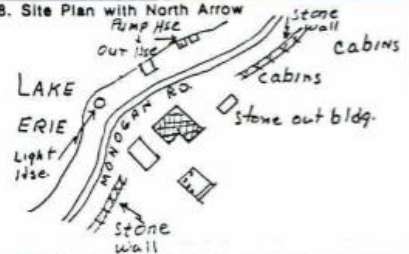




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# OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. No. ERI -1663		4. Present Name(s) Camp Patmos		ERI-1663
2. County ERIE		5. Other Name(s)		
3. Location of Negatives OHS		Samuel and Robert Hamilton Residence		
6. Specific Location East side of shore road at base of Long Point Peninsula		16. Thematic Category Ethnic, agriculture		CAMP PATMOS
7. City or Town Kelley's Island		17. Date(s) or Period c. 1860		
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 		18. Style or Design Greek Revival		
9. U.T.M. Reference Zone Easting Northing		19. Architect or Engineer		
10. Site Building Object		20. Contractor or Builder		
11. On National Register?		21. Original Use, if apparent Residence		
12. Is it Eligible?		22. Present Use Summer Camp and Office		
13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.?		23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
14. District Potent'?		24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Ohio Regular Baptist Home and Camp, Inc.		
15. Name of Established District N/A		25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
16. Local Contact Person or Organization W. KEVIN Pape, K. I. Survey		26. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A		
17. Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary) Original structure appears to have been T-shaped with the road-facing section constructed of stone while the rear section is wood frame with bevelled siding and end boards. Windows are predominantly double-hung 6/6 or 1/1 lights with a pair of 4 paned windows under the south gable. Front door displays apparent transom light, now boarded. Both windows and		28. No. of Stories 2 1/2		
18. History and Significance The Hamilton home is one of a number of fine early stone residences found on the island. This building also reflects the kinds of changes that frequently occur to island structures as they change with the island evolving economy. The original central stone building was the homestead		29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
19. Description of Environment and Outbuildings Outbuildings include shiplap-sided frame cabins; a miniature light-house, swimming pool; stone pump house and outhouse with concrete slab roof; and an underground stone boathouse with segmentally arched entry-		30. Foundation Material Ashlar limestone		
20. Sources of Information Aldrich, History of Erie County, Ohio Hamilton Collection, Hayes Presidential Center Hill, History of Kelleys Island * Oral History, Jeanette Cuchar (Cont'd on sheet 2)		31. Wall Construction Stone bearing wall		
21. Prepared by Kevin Pape & Kyle Johannsen		32. Roof Type & Material Gable/asph. shingle		
22. Organization K.I. Planning Comm.		33. No. of Bays Front 3 Side 2		
23. Date		34. Wall Treatment Ashlar limestone		
24. Revision Date(s)		35. Plan Shape "T"		
		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>		
		37. Condition Interior Exterior Good		
		38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
		39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
		40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
		41. Distance from and Frontage on Road 50'		
		42. Samuel & Robert Hamilton House 		

50. House Type No. Code No.    Name _____	53. Farmstead Plan 
51. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies Barn Type(s) Code No.    Type _____ _____ _____ Corn Crib or Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Smoke House <input type="checkbox"/> Privy <input type="checkbox"/> Silo <input type="checkbox"/> Spring House <input type="checkbox"/> Carriage House <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Kitchen <input type="checkbox"/> or Ice House Other _____	
52. Archaeological Site on Property? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Basis for Information Owner Collection <input type="checkbox"/> Above Ground Earthworks or Mound <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Materials Noted <input type="checkbox"/> OAI No. _____	54. Photo Roll No. <u>4</u> Picture No(s) <u>25</u>

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doors in the stone section are treated with flush lintels and lug sills. A narrow northfacing rear addition appears to have originally been a half open, half sided porch with the open half now enclosed with shiplap siding. Other notable features include a stonewater table, overhanging eave and narrow eaveboard, and scroll brackets supporting the flat roofed north facing porch. Additions and alterations include a one-story rear frame addition, a one story flat roofed front addition with mansard style wood shingle roof extending across the front of the original stone structure, an open front porch and a large two-story, c.1930 stone dining hall addition in back. This latter addition is constructed of coursed limestone with random glacial stones and features both three band and single double-hung 6/6 windows with flush lintels and lug sills, an overhanging eave and a single stone buttress.

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of Samuel and Eliza Hamilton who were born in Tyrone, Ireland, in 1778 and 1782 respectively. Their son, James, also born in Tyrone, Ireland, in 1815, settled on the island's north bay in 1839, and was one of the first to buy land from the Kelleys. James' favorable report from the island encouraged his parents to purchase a lot near the base of Long Point, just north of his own land, in 1851. The elder Samuel Hamilton was a farmer whose principal crops were corn and wheat. He worked his fields with oxen and also raised cows and pigs. After the death of his parents, son Robert, a bachelor, and daughter, Ann, a seamstress and widow of John Brown, continued to live on in the house. Robert was a very successful farmer who, unlike his father, devoted most of his lands to grapes. In 1880, his farm had the highest production value on the island and one of the three largest grape yields. He also made 2500 gallons of wine that year. During the 1920's the house was occupied by James Self and his wife, Lydia Titus Self. He worked in the KIL&T Co. quarry and was a photographer who

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took panoramic views of the island. His family was from England and came to the island around 1873 via Pelee Island. They first lived in a house owned by Herman Koster (ERI-1530). Their father soon died and the widowed family was given a free house on Robert Hamilton's property. Again, tragedy struck when, in 1877, Mrs. Elizabeth Self was mysteriously murdered. Her children were then taken into the Hamilton residence.

After James Self, the house was sold to Fr. Vaclav Chaloupka, of Holy Trinity Parish in Cleveland, and run as a summer camp for the parish children, particularly the choir and altar boys. Later all the members were welcome. With the help of volunteers from among the men and women of the parish, the camp maintained part of the former farm and was entirely self sufficient. During this period the stone house was named The Villa and an addition was built using material salvaged from a 1912 addition to the Becker Winery (ER-360) that burned in 1924. Four cabins were also constructed on the grounds. In 1952 the camp was purchased by the Ohio Regular Baptist Home and Camp, Inc.

The new camp directors made a series of improvements. In 1959 the Findley Memorial Chapel was built, a pool was added in 1968, a miniature lighthouse went up in 1971 and by 1975 there were 11 cabins for girls and 9 for boys. (Two of the original stone cabins are extant)

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way. These stone outbuildings may be vestiges of the original farmstead. The original stone cabins are similar in design and construction to the dining hall addition. The camp is located near the base of the Long Point Peninsula and faces the shore road. It is flanked by two long, dry-laid stone walls (ERI-1664).

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Census Records, Erie Co.; Sched. 2, Prod. of Agric., 1880  
 Martin, History and Some Tales of Kelleys Island  
 1914 Directory of Kelleys Island

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