



P O BOX 22, Kelleys Island OH 43438

April 2023

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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 2023 season on the Island! We have a full schedule of activities this year. Pot Luck in May, Homecoming/fish fry in August with our First Annual Corn Hole Tournament and of course our popular Fall/Halloween celebration. The KILA board has changed the way we distribute funds for worthwhile Island projects and asks that any projects / Requests for Funds be submitted to the KILA board for approval. As always, to view our schedule of events and to check out any new news, visit our website at: **www.KILA.rocks**.

The yearly raffle will resume this year so please buy a ticket and help KILA help the island. KILA donated \$16,000 dollars to the Park board in 2022 to help fund the New Playground and we plan to donate another \$16,000 in 2023 as well. *Please, Please Help us fund great projects like this on our island by supporting KILA.* It's now even easier to pay your annual \$20 dues by going to KILA.rocks website and clicking on RENEW MEMBERSHIP/Add to Cart. Also buying raffle tickets from board members is VERY helpful as well. So if you see a board member selling tickets this year, please help the island and buy one—or two!

I want to thank everyone who supports KILA and all we do! Each one of you is helping--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 an amazing 2023 on The Best place anywhere--Kelley's Island Ohio!

**Chris Arnold**  
KILA President

KILA has a whole calendar of Fun, Food and Entertainment scheduled for 2023 and we invite all KI residents and visitors to join the fun! The following are just a few of the many happenings. For a complete list of 2023 scheduled events go to: <https://www.kelleysislandchamber.com/events/>

**WELCOME BACK POT LUCK** – Saturday May 20, 2023 - KILA's famous Pot Luck is back again this year! Mark your calendars and plan to attend at the KI COMMUNITY PARK PAVILION/BALL FIELD. KILA DISCOUNT CARDS will be available at the Potluck if dues are paid before May 15<sup>th</sup>. We want to get the cards in your hands ASAP. KILA thanks you for your dues, they help us to continue to fund Island activities and projects.

HOMECOMING festivities again will be at the KI Community Park Pavilion. The fun begins on Friday August 11th with our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual FISH FRY. Come see Frank & Dean sing and enjoy a beer at the beer tent! Saturday August 12th is our traditional HOMECOMING PARADE at 11:00AM with a local High School marching band. Follow up the parade with an afternoon of fun at the Park Pavilion. This year, we're starting something new--our FIRST ANNUAL CORNHOLE

TOURNAMENT---Come and show us what you've got! We'll also have craft and food vendors present and the kids will enjoy jumping around in the big bounce house! Stay tuned for more information on this exciting event!!



Raffle tickets help support the projects to improve and enhance Kelleys Island. In 2022 KILA was able to donate \$16,000 to help replace/improve the old playground. With your help, we hope to do it again in 2023! In addition to raffle ticket sales, our fund raising events and your \$20 annual dues to KILA go a long way to help us reach this goal!

ANNUAL FAMILY HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES - Family Hayride or Hallow-Ride is October 21<sup>nd</sup> at 3PM.



Families will pick up a map in Downtown Memorial Park. They will then travel all over the Island picking places on their maps to stop and be treated. A treat can be a game; a craft; or a bonfire with marshmallows. Some of the stops will have clues which will take families to their final destination and a chance to win the Grand Prize. There is no charge for this event, but free-will donations are gratefully accepted.

*KILA needs VOLUNTEERS to offer their Hallow Island yard and host one of the stops. We have some carnival games and supplies to help you, but you decide how you would like to have fun hosting one of the stops that day. This is a completely outdoor event. To volunteer, send an email to [info@KILA.rocks](mailto:info@KILA.rocks) or call the Kelleys Island Landowners Association (616) 485-9102 or you can go to our website, [www.KILA.rocks](http://www.KILA.rocks).*

We welcome your support, volunteering, and suggestions for activities, projects, or initiatives to help KILA improve Kelleys Island via email to [info@kila.rocks](mailto:info@kila.rocks). Please consider joining, renewing membership, or donating to KILA on our website [www.KILA.rocks](http://www.KILA.rocks) or by mail to KILA at PO Box 22, Kelleys Island, OH 43438.

#### FROM THE CHAMBER

Beginning in April, The CHAMBER has events nearly EVERY WEEKEND to include the whole family! From Science Saturdays, Nature Camp and Bird Banding with the KI Audubon Club to a Talent Show, Motorcycle Tour and Volleyball Tournament. Check out the entire schedule at [www.kelleysislandchamber.com](https://www.kelleysislandchamber.com)



YOGA came to Kelleys Island this winter and is quite the hit! Stacy Notestine became an Island resident in 2022. She noticed a need for her services on the Island and founded LAKE ERIE LOVE YOGA & WELLNESS. In addition to being a registered yoga teacher, she is also a registered nurse, reiki master and lactation consultant. This summer she plans to offer yoga at different locations on the island and collaborate with the local wineries to hold outdoor classes and have retreats and online yoga and wellness workshops. Ultimately she said she'd love to have a brick-and-mortar yoga studio here on Kelleys Island. You can learn more about Lake Erie Love Yoga & Wellness by visiting Facebook and Instagram pages via @lakeerieloveyogaandwellness.

SCHWAN'S has a new Kelley's Island sales representative, His name is Matt and he made his first trip to the Island in mid-March. You can have your orders ready for his next visit by checking out <https://www.schwans.com>.



Spring is here! We welcomed the sight of the first FERRY on March 13<sup>th</sup>. The ferry RATES increased slightly this year at \$1 each way for passengers and \$2 each way for cars.



In October of 2022, JAMES BARTUS was officially appointed POLICE CHIEF and AMY KRALL was appointed as a full-time officer in the position of SERGEANT. In December 2022, Officer MIKE GARCIA was promoted to a FULL-TIME position from part time. He was also recognized as Officer of the Year for 2022. Join us in welcoming the officers and chief into their new positions.

The GLACIAL GROOVES are open again with some grand improvements! They've made it more accessible for visitors and displayed some new creative signage. There's also an impressive view into the deep quarry. A dedication to the new Glacial Grooves will be held this Spring!

The PARK BOARD revealed plans for Phase 1 of the new PLAYGROUND on Addison. You can view them on the Village website [KelleysIsland.us](http://KelleysIsland.us) under Departments/Park Board.

The new PARKING REGULATIONS now prohibit parking on either side of Division Street from the Police Station down to Bookerman Road. No Parking This Side of Street signs will be installed to remind visitors.

REMINDER, if your PHONE LINES were out, be sure to contact FRONTIER to REQUEST A CREDIT. They do not automatically credit your account unless you request it.



### **ISLAND DEATHS**

- Rosemarie "Tucky" Elfers, 92, passed away April 12, 2022
- Douglas Phillip Boldon, M.D., 79, passed away June 16, 2022
- Marilyn Ann Rom (McNamara), 92, passed away July 9, 2022
- William Vetovitz, 94, passed away July 16, 2022
- R. Hayden Beau Mooney III, 43, passed away August 1, 2022
- Emma Jane (Seeholzer) Matso, 89, passed away August 10, 2022
- Robert James Maier Sr., 80, passed away August 10, 2022
- Dennie A. Wittman, 75, passed away September 4, 2022
- Dr. Elizabeth Anne (Evans) Eddowes, 90, passed away September 15, 2022
- John Thomas Bear, 75, passed away on September 11, 2022
- Robert Coleman, 93, passed away September 28, 2022
- Mary Ann Pileski (White), 84, passed away October 21, 2022
- Charles "Chuck" Alva Hacker, 86, passed away October 28, 2022
- Ardith Ann Schlesselman Enlow, 71, passed away November 4, 2022
- Scott Patrick Krzynowek, 54, passed away November 6, 2022
- Gladys (Gill) Caulkins, 99, passed away December 23, 2022.
- John "Kip" Karl Ohlemacher, 85, passed away December 29, 2022
- Catherine Ullrich, 69, passed away January 9, 2023
- Karen Sue Osborn, 79, passed away January 10, 2023
- Robert I. Coulon Sr., 95, passed away January 17, 2023
- Charles D. Burns, 75, passed away February 27, 2023
- Ferne Judith Gorchester, passed away 2023
- Johanna Lee Vetovitz (Ekstrom), 90, passed away March 26, 2023
- Donald J. Reis, 81, passed away March 27, 2023
- Katie Bugel, 48, passed away April 2, 2023
- Byron Fred Crabill, 94, passed away April 6, 2023

*\* These notices were gathered from the several sources and from word-of-mouth. We sincerely apologize if we've missed anyone.*

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## KELLEYS ISLAND LANDOWNERS ASSOCIATION

KILA relies on membership dues, fund raising activities, and donations to support projects and initiatives to improve and enhance Kelleys Island. In 2022 KILA was able to donate \$16,000 to help replace/improve the old playground. In 2023 we hope to donate another \$16,000! In addition to supporting these projects, your **\$20 annual dues** 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.
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](mailto:info@KILA.rocks)



### Annual Dues

<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
May 1, 2023	Annual KILA Dues	\$20.00

Please make checks payable to KILA and mail to: PO Box 22, Kelleys Island, OH 43438.  
For your convenience, you can also PAY ANNUAL DUES via PayPal at: [www.KILA.rocks](http://www.KILA.rocks)

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