



# CHIPPEWA LAKE WATER SKI SHOW TEAM, Inc.







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## Team history

Headquartered in Chippewa Lake, Ohio, the state's largest glacial lake, the Team is the only Division I Show Ski Team in Ohio. It was originally formed in 1969. The Team performed until the early 1970's.

The Team was reformed in 1997 with the objective to provide water skiing and ski shows to families who may not have access to boating and skiing expertise.

A commitment to competition brought the team the 2004 Division II National Championship and in 2010 the team placed 7<sup>th</sup> in Division I Nationals.

Doug & Rebecca Ribley became the 2006 & 2007 Division One National Champion Adagio Doubles Team.

In 2008, Karley VanDevere won the Willa Cook Award (Best Female Show Skier in the US). In 2009, Karley placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Nation in the Swivel Ski Competition.

Kyle Arend and Bryan Midlik skied professionally at Sea World-San Antonio



**Opening Pyramid at 2011 National Tournament**



**Doug & Rebecca Ribley  
Division 1 Adagio Doubles  
National Champions 2006 & 2007**

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### **Team Highlights**

- 2004 National Show Ski Champions, Division II
- 2010 7<sup>th</sup> Place Division I Nationals
- Bryan Midlik and Kyle Arend started skiing as kids on the developmental team and have now skied professionally with Sea World-San Antonio
- Karley VanDevere won the coveted Willa Cook award for being the best female show skier at D-I Nationals
- Doug & Rebecca Ribley-Division I Adagio Doubles National Champions 2006 & 2007
- Doug & Paige Peshina D-I Adagio Doubles 2<sup>nd</sup> place in 2016
- Doug Ribley was selected as Co-Show Director of the USA Show Ski Team and went on to win the World Show Ski Championship in 2016
- Free Show performances for the public at Emerald Lake in Norton, OH, every Wednesday night in July & August
- Two active show sites, one for the competitive team and one for the developmental team
- The elite competitive team is regularly hired to perform at special events and festivals all over the mid-west, skiing for thousands several times each summer
- Professional quality performances resulting in national awards for Overall Show, Towboat Drivers, Dock and Sound Equipment, and Showmanship





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## Membership Information

- 2019 Membership has now grown to 120 Members.
- Membership is open to all age groups.
- No experience and/or equipment is necessary.
- Chippewa Lake is the “Learn to Ski” training ground with 2 practices every week.
- Emerald Lake in Norton, OH is the Competitive Team site with Free Public shows every Wednesday night in July & August.
- All Show Ski Equipment is provided including costumes, boats, skis and ski equipment.
- The team sponsors a free “Learn to Ski” Event for the community each summer, to encourage people of all ages to learn to water ski.



**Karley VanDevere-2nd in Swivel 2009**



**Double Top Four Tier Pyramid**



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## SKI ACTS

- Barefoot
- Opening Pyramids
- Ski Around the Boat
- Wakeboard Invert
- Women's Ballet Line
- Jump Acts
- Adagio Doubles
- Swivel Ski
- Shoe Ski
- Fly Board
- Sky Ski
- Final Grand Pyramid





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For More Information

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**Ballet Team**





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## COUNTY PARKS AND SHOW SKI RELATIONSHIPS

- **Lessons:** Free water ski and water safety learning opportunities
- **Entertainment:** Free, family-oriented, community entertainment (June thru August)
- **Liability Insurance:** CLWSST maintains its own liability insurance and lists the County Parks as an additional insured
- **Site Management/Upkeep:** County Parks Efficiency Partnership....CLWSST provides \$\$ and manpower to maintain the site location and accompanying park land (landscaping, lawn mowing, trash pick up, etc.)
- **Economic Benefit:** Significant economic benefit to Medina County through the creation of a water sports destination. Financial impact is realized from free shows, lessons, clinics, competitions, tournaments and the associated Hotel rooms, restaurant sales, etc. Warsaw, Indiana has calculated the economic impact of the small team in their market to be \$3,000,000 annually.
- **Communities** that have relationships with water ski show teams (examples)....
  - Rock Aqua Jays, Janesville, WI
  - Ski Broncs, Rockford, IL
  - Lake City Ski Team, Warsaw, IN
  - Aqua Skiers, Wisconsin Rapids, WI
  - Back Water Gamblers, Rock Island, IL
  - Cypress Gardens Ski Team, Winter Haven, FL

# CLUB PRESIDENT WELCOME

## Welcome to the 2018 Rock Aqua Jays ski season!!

New to our stadium is a set of 20'-high bleachers. We were able to replace an out of date set, with support from the City of Janesville, local businesses, and members of our wonderful community. With the additional seating, we hope to keep bringing in big events like 1-Day on the Rock featuring Festival Foods Fireworks, National Show Ski Championships, and World Tournaments.

Also, new on the water this year we have a mini ramp, which was built by our membership. The lead work was done by Kraig Wileman, and the design was by Kevin Ostermeier. The mini ramp will bring an exciting new aspect to the show, allowing us to jump closer to the audience, bringing the action right in front of you!

I would like to thank a few of our major supporters:

First, the City of Janesville for allowing us the use of Traxler Park to bring world class events to our wonderful city.

Secondly, Mercury Marine and Nautique for providing us with the best power and performance on the water. Allowing us to put on

great shows including: large pyramids, fast paced barefooting, incredible jumping, and the ever so graceful swiveling and doubles acts.

To our show director Matt Wilson, I cannot wait to see what new ideas you are bringing to the water. The Beach Party will feature some incredible thrills with a splash of fun to the water and stage. Here's to a great 2018 season!

Lastly, I would like to thank our wonderful fans! Without all of you we would not be able to perform our shows and enjoy this amazing sport. I would like to welcome all of you to RAJ Stadium, and hope you enjoy our 2018 show! Please feel free to share your photos of our show on our Facebook and Instagram.

Sincerely,

**Benjamin Kopp**  
President

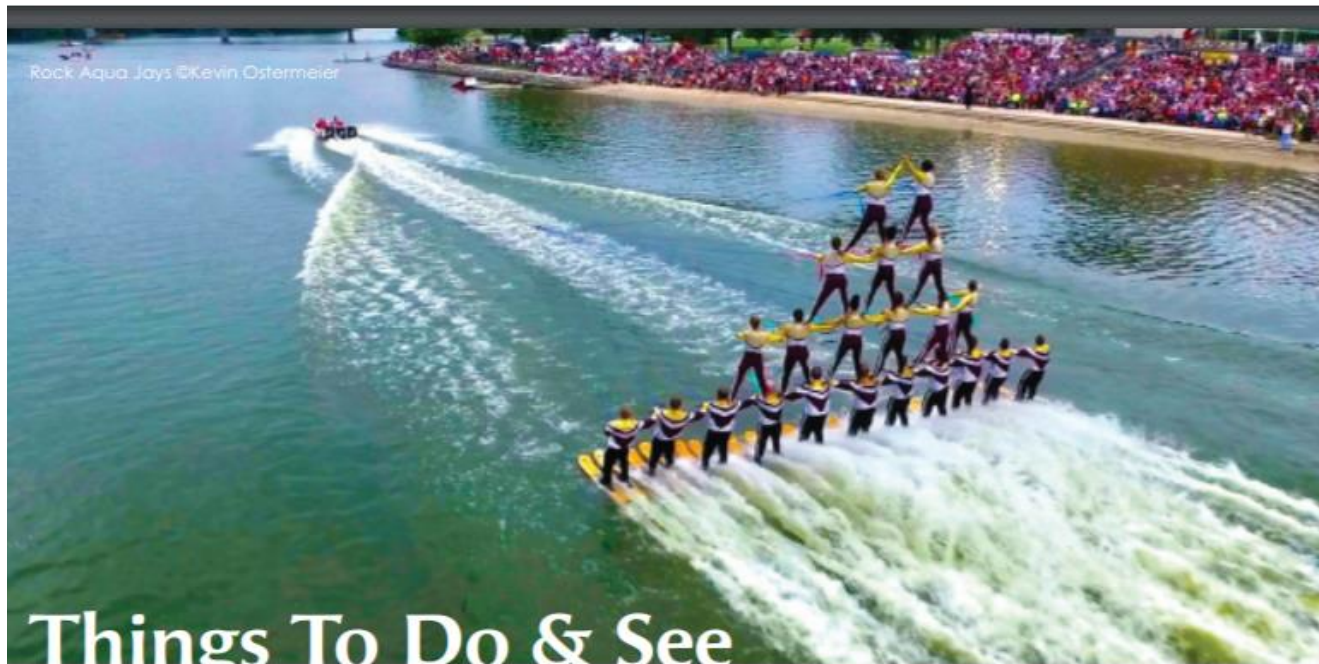


2018 Board of Directors: (Front L-R) Tim Cullen, J.R. Wilson, Melissa Van Tuyl, Daryl Doberstein, Mary Kiser, Courtney Doberstein, Brad Springbaum (Back L-R) Gus Rothmaler, Sr., Benjamin Kopp, Matt Wilson









Rock Aqua Jays ©Kevin Ostermeier

## Things To Do & See

### Nature •

#### Rotary Botanical Gardens

1455 Palmer Dr  
(608) 752-3885  
[rotarybotanicalgardens.org](http://rotarybotanicalgardens.org)

Discover the beauty of the award-winning Rotary Botanical Gardens featuring 20 awe-inspiring acres and a family-friendly atmosphere. Awaken your senses as you take in the dramatic and internationally-themed gardens, including Japanese, Scottish, French Formal, Italian and English Cottage gardens. The gardens include over 20 different garden styles and 4,000 varieties of plants. Visitors to the Gardens may also enjoy guided garden tours, shopping local artisans' work in the Cottage Garden Gallery Gift Shop, and a variety of educational classes and programs available for adults, youth and families.

#### Ice Age Trail

[rock.iceagetrail.org](http://rock.iceagetrail.org)

views on this segment. The Ice Age Trail also incorporates two paved recreational trails along a stream that was once a large glacier melt-water river. Wander through the Devil's Staircase segment of the trail, which climbs up a steep stone staircase and travels on the side of a scenic bluff, along a natural shelf overlooking the beautiful Rock River. Natural beauty abounds here!

#### Robert O Cook Memorial Arboretum

3550 W Co Hwy A

Hike, cross-country ski or snowshoe the trails that wind their way through 160 scenic acres of native forest and wetland. You can find many species of native trees, plants, birds and other wildlife here, and many of the trails include interpretive markers.



### Sports & Entertainment •

#### Rock Aqua Jays Water Ski Show Team

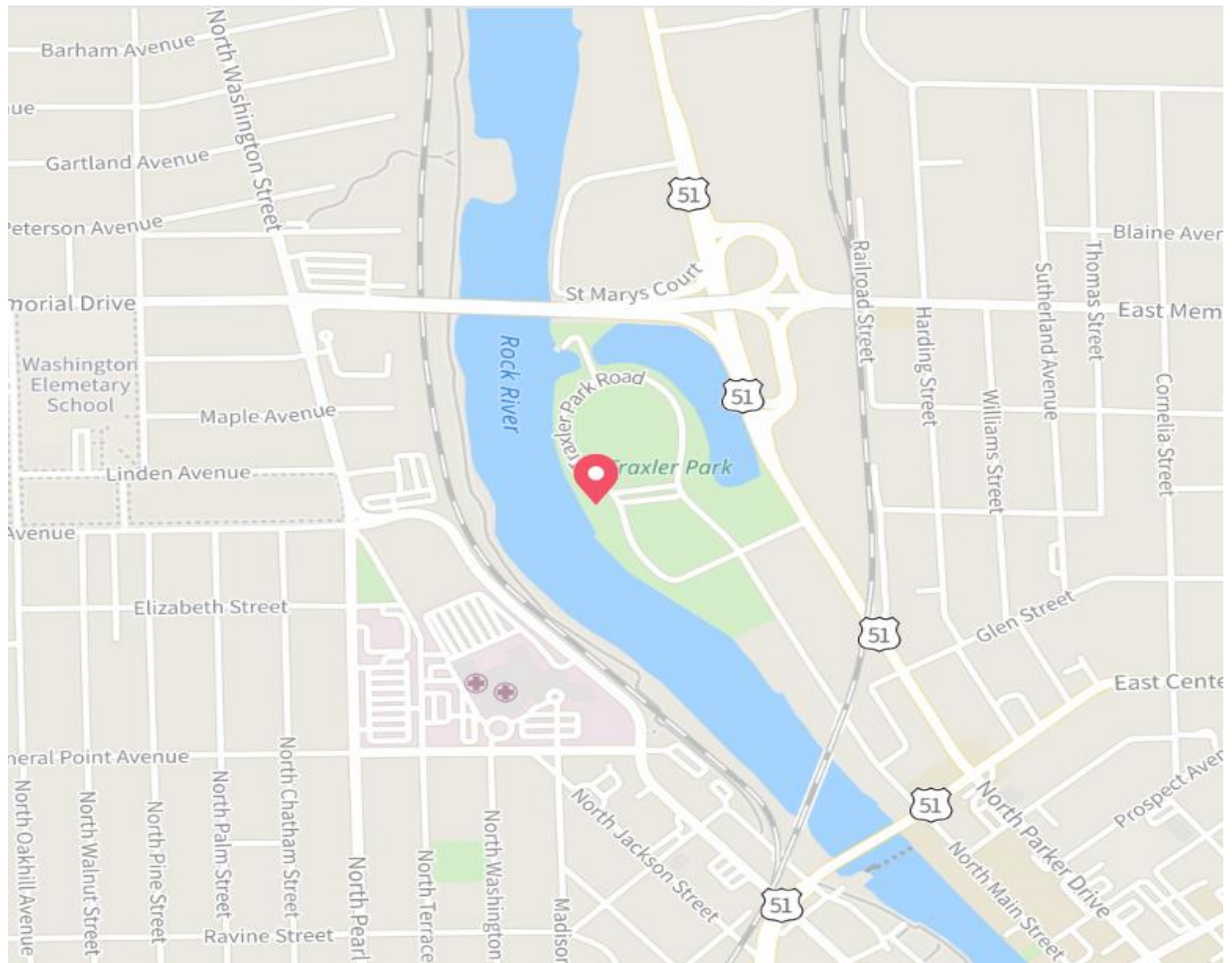
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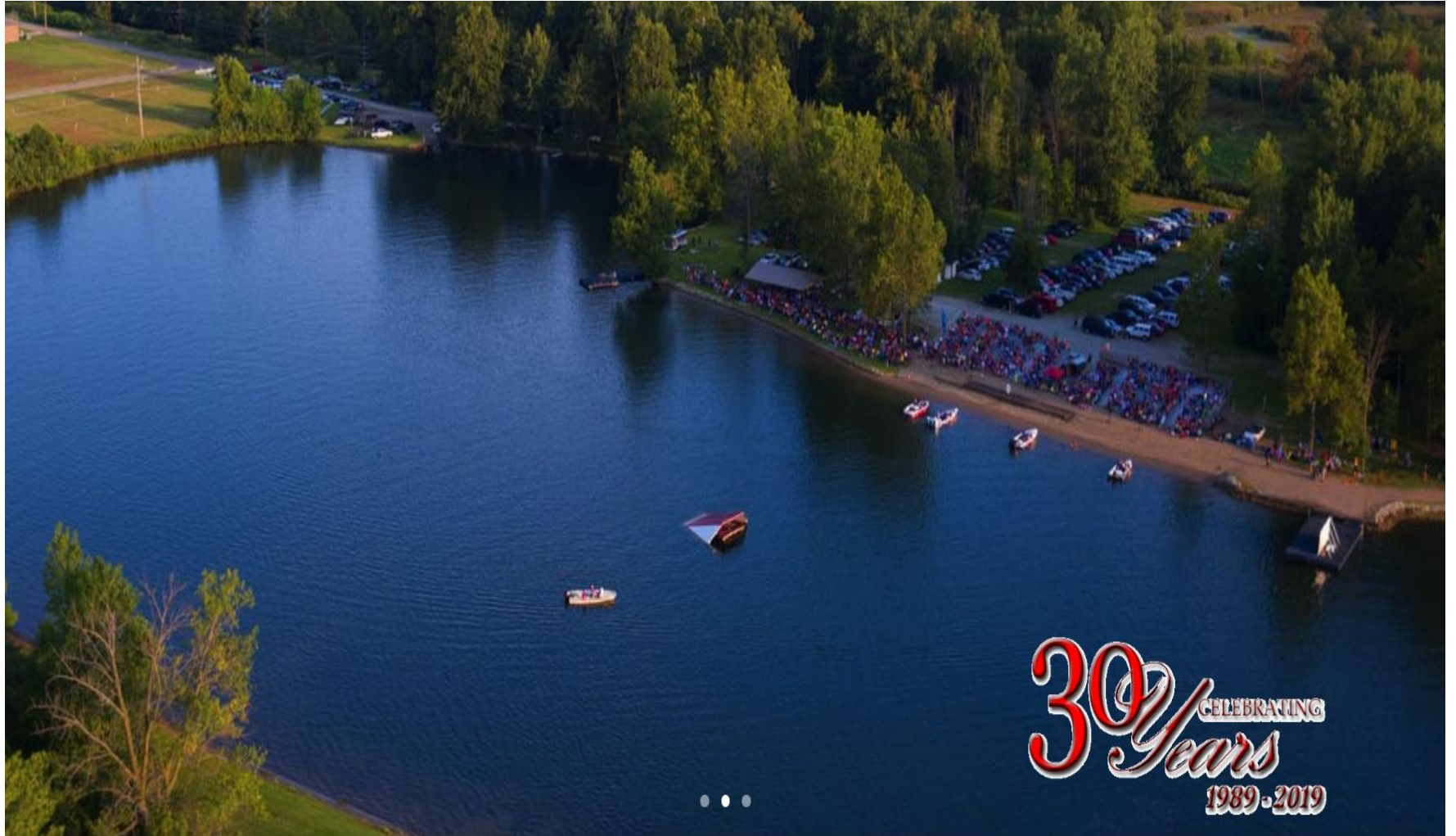
Be ready for edge-of-your-seat family-friendly action as you're entertained by some of the world's greatest skiers! With the beautiful Rock River as their backdrop, these talented national-champion performers display their pyramid, ballet, jumping and barefoot water skiing skills. The show features performers of all ages and skill levels. Admission is free, but donations are encouraged. You can even buy souvenir T-shirts and concessions to enjoy during the show.

Showtimes: Wednesday and Sunday evenings, Memorial Day weekend though Labor Day weekend.

The Rock Aqua Jays often host the National and World Water Ski Show Tournaments.







30 Years  
CELEBRATING  
1989-2019