



**Buckeye Lake**  
CENTRAL OHIO'S MOST  
FAMOUS PLEASURE RESORT

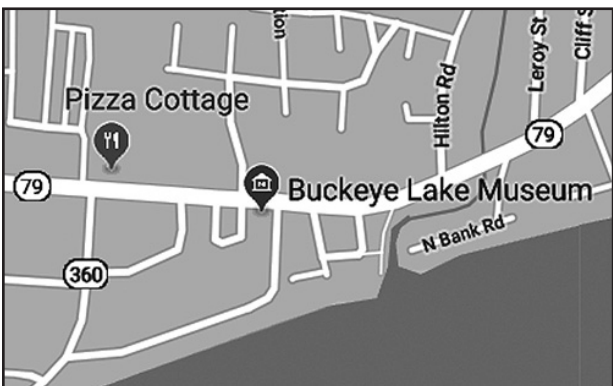
Started as a reservoir for the Ohio Canal in 1825, Buckeye Lake came into prominence as a fishing and pleasure resort with the coming of the railroads in 1875. The shimmering waters of this beautiful lake have been an attraction for the fisherman for many years.

Buckeye Lake's amusement center is among the finest in America. The large midway, given over to exciting games and rides, brings thousands to the lake each summer. A visit to Buckeye Lake will be a never-to-be-forgotten experience.

This copy is from a 1950's Buckeye Lake brochure.



Historical Museum



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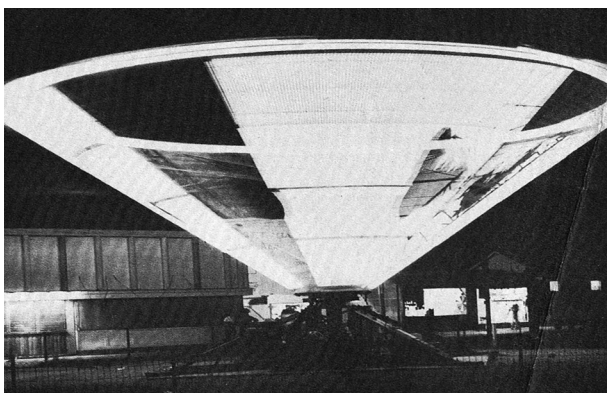
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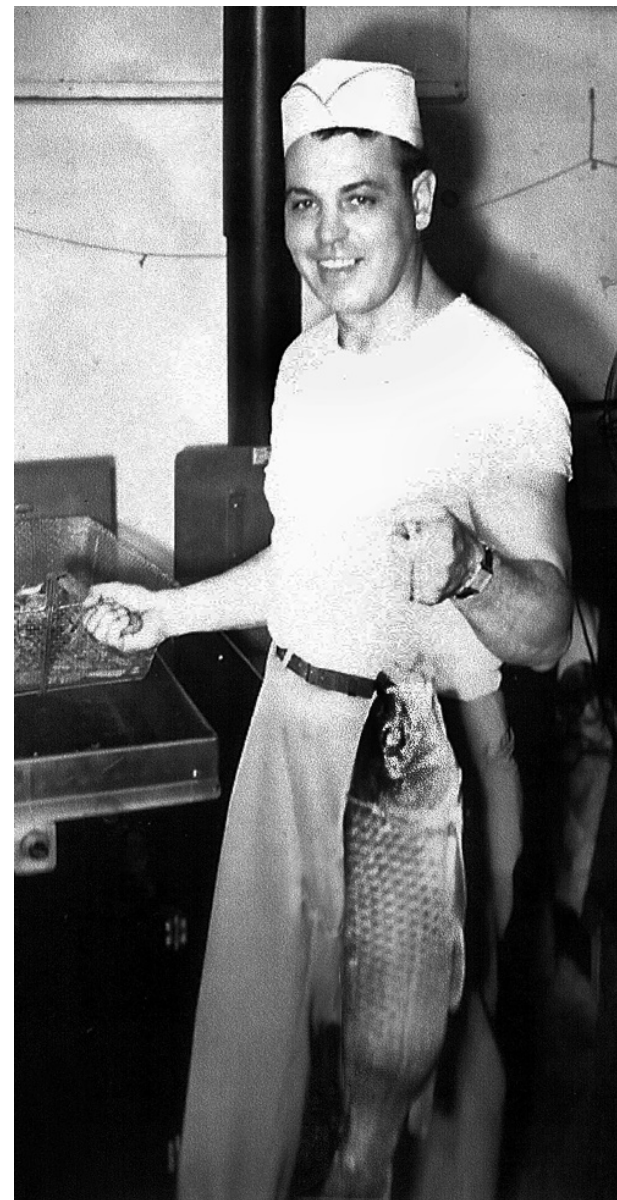
**The Flying Scooters** at night

**Back in the day**, during the 1950's and 60's, The Buckeye Lake Amusement Park was the thrill of a lifetime. "Fun" was the key word and the promoters of the park made sure the fun never stopped. There was something to do for all ages.

**Kiddie rides for the little ones**, bumper cars for the teens and at night, top notch entertainment, like Bob Hope, for the adults. One genius came up with the idea of "Night Picnics." These affairs became very popular because employees get off work around 4:00PM. This lets them head for the Park and enjoy their picnics through the evening hours. Night Picnics enjoy the cool of the summer evenings and the enjoyment of the Parks beautiful night lighting.

**Our Summer Tour** this year will follow the wonderful idea of a Night Picnic. The event will take place at the Buckeye Lake Historical Museum. Themes will follow the methods used in the picnics of the 50's and 60's. Check out the menu and pretend to be at another time and place, the Buckeye Lake Amusement Park.

Buckeye Lake Historical Society  
**NIGHT PICNIC**  
*At the Museum*



**Fish Fry**



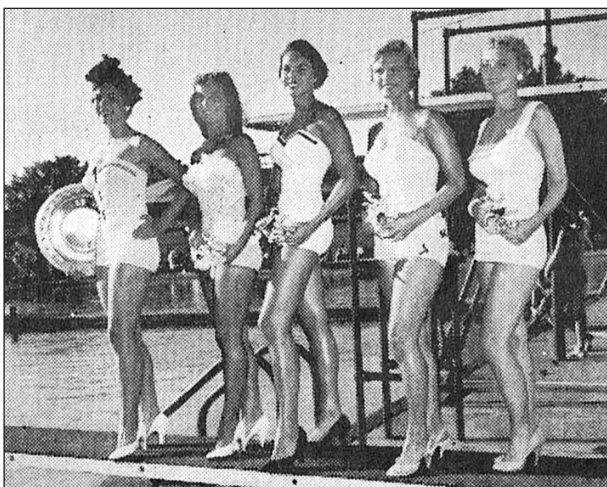
## Remembering Jimmy

**"Fish Fry with Fries"** thought concessionaire Jimmy Kearns, as he worked his French-fried potato stand, on the new pier at Buckeye Lake in 1946. The summer crowds kept Jimmy busy, but he never let the pressure of business interfere with his first love --- fishing.

**Jimmy has a small trap door** in the rear of his stand, through which he drops his line. Once his line is set he returns to his business. A small cowbell, tied to the line, starts ringing when he has a bite. This is a signal for Kearns to land his catch.

**The thought of** Fresh Deep-Fried Fish and "Park" French Fries sounded perfect, for the museum menu, at this year's tour. Jimmy, shown on our brochure cover, was from the article originally written by famous Dispatch columnist, Johnny Jones. We thank them both for our chosen menu, 72 years later.

### The Roller Coaster Ohio's Largest



**Crystal Swimming Pool**  
Bathing Beauty Contest

## INVITATION

**Buckeye Lake Historical Society Presents  
Summer Event 2018**

The Museum Board invites you to join them for cocktails, dinner and an evening of fun.

### **"Night Picnic at the Museum"**

**Saturday July 28, 2018**

**7:00 – 10:00 pm**

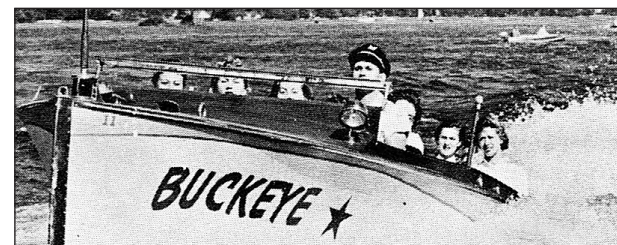
Go back in time to the "Company Picnic Day at Buckeye Lake Park" when a company bought out the park for their employees and family during the 50' & 60's

**\$100 couple R.S.V.P. July 23 \$50 Single**  
Parking for the event will be at the post office, next door to the Museum or the Boardwalk shopping center.

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Period attire if you are in the Picnic Mood, otherwise Smart Casual attire



## MENU

### **Hors d'oeuvres & cocktail time**

A savory dish as your appetizer once served at The Park Terrace Restaurant  
Enjoy the signature drink, an Old Fashioned.

### **Fresh Deep-Fried Fish "Park" French Fries Cole Slaw**

Direct from the **Fish Haven Food Stand** on the Midway at Buckeye Lake Park

### **Weldon's Ice Cream, Candied Apples, Cotton Candy & Apple Pie**

Desserts you left the park with, on the way to your car after Company Picnic Day at The Park



**The Round-Up** Newest Ride on the Mid-Way