the new role and organization. I'm happy to share more with you about it!

In my new job, I am the Finance Coordinator. I will be supporting the operations of all the Alliance's projects and campaigns by assisting with project budgeting, keeping track of grants and donor funding, and preparing financial reports for the organization. The position is brand new, and our team is very small (3 people, including me), so I'm sure I may wear other hats as the role is more fleshed out, but financial operations will be the core.

As for my background, I've been all over the place. I went to Washington and Lee University in Virginia, before moving to New York City. I moved to Chicago in 2017 and worked in health care compliance, helping hospitals with their clinical research programs."

Congratulations Dan on the new job! We look forward to hearing more about your new position and about the Alliance's great work!

Borman Prinz Land Protection Fund Donation *By Lisa Brohl*

We are very pleased to announce that Judy Prinz has donated \$50,000 to our Land Protection Fund to be used for land purchases on South Bass Island. The donation was made in memory of her family, George, Grace, and John Borman. We are very grateful to Judy, for this very generous donation.

Judy has been a member of our Conservancy since 2003. She grew up on the island with her family and has been a summer resident for many years, spending winters in Chanhassen, Minnesota.



Photos: John Borman and his Model T 3; Grace and George Borman

Spring Bird Banding 2019 *By Tom Bartlett and Lisa Brohl*

Tom and Paula Bartlett brought their banding efforts to the MBI East Point Preserve the last week in April 2019. Thanks to Teddi Keith Morris, Nancy Welter, Beth Motta, Ann and Ken Shelton. for providing housing and meals for the banders. Thanks also to assistants Lisa and Russ Brohl, Tina Larson, Bill and Jane Iboldt, Ken Shelton, Chris Helman, Gerald Shanley, and Bob Stausmire. There were 81 visitors including Shannon and Gary McDonald, Don and Ellen Kuns, Kristin Parrish, Special thanks to Dr. William Cleveland for access to his property for banding. Highlights were a prothonotary warble (observed), golden-winged warbler (banded) and first of the year island visits by Baltimore orioles and ruby-throated hummingbirds. There were 407 individual birds banded of 53 species in 6 days.

Tom and Paula with John Lortz traveled to PIB the first two weeks in May to band for the LEINWC Road Scholar program as well as the students from PIB School with teacher Susan Harrington. Extractors Lisa Brohl, Andy Jones and Michelle Leighty, Jim Coffman, Stephanie Tiell assisted there as well. There were 209 visitors including Elizabeth Heineman and Michael McIntire and Valerie Chornyak who stopped by for good looks at the birds.

Special thanks to the Barnhill family for their support over the years of our banding efforts on their property and that of the adjacent Scheeff East Point Preserve. This year, 524 individual birds of 55 species were banded in 7 days.



Photos: Above— Ken Shelton, Paula and Tom Bartlett, Tina Larson, Ann Shelton Below Clockwise— Kristin Parrish; Blue-winged Warbler; Nancy Welter recording; Golden-winged Warbler; Gary McDonald releases bird; Ken Farber at Barnhill Banding Station; Teddi Keith Morris recording with Paula Bartlett and Nancy Welter; Lisa Brohl with Hooded Warbler; Center Left—Ruby-throated Hummingbird; Center Right—Tom and Paula Bartlett with Tina Larson delivering soup



Species	Date	Springville	KI	MBI	SBI	SBI	KI	KI	Total
Mourning Dove	1	2							2
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	1					2			2
Black-billed Cuckoo	1					2	1		3
Chimney Swift	1						1		1
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	1	3		3	2	3	8	6	25
Red-headed Woodpecker	1	1							1
Red-bellied Woodpecker	1	1	1	1					3
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	1		3						3
Downy Woodpecker	1	3	1	1	1	3	1		10
Northern Flicker	1	1	1	2					4
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1	1							1
Eastern Wood-Pewee	1	1				25	2		28
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	1	1				29	34		65
Acadian Flycatcher	1	2				1	1		4
Alder Flycatcher	1					5	1		6
Willow Flycatcher	1	4							4
Trail's Flycatcher	*	4				53	31		88
Least Flycatcher	1	10		5	3	12	16		46
Eastern Phoebe	1	4		1	1				6
Great Crested Flycatcher	1						3	2	5
Eastern Kingbird	1					4			4
White-eyed Vireo	1	1				2			3
Blue-headed Vireo	1		2	8	2	1			13
Warbling Vireo	1	3		3	1				7
Philadelphia Vireo	1	3							3
Red-eyed Vireo	1			1			23	3	27
Blue Jay	1	4		5	8	3	2		22
Tree Swallow	1			1	6	2	1		10
Carolina Chickadee	1	1							1
Black-capped Chickadee	1			3	1				4
Tufted Titmouse	1	1							1
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1		4	7	22	16			49
White-breasted Nuthatch	1	1		3					4
Brown Creeper	1		4						4
House Wren	1	18	12	5	5		5	5	50
Winter Wren	1	3	1						4
Marsh Wren	1	2							2
Carolina Wren	1	1					1	1	3
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1		5						5
Golden-crowned Kinglet	1	2	3	1					6
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1	27	33	43	54	6	1		164
Eastern Bluebird	1			5				4	9
Veery	1	7		2	1	6	9		25
Gray-cheeked Thrush	1	5				1	10	1	17
Swainson's Thrush	1	19				10	30	8	67
Hermit Thrush	1	8	31	11	1				51
Wood Thrush	1	6				2			8
American Robin	1	17	3	27	23	9	2		81
Gray Catbird	1	76		6	4	4	10	2	102
Brown Thrasher	1			1					1
European Starling	1			5			3	1	9
House Finch	1		1						1
American Goldfinch	1	1		5	2				8
Eastern Towhee	1	1	1						2
American Tree Sparrow	1	18							18
Chipping Sparrow	1			1	2		1		4
Field Sparrow	1	1	1	1	2				5
Savannah Sparrow	1			1					1
Fox Sparrow	1	2							2
Song Sparrow	1	24							24
Lincoln's Sparrow	1	4		1		5			10
Swamp Sparrow	1	72		9					81
White-throated Sparrow	1	77	29	71	11	3			191
White-crowned Sparrow	1			2		1			3
Slate-colored Junco	1	6	3	1					10
Orchard Oriole	1							1	1
Baltimore Oriole	1	5		4	3	7	9	11	39
Brown-headed Cowbird	1	10	2	4	2	1	4	2	25
Red-winged Blackbird	1	13	9	37	58	38	17	1	173
Rusty Blackbird	1	4							4
Common Grackle	1		10	7	22	6	12	1	58
Ovenbird	1	14		1		3	6	6	30
Northern Waterthrush	1	24		3		2	1		30
Golden-winged Warbler	1			2		1			3
Blue-winged Warbler	1	1		1		1			4
BWWA X GWWA hybrid	*				1				1
Black-and-white Warbler	1	5		6	1	2			16
Tennessee Warbler	1	11				1	1		13
Orange-crowned Warbler	1	2		1		1			4
Nashville Warbler	1	7		9	6	3		1	26
Connecticut Warbler	1	1					2	1	4
Mourning Warbler	1	2					10	10	22
Common Yellowthroat	1	33	1	2	1	5	12	11	65
Hooded Warbler	1			1					1
American Redstart	1	40				10	56	3	109
Cape May Warbler	1	1				4	1		6
Northern Parula	1								3
Magnolia Warbler	1	36				35	65	8	144
Bay-breasted Warbler	1	2				7	5		14
Blackburnian Warbler	1				1	2	3		6
Yellow Warbler	1	14		15	4	9	14	7	63
Chestnut-sided warbler	1	7				3	10		20
Blackpoll Warbler	1						1		1
Black-throated Blue Warbler	1	3		2	4	7	7		23
Palm Warbler	1	1	2	33	3	5			44
Yellow-rumped Warbler (Myrtle)	1			34	1	4			39
Black-throated Green Warbler	1	1		1	2	4	5		13
Canada Warbler	1	6					43	1	50
Wilson's Warbler	1	5				2	20	5	32
Northern Cardinal	1	21	7	1	3		2	3	37
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1	1							1
Indigo Bunting	1	2		1		1	16	9	29
Species	Date								
Total species	100	71	25	53	35	46	49	33	100
Total Individuals		721	170	407	265	259	569	185	2576
		Springville	KI	MBI	SBI	SBI	KI	KI	Total
Banding Days		10	5	6	4	3	6	7	41
Recaptures		155	31	50	24	42	43	43	388
Escapes/Releases		5	2	6	2	3	3	2	23
Casualties		3	0	0	1	1	0	3	8
Total birds handled		884	203	463	292	305	615	238	3000
Nets									
Net hours		725.5	547	484.25	320.25	187	561.5	662.25	3487.75
Birds banded per net hours		0.82	0.31	0.84	0.83	1.39	1.01	0.36	0.86
% casualties per handled bird		0.34	0.00	0.00	0.34	0.33	0.00	1.26	0.17
Participants		162	85	81	125	84	187	117	841

Island Wide Garage Sale Big Success! By Lisa Brohl

Thank you John and Paula Ladd, Stacey Clink, Gay Pippert Ladd, and Russ Brohl for hosting, setting up and selling at the Island wide Garage Sale yesterday! We did wonderful selling over \$100 in tshirts and native plants and almost \$700 in rummage!! Thanks to all who donated (Kelly and Marty Faris, Susan Byrnes, Julene Market, John and Paula Ladd, Kristin Parrish, Sharon Gray, Lisa and Russ Brohl) and all who stopped to shop and donate!!!



Photos: Russ Brohl buys wagon; Gay Pippert Ladd helps sell rummage items; Stacey Clink and Paula Ladd helping at Conservancy sale



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Middle Bass Island Music Festival *By Lisa Brohl*

Middle Bass Island State Park and Lonz Winery Patio and Pavilion will be rockin' and a rolling, pickin' and a grinnin' and generally a fun place to be on July 13, 2019 when the Middle Bass Music Festival rolls into town.

www.mbmusicfest.com It's going to be a great time with live music, food trucks, beer, wine, ice cream and all your neighbors hanging out enjoying some middle bass island charm.

- ◆ The Middle Bass Music Fest is brought to you by The Middle Bass Dock Company, The Middle Bass State Park & Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Lake Erie Shores and Islands, Ohio Arts Council and your Lake Erie Islands Conservancy www.lakeerieislandsconservancy.org We need volunteers to help serve beer, sell tee shirts and tickets, set up, clean up and generally pitch in for a good time and a good cause.

- ◆ Please get in touch with Nancy Welter at 419-341-5806 or nkw2329@yahoo.com and volunteer an hour of your time to help us with the festival. Or we still have tables available for local artists to sell their creations- give her a call or drop her an e-mail

- ◆ Headlining this year's show will be Mo Mojo. Mo' Mojo is a hard driving, high energy, Zydeco-based "Party-Gras" Band. The female fronted group features three-part harmonies, accordion, fiddle, guitar, rubboard, sax, trumpet, harp, bass, percussion, and drums.

- ◆ We are also lucky to have Hillbilly Idol on the bill. One of northern Ohio's most celebrated and well known Swing, Blue Grass and Country Bands with plenty of reverence and homage to the greats of American roots music.

- ◆ Rounding out the entertainment include The North Coast Goats a lively group of NE Ohio musicians including Middle Bass island summer

resident Bruce Miles. "The Goats" as they are often called play a variety of rock and roll, rhythm and blues.

www.thenorhtcoastgoats.com

- ◆ The Riley Brothers Band from Toledo Ohio featuring the brothers Riley will be singing and playing their hearts out for America's Veterans. Affiliated with the group Guitars 4 Vets The Riley Brothers will be on hand to introduce vets to the idea of learning to play guitar in an effort to cope with PTSD. www.guitars4vets.com

- ◆ Make sure you come hungry because we are going to have some amazing food trucks. Jimmy G's BBQ and Rosie's Rolling Chef will be filling our belly's with some great ethic food and wonderful BBQ.

- ◆ Coming back again for 2019 will be Catawba Island Brewery and Heineman's Winery providing wonderful locally inspired drinks. Heineman's Winery is Ohio's oldest family owned winery in operation since 1888. Catawba Island Brewery is operated by Mike.

- ◆ Family games will be going on near the stage. Take home a souvenir t-shirt or local artist's wares that will be for sale. Make an overnight of it and take a walk on the nearby Middle Bass State Park Nature Trail nature trail or explore Middle Bass shores by kayak on the Lake Erie Islands Water Trail from the State Park www.shoresandislands.com. Last year's festival proceeds purchased two bridges to be installed at the Middle Bass Island Forested Wetland Preserve trail on Fox Rd., a great place for birding and nature exploration.

- ◆ You can get to Middle Bass from Catawba Island via the Miller Ferry. www.millerferry.com

- ◆ There will be a boat leaving the Miller Dock at Catawba and 10:15 and 12:15 on Saturday July 13, 2019.

- ◆ You can return to Catawba via Miller Ferry on a boat that leaves Middle Bass at 5:15 PM or you can ride the Sonny S to Put in Bay and get back to Catawba from Miller Lime Kiln dock up until 9:00 PM on Saturday night www.middlebassferry.net

Make a day of it, cross the water and come see what it's all about. The Lonz Museum will be open for visitors that day.



Middle Bass Music Fest Artist Space Available July 13 12:00-7:00 pm

Each artist can expect one 8' foot table and 2 chairs per spot. Please Artists can choose which spot they prefer on a first come first served basis. We will provide artists pavilion space per individual, up to an eight space limit. Should spaces be filled and there would be artist interest beyond the eight space limit, it is incumbent upon the artist to provide their own shelter, table, and chairs which will be configured adjacent to the visual artist area of the pavilion.

Electricity is available for use to be connected from outlets on some of the posts in the pavilion. Artists are to provide their own extension cord lines for connecting to outlets. Artists can setup their displays starting at 9.00 am on the day of the Music Festival.

Upon agreement, payment of \$25.00 as check shall be made to: Lake Erie Islands Conservancy, P. O. Box 461, Put-in-Bay, Ohio 43456. (Please reference MBI Music Fest Artist Space on memo line). A confirmation email will be sent to follow up. Please contact Nancy Welter (419-341-5806 or nkw2329@yahoo.com with any questions.



Photos: Great Horned Owl nest at Massie Cliffside Preserve by Sandy Funtal; Red Admiral's were plentiful this spring at preserves; Wild Hyacinth blooming at the Ladd Carr Wildlife Woods

Native Plant and Tree Sale Thanks *By Lisa Brohl*

We wish to thank all who helped us with our Native Plant and Tree Sale this spring-Gale Martin at Natives in Harmony, Ed Kapraly from Riverside Native Trees, and Daniel Struve from QRST who supplied our plants and trees. Thanks also to Ken and Cameron Farber for delivering the trees and to Dean Sheldon who donated 10 bur oak trees that were planted at the Middle Bass Island Forested Wetland Preserve. We still have some buttonbush reared from Kelleys Islands stock as

well as some common and whorled milkweed and hairy beardstongue reared from Massie Cliffside Preserve for sale-check out our table at Founder's Day as well as at the Artisan Fair. Look for some eastern red cedar trees started on South Bass by Sheri, Kris and Kathy Kowalski for sale this fall.

Special thanks to those who purchase and grow these native plants for our island wildlife!



Photo: Bridget Wise purchasing plants at our Island Wide Garage Sale; Ken and Cameron Farber delivering trees; Ken bringing one more tree!

LEIC and PIBTPD Wish List

Longer days and warmer temps are sure signs that Summer is almost here! That also means there is much to be done on the Islands while it visits! Let us know if you can help us out with any of these items at leiconservancy@gmail.com or 419-366-2087. Or you may have skills you wish to contribute—please call!

- New members! Check us out at www.lakeerieislandsconservancy.org!
- Larger Office Space, Assistance sorting, organizing office.
- Volunteers Always Needed-spread mulch on trails, removed downed trees and pick up litter-garlic mustard pulling in spring-all preserves.
- Website and Social Media Assistance
- Adobe Editing programs
- Recycled Copying Paper, Ink for Printers (Brother LC y1, HP 970XL, HP 971XL-must not be generic)
- Golf Cart for Summer Transport of tools, personnel.
- Assistance with trail layout, construction, parking, mulching and signage with extension of the trail or boardwalk at the Middle Bass Island Forested Wetland Preserve
- Bird Banding Supplies: Conduit, 12-3/4" x 10', 24 1/2" x 10', 5 3/8" rebar 10', 36 9" metal and plastic tent stakes, 4 lb hammer

Help Needed for Prothonotary Warbler Monitoring *By Lisa Brohl*



Nancy Welter, Lucy Schneider, Paula Ziebarth monitoring the prothonotary warbler nest boxes installed by Eagle Scout Ethan Hart at the Lawrence Evans parcel and at the Middle Bass Island Forested Wetland Preserve.

We need someone to monitor these nest boxes. Please call Lisa Brohl at 419-366-2087 if you are interested.

Support LEIC through Amazon Smile!



The Lake Erie Islands Conservancy website sports an ad for the Amazon Smile website. Shopping here will send donations to the LEIC account. Click the box to go directly to the Amazon Smile website! Thanks to those of you who have been shopping with Smile!

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Tree Commission Celebrates 11th Arbor Day in 2019 *By Kelly Faris*



Photo: Ken Farber and Cameron Farber, Mary Miller, Peter Huston, Kelly Faris, Barb Hunter, Kendra Koehler, Lisa Brohl Photo by Marty Faris



On Friday, April 26, the Village of Put-in-Bay celebrated its 11th Arbor Day. Ten people participated in the planting of two trees: a Hoptree and an American Shadbush.

The trees were planted at the Arbor Day site off Langram Avenue, near the Put-in-Bay Post Office. Funding for the annual event is provided by the Council of the Village of Put-in-Bay.

In the eleven years since its creation by the Village of Put-in-Bay, the Tree Commission has been instrumental in planting more than thirty trees in various locations in the Village.

Julius Morton held the first Arbor Day in the United States in Nebraska in 1872, and the Arbor Day celebration continues to grow not only in the United States but also around the world. Today, Arbor Day is celebrated in over 50 countries of the world, from Brazil to Korea, from China to Venezuela.

The Arbor Day Foundation is a million member nonprofit conservation and education

organization whose mission is to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees.

Members of the Village of Put-in-Bay Tree Commission are Lisa Brohl, Kelly Faris, and Kendra Koehler.

At the Arbor Day Celebration, the new Trees of Put-in-Bay pamphlet was distributed. The pamphlet is a collaborated effort between Put-in-Bay Township Park District and the Village of Put-in-Bay Tree Commission.

Refreshments were served after the tree plantings.

(TRAIL CHALLENGE Continued from page 1)

Welcome to the Put-in-Bay Township Park District's

Trail Challenge! This passport will serve as your guide to completing all of the recreational trails that our Park District has to offer.

Visit the preserves listed on the following pages and stop by the guest book box after you have completed each trail. Within each box will be a unique stamp for each of the preserves. Stamp

your passport on the page for that particular preserve to show your completion.

After you have completed all five (5) stops and gathered all five (5) stamps, bring your completed passport to the Freshwater Remedies local shoppe located at 1331 Langram Road, Put-in-Bay, Ohio 43456. To reward your progress, you may redeem your passport for a free organic item! Two (2) bonus trails are included if you wish to further explore.

The trail challenge may be completed at your leisure.

Take time to enjoy the land the Park District has set aside to protect and preserve the unique areas that sustain the heritage of the Lake Erie Islands.

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5th Middle Bass Island Poker Kayak Day!



Sat., August 3, 2019

12 p.m.– 4 p.m.

(after MBI 5K Run)

To BENEFIT signage for the MBI preserves!

(part of Put-in-Bay Township Park District)

To HIGHLIGHT the coastal MBI preserves and the MBI State Park!

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Start no later than 1:00 P.M., depending upon your kayaking leisureliness! (Well, there IS a finish time limit.)

- ♦ Start: MBI State Park Campground (W side of MBI State Park) – Sign In. Get 1st poker card.
- ♦ Stop #2: MBI State Park shore (E side of MBI State Park) by MBIYC – Get 2nd poker card + banana.
- ♦ Stop #3: MBI East Point Preserve (S side of East Point) – Get 3rd poker card + granola bar.
- ♦ Stop #4: MBI Swamp Cove at Keuhnle Wildlife Area – Get 4th poker card + sport drink for the long haul.
- ♦ Stop #5: MBI State Park Campground – again! Get 5th poker card + hot dog, chips, bottle of water.
- ♦ (Direction and sequence of stops subject to change due to lake and weather conditions.)
- ♦ Feel free to get out and walk around at any of the stops!

Because of people's different schedules and kayaking abilities, one need not be present to win! (We'll tell you!)

- ♦ 1st prize: Round trip ferry boat tickets for 2 adults and 1 vehicle (for PIB or MBI)
- ♦ 2nd prize: Gift card to Middle Bass General Store
- ♦ 3rd prize: Steaks from Costco

1. Mark your calendar.
2. Fill out registration form. (you will get map and kayak # at start)
3. Sign "Waiver and Liability Release" form.
4. Mail or hand registration form + signed release + check/money order payable to: "Put-in-Bay Township Park District" to:

Tina M Larson

**1245 North Shore Drive
Middle Bass Island, Ohio 43446**

Questions? Email: tmlarson@umich.edu
(Sorry OSU & MSU fans...)

Cost is \$20 if pre-registering and \$25 on-site day of the event – BUT YOU CAN DONATE MORE TO BENEFIT THE PRESERVES!!

In case you're feeling generous to fund whole or in part: consider a large entrance sign \$1500; 17"x22" interpretive trail sign \$200; (donor name/s on signs included); recycled plastic bench including name/s info inscription & installation \$2000.

For registration forms, go to <http://bit.ly/MBI-Poker-Kayak-Day-2019>, stop at the Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center or at the Middle Bass Island State Park or e-mail at tlarson@umich.edu or leiconservancy@gmail.com.

Time of Apollo Program

By Lisa Brohl



Photo: Gene Zajac sharing about the Time of Apollo

A few hardy islanders came to the Put-in-Bay Town Hall March 14 to hear Gene Zajac talk about the Time of Apollo. As we are nearing the 50th anniversary of the moon landing, it was a topic we all had lived through and wanted to hear about. Thanks Gene for always giving such wonderful, thoughtful programs!

Trees of Put-in-Bay

By Lisa Brohl



Trees of Put-in-Bay



The Village of Put-in-Bay Tree Commission recently published a brochure titled "Trees of Put-in-Bay" It is available at the Village of Tree Planting site near the Put-in-Bay Post Office or by contacting a member of the Tree Commission—Kelly Faris, Lisa Brohl, or Kendra Koehler. Contact Kelly at 419-285-4772



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Bat Conservation Research Program Visit to South Bass *By Lisa Brohl*

The Lake Erie Islands Conservancy hosted a program on Ohio Bat Conservation given by Sarah Stankavich of the Ohio Division of Wildlife, Heidi Bencin and Austin Waag, research technicians with Ohio University on Friday, March 8, 2019 at the Put-in-Bay Town Hall. While on the island, the team took a look at some of our caves and other habitats for hibernating bats that weekend. Although no bats were discovered, we learned about the citizen science effort headed up by Sarah at the Ohio Division of Wildlife. Please report any populations of bats you may see using the materials on the website www.ohiodnr.gov//gobatty.

Bats have been recorded in buildings as well as caves on the island. If you have a bat box, building or cave that bats are using and can

help monitor, please do. Bats are an important part of the ecosystem as the main predator of night-flying insects in Ohio. Unfortunately, some bat species have drastically declined over the last few years due to the cumulative effects of habitat loss, wind energy development, and white-nose syndrome. During the summer, bats can potentially be found roosting in trees, barns, attics, caves, or bat houses, but many of these locations are unknown. Bats that roost in structures in Ohio tend to be either little brown bats or big brown bats. Little brown bats were once thought to be the most common species in Ohio, but their numbers have recently declined by as much as 99% according to winter hibernacula counts.

The purpose of the roost monitoring project is to identify locations of bat maternity colonies

(groups of female bats and their young) and determine the approximate size of these roosting populations. By tracking the difference in colony size across the season and across several years, we can start to understand where bats are living and how their populations are changing in our area.

Big-brown and little brown bats have been recorded during the breeding season on the islands and red bats have been found during migration. Tom Bartlett has caught two in mist nets while banding birds on Middle Bass Island. There was a recent record for the state listed long-eared bat on the islands.

Lets all keep our eyes open and report!

Thanks to all the cave owners who allowed access!



Photos: Austin Waag, Heidi Bencin, Sarah S., Erin Hazelton; Perrys Cave Group 1 (Photo by Dawn Schill); Mammoth Cave with Dustin Heineman; Erin Hazelton Cedar Woods; Ed Heineman with Team in Crystal Cave; Barnhill Wine Cellar; Austin Waag in Parker's Cave; Paradise Cave; Al Duff

AmeriCorps Intern Preserve Programs with Emma Young

The Lake Erie Islands Conservancy, Lake Erie Islands Nature and Wildlife Center, and Put-in-Bay Township Park District are pleased to announce that Emma Young will be our AmeriCorps intern for 2019. Emma will spend 30 hours/week with our island projects starting June 3. Emma will be here for 10 weeks and we are grateful to John and Paula Ladd, Padraic Ladd, Julene Market, Bruce Miles, Dave and Barb Nostrant, Tim and Jane O'Brien, Fran Poe, and Janice Williams for funding the

position and to the Jet Express for assistance with transportation. For Program listings, see below.



Summer fun at the Preserves—Family Approved!

Nature Scavenger Hunt Friday, June 28 with AmeriCorps Intern Emma Young

Join AmeriCorps Intern Emma Young at the Massie Cliffside Preserve on Friday, June 28 at 11:00 am for a Nature Scavenger Hunting adventure.

Shoreline Clean Up Saturday, July 6 with AmeriCorps Intern Emma Young

Join AmeriCorps Intern Emma Young at the Scheeff East Point Preserve at 11:00 am for some shoreline cleanup.

Purple Martin Banding with Paula Ziebarth and Green Creek Conservation Society, Saturday, July 6

Meet Tom Kashmir and Lisa Rock of the Green Creek Conservation Society and Paula Ziebarth of the Lake Erie Islands Conservancy at the Scheeff East Point Preserve on July 6 at 9:00 am for Purple Martin

Banding and nest changes. What a great opportunity to come watch and see the birds up close! Afterwards, make sure to join Emma Young at 11:00 am for her Shoreline Cleanup event!

Lake Erie Islands Water Trail State Designation Dedication, Tuesday, August 6

Join us for the Lake Erie Islands Water Trail State Designation Dedication. What an exciting event! Join us on Tuesday, August 6, 2019

10:30am at South Bass Island State Park.



Photos: Barb Mitchell, Sue Bixler, Missi Kowalski, Julene Market, Sarah Lowe, Caleb and Cody Kowalski and Kristin Stanford (not pictured) -photo by Lisa Brohl; Marisa Rence picking garlic mustard at Jane's Trail

Earth Day Celebration on the Islands Celebrates Volunteers *By Lisa Brohl*

The Lake Erie Islands Conservancy celebrated Earth Day on Monday, April 22 with a beach cleanup at the Scheeff East point preserve and the garlic mustard pull at the Jane Coates wildflower Trail thanks to participants Lisa Brohl, Conservancy, Sue Bixler and Kristin Stanford from Ohio State University Stone Lab and Sara Lowe from the National

Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Marine Debris Program, Julene Market, Melissa, Cody and Caleb Kowalski and Barb Mitchell and special thanks to Marissa Rence for her help at Jane's Trail.

A Special THANKS...



Paula Ziebarth and AmeriCorps intern Emma Young monitor the purple martin gourds at the Scheeff East Point Preserve.



Thanks to Chris Helman and Jennifer Spencer for their help in clearing the trails of fallen trees after the winter at the Middle Bass Island East Point Preserve! We appreciate all of their help in keeping our trails open and maintained at the preserve.



Dustin Heineman donates water for Earth Day Cleanup and other programs. Thanks Dustin!



New visitor logs/surveys going up at our preserves thanks to Kristin Parrish and our Put-in-Bay Township Park District.

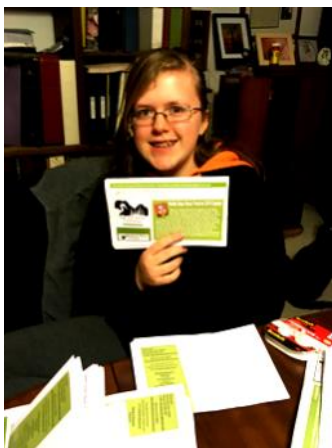
Thanks Cameron and Ken Farber, Teddi Morris, Russ Brohl, and Richard Gump for help in getting them up!



Burns Pierce removes overhanging trees at Jane Coates Wildlife Trail and again at Massie Cliffside Preserve. Thanks for all of the hard work Burns!

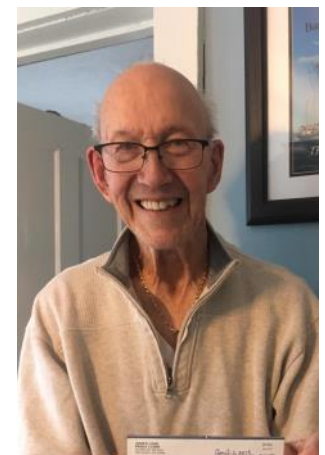


Ken Farber replaced one of the Purple Martin house at South Bass Island Lighthouse. Thanks Ken!



Melody Many and Macy and Nora Ladd all helped fold and mail Spring Newsletters. Thanks ladies!

Joe Byrnes clearing Massie Preserve Trail and removing downed limbs at Scheeff earlier this Spring. Thanks again Joe!



John Ladd with a check for our AmeriCorps intern. Thanks so much John and Paula!

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*CORRECTION: Bob Krause donated to the LEIC Land Protection Fund and as a contributor for 2019. We wish to apologize for the misspelling of his last name.



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Cecropia Moth by Lisa Brohl

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Station, the KI State Park, the Schaedler Museum, and to all the presenters that made the day and a half very interesting and enjoyable.

Links:

Kelleys Island Field Station: <https://www.facebook.com/Kelleys-Island-Field-Station-1015382558483496/>

Glacial Grooves Geological Preserve: <https://www.ohiohistory.org/visit/museum-and-site-locator/glacial-grooves>

Kelleys Island State Park: <http://parks.ohiodnr.gov/kelleysisland#overview>

Great Lakes Island Alliance: <https://www.northland.edu/sustainability/crc/great-lakes-islands/>

Schaedler Winery Museum: <http://www.kihpc.org/>

Kelleys Island Historical Association: <https://www.kelleysislandhistorical.org/>

Ed Currilla Preserve: <https://www.wrlandconservancy.org/articles/2018/08/13/edcurillapreserve/>

Charles Herndon Gallery: <http://www.charlesherndon.com/artist.html>

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Can Access to Green Space Affect Child Development Blog Article Link

LEIC has received permission from www.PsychCentral.com to share their link to the blog article "Can Access to Green Space Affect Child Development" by [Janet Singer](#). It is a wonderful article about the connection discovered between child development and access to

public (or private) green spaces in communities. You can find the article at <https://psychcentral.com/blog/can-access-to-green-space-affect-child-development/>. Thank you to PsychCentral for allowing us to share this great blog article!



IN MEMORIAM

Barb and Mark Barnhill



Photos: L-Mark and Barb Barnhill at the Vineyard—Courtesy of Terri Geiger Woesner; R-The Barnhill Family—Courtesy of Barnhill family

Barb and Mark Barnhill, owners of the Vineyard Bed and Breakfast, both passed away this spring. We are forever indebted to the Barnhill's for their support of our bird banding efforts on South Bass Island. They have hosted our bird banders since 2003 by allowing the use of their beautiful woods and fields for the banding effort and housing the banding crew. The data we have been able to accumulate from these banding efforts has allowed us to be successful in subsequent grant applications to protect island lands.

The Barnhill's were also very helpful with the protection of the Scheeff East Point Preserve, even hosting a reception at the Gazebo following the dedication of that preserve. We will miss their constant support and encouragement.

Recycling Recycling!!! By Lisa Brohl



It is very important to take advantage of recycling programs with limited disposal space! It is best to buy without excessive packaging but if you need to recycle we are lucky to have local programs. Here on South Bass and Middle Bass Island we have a recycling center that accepts # 1 and #2 plastic containers, aluminum cans, metals cans, office, paper, cardboard, newspaper, and glass. At Catawba

Township Recycling Center, they also take #4, 5, and 5 plastics. Check the Put-in-Bay Township website and Put-in-Bay Gazette for seasonal hours.

The Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca Joint Solid Waste Management District also sponsors special collections for hard to dispose of items at the county fairgrounds for each respective county. The collection dates are as follows and are from 9:00am-12:00 pm each date. Call the District at 419-334-7222 or 1-888-850-7222 for more details or visit their website www.recycleoss.org.

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