



P O BOX 22, Kelleys Island OH 43438

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Our Objectives: *The objectives of the Kelleys Island Landowners Association are to preserve the tranquility and beauty of this island by remaining constantly alert and vigilant to any situation that could adversely affect the needs of our members and the island itself. We provide a forum where members can have the opportunity to present ideas, problems, and information; and we bring all available information regarding Kelleys Island to the Village Council and our members.*

President's Message

Dear KILA Members,

I hope everyone had a great winter and you are as excited as I am for the 2021 season on the island! We have a full schedule of activities this year. Pot Luck in May, Homecoming in August and of course our popular Hay Ride in the fall. We will also have the KILA discount cards out again this year. If you want a KILA card, please make sure you're a paid active member for 2021.

We have some "projects" on the radar for this year and we're working with the Village to see how we can all help improve the island for everyone! -- More details to come. As always, please check out any new news on our www.KILA.rocks website. The yearly raffle will also resume this year so please buy a ticket and help KILA help the island.

I want to thank everyone who supports KILA and all we do! Each one of you help just by being a member. I also want to thank the entire KILA board. A lot of work goes into the organization and we truly have many great people serving, and of course great members as well. Let's have a great 2021 on The Best place anywhere, Kelleys Island Ohio!

*Chris Arnold
KILA President*

CONGRATULATIONS go out to TOM BARTLETT for receiving the 2020 SHIELDCASTLE AWARD from the Black Swamp Bird Observatory for OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER SERVICE! Tom has been banding birds at our Scheele Preserve on Kelleys Island for 25 years– and just celebrated his 95,000th bird banding! Tom is a gifted biologist, and his work in bird conservation has led to significant properties being preserved by the Museum and partner organizations. Another thank you to his wife, Paula, who is with him every scientific step of the way!

LIFE FLIGHT – METROHEALTH is officially our new Life Flight provider (taking over from St. Vincent's). Legislation was passed on October 21 and took effect 30 days later. The EMS Coordinator, Russell Maust, who is also a certified paramedic, will organize and lead the EMS services for the Village. Russell and his wife Chrissy moved to Kelleys Island in 2004 from Canton, Ohio. Russell graduated from Stark State University with a degree in Fire Sciences. Russell earned his Paramedic Certification in 2003, and in 2004, he was hired as a full time Medic for Sandusky County EMS. Over the past sixteen years, he served as a paramedic for both Sandusky County and in a volunteer capacity on Kelleys Island. We welcome Russell into his new role!

We have a whole **CALENDAR OF EVENTS** scheduled for 2021. Keep your fingers crossed that we can go forward without any major issues! Following are just a few of the many happenings. *For a complete list of 2021 scheduled events go to:* <https://www.kelleysislandchamber.com/events/>

Derby Day – Saturday, May 1, 2021 – All bars and restaurants will be participating in the ISLAND-WIDE Derby-Day FESTIVITIES surrounding this historic horse race. Don your most exuberant hat and join in the fun for “the most exciting two minutes in sports!”



EMS Spaghetti Dinner - Saturday, May 8, 2021 - Come to PEEPER'S and enjoy a delicious spaghetti dinner with homemade meat sauce, salad, roll and topped off with a dessert. 4 - 7 p.m. Carry out is available. All proceeds benefit the Kelleys Island EMS Association. Donations are also accepted. Raffle tickets and 50/50 will be available to win one of the fantastic, handcrafted gifts or gift basket.

Welcome Back Pot Luck – Saturday May 15, 2021 - KILA's famous Pot Luck is back this year after a year of hiatus due to COVID. Mark your calendars and plan to attend at the PAVILION /BALL FIELD. **Unfortunately, due to the COVID19 issues, we must cancel this get together again this year.**

Free Museum Day - Saturday, May 15, 2021 - Stop by 224 Division Street to explore our great museum. Check out our new exhibits, visit the Parsonage Resale Shop, and tour the historic Old Stone Church, built in 1866, next door!

EMS Safety Forces Day - Saturday, May 15, 2021- Gather on the CASINO DOCK from 12 - 2 p.m. to ask any questions and inspect the equipment of the EMS, Police, and Fire Department here on Kelleys Island. The US Coast Guard and State Park personnel will also be on hand during this event. Don't miss Metro Life Flight's SURPRISE LANDING on the dock for all to see!!



Nest With The Birds - Sunday, May 16, 2021 - Join Tom and Paula Bartlett for a band-and-learn experience at the Jones Preserve, 7 a.m.–2 p.m. Watch the Spring Migration of birds as they head north and stop over to rest on Kelleys Island. At 10 a.m., Pat Hayes will be doing a BIRD WALK and NATURE HIKE. **Adopt a bird for \$5 to personally support the KI Audubon Club.**



5 & 10K Run/Walk - Sunday, June 6, 2021: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Join the 38th Annual Kelleys Island 5 & 10K Run/Walk. Runners will enjoy a scenic route, especially along the lakefront. Numerous water stations will be provided. Walkers and strollers are welcome. A portion of the proceeds will be

donated to Back to the Wild, a local wildlife restoration and nature education center, with the remainder going to support the Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce. Registration is at 8 a.m. downtown at Memorial Park. The race starts at 10:45 a.m. from the same spot. A discounted rate of \$20 will be available to those who pre-register online at least one week before the race. Day-of registration will cost \$25. Awards will be distributed to men's and women's Overall, and the first three places in each male and female age group.

Nature Camp - Monday, July 5 - 9, 2021

The Nature Camp, located at the Kelleys Island Field Station and partnered with the Kelleys Island State Park and the KI Audubon Club, was started in 2003 on South Bass and Middle Bass Islands. Each year a different theme is designed to encourage the natural curiosity of youth's ages 4-11 by engaging them in outdoor fun and educational activities. Nature Camp has a small fee for island residents to supplement the cost of supplies, and a separate cost for nonresidents. All campers will be provided refillable water bottles, neck wallets/ name tags, 2021 camp themed t-shirts, ODNR Field Guides, and other crafts and projects. The older campers (9-11) will go kayaking and go on an overnight camping trip.

KI's Got Talent - Saturday, July 10, 2021

Islanders and visitors are invited to sign up and showcase their talent, whether it's singing, playing a musical instrument, acrobatics, telling jokes, doing impressions, or whatever your fancy! The talent show will be held downtown in MEMORIAL PARK, 12 -5 p.m., where prizes will be awarded to the top talents of the evening. This event will benefit the Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau.



Island Fest - July 16 - 18, 2021 - Sponsored by the Kelleys Island Chamber of



Commerce, Island Fest features Ohio Artisans, local crafters, traditional kid's games, food vendors, and beer tent! Festivities kick-off at 11 a.m. with the ANNUAL PARADE. Live entertainment Saturday afternoon and evening and Saturday night at dusk, the Chamber will host a donation based FIREWORKS SHOW! Join us at MEMORIAL PARK, and make sure to stop by the **KILA booth to see/buy a KILA T-shirt. Buy a KILA raffle ticket for the KILA Island Improvement fund. It's also a good time to volunteer for our annual Homecoming festivities! (Cancelled per Chamber of Commerce)**

Film Fest- Friday, July 23 - 25, 2021 - 9 -11 p.m. Film Fest weekend is now sponsored by the Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce. Relax outdoors at the Ball Field, off Addison Street, to watch popular box office movies, drive-in style. Free of charge.

Homecoming - Friday, August 13 - 14, 2021 - 5 p.m. Friday - 4 p.m. Saturday

Sponsored by **KILA**, the Kelleys Island Landowners Association --this event is a weekend of fun, food, and entertainment!! All Homecoming events will take place at the PAVILION, located on Addison. *Friday night we'll have a band, food and beer tent. Saturday's parade will be at 11 a.m. followed by bands, food, kids' bounce house, crafts and food vendors. Stay tuned for more information on this exciting event!!*



Contact Information:

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or go to our website, www.KILA.rocks



Treasure Island Day - Saturday, September 11, 2021 - 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.
 Treasure Island Day is an exciting island-wide tradition sponsored by the Kelleys Island Chamber of Commerce, sales hosted by the local community and businesses where you're bound to find some unique treasures and great prices! Treasure seekers can stop by the Chamber of Commerce office at 9 a.m. to pick up the Treasure Island Day map or at the Island Market downtown. This local garage/yard sale is an adventure for the whole family!
info@kelleysislandchamber.com



Hay Ride/Family Halloween – October 23, 2021. This is one of KILA's most family-fun events on the island. Come to the 4-H CAMP FOR FUN, GAMES, FOOD, HAYRIDE and more! We hope to see you all there October 23rd.

ISLAND DEATHS



- **Joanne B. Golias**, 87, passed away March 31, 2020
- **William R. "Bill" Crotser**, 94, passed away April 3, 2020
- **James Charles Kiefer**, 84, passed away May 14, 2020
- **Robert L. "Bob" Volz**, 95, passed away May 16, 2020
- **Margaret K. "Margie" Brown**, 85, passed away June 24, 2020
- **Raymond W. Arnold**, 81, passed away July 2, 2020
- **Pearl Kathryn (Hartwig) Pascoe**, 83, passed away July 5, 2020
- **Lawrence J. "Larry" Adams**, 99, passed away August 6, 2020
- **L. A. "Lee" Baumler**, 93, passed away August 25, 2020
- **Thomas "Tom" William Voltz**, 80, passed away August 28, 2020
- **Mary Caroline DeBoard**, 87, passed away August 28, 2020
- **Terese Burik**, 80, passed away October 18, 2020
- **Violet "Vi" (Ward) Feyedelem**, 70, passed away October 20, 2020
- **Anne Rutherford Sennish**, 90, passed away November 11, 2020
- **Joan Chopchinski**, 84, passed away November 20, 2020
- **Sandra Lee Sun Smith**, 84, passed away December 1, 2020
- **James L. McIntire**, 77, passed away December 13, 2020
- **Stuart L. Humphrey**, 85, passed away on December 26, 2020
- **Lena M. (Francesconi) Clary**, 91, passed away December 29, 2020
- **Robert Emmett Elfers 'Biker Bob'**, 85, passed away January 5th, 2021
- **Shirley Jane (Seeholzer) Schreiner**, 82, passed away January 13, 2021
- **Nancy L. Taylor**, 73, passed away January 14, 2021
- **Joseph Patrick Lukes**, 86, passed away on February 10, 2021

These notices were from the Sandusky Register, Kelleys Life, and word of mouth. We apologize if we missed anyone.

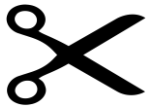
KELLEYS ISLAND LANDOWNERS ASSOCIATION - Contributions

KILA relies on several sources of revenue to support our projects and initiatives to improve and enhance Kelleys Island. These include membership dues, fund raising activities, and donations. In addition to supporting these projects, your donation to KILA, a 501.c.3 charitable organization, has some tax advantages per IRS regulations.

1. Your donation may be deductible when you itemize expenses.
2. But, if you claim the standard deduction, you may still claim a deduction, **in addition** to the standard deduction, of up to \$300. For 2020, the \$300 maximum is per “tax unit,” which means you can only deduct \$300, no matter whether you're filing a joint return or a single return. But for the 2021 tax year, those filing jointly can get a maximum deduction of \$600.
3. You may make a Qualified Charitable Contribution (QCD) **directly** from your IRA to KILA. This direct donation does not count as ordinary income to you as a distribution from your retirement plan usually would. This QCD will count towards your required minimum distribution (RMD) for those of you older than 70.5. However, the limit of the contribution (QCD) is \$100,000 per person.

Please consult with your tax advisor to be sure you understand the tax issues with these donations.

If you have SUGGESTIONS for improvements that KILA can help make on the island, let us know! You can E-MAIL us at: info@Kila.Rocks.



<u>Annual Dues</u>	
<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
Annual KILA Dues Renewal	\$20.00
Initial Membership	\$25.00

Please make checks payable to KILA and mail to: PO Box 22, Kelleys Island, OH 43438. For your convenience, you can also **pay by PayPal** at: <https://kila.rocks/join-kila/>

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Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

E-Mail address _____

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