

**Feb. 15
2010**



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Legion Lunches

The Legion is looking for volunteers to cook and bake for "Friday Lunches" this winter.

If you can help out in anyway, please contact Debbie Crawford 519- 724-2028.

Feb. 19 Ann and Mike

Feb. 26 Mary Schweiger

Mahjongg is a Chinese solitaire game. The object of the game is to remove all of the tiles from the board by selecting two free tiles of the same kind. A tile must have at least one side unblocked in order to be playable. There are four tiles for each character. Flowers and seasons are different and have only one of each kind - therefore you can match any flower with any flower or any season with any season.

Anyone interested in playing or learning to play please contact Martha @ 724-2978 and we can set up a night.

Thanks to Dave Taylor for sending over the Olympic Torch for the Island residents to enjoy.

Don't forget Euchre parties every Friday night at 7:30pm. Hope to see everyone there.

The Township of Pelee is now accepting applications to form a strategic planning committee. The committee will work with the staff and Council to assist in planning the direction that the residents would like Pelee to head. Please contact Ann Mitchell at 519-724-2931 or by email at ann.mitchell@pelee.ca if you would like to apply or have more questions regarding this matter. Applications will be accepted until March 19th, 2010.

The Pelee Island Transportation Study has a website now up and running for the duration of the Study. The website is

<http://www.peleeislandstudy.ca/index.htm>.

if you have any questions please contact the Township Office 519-724-2931.

Thank you everyone who came out to celebrate my 50th birthday. It was a nice surprise!
Steve

North End Nessie

On Thursday Feb. 4, Nessie made it's return on top of the 8" of ice in the North Bay.

The beast is an impressive 28 feet long and brought with it snow that has covered everything but it's head and neck this past week.

The "Nessie Board" is up at the Co-Op and for \$2.00/half square you could win "Co-Op Cash" if you correctly pick the day that Nessie IV will leave.

Current Pot - \$56
Names on the board - 20
Earliest Date chosen - Feb 26
Latest Date chosen - March 31
Welcome "Home" Nessie!

Chinese New Year

Chinese New Year starts with the New Moon on the first day of the new year and ends on the full moon 15 days later. The 15th day of the new year is called the Lantern Festival, which is celebrated at night with lantern displays and children carrying lanterns in a parade.

The Chinese calendar is based on a combination of lunar and solar movements. The lunar cycle is about 29.5 days. In order to "catch up" with the solar calendar the Chinese insert an extra month once every few years (seven years out of a 19-yearcycle). This is the same as adding an extra day on leap year. This is why, according to the solar calendar, the Chinese New Year falls on a different date each year.

New Year's Eve and New Year's Day are celebrated as a family affair, a time of reunion and thanksgiving. The celebration was traditionally highlighted with a religious ceremony given in honor of Heaven and Earth, the gods of the household and the family ancestors.

The sacrifice to the ancestors, the most vital of all the rituals, united the living members with those who had passed away. Departed relatives are remembered with great respect because they were responsible for laying the foundations for the fortune and glory of the family.

The presence of the ancestors is acknowledged on New Year's Eve with a dinner arranged for them at the family banquet table. The spirits of the ancestors, together with the living, celebrate the onset of the New Year as one great community. The communal feast called "surrounding the stove" or weilu. It symbolizes family unity and honors the past and present generations.

If anyone wishes to have separate brochures sent to the Toronto and London Boat shows please call the Township office, 519-724-2931. Please note there will be a small charge to have your brochures included.

Pelee Island Public Library

Anyone who wishes to order books from our "interloan" please phone Vicki or Susan @ 519-724-2273

We will see what we can get for you!





The snow and ice left and now they are back, along with a log that has the Islanders carefully watching. Next month the ferry is scheduled to start – where did winter go?

Family Day:

Students were asked what they would most like to do with their family on Family Day.

- * Go for a walk
- * Watch TV
- * Play on the Wii
- * Not clean the house
- * Go sledding
- * Play lots of games
- * Go four wheeling

PISAC News:

The students would like to thank the PISAC committee for the Valentine's spaghetti lunch provided on Feb. 12th. Next meeting is March 2nd at 3:30 p.m. with topics of the Spring Bazaar and the return of the "Summer Soccer" program on the agenda.

Barb, the Weaver Weaves Her Magic with the Grade 7's



The Grade 7's and Mrs. Tiessen want to thank Barbara Koch-Donga for volunteering her time and talent during the month of January for a series of weaving classes, as part of our art curriculum. We learned all about warp and weft, and enjoyed using the various looms Barbara brought to class, producing various samples including headbands and "mug rugs". Thanks so much, Barb!

Legion Lunch:

With only two Friday lunches left that students will be attending, we would like to thank Crawford Bus Lines and all the cooks and helpers that made the visits to the Legion so enjoyable for our school.

Olympic Torch:



On Wednesday, Feb. 3rd the students were part of a memorable moment as they carried Dave Taylor's official Olympic torch in a relay along the North Shore to the Co-Op. Thanks to all those cheering along the route.

Kindergarten Registration:

Kindergarten Registration occurs Feb. 22nd – March 5th at Pelee Island Public School. We are the only school in the board to offer JK/SK half day every day. All other schools have a JK/SK full day program offered every other day and alternate Fridays – we are the envy of many mainlanders.

Student of the Month

Josh Gervais

Josh is in grade 10 and enjoys playing video games, watching TV, and going on the computer.

Q. What did you think about carrying the Olympic torch?
A. I thought of how it would be hard to carry it all that way to and pass it the next person. I only did part of it and I didn't want to do anymore or drop it.

Q. Where do you hope to be working this summer?
A. I would really like to work at the Marina.

Q. School will be over for you in April, what classes did you really enjoy?
A. Probably science because it was easy work and I got good marks.

Q. Is there anything about winter you will miss?
A. No. Nothing. I hate the snow.



NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT FOR PELEE ISLAND TRANSPORTATION NEEDS STUDY

THE STUDY

On behalf of the Ministry of Transportation (MTO), AECOM is beginning a study to identify current and future challenges, deficiencies and opportunities for transportation services linking Pelee Island to mainland Ontario.

The study will identify and assess existing and future service needs for transporting people and goods, including passenger and cargo capacity, service frequency and scheduling, port facilities and passenger amenities. In consultation with the Township of Pelee, the public, local municipalities and government agencies, transportation service alternatives will be generated and evaluated based on a range of technical and environmental factors. The project outcome will be a sustainable transportation plan for services linking Pelee Island to mainland Ontario.

Public involvement is important to the success of the study. Key elements of the consultation process include winter and spring travel surveys, release of reports for stakeholder review and comment, and a round of Public Information Centres (PICs). The PICs are tentatively scheduled for summer 2010, with venues on Pelee Island, in Leamington and in Kingsville. Notification and details of the times and locations of the PICs and of project materials available for review will be published in local newspapers and mailed to Canadian and U.S. stakeholders on the study mailing list.

COMMENTS

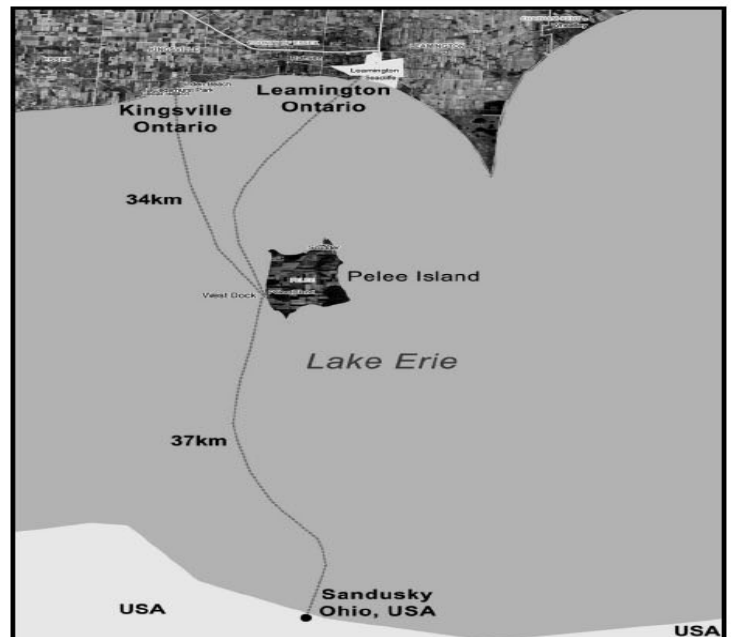
Comments and information regarding this project will be collected throughout the study. This material will be maintained on file for use during the project and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. This study is not being conducted under the provisions of the *Environmental Assessment Act*, though components of services or facilities recommended by this study may be subject to Environmental Assessment in the future, if applicable.

To obtain additional information, provide initial comments, or to be placed on the study mailing list, please contact the Project Team as follows:

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Above: Zane Hooper and Graham Callow in the 1940's with Zane's ice boat

Beside: Zane Hooper 2010 with his ice boat

FAMILY DAY

Family Day is observed in the Canadian provinces of Alberta, Ontario and Saskatchewan on the third Monday of February. This holiday celebrates the importance of families and family life to people and their communities.

What do people do?

On Family Day, many people plan and take part in activities aimed at the whole family. These include visiting art exhibitions, watching movies, skating on outdoor ice rinks, playing board games and taking part in craft activities. Some communities plan special public events, and art galleries and museums may have reduced price or free entry.

As the weather is usually very cold in February, hot chocolate and freshly baked cookies are popular snacks. Other people use the long weekend as an opportunity for a short winter break or to travel to visit family members or friends. As Family Day falls on the same date as National Heritage Day, some people use the day to explore their personal heritage and family history.



COLIO VIDAL ICEWINE VQA

From ~ Ontario

This icewine has a coppery gold colour and an exotic, orange, cardamom and honey flavour.

Serve with blue veined cheese.



STELLA ARTOIS

From ~ Belgium

Bright light gold in colour with the aroma of tea leaf and citrus. It is a snappy, full flavoured Lager with a slight bitter hops finish

Serve with cold meat, cheese, schnitzel or sausage

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February Birthdays

- 3 Justin Tiessen
- 5 Roger Poison, Nicole Sweiger
- 7 Peggy Steingart, Mo Pierce
- 8 Janet Dawson
- 12 Ford Crawford
- Barry Wayman
- 14 Steve Steingart
- 16 Lee Ryerse
- 19 Tracey Rowley
- 21 George Malloch, Shawnda Bedal
- 24 Sue Assef
- 25 Steve Rice, Shirley Steingart
- 26 Angela Haettich
- 27 Shawn Hamill
- 29 Anne Beattie

Township of Pelee

2010 Dog tags are now available at the
Township Office

1045 West Shore Rd between the hours of
8:30a.m.

and 4:30 p.m. Price \$10.00 each.



Gary Mcinnis
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LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD OF ONTARIO 724-2961

SUNDAY Closed	MONDAY 10am-6pm	TUESDAY 10am-6pm	WEDNESDAY Closed	THURSDAY 10am-6pm	FRIDAY 10am-6pm	SATURDAY 10am-6pm
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Bottle Returns 10am -5:pm Closed daily 12:30-2:00 for lunch

PELEE ISLAND CO-OP 724-2910 Store and Pump Hours

SUNDAY Closed	MONDAY 9am-2pm	TUESDAY 9am-2pm	WEDNESDAY 9am-2pm	THURSDAY 9am-2pm	FRIDAY 9am-2pm	SATURDAY Closed
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Post Office Hours

SUNDAY Closed	MONDAY 9am-1pm	TUESDAY 9am-1pm	WEDNESDAY 9am-1pm	THURSDAY 9am-1pm	FRIDAY 9am-1pm	SATURDAY Closed
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Anglican Church Services

Services will be held at the Calvary Anglican Church at 10:00a.m. on Feb 7th



Dump Hours Wed 1-4 & Sun 1-4

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Please take **aluminum cans** to Zane @ Bay View Cottages



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- NOW \$199,900 near West Dock. Well maintained year round home with view of Erie Islands. Woodburning stove, large garage, beautiful porch to enjoy the sunsets and more. Make an offer today and move in. This is a must see at 951 West Shore
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- \$159,900 Great buy on 11.2 Acres with 3 BR sided house and two large outbuildings adjacent to proposed golf course development.
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- \$109,900 SOLD 37 Acres with frontage on Victoria and Centre Dyck. This farmed is worked by tenant(wheat, soybeans) with little management required. Buy your piece of the rock!
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