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Regular visitors to our region may know us as Lake Erie Shores & Islands, and while our destination name may have changed, the abundance of family fun and outdoor recreational opportunities remains. In fact, as we move through 2022, visitors will have an even greater number of options to choose from in where to "Stay and Play"!

The iconic Sawmill Creek Resort in Huron, acquired by Cedar Point in 2020, will open this year with a full renovation of guest rooms, eclectic dining options, golf course upgrades, new outdoor amenities, and an enhanced convention and meeting space experience. Cedar Point will also be reopening Castaway Bay, their Caribbean-themed waterpark resort, which also has newly-renovated guest rooms and suites along with a 38,000-square-foot indoor waterpark loaded with water activities for all ages.

Castaway Bay is just one of the properties that contributes to our reputation as Ohio's Waterpark Capital<sup>™</sup>. Guests can also choose Kalahari Resorts & Conventions, Great Wolf Lodge, or during the warmer months, several outdoor water parks including a very large natural one... Lake Erie. If you're an angler, make sure you plan a trip to the lake this year as the walleye fishing has never been better!

Several new events are coming to the region this year including the Ohio IRONMAN© half-triathlon this July in Sandusky. Our many indoor and outdoor sports venues will be busy with other types of events: baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse, volleyball, cheer and dance, e-sport competitions, and much more.

History lovers will want to be here this summer as the oldest continuously-operating lighthouse on the Great Lakes, Marblehead Lighthouse, celebrates its bicentennial with a summer-long series of events.

You'll find information on all these things and so much more in the pages of our Play & Stay Guide, as well as on our website SHORESandISLANDS.com. If you're looking to bring a group to the region for a meeting or other event, make sure to check out our group website: groups.SHORESandISLANDS.com.

Our travel counselors stand ready to assist in your trip planning either by phone, e-mail, live chat, or in-person at one of our two welcome centers. Contact information can be found in this guide.

On behalf of all of us at Shores & Islands Ohio, thank you for your interest in the area we call home. We look forward to welcoming you soon!

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Larry Fletcher President, Shores & Islands Ohio

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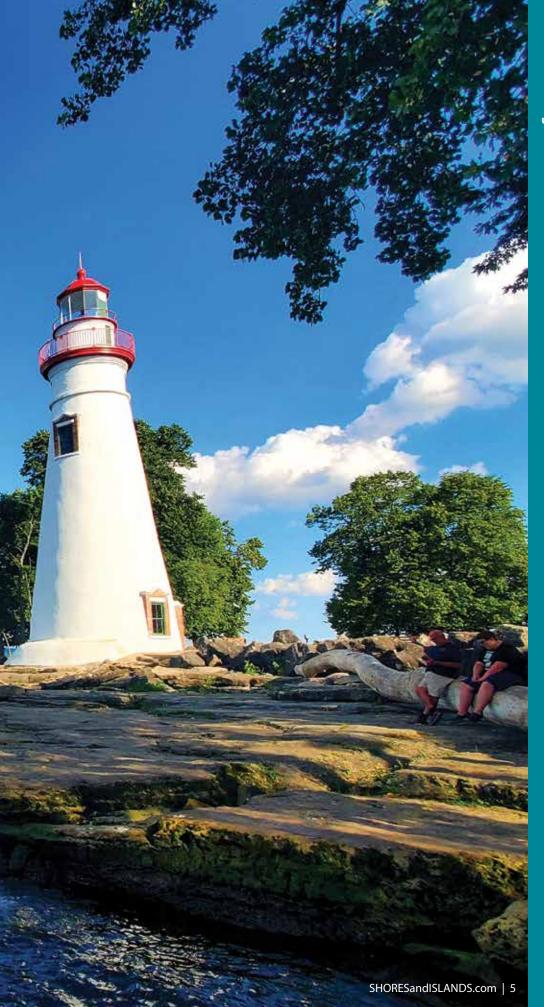
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#### 1822-2022

The iconic Marblehead Lighthouse, one of the most photographed Lake Erie landmarks, will turn 200 years old this year and the entire community is poised to celebrate this momentous occasion. The oldest continuously-operating lighthouse on the Great Lakes has been in operation on the Marblehead Peninsula since 1822, safely guiding boaters along its rocky shorelines.





Built of native limestone, the 50-foot tower was constructed by contractor William Kelly as a navigational aid marking the entrance to Sandusky Bay. The base of the tower is 25 feet in diameter, with walls 5 feet thick, narrowing to 12 feet in diameter at the top with 2-foot-thick walls. The original keepers of the lighthouse had to nightly light 13 whale oil lamps, that used metal reflectors to project light across Lake Erie. The oil lamps needed to be refueled every four hours, consuming more



than 11 gallons of oil per night. The keeper was also responsible for keeping a log of passing ships, noting weather conditions, and organizing rescue efforts when needed.

Throughout history, 15 individuals, two of whom were women, were charged with

this very important duty until the U.S. Coast Guard assumed responsibility in 1946 and the beacon became fully automated in 1958. This summer, these lighthouse keepers will be honored with life-sized silhouettes placed throughout the Village of Marblehead, sponsored by local organizations and businesses, with text telling the story of each. A possible scavenger hunt contest tied to this project is also in the planning stages for summer 2022.

> Just three miles down the road from the lighthouse sits the Wolcott Keeper's House, also built by William Kelly out of native limestone. This home was the private residence of the first three lighthouse keepers. As the lighthouse celebrates its 200th anniversary, the Keeper's House will highlight those first keepers of the light, Benajah Wolcott, Rachel Wolcott (the first female lighthouse keeper on the Great Lakes), and Jeremiah Van Benschoten. Learn more about their legacies by visiting the Wolcott Keeper's House, which is open for docent-led tours of the house during the summer menths and operated by

the summer months and operated by the Ottawa County Historical Society. Built in the early 1800s, it is a rare example of an original frontier-style stone home. The Ottawa County Historical Society holds many special events throughout the season as well – visit ottawacountyhistory.org for hours of operation and event information. The Marblehead Lighthouse is now operated by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and its grounds are a state park. The Marblehead Lighthouse Historical Society, and its nearly 70 volunteers, operate lighthouse tours as well as the on-site museum and gift shop and the replica Coast Guard lifesaving station from Memorial Day to Labor Day. This group is planning a number of activities to commemorate the Bicentennial. Plans are still coming together, but currently three outdoor, picnic-style free concerts are scheduled on the lawn facing the lighthouse. Food trucks will be at the park for the concerts.

- June 18: Moonlight Serenaders, a big band group from Akron
- July 2: Firelands Symphony Orchestra
- August 6: Moonlight Serenaders return with a military-themed concert in honor of Coast Guard Week and National Lighthouse Day (August 7)

The group is also looking to hold smaller concerts as well as movies in the park which may be tied to the opportunity to "climb the light at night" for an additional fee. The



Marblehead Peninsula branch of the Ida Rupp Library will be hosting kid's activities and crafts all summer long, themed after lighthouses. There may also be a craft tent at the park for family activities during tour hours. A new exhibit at the park will feature a small limestone quarry that has long been hidden in a wooded area of the park. This area will be restored with graphic panels describing quarrying and its importance to the Marblehead Peninsula during the 1800s.

Picnicking, fishing, and sightseeing are encouraged on the grounds from dawn until dusk. In 2021 new restrooms were constructed and 65 additional paved parking spaces were added as a convenience for visitors. A new mural painting now welcomes visitors to the Village of Marblehead, in honor of the 200th anniversary. Painted by local artist and entrepreneur, Rose Lucas Haninger, the mural is on the Radar Park building which is visible when you enter the village on SR 163, across from the U.S. Post Office. Also, watch for new utility pole banners welcoming guests to the village and additional activities held throughout the season all around the peninsula. Information on Bicentennial events and on visiting the lighthouse can be found at marbleheadlighthouseohio.org.

> The Bicentennial celebration will culminate with the annual Lakeside-Marblehead Lighthouse Festival, held on October 8, 2022.

Be sure to visit this Lake Erie icon in 2022 and be a part of the celebration!





**Cedar Point** will debut new resorts, dining options, and fun – Winding down from its 150th anniversary celebration in 2020 and 2021, the Celebrate Spectacular Parade will return in 2022 as part of Cedar Point Nights, in between the returning Frontier Festival and HalloWeekends. Frontier Town will get a new chef-inspired signature restaurant and Cedar Point will be reimagining the Castaway Bay by Cedar Point Resorts indoor waterpark hotel and reintroducing Sawmill Creek by Cedar Point Resorts with a full renovation of guest rooms, eclectic dining options, golf course upgrades, outdoor amenities, and an enhanced convention and meeting space experience.

A new **Fairfield Inn & Suites** will open spring 2022 next to the Mad River Harley-Davidson store on US 250 in Sandusky. The multimillion-dollar investment will be five stories and include 99 new hotel rooms. The new hotel will offer guest amenities such as an indoor pool, fitness center, conference room, in-room guest entertainment, and a large breakfast area suitable for families. The existing Fairfield Inn on the corner of US 250 and Bogart Rd. will transition to Quality Inn Sandusky.

**Ironman 70.3 Ohio** will be held in Sandusky for the next three years beginning in the summer of 2022. On July 24 competitors will have an opportunity to qualify for the 2022 Ironman 70.3 World Championship in Utah. The popular triathlon will consist of a 1.2-mile swim in Sandusky Bay, a 56-mile bike ride through Erie County, and a 13.1-mile run along the Lake Erie shoreline, finishing in downtown Sandusky.



## What's *P* in '22

Coming in 2022, **Everwild Spirits** is a family-owned and operated craft bourbon distillery. Striving to represent the land and flavors of their native Ohio, the owners are seeking to reclaim an old family legacy dating back to the 1800s. With all ingredients sourced from local Ohio purveyors, Everwild Spirits promises to be an exciting addition to Sandusky and will include an outdoor patio!

**That Island Grind** – A new coffee shop has opened at the Press House of the former Lonz Winery on Middle Bass Island. The Island Grind serves up espresso, frappés, fresh breakfast sandwiches, charcuterie boards, and more.



A former local favorite, the Asian restaurant Nagoya, announced plans to return to Port Clinton spring 2022 with a new concept restaurant, **Nagoya Hibachi Express**. The new eatery will be located within the Harbor Light Landing complex on SR 53 and will feature many of the familiar foods and recipes, same quality sushi, same customer service, and more. The new restaurant will allow guests to pick up favorite Nagoya meals for quick carry-out.

A premier indoor golf simulator attraction, Coastal Swing, recently opened a second location in Sandusky. Play a round of golf at one of over 200 courses from Pebble Beach to St. Andrews without leaving Shores & Islands. Practice your swing, grab a beverage at the bar, watch the biggest sporting events in the lounge area, and more at Coastal Swing. The original facility is in Catawba, both locations are family-friendly and available for groups.





**Cosmic Rayz Atomic Emporium** – Coming late spring 2022 to downtown Port Clinton in the former Green's Pharmacy location, this store will carry nostalgic, novelty, hobby, retro items, and more, as well as carrying on the Green's tradition of bulk candy!

Need a professional, flexible workspace while visiting Shores & Islands? **Erie Shores CoWork** opened in 2021 and offers solutions for your business needs. Day passes are available, as well as longer-term passes and meeting space. **Venue 634** – Located on Columbus Avenue in Sandusky, this event center opened in January 2022. It is designed for locals and visitors alike to gather for rehearsal dinners, baby showers, corporate events, and more. The space promises charm and intimacy coupled with sophisticated, customizable packages for up to 80 guests, and is operated by Sweet Potato Catering.

Expanded Bike Trail – **The North Coast Inland Bike Trail** recently grew by an additional four miles, with an addition connecting Elmore to Genoa. The more than 100-mile path extends throughout northwest Ohio and is much loved by cyclists, runners, and walkers alike.



The Schedel Arboretum & Gardens introduced the **Blair Museum of Lithophanes** in 2021. The new art collection is the largest in the world consisting of some 2,300 pieces and is the only lithophane museum in the United States. Lithophanes are three-dimensional translucent porcelain plaques which when back-lit reveal detailed images.

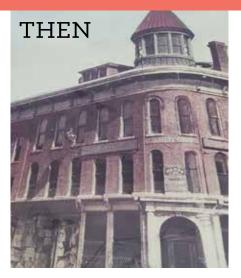
Cruise around Sandusky in style – New in the region, **Sandusky Pedego** is a locally-owned electric bike sales and rental store. Home to the "best electric bikes on earth," the company prides itself on premium quality and local service. Virtually anyone can find a ride to suit their needs from the complete line of 19 premium quality electric bike models. They also offer guided area tours via electric bike.

Local retail and entertainment staple,

**Sandusky Mall Complex**, recently welcomed a new brunch café, Another Broken Egg, at its main entrance. The national chain serves breakfast and lunch favorites along with brunch cocktails. The mall has also undergone major renovations over the last year, most notably a front-facing TJ Maxx store in the former Macy's space and the addition of Five Below and Hobby Lobby. More new stores are planned for 2022.

Bay View Boom – A popular eatery, **Bay Bell Restaurant**, and convenience store are undergoing a \$2 million renovation that will house both the store and the restaurant. Bay Bell will expand both its indoor and outdoor seating with a full bar and wrap-around deck. The store will primarily be bait and tackle, along with equipment and clothing.

**Hogrefe Building** Updates Downtown Sandusky Landscape – The former Cooke Building at the corner of Columbus and Market streets in Sandusky couldn't be saved, but the building's owners are rebuilding and recreating the structure's historical look. The new Hogrefe Building (named after the property's owners) will attach to The Marketplace Downtown and will be a mixed-use site for retail, office, and residential space. Totaling about 30,000 square-feet, the building should be complete by March 2022.





New Port Clinton Shopping Options – A number of new independent retailers have opened in Port Clinton over the past year, which make for a fantastic day of browsing, buying, and supporting local business. Along with the town's other great retailers, check out: Port Clinton Candy Company, Little Shop by the Lake, Island Sham Farmhouse, and Dreamation Creation Apothecary.

The former Kelleys Island Brewery, now **Kelleys Island Brewery presents Lake View Venue Rental**, offers premier wedding, party, and special event venue with an amazing view. Let the Lake View help you create lasting island memories of your events on Kelleys Island.

**Sandusky Food Hall** – A new food hall is coming to downtown Sandusky at the site of the former Cardinal Grocery. The \$2 million development is the latest in the area's resurgence and will include a public piazza and patio to provide space for public art, entertainment, and indoor/outdoor dining. The project will include a mix of food stalls, a bar, and café. Grand opening is planned for 2022.

**Baker on the Square** – Coming soon to the Milan Village Square is a delicious new bakery! Enjoy freshly-baked bread, cinnamon rolls, decadent pastries, baked donuts, rich cheesecakes, and more.

**New RV Resort** – Executives representing a nationwide RV company want to create its newest resort park on land in a rural portion of southern Perkins Township. The site operator is affiliated with RVC Outdoor, a national operator of outdoor destination properties in nine states. Based on preliminary drawings on file with Perkins Township, the community development department has advised that the project would include about 215 RV sites, an office, swimming pool/playground/pavilion area, cabins, and more. The total site area is approximately 42.6 acres. The proposed RV resort park would be located on the west side of US 250 just north of the Mobil Hy-Miler and opposite Kalahari Resorts & Conventions. The resort is slated to break ground in 2022 and open in 2023.



#### Pedego Sandusky – Electric Bikes

Want to explore Sandusky, Put-in-Bay, and Kelleys Island, but don't want to pedal for hours on end? Pedego Sandusky, located downtown, has got you covered! The bikes' different settings allow for every user to customize the level of electric assistance that best suits their needs and desired experience. Tired from a long day of exploring and don't want to pedal at all? The bike will do it for you! Or, if you're looking to slow down and control the speed, you can ride it as a regular bicycle. This new electric bike rental offers guided tours from friendly, knowledgeable locals providing an insider's look at the area that visitors and locals alike will love! Individual rentals are available, as well as options to purchase your own bike. You can even rent your Pedego electric bike in Sandusky and take it to the islands on the ferry! Best Ways to



There's so much to see in **Shores & Islands Ohio**, but so little time! If you're looking to take a load off your feet and adventure through the region with a faster and more efficient means of transportation, we've got you covered. Whether you are looking to tool around on a golf cart, or cruise around on an electric bike, we've compiled a list of some of the best ways to scoot around the Shores & Islands region.

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Happy cruising!

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Downtown Sandusky

#### **Scooter Ding Ding**

Explore the charming lake towns of Huron and Sandusky aboard these easily accessible scooters! All you need to rent this unique experience is the Scooter Ding Ding app on your mobile device. The app will then direct you to the nearest scooter at one of multiple rental locations throughout Huron and Sandusky, including Old Fish House, the Huron Boat Basin, Nickel Plate Beach, Dairy Queen, and Pied Piper Drive In, as well as locations in Sandusky. Check online for current rental locations. When you've finished exploring, all you have to do is return the scooter to one of the rental locations for the next adventurer to enjoy!

From golf carts to scooters, there's a great option for everyone to enjoy the area. And no matter what mode of transportation you select, you're sure to enjoy your time exploring **Shores & Islands Ohio**!

Downtown Put-in-Bay

#### Golf Carts

One of the best ways to get around the region, especially the islands, in a convenient and enjoyable manner is by golf cart, and there's no shortage of rental spots available! On Putin-Bay, rentals are available throughout the island at E's Put-in-Bay Golf Carts, Island Bike and Cart Rental, Erie Island Carts, AB Carts and Lodging, Boathouse Cart and Bike Rental, and more. Rental spots on Kelleys Island include Kelleys Island General Store Cart Rental, Portside Marina, Seaway Marina, The Casino, R Karts Rental, and Caddy Shack Rentals. Within Lakeside, rentals are available at Sypherd's Cycles & Rental Center.

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#### Bicycles

Another great way to explore is on a bicycle! There are multiple rental spots available throughout the region. On Kelleys Island, bikes are conveniently available at some of the aforementioned golf cart rental spots! Rent them at Caddy Shack, Portside Marina, and Missy Magoo's. Put-in-Bay offers Boathouse Bike Rentals and two locations of Island Bike Rentals at the Jet Express Dock and Miller Ferry Lime Kiln Dock. Lakeside has both bicycle and tandem bike rentals available at Sypherd's Cycles & Rental Center! In Sandusky, bike rentals can be found conveniently located downtown at Paddle & Climb or at Pedego Sandusky. Bicycle rentals are also available at East Harbor State Park in Marblehead, Lake Erie Adventure Company in Huron, and from Bicycle Bill's in Vermilion.



#### Get Social

Follow us! Our experts are all over social media to help you plan for, and get excited about, your Shores & Islands getaway.

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You can even reminisce about those amazing views you experienced right from your phone or computer by checking out our live HD webcams streaming 24 hours a day. You will see views of the Put-in-Bay Harbor, Huron Lighthouse, Lakeside Beach, and so much more at SHORESandISLANDS.com.



#### Visit Like a Local

Whether you are looking for trip inspiration, insider information, time and moneysaving offers, or you just want to spread some Lake Erie Love, Shores & Islands Ohio is here to help! We have resources to assist you with planning the perfect family vacation or reunion, friends weekend, group trip, or corporate retreat.



Your adventure

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#### Publications Lake Erie Restaurant & Entertainment Guide 419.798.1155

lakeerierestaurantandentertainmentguide.com A great source to help visitors plan a trip to Lake Erie and the islands. This guide has information, phone numbers, maps, entertainment schedules, coupons, and websites for area restaurants, attractions, entertainment, shopping, transportation, fishing, and lodging.

#### Lake Front Publications

P.O. Box K, Port Clinton 419.734.1280 lakeerievacations.com Travel information including maps, events, and feature stories. Visit the website and Facebook for maps, coupons, lodging information, and a current calendar of events. In addition, the *Leisure Living* magazine for baby boomers carries information for gracious living.

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Tiffany Frisch Group Account Manager Shores & Islands Ohio is a year round destination offering expansive convention and meeting space, and acres of outdoor event venues. Let our beautiful lakefront destination be the backdrop for your next event. Increase attendance by meeting in our family-friendly destination. Reach out to Tiffany Frisch today to talk about our expansive list of FREE services including our Conference Support Grant for up to \$4,000!

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## America's Sports & Family

Sailing on Sandusky Bay



Cedar Point Sports Center



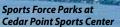


Chris Lewis Marketing and Sales Director

Every tournament becomes a vacation at **Shores & Islands Ohio**! All year round we welcome volleyball, basketball, wrestling, futsal, gymnastics, dance, cheer, and esports competitions, while our beautiful outdoor spaces draw seasonal sports like baseball, softball, lacrosse, soccer, football, and golf. Lake Erie and its tributaries offer a refreshing natural venue for fishing tournaments, sailing regattas, and other water sports. However, it's more than just great sports venues and attractions. It's the love of sports from the communities across the destination who are working together and eager to showcase all there is to offer in the Shores & Islands region. Find more about Grants, Sports Discount Card, Lodging Assistance, and Event Marketing by contacting Chris Lewis, Marketing and Sales Director, at **chris@shoresandislands.com**.

## Fun Capital®





**Fishing Tournaments** 

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## SPECIAL EVENTS

#### May 6-15 Biggest Week in American Birding Oak Harbor

419.898.4070 biggestweekinamericanbirding.com A 10-day festival, hosted by Black Swamp Bird Observatory, featuring some of the best spring birding North America has to offer. The festival features birding, photography, and art workshops, guided birding activities, field trips, keynote speakers, spotlight presentations, evening socials, and more.

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#### May 7

#### Cedar Point's Opening Day Sandusky

419.627.2350 cedarpoint.com

Get ready for another summer of thrills, entertainment, fantastic foods, special events, and the famous Cedar Point Beach during the 2022 season! Make plans now to stay overnight at one of the on-site hotels or purchase your 2022 Gold Pass or single-day tickets. Life needs more Cedar Point, you need more Cedar Point! See you May 7!

#### May 10 Blessing of the Fleet

Put-in-Bay 419.285.2832 visitputinbay.com The annual blessing of boats and aircraft servicing the Bass Islands will be held at 11 am off Fox's Dock, adjacent to the Jet Express Dock downtown. Local clergy will bless the vessels, a centuries-old tradition in ports worldwide.

#### May 26-30

Walleye Festival Port Clinton 419.734.5503 portclintonchamber.com The 41st Annual Main Street Port Clinton Walleye Festival gets underway Memorial Day weekend 2022 at picturesque Waterworks Park on the shores of beautiful Lake Erie in Port Clinton. An array of free live concerts, Kids Fishing Derby, Grande Parade, educational programs and activities, carnival rides, and many vendors from around the nation, help make this event one of Ohio's premier outdoor weekend celebrations. Never in short supply, delicious food and beverages will be enjoyed by all. This is the perfect summer kick-off!

#### May 27 - June 5 Ohio Bike Week

Sandusky 419.502.0022 ohiobikeweek.com Held in the Sandusky area. Live bands, food trucks, and plenty of merchants. Activities at Mad River Harley Davidson and Barrel House Saloon starting May 27.

#### June 5

#### Annual Kelleys Island 5K & 10K Run/Walk Kelleys Island 419.746.2360

kelleysislandchamber.com The Annual Kelleys Island 5K & 10K Run/Walk will be hosted by the Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce. Runners will enjoy a scenic route, especially along the lakefront, and will be provided numerous water stations.

#### June 11

Founder's Day Put-in-Bay 419.285.2832 visitputinbay.com Celebrate the founding of Put-in-Bay by José DeRivera. Many vendors, hot dogs, strawberry "shore-cake," root beer floats, and lots of fun in DeRivera Park from 11 am-4 pm.



#### **June 24-25 Sandusky Pride** Sandusky

Celebrate the 5th Annual Sandusky Pride festival in the birthplace of Marriage Equality. The festival will take place on the waterfront of downtown Sandusky with live entertainment including DJ Sami Jo, bands, drag queens, stilt walkers, and more. Sandusky's Pride Parade will take place on Saturday. For up-to-date events happening throughout Pride Month, please visit the Facebook page.

#### July 15-17 Celebrate KI Kelleys Island

Weekend-long celebration offers Ohio artisans, local crafters, food vendors, beer tent, and street dance parties. Saturday kicks off with an exciting parade in addition to afternoon live entertainment, games for children, and fireworks at dusk. Proceeds benefit Kelleys Island Emergency Services.



#### June 24-26 Pyrate Fest

Put-in-Bay 419.285.2832 visitputinbay.com

Put-in-Bay's Annual Pyrate Fest sees the return of the Pyrate King for 3 days to find his stolen treasure. Friday night the pyrates invade the downtown harbor and hoist the Pyrate Flags! The Annual Pyrate Bar Crawl will start at 5 pm for the adult pyrates only! Saturday will have fun activities for the entire family, including a kid's costume contest and an adult costume contest with a grand prize! Sunday is the annual Kid's Fest and the 4th Annual 5k Pyrate Run and Fun Walk benefiting Stein Hospice. Dress as a pyrate and join in the fun.

#### July 4

#### 4th of July Fireworks at Put-in-Bay

Put-in-Bay 419.285.2832 visitputinbay.com Put-in-Bay celebrates with fireworks and parades!

#### July 9

#### KI's Got Talent

Kelleys Island

This is a judged talent contest. Refreshments will be available. Free to audience members. An audition video is required to participate in the show and a registration fee will be charged to the acts that are chosen. Children's competition starts at 10 am and adult competition starts at 12:30 pm.

#### July 22-24 Kelleys Island Film Fest Kelleys Island

Film Fest weekend is now sponsored by Celebrate KI. Relax outdoors at the Ball Field, off Addison St., to watch popular box office movies, drive-in style, free of charge, in front of a large inflatable screen. The outdoor movies begin with an early movie at dusk and another late night to follow. If the weather affects the outside viewings, there will be showings at the Town Hall located downtown Kelleys Island on Division Street. Not only is the inflatable screen and sound system impressive, snacks and drinks will be for sale during all showtimes. Great selection of box office favorites.

#### July 24 IRONMAN 70.3 Ohio

Sandusky ironman.com/im703-ohio Athletes can expect an 1.2-mile swim in Sandusky Bay, a rolling 56-mile bike through scenic Erie County, and a 13.1-mile run along the shoreline of Lake Erie capping off with a thrilling finish in downtown Sandusky. IRONMAN 70.3 Ohio offers slots to the IRONMAN 70.3 World Championship.

#### Aug 6-13 Island Green Week

Put-in-Bay and Gibraltar, Kelleys, and Middle Bass islands 419.285.3037 facebook.com/islandgreenweek Take a deep breath and enjoy the natural beauty of these Ohio islands in Lake Erie. Activities include Poker Kayak Run, historic South Bass Island Lighthouse tours, pig roast

South Bass Island Lighthouse tours, pig roast and auction, stargazing cruise, Glacial Groove hike, and Lantern Tour of Hotel Victory Site. See website for full schedule of activities and times.

Aug 19-20 Big Splash Raffle Sandusky 419.624.0274 sanduskymaritime.org Friday night kicks off the fun with live music, food, beverages, side raffles, 50/50 drawings,

food, beverages, side raffles, 50/50 drawings; with prizes doubling if present. Saturday is the main event, featuring over a quarter of a million dollars in cash and prizes. Cars, trucks, motorcycles, and more. Food and beverages, huge 50/50 raffles, and side raffles for other great prizes continue all day Saturday. Proceeds support Maritime Museum of Sandusky.

#### Aug 24-25 Bash on the Bay

Put-in-Bay

bashonthebay.com

Bash on the Bay 5! A two-day country music festival on Wed, Aug 24: Brad Paisley, Jake Owen, Blanco Brown, Paulina Jayne, The Hubie Ashcraft Band. Thurs, Aug 25: Zac Brown Band, Chris Janson, Morgan Evans, David Graham & The Eskimo Brothers. Tickets on sale at etix.com.

#### Sept 10

Art in the Park Put-in-Bay 419.285.2832 visitputinbay.com Area and regional arts and craftspeople display and sell their original works in photography, watercolor, acrylic, pottery, glass, and many other mediums. Live demonstrations and a silent auction.

#### Sept 15-Oct 30 Cedar Point's HalloWeekends Sandusky

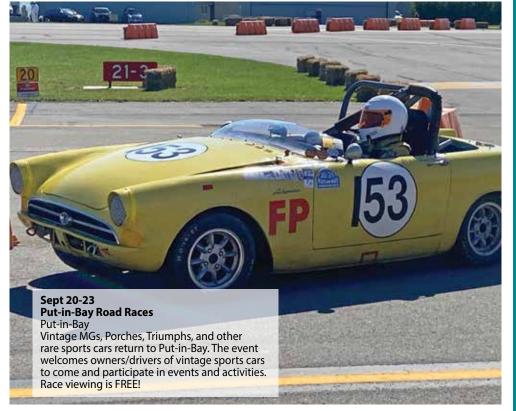
Sandusky 419.627.2350 cedarpoint.com Enjoy not-so-scary fall activities, your favorite rides and attractions, live entertainment, and more. Or service immersive mazes, spinetingling scare zones, thrilling shows, and more for the fright of your life at HAUNT. Visit cedarpoint.com for complete list of dates and hours of operation.

#### Sept 17

**Annual Put-in Bay Music Festival** Put-in-Bay 419.285.2832 visitputinbay.com Celebrate peace through music, great food, fun, and games at this family-friendly festival.







Oct 1 Island Wine Festival Put-in-Bay 419.285.2832

visitputinbay.com Join the party at the Put-in-Bay Winery at the Doller Estate. Admission is \$10 and includes a souvenir wine glass. Starter packs are available for \$30 and include admission, souvenir glass, and 10 sample tickets. Additional sample tickets will be available for purchase for \$2. Winery tours will be available and a silent auction will be held to benefit the Lake Erie Islands Historical Society.

Oct 8-9 Oktoberfest Put-in-Bay 419.285.2832 visitputinbay.com The Annual German Festival features German food, hot spiced wine, and cold beer. Oct 22

Halloween at the Bay Put-in-Bay 419.285.2832 visitputinbay.com It's a little spooky and a lot of fun! Local taverns decorate and people in costumes flood the downtown streets!



Additional events are listed here. Check back often, events are added throughout the year!

SHORESandISLANDS.com



#### How do I get to the

Lake Grie Islands?

So, you're heading out on a road trip and you are ready for some island time. At **Shores & Islands Ohio**, you can easily combine the two! Take your car to cruise scenic island drives, or you can road trip as far as the ferry landing or airport, and then continue your island journey via golf cart, bike, or on foot. There are many ways to explore these quaint and welcoming islands. We're breaking down all your transportation options for easy navigation. All you have to do is enjoy the journey!

#### Plot a Course to Put-in-Bay/South Bass Island

The most convenient way to get to and from Put-in-Bay is via ferry, with two companies offering service to South Bass Island.

**Miller Ferries** runs regular trips from its Catawba mainland dock for both vehicles and passengers, with a minimal shut-down usually from late-December through March. Miller Ferries can take your car, truck, camper, motorhome, boat trailer, and more. On most weekends, overnight lodging reservations on the island are required to bring your car, as island parking is at a premium. However, you do not need to bring your own vehicle to the island. Within walking distance of the dock are a variety of rental options for golf carts and bicycles. If you are a walk-on passenger, note that arrival is about two miles from downtown. The Lime Kiln Bus and several taxi companies are available upon arrival. Transportation time on Miller Ferries is about 20 minutes.

Jet Express offers seasonal, direct-to-downtown, passenger-only service. This high-speed catamaran operates two mainland ports - Port Clinton and Sandusky. Transportation time from Port Clinton is about 30 minutes. Jet Express offers comfortable, indoor seating as well as an open-air deck and is the only ferry to offer late-night service, with runs sometimes as late as midnight or later. The Sandusky boat also makes stops at Cedar Point and Kelleys Island, so the total excursion time is about 45 minutes.

Another option for reaching Put-in-Bay is via airplane. Flights are available via Griffing Flying Service and Island Air Taxi, LLC from the Erie-Ottawa International Airport (PCW). Planes carry up to 15 passengers along with freight. Smaller, private planes can land at Put-in-Bay Airport (3W2) during daylight hours only, as the runway is not illuminated. Call ahead to assure you can land, as the airport does close occasionally for special events.

Of course, private watercraft and boats of all sizes are welcome at a number of public and private marinas. It is always a good idea to call ahead and reserve a transient slip if you're planning to arrive via boat, as boating is a popular area activity. Put-in-Bay Harbor also offers mooring buoys, with water taxi service available to transport passengers to land. Buoys are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### **Cruising to Kelleys Island**

**Kelleys Island Ferry Boat Line** offers daily auto/vehicle and passenger ferry service from Marblehead. Transportation time from Marblehead to Kelleys Island is about 20 minutes. There is covered and outdoor seating for passengers. The Kelleys Island Ferry operates as lake conditions allow, with a minimal shut-down during the winter. The ferry arrives at Kelleys Island Seaway Marina, about a ½ mile walk from downtown. There are golf cart rentals available upon arrival and at several other locations in town.



**Jet Express** offers passenger-only service, direct to downtown. From the Sandusky port, the ride is approximately 25 minutes, sometimes with a stop at Cedar Point Marina. Therefore, guests at Cedar Point are also able to access both islands via the Jet Express. From the Port Clinton port, you can take the Jet to Put-in-Bay and then transfer boats to continue on to Kelleys Island, via the inter-island boat.

A number of private marinas are available for personal boats and reservations are recommended. Air service is available via Griffing Flying Service from Erie-Ottawa International Airport. Small, private planes can access the island via a small airstrip (89D) during daylight hours.

#### Having a Good Time Touring the Islands

**Goodtime I Lake Erie Island Cruises** offers an island-hopping tour, which stops at both Kelleys Island and Put-in-Bay, departing from downtown Sandusky. This is a great way to experience the islands with a quick visit to each. The narrated cruise features sightseeing along the mainland coast, including Cedar Point and the Marblehead Peninsula. Cruise time is one hour to Kelleys Island with an hour and a half port visit. Board the boat again for another hour cruise to Put-in-Bay, where you'll spend three and a half hours enjoying the island. Enjoy a leisurely two-hour boat ride back to port in Sandusky. The Goodtime I hosts a variety of other cruises as well, from family-friendly sunset cruises to adults-only party cruises, and more.



#### On the Move to Middle Bass Island

Passenger and auto service are available to Middle Bass Island from the mainland via the **Miller Ferries'** Catawba port. The scenic, 40-minute ferry ride is available several times a day during the summer months. The ferry is able to transport cars, with vehicle reservations required.

You can also ferry to Middle Bass Island from Put-in-Bay/South Bass Island via the **Sonny-S Boat Line**, which provides regularly-scheduled ferry service between The Boardwalk dock and Middle Bass Island.

Middle Bass Island State Park operates a 184-slip marina, available May-October, for day and overnight docking.

Via air, Griffing Flying Service offers flights from Erie-Ottawa International Airport and private craft can land at Middle Bass Island Airport (3T7).

#### Journeying to North Bass Island

North Bass Island is a bit more remote, but if you are renting North Bass Island State Park's Lake House, or partaking in available primitive camping, you'll need to arrange a flight through Griffing Air Service or private plane to North Bass Island Airport (3X5), or take a private boat. North Bass Island Marina provides transient dockage for boaters. Guests of the Lake House will be provided a slip at the marina as well as an ATV for use during their stay.

Make your summer road trip an exciting one with a visit to Ohio's islands! The hospitality and adventure are unmatched. Due to the ever-changing travel climate and weather-related lake water issues, it's always a good idea to call ahead or check the ferry's website to verify service on the day of your intended travel. You can also call the Shores & Islands Ohio welcome centers at 800.255.3743 (Sandusky) or 800.441.1271 (Port Clinton) for the latest updates.

## **[ike a [ocal: Captain Peg VanVleet** *Blue Sky Charters*

**S&IO:** Tell us about Blue Sky Charters. Why did you choose to start a sport fishing business?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** We are a sport fishing charter business in Port Clinton, fishing the Western Basin of Lake Erie. We fish for walleye and yellow perch. We use light tackle, and drift fish for walleye, and anchor-down fish for perch. Blue Sky has been in business since 2011. I chose to start a sportfishing business because I wanted to share my love of Lake Erie and fishing with others.

## **S&IO:** Tell us about your family and crew. Who all is involved in making your business a success?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** I have a "son from another mother" who is a Captain, two of his children, who are also Captains, and two other kids that I consider grandchildren: one is a Captain and the other is my first mate. My spouse is our IT and admin staff. Mark Perkins, my "son," runs the Charters on the weekends, and I run through the week.



#### S&IO: Tell us what it's like being a successful woman-owned business?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** Perhaps one of the greatest honors of my life was to be voted Captain of the Year in 2016 by the Lake Erie Charter Boat Association. There are 750 charter Captains in the state of Ohio, and there are only 15 female Captains registered in the state. In this "man's world," nothing says respect like the respect of your peers.

I'd always worked in a man's world and had learned that "respect is respect" regardless of gender. But what I learned being a woman in a man's game was that I bring a feminine angle to the table that was very attractive to families. I feel I'm always on the lookout for ways to teach kids more than just fishing. I'm able to catch the nuances of a kid's interest in say the navigation system, or the off-handed question, "how do fish have babies," or "how can you tell a mommy fish from a daddy fish?" I take those questions to heart and make it my business to be prepared. It's tough to out-think what a kid might ask!



#### S&IO: Why fish Lake Erie?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** Lake Erie is the Walleye Capital of the World! Plus, I've been coming to Lake Erie fishing since I was about 5 years old, which makes this my 65th year. So, Lake Erie is home for me as much as Dayton, Ohio. I tell everyone that I've got lake water in my veins.



#### **S&IO:** What is the name of your boat and where did the name come from? What kind of boat is it and how many passengers are you able to take on a trip?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** Blue Diamond is the name of the boat. I named her that because the blue diamond is the most valuable gem in the world, and when I bought her, she was definitely the most valuable asset I'd ever owned! She is a 28-ft. Baha Cruiser Hardtop, powered by an 8.1 liter, 370 HP Mercruiser Engine. We are fully-insured and licensed for up to six paying anglers, plus a Captain and First Mate.

#### S&IO: Tell us about a typical charter excursion with you. What can your guests expect? What should guests plan to bring and what do you supply?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** Guests can expect to leave the dock no later than 6 am. The First Mate will help them unload their gear and get aboard. Next, they'll fill out the passenger manifest as Captain Peg prepares the boat to leave the dock. Then they head to a great fishing spot, but on the way be on the lookout for one of the best sunrises in the nation.

In route, the First Mate will give each angler a rod and show them how to bait and cast. The Captain will provide the countdown for the depth of the fish before reeling the line in. Then it's on!

The First Mate will net the fish; unhook the fish; measure the fish; and reset the equipment to return to fishing. Keep going until everyone has their limit or eight hours have passed.

#### Guests should plan to bring:

- Valid Ohio fishing license (for anyone 16 yrs. of age and older. Members of the U.S. Armed Forces on active duty, while on leave, or on furlough are not required to have a fishing license).
- Motion sickness medication recommended starting this the night before your trip and again that morning.
- Dress appropriately for the weather, Lake Erie can change quickly and in the spring or fall it can be cold.
- Soft-soled (non-marring) shoes.
- Sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, jacket, rain gear.
- A way of taking a photo of your big catch!
- Food and beverages; one non-wheeled cooler per party. (No glass bottles or hard liquor, beer is okay. Please know your limit for safety's sake).
- Cooler to take your catch home.

#### **S&IO:** When is your season and how does the fishing change between spring, summer, and fall?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** My season is May 1 to Oct 1. Walleye are more plentiful in the late spring and early summer. As the water warms up, the fish become more lethargic making them harder to find and get them to bite. Late summer and early fall is when the yellow perch begin to school up, making "perch-jerking" a really fun time for kids of all ages.



**S&IO:** What is your favorite way to prepare and/or eat your catch?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** Fillet and debone the fish. Chunk it up. Lightly dry batter it, and deep fry until golden brown.

**S&IO:** What is your favorite thing about living and working in the Shores & Islands region?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** First and foremost, it's home to me even though I actually live in Dayton, Ohio. But there is so much to do and see! I've lived in the same campground for 30 years. So, I truly have a "Lake Erie" family.

#### S&IO: If you had friends visiting from out of town, where would you take them?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** Some not-to-be-missed spots include: Marblehead Lighthouse, Catawba Island State Park pier for sunsets, Cold Creek Trout Camp to feed the trout, Great Lakes Popcorn Co. to buy popcorn for the fish and friends, Catawba Point Preserve to watch the Miller Ferry going to and from Put-in-Bay, Toft Dairy, Brown's Dairy Dock, Mutach's Wine Room, Gideon Owen Wine Co., The Original Margaritaville, Firelands Winery, Ferguson Gallery, African Safari Wildlife Park, and Johnson's Island to pay respects to Civil War soldiers. We also love visiting Put-in-Bay and Kelleys Island with so many sights to see there!



#### **S&IO:** Perch or pizza? Where is your favorite place for either?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** I cannot choose! For pizza I would pick Cameo inside Mr. Ed's at Put-in-Bay and when I want someone else to prepare the perch, I go to Jolly Rogers, in Port Clinton.

#### **S&IO:** Lake or land? Would you prefer spending time on the water or by the shore?

**CAPTAIN PEG:** That's an unfair question! How can you pick? I have Lake Erie in my veins, so either is wonderful. But I do have to say that having dinner at Dock's Beach House is a pretty sweet place to watch the lake and sunsets.

#### S&IO: Anything else to add regarding how to enjoy the region "like a local?"

**CAPTAIN PEG:** My best advice is to experience ALL and become ingrained with the wonderful community of Port Clinton. It's my little "Mayberry" corner of the world.

#### Lake Erie Shoreline

Shores & Islands abounds with fishing opportunities on the Lake Erie shoreline! With so many spots catering to different types of fishing, we will highlight a few here. Stop in one of our welcome centers for a full list of shore fishing spots throughout the region. In the North Shore region, Marblehead Lighthouse State Park offers beautiful lake views and scenic fishing from the rocky shoreline. Another hot spot is the pier at Catawba Island State Park; here you can fish all afternoon and then enjoy the sunset! In our Central and East Shore regions, Shelby Street Boat Ramp, in Sandusky, and the Mile-long Fishing Pier in Huron, both offer unique venues and the opportunity to catch a variety of different fish. Main Street Beach Stone Pier in Vermilion is another great spot to fish. You can even rent a fishing pole and children's floatation devices from Ritter Public Library nearby. Shore fishing catches include: Bass, Catfish, Crappie, Walleye (fall), Perch (early fall).

#### **Inland Fishing**

While mostly known for the beautiful Lake Erie shoreline, Shores & Islands also contains many rivers and tributaries with unique habitats and spawning areas. The Portage River, in Ottawa County, boasts several fishing areas in Port Clinton and Oak Harbor, while the Vermilion and Huron rivers, in Erie County, offer similar catches on the more easterly side of our area. There are even several areas of Cold Creek, in Erie County, that offer the chance to fish for trout! Inland river catches include: Bass, Catfish, Crappie, Trout (at Cold Creek), and Walleye (in spring).

#### Fishy FACTS

Walleye are named for their pearlescent eyes, which contain a reflective pigment to help them see in murky or dark waters.

In the spring, walleye spawn in the rivers leading to Lake Erie including the Maumee and Portage rivers.

The Ohio state record for a walleye is over 16 lbs.

The Ohio state record for a perch is just 2.86 lbs. Yellow perch have a unique spawning system, laying eggs in long, connected ribbons.

The yellow stripes on the perch often turn orange during spawning.

The lake sturgeon, a prehistoric species living at the bottom of Lake Erie, can live to be 150 yrs. old.

Lake Erie is the only one of the Great Lakes that can freeze over entirely in winter. This freezing ability allows for great ice fishing in the years weather permits.

gettin' reel

#### Charter Chat

There are two ways you can fish in the open waters of Lake Erie even if you don't own your own boat. Private fishing charters can be easily arranged from one of many captains in the region. These charters typically accommodate four to six people; however, some companies have larger boats, or can offer multiple vessels for groups larger than six. Another popular option are walk-on charters, also known as head boats (because you are paying "by the head"). These watercraft can typically accommodate 25-40+ passengers and often include bait in their ticket pricing. Keep in mind that walk-on charters have a pre-set schedule, most frequently leaving twice a day in early morning and late afternoon. If needed, fishing equipment can often be rented from both types of charters. For more information on fishing charters in Shores & Islands Ohio, please see our website or contact one of our welcome centers.

Lake Erie Fishing Hotline 888.466.5347

#### Shores & Islands Ohio

419.734.4386, 800.441.1271 shoresandislands.com Call or check website daily for marine forecasts and weekly-updated fishing reports.

#### **ODNR-Division of Wildlife**

305 E. Shoreline Dr., Sandusky 419.625.8062, 800.945.3543 wildlife.ohiodnr.gov Fishing licenses and the Ohio Fishing Regulations Brochure (Pub. 5084) are available from most sporting goods stores, bait shops, and the Ohio Division of Wildlife. Licenses are required for anyone 16 yrs. and older.

#### National Weather Service Marine Radio VHF-FM 162.400 MHZ (WX2)

It's critical that boaters on Lake Erie plan ahead; never wait for the last minute to head for safe harbor. Because Lake Erie is the shallowest of the Great Lakes, it stirs up quickly in stormy weather. Storms that move across the lake may cause choppy waves, and could catch unprepared boaters by surprise. Use this station to keep updated about the weather when heading out.

#### ODNR-Division of Parks and Watercraft

1407 Cleveland Rd. (US 6), Sandusky 419.621.1302, 877.426.2837 watercraft.ohiodnr.gov Get information on recreational boating practices, boat registration, watercraft regulations, and boating laws. Open year-round Mon-Fri.

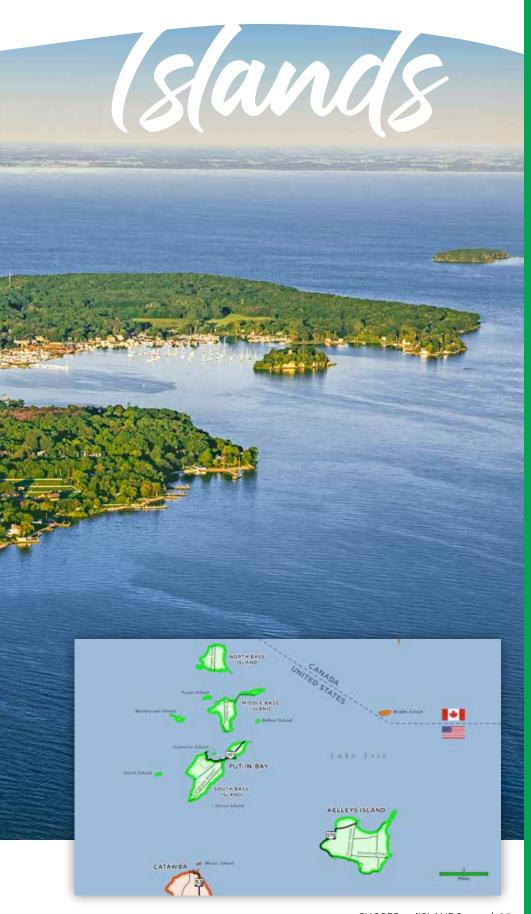
#### **U.S. Coast Guard Station**

SportCraft

606 Prairie St., Marblehead 419.798.4445 www.uscg.mil To report a maritime emergency, suspicious activity, or a violation of law, contact the U.S. Coast Guard on VHF-FM Channel 16 using your vessel's marine radio.

Scan for ODNR fishing license information and current rates.





## **[ike a [ocal: Dustin Heineman** Heineman Winery and Crystal Cave



**S&IO:** Tell us about your family history in relation to Put-in-Bay and the winemaking industry. As a multi-generational winery, who started the business and who is still involved today?

**Dustin:** Heineman Winery was established in 1888 by my great-great grandfather Gustav Heineman, the first generation and founder of the oldest family-owned winery in Ohio. He first came to the islands in 1880 and began working for Golden Eagle Wine Cellars on Middle Bass Island, which would later become Lonz Winery years later. The Lake Erie islands were already noted for quality grapes as a result of ideal soil conditions and the long growing season because of the tempering affect of Lake Erie. Grapes were first planted on North Bass Island in 1854, the other islands followed soon after. At one time in the early 1900s, before Prohibition, there were more than 17 wineries on Put-in-Bay (South Bass Island). Today, Heineman's proudly wears the crown as the last remaining original island winery of that era.







Norm Heineman, 2nd generation, followed in his father's (Gustav) footsteps and took over the family business. His son, Louie Heineman was the 3rd generation to own and run the island winery. He was very involved in the business up until his death in 2019 at the age of 92. In 2022, Louie's son Edward, 4th generation and my father, is Chief Winemaker and President and I have the role of Vice President and Operations Manager of Heineman Winery and Crystal Cave.

## **S&IO:** What varieties of wine do you produce and how much of it is grown directly on the island?

**Dustin:** We produce about 25 different varieties of wine at Heineman's. Catawba, Concord, Ives, Delaware, and Niagara grapes are grown on Put-in-Bay. Between us and a few local island growers, we make up about 30-acres of vineyards here.

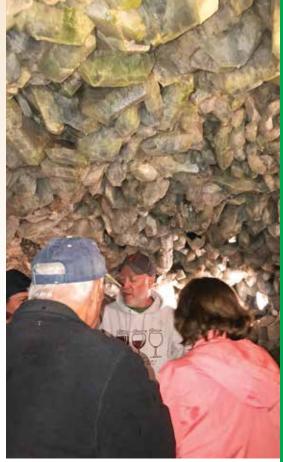
Heineman's recently took over 40-acres of vineyards on North Bass Island, owned by the State of Ohio. We have a multi-year lease for the vineyards and two historical homes. This project is being branded as "The Rebirth of North Bass" and is going well. Vineyards sat neglected for several years as we were hashing out the lease terms with the state. Pinot Grigio, Gewürztraminer, Chardonnay, and Merlot are a few of the varieties grown on North Bass Island and more are to be planted as the years go on.

# S&IO: What makes your winery unique from other wineries in the region?

**Dustin:** I think what makes our winery so unique is being Ohio's oldest family-owned winery and being a multigenerational family business, plus we have Crystal Cave! We are also located on an island in the middle of Lake Erie.

# **S&IO:** What's the story on Crystal Cave? How was it discovered and how did your family benefit from it being there?

**Dustin:** Crystal Cave was discovered in 1897 by Gustav Heineman and



crewman while digging a second well for the family winery. Crystal Cave is the world's largest celestite geode. A geode is a hollow rock lined with crystals and usually are about the size of a golf ball, sometimes ranging to softball size. You can fit 25 people inside of Crystal Cave! They first began mining some of the crystals, but stopped after they realized what a wonder they had found.

Being able to give tours of Crystal Cave is one of the reasons our family winery survived the harsh years of Prohibition, while a dozen or more wineries on Putin-Bay closed their doors. That, along with "The Yellow Ribbon Taxi Company" shuttling tourists from downtown to the winery for tours. Between tours of Crystal Cave, Mammoth Cave (another island cave closed for safety reasons in the 1950s), the taxi company, and selling unfermented grape juice, the family business was able to stay afloat.

# **S&IO:** What is your favorite thing about living and working in the Shores & Islands region?

**Dustin:** My favorite thing about living and working in this area is the impressive amount of history that surrounds us here. I love soaking in all the history I can! Not only my family's history, but the history of the islands and surrounding areas. Hotel Victory, which was the largest summer resort hotel in the world before it burned down in 1919, was located on Put-in-Bay. I love walking through South Bass Island State Park where the hotel used to be and imagining what it would be like if she was still standing tall today.

## **S&IO:** If you had friends visiting from out of town, where would you take them?

**Dustin:** First stop for friends visiting, of course, would be here at our family winery and Crystal Cave, along with the rest of the beautiful places on the island. Second, would be Cedar Point, America's rock and roller coast!





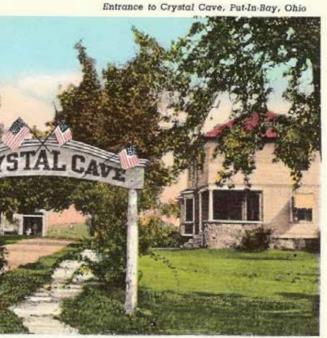


#### S&IO: Perch or pizza? Where is your favorite place for either?

**Dustin:** Both! The best place for perch would be at The Goat, Soup and Whiskey, right down the road from the winery. Perch Tacos are simply the best! Pizza? Well, I can't say I have a favorite pizza because I enjoy eating at all the pizza places on the island. They are all unique in their own way and delicious.

## **S&IO:** Lake or land? Would you prefer spending time on the water or by the shore?

**Dustin:** Definitely prefer land, however, I love the ferry rides on the Miller Ferry and Jet Express and boat rides to check out what's happening at our vineyards on North Bass Island.



S&IO: Anything else to add regarding how to enjoy the region "like a local?"

Dustin: In order to enjoy this region "like a local" one would need to enjoy everything our area has to offer. From the roller coasters of Cedar Point, to the depths of the caves, and the height of Perry's Memorial at Put-in-Bay. The restaurants, the attractions, the history, the charm, the beauty, and the uniqueness of the Shores & Islands region is like no other place in the world.



## Information Resources

## Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau

419.746.2360

kelleysislandchamber.com Everything you need to know about Kelleys Island! Whether you are looking for information on the island's award-winning restaurants, the wide variety of lodging, or fun events and things to do while you are here, the Kelleys Island Chamber has the answers to your questions. The office is open seasonally from May-Oct, while phone messages and emails are answered year-round.

#### Put-in-Bay Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau 148 Delaware Ave. 419.285.2832 visitputinbay.com The Put-in-Bay Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau website is the official source for information about Put-in-Bay and all there is to offer, including details about Founder's Day, Put-in-Bay Music Festival, Pyrate Fest, Art in the Park, Perry's Victory Heritage Weekend, Island Wine Festival, and Oktoberfest.

#### **Put-in-Bay Travel & Information Kiosk**

at Miller Ferry Lime Kiln Dock 2190 Langram Rd. 419.285.2421 millerferry.com Friendly, knowledgeable staff provide free Put-in-Bay maps and Island Guides, E's Golf Cart rental and island coupons, and travel tips on events and what to do on your island getaway.

#### Amusements **Kelleys Island KI Brewery Presents Lake View**

Venue Rental 1504 W. Lakeshore Dr. 419.656.4335 lakeviewki.com

Located on the south shore of Kelleys Island, this venue has amazing views and is away from the hustle and bustle of downtown. Family reunions, weddings, birthday parties, or just a friendcation can be organized by you and Patti. Combined, the food and bar will provide a special occasion for your group. Corporate retreats or a day of team building can also be organized with beer tastings, scavenger hunts, and a luncheon. Or host a cooking or other class with plenty of space for workshops and tastings of all kinds. Amenities include full commercial kitchen, bar capabilities, and indoor and outdoor dining room with clean and spacious bathrooms. Visit the website for calendar of special events or call today to plan your private event.

## Put-in-Bay The Butterfly House at Put-in-Bay

979 Catawba Ave. 419.285.2446

perryscave.com

Walk among hundreds of butterflies imported from Malaysia and Costa Rica in the fullyenclosed, lush, tropical greenhouse and learn about the life span of butterflies. Explore the unique gift shop's vast selection including clothing, garden items, jewelry, toys, and other collectibles. Group tours available for students or other adult groups of 25 or more. Open the first weekend in May through early-Oct. Call or visit website for hours.

#### Island Transportation Train **Depot & Bus Stop**

154 Delaware Ave. 419.285.2016 putinbaytrans.com The Put-in-Bay Tour Train is how to see the island. A one-hour narrated, historical tour with stop-off privileges at various locations on the island. Put-in-Bay Transportation provides bus service from Miller Ferry to the downtown bus/train depot. Open May and

#### Perry's Cave Family Fun Center

5:15 pm.

979 Catawba Ave. 419.285.2283 perryscave.com Perry's Cave, The Butterfly House at Putin-Bay, War of 18-Holes Miniature Golf, a rock-climbing wall, Fort aMAZE'n Giant Maze, gemstone mining, unique gift shops, a snack shack, and a picnic pavilion with gas grills make it convenient to stay all day. Open mid-May through mid-Oct, daily 10 am-6 pm.

Oct, weekends; June-Sept, daily 10:15 am-

#### Arts & Cultural **Kelleys Island**

**Charles Herndon Galleries and Sculpture Garden** 110 Laylin Ln.

419.746.2249 charlesherndon.com Paintings, prints, and sculptures that relate to Kelleys Island and its geologic history. Open mid-May through Sept, daily; other times by appointment.

National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior

**Perry's Victory** and International **Peace Memorial** 

#### Bike & Golf Cart Rentals Kelleys Island

#### Kelleys Island General Store Cart Rental

118 Division St. 419.746.2357 kigeneralstore.com

Conveniently located downtown, just a twominute walk from the Jet Express. Explore the island on a new four or six-passenger golf cart. Hourly, daily, and extended rentals available Apr-Oct. Opens early and closes late! Visit website for more information.

#### Put-in-Bay

E's Put-in-Bay Golf Carts

at the Miller Ferry Lime Kiln Dock 2132 Langram Rd. 419.285.5553 esputinbaygolfcarts.com

Explore Put-in-Bay island-style. Rent a two, four, six, or eight-passenger golf cart and travel at your own pace. It's recommended to reserve your cart online at least one day in advance and use code SAVE5L to save \$5 off the daily rate. E's Put-in-Bay Golf Carts is conveniently located near the top right of the Miller Ferry Put-in-Bay dock.

#### **Erie Island Carts**

1961 Langram Rd. 419.285.5278 erieislandcarts.com

Conveniently accessible, located one block from the Miller Ferry dock or take the provided shuttle from the Put-in-Bay Airport. Online reservations guarantee a golf cart will be waiting for you upon your arrival and ensures a faster check-in process. Low rates, multi-day discounts, and overnight rentals available. Offering a selection of two, four, six, and eight-passenger gasoline golf carts. Open Apr-Oct, daily.

#### Island Bike & Cart Rental

at Ferry Docks & Train Tour Depot 419.285.2016 putinbaytrans.com Large fleet of golf carts. Hourly and daily rentals of two, four, six, and eight-passenger golf carts. Open May-Sept and weekends in Oct. Call for off-season hours and rates.

#### Put-in-Bay Golf Carts

266 Delaware Ave. 419.285.2724 put-in-baygolfcarts.com Four, six, and eight-passenger carts available by the hour, day, or week. Keep any cart overnight through 12 pm the following day for an additional \$20. Bicycle and moped rentals and advance reservations available.

#### Historical & Educational Kelleys Island

#### **Glacial Grooves State Memorial** 739 Division St.

866.921.5710 ohiohistory.org/glacialgrooves Glacial Grooves State Memorial, located on the north side of Kelleys Island, are the largest easily-accessible such grooves in the world. From a walkway, footbridge, and staircase you can look down upon the immense grooves, which are 400 ft. long. Come see why this is a National Natural Landmark. Open year-round, dawn-dusk.

#### Inscription Rock

Lakeshore Dr. 866.921.5710 ohiohistory.org/inscriptionrock See Native American symbols carved in rock on the south shore of Kelleys Island. Rediscovered partly buried in the shoreline in 1833, the rock is now entirely exposed and covered by a roof and viewing platform. Open year-round, dawn-dusk.

#### Put-in-Bay Aquatic Visitor's Center

Aqualic visitor's center 878 Bayview Dr. 419.285.1800 stonelab.osu.edu Enjoy a guided tour of this historic fish hatchery and learn about Lake Erie ecology. View the live fish and macroinvertebrate displays before grabbing a fishing pole (16 yrs. and under) to try your luck from the dock. Open to the public mid-June through mid-Aug. Group tours available May-Oct by appointment.

#### Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial

93 Delaware Ave. 419.285.2184 nps.gov/pevi The memorial was established to honor those who fought in the Battle of Lake Erie during the War of 1812 and to celebrate the longlasting peace between Britain, Canada, and the U.S. Visitors can ride an elevator to the 317ft. high observation deck for a 360 degree view of the Lake Erie islands, including the U.S. and Canada. The grounds and Visitor Center are open May-Oct, see website for current hours.



#### Lighthouses Put-in-Bay

South Bass Island Lighthouse 878 Bayview Dr. 419.285.1800 ohioseagrant.osu.edu/visit/ south-bass-lighthouse Discover information about the area's history and the most pressing issues facing Lake Erie before visiting the top of the lighthouse tower to see an expansive view of the lake and neighboring Green Island. Lighthouse grounds are open to the public dawn-dusk. Check website for tour information.

#### Spa Kelleys Island The Little Healing Room

123 Division St. 419.557.8076 caddyshacksquare.com/ the-little-healing-room Escape the chaos and de-stress with couples acupuncture or recuperate your achy back with a therapeutic massage. Improve your physical and emotional well-being by indulging in one of many services. Open May 1-Sept 30; appointments recommended.

#### Wineries & Breweries Kelleys Island

Crooked Tree Vineyard 715 E. Lakeshore Dr. 419.746.2200 crooked Tree Vineyard.com Crooked Tree Vineyard is a three-acre working vineyard on Kelleys Island with a small tasting room serving the wines made on-site. Come in for a quiet and relaxing retreat from the sun while enjoying a glass of island-made wine. Open Memorial Day-Labor Day.

#### The Kelley's Island Wine Co.

418 Woodford Rd. 419.746.2678 kelleysislandwineco.com A family-friendly establishment specializing in handcrafted island wines. A boutique winery featuring up to seven wines at a time. Restaurant offers house-made, fresh options like small plates, sliders, and pizzas. A family-owned winery for 35 years. Two-acres of family fun including corn hole, bocce, and horseshoes. Private groups by reservation. Open mid-Apr through Oct.

#### **Monarch Winery**

604 Division St. 419.746.2899 monarchki.com A small, family-owned operation specializing in fruit wines and wine slushees. Offering an array of wine-related gifts, souvenirs, and snacks. Come shop, sip wine, and enjoy the wine garden!



#### Put-in-Bay

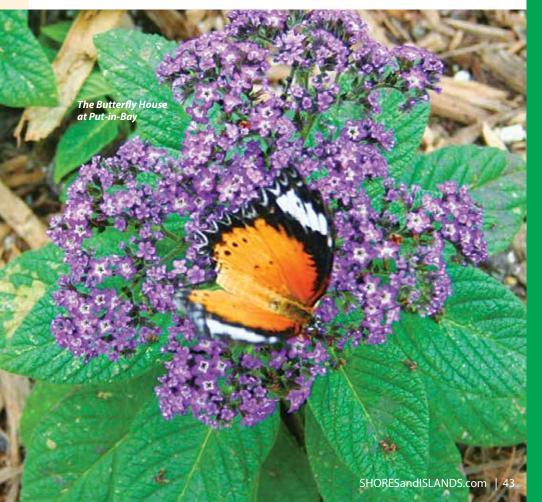
Open Apr-Oct.

Heineman Winery and Crystal Cave 978 Catawba Ave. 419.285.2811 heinemanswinery.com Proudly celebrating 134 yrs. of family traditions, this fifth-generation winery is the oldest family-owned and operated winery in Ohio. Visit the tasting room and wine garden; sample award-winning wines; and tour Crystal Cave, the world's largest celestite geode. Hours

#### Put-in-Bay Winery at the Doller Estate

vary; please call or see website for details.

392 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3343 putinbaywinery.com Enjoy a guided, wine-tasting tour of the historic Valentine Doller Estate and experience island life as it was in the 1800s. Enjoy breathtaking views of Put-in-Bay's waterfront while enjoying a world-class glass of wine or a hand-crafted, ice-cold beer. Accessible. Open year-round.



Meals Served: B-Breakfast

L-Lunch D-Dinner LN-Late Night LTD-Limited Menu



Waterfront

Accessible Bar Open Year-round Tastings Outdoor Seating Entertainment Dockage

\$ Under \$10 \$\$ \$11-\$20 \$\$\$ \$21-\$35 \$\$\$\$ \$36+

For more information visit: SHORESandISLANDS.com

#### **Kelleys Island**

The Casino 104 Division St. 419.746.2773 kelleysislandcasino.com Cuisine: American, Lake Erie Fish Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D, LN



#### **KI Cantina**

at Kelley's Island Wine Co. 418 Woodford Rd. 419.746.2688 kicantina.com Cuisine: Mexican Price: \$ Meals served: L, D  $\Upsilon$  ( )

#### Peeper's 109 W. Lakeshore Dr. 419.746.2365 peepersbar.com Cuisine: American

Cuisine: American Price: \$\$ Meals served: B, L, D, LN  $\overleftarrow{\xi}$  **Ý ①** 

#### The Sand Trap Bar

123 Division St. 419.746.2664 facebook.com/sandtrap2018 Price: \$ Meals served: LTD \$\Tag{1}

#### The Village Pump

103 W. Lakeshore Dr. 419.746.2281 villagepumpkioh.com Cuisine: American, Lake Erie Fish Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D (, )

#### West Bay

1230 W. Lakeshore Dr. 419.746.2597 westbayki.com Cuisine: American Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D # 47 O the

#### **Put-in-Bay**

The Backyard at Frosty Bar 252 Delaware Ave. 419.285.3278 frostys.com Cuisine: Mexican, Pizza Price: \$ Meals served: B, L, D, LN





#### **Big Man's Burrito Stand**

at Frosty Bar 252 Delaware Ave. 419.285.3278 frostys.com Cuisine: Mexican Price: \$ Meals served: B, L, D, LN  $\overleftarrow{\bullet}$ 

#### The Boardwalk

341 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3695 the-boardwalk.com Cuisine: American, Seafood Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D ண 点 文 个 の 論語

#### Book's Seafood

at The Boardwalk 341 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3695 the-boardwalk.com Cuisine: American, Seafood Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D ண 读文 堂 ① 敏麗

#### Cameo Pizza

in Mr. Ed's Bar 272 Delaware Ave. 419.285.4444 putinbaycameopizza.com Cuisine: Pizza, American Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D, LN



The Keys

#### **Chicken Patio**

234 Delaware Ave. 419.285.3581 thechickenpatio.com Cuisine: BBQ Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D

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#### The Crew's Nest

460 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3625 thecrewsnest.com Cuisine: American, Lake Erie Fish Price: \$\$\$ Meals served: L, D 📾 Ý 🕆 🗯

#### **Dairy Isle**

213 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3506 dairyislepib.com Cuisine: Ice Cream, Lake Erie Fish Price: \$ Meals served: L

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**Dan Dee's Snack Shack** at Perry's Cave Family

Fun Center 979 Catawba Ave. perryscave.com Cuisine: American, Ice Cream Price: \$ Meals served: B, L P

#### **Fish Shak**

at The Boardwalk 341 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3695 the-boardwalk.com Cuisine: Seafood, Lake Erie Fish Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D 

#### **Frosty Bar**

252 Delaware Ave. 419.285.3278 frostys.com Cuisine: Mexican, Pizza Price: \$\$ Meals served: B, L, D, LN ĻΎŤO

#### The Goat, Soup & Whiskey 820 Catawba Ave. 419.285.4628 soupandwhiskey.com Cuisine: American, Casual Fine Dining Price: \$\$\$ Meals served: L, D ις Ý 🕆

Hooligans 21 Catawba Ave. 419.285.8000 hooliganspib.com Cuisine: Irish, Lake Erie Fish Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D, LN ές Ý Ϋ́

#### The Keys

227 Bayview Ave. 419.285.5397 thekeyspib.com Cuisine: Caribbean, Seafood Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D ‱ 浅Ý Ŷ O **☆** 

Mojito Bay Tiki Bar 389 Catawba Ave. mojitobaypib.com Price: \$\$ Meals served: LTD ÝŤO

#### Mossbacks/The Fishbowl

371 Catawba Ave. 419.285.8888 mossbacksatputinbay.com Cuisine: American, Lake Erie Fish Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D Ý Oi

#### Pasquale's Café

240 Delaware Ave. 419.285.8600 pasqualescafe.com Cuisine: American, Lake Erie Fish Price: \$\$ Meals served: B, L, D Ý

#### **Red Moon**

in Park Hotel 234 Delaware Ave. 419.285.2323 redmoonbar.com Price: \$\$ Meals served: LTD ιŚΥ

#### **Rita's Cantina**

at The Boardwalk 341 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3695 the-boardwalk.com Cuisine: Mexican Price: \$ Meals served: L, D, LN ‱ **浅** Ŷ 🗯

#### **Round House Bar**

228 Delaware Ave. 419.285.2323 theroundhousebar.com Price: \$\$ Meals served: LTD ÝTO

#### The Upper Deck at The Boardwalk 341 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3695 the-boardwalk.com Cuisine: American, Seafood Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D 🖮 🛓 Ý 🕆 🗯

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Swimming Fishing **\***|1 Restrooms Play Area ŧ₽ Shelter Trails Grills

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Small Boat Launch Ġ, Accessible

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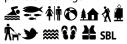
**Glacial Grooves State Memorial** 

#### Kelleys Island

**Ed Curilla Preserve** north end of Huntington Ln. (off W. Lakeshore Dr.)

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**Kelleys Island State Park** 920 Division St. 419.746.2546, 866.644.6727 parks.ohiodnr.gov



#### Kelleys Island Water Trail

watercraft.ohiodnr.gov 12-mile water trail with access points at Kelleys Island State Park, North Pond State Nature Preserve, Scheele Preserve, Woodford Rd. access, and Inscription Rock Petroglyphs

#### North Pond State Nature Preserve

Ward St. (off Division St.) 866.644.6727 naturepreserves.ohiodnr.gov



#### **North Shore Alvar State Nature Preserve** 920 Division St. 866.644.6727

naturepreserves.ohiodnr.gov



#### **Scheele Preserve** Monaghan Rd.

216.231.4600 cmnh.org/kelleys-island



#### Middle Bass Island

**Kuehnle Wildlife Area** Fox and Deist rds. 614.265.6300 wildlife.ohiodnr.gov



#### **Middle Bass Island Water Trail**

watercraft.ohiodnr.gov 8.5-mile water trail with access points at Middle Bass Island State Park, Petersens Woods/Kuehnle Wildlife Area, and Middle Bass Island East Point Preserve



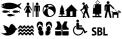
#### Middle Bass East Point Preserve North Shore Dr. 419.285.4772 lakeerieislandsconservancy.org



Middle Bass Island Forested Wetlands Preserve Fox Rd. 419.285.4772 lakeerieislandsconservancy.org

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Middle Bass Island State Park 1719 Fox Rd. 419.285.2112 parks.ohiodnr.gov



Petersens Woods Deist Rd. (east of Fox Rd.) 419.285.4772 Iakeerieislandsconservancy.org



#### **North Bass Island**

Fox's Marsh Wildlife Area southwest portion of North Bass Island wildlife.ohiodnr.gov



Honey Point Wildlife Area southeast tip of North Bass Island wildlife.ohiodnr.gov

North Bass Island Water Trail watercraft.ohiodnr.gov 5-mile water trail with access points at North Bass Island State Park (south, north, and east), Fox's Marsh Wildlife Area, and Honey Point

North Bass Island State Park 419.734.4424 parks.ohiodnr.gov



#### Put-in-Bay

Wildlife Area

**Cooper's Woods** Catawba Ave. (just west of Concord Ave.) 419.285.4772 lakeerieislandsconservancy.org



**DeRivera Park** Bayview Ave.



**Dodge Woods Preserve** corner of Thompson and Langram rds. 419.285.4772 lakeerieislandsconservancy.org



#### Jane Coates Wildflower Trail

Put-in-Bay Rd. (north of Langram Rd.) 419.285.4772 lakeerieislandsconservancy.org



#### Ladd Carr Wildlife Woods Put-in-Bay Rd. 419.285.4772 lakeerieislandsconservancy.org



#### South Bass Island Water Trail

watercraft.ohiodnr.gov 10-mile water trail with access points at South Bass Island State Park, Scheeff East Point Nature Preserve, West Shore Ice Ramp, Oak Point State Park, Village Public Boat Launch, Massie Cliffside Preserve, East Point Nature Preserve, Village Beach, and Port Authority Access

#### **Massie Cliffside Preserve**

611 Columbus Ave. (SR 357) 419.285.4772 lakeerieislandsconservancy.org



#### **Oak Point State Park**

western end of Put-in-Bay Harbor 419.285.2112 parks.ohiodnr.gov



Scheeff East Point Nature Preserve eastern tip of East Point Rd. 419.285.4772 lakeerieislandsconservancy.org



#### **South Bass Island State Park** 1523 Catawba Ave.

419.285.2112, 866.644.6727 parks.ohiodnr.gov



Village of Put-in-Bay Beach east end of Delaware Ave. 419.285.4313



Downtown Kelleys Island

Electric Hook-up Water Hook-up Fuel Pump-out Launch Ramp Dock & Dine Showers Marine Store Accessible Y=Yes N=No

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For more information visit: SHORESandISLANDS.com

#### Marinas Kelleys Island Crafts Lakeview Lane Marina

Crafts Lakeview Lane Marin 319 W. Lakeshore Dr. 419.746.2254 Seasonal slips: N Transient slips: Y

#### Put-in-Bay The Boardwalk Marina 341 Bayview Ave.

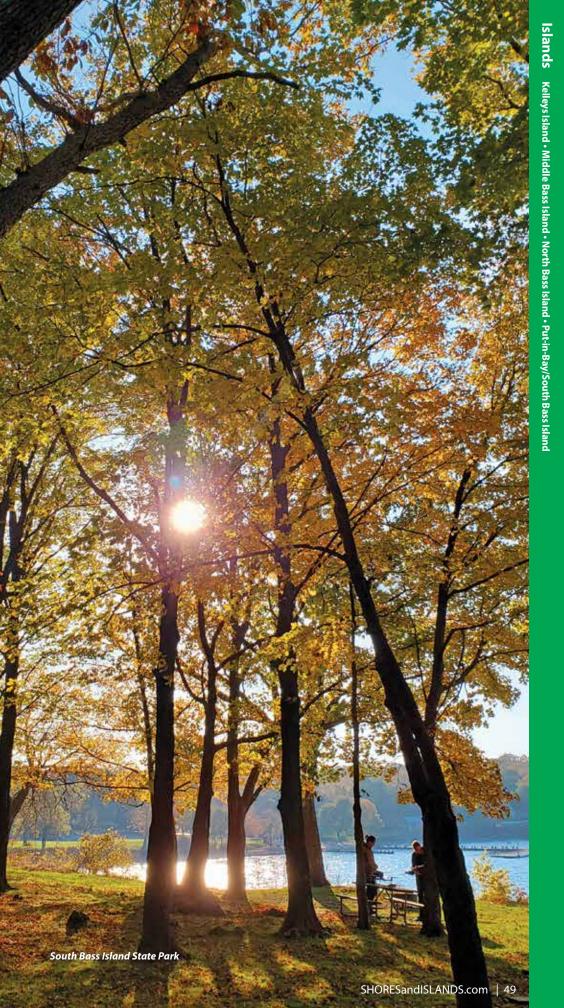
419.285.6183 the-boardwalk.com Seasonal slips: N Transient slips: Y

#### **Miller Marina**

Put-in-Bay Harbor 419.285.5902 millermarinapib.com Seasonal slips: Y Transient slips: Y



Park Place Boat Club 341 Bayview Ave. 419.285.6183 parkplaceboatclub.com Seasonal slips: N Transient slips: Y



# |**S|ands** Kelleys Island • Middle Bass Island • North Bass Island • Put-in-Bay/South Bass Island

#### Kelleys Island Caddy Shack Square

115 Division St. caddyshacksquare.com This is a one-stop shop in the heart of downtown Kelleys Island. Rent a golf cart and tour the island, enjoy pizza and beer at the outside Buckeye Bar, play miniature golf, mine for gems at Gem Mining Station, or play air hockey at Game Shack Arcade. Get a massage at The Little Healing Room, and then peruse one of the many shops for your Ohio State Buckeyes gear, Kelleys Island t-shirt or souvenir, and visit Gems 'n Jewels for sterling silver and gemstone needs. Stop by the Healing Seed for organic and gluten-free products, homeopathic items, nutritional supplements, essential oils, incense, candles, and more. End the evening with your favorite hand-dipped ice cream.

#### **Chicklet's Closet**

113 Division St. 216.214.3202 chickletscloset.com A boutique featuring Lyman Life, Mona B, Crocs, Roxy, Quicksilver, Reef, 4Ocean, Pura Vida, Spirit Jersey, Blastmaster, Kelleys Island Soap Co., Kids KI wear, and pet apparel and treats for your four-legged kids. Located right downtown in the heart of Kelleys Island's business district. Open Apr-Nov.

#### Island Market

109 Division St. 419.746.2292

The nerve center of the island and your onestop shop for fresh meats, a complete deli and grocery, beer/wine carry-out, the Ohio Lottery, and a 24-hour ATM. Serving the island's grocery needs since 1946. Open year-round.

#### **Kelleys Island General Store**

118 Division St.

419.746.2357

kigeneralstore.com From souvenirs to necessities, Kelleys Island General Store has you covered. Browse the island's largest selection of apparel, accessories, gifts, and toys. Find vacation essentials including camping supplies, beer, ice, hardware, and more. Golf cart rentals and an ATM are also available. Located downtown. Open Apr-Oct, daily.

#### The Kelley's Island Wine Co.

418 Woodford Rd. 419.746.2678 kelleysislandwineco.com A gift shop featuring all the Kelley's Island Wine Co. merchandise you can imagine. Also carrying a full line of lakegirl® apparel and wine-related gifts.

#### The Village Peddler

130 Division St. 419.746.2377 villagepeddlerkioh.com Men's and women's fine apparel, jewelry, pottery, gifts, artisanal items, antiques, fair trade items, and more. A must see!

#### Put-in-Bay

**Bucket Shop** 228 Delaware Ave. 419.285.2323 theroundhousebar.com A fun-filled retail shop featuring all things "Round House." T-shirts, tanks, sweatshirts, and more for all ages. Shop the drinkware section for shot glasses, mugs, and Tervis tumblers. Gift certificates available. Get your "bucket" on. Open mid-Apr through Oct.

#### Carriage House & Kimberly's Carousel

160 Delaware Ave. 419.285.2212 frostys.com Featuring the largest selection of Put-in-Bay souvenirs, t-shirts, toys, jewelry, home décor, and pet items on the island. Kimberly's Carousel is one of the country's oldest original carousels, built in 1917 with original wooden horses and "Petey the Perch."

#### Country House

246 Delaware Ave. 419.285.3104 lovinputinbay.com/countryhousegifts.html Put-in-Bay's largest gift shop, located in the center of downtown. Perfect shop for finding Put-in-Bay souvenirs, including postcards, mugs, key rings, picture frames, and more. Also offers an extensive gallery of nautical gifts, housewares, lakegirl® apparel and gifts, Vera Bradley, and local artists' creations. Open May-Oct.

#### Crew's Nest D-Dock Shop

460 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3625 thecrewsnest.com Upscale apparel with an emphasis on nautical and sports clothing, including Columbia, Under Armour, Levelwear, and Costa Sunglasses. Crew's Nest D-Dock Shop also carries a variety of souvenirs from coffee mugs to unique Put-in-Bay Christmas ornaments. Open May-Sept.

#### Dockside Gifts

at Miller Ferry Lime Kiln Dock 2190 Langram Rd. 419.285.7300 millerferry.com Shoppers will find island and nautical jewelry, coastal art, prints, and décor, Put-in-Bay souvenirs and handcrafts, athleisure wear, and snacks in a relaxed, friendly setting.

#### Lobster Trap

341 Bayview Ave. 419.285.3695 the-boardwalk.com Featuring a wide range of apparel with The Boardwalk/Upper Deck logos, quirky and fun t-shirts, stylish sweatshirts, and a colorful selection of children's garments. A nautical gift selection is found throughout the shop. Open May-Oct.

#### Mariner's Locker

210 Delaware Ave. 419.285.7005 lovinputinbay.com/marinerslocker.html Offering casual attire, souvenir t-shirts, and sweatshirts for shoppers of all ages. Sperry, Columbia sportswear, shoes, sports gear, and Life is Good<sup>®</sup> merchandise available. Open mid-Apr-Oct.

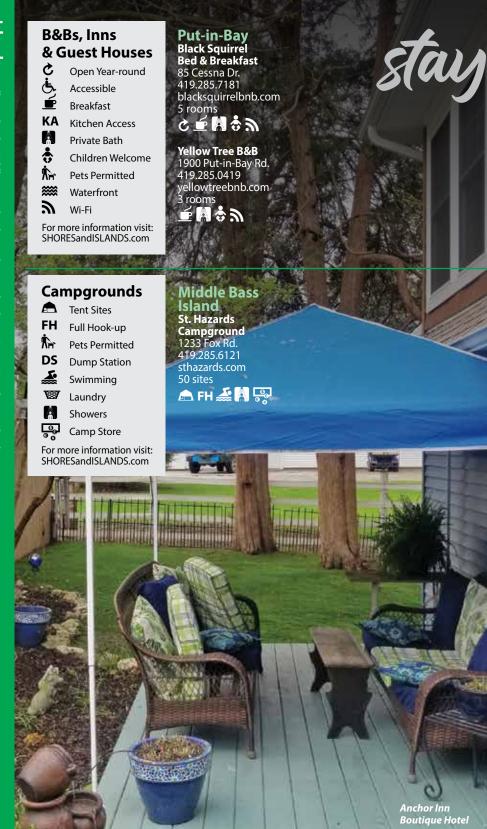
## Misty Bay Boutique 210 Delaware Ave.

419.285.7925

lovinputinbay.com/misty-bay-boutique.html Women's resort boutique featuring Sperry and Columbia sportswear, a unique variety of dresses, summer clothing, and accessories, as well as a large selection of Put-in-Bay souvenir wear for women and children. Located in the center of downtown. Open mid-Apr to mid-Oct.

**Put-in-Bay Surf Shop** 405 Catawba Ave. 419.285.2242 putinbaysurfshop.com The only place on the island to get your namebrand surf gear. Featuring Roxy, Quiksilver, Billabong, O'Neill, Sanuk, Reef, Sun Bum, and Sector 9. A wide selection of Mojito Bay merchandise is available including hats, koozies, t-shirts, sweatshirts, pint glasses, stickers, and shot glasses.

Small, unique gift shop is filled with wine and wine-themed items such as Put-in-Bay Christmas ornaments, logoed wine glasses, a wide variety of wall art, and a large assortment of Put-in-Bay wine-themed souvenirs. Open Apr-Oct.





The Islands region offers more than 100 different lodging options, including over 70 vacation rentals! Follow the QR Code or find the complete listing of lodging properties available at **SHORESandISLANDS.com/places-to-stay** 

#### **Hotels & Motels**



For more information visit: SHORESandISLANDS.com

#### Kelleys Island

**Crafts Lakeview** Lane Motel 319 W. Lakeshore Dr. 419.746.2254 4 rooms

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#### **Kelleys Island** Venture Resort 441 W. Lakeshore Dr. 419.746.2900 kiventureresort.com 31 rooms



#### Put-in-Bay

Anchor Inn **Boutique Hotel** 500 Catawba Ave. 419.285.5055 anchorinnpib.com 9 rooms



#### **Bay Lodging Resort** 405 Lakeview Ave. 419.285.2041, 833.229.5634 baylodging.com 50 rooms



**Bayshore Resort** 328 Toledo Ave. 419.285.3931, 866.422.9746 bayshoreresortpib.com 60 rooms



#### **Edgewater Hotel**

266 Delaware Ave. 419.285.2724 putinbavrentals.com 10 rooms



Historic Park Hotel 234 Delaware Ave. 419.285.3581 parkhotelpib.com 25 rooms €₽¶

Put-in-Bay Resort & **Conference Center** 439 Loraine Ave. 419.285.7427, 888.742.7829 putinbayresort.com 150 rooms



#### Vacation Rentals

- **\*\*\*** Waterfront G Accessible
- Κ Kitchen
- ₽ Pets Permitted
- C **Open Year-round**
- 2 Swimming
- **8** Laundry
- Dockage
- **Daily Rentals**
- 3 W/i₋Fi

For more information visit: SHORESandISLANDS.com

## Kelleys Island

Crafts Lakeview Lane Cottages 319 W. Lakeshore Dr. 419.746.2254 9 units; sleep max: 10 🏁 K 🗯 🏢

Put-in-Bay

All Star Ohio House 934 Loraine Ave. 419.351.8316, 888.742.7829 allstarohiohouse putinbay.com 1 unit; sleep max: 22 🏹 🙉 🏢 Y

#### **Amorris Guest House**

410 Loraine Ave. 310.800.3922 auntjanes.com 1 unit; sleep max: 18 ₩ Ⅲ ⋑

**Aunt Jane's Guest House** 410 Loraine Ave. 310.800.3922 auntjanes.com 1 unit; sleep max: 16

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#### Aunt Jane's 2 House

426 Loraine Ave. 310.800.3922 auntjanes.com 1 unit; sleep max: 20 к₩\$СШЭ

#### **Aunt Jane's Apartment** 398½ Loraine Åve.

310.800.3922 auntjanes.com 1 unit; sleep max: 4 к₩сШЭ

Aunt Jane's Yellow House 398 Loraine Ave. 310.800.3922 auntianes.com 1 unit; sleep max: 20 ҾҝѨ҄ҫшѠ

Aunt Jane's Victorian Manor 402 Loraine Ave. 310.800.3922 auntjanes.com 3 units; sleep max: 12-14 к 🅼 С 🏢 🥑

#### **Bay Club Cottages**

34 Bath St. 419.285.3581 parkhotelpib.com 3 units; sleep max: 6 # #

#### **Put-in-Bay Villas**

440 Loraine Ave. 419.285.7427, 888.742.7829 putinbayvillas.com 12 units; sleep max: 8 ¢₹≣У

## **Like a Local:** Abbey (néo Zottlor)

Abbey (née Zettler) Rosado Kelley's Island Wine Company

**S&IO:** Tell us about your family history in relation to Kelleys Island and the winemaking industry. As a multi-generational winery, what generation started the business and who is still involved today?

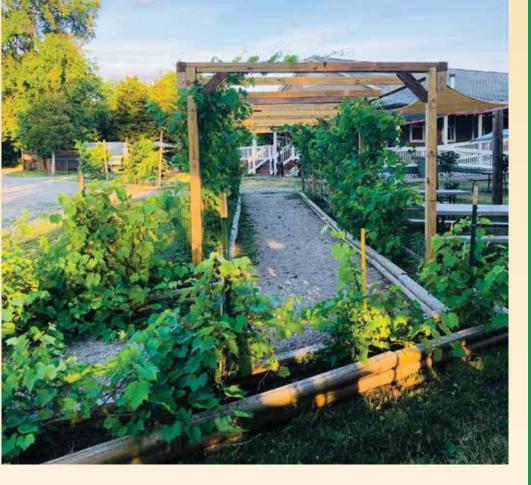
**Abbey:** The Zettler's began making wine in the early 1980s on Kelleys Island. My grandfather (Toby) and father (Kirt) opened the Kelley's Island Wine Co. in the Nick Smith house where the KI Cantina building is now. In the early days it was 100% family-owned-and-operated by my dad, mom, grandpa, grandma, aunts, uncles, and even cousins! The operation moved into the current building in 1998, at which time most of the day-to-day operations were handled by my parents, Kirt and Robby Zettler. Currently my whole family is involved. My husband, Rodney and I oversee everything as the General Managers, although all of our family members are involved in various ways. From my sister running the main tasting bar, to my brother helping in the kitchen of the cantina, even their significant others have or still work here. The employees that spent their summers here leave as family, and still visit and stay in touch. It's a family business through and through.



## **S&IO:** What is the history of winemaking on Kelleys Island?

**Abbey:** There is a long history of winemaking on Kelleys Island dating back to the early 1800s. At one time there were as many as 26 wineries operating here. According to my father, Kirt, the original Kelleys Island Winery, was built in 1872 and thrived until prohibition. It was one of the largest wineries east of the Mississippi. Additionally, every plantable acre on the island was vineyards, totaling 750 acres at its peak in the early 1900s. After prohibition ended, several wineries re-opened with the last one closing in the 1950s. The Kelley's Island Wine Co. resurrected the island's wine making industry in 1982.





## S&IO: What varieties of wine do you produce and how much of it is grown directly on the island?

**Abbey:** Currently we produce a total of seven wines ranging from dry reds to classic sweet island wines. We currently have a 1.5-acre vineyard that produces exclusively dry red grapes. One of my favorite varieties is our Glacial White. It is a semi-dry Vidal blend, that I feel really exhibits how a grape that grows well in this climate can make a well-balanced, semi-dry wine.

## **S&IO:** What are the challenges involved with operating a wine business on an island?

**Abbey:** There are so many challenges in operating any business on an island, but sometimes I think people tend to forget that we produce wine on site here. While balancing a shrinking labor force and short season, we also must find time to filter, bottle, and label wine during our peak season. There is always something happening here. This place never sleeps from May 1st through September 30th. Then, when things calm down in October they really pick up in the cellar, with new product coming in and the start of the winemaking season beginning. Just when you have a second to catch your breath in March, things begin to open, and it all begins again. We love it.

## **S&IO:** What makes your winery unique/different from other wineries in the region?

**Abbey:** I would say our three-acre property with a little bit of everything, makes us really unique. We offer a full winery, bar, and restaurant, as well as a Cantina serving up margaritas and tacos. There is a playground for kids, goats to feed, and areas where you can sit and enjoy a meal with your pet. My mom always used to say, this place is great because she could enjoy a glass of wine and just let the kids be kids. We can accommodate your entire family and even the pickiest of eaters (and drinkers). There is literally something for everyone!

## **S&IO:** Do you have a favorite wine and food pairing you would recommend that is available at your location?

**Abbey:** One of my favorite pairings is a glass of Inscription White and our Beemster cheese plate. Beemster is an aged goat Gouda that pairs amazingly with the Sauvignon Blanc blend.

## **S&IO:** Anything exciting or new planned for the 2022 season? What special events do you have planned?

**Abbey:** Every year we tend to add something to the property! We haven't figured out what 2022 will bring, so you may just have to wait and see. My vote is a peacock or llama. My dad wants a putt-putt course. Maybe a putt-putt petting zoo? Who knows! One of the events I am most excited about is our Wine and Art Fair in September. We are planning to really expand this event, to include artists and vendors at all three island wineries. (Crooked Tree Vineyard, Monarch Winery, and The Kelley's Island Wine Co.). Guests will be able to wander the new Kelleys Island Wine Trail and enjoy islandwide art and wine.



# **S&IO:** Within the past couple of years, you opened another island venture (Monarch Winery & Butterfly Box). What prompted the decision to open another winery and please tell us a bit about that business?

**Abbey:** My husband Rodney and I opened the Monarch Winery this year, as our own little piece of the island dream. We make a line of sweet and dry fruit wines as well as wine slushies. We are looking to add a couple of dry grape wines this coming year as we really enjoy making (and sampling) dry reds and whites. It's always fun to start something new and we have really enjoyed opening a new operation on Kelleys Island.

## **S&IO:** What is your favorite thing about living and working in the Shores & Islands region?

**Abbey:** There are so many things I love about living and working here. I love being a part of the small island community and seeing various parts of the island grow and change with the times, while remaining nostalgic and a little stuck in time somehow. It's a great place to live.

## S&IO: If you had friends visiting from out of town, where would you take them?

**Abbey:** It would really depend on the season. In summer, we would probably head to the beach and play tourist for a day. Visit all the shops and enjoy dinner outside at the Island House and watch the sunset at West Bay Bar and Restaurant. Spring and fall you will find us at Captains Corner Bar & Grill playing pull tabs and meeting all my favorite island characters. If it's Sunday we are at the VFW for a turkey shoot. No matter the season, we always finish the night with a nice glass of red at the Winery with family and friends.

## **S&IO:** Perch or pizza? Where is your favorite place for either?

**Abbey:** I love perch and pizza; it just depends on what I'm in the mood for! The Wine Co. serves up a mean pizza, my favorite is the Fun Guy. It's a white sauce pizza with mozzarella, parmesan, mushrooms, garlic aioli, and chives. If the perch is fresh, and the service is good, any place downtown can satisfy my cravings! I usually hit Captains Corner or The Village Pump. The Island House has an amazing perch or walleye special and their cocktails are tough to beat.



## **S&IO:** Lake or land? Would you prefer spending time on the water or by the shore?

**Abbey:** I love the lake and being on the shoreline, but I am not as crazy about being on the water. Don't get me wrong, on those perfect days, being on the boat is like dreaming you're in a different place. Rodney would spend any spare moment on the lake, he loves driving our boat and just being on the water.

#### S&IO: Anything else to add regarding how to enjoy the region "like a local?"

**Abbey:** It's all about your mindset and learning to sit back and relax. You may not have great Wi-Fi, but the view is like no other in the world. Remember to set your phone on silent and enjoy the company of the people around you. One of the best ways to enjoy the region "like a local" is to be KInd. (No, that's not a typo!)





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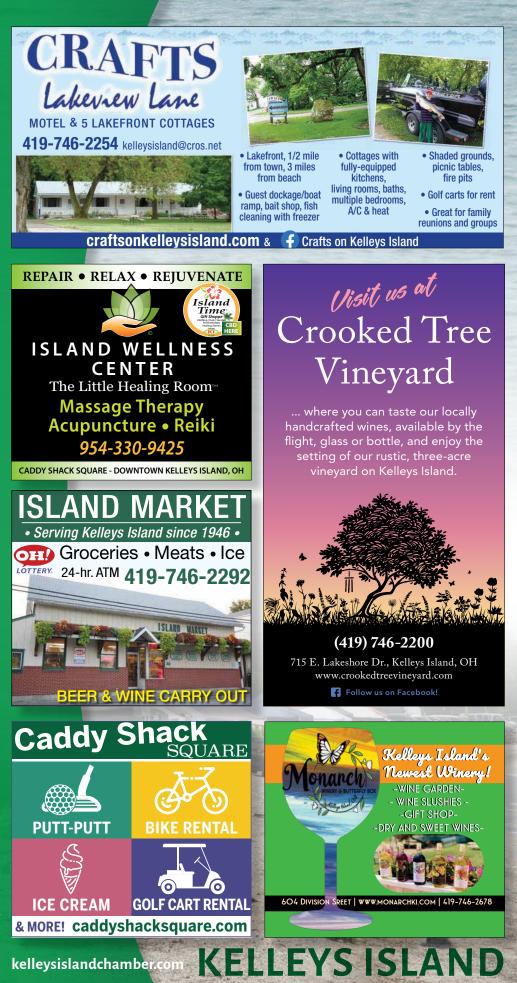
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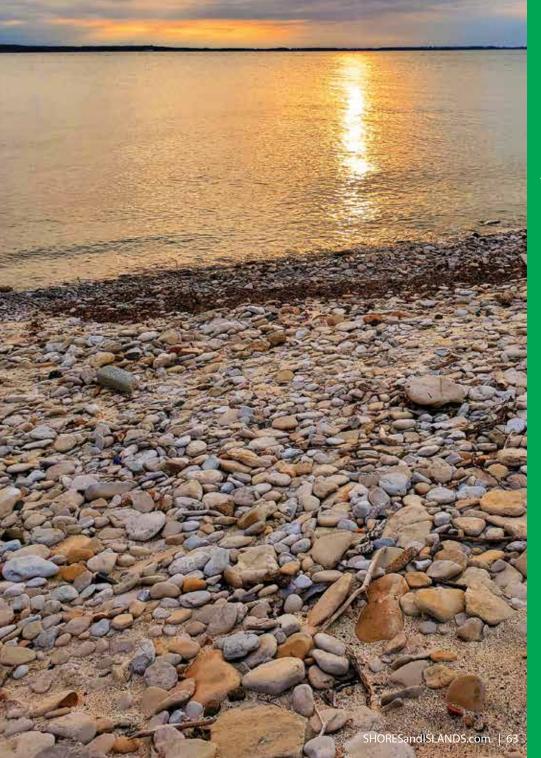












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#### MAY 27TH - 30TH **MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND**

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#### JULY 9TH - 10TH

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#### AUGUST 13TH

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#### AUGUST 24TH - 25TH **BASH ON THE BAY**

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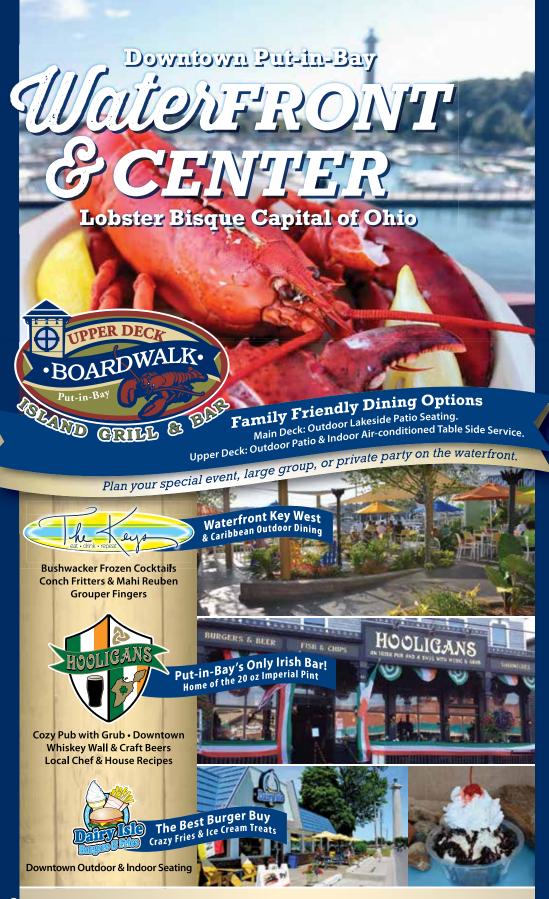
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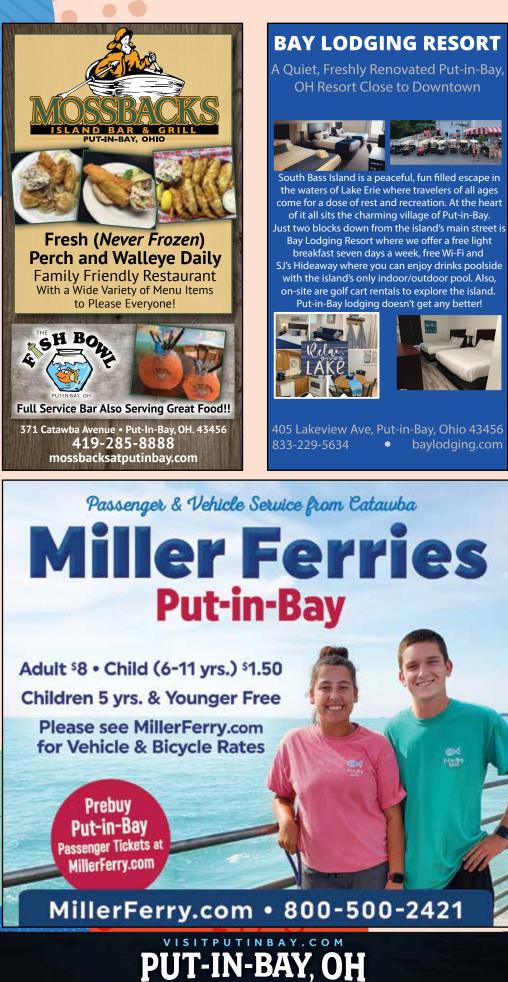


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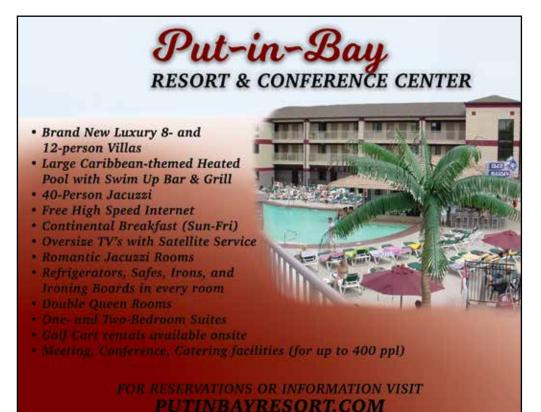


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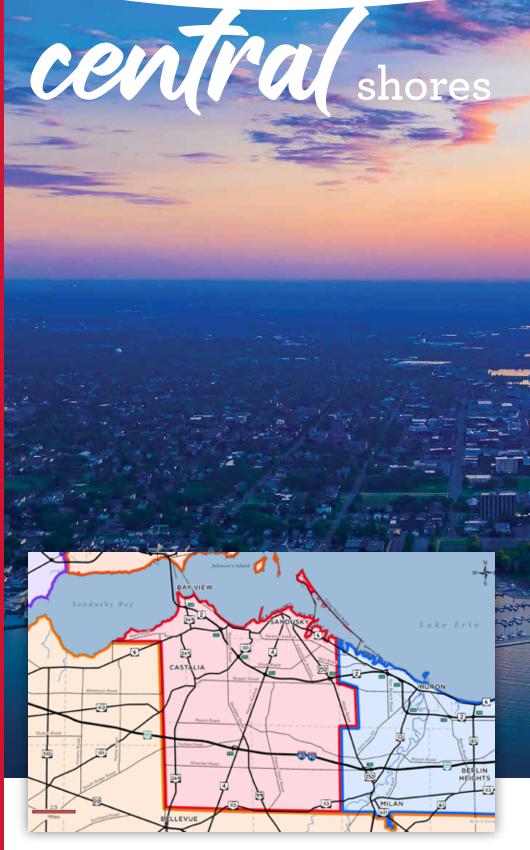
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## **[ike a [ocal: Molly Sampson** Maritime Museum of Sandusky

#### S&IO: Tell us a bit about yourself.

**Molly:** I'm originally from a small farming community outside of Findlay, Ohio. My parents and my brother still live there. I graduated from Owens Community College and Bowling Green State University, and have worked in the museum industry off and on—every time I move outside of the museum sphere, I get pulled back in! In my free time, I participate in living history programs; my main focus is the Women's Army Corps during WWII.

## **S&IO:** What can you tell us about the Maritime Museum of Sandusky and your job there?

**Molly:** The Sandusky Area Maritime Association was founded in 1993 and the original Maritime Museum of Sandusky was located on Market Street.

The museum relocated in 2000, and our current museum offers a very holistic view of the history of the Sandusky Bay and surrounding areas. Our exhibits cover a wide range of topics, so there's something for everyone's interest level. As the Executive Director, I'm in charge of the day-to-day operations of the museum and work with our board and committees to keep the museum moving forward.

## S&IO: What is your job, what attracted you to the job, and what is your favorite part about it?

**Molly:** I joined the Maritime Museum of Sandusky as Executive Director in early 2021. I had actually been working at a military museum in Northwest Georgia, just south of Chattanooga, Tennessee, for the past year and had started looking for jobs closer to home for my next career move. The responsibilities and skill set were a perfect match for what I wanted to do, so I wasted no time in applying! My favorite part of my job is being able to share my love of history with others and working on new ways to interpret history and help visitors find their own connections to history.



#### S&IO: What new exhibits or attractions have debuted at the museum recently?

**Molly:** The Underground Railroad exhibit was renovated and had reopened just before the museum closed for the pandemic, so it is still fairly new. We also have a new knot-tying station on the *Katie Bee* which offers hands-on experiences for visitors (little ones can also try the boat horn!). We are in the midst of a new Battle of Lake Erie exhibit, which includes a life-sized replica of a gun deck from the brig *Niagara*...opening in 2022.

## **S&IO:** What is your favorite thing about living and working in the Shores & Islands Ohio region?

**Molly:** I have to admit, after living in the South, that southern hospitality can't hold a candle to friendly Midwesterners—and I am so happy to be back in Ohio! The natural beauty of the area is wonderful; I love being able to explore outdoors and have a bucket list of places to take my kayak. I'm also looking forward to spending more time in downtown Sandusky and taking advantage of the Downtown Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA)!

## **S&IO:** If you had friends visiting from out of town, where would you take them?

**Molly:** Most of my friends are also history nerds, so local museums and historic sites are a must—there are so many excellent museums in our area. Obviously, I am biased towards the Maritime Museum, but I also love the Merry-Go-Round Museum, Follett House Museum of the Sandusky Library, and Liberty Aviation Museum. I'm also an amateur beer connoisseur, so visiting local breweries like Bait House or CLAG with out-of-town friends is the perfect way to end a day.



#### S&IO: Lake or land? Would you prefer spending time on the water or by the shore?

**Molly:** This is hard—both? Pretty much any time I get to be outside in nature is a good day to me!

#### S&IO: Anything else to add regarding how to enjoy the region "like a local"?

**Molly:** Being relatively new to the area, I'm enjoying being a tourist in my own city—I suggest everyone should check out their local cultural institutions, even if you're a lifelong resident. There's always something new to discover!





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#### **Erie County Historical Society**

eriecountyohiohistory.com The ECHS website features self-guided historic walking tours giving visitors the opportunity to explore everything from the Underground Railroad (Sandusky) to Kelleys Island and Vermilion. Enjoy tours using your smart phone, tablet, or PC. Check website for dates of special guided tours. Website includes info on the more than 60 historical markers in Erie County, as well as museums and historic sites.

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#### Castalia

#### Castalia Area Historical Society Museum

208 Lowell St.

419.684.9710 This small museum and repository of the Castalia area exhibits historical information and collectibles such as Blue Hole souvenirs and tufa rock statues. Open first Sat of every month, 12-2 pm; or by appointment.

### Sandusky

#### Cooke-Dorn House Historic Site

11415 Columbus Ave. 419.627.0640

oldhouseguild.org

Sandusky is known for its collection of limestone buildings, including this Greek Revival. The three-story mansion features a ruby and cranberry glass collection, antique furnishings, greenhouse, and souvenirs. Site managed by the Old House Guild of Sandusky. Free admission. Open Apr 14-Oct 29, Tues-Sat. Call to arrange a special tour for other days and times.

#### Follett House Museum of Sandusky Library 404 Wayne St. 419.625.3834

sanduskylib.org

Experience Sandusky's history from before the War of 1812, through the Civil War era, and to the present. Four floors of exhibits include business and industry, Johnson's Island Prison information, artifacts, and more. Free admission. Tours available by appointment.

#### Maritime Museum of Sandusky

125 Meigs St. 419.624.0274 sanduskymaritime.org Dive into the rich maritime history of the Sandusky Bay area through interactive exhibits and educational programs. Learn about ice harvesting, shipwrecks, boat building, wetlands, Sandusky's Underground Railroad history, passenger boats, and more. Special events throughout the year. Accessible. Open year-round; closed major holidays.

#### Ohio Veterans Home Museum

I.F. Mack Bldg. 3416 Columbus Ave. 567.998.3947 dvs.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/dvs/ veterans-homes This museum displays memorabilia from the Civil War, Johnson's Island, World War I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Open mid-Apr through Dec 31, Wed-Sun 12-4 pm.

#### Sandusky Children's Museum

at the Marketplace Downtown 133 E. Market St. 419.502.0263 sanduskychildrenmuseum.com An interactive science based children's museum. The museum provides seasonal activities designed to engage and excite children through hands-on learning experiences. Accessible. Open year-round.



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#### Lighthouses Sandusky

Cedar Point Lighthouse 1 Cedar Point Dr.

419.627.2350 cedarpoint.com

This 38-ft. lighthouse was built in 1862. The light, which was used for navigation until 1909, is located atop the lighthouse keeper's sixroom limestone home at the tip of the Cedar Point peninsula. A causeway toll/parking fee is required to travel around the Cedar Point peninsula. No entry inside.

#### <mark>Spa</mark> Sandusky Spa Kalahari & Salon

Spa Kalanari & Salon in Kalahari Resorts & Conventions 7000 Kalahari Dr. (off US 250) 419.433.7900 ext. 34168, 877.525.2427 kalahariresorts.com/ohio Beyond relaxation. Relax and rejuvenate your mind, body, and spirit with amazing body treatments, luxurious massages, skin care, nail care, and more. Spa Kalahari also features a halotherapy salt room. Open year-round.

#### Water Recreation Sandusky

North Coast Parasail & Water Sports at Cedar Point Beach 1 Cedar Point Dr. 419.627.2279 northcoastparasail.com

Experience the thrills of WaveRunner rentals and parasailing high above Lake Erie. Also offering private boat charters, kayak, and standup paddle boarding. Book online for the best rates. Walk-ups always welcome.

#### Sandusky Sailing Center

814 E. Water St. 419.871.8080 sailsandusky.org

Enjoy a variety of sailing experiences at the Sandusky Sailing Center. Offering private lessons, family sailing opportunities, sunset cruises, day boat charters, and more. Come and experience the Shores & Islands region with a certified instructor or captain. Call ahead to reserve your personalized sailing experience. Open May-Oct.

#### Water Parks Sandusky

#### Castaway Bay Indoor Waterpark by Cedar Point Resorts

2001 Cleveland Rd. (US 6) 419.627.2500 castawaybay.com

This indoor water park resort features liquid fun for the whole family in a tropical island setting. Adventures include a wave pool, water coaster, slides, kiddie water play areas, and children's activities, including a visit from Snoopy and his PEANUTS™ friends. The resort also has a stateof-the-art arcade, restaurants, and retail shops. Overnight guests enjoy early entry and ticket discounts for Cedar Point, in-season.

#### Cedar Point Shores Waterpark

1 Cedar Point Dr. (off US 6) 419.627.2350

cedarpoint.com

Cool off from the summer heat at Cedar Point Shores Waterpark. Featuring 18 acres of splish-splashin' family fun including Lakeslide Landing, where pint-sized slides, geysers, and fountains are fun to play around in. And the mythical Lake Erie monster, Lemmy, is ready to play at Lemmy's Lagoon. Test your courage on the four capsule drop slide, Point Plummet, fill up on yummy treats at Beaches & Cream, lounge in redesigned cabanas, and so much more! Open Memorial Day-Labor Day.

#### **Great Wolf Lodge**

4600 Milan Rd. (US 250) 419.609.6000, 800.641.9653 greatwolf.com/sandusky Excitement abounds when you encounter Wiley Wolf and friends in this North Woodsthemed, water park resort designed to bring joy to families! Activities and attractions include a 24-hour arcade, Build-A-Bear<sup>TM</sup>, MagiQuest adventure, new Ten Paw Bowling, and Oliver's Sluice Mining. Seasonal rotation of kids' activities all day long!

#### **Kalahari Resorts & Conventions**

7000 Kalahari Dr. (off US 250) 419.433.7200, 877.525.2427 kalahariresorts.com/ohio Plan a getaway at one of America's largest indoor water parks! Enjoy swimming and indoor surfing year-round, or take on the uphill water roller coaster. Visit Spa Kalahari and dine at one of 11 dining choices. For extra fun, enjoy The Big Game Room, Great Escape Mini Golf; and Safari Outdoor Adventure Park. Open yearround.

#### Wineries & Breweries Sandusky

#### Bait House Brewery 223 Meigs St.

419.502.HOPS (4677) baithousebrewery.com

Although there's "nothin' fishy about it," when you stop by the Bait House Brewery you'll soon be "hooked." Sandusky's hometown brewery not only offers their own specialty in-house brews, but also a full bar menu and perch sandwiches, burgers, wings, fries, and other delicious items. Pet-friendly patio. Open year-round.

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B-Lux Grill & Bar in Kalahari Resorts & Conventions 7000 Kalahari Dr. (off US 250) 419.433.7600 kalahariresorts.com/ohio Cuisine: American, Bar & Grill Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D

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#### **Bay Harbor**

Waterfront Dining 1 Cedar Point Dr. 419.625.6373 bayharbordining.com Cuisine: Seafood, Steak Price: \$\$\$ Meals served: D ⅏ᆭダℭϮѸ‱

Cabana Bar & Grille at Comfort Inn Sandusky 5909 Milan Rd. (US 250) 419.621.0200 sanduskyhotels.com Cuisine: American, Pizza Price: \$ Meals served: L, D, LN Ý 🌪

#### **Crush Wine Bar**

145 Columbus Ave. 419.502.9463 facebook.com/CrushWineBar Cuisine: American, Sushi Price: \$\$ Meals served: D ÝĊŤ

#### Dockside Café

at Paper District Marina 611 W. Shoreline Dr. 419.503.2296 Cuisine: American, Lake Erie Fish Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D

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#### Doughin' Crazy

in Marketplace Downtown 133 E. Market St. 419.502.1206 doughincrazy.com Cuisine: Ice Cream, Specialty Price: \$ Meals served: LTD ሔሮ

#### **DQ Grill & Chill Orange Julius®**

2015 Fifth St. (at Cedar Point Dr.) 419.609.5916 dairyqueen.com Cuisine: American, Ice Cream Price: \$ Meals served: L, D **Ь**Т

#### Famous Dave's Legendary Pit Bar-B-Que

1 Cedar Point Dr. 419.626.0830 cedarpoint.com Cuisine: BBQ Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D ∭ė, Ý 🕈 🗯

#### **Ghostly Manor**

Thrill Center 3319 Milan Rd. (US 250) 419.626.4467 ghostlymanor.com Cuisine: Quick Bites, Ice Cream Price: \$ Meals served: L, D

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#### Gitchigoomie Grill

in Great Wolf Lodge 4600 Milan Rd. (US 250) 419.609.6000, 800.641.9653 greatwolf.com/sandusky Cuisine: American Price: \$\$ Meals served: B, L, D έτζ

#### **J Bistro**

129 W. Market St. 419.502.2280 jbistrodwtn.wixsite.com/ mysite Cuisine: American, Seafood Price: \$\$\$ Meals served: D ξÝ¢¶

#### Mango Mike's

at Castaway Bay Indoor Waterpark Resort 2001 Cleveland Rd. W (US 6) 419.627.2500 castawaybay.com Cuisine: Buffet Price: \$\$ Meals served: B



#### **Moseley's Rooftop Bar**

in Hotel Kilbourne 223 W. Water St. 844.373.2223 facebook.com/ MoseleysRooftopBar Price: \$ Meals served: LTD ₩5.Ý Ť



#### OH Taco

in Hotel Kilbourne 223 W. Water St. 844.373.2223 oh-taco.com Cuisine: Mexican Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D, LN ∭\$\$\$**°**\$

#### The Original Margaritaville 212 Fremont Ave. (US 6) 419.627.8903 themargaritavilleonline.com Cuisine: American Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D, LN ýc t O

#### Paddle Bar

305 E. Water St. 419.502.1044 paddleandclimb.com/ paddle-bar . Price: \$\$ Meals served: LTD



#### **Perkins Restaurant** & Bakery

in Hotel Breakers 1 Cedar Point Dr. 419.626.0830 cedarpoint.com Cuisine: American Price: \$\$ Meals served: B, L, D Ġ

#### Quaker Steak & Lube

at Castaway Bay Indoor Waterpark Resort 2003 Cleveland Rd. W (US 6) 419.609.5606, thelube.com **Cuisine: American** Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D ₩6.70 **1 0 ±** 

#### Sortino's Italian Kitchen

in Kalahari Resorts & Conventions 7000 Kalahari Dr. (off US 250) 419.433.6653 sortinositaliankitchen.com/ ohio Cuisine: Italian, Pizza Price: \$\$ Meals served: D 

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in Hotel Breakers 1 Cedar Point Dr. (off US 6) 419.626.0830 cedarpoint.com Cuisine: Coffee, Bakery, Café Price: \$ Meals served: B, L, D



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at Hotel Breakers 1 Cedar Point Dr. (off US 6) 419.626.0830 cedarpoint.com **Cuisine: American** Price: \$\$\$ Meals served: L, D

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3717 Venice Rd. (US 6) 419.625.4376, 800.521.4606 toftdairy.com Cuisine: Ice Cream, **Quick Bites** Price: \$ Meals served: L Ċ T

#### Tomo Hibachi

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Vita Sandusky 256 Columbus Ave. 419.621.4038 vitasandusky.com Cuisine: Fine Dining, Coffee Price: \$\$ Meals served: B, L, D  $\underbrace{I}$  Wake Up and Waffle122 E. Water St.419.502.1030wakeupandwaffle.comPrice: \$\$Meals served: B, L上上上エ



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**Castalia State Fish Hatchery** 7018 Homegardner Rd. 419.684.7499 wildlife.ohiodnr.gov



#### Resthaven Wildlife Area SR 269 419.424.5000 wildlife.ohiodnr.gov



#### Sandusky

**Battery Park** 701 E. Water St. 419.627.5886 ci.sandusky.oh.us

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#### Cedar Point Beach 1 Cedar Point Dr. 419.627.2350

#### cedarpoint.com ≦{#i0≈\$}¥

**Community Foundation** Preserve at Eagle Point 3819 Cleveland Rd. W (US 6) 419.625.7783 eriemetroparks.org



#### **Dorn Park**

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#### **East Sandusky Bay** Water Trail

watercraft.ohiodnr.gov 15-mile trail with access points at Big Island Preserve and Canoe Launch and Community Foundation Preserve at Eagle Point. Additional paddling access point: Shoreline Park







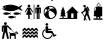
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**Venice Park** 700 Bardshar Rd. (off US 6) 419.627.5886

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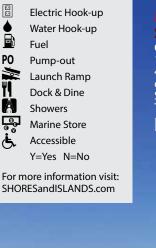
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#### Sandusky

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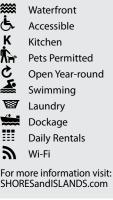
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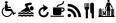


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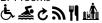
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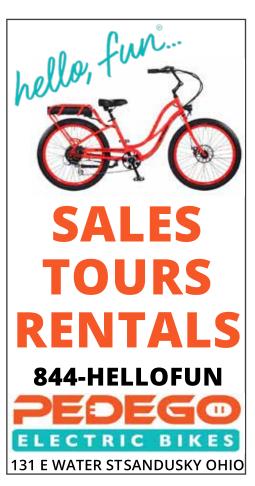


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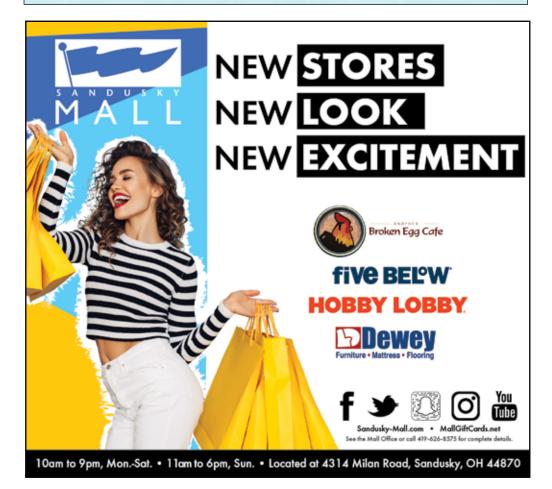
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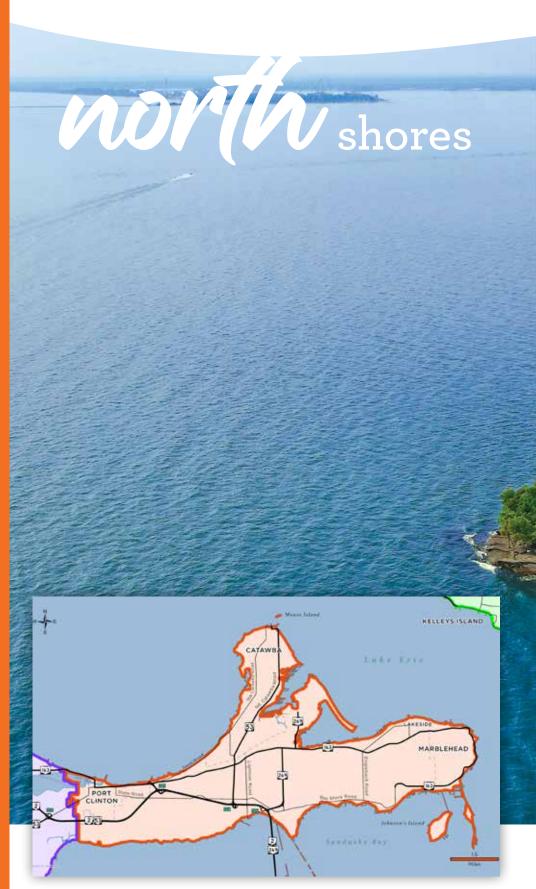
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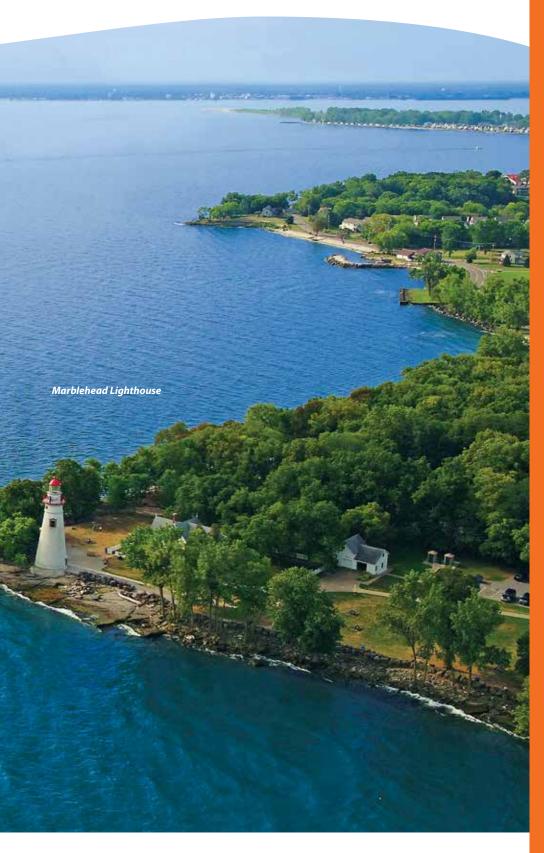
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**S&IO:** Tell us about your family history in relation to Catawba Island and the fruit-farming industry. How did that venture morph into brewing beer? As a multi-generational business, what generation (who specifically) started the business and who is still involved today?

**Cory:** My parents are both Ohio natives; my father spent most of his childhood years between Youngstown and Port Clinton, which is where our connection to the area starts. My grandfather held many jobs, but a constant in their life was always the passion for farming and gardening. When they finally settled back in the Port Clinton area, my father continued that passion with vegetable gardens and fruit trees in our backyard. As he came closer to retirement age (he'll say he's still not there), he realized he wanted to work farming back into his hobbies which is why he decided to purchase his first plot of farm land in Catawba, a 16-acre farm with roughly a thousand apricot trees and hundreds of apple trees.

The brewing side of the venture is my passion. My brother and I started brewing in his garage using a home brew kit we received as a gift. That first batch turned out okay, but the concept of brewing and my interest with the process spiraled into a full-blown obsession. I was homebrewing for five or six years before the idea of the brewery started to blossom.

By this time, the family owned roughly 80-acres of land in Catawba. We knew that we lived in a special place and wanted the brewery to become a destination for locals and visitors alike. The best way to create the destination was to showcase what made Catawba unique, which meant showcasing our farmland and creating a relaxed, agrarian, and vacation-like setting for our taproom. With that in mind, it became our mission to have the brewery and the farm live symbiotically so we could maintain as much farmland on the island as possible.

The family consists of my parents, Donna and Quintin; my brothers, Tyson and Dustin; my sister Haley; and myself. Each of our family units is invested in the brewery and still maintain ownership, while I am the day-to-day operator and GM.





# **S&IO:** What varieties of beers do you produce and is it available anywhere else besides the brewery itself?

**Cory:** We brew a wide variety of beers, but try to stay within some moderate guidelines. We aim to create beers that are approachable, between 4.5% and 6.5% ABV. and inspired by our location. Our year-round offerings include Old Ohio Blonde Ale, Legitimate Swells IPA, Oasteweizen Hefeweizen, Ship Burner Porter, and Vivod Berliner Weisse-Style Ale. Some of our favorite seasonal brews include Apricatawba, an apricot ale; Kelleys Island Pilsner; and Berry Delish, a cream ale with blueberries, raspberries, and strawberries. We are currently self-distributing our beer which can be found on draft and in cans. Our current footprint for distribution is between Toledo and Cleveland, but is quickly expanding.

We are also expanding some of our options. In 2022,

you'll see the start of our barrel-aged sour program, as well as farmhouse ales using house-cultured yeast.

# S&IO: What makes your brewery unique/different from other breweries in the region?

**Cory:** The core identity of our brewery and taproom is the farm. It is our inspiration for so much that we do and, when possible, the source of what you taste as well. It also lends an atmosphere to our taproom that is unrivaled by a majority of breweries across America. We want people to come to the brewery, let the kids run around, spend an entire day enjoying different beers, the sights of the grounds, and feel like they are able to get away from the stresses of daily life.

## **S&IO:** Where did you derive the name Twin Oast from?

**Cory:** An oast is a kiln for drying hops. In England, oasts would be buildings within the hop yards that were used to process hops which were then sent to breweries for production. We stumbled upon the concept of oasts and thought that they were an iconic symbol showing the tight-knit relationship between farming and brewing. It was too good and too cool not to try to use, which is why we decided to build two "oasts" on the property. Ours do not dry hops, however. One houses a bar and the other has a firepit to gather around, a small nod to how oasts originally operated.

## S&IO: Do you have a favorite beer and food pairing you would recommend that is available at your location?

**Cory:** I would say there are two that stand out, and they're based off of our seasonal menus. In the summer, I always like our Bavarian Pretzel and Oasteweizen. This is such a classic combination of flavors that transports you straight to Bavaria.

The winter menu features a Quinstock Salad which has goat cheese on it. The goat cheese makes a perfect complement to our Vivod. The Vivod is tart with notes of lemon and apple, and it cuts through the richness and creaminess of the goat cheese in a beautiful way.

## S&IO: Anything exciting or new planned for the 2022 season? What special events do you have planned?

**Cory:** The biggest change I'm looking forward to in 2022 is going to be a mix up in our beer lineups. We are going to introduce fruit-aged and barrel-aged sours for the first time. We are also looking to expand how many beers we are able to offer on tap throughout the year and mix in some small-batch and experimental styles, like a farmhouse ale made with Quinstock honey. As for special events, we have three summer festivals:

- July 9: Apricot Fest is the release of Apricatawba, but also a family-friendly showcase of local vendors, musicians, and a petting zoo.
- August 6: Quinstock is our all-day music festival and release of Berry Delish. Hippie attire is highly encouraged.
- September 30-October 1: Oastoberfest is a mix between an Oktoberfest and a beer festival. We partner with The Bavarian Sports Club out of Toledo and offer traditional German foods, music, and dancing. We also invite breweries from all over Ohio to showcase their brands and pour beer for our guests.



# S&IO: Within the past couple of years, you acquired the former Mon Ami Winery, now Gideon Owen. What made your family decide to go into the wine-making business also?

**Cory:** We do have common ownership, but Gideon Owen is a separate entity owned and operated by my father, Quintin, and my mother, Donna. For them, it was not really a push to get into the winemaking business as much as it was the opportunity to be a part of the history of this magnificent building. What started as The Catawba Island Wine Company in the late 1800s became The Mon Ami Champagne Company, and eventually Mon Ami Historic Winery and Restaurant. The building itself is littered with history and folklore, and, in taking over, my parents wanted to make sure they were going to be respectful curators of this building.

Their goals with Gideon Owen are much like ours at Twin Oast: to maintain Catawba's agricultural roots, plant Catawba's first commercial vineyard in 100+ years, and maintain green space in the area for future generations. They also want to showcase one of the biggest hidden gems in the state, which are the lower cellars of the building. There are four European-style cellars below the main building that have rarely been seen by the general public. They are in the midst of aging wine in these cellars for the first time in over 20 years and are restoring them for more public use.



## **S&IO:** What is your favorite thing about living and working in the Shores & Islands region?

**Cory:** My favorite thing about living here is the feeling of community the area has, and the safety and security that make raising a family here so enticing. My favorite part of working here is that every day is unique and offers a special challenge. It is never going to be monotonous with the seasonal swings we see, which is an exciting challenge as a business owner. At the end of the day, it's great to take a step back and realize we live in a vacation destination, and a trip to the beach is something we shouldn't take for granted.

#### S&IO: If you had friends visiting from out of town, where would you take them?

**Cory:** If it is their first time visiting the area, I'd have to take them to either Kelleys Island or Put-in-Bay. It is easy to make a whole day out of exploring either island, and both have experiences for all lifestyles. There are hiking trails, great restaurants and bars, local landmarks, family-friendly places to visit, camping, parasailing, boating; there's so much to do, that all interests will have fun.

#### S&IO: Perch or pizza? Where is your favorite place for either?

**Cory:** Pizza. All day, every day. Perch is great, but pizza is one of my favorite foods. Outside of Twin Oast or Gideon Owen, my go-to local pizza place is Cameo Pizza. If I'm going for perch, then I'm a fan of Jolly Roger's Seafood House. It's simple, but classic.

#### S&IO: Lake or land? Would you prefer spending time on the water or by the shore?

**Cory:** By a hair, I'd rather be on shore. My wife and I like to do getaways at the beach at East Harbor State Park. I also like to go fishing and boating when I can, but the beach beats swimming in the middle of Lake Erie for me.

#### S&IO: Anything else to add regarding how to enjoy the region "like a local?"

**Cory:** I think it's easy for people to get caught up in nostalgia and routine and try to relive trips they've taken in the past. We are living in a time with a lot of new growth; I would challenge people to explore all of the fun things there are to do in the area. Try a new restaurant, go to a new park, drink a new beer, and experience life by the lake.



#### Information Resources Port Clinton Shores & Islands Ohio Welcome Center - West 770 S.E. Catawba Rd. (SR 53) 419.734.4386, 800.441.1271 shoresandislands.com Pick up brochures, maps, directions, discount coupons, and a laminated copy of the Shore Savings Card from friendly travel counselors waiting to assist you. Charging station, discount tickets, free Wi-Fi, and public restrooms

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#### Port Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce 110 Madison St. 419.734.5503 portclintonchamber.com Your information headquarters for the greater Port Clinton community. Stop in to browse an extensive variety of brochures, read local newspapers, pick up money-saving coupons, purchase souvenirs, and learn about events taking place during your visit to the community. Open Mon-Fri 9 am-5 pm.

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Lakeside Chautauqua

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Hoover Auditorium 119 W. Third St.

419.798.4461 lakesideohio.com

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#### **Port Clinton**

#### Greater Port Clinton Area Arts Council 317 W. Perry St.

419.341.0979 gpcaac.org Stop by the Greater Port Clinton Area Arts Council's new home, The Arts Garage (TAG) to see local artists at work, attend many arts classes, or just connect to the local artistic community. Call or see the website for special events, classes, and more!

#### Ferries & Cruises Marblehead

#### Kelleys Island Ferry Boat Line 510 W. Main St. (SR 163)

419.798.9763 kelleysislandferry.com The only passenger and vehicle ferry service between Marblehead and Kelleys Island. Yearround service offered weather-permitting and late-night service during the summer season.

#### **Port Clinton**

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#### Historical & Educational Lakeside

#### Heritage Hall Museum

236 Walnut Ave. 419.798.5519

lakesideheritagesociety.org Housed in the original 1875 Methodist Church, Heritage Hall Museum showcases 150 years of Lakeside, Marblehead, and Danbury township history. Exhibits include local businesses, lodging, restaurants, transportation, and recreation, as well as Johnson's Island Civil War artifacts. Children (6-12 yrs.) will enjoy the museum treasure hunt activities. Visit website or call for schedule.

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#### Lakeside Heritage Society Archives

210 Walnut Ave. 419.798.5519 lakesideheritagesociety.org Located one block east of the Heritage Hall Museum, the Lakeside Heritage Society Archives houses manuscripts, photographs, and other print documents related to Lakeside, the Marblehead Peninsula, and the history of the Chautauqua Movement in America. Materials are accessible to the public for personal and scholarly research. Open Memorial Day-Labor Day; fall and winter hours by appointment only.

#### Marblehead

#### Johnson's Island Confederate Officers Prison Cemetery

Gaydos Rd. (off Bayshore Rd.) johnsonsisland.org This historic cemetery is the final resting place of more than 200 of the 9,000 Confederate soldiers once imprisoned here. A causeway toll is required to visit the cemetery. Open yearround, daily dawn-dusk.

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ottawacountyhistory.org

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#### **Port Clinton**

**Catawba Island Museum at Union Chapel** 5258 E. Porter St. (off SR 53)

419.967.5363 catawbaislandhistoricalsociety.com Records the timeline of the area's geological beginning, Native American peoples, European settlers, and local farming, fishing, and wine producing industries. The Union Chapel, built in 1888, provides the setting which enables the Catawba Island Historical Society to display historical artifacts and share the stories and legends of Catawba Island. Open May-Oct.

#### Liberty Aviation Museum

3515 E. State Rd. 419.732.0234 libertyaviationmuseum.org Showcasing operational, historical aircraft and vehicles including *Georgie's Gal*, a WWII B-25 Mitchell Bomber, a U.S. Navy WWII TBM Avenger, PT-boat, and more. Witness the restoration of a 1929 Ford Tri-Motor and dine in the 1950s-era themed Tin Goose Diner. Open year-round.

#### Ottawa County Museum

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110 Lighthouse Dr. (off SR 163)

parks.ohiodnr.gov

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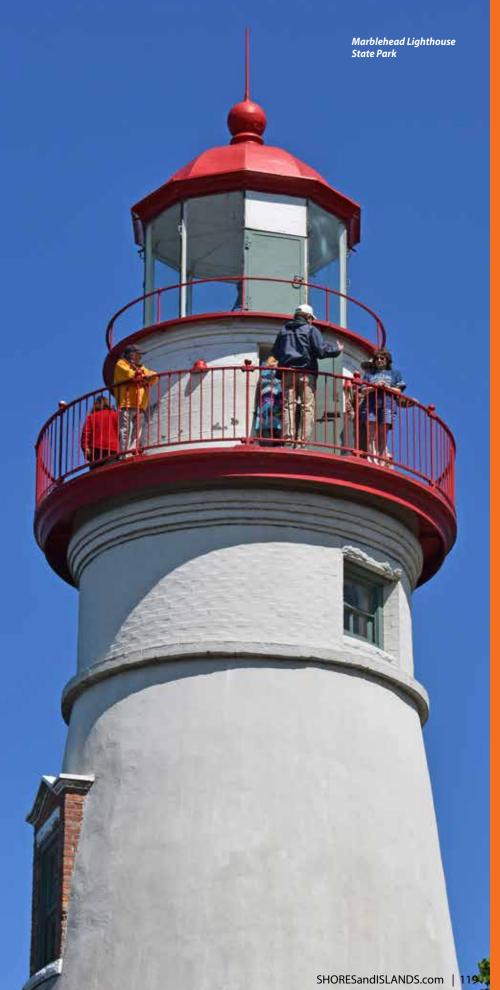
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117 Madison St. 419.960.7310, 419.967.9084 rosiesbarandgrillpc.com Cuisine: American, Seafood Price: \$\$ Meals served: L, D  $\overleftarrow{e}, \overleftarrow{a}$ 

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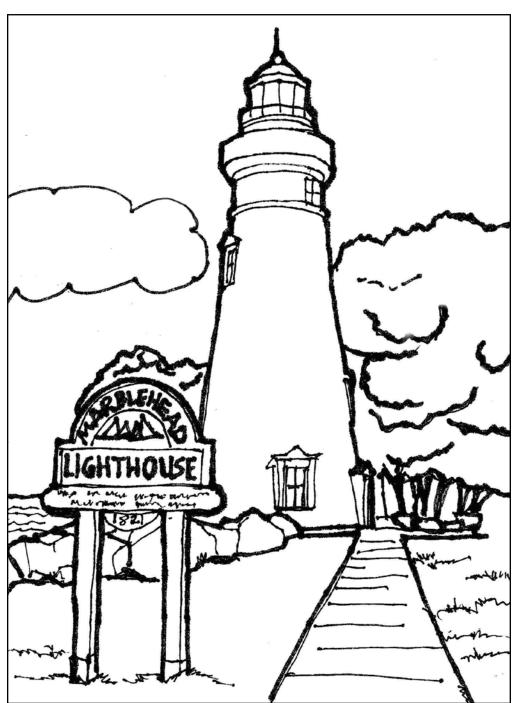
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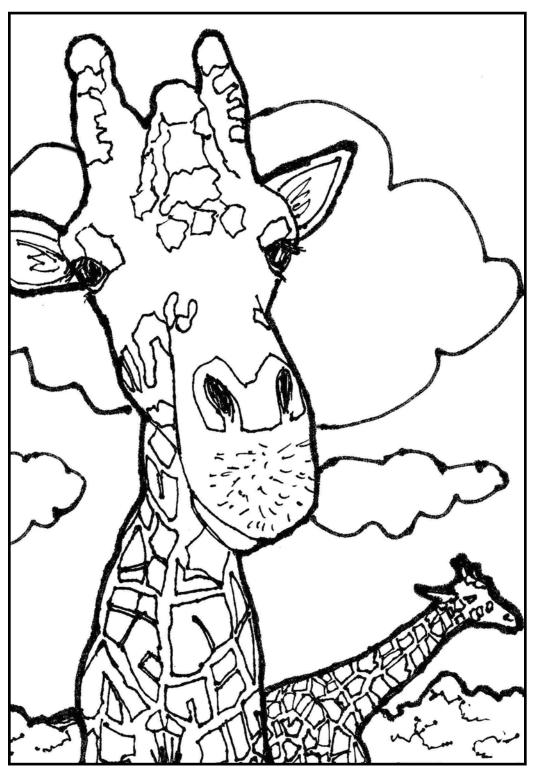
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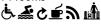
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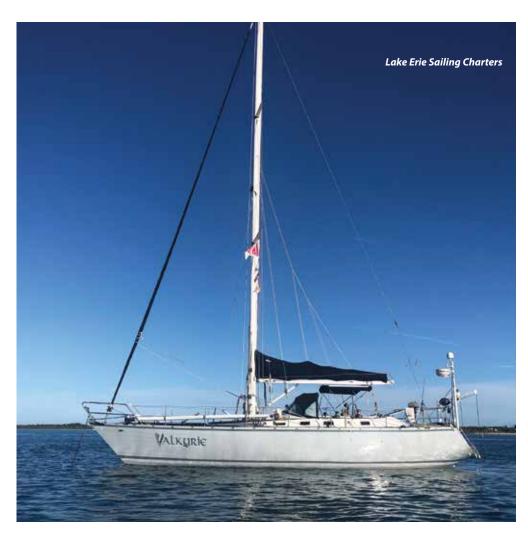
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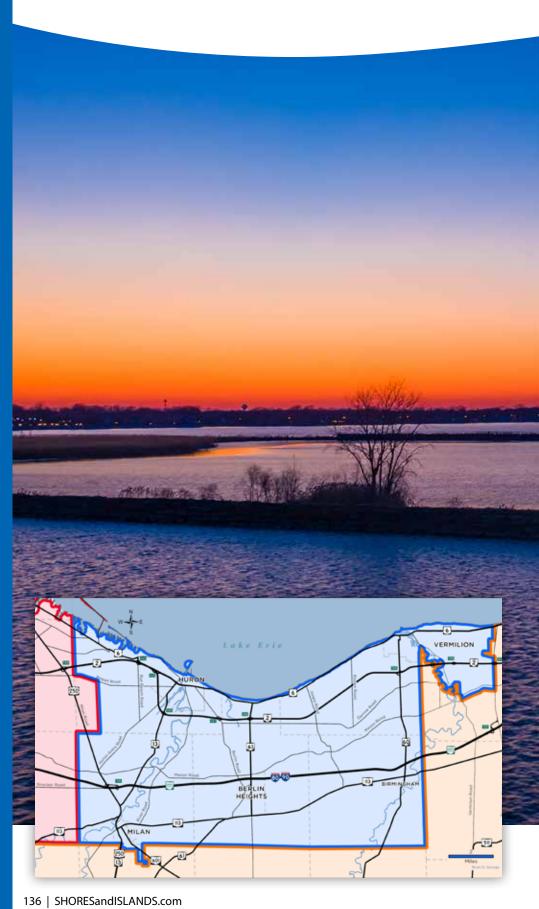


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**Huron Lighthouse** 

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**S&IO:** Tell us about your family history in relation to Berlin Heights and the fruit-farming industry. As a multi-generational business, what generation started the business and who is still involved today?

**Brooke:** My husband, Ben, grew up across the street from the Market Barn in the farm house (the same house his Dad grew up in); his blood runs deep with farm life (I'm still learning). It was Ben's paternal grandfather (William Gladstone Gammie) and Ben's Great Uncle (Alex) who started farming cabbage and tomatoes on our ground back in the 1930s. This is what we call the farm's first generation.

The second generation came along with Ben's Dad, William Dinan Gammie, or "Bill" who everyone knows as the welcoming face at the Market Barn, with a cup of cider in his hand for you. Bill left his teaching career to transition the farm from vegetable production into fruit production during the 1970s and 1980s.

Then, the third generation, well, that's me and Ben! We ALSO left separate careers (we both were practicing Professional Civil Engineers in Austin,

Texas) and returned to the farm for the harvest of 2013. Today, you'll see three generations of Gammies running around the orchard. Bill, Ben, and now our four children Payton, Henry, Beatrice, and Tucker = the fourth gen! Don't forget we're also into our fourth generation of golden retrievers too! Walter and Hudson lead the charge today, but we remember Rudy, London, Webster, and PJ.

I was born and raised in Phoenix, Arizona – yes, I'm a city girl from the desert who transplanted here when my oldest kids were one and three years old (about eight years ago). I knew Ben was a package deal when we started dating, and I made the decision to live in Ohio at Quarry Hill Orchards a LONG time ago.



# QUARRY HILL ORCHARDS Fruit



S&IO: What fruits do you grow in your orchards and what are the seasons in which each is available/fresh at the market? Which is your favorite produce season and why?

**Brooke:** We grow sweet cherries, red raspberries, and black raspberries that kick-off our summer harvest around mid to late-June (Make a cherry pie for the 4th of July!). Later in the summer, we welcome a large crop of peaches (Take a peach to the beach!), with freestone peaches (Red Havens) ripening in early August. First white peaches, nectarines, and early apples (Lodi) are close behind just before Labor Day (latesummer), then we start to see first pressings of cider and Honeycrisp, plums, and pears in early September (autumn season).

Then, we really hit it hard with our apple harvest during the fall season, along with some specialty pumpkins, and edible squashes, and gourds. The best way to learn about seasonal availability is to subscribe to our annual summer newsletter. Folks LOVE this and, it's a pretty big Quarry Hill tradition. Bill has been sending this letter each summer for nearly 40 years!

My favorite produce season is August. The weather is HOT (remember, I'm from the desert), the daylight is long, the peaches are juicy, the kids' hands are stained with raspberry juice, the orchard has a sense of calm (before the storm), and Gator rides to the quarry for a dip on a hot day with Ben and the kids is most definitely one of my favorite things to do on the farm.

# **S&IO:** What makes your orchard unique from other orchards and farm markets in the region?

Brooke: Growing fruit is no easy street. I have enormous respect for the other orchards and farm markets that still call fruit-growing a career. Because farming is a lifestyle, each farm market has its own personality that really just reflects the family that's running it. I like to think here at Quarry Hill, you're just part of our larger family. We are the Gammies, gracious hosts who welcome you into our farm so you can truly enjoy an authentic slice of the rural life we know. We let the guiet peace of the orchard, the company of our farm pups, the wholesome tastes of our fresh fruit, the engaging conversations with our family (all three generations), and the unique destination of our timber-framed Market Barn provide you with a memorable experience. Our Market Barn also offers our patrons a breadth of fresh produce and products with a depth of seasonal flavors.

During a visit, you can expect to try our delicious fruit, purchase local produce, sip warm cider, meet our family and friendly golden retrievers, visit our winery, and pick your own fruit. You can also shop our diverse selection of elevated and carefully-curated local products and provisions crafted by our community and, hopefully, purchase a cone of our real fruit ice cream (coming in 2022!).

## S&IO: Tell us about your community involvement.

Brooke: When we're not pressed to get fruit off the trees, we make it a priority to engage with and support our community. Whether that's the local village of Berlin Heights that we call home, or our larger reach into the greater Cleveland area and beyond. I like to think we support in our efforts to host educational farm tours during harvest (we show hundreds of preschool through elementary-age kids around the farm each year); our off-season apple taste tests and meet the farmer days at schools; seasonal events we plan and host that are free to the public; apple and cider donations to area non-profits, libraries, and other community partners; and our time donated in leadership capacities to coaching baseball (Ben), being a Cub Scout Den Leader (Brooke), attending church, and serving and leading on many industry boards (Ohio Apples, Fresh Forward, and Feed our Future, to name a few).

## **S&IO:** How can customers from outside the area purchase your products?

**Brooke:** We have an online store where we ship our fruit all over the country! The bulk of our shipping is during the holidays (late-November through December) where you can send our farm-fresh apples to your loved ones during the holidays. One of my very first projects here at the farm was to create a way to share the harvest with my family and friends back in Arizona and Texas. Ben and I wanted to create a very beautiful, sustainable, quality way of shipping our fruit. The crates, boxes, packaging, etc. have all been very thoughtfully and beautifully designed. The best way to access our online store is via our "Link in Bio" on our Instagram Profile, @quarryhillorchards.

# **S&IO:** Anything exciting or new planned for the 2022 season? What special events do you have planned for 2022?

**Brooke:** We were graciously approved for funding under the USDA's Value-Added Producer Grant Program for our proposal to make New Zealand-inspired Real Fruit Ice Cream! We're super excited to roll this out starting in May of 2022.

Also, please view **quarryhillorchards.com/ special-events** and save the dates for our annual special events in 2022.

#### S&IO: Within the past couple of years, you upgraded your market barn. Tell us why this was necessary and how it has benefitted your business?

**Brooke:** It was a real struggle for us to expand beyond the intimate space that we were limited to in the old barn (what we currently and affectionately call the "Packhouse"). In order for us to grow our retail operations, and become more efficient (and safe) in our wholesale side of the business, we absolutely needed more space. The Market Barn has really allowed us to celebrate the fruit we grow, and our ability to share it with those that come out to visit us in a thoughtful way; naturally, there were some logistics and efficiencies that we realized as well...not to mention my new heated office suite Ben playfully calls my Ivory Tower.





## **S&IO:** What is your favorite thing about living and working in the Shores & Islands region?

Brooke: The change and celebration of each season AND the double-whammy of being able to raise my children around these two BIG things: farm life and lake life. During the summers, our family will spend a day at the farm harvesting raspberries, serving peach ice cream after our peach-picking workshops, sweeping the Market Barn floors, driving the Gator out to check on the apple crop, and then head across the bridge to Catawba Island to enjoy dinner at Gideon Owen Wine Company, Twin Oast Brewing Co., or The Ørchard Bar & Table with my Mom and Dad (Nonnie and Poppy, who ALSO transplanted here shortly after we did after they fell IN LOVE with the region!), followed by a sleepover at their lakefront cabin, and a spontaneous trip to Put-in-Bay the next day. Seriously, how lucky are my kids!? This is why we don't have Disney on our vacation horizon! Oh, and how about our annual family staycation at Cedar Point's Hotel Breakers where we burn the candle riding roller coasters, and host a beach birthday party at Cedar Point Beach each July (you can find us under the Quarry Hill Orchards farm market tents). Now, all the aunts, uncles, and cousins come and make it a true family tradition!

### **S&IO:** If you had friends visiting from out of town, where would you take them?

**Brooke:** We get asked for recommendations all the time! Just this season, we're rolling out a new marketing asset called the "Quarry Hill Recommends" card for us to pass out to our friends that visit Quarry Hill! If friends come in from out of town, I definitely would take them to the islands, for a hike at Edison Woods MetroPark, shopping and lunch in downtown Vermilion, and to the beach in Huron by our house – AND, if time allows, shopping at Erie and Anchor, The Ørchard Farm Stand, and River + Road Marketplace.

### **S&IO:** Perch or pizza? Where is your favorite place for either?

Brooke: Perch tacos at Dockside Café!

### S&IO: Lake or land? Would you prefer spending time on the water or by the shore?

**Brooke:** Land...I love the feel of the warm sand (I also love to be barefoot) and watching the kids splash in the water, making sandcastles, throwing the baseball on the beach, hunting for beach glass, and managing the snacks, umbrellas, towels, sand toys, watermelon slices, and all the mom things! I also love a good boat ride, but I definitely like to really CAMP OUT on the beach!

### **S&IO:** Anything else to add regarding how to enjoy the region "like a local?"

**Brooke:** Support as many local businesses as you can!!! There is so much talent, love, support, and sense of community here, we are SO extremely blessed to call this region home!



### Information Resources

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### Huron

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### Huron

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419.433.3789 sawmillcreekgolfclub.com A public, daily-fee golf club located on the shores of Lake Erie. Situated 45 minutes from both downtown Cleveland and Toledo, Sawmill Creek Golf Club was designed by worldrenowned architect Tom Fazio.

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### Vermilion

### Vermilion History Museum

727 Grand St. 440.967.4555 vermilionhistorymuseum.com From 1904-1964, a weekly newspaper was composed and printed here. All types of books, magazines, and signs were printed with its presses which are still on display today. Vermilion photographs and original printed materials, two small linotypes, and four-letter presses are also on display. Open Mon-Sat 11 am-3 pm.

### Lighthouses

### Huron

### Huron Lighthouse & Fishing Pier end of N. Main St.

419.433.8487 cityofhuron.org The Huron Lighthouse is maintained by the United States Federal Government. The lighthouse is not open for tours, however, visitors can walk the pier. The pier is a great fishing spot year-round and also designated as one of Ohio's "hot spots" for birding.

### Vermilion

### Vermilion Lighthouse 480 Main St. 440.204.2400 vermilion.net

This lighthouse is a replica of the original that was later moved to Lake Ontario. Known as the "Town of Sea Captains," Vermilion was without a lighthouse for 63 yrs. The lighthouse is located next to Main Street Beach. Visitors can walk up to, but not enter the lighthouse.

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Vermilion Lighthouse

Huron Pizza House

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Huron Pizza House 812 Main St. 419.433.5751 pizzahousehuron.com Cuisine: American, Pizza Price: \$\$ Meals served: D ↓ ♥ ♪ ♪

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Old Fish House 30 Main St. 419.602.4664 Cuisine: Lake Erie Fish, Tavern Price: \$\$ Meals served: LTD ﷺ 侯 ♀ ♀ ♀ ♀

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Wine & Martini Bar 555 Main St. (SR 60) 440.967.0630 chezfrancois.com Cuisine: French Price: \$\$\$\$ Meals served: D, LN



Granny Joe's Ice Creamatorium 5598 Liberty Ave. (US 6) 440.967.3663 papaandgrannyjoesonline.com Cuisine: American, Ice Cream Price: \$ Meals served: B, L, D  $\underbrace{i}$ 

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### **Berlin Heights**

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Paddling access points: Huron **River Boat Access and Nickle** Plate Beach

**Fabens Park** end of Adams Ave. 419.433.8487 cityofhuron.org

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**Huron River Path** MetroPark 1805 River Rd. 419.625.7783 eriemetroparks.org

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**James H. McBride** Arboretum at BGSU Firelands College 1 University Dr. 419.372.0665 firelands.bgsu.edu/ mcbridearboretum





**Joseph Steinen** Wildlife Area 4501 Cleveland Rd, W (US 6) 419.625.7783 eriemetroparks.org



Lake Front Park end of Park and Center sts. 419.433.8487 cityofhuron.org  MetroBark Park at Osborn MetroPark 3109 Hull Rd. 419.625.7783 eriemetroparks.org

Nickel Plate Beach Tiffin Ave. and Nickel Plate Dr. 419.433.8487 cityofhuron.org

Old Woman Creek Barrier Beach 2005 Cleveland Rd. E (US 6) 419.433.4601 coastal.ohiodnr.gov

Old Woman Creek State Nature Preserve & National Estuarine Research Reserve 2514 Cleveland Rd. E (US 6) 419.433.4601 coastal.ohiodnr.gov

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Osborn MetroPark 3910 Perkins Ave. 419.625.7783 eriemetroparks.org

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Sheldon Marsh State Nature Preserve 2715 Cleveland Rd. W (US 6) 866.644.6727 naturepreserves.ohiodnr.gov

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The Coupling MetroPark 11618 SR 13 419.625.7783 eriemetroparks.org

Edison Park Berlin St. (off Edison Dr.) 419.541.0861 milantwp.org

Milan Towpath MetroPark 99 N. Main St. 419.625.7783 eriemetroparks.org

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Vermilion Main Street Beach Main St. (off US 6) cityofvermilion.com

Nokomis Park end of Minnie Wawa St. cityofvermilion.com

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Sherod Park US 6 and Coen Rd. cityofvermilion.com

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5055 Liberty Ave. (US 6) 440.967.4342 romps.com Seasonal slips: Y Transient slips: Y

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Valley Harbor Marina 1295 W. River Rd. 440.967.5225 valleyharbor.com Seasonal slips: Y Transient slips: Y



### Vermilion Marina

710 Vermilion Rd. 573.434.6320 vermilionmarina.net Seasonal slips: Y Transient slips: Y

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Vermilion Port Authority - South Street Boat & Kayak Launch 777 W. River Rd. 440.204.2474 (summer) 440.759.2977 (winter) cityofvermilion.com/port-authority



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### Berlin Heights Quarry Hill Orchards

419.588.2858 quarry hillorchards.com Quarry Hill Orchards is a family-owned fruit farm near Lake Erie. For three generations, the Gammie family has been slicing and sharing their homegrown fruit from their bustling market barn. Shop for local produce, artisan goods, pick-your-own apples, explore the winery, and enjoy a sliver of farm life.

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### Lucky Stone Gifts and Promotions

607 Main St. (SR 13)

419.616.6008

luckystonepromotions.com Lucky Stone offers area locals and visitors authentic lake and beach-inspired souvenir apparel as well as local school spiritwear, custom corporate apparel, and promotional merchandise. Lucky Stone also supplies area law enforcement and fire departments with public safety uniforms and provides custom alterations, tuxedo rentals, and shoe repair. Open year-round.

### Mulberry Creek Herb Farm

3312 Bogart Rd. 419.433.6126 mulberrycreek.com Foodies and gardeners will enjoy the knowledge, selection, and events at Mulberry Creek, specializing in unusual herb, miniature perennial, houseplant, and vegetable varieties. A June herb fair, Christkindlmarkt in Dec, and spring garden symposium are delightful and delicious ways to learn about gardening, food, and other uses for plants. Open Apr-July and Sept-Dec, but you can watch live videos yearround on Wed at 9:30 am on Facebook.

### River + Road Marketplace

406 Main St. 419.616.5270 facebook.com/RiverAndRoad Located on the shores of Lake Erie, in the heart of small-town Huron. Relax here with a cup of joe or take it to-go and enjoy the lake. Check out the boutique and baked goods. Stop by River + Road Marketplace, the perfect place to pick up a healthy lunch (the Chop Drop bowls are incredible) and browse an array of artfullycrafted gifts from jewelry to elderberry syrup! Open year-round.

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509 Main St. (SR 13) 419.616.5288 thepiggybackfoundation.org An upscale boutique and resale/retail shop. The boutique side sells new clothes, jewelry, and accessories while the resale side combines beautifully-staged donations, furniture, home décor, antiques, collectables, and much more. Proceeds support the Piggyback Foundation which assists families when life threatening illness strikes. For more information on the mission of the foundation, please visit the website.



### Milan

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21 S. Main St. 419.499.3093 edisonman.com Concentrating in most anything Edison, Sights & Sounds of Edison also carries a general line of antiques, collectibles, and custom-made wood horns for most phonographs. Replacement parts are available for Edison phonographs and other machines. Open year-round.

### Vermilion Brummer's Chocolates

672 Main St. (SR 60) 440.967.2329 brummers.com Candy-makers since 1904, this shop features homemade chocolates, candies, sugar-free treats, gift items, and a large selection of Polish pottery. Open year-round; closed Mon during the off-season and the first three weeks in Jan.

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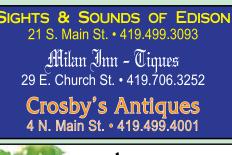
5499 Liberty Ave. (US 6) 440.963.9447 erieandanchor.com A nautical-inspired clothing and home goods boutique located steps from Lake Erie. Providing customers classic, well-designed products that are directly tied to the lake. From soft hoodies to classic nautical totes, there is something for everyone! The shop donates 5% of profits to research ways to keep Lake Erie clean. Open year-round.

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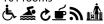
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DOCKAGE **Romp's Water Port** Romps.com

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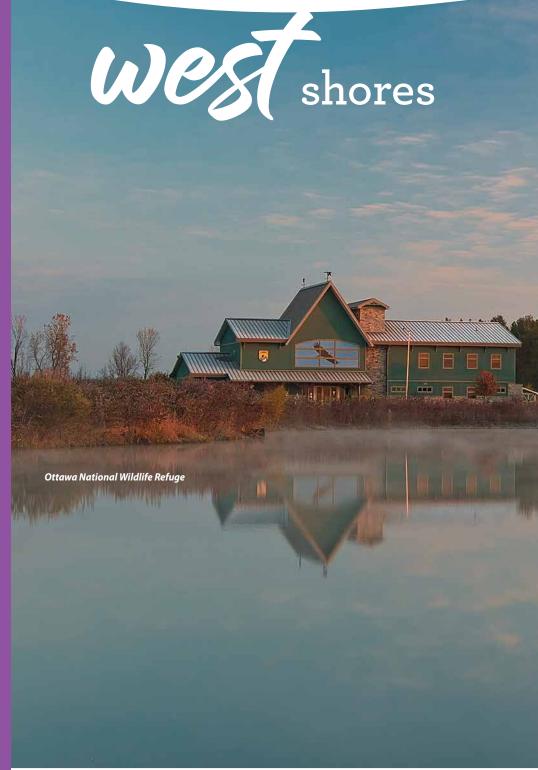
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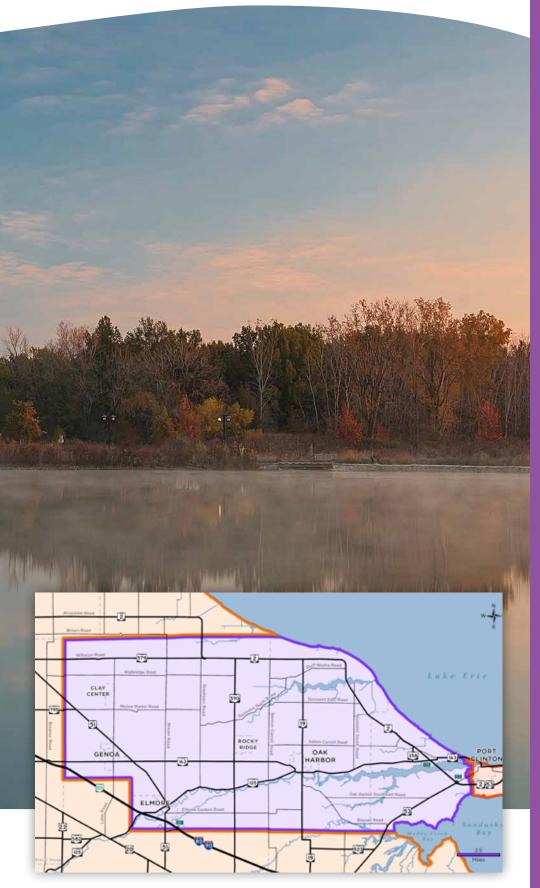
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## **[ike a [ocal: Rodney Noble** Schedel Arboretum & Gardens

S&IO: Tell us about the Schedel family and how their land became a public garden.

**Rodney:** Joe Schedel emigrated from Germany to Panama in 1913. An engineer by training, he was curious to see the opening of the Panama Canal. While in Panama, World War I broke out and he remained in Panama eventually making his way to the Midwest United States where he met his wife, Marie. They moved to what would become the Schedel Arboretum & Gardens in 1931, where they lived together until Joe's death in 1981. Marie died in 1989 and the Schedel Foundation opened the grounds to the public in 1991. They traveled to some 120 countries and collected art, archaic bronze, antique carved jade, jewelry, antiques, and plants. They had no children and desired for their legacy to be a place for people to come to experience the beauty of nature.

S&IO: Tell us about Schedel Arboretum & Gardens. What gardens, displays, and/or attractions are offered?

**Rodney:** The grounds comprise 17-acres of nature lovingly sculpted by human hands. There are many rare and unusual species of plants, particularly trees, including a grove of dawn redwood trees that were thought to be extinct until the mid-1940s. Dawn redwoods are the ancestors of the giant redwoods found in California. There are many varieties of Japanese maple trees, some of which were collected by the Schedels during their travels. In addition, there are many themed gardens including a Japanese garden, daylily garden, rose garden, and many beds that display more than 10,000 annual flowering plants. We are particularly proud of our world-class bonsai display which includes more than 100 specimens. In 2021, we were privileged to open the relocated Blair Museum of Lithophanes in the Schedel manor house. Once housed at the Toledo Botanical Gardens, the collection of more than 2,700 pieces of this 19th century artform was donated to the Schedel Foundation by the City of Toledo.

### S&IO: What's different each season in the gardens and why should guests visit during different times?

**Rodney:** We get this question often. The gardens literally change week-to-week if not day-to-day. There are so many varied species of plants displayed in unique ways that there is always something new and different to see. Whether it's flowering trees in early spring, magnolias, peonies, irises, and tulips, to the brilliant colors of the summer bloomers, or the dazzling fall color of the Japanese maples, the wonders of nature abound at this special resource.





**S&IO:** Schedel Arboretum & Gardens is a popular special event venue. What do you have to offer to party, wedding, and reunion planners?

**Rodney:** We are a unique venue given the beauty of the backdrop of nature that we are so fortunate to have. We can accommodate weddings, receptions, class or family reunions, business meetings, and about any type of event conceivable. Also, there are both indoor and outdoor options for those events with the addition of the Brown Welcome Center and banquet facility. Events are not one-size-fits-all and our professional event planning staff works with each group to determine the needs for their special occasion and how best to meet those needs.

### **S&IO:** What plans are in the works for the future of the land and facility?

**Rodney:** We are currently concentrating on the arboretum aspect of the Schedel Arboretum & Gardens. An arboretum is a sort of living museum for trees. We are working on removing dead and dying specimens, pruning for health and aesthetics, and planning for the addition of new species to the arboretum.

## **S&IO:** Tell us about your role at the arboretum, what do you do and what is your favorite part about your job?

**Rodney:** My responsibilities are for the overall operations, so I get to be involved in every aspect of what happens here. I often tell people I have the best job in the world and the biggest reason for that is because our small, but mighty, staff is so professional, qualified, and dedicated to our mission. Seeing people connect with nature and tell us how much they enjoyed their visit always brings smiles to our faces.

**S&IO:** What is your favorite thing about living and working in the Shores & Islands region?

**Rodney:** This region has so much to offer. History, culture, the arts, the climate and the seasons, and of course, the people who live and work here epitomize the Midwestern way of life. With Lake Erie, we have one of the largest bodies of fresh water in the world at our doorstep which anchors the tourism industry and allows us to draw people from all over the world to share in the treasures.

**S&IO:** If you had friends visiting from out of town, where would you take them?

**Rodney:** Schedel Arboretum & Gardens, of course!

**S&IO:** Perch or pizza? Where is your favorite place for either?

**Rodney:** Well, the venerable Jolly Roger in Port Clinton for perch and Elmore's own DeStazio's for pizza. Both are fantastic!

### **S&IO:** Lake or land? Would you prefer spending time on the water or by the shore?

**Rodney:** I grew up with a boat on Catawba Island, but I'm happy being close to so much on both land and water.

## **S&IO:** Anything else to add regarding how to enjoy the region "like a local?"

**Rodney:** Explore, explore, explore! You could spend an entire season in this region and not experience everything there is to see and do.

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### Elmore

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### **River Bend Park**

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### **Oak Harbor**

Paddling access points: Marine Wood Unit at Ottawa Wildlife Refuge, Two Rivers Unit at Ottawa Wildlife Refuge, Oak Harbor Station

Adolphus Kraemer Park (Town Hall Park) Church St. 419.898.5561 oakharbor.oh.us

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### Black Swamp Bird

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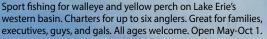
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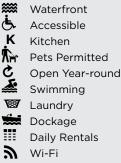
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## [ike a [ocal: Kristina Smith Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library and Museum

### S&IO: Tell us about your role at the museum.

**Kristina**: I'm the marketing/communications manager, which involves wearing a lot of hats. That's one of the things I love about it. My job includes managing social media accounts, writing news releases, designing newsletters and writing the content for them, designing a variety of promotional material, making and editing videos that range from promotional to educational, taking photos at events, helping to plan and working events, determining where



to advertise, designing ads, and more. I also handle media interviews, which means either I am the person interviewed or set up having staff talk with reporters from various news outlets. For one of our recent special exhibits, I even got to write text for a couple of the exhibit panels, which was really exciting for me.

### **S&IO:** Tell us about President Hayes. What is his legacy?

**Kristina:** Rutherford B. Hayes was our 19th president, and he served from 1877-1881. Hayes was born in Delaware, Ohio. He attended Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, and Harvard Law School. He was the first U.S. president to have a law degree. During his career as a lawyer in Cincinnati, he successfully helped to defend runaway slaves. He served the Union Army in the Civil War, rising to the rank of General. Hayes felt his Civil War service was his most important contribution in life and always preferred to be called "General Hayes," even after he was elected president. Education was one of the main issues for which he advocated. He helped to found The Ohio State University when he was governor, and he was a strong proponent of public education and skilled-trades training. Fun fact, he also started what is today the White House Easter Egg Roll.





## **S&IO:** What is the history of the museum and library? Was it the very first Presidential Library?

**Kristina:** Yes, we are America's first Presidential Library. President Rutherford and First Lady Lucy Hayes' son, Col. Webb C. Hayes, wanted to preserve their papers, books, and artifacts and came up with the presidential library concept. We opened in 1916. Since then, the museum/ library building has been expanded in 1922 and 1968 to its current size of two floors of museum exhibits and one floor of library space open to the public.

Our site comprises Rutherford and Lucy's 25-acre wooded estate, called Spiegel Grove; the museum and library building; the Hayes Home, which is a Victorian mansion; Rutherford and Lucy's tomb; a mile of paved trails; and original White House gates at each entrance.

We predate the federal presidential library system and therefore are not part of that system. We are owned by the State of Ohio. We even have a report from the Congressional Research Service that names us as the first Presidential Library. Spiegel Grove is also part of the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom, which comprises historical sites with a connection to the Underground Railroad, due to Hayes' defense of slaves as a lawyer in Cincinnati.

**S&IO:** When did President Hayes live at Spiegel Grove and how many generations lived in the home following him? When did the home become a historical attraction? **Kristina**: Spiegel Grove was mostly Rutherford and Lucy's retirement home. Rutherford and Lucy lived here full-time from 1873 until they went to the White House in 1877. After the family left the White House in 1881, they returned to their beloved home at Spiegel Grove and spent the rest of their lives here.

Three generations lived in the home after Rutherford and Lucy. They stayed here until 1965, and then gave the home to the State of Ohio. It was then opened for tours. In 2012, the first floor was restored to how it looked when Rutherford and Lucy lived here. We are very fortunate that the Hayes family saved everything, so almost all of the furniture, knick knacks, paintings, and other items on the first floor were original to Rutherford and Lucy. We also have photographs taken of the home in the 1880s that showed how each room looked and allowed our staff to recreate that.

## **S&IO:** Are any Hayes ancestors still in the area that are involved in your operations?

**Kristina:** Yes, we are blessed to have wonderful support and involvement from the Hayes descendants. Our board president, Jennifer McFarland Barrett, lives in Cincinnati, and we have had other descendants on our board through the years. Another descendant, probably the closest to us geographically, is a regular at our events and is one of our volunteers. Many descendants live on the east and west coasts, but remain involved through memberships, online programs, and other support. For our centennial in 2016, we had a family reunion, and more than 100 Hayes descendants attended. **S&IO:** What is new at the museum within the last few years or what exciting plans do you have for 2022? Tell us about any planned special events.

Kristina: We recently received official arboretum status from ArbNet Arboretum Accreditation Program. This has been a goal of ours for several years and is exciting because it's a recognition of the wide variety of plants and our more than 1,700 trees at Spiegel Grove. We are listed on a database of the world's arboreta and gardens, making us easier to find and more visible to those specifically interested in trees and flora and fauna. So many people love the grounds and walk or jog here every day. Being added to the Network to Freedom was very exciting and has helped us expand our educational offerings.

We have added a variety of new programs in recent years and really expanded our digital programming during the pandemic. One of the things we learned is that there is demand for some of our in-person programs to also be digital, allowing those who don't live within driving distance to attend virtually. We plan to continue offering many of these programs both in-person and digitally.

2022 marks the 200th anniversary of President Hayes' birth. Our staff will be busy planning a variety of events, so for updates, please follow along at rbhayes.org.

Some of our new events in recent years include our Craft Beers & Cocktails event, which keeps growing and expanding. This August, the event takes place on the lawn of the Hayes Home and gives guests the opportunity to sip craft beers and cocktail samples while enjoying live music.



Poe in the Parlor, a dramatic reading of some of Edgar Allan Poe's works was added in 2021 and expected to be offered again in 2022. Civil War Winter Camp is a unique event that includes tours with reenactors of a camp like those President Hayes' regiment kept during the winter months. This takes place every October.

Our annual A Presidential Christmas event continues to grow and include lighting of Christmas lights at Spiegel Grove, holiday-themed tours of the Hayes Home, and more.

**S&IO:** What is your favorite thing about living and working in the Shores & Islands region?



**Kristina:** I often tell people there are so many fun things to choose from in your spare time: hiking at any of the local natural areas, birding, fishing, swimming, kayaking, going to the islands, and so on. And those are just the nature things. We are fortunate to have so many fantastic attractions, including the museums in the region, to visit.

### S&IO: If you had friends visiting from out of town, where would you take them?

**Kristina:** One of my favorite things to do is show my out-of-town family and friends around. Of course, I take them to Hayes Presidential. The rest of it depends on what they like to do.

For my outdoorsy family and friends, we often go birding, which you can do yearround here and walk at Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge or East Harbor State Park. Some come to visit specifically for the Biggest Week in American Birding, which I always take some vacation time to participate in. We've gone kayaking in Port Clinton, Marblehead, and Sandusky and fished at public access points. For anyone visiting who wants to go to the beach, we head to East Harbor State Park. My niece had her firstever beach trip there last summer, which was so special, and she loved it.

Other friends want to see the islands, which is always fun because I love going to all of them. I like renting a golf cart and taking people on a tour of South Bass Island. They are often amazed at how much there is to do there besides the downtown establishments.

Just visiting some of the downtowns and enjoying the businesses and museums there is fun too. We like to make something at Pottery Perfection in Fremont or go to the Merry-Go-Round Museum in Sandusky, just to name a couple examples.



### S&IO: Perch or pizza? Where is your favorite place for either?

**Kristina:** Perch, of course! My favorite place to get it is at Bootleggers Waterfront Grille & Bar in Port Clinton.

### **S&IO:** Lake or land? Would you prefer spending time on the water or by the shore?

**Kristina:** Right by the shore, mostly because I get seasick. You can't beat a day at the beach, hiking along the water, or shore fishing.

### S&IO: Anything else to add regarding how to enjoy the region "like a local?"

**Kristina**: I just can't stress enough how much there is to do in this region and how many fun things are at our disposal. Even in the winter time, the area is serene and peaceful. For example, I love walking at Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge or visiting the Marblehead Lighthouse in the winter as well. We are truly blessed.

### **nformation Resources**

#### Fremont Fremont/Sandusky County Convention & Visitors Bureau 712 North St., Ste. 102 419.332.4470

sanduskycounty.org

Sandusty County, alive with nature and history! Visit the Rutherford B. Hayes Library & Museums, tour the Historic Jail and Dungeon, or hike at the Wilson Nature Center. Fremont is located close to Ohio's "Hot Spots" including Port Clinton, Marblehead, the island ferries, and Cedar Point.

### Toledo

Destination Toledo

401 Jefferson Ave. 419.321.6404 visittoledo.org

Toledo is where a great city meets the great outdoors! Experience top-rated attractions like The Toledo Zoo, Toledo Museum of Art, and National Museum of the Great Lakes. Explore the Maumee River, Maumee Bay State Park, and the No. 1 Park System in the country, Metroparks Toledo. While you're here, share the love on social media using #ThislsToledo. Accessible. Open year-round, Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm.

### Amusements

### Bellevue

Jungle Junction at Bellevue Recreation Department 110 Cherry Blvd. 419,484,5532 junglejunctionplay.com Ohio's largest indoor play center is a fun time for children 12 yrs. and under. Controlled environment with six levels of adventure with over 60 play features including slides, air cannons, obstacle courses, and interactive game panels keep kids entertained and challenged for hours. A dedicated toddler tumble zone with jungle friends for climbing, crawling, and sliding. Birthday parties and group events are Jungle Junction's specialty. Accessible. Open year-round.

### Oberlin

### Common Ground Zipline Canopy Tours 14240 Baird Rd.

440.707.2044

commongroundcenter.org

Experience an exciting family-friendly adventure on Common Ground's 2.5-hour zipline tour! Fly, tree-by-tree, through the beautiful Vermilion River Valley. Enjoy the incredible views and seven zips, 13 platforms, three aerial bridges, two spiral staircases, a unique "floating" staircase, and final rappel at the end. Advance reservations required. Open Apr through mid-Nov. **Toledo The Toledo Zoo** 2 Hippo Way

419.385.5721 toledozoo.org

Enjoy making memories as you and your family explore indoor and outdoor exhibits that feature more than 10,000 individual animals representing over 720 species! Find adventure for the whole family between the Aquarium, ProMedica Museum of Natural History, and interactive Nancy L. and Martin Davidson Barnyard. Open year-round.

### Historical / Educational

Bellevue Historic Lyme Village 5001 SR 4 419.483.4949

lymevillage.org

Experience the past as you tour the 16 buildings of this 19th-century village, including an 1880s Victorian mansion, an 1836 farm home, log homes, barns, a one-room school, a general store, and more. Museum gift shop on site. Located four miles south of Ohio Turnpike (I-80/90) exit 110. Open June-Aug, Wed-Sat 11 am-5 pm.

### Mad River & NKP Railroad Museum

253 Southwest St. 419.483.2222 madrivermuseum.org Opened in 1976 as a bicentennial project, the museum showcases several engines, buildings, freight and passenger cars, and cabooses. Many of the cars are filled with displays that await you and your family or group. Open Memorial Day-Labor Day, daily; May and Sept-Oct, weekends only.

Common Ground Zipline Canopy Tours

### Seneca Caverns

15248 E. Township Rd. 178 (off SR 269) 419.483.6711

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cavern that leads you through seven rooms or levels. The largest room is 250 ft. in length and 110 ft. below the surface. Visitors will view "Ole Mist'ry River," the crystal-clear flowing stream, which is part of the vast groundwater system which underlies the surrounding region. The depth of the cave tour is determined by the water table. The cavern is electrically lighted and an expert guide conducts the one-hour tour. A light jacket and walking shoes are suggested. Tour is not wheelchair or stroller accessible. Carrying children is not recommended. Backpacks are not permitted. Visit Hollowrock Gift Shop after your visit! Group rates available by advance reservation. Available for your use, at no additional charge, is a clean, shaded picnic area. Last tour departs one hour before closing. Open Memorial Day-Labor Day, daily; May and Sept through mid-Oct, Sat-Sun or by appointment.

### Fremont Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums

Spiegel Grove 419.332.2081, 800.998.7737 rbhayes.org

Visit President Rutherford B. Hayes' wooded estate of Spiegel Grove, home of America's first Presidential library. Tour the President's 31-room Victorian mansion, see his tomb, visit the newly-renovated museum, explore the library, and walk the mile of paved trails. Open year-round.

### Norwalk

Firelands Historical Society Complex 4 Case Ave. (off SR 61)

419.668.6038

firelandsmuseum.com

The Firelands Historical Society Complex includes Ohio's oldest museum along with a genealogy/research center. Over 200 years of Firelands History can be found within this complex. The Native American exhibit boasts some of the highest quality pieces in Ohio including the earliest evidence of humans in the state and the giant ground sloth they hunted. A self-guided tour of exhibits is comprised of a one-of-a-kind gun collection, household furnishings, textiles, toys, and farm and industry items. No cost of admission, donations would be appreciated. Open June-Aug, Thurs-Sun 11 am-3 pm; May and Sept-Oct, Sat-Sun 11 am-3 pm. Swimming Fishina Restrooms Play Area Shelter Trails Grills

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#### Attica **Sweetums Signatures**

15722 E. Township Rd. 104 419.426.0017

sweetumssignatures.com Shop Sweetums Signatures apparel, decals, and more. Located in Attica, Sweetums Signatures is a proud brand partner with Shores & Islands Ohio. Home of the Lake Erie Love® brand, shop Sweetums for your favorite Lake Erie Love treasures. Open year-round.

### Wineries & Breweries Avon Lake **Klingshirn Winery**

33050 Webber Rd. 440.933.6666 klingshirnwine.com Klingshirn has grown and produced some of Ohio's finest grapes and wines since 1935. Twenty acres of vineyards, manufacturing, bottling, sampling, and a retail store are all on site. Open year-round, Mon-Sat 10 am-6 pm. Closed major holidays.

### Helena

### **Chateau Tebeau Winery**

525 SR 635 419.638.5411 chateautebeauwinery.com Experience Chateau Tebeau's French chateau, featuring a wide selection of wines and cider. Walk the vineyards, sit by the koi pond, or relax by the fireplace. Tours, food menu, live entertainment, and craft beer available. Open May-Aug, Tues-Sat; Sept-Apr, Thurs-Sat.

### Bellevue

Miller's Drive In 1345 E. Main St. 419.483.7020 millersdrivein.com Cuisine: Ice Cream, Quick Bites Price: \$ Meals served: L, D Ŧ

Norwalk **Milan Wildlife Area** off SR 113 (3 miles northwest of Norwalk) 419.424.5000 wildlife.ohiodnr.gov 



### Norwalk

D & D Smith Winery 401 W. Main St. 419.577.0242 ddsmithwinery.com This 1890 house-turned-winery is a great place to relax and enjoy a glass of wine selected from one of 35 varieties. Check out the food offerings at The Bistro at D & D, sit along the river, enjoy the pavilion, or experience the cozy interior seating, while experiencing the wine paired with a selection of foods and appetizers. Contemporary music plays throughout the day. See website for special events. Open year-round.

### Sandy Ridge Vineyards & Mercantile 180 SR 61 E

419.504.8884 sandyridgevineyards.com Sandy Ridge Vineyards and Mercantile is a community viticultural destination set in a historic 1890s barn. Highlights include chefinspired seasonal cuisine, a beautiful terrace, antiques, unique shopping and gifts, and award-winning wines. Craft beer and organic sodas are also available.





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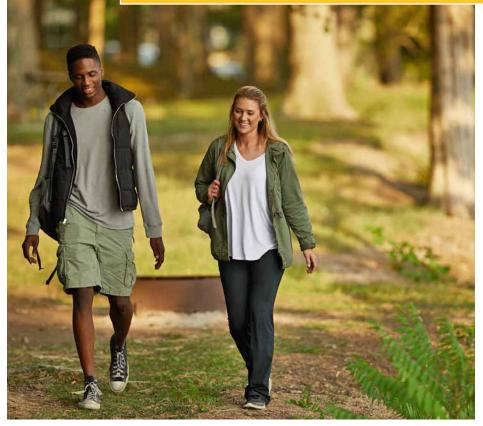
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## S P R I N G to do

Spring is in the air! The season is about rebirth, getting out and enjoying all that nature has to offer. Experience nature's renewal with a leisurely stroll through Schedel Arboretum & Gardens or James H. McBride Arboretum. Or trek a trail at Old Woman Creek, East Harbor State Park, or one of several Erie MetroParks. For a unique nature experience, visit from early to mid-May when the Lakeside Daisy is in bloom! This endangered plant species grows on a preserve on the Marblehead Peninsula and is the only natural United States population of this spectacular wildflower. The area is also well known for its phenomenal birdwatching opportunities during the spring migration. There is even a festival dedicated to our feathered friends - the Biggest Week in American Birding. Grab your binoculars and check out the Warbler Capital of the World at locations like Magee Marsh Wildlife Area, Sheldon Marsh State Nature Preserve, and Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge. See newborn animals at a number of area animal parks including African Safari Wildlife Park, Lagoon Deer Park, The Watering Hole Safari, and Kalahari's Safari Outdoor Adventure Park, with hundreds of new babies born each year. Let a visit to Shores & Islands Ohio put a spring in your step!



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## SUMMER musts

With the impressive Lake Erie coastline and a remarkable array of seasonal attractions, summer is when Shores & Islands Ohio shines! Explore the shore at a number of local beaches where you can relax and unwind or play in the sand. Take to the water for some fun with Jet Ski, kayak, or paddle board rentals or enjoy the view from above with a parasailing adventure. Boaters and anglers especially appreciate the opportunities this Great Lake location offers, including the best freshwater fishing in the country. Lake cruises and island-hopping ferries abound as visitors to Shores & Islands enjoy excursions to bucolic islands filled with natural beauty and small-town charm. Tour wineries, hike nature preserves, play mini-golf, shop til you drop, or get your fill of unique and tasty eats on Kelleys Island, Middle Bass Island, and Put-in-Bay/South Bass Island. Family-fun attractions, such as world-famous Cedar Point Amusement Park, the outdoor water park at Kalahari Resorts & Conventions, and Island Adventures Family Fun Center, keep all ages entertained and filled with excitement. Visit during the summer for fantastic outdoor concerts, festivals, and events and stick around for the amazing sunsets!

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## FALL in love

Fall in love with Shores & Islands Ohio all over again in the autumn, while the attractions and events keep going strong. Milder weather allows visitors to continue enjoying the outdoors, witness fall bird migration, and enjoy the beauty of changing colors. Visit an orchard to pick a peck of apples or sample other fresh-from-the-farm produce at a farmer's market. Take a tour of a local winery at the peak of harvest season and taste craft beverages at a brewery or distillery on the Shores & Islands Cheers Trail. Play at a number of beautiful and challenging golf courses or take a spin through a local park with an electric bike from Pedego Sandusky. When the weather gets cooler, enjoy scenic drives and take in sites such as lighthouses, coastal cliffs, wooded boardwalks, public art pieces, and more. Now is the time to take in a museum such as the Liberty Aviation Museum, Merry-Go-Round Museum, or Maritime Museum of Sandusky. Your scenic drives can take you to some amazing Shores & Islands neighbors as well, where you can find attractions such as the country's first Presidential Library, a river valley zipline course, a railroad museum, an underground cavern, or one of the nation's best zoos (Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums, Common Ground Zipline Canopy Tours, Mad River & NKP Railroad Museum, Seneca Caverns, and The Toledo Zoo, respectively). Fall brings the season of ghosts and goblins as well. If you're a fan of frights, you won't want to miss Cedar Point's HalloWeekends, Ghostly Manor Thrill Center's Lake Eerie FEARfest, or the downtown Sandusky Witches Walk, among other terrifically terrifying attractions and events.

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## WINTER fun

Shores & Islands Ohio can truly be a winter wonderland. Whether you embrace the chill or prefer to cozy up indoors, the region has the winter attractions and activities you're looking for. For the outdoor lover, the region has great winter hiking, snowshoeing, and cross country skiing opportunities, ice skating and sledding hills, and fun outdoor events like Vermilion's Ice-A-Fair and Port Clinton's Burning Snowman Festival. The truly adventurous outdoor enthusiast can partake in ice fishing excursions with an experienced guide. Or, just appreciate the ice from the coast with amazing lake views in late-winter when the ice starts to break up and is pushed ashore. These "ice shoves" are truly a sight to see! For those who prefer to enjoy the winter with indoor activities, there are plenty of fun ways to enjoy the region. Downtown Sandusky offers Noble Axes, Noble Pins, and Paddle & Climb's indoor rock wall. Cedar Corners also offers indoor entertainment such as bowling and laser tag, while Cedar Point Sports Center Adventure & Arcade offers a kids' ninja course, climbing walls, and activity center. Jungle Junction in Bellevue keeps the little ones active, while the Sandusky Children's Museum offers enlightening STEM-based activities year-round. Forget winter all together at one of the region's indoor water park resorts. These year-round water playgrounds allow you to swim and splash the day away regardless of the outdoor temperatures. Castaway Bay by Cedar Point Resorts Indoor Waterpark, Great Wolf Lodge, and Kalahari Resorts & Conventions each offer varying themed resorts and amenities.





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