



# NATURE NEWS

The mission of the Lake Erie Islands Nature & Wildlife Center is to promote conservation of and education about the flora, fauna, and lands of the Lake Erie Islands ecosystem.

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## NEW SUMMER EVENTS!

### STORY TIME

July 11 | 10:30-11:30AM

Join us on the back porch of the Nature & Wildlife Center for a fun story hour with Rachel Young! She will be reading *Song of the Redwing* and will be doing a fun activity with the kids after the reading. If your kids love stories and nature, this is the perfect event for them! All ages welcome!



### DRUM CIRCLE SUNDAY

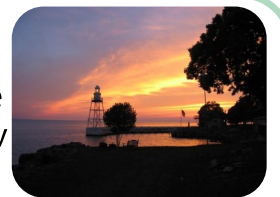
July 17 | 6:30-8:30PM

At Massie Cliffside Preserve. \$10 suggested donation. With Rose Sabin & John Davenport, Root to Rise Wellness Cafe will be sharing many samples. Parking is limited; there will be a free shuttle from the downtown bus & train depot to event: 6:00, 6:15, 6:30; from event: 8:15, 8:30. Everyone is encouraged to make and/or bring their own drums. Let your creativity flow! *Bring a chair or blanket, & bug spray!* Rain date 7/18



## RATTLESNAKE RAFFLE IS BACK!!

As a special treat for our 10th(!) annual Pig Roast event, we are celebrating with the return of the Rattlesnake Raffle! Win a day at Rattlesnake Island with pool time, a delicious meal at their private restaurant, and a trip to their gift shop! Limited tickets will be available starting in July for \$20 each or 6 for \$100.



## NATURE CAMP

There's still time to register for Nature Camp! This

summer, campers will explore things big and small about our amazing Lake and discover how we are all connected by water. Campers will learn about water quality, fish, micro and macroinvertebrates; and the 11-14 group will also get to experience OSU's bio lab and to camp out on North Bass island! We're excited for the return of camp outs this year for the 9-10 and 11-14 groups, who also go kayaking! Mail, email, or drop off registration forms (see our website or Facebook for forms) by the Friday before camp starts!

### **Middle Bass Nature Camp:**

Middle Bass kids ages 4-10 had camp the week of June 20th and had a blast learning about water and doing lots of fun activities, including the campout and kayaking for the 9-10 year-olds!

**EAC II (11-14):** July 25-29, times vary each day

### **Put-in-Bay Nature Camp:**

**Intro to Nature Camp (age 4):** July 11-15, 11 am-12 pm

**My 1st Nature Camp (5-6):** July 11-15, 12:30-1:30pm OR 2-3pm

**Nature Camp (7-8):** July 18-22, 10-11:30 am OR 12:30-2 pm

**EAC I (9-10):** July 18-22, 2:30-4:30 pm

**EAC II (11-14):** July 25-29, times vary each day



Come see our new geology animation, *How the Lake Erie Islands were Formed!*

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## MEET TOADY!

We have a NEW live animal, an American Toad; come say hi!

## WILD TUESDAYS 1-3 pm

DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC
July 5	Winston Crausaz	Minerals & Crystals
July 12	Amy Alford	Fish
July 19	Brian Alford	Invertebrates
July 26	NO PROGRAM - Outdoor Pond Build	
Aug. 2	Nature's Nursery	Backyard Wildlife
Aug. 9	Kristin Stanford	Snakes
Aug. 16	Deb Nofzinger	Bats

## SUMMER YOGA

### LEINWC Back Porch:

Mondays - 5:30 pm

Wednesdays - 9:30 am

### Crew's Nest Pavilion:

Saturdays - 9 am

## MBI MUSIC FESTIVAL

July 16 | 12 - 7 pm

At Lonz Winery Pavilion on Middle Bass Island.

## BASH ON THE BAY PARKING

Aug. 24 - 25

We need volunteers for this great FUNdraiser!

## PIB MUSIC FEST

Sept. 17 | 11 am - 7 pm

Blue's Music at Boathouse Bar! Volunteers needed to sell raffle tickets & check id's while enjoying the music!!

## TURTLE BUCKS

Volunteers now receive Turtle Bucks for every volunteer hour! Redeemable in the gift shop!!

## MONARCH TAGGING

Sept. 18 | 11 am - 2 pm

Join us at the South Bass Lighthouse, "Adopt" a Monarch with a \$10 donation - you don't need to be present to get this great gift!

## THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS & DONORS!

Your support is invaluable. Thank you for believing in our mission!

### BLACK SQUIRREL

Alex Preston  
Maggie Locke  
Donovan Tallon  
*Wild March Madness Winners:*  
Keara Stanislawczyk  
Maddy Byers  
Courtney Russell  
Ryan "Doc" Daugherty  
Taylor Hanes  
Andy Mohn  
Violet Bradley  
Joshua Harris

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### BALD EAGLE

Barbara Bayer  
*In Memory of Linda Stoldt*  
Larry Fletcher

### NATURE CAMP FUND

Dave & Meg Berol  
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John Hageman  
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### SUSTAINING FUND

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### DISCRETIONARY FUND

Morgan Stanley  
Wilderness Productions  
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Gumbleton Family Trust

### ADOPTION

Larry Fletcher  
*In memory of Bill & Evelyn Fletcher*

### WILD BIRD SEED

*In memory of Barb Chrysler:*  
Lisa Brohl  
Chan Stevens  
Kit Knaser  
Linda Parker  
David & Linda Frederick  
Jeff, Lisi & Halle Puffenberger  
James French  
Val Kowalski  
Walter & Sue Duff  
Kelly & Marty Faris  
William & Megan Gau

**\*\*This list reflects memberships and donations since March 2022\*\***





# ISLAND GREEN WEEK

Put-in-Bay | Middle Bass | Kelleys Island

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## SAT 8.6

### LAKE ERIE ISLANDS NATURE & WILDLIFE CENTER - PIB -

11am-5pm | Cost: \$4 Adults, \$3 Children & Seniors, \$10 family. See the newly renovated Nature & Wildlife Center with the beautiful indoor turtle pond, wildlife viewing window, and so much more! A must do for every family! Located on MEECHEN RD. A must do during Island Green Week. **OPEN MONDAY TO SATURDAY!**

### SCIENCE SATURDAY - KI -

11am-1pm | Cost: FREE. Science Saturdays is a partnership between Kelleys Island State Park, Kelleys Island Audubon Club, and the Kelleys Island Field Station. This is a weekly series of events throughout the summer that feature interactive exploration centered around a particular topic. Families and learners of all ages are invited to explore firsthand science fun during this free drop-in event. Complete Schedule of Science Saturdays at <https://www.kelleysislandfieldstation.org/>

### POKER KAYAK DAY - MBI -

12pm | Cost: \$20 pre-registration, \$25 on site. Kayakers start and finish at the Middle Bass Island State Park west beach (no starts later than 1pm). The paddle around the island includes three more stops (State Park Marina, MBI East Point Preserve, & Kuehnie State Wildlife Area/Petersen Woods Preserve). A welcome packet outlines the course and has information about the stops. Stops are staffed with volunteers for safety and to distribute poker cards and snacks. Finish with a cook-out while 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners are decided. Registration is available at <https://bit.ly/3tcE7A5> Deadline to register is July 30th. Proceeds benefit the Put-in-Bay Township Park District. (Rain Date August 7)

## SUN 8.7

### MORRISON WOODS PRESERVE DEDICATION - PIB -

2:00pm | Cost: FREE. Put-in-Bay Township Park District and their partner the Lake Erie Islands Conservancy will dedicate a new preserve: the Edward and Mary Morrison Woods Preserve. A celebration will be held at the Morrison Woods Preserve entrance at the corner of Put-in-Bay Rd. and Meechen.

### HOTEL VICTORY

### GROUND LANTERN TOUR - PIB -

7:30pm | Cost - FREE. South Bass Island State Park will host a Lantern Tour of the infamous Hotel Victory grounds. This family event starts with a beautiful sunset and ends at the Hotel Victory Swimming Pool Pavilion.

## MON 8.8

### STARGAZING CRUISE - PIB -

8pm | Cost - Adults \$25, Kids \$15. The Miller Ferry cruise will leave from the downtown Miller Boat Line dock on Put-in-Bay just before sunset. The stars will light up the sky as an astronomer engages with the guests, sharing information about the night sky, planets, and stars. Bring your own chair & beverages. Tickets available starting in July at the LEINWC or by calling 419-285-3037.

## TUE 8.9

### WILD TUESDAY - PIB -

1pm-3pm | Cost - FREE. Lake Erie Islands Nature & Wildlife Center. The purpose of Wild Tuesday programs is to educate visitors and residents about Ohio's native wildlife by supplying up-close and first-hand experiences. For Green Week, Kristin Stanford will be bringing snakes for a fantastic program on the islands' native snakes.

## WED 8.10

### AQUATIC VISITOR CENTER TOURS - PIB -

10am-5pm | Cost - FREE. In a 1-hour tour, people of all ages can explore Lake Erie's complex ecosystem through experiential activities and tanks of live fish. Children under 16 can borrow fishing gear and fish for free off the pier. **TOURS AVAILABLE WEDNESDAY TO SATURDAY!**

### 10TH ANNUAL

### PIG ROAST & RAFFLE - PIB -

6pm-9pm at The Goat Restaurant | Cost - \$20 Pre-Purchased, \$25.00 on site. Join us at the Goat Biergarten for a delicious slow-roasted pig along with tasty sides while enjoying live music. As a special treat for this being our 10th annual event, we are bringing back the Rattlesnake Raffle! Limited tickets available, \$20 each, to win a day at Rattlesnake Island with pool time, a delicious meal at their private restaurant, and a trip to their gift shop! Tickets available starting in July at the Nature & Wildlife Center.

## THU 8.11

### GIBRALTAR ISLAND TOURS - PIB -

10am-12pm or 1-3pm | Cost - \$10 per person. Transportation to and from Gibraltar is paid separately via the Boardwalk water taxi. This is a wonderful experience for every member of the family. An hour-long guided tour of Gibraltar Island, home to Jay Cooke's Castle, Commodore Perry's 1812 Lookout, Stone Lab's classrooms and more. For more information call 419-285-1800 or visit [ohioseagrant.osu.edu/visit](http://ohioseagrant.osu.edu/visit).

### LAKE ERIE AWARENESS DAY - PIB -

10am-4pm | Cost - FREE. Lake Erie Awareness Day brings you the magic of Lake Erie's history, culture, and natural resources. Spend the day touring the island while learning about Ohio's greatest water treasure. Visit multiple education stations where you will learn about island history, native plants and animals, the dangers of plastic pollution, and boating safety. Fun giveaways and a great day in nature awaits you. Go to all the stations and be entered to win a fabulous island themed prize. Visit [go.osu.edu/Plastic-FreePIBDay](http://go.osu.edu/Plastic-FreePIBDay) for station locations and more information.

## FRI 8.12

### LONZ WINERY CELLAR TOUR - MBI -

4:30pm | Cost - FREE. Tour the famous Lonz Winery Cellar and Grounds. This family event will start with a guided tour through Lonz Winery Cellar and end at the Island Grind Press House with the option to purchase refreshments. The tour will highlight various still-existing features of the Lonz Compound, a history of the grounds and the winery, and exciting facts about life on Middle Bass Island.

### HOMECOMING - KI -

Cost - FREE Homecoming is an event sponsored by Kelleys Island Landowners Assoc. and serves as a weekend for those who love this island to enjoy fun, food, and entertainment. The festival will last 2 days! All Homecoming events will take place at the Kelleys Island Pavilion, on Addison St.

## SAT 8.13

### SOUTH BASS ISLAND

### LIGHTHOUSE GROUNDS - PIB -

11am-5pm | Cost - FREE. Visitors can climb the stairs to take in a magnificent view of Put-in-Bay from the top of the tower, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Ground are open down to dusk, tours will be determined based on staff levels. For more information visit <https://ohioseagrant.osu.edu/visit>

# Put-in-Bay Middle Bass Kelleys Island







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\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for LEINWC operating costs
- Sustaining Fund**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for LEINWC wages
- Discretionary Fund**  
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- Animal Adoption**  
\_\_\_\_\_ I would like more information.
- Square Meter**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ Square Meters (\$50 ea.)
- Nature Camp Fund**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for expenses and equipment.

**2022 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION**

- BLACK SQUIRREL \$20 Individual Member:** LEINWC Season Pass
- MONARCH BUTTERFLY \$30 Family Member:** Season Pass, 5% Nature Camp Discount
- LAKE ERIE WATER SNAKE \$100 Business Member:** Season Pass, Ad in Quarterly Newsletters, Website, Social Media Promotion, 10% Nature Camp Discount
- BALD EAGLE \$500 Life Member:** Lifetime Pass, 25% Discount on sponsored events: Stargazing Cruise, Pig Roast, & Nature Camp, Name on a Scale of the Eastern Fox Snake on the back porch, \$500 Credit towards Animal Adoption

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