

FRANK B. KOLLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Latest News from Manitowish Waters Library



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Frank Berkley Koller, Part 2

by Janelle Kohl, Librarian

Welcome to the Library

Limited (Covid) Library
Hours:

Monday: 9-4
Tuesday: 3-6
Wednesday: 9-4
Thursday: Closed
Friday: 9-4
Saturday: Closed

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Did you read Part 1 about Frank Berkley Koller? Just as a refresher, Frank was born at the Tomahawk hospital on 3/27/47, a Dr. Kate baby. He is the son of Frank and Betty Koller and spent much of his young years with baby sitter, Mary (Knopp) Scheld because his parents were building their cranberry marsh.

In this Part 2 write up, you'll learn a little more of Frankie. Again with the help of Sarah Krembs, Mary (Knopp) Scheld (friend of the family) Cindy Burns, (Frankie's cousin) and Jody Brunner Miller, this is some of what we found: Mary remembers, "Frankie was 11 when he was the ring bearer for my wedding. He will always hold a very special place in my heart."

Frankie's cousin Cindy, who was

8 years younger than Frankie, says "He taught me how to fish and he was good at it. We went fishing one night and he caught over 20 Walleyes." Mary recalls fishing with Frankie, too. "I too went walleye fishing with Frankie. We fished deep and at dusk. He would blow up the night crawlers with air using a little plastic bottle with a sharp nozzle. I also know he loved to hunt and had many awards for his marksmanship. He was a skilled bow hunter, too."

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(Picture: Frankie as ring bearer)



Activities, Inventory and our Featured Pet



Activities

Adults! Looking for something fun and different to do? Not only do we have puzzles, we have sticker art, too. FREE to take and enjoy.

Kids! It will be St. Patrick's Day soon. Stop by to pick up your Leprechaun craft.

Happiness Through Our Pets



In a Short Story, by Janelle Kohl

Our featured pet this month is Bailey! Owned by library volunteers Nancy and Steve Russell, Bailey came into their lives as a puppy six years ago.

They could not resist this beautiful Labrador, who now brings joy into their lives every day. Says Nancy, "As we frequently remind Bailey, she won the puppy lottery when a retired couple who live on a lake in the woods adopted her. During the pandemic, walks with Bailey became more extended in nice weather. She romps and sniffs and happily rolls in the snow or leaves or mud. She has been missing visits from our four grandchildren since they are frequent dog tummy rubbers. Bailey alerts us to any visitors with an enthusiastic bark, whether it is human or animal visitors.

Lately there have been eye to eye standoffs with the squirrel who tries to get to the birdfeeder."

She is an important constant in our lives and almost always makes us smile!"

New Books

A Matter of Life and Death by Phillip Margolin

How to Avoid a Climate Disaster by Bill Gates

The Postscript Murders by Elly Griffiths

DID YOU KNOW? We will have 24,000+ items to scan for inventory this month. It will take 3 days to complete, however we don't plan on closing the library. Thank you for your patience as we tackle this mandatory project!

Frankie, cont....

Cindy knew of other activities Frankie enjoyed. "Frankie was an excellent water skier. He skied with the Manitowish Waters Skiing Skeeters. Frankie got involved with managing bees. They used them to pollinate the cranberries....and to help other farmers pollinate their crops."



In Part 1 of

Frankie's story,

do you recall he had a pet skunk, named Petunia? Well, Jody Brunner Miller remembers some fun during high school. "Frankie had a little red volkswagon where he and friends,

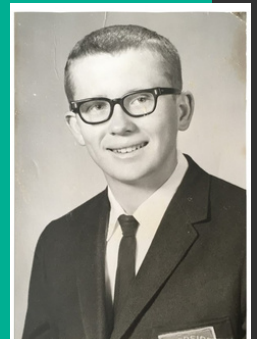
at least 6-8 of us, would pack in this

car, drive to the dump and chase skunks, with the car. We never got sprayed."

Did you know that Frank Jr. had a great passion of

his father's? Car collecting.

Cindy says, "Collecting cars was also in his blood. He bought an old Buick that had been built for, and used by a radio station. It was very large." This Buick, possibly a 1938 model, is still around!



Thank you to Mary, Cindy and Jody for sharing these fond memories of Frankie.

(Top Picture: Frankie

holding his pet skunk Petunia.

Bottom Picture: Frankie his senior year of high school.)

Enjoy some home movies of the Koller family. Follow the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YmzfgaH6Oz8>

Thank you to Mike and Barb Bartling for digitizing this film.