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*This Saturday, July 12*

## 5th Annual Lakewood Summer Meltdown

by Ken Brand

Come out and celebrate the 5th Annual Lakewood Summer Meltdown on Saturday, July 12 from 4-10 p.m. in Downtown Lakewood between Elmwood and Marlowe. This year is going to be something really special.

The Meltdown kicks off at 4pm with the expanded “Healthy Lifestyle Festival”

sponsored by the Lakewood Recreation Department, with dozens of FREE interactive activities that encourage families to exercise, eat well, and take advantage of summer weather. Activities range from yoga to football, wrestling, fencing, ballet, meditation, interactive games, CrossFit, plus the famous Water Moose. With

new fun and games this year, it’s sure to be a blast. 47 stations will be jammed into the 3 blocks to keep you entertained till 6 p.m.

Run in the 1-mile Kids Fun Run, sponsored by the Lakewood Family YMCA at 6pm or try the 5K race at 7pm that snakes throughout Lakewood on a relatively flat and

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## Vintage Base Ball Is Back This Year In Lakewood Park July 27th

by Greg Palumbo

In the second half of the nineteenth century, a favorite pastime of Civil War soldiers was a game called base ball

(originally two words). These men would play the game in any open field they could find, and upon returning home, after the war, they introduced

the game to their hometown friends. The game spread like wildfire and eventually became synonymous with our national cultural heritage. Lakewood was not immune to this fervor. The new rail lines brought people from Cleveland to the picnic grounds and base ball field at Clifton Park and Scenic Park. Teams from around the region came to play here and the crowds grew each year, prompting complaints of noise and ruckus especially on the Sabbath. Today, teams are made up of history enthusiasts who wear early styles of uniforms and abide by the original rules in games in which the competition is stiff.

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## LHS Band Cheered



photos by Jim O'Bryan

Thursday, June 26th, fans of the Lakewood High School Marching Band surprised the band as they marched onto the field for Band Camp and were greeted by cheering supporters.



photo by Craig Lovejoy, Low Level Aerial Photography

The band marched out to cheers, did two laps of the field playing their hearts out, stopped in front of the stands, did two more songs. Band Director Brian Griebel thanked the parents, the schools and the community for their support of the students over the past couple weeks.



photos by Jim O'Bryan

## Independence Day Returns With A Bang!

by Jim O'Bryan

As Lakewoodites know, we take our Independence Day celebrations seriously. From the Parade down Lake Road, to the picnics, and cook outs around the city and at Lakewood Park, to the always great sounding Lakewood Project playing from the bandstand, to our fireworks. It is

rumored that Lakewood spent over \$33,000 on the celebration this year. More than any other city. Was it worth it, YOU BET! Mayor Summers, Melissa Garrett, Lakewood Police, Fire and City Services and Pyrotechnica brought their A-Game, and we covered it from start to end, in hundreds of pictures and videos. See pages 12-14

## “We’re Local, We’re Lakewood” Lakewood Farmers Market Remains Rooted In Community

by Jenny Kelley

Located in the heart of downtown Lakewood at City Center Plaza on Detroit Avenue between Cook and Warren, the bustling Lakewood Farmers Market kicked off its 5th season on Saturday June 28th and will continue each Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. through October 11th.

The neighborhood market offers a healthy mix of hand picked produce, artisanal foods, and handmade goods from over 25 area ven-

dors. Shoppers can purchase local farm fresh produce and products such as Ohio-raised meats, eggs, cheeses, honey, baked goods, pasta, spices, oils, soaps and lotions, plus one-of-a-kind handcrafted items.

Begun in 2010 as a grassroots resident initiative, the growing market continues to provide a venue for neighborhood residents to connect with hyper-local growers and home-based ‘cottage industries’. This hyper-local focus and the engagement of surrounding

businesses and organizations, reinforces the market’s motto – “We’re Local, We’re Lakewood.” Supporters of the Lakewood Farmers Market include not just community residents, but a handful of Lakewood businesses, the City of Lakewood, the Downtown Lakewood Business Alliance, and the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce.

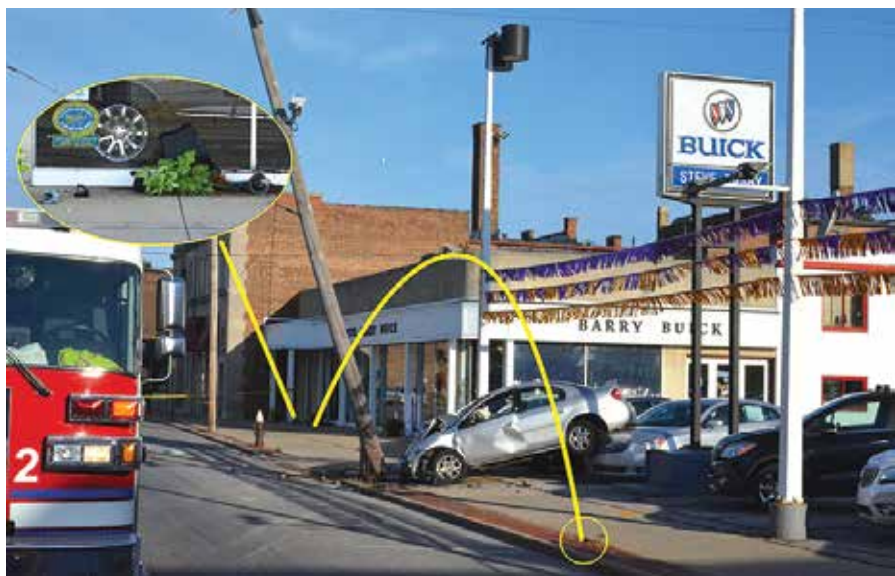
LakewoodAlive also continues to be a strong partner of the Lakewood Farmers Mar-

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Sunday morning at 7am a woman traveling westbound on Detroit Ave. lost control of her car, hitting a pole and ending up on a new Buick in Steve Barry’s car lot.



The parking meter she hit flew about 50’ in the air before landing.



Early on the morning of July 4th, David Michael Nageotte, age 36 was found dead on Cook Avenue. Police found the car that had hit David, and the driver William Galvin, age 28, was charged with Aggravated Vehicular Homicide.

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City News

## 13th Annual Lakewood Historic Preservation Awards

by Colin McEwen

In its 13th year, the Lakewood Heritage Advisory Board recently recognized 14 recipients of the annual Lakewood Historic Preservation Awards.

The presentation, at a Lakewood City Council meeting in May, was part of Lakewood’s celebration of Preservation Month, with this year’s theme “New Age of Preservation.”

Being honored for exemplary projects that have contributed to improving the quality of life in Lakewood through the preservation of our community’s historic and architectural resources, the 14 recipients and their respective awards are:

- David Stein**  
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*Commercial Revitalization*
- Jeff Campbell**  
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- Lou Kiss**  
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- Mary Ann Marsal**  
2181 Olive Avenue  
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- Thomas Langenberg**  
12552 Clifton Blvd.  
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*New Garage Construction*
- Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Rodgers**  
12981 Lake Avenue  
*New Garage Construction*
- Mr. and Mrs. Ken Haber**  
17897 Lake Road  
*Preservation Honor Award*
- Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mackay**  
13428 Lake Avenue  
*Preservation Honor Award*
- The Lakewood Heritage Advisory Board (LHAB) was established to serve in an advisory capacity for the purpose of educating, informing, and making recommendations to City Officials, Departments, Boards and Commissions, and the community on matters relating to historic preservation.

## Understanding The City’s Sidewalk Strategy

by Colin McEwen

The city of Lakewood is entering its second phase of a 10-year strategy to improve the city’s 180 miles of sidewalks with the intention of keeping them among the most pedestrian-friendly in the state.

Each year, the city sends inspectors to check the sidewalks for “trip hazards.”

This year, residents with identified trip hazards have some options. They can pay to have the sidewalk fixed themselves or participate in a citywide bid with the city’s contractor — the idea being to lower the price for property owners.

Residents with trip hazards will fall into one of three categories: Grinding the seams of the sidewalk (at \$35 per seam); some sidewalks will need to be leveled (an estimated \$100 per slab) or replaced (approximately \$200).

Property owners with identified sidewalk issues will receive a mailed letter from the city in July.

“One of our goals is to be the most pedestrian-friendly city,” said

Lakewood Mayor Michael Summers. “We all have a role to play.”

“We began this project in 2013, and we made some improvements to make it more efficient, more cost-effective and more simple moving forward. We took a more customer-centric approach this year versus a more regulatory approach.”

The second phase of the 10-year plan began in June. The city is using a map that divides the city into 30 sections, and plans to inspect three sections — or 10 percent — each year.

“This project will improve our city’s sidewalks, one section at a time,” said Joe Beno, the city’s director of public works. “It will also ensure pedestrian safety and our goal of being pedestrian-friendly.”

This year, the city is focusing its efforts on sections 7, 14 and 21. For this phase, the city will pay for sidewalks damaged by the trees in the tree lawns.

Have a look at the attached map to see if your street is getting an inspection.

## Water Main Replacement Project Begins On The East Side Of Madison Avenue

by Colin McEwen

The first of several road construction projects begins this week with the replacement of a water main at the east end of Madison Avenue.

The work will take place from W.

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Five More Reasons  
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by Phynique Krizan

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This means you can check out a whole season of a TV series from our collection, if you so choose. Another choice could be having a movie marathon. For exemplary citizens choosing movies not only for themselves, but also for friends or family members, consider this: you no longer have to be a martyr, because instead of sacrificing your movie choices to others, you may now decide those extra five are for yourself.

We add new selections at least once a month, so your options are constantly changing, why not be brave and try something new? You may choose from any genre, including non-fiction, as well as from our special Staff Picks, foreign selections, TV series and sea-



The new DVD check-out limit for DVDs just doubled from 5 to 10!

sonal displays to fill the new limit of fifteen DVD titles.

Considering the two-week loan period, if you do not watch all fifteen movies you check out, you may choose to renew your items up to five times as long as no other patron has placed a hold on them. The choice is yours, what will you choose?

That’s What It’s All About!

Sing-A-Long Musical Fun  
With Billy Kaye

by Fran Storch

Lakewood Public Library presents Musical Fun and Sing-A-Long with Billy Kaye, the third program in its Special Friday Performances summer series. Children and their families are invited to join one-man band, Billy Kaye for a special sing-a-long at 3 p.m. on Friday, July 11 as he performs many popular favorites on his melodious accordion. Families will enjoy this free, interactive music program in the Main Library Multipurpose Room.

With a repertoire of hundreds of toe-tapping tunes and musical melodies from around the world, Kaye provides delightful entertainment for the entire family. Kids can sing and dance along to familiar fun songs like the Bunny Hop and the Hokey Pokey.

Up next...have a close encounter with animals of the furry, feathery and scaly kind from the Lake Erie Sci-



Bring the entire family to sing-a-long with Billy Kaye.

ence & Nature Center on Friday, July 25 at 3 p.m. For details about Special Friday Performances and other youth programs at Lakewood Public Library, please call 216-226-8275, ext.140 or visit [www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/youth](http://www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/youth).

Double knee replacement  
energizes active lifestyle.

Ten years. That’s how long 62-year-old Ann Gilbert lived with knee pain. She made accommodations. She taught elementary students at St. James School in Lakewood from a stool instead of standing, and declined art festival invitations because it was “too hot outside.” Even with weight loss and water aerobics, she still struggled with knee pain. When pain medications no longer brought relief, simply walking was a challenge.

One day, her sister-in-law, who worked in the orthopaedic department at Lakewood Hospital, recognized her arthritic gait and said, “Ann, you’re barely walking.”

She referred Ms. Gilbert to Conjeevaram Maheshwer, MD, an orthopaedic surgeon who performs surgery at Lakewood Hospital. He immediately recognized that both of Ms. Gilbert’s knee joints had severely worn cartilage, and recommended knee replacement.

“The time to consider knee replacement surgery after having arthritis is when you’ve tried all the injections and pain medications, and they’re no longer effective,” says Dr. Maheshwer. Thanks to her years of water aerobics and steady weight loss, Ms. Gilbert was healthy overall, which is important going into a double knee replacement surgery, he says. “I advise patients to not wait until their health starts to fail, as heart and lung issues can prevent one from having the surgery. Use the healthy window.”

Ms. Gilbert and Dr. Maheshwer together decided that a double knee procedure was right for her. This approach would mean a more rigorous recovery and rehabilitation, but, overall, less time devoted to rehabilitation than if her knees were replaced in separate procedures. This condensed recovery appealed to Ms. Gilbert, who didn’t realize at the time that Dr. Maheshwer really was offering her the key to a more fulfilling, active life. That, after surgery, she would continue to drop weight – eventually losing 140 pounds – and enjoy family outings that she’d passed up for years.

During the procedure, Dr. Maheshwer shaved away damaged bone and replaced the joints, preserving the soft tissue tendons and ligaments. The procedure has over a 95 percent success rate and the joint replacement typically lasts 15 to 20 years. Ms. Gilbert’s freedom from pain and newfound mobility began right away.

“I went right from the IV to no pain pills. I wasn’t being courageous; I just didn’t have pain,” says Ms. Gilbert. She spent a week at inpatient rehabilitation at Lakewood Hospital, practicing walking, doing laundry, and maneuvering steps with the assistance of therapists. She graduated to two weeks of outpatient therapy at Lakewood Hospital’s YMCA location, following a single home therapy visit, at which the therapist proclaimed she was not needed – that Ms. Gilbert had achieved self-sufficiency.

Five weeks later she returned to the pool for water aerobics and hit the Metroparks trails with her two dogs soon after. More importantly, she spent more time with her family. Two months post-surgery, on Thanksgiving Day, she walked the Cleveland Turkey Trot 5K with her husband and two grown children, something she never would have attempted pre-surgery. Physical limitations no longer keep her from heading to Progressive Field for an Indians baseball game, or anything else she enjoys. Today, Ms. Gilbert is in charge of her personal health and happiness.

Dr. Maheshwer sees sees patients at Lakewood and Fairview hospitals. To schedule a consultation with Dr. Maheshwer or any of our orthopaedic surgeons, please call 866.733.6363.

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# Lakewood Public Library

compiled by Morgan Maseth

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6:00 p.m. in the Main Library Learning Lab

**Tuesday, July 15**

**Knit and Lit Bookclub: “Angelina’s Bachelors” by Brian O’Reilly**

Come share your passion for great literature and show off your knitting, crocheting, counted cross-stitch, embroidery and quilting works-in-progress. For full book descriptions, visit [www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/bookclubs](http://www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/bookclubs).

7:00 p.m. in the Main Library Meeting Room

**Thursday, July 17**

**Booked for Murder: Laugh Out Loud Mysteries:**

**“Killer Pancake” by Diane Mott Davidson**

Murder is serious business... But sometimes solving the crime can be a hoot. Come share the laughs and air your accusations with this fun and friendly group of readers. For full book descriptions, visit [www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/bookclubs](http://www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/bookclubs).

7:00 p.m. in the Main Library Meeting Room

**Friday, July 18**

**LakewoodAlive Front Porch Concert Series**

LakewoodAlive, in collaboration with Lakewood Public Library and Vance Music Studios, is proud to announce the 5th Annual Front Porch Concert Series. Held on the Library’s Front Porch, these concerts are free and open to the public. Bring lawn chairs and enjoy fantastic music with friends and neighbors in the heart of Downtown Lakewood. The Front Porch Concert Series is supported in part by the residents of Cuyahoga County through a public grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture and by the Friends of Lakewood Public Library. The full line-up of acts will be announced in late spring at [www.LakewoodFrontPorchConcerts.com](http://www.LakewoodFrontPorchConcerts.com).

Fridays at 7:00 p.m. on the Front Porch of the Main Library

July 11 through August 29

## LPL Children/Youth Events

compiled by Eric Knapp

**Friday, July 11**

**Musical Fun and Sing-A-Long with Billy Kaye**

**For the whole family**

Children will be delighted to hear favorite tunes like the Bunny Hop and the Hokey Pokey played on an accordion.

3:00 p.m. in the Main Library Multipurpose Room.

**Saturday, July 12**

**Tail Waggin’ Tutors**

**For school-age children**

Bone up on your reading skills by reading to a dog. Drop in for a one-to-one session with one of our dogs and owners that have been certified through Therapy Dogs International.

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the Main Library Multipurpose Room.

**Tuesday, July 15 & 22**

**Afternoon at the Movies**

**For the whole family**

Beat the summer heat with the whole family by taking in a movie on our big screen. Movies are free and open to the public.

“Robin Hood” : Tuesday, July 15 at 1:00 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium.

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**Wednesday, July 16**

**Talespinner Children’s Theatre Workshop**

**For students entering third through fifth grade**

Welcome, all aspiring actors! This fast-paced workshop will get you acting out scenes in no time, and unleash your imagination.

3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Main Library Multipurpose Room.

**Sunday, July 20**

**Lakewood Lego® League**

**For youth in kindergarten through fifth grade (caregivers welcome)**

Use LPL’s collection of Lego®Bricks and your own imagination to create fabulous new structures and designs each month. No registration, but numbered tickets will be given out first-come, first-served. One ticket per child.

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the Main Library Activity Room.

**Family Weekend Wonders**

Make the Library a part of your family weekend time with programs featuring stories, activities, music and crafts. These free programs are offered every weekend throughout the year at both the Main Library and Madison Branch. No registration is needed. Check out our website ([www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/youth](http://www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/youth)) for times and upcoming themes.

Main Library Activity Room and Madison Branch Auditorium

**Weekends With Wee Ones**

For families with children under 2 years old  
Spend a part of your family weekend time clapping your hands, tapping your feet, singing nursery rhymes and, of course, sharing books. We will provide materials and ideas for those wishing to continue the fun at home. Programs are offered every weekend throughout the year and there is no need to register in advance.

**Saturday, July 19**

**Lakewood Public Cinema: “No Such Thing” (2001)**

**Directed by Hal Hartley**

If we can agree, for the sake of argument, that monsters are real then we might as well go ahead and accept that a charming, modern fairy tale can be told with bitter black comedy and result in scathing social commentary. There is a monster living on remote rocky island off the coast of Iceland. He is changeless and eternal—and thoroughly annoyed by the evolution of the human race. When a news camera crew crosses his path, he brutally murders them, then records a message describing his crimes—in perfect English no less—and sends the tape back into the world as a warning. TV executive Helen Mirren smells ratings. Not only does she decide to send another reporter after the story, she chooses the doe-like Sarah Polley, fiancée of one of the slain men, for added human interest. Polley makes an impossible journey beyond the places where the horses won’t go and finds the strength to offer the villain her friendship. But she could not have foreseen what would happen when she guides him back to our world and subjects him to the media spotlight.

6:00 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium

**Sunday, July 20**

**Sunday with the Friends: The Whiskey Island Ramblers**

Whiskey Island lies at the gateway to Cleveland, where the Cuyahoga River flows into Lake Erie. Irish immigrants settled on Whiskey Island which, in its heyday, boasted thirteen different saloons—a considerable achievement considering it was only a mile long and a third of a mile wide. Brothers Joe and Ed Feighan, who can trace their roots back through the island, grew up playing traditional Irish music. Inspired by bands like Flogging Molly and the Clancy Brothers, they joined up with drummer Tim Lane and keyboardist Justin Gorski to forge their own Celtic rock band infused with real Cleveland flavor. Together, the Ramblers celebrate growing up Irish in an industrial landscape.

2:00 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium

**Sunday, July 20**

**Hands-On Help with eReaders**

Do you own a shiny, new eReader, but don’t know how to download any of the thousands of free titles that are available through the Library? Make an appointment with a knowledgeable staff member who can show you around the bells and whistles of your device, whether it’s a Kindle, Nook, iPad, iPhone or something else entirely. Let’s talk.

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Sunday Nights at the Main Library - Call (216)226-8275 ext. 127

**Friday, July 25**

**LakewoodAlive Front Porch Concert Series**

LakewoodAlive, in collaboration with Lakewood Public Library and Vance Music Studios, is proud to announce the 5th Annual Front Porch Concert Series. Held on the Library’s Front Porch, these concerts are free and open to the public. Bring lawn chairs and enjoy fantastic music with friends and neighbors in the heart of Downtown Lakewood. The Front Porch Concert Series is supported in part by the residents of Cuyahoga County through a public grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture and by the Friends of Lakewood Public Library. The full line-up of acts will be announced in late spring at [www.LakewoodFrontPorchConcerts.com](http://www.LakewoodFrontPorchConcerts.com).

Fridays at 7:00 p.m. on the Front Porch of the Main Library

July 11 through August 29

**Saturday, July 26**

**Socratic Dialogue and Community**

Be a philosopher for a day. Engage in a Socratic dialogue with your fellow citizens. Gain self-knowledge and mutual understanding as we clarify our values and collaborate to answer a big question. Our first dialogue will seek to answer the question, “What is fellowship?” The second will ask, “What is unity?” With these questions, we will seek to think collectively and discover what we have in common. Finally we will discuss how unity and fellowship are in applied in our community of Lakewood. Kerry Tobin of Sage Concepts will facilitate the discussion. Call 216-226-8275 ext. 127 to register.

2:00 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium

**Saturday, July 26**

**Lakewood Public Cinema: “Adventures of Robin Hood” (1938)**

**Directed by Michael Curtiz and William Keighley**

This is old-fashioned Hollywood magic at its finest—a breathtaking adventure and a surprisingly gentle romance filled with hearty laughs. The script sparkles. The stunts are real. And you can forget about the murky, muddy filth of modern adaptations. This legend was filmed in Technicolor with bright reds and greens that give it the appearance of an illuminated manuscript—making it seem more authentic for all its fantasy. Sir Robin of Locksley, defender of downtrodden Saxons, runs afoul of Norman authority and is forced to turn outlaw. With his band of Merry Men, he steals from the rich, gives to the poor and still finds time to woo the lovely Maid Marian. Basil Rathbone and Claude Raines provide worthy villains. Olivia de Havilland falls hopelessly in love. And Errol Flynn gives his finest performance—graceful, witty, bold, dashing and daring—and forever puts his stamp on the virtuous rogue.

6:00 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium

**Sunday, July 27**

**Sunday with the Friends: A Colonial Woman in Song**

Enjoy a conversation with history. Diane Virostko steps forward out of the mist shrouded past to sing songs from the late colonial period of America. Each song will be carried entirely by her lovely vocals, without instrumentation, as would have been common on the edges of the frontier. Dressed, head-to-toe in authentic hand-crafted garments from the period, she will discuss women’s fashions of the day, the history of the songs she sings and the whispers of revolution wending her way.

2:00 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium

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## Lakewood Public Library

# Celebrate Oktoberfest With The Swinging Bavarians At Lakewood Public Library

by Elaine Rosenberger

The Swinging Bavarians bring Oktoberfest to Lakewood Public Library on Sunday, July 13 at 2 p.m. when they perform as part of the Library's Sunday with the Friends series. German oompah music and polkas will abound. However, the Swinging Bavarians also perform marches, waltzes, standards, children's favorites, swing music and rock. Dr. Tom Herbell conducts the Swinging Bavarians and plays clarinet. A graduate of Case Western Reserve University, Dr. Herbell worked for many years as a scientist at NASA's Glenn Research Center. Before their concert, he takes the time to answer a few questions.

**LPL: Where did you get the idea to start the Swinging Bavarians?**

TH: The idea to play German music came from small groups of musicians playing after regular rehearsals of the al Koran Shriners concert band. In the early 1980's I joined a Czech brass band playing the Eb clarinet -- a very difficult instrument to master, but essential to Czech music. In 1990, the Shriners held a meeting in Cleveland,



*The Swinging Bavarians in concert.*

and I decided to enter the German band competition. We received a rating of superior! I bought some brass band music and was hooked. We now have a library of over 250 titles. One of the first books we purchased had a number entitled "Swinging Bavaria" -- located between "When the Saints Go Marching in" and "Clementine." Immediately we became the "Swinging Bavarians"

**LPL: Is the clarinet your first instrument?**

TH: Clarinet was my first true instrument. I began studying it in the 4th grade. I had been a failure at both drums and piano, but there was a clarinet in my father's house. He no longer played it, so it became mine. After a year, dad bought me my own horn. I was selected to play in the Hermit Club Orchestra (quite an honor for a high school senior). I wanted to study music, however my teacher advised

against it: "Keep it as a hobby, but choose another vocation." I turned down a music scholarship to become a scientist, but music was, and continues to be, an important part of my life.

**LPL: Tell us a little about the Swinging Bavarians' charity work.**

TH: The money we earn from performing and from the sale of our CD's is contributed to the Shriner's Hospitals for children with orthopedic needs and severe burns. There are 22 such facilities in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Panama. There is an orthopedic unit in Erie, PA and a burns unit in Cincinnati. There is no charge for treatment in these facilities. Since the year 2000 we have contributed approximately \$14,000.

**LPL: Do the Swinging Bavarians wear costumes?**

TH: Our costume is quite simple: a "Bavarian hat" from Salzburg and red hosenträger. Lederhosen were too expensive so we opted for hosenträger (suspenders) instead.

*The Swinging Bavarians' concert will take place in the Main Library Auditorium at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 13 as part of the Library's Sunday with the Friends series.*

## Talespinner's Children's Theatre Workshop

by Jeffrey Siebert

We all have a diva inside of us just waiting to take center stage, so why not let your inner thespian out and come to the Talespinner's Children's Theatre workshop at the Lakewood Public Library. Aspiring actors who participate in this workshop will receive a fast-paced arts experience that will encourage them to use their active imaginations. Throughout the workshop, children will use their minds, hearts, and imaginations to learn teamwork, poise, confidence, and creative expression.

Talespinner's Children's Theatre is one of Cleveland's newest professional children's theater companies.

They are dedicated to developing exciting and original productions and programs for children across all socio-economic, cultural, and traditional backgrounds. They employ acting, dance, music, puppetry, and any and all artistic disciplines available to stimulate the minds and hearts of Cleveland's creative children. They strive to bring excitement and joy to all who are involved or touched by their work.

This is a one-day program on Wednesday, July 16th from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the Main Library multi-purpose room. Registration is required. Space is limited and filling up fast. We hope to see you there, thespians!

## First Finisher Of The Camp LPL Summer Reading Club

by Julie Strunk

Isabella Kolodny is the first summer reader to finish 30 hours of reading. She checked in at the Children's and Youth Services desk at the Lakewood Public Library for the last time on June 30. Congratulations Isabella!

Isabella picked out a brand new copy of "Allegiant" by Veronica Roth for her finishing prize. She also was rewarded with a coupon to Madison Square Lanes for a free game of bowling and shoe rental, an 8 ounce cup of free Menchie's frozen yogurt, and a food coupon.



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Lakewood Schools

District OKs New Administration Hires

by Christine Gordillo

The Lakewood Board of Education approved a number of significant personnel moves at two recent Board meetings. The positions are all effective August 1, 2014.

At a June 12 special meeting, the Board approved the hiring of Westlake City Schools' Director of Academic Services, Pam Griebel, as the district's next Director of Teaching & Learning K-12.

Griebel will replace Roxann Ramsey-Caserio, who earlier this year was chosen to replace retiring Assistant Superintendent Kevin Bright. Before joining Westlake City Schools as an elementary principal in 2000, Griebel had worked for Lakewood City Schools in various capacities. She joined the district in 1984 as an elementary teacher, first at McKinley Elementary and then Roosevelt Elementary. In 1998, Griebel became an assistant principal at Horace Mann Middle School before taking a job as elementary principal in Westlake two years later.

"I am absolutely thrilled to be back in Lakewood. It is like coming home," Griebel said. "I am looking forward to working with the exceptional staff in the Lakewood City Schools as we continue our mission of excellence to become a top 20 school by 2020."

At a June 19 special meeting, the Board approved current Director of Special Programs, Brian Siftar, as the

next principal of Emerson Elementary School. Siftar replaces Peg Seibel, who is retiring.

Siftar joined the district in 2008 as a House Principal at Lakewood High School. In 2012, he moved to Central Administration as Coordinator of State/Federal Programs for one year before his position expanded to include supervision of the Technology and Data departments and he became Director of Special Programs.

Prior to coming to Lakewood, Siftar held several position in the Garfield Heights school district: an assistant principal at Garfield Heights Middle School, special education supervisor, and an intervention specialist. He began his career as a high school math teacher in the Cleveland schools.

"I am energized by the opportunity to work with the students, families, and faculty at Emerson Elementary," Siftar said. "The experience I have gained by working alongside Superintendent Patterson, Dr. Palumbo, Mrs. Ramsey-Caserio, and Dr. Wagner has primed me to successfully lead the continued development of an exceptional school. Principal Seibel has set the bar extremely high and will be sorely missed. However, the faculty and staff formulated by Principal Seibel are a dedicated group of professionals that are the best in the business. Together we will push one

another to provide the best education for the families of Emerson Elementary."

Also joining the district in August will be Christopher Donahoe as Assistant Director of Operations and Construction, a new position in the district. This position replaces the former Coordinator of Business Services job, which has been abolished.

Donahoe is the current Director of Facilities Maintenance for the Cleveland Indians, a job he has held since 1993. Prior to joining the Indians, he was a civil/environmental

engineer with Middough Associates in Cleveland. Donahoe is a graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and served in the Coast Guard for five years as senior facilities inspector and deck watch officer.

The Board also approved Regina Bajzer and Brenda Budzar as Coordinators of Teaching Learning, whose responsibilities include providing professional development for the staff and helping implement the Common Core and state standards in the classroom. Bajzer and Budzar are currently Instructional Coaches for the district.

Reading Camp Keeps Students On Right Page

by Christine Gordillo

While most students are enjoying the usual summer vacation activities at the pool, beach and playgrounds, nearly 150 incoming kindergarten through third-graders are spending their mornings improving their reading skills.

This is the second summer the District has conducted a six-week summer reading camp to help improve our youngest students' literacy. The camp targets those students who are not reading at grade level with hopes of getting them up to speed with their peers by the time they must take the Third Grade Reading Guarantee test mandated by the state. The new law requires that students who don't pass the third-grade test be held back in reading and possibly not advance to fourth grade.

The third graders at the camp, held from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. four days a week at Grant Elementary, will take the state reading test midway through the



Teacher Dawn Peters goes over reading material with a group of students at the District's six-week reading camp.

camp. Those who do not pass will have a chance to take the test again at the beginning of the school year.

The District is targeting all the primary grades with an eye toward 100% passage for the Third Grade Reading Guarantee test.

"We wanted to include K-2 students as well because the sooner we can identify at-risk readers and give them help, the better chance they have of being at grade level by third grade," said Garfield Middle School Assistant Principal Tony Chiaravalle, who administers the camp along with intervention specialist Meredith Wojtkun.

The students receive large group and small group instruction from 10 teach-



Reading camp students work on reading exercises independently on their laptops.

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Lakewood Schools

Rec Dept. Survey Shows High Satisfaction

by Christine Gordillo

As part of an effort to follow through on its continuous improvement plan, this past spring the Lakewood City School District surveyed the Lakewood community in regards to the District's Community Recreation and Education Department programs. The survey, conducted by the Triad Research Group using a random sampling technique, confirmed a number of key findings that indicates that Lakewood residents are satisfied with the department's operations.

Key survey findings include 91% of recent adult users expressing satisfaction with programs in which they participated. At the youth level the percentage was 94%. In overall ratings including program variety, ease of sign-up and enrollment, class/program affordability, facility conditions, and qualifications of teachers, coaches, and instructors, all areas received at least an 85% positive rating.

Superintendent Jeff Patterson said, "We are extremely proud of the programs that we offer and the long-standing tradition of excellent service that the Community Recreation and Education Department provides to the citizens of Lakewood. The findings bear out the community's positive sentiment on the offerings and overall benefits to both youth and adults here."

Board President Linda Beebe said, "When more than 85% of our residents

are satisfied with the recreational programs and facilities available, it speaks volumes of the work of the department. We are committed to the work of continually improving program and community and student involvement. The Community Education and Recreation Department supports student academic success as well as community health and fitness. The Community Recreation program will continue to be an integral part of our school district's overall program."

Many of the users were interested in seeing expanded programming by the Department, including more educational classes, swimming or water programs, fitness classes and basketball offerings.

Don Sharp, President of the Community Recreation and Education Commission said, "We are very pleased with the survey results. Our residents are using our programs, and they are interested in expanded offerings and adding new facilities. When we have 56% of our residents with children enrolling in three to five or more programs annually, the Department is fulfilling its responsibility."

Reading Camp Keeps Students On Right Page

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ers. One-on-one instruction is also given as needed and students are able to work independently on netbooks as well.

The district secured a grant to help pay for last year's and this year's camp, which the district views as critical to continue making progress with our youngest readers.

"We are required to have summer intervention in place to meet the needs of early learners in the area of basic early literacy. While we acknowledge the law and its importance, we recognize that it is imperative to keep students active in the learning process over the summer months," said Roxann Ramsey-Caserio, Director of Teaching & Learning, K-12.

Lakewood Recreation and Education Department Survey		
Ratings		
91% positive; 59% excellent		• Offering a wide variety of programs and activities
90% positive; 40% excellent		• Being able to get into the classes and programs offered
89% positive; 49% excellent		• Having an easy sign-up process
89% positive; 37% excellent		• Making classes and programs affordable
87% positive; 38% excellent		• Keeping facilities in good condition
85% positive; 38% excellent		• Qualified instructors, teachers and coaches
Satisfaction & Familiarity		
79%	45% (very); 34% (somewhat)	• Satisfied with the programs and facilities available
75%	40% (very); 35% (somewhat)	• Familiar with the programs and facilities offered
80%		• Recall receiving the activities booklet
33%		• Use the web site to find out about classes and activities
Recent Users (Last Three Years) Ages 35-49		
38%		• Have participated in either adult or youth or both programs and activities offered
14%		• Households enrolled in an adult program
18%		• Enrolled in both youth and adult
Recent Adult Users (Last Three Years)		
55%		• Very satisfied with programs they participated in
36%		• Somewhat satisfied
60%		• Enrolled in 1-2 programs or activities
25%		• Enrolled in 3-5 programs or activities
11%		• Enrolled in 6-10 programs or activities
3%		• More than 10 adult programs or activities
Recent Youth Program Users (Last Three Years)		
69%		• Very satisfied
25%		• Somewhat satisfied
44%		• Enrolled in 1-2 programs or activities
26%		• Enrolled in 3-5 programs or activities
18%		• Enrolled in 6-10 programs or activities
11%		• More than 10 programs or activities
Awareness		
62%		• Residents are aware that Lakewood City Schools operate the recreation/education programs for residents
Renovation Project Importance (Reconstruction of Grant, Lincoln, Roosevelt, and LHS)		
78% very important		• Activity rooms for school-aged children for after school programs
52% very important		• Area for group exercise and fitness classes
80%		• Think the Department should offer wellness programs
67%		• Senior citizens believe an indoor track is important
59%	18 to 34 year-olds	• Important to have an area for fitness classes in the schools
62%	Newer residents	• Important to have an area for fitness classes in the schools
51%	18 to 34 year-olds	• Important to have an area for fitness equipment
58%	Newer residents	• Important to have an area for fitness equipment

Lakewood Collaborative Job Club

by Kathy Augustine

The Lakewood Collaborative is hosting a monthly Job Club at the Lakewood Public Library at 15425 Detroit Ave. The next Job Club meeting will be held on Tuesday July 29th, from 6-8 p.m. at the Lakewood Library. We will provide information and resources to assist people with finding a job in today's market. The Job Club is free and open to the public.

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Lakewood Cares

Fundraising For Modern Times

by Colleen Worthington

What if we fully funded schools and made prisons make up their budget deficit with Box Tops and catalog fundraisers, selling cookie dough and knickknacks? Since that is not happening any time soon, schools are looking for fun and innovative ways to keep all the great events happening that support our students beyond what the current budgets allow.

You may not be aware of this but many of the activities that support students come from the PTAs at your schools. The PTAs sponsor events as well as staff them and purchase supplies, food, clothes, and even books.

At Grant Elementary, it was noticed by the PTA president that a few students at an after-school program were in need of new shoes. She knew the families weren't able to provide so she asked her PTA board to approve the purchase. These small things go unnoticed by most but not by the student that has the new shoes. So how do we continue to do be able to do these things in a tight economy with a shrinking budget? Families do not have the extra money to support old-fashioned catalog sales so one school is looking to do something different!

The Grant Elementary School PTA will be holding a fundraiser at Around the Corner in Lakewood to support the

Grant students in the 2014-2015 school year on Friday August 8th from 7-9 p.m. Ticket holders will be provided food and beer for two hours in a special area being reserved just for support-

ers for only \$20 per person. Everyone in Lakewood is welcome to enjoy the night out at a great price to support a great organization. Tickets are available for purchase at both locations of

Drug Mart in Lakewood. Tickets will also be sold at the door unless we are sold out. Advance ticket holders will also be entered to win special door prizes so buy in advance!

League Of Women Voters Merger

by Conda Boyd

The three local Leagues of Women Voters, LWV-Cuyahoga Area, with LWV-Shaker Heights and LWV-Cleveland Area have voted to merge forming one single League of Women Voters of Greater Cleveland. The central League now encompasses all of Cuyahoga County, with nine chapters -- Bay Village, Fairview Park, Lakewood, Rocky River, Westlake/North Olmsted, Cleveland Heights/University Heights, Hillcrest, Shaker Heights, and Cleveland Area. This merger will help the organization better meet its mission of encouraging an informed and engaged electorate.

"A single strong League of Women Voters of Greater Cleveland will provide voters with more timely and complete information before every election in Cuyahoga County and its municipalities," said the new League's first president, Maryann Barnes of Cleveland Heights.

"Our goal is to provide nonpartisan information about candidates before elections, but also to support and promote policies that match our good-government positions."

Since its inception in 1920, the League has provided factual information about candidates and issues. In the past five years, the three local Leagues have worked together to support the passage of the county charter that led to the creation of a new form of county government, sponsored forums for candidates at the city, county and state level, produced voters guides, Lobbied for amendments to the county charter that would assure greater openness and high ethical standards and advocated for regional solutions to regional problems.

This merger will not affect the local chapter functions or activities. Local chapters will continue to hold regular open meetings with a variety of guest speakers, offer forums

to educate the public about issues, host local candidate forums, publish local voters' guides, observe local and Westshore Council of Governments meetings, and take stands on local issues after extensive study and consensus.

The Leagues' mission at every level, local, state and national is the same: "The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues and influences public policy through education and advocacy."

League membership is open to all U.S. citizens of voting age-both women and men. A new website, LWVGreaterCleveland.org, will be up and running soon. In the meantime, visit LWVCuyahogaArea.org or call 216-781-8375 for more information or to become a member.



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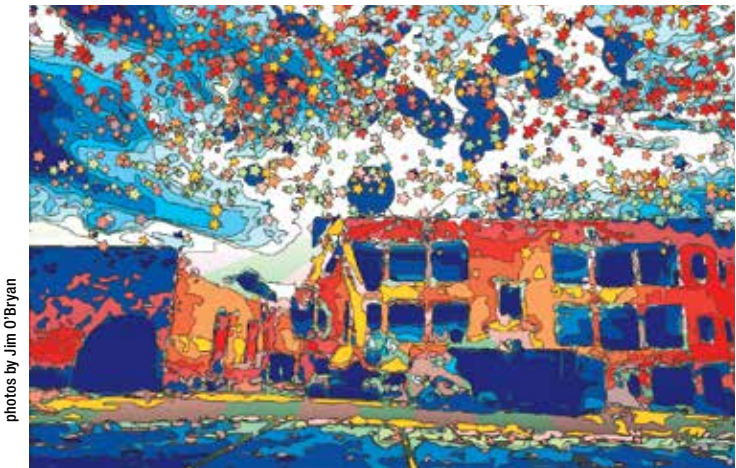
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# McKinley Elementary School



photos by Jim O'Bryan

Having gone to McKinley in the 60s I had to get this little flashback out of the way.

by Jim O'Bryan  
I heard they were tearing McKinley Elementary School down, getting the property ready for some empty nester developments. I know a bunch of empty nesters who went to McKinley, maybe they'll buy there. I went there, I was in Miss Lea's English Class when they broke the news that President Kennedy was shot. It was also the scene of my first protest, where as 6th graders we told the administration, "We are not going to the zoo for gradu-

ation, what do you think we are, kids?" Later in life as proud members of the Webb Gang, we would often play baseball there on the gravel, with McKinley's east wall being "The Big Red Wall." Outside of that I have little emotional attachment, so one last flashback, then let's watch them tear it down. After all, history is for old people. Hundreds of photos and videos at the Lakewood Observer.

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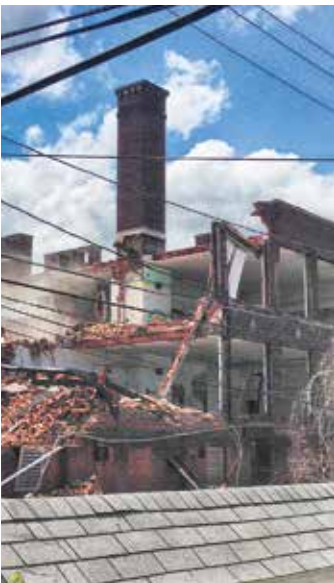


photo by Jim Coyne and Alex Solt



The original building ready for demolition.



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The first hole in the structure is made. This was an addition put on in the 70s.



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The door so many kids walked through for over a half a century, gone.



The building came down in under 18 hours. Below, the cranes take the rubble away.



photos by Jim O'Bryan



The final wall going down in one huge crash, and the building was gone and only a memory!



photos by Jim O'Bryan

# Lakewood's Independence Day Parade 2014

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On a glorious summer day, the parade kicked things off with more people lining the street than any of us ever remember. At 10 am sharp the parade started, and by 10:30 the LO Paper Girls and other volunteers had finally started to move all the way in the back. As has been our thing in the past, we asked everyone along the route to join us as we passed, taking photos of the crowd. I mean everyone takes pictures of the marchers, we like taking pictures of the Observers of the marchers, of course.

This year we have posted over 400 photos in 4 galleries online, and many will be moved to our facebook page at the end of the week so that you can tag yourself and friends. We have almost 500 photos and 40 minutes of High Def video for your viewing pleasure at the Lakewood Observer. Or take your smart phone and/or tablet, and scan these two QR codes to be taken their instantly.



# Fireworks Extravaganza!

by Jim O'Bryan

This year was Fire Chief Gilman's 32nd year working with the fireworks. In his first year some will remember that all the fireworks went off at the same time, shooting into the crowd and homes nearby.

This year he was overseeing the set up, and not only did he help with a great show, but Mayor Mike Summers, Lakewood Police, Fire and City workers did a great job putting together a wonderful experience. Standing ovation from the Observers!

photo by Craig Lovejoy, Low Level Aerial Photography



People filing in as the Lakewood Projects entertains.



Hundreds of tubes loaded and ready to go.



photos by Jim O'Bryan



Lakewood Observer photographers, and videographers have put together over 200 photos of the fireworks, and also recorded the entire show put on by Pyrotecnica out of New Castle, Pennsylvania. Go to <http://www.lakewoodobserver.com/photoblogs> and check out everyone's pictures from the week-end. Or go to the Lakewood Observer Observation Deck at <http://www.lakewoodobserver.com/forum>, and after looking at all of the pictures and videos, read what your friends and neighbors thought about the best fireworks show I can remember.

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# Neighborhood Leadership Development Program Application Period Now Open

by Sandra Kluk

The Neighborhood Leadership Development Program was established in 2006 by the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Foundation and is a community engagement training program for residents of Cleveland, and its inner ring suburbs, who are working on projects within the City of Cleveland and who are determined to make a positive impact on their communities.

Each year, 20 committed individuals are chosen for the program. There is no cost to program participants.

NLDP participants and graduates are from diverse backgrounds and range in age from their 20's to 60's. Their interests and pursuits are similarly diverse. NLDP currently has 120 graduates who continue to work to improve life in their communities.

Lakewood resident, Michael

Christoff, is one such person. Christoff, an architect, was one of the first persons to go through the program. Michael is a founding partner of the Cleveland Design Competition. He currently serves on the advisory board of the CMSD Campus International School and the board of Spaces Art Gallery.

Christoff partnered with a colleague in 2008 to bring to Cleveland from Tokyo, Japan, a unique presentation called the Pecha Kucha Night. These fast-paced, high-energy evenings are held four times a year and are meant to expose and attract new design talent and ideas from different professions and areas of discipline, while fostering meaningful collaborations among presenters and the audience. Over 500 people attended the most recent event.

Christoff explained the impact

of the NLDP program on his community work. "One thing I do know is that NLDP was really the first program I participated in....not only did it provide me with really important capacity building opportunities, but it connected me more deeply to the Cleveland community in ways that I don't think many other programs could. It exposed me to issues and efforts that I was not aware of and really made me think a little more comprehensively about how the initiatives I was working on connected to the larger community. While it is difficult to really nail down the reasons anyone's life evolves the way it has, NLDP was definitely an important knowledge, character, friendship, network and capacity-building experience that made me much more aware of our community and the issues we face and opportunities for positive

change."

Participants of the Neighborhood Leadership Development Program are drawn to it because of their determination to create a positive impact on their cities by becoming better leaders and enhancing their leadership skills.

Practitioners in the areas of nonprofit management, marketing, program-planning, fundraising and organizational leadership are NLDP presenters and facilitators.

Every NLDP participant and NLDP graduate has ongoing access to the services of a Program Coach. NLDP coaches give advice and support tailored to the needs of the participant.

The 15 sessions take place on Saturdays at Trinity Commons at 2230 Euclid Avenue beginning September 6th. Applications are due by July 31st. For more information and an application, visit [www.nldpcleveland.com](http://www.nldpcleveland.com) or call 216-776-6172.

## Golf Outing Fundraiser Is September 8 At Red Tail

by Lynn Donaldson

The Rotary Club of Lakewood & Rocky River, in conjunction with the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce and Pillars of Lakewood, will have its annual golf outing at Red Tail Golf Club on Monday, September 8, with a shotgun start at 11:30 a.m.

The cost is \$125 per golfer, and includes greens fees for 18 holes plus boxed lunch, dinner on the patio, contests and door prizes.

Visium Resources, 22255 Center Ridge Road, Rocky River, is this year's Eagle Sponsor. The event raises over \$4,000 annually for

Rotary projects.

Red Tail is located at 4400 Lear Nagle Road in Avon.

Foursomes and golfers can register online at [www.lakewood-rockyriverrotary.org](http://www.lakewood-rockyriverrotary.org). Registration forms can also be downloaded from the website. If not registering online, forms and payment should be mailed to: Rotary Club of Lakewood & Rocky River, 2801 Ellington Ct. Avon, OH 44011.

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80th Anniversary Season Closes With Electrifying New Mel Brooks Musical

It's Alive! "Young Frankenstein" Is Fully Charged At Beck Center

by Kathleen Caffrey

Beck Center for the Arts presents "The New Mel Brooks Musical Young Frankenstein," July 11 through August 17, 2014 on the Mackey Main Stage. Nominated for three Tony Awards and awarded Best Musical by the Outer Critics Circle, this monstrously entertaining musical comedy is based on Mel Brooks' parody of classic horror movies. Show times are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are now on sale.

Mel Brooks and Thomas Meehan have done it again! From the creators of Broadway's record-breaking sensation "The Producers" comes this scientifically proven good time. "The New Mel Brooks Musical Young Frankenstein" tells the story of young Dr. Frederick Frankenstein (that's FRAHN-ken-steen) as he attempts to complete his grandfather's work by bring a corpse back to life – but not without scary and quite often hilarious consequences. The LA Times called this musical comedy "delightfully nutty! Glittering, buoyant fun that tickles its audience into high spirits...Classic Brooks!"

"Mel Brooks was an important part of my growing up. All his early movies had great power over me," said Director Scott Spence. "His irreverent, afraid-to-go-nowhere style made his movies irresistible to me." With musical direction by Larry Goodpaster and choreography by Martín Céspedes, the talented cast of 26,

including Equity actors Jamie Koeth as Frederick and Lindsey Mitchell as Elizabeth, will present the funniest singing and dancing laboratory experiment this town has ever seen.

Tickets are \$29 for adults, \$26 for seniors (65 and older), and \$12 for students with a valid I.D. A \$3 service fee per ticket will be applied at time of purchase. Preview Night on Thursday, July 10 is \$10 with general admission seating. Group discounts are available for parties of four or more. Purchase tickets

online at [beckcenter.org](http://beckcenter.org) or call Customer Service at 216.521.2540, x10. Beck Center for the Arts is located at 17801 Detroit Avenue in Lakewood, just ten minutes west of downtown Cleveland. Free onsite parking is available.

This production of "The New Mel Brooks Musical Young Frankenstein" is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI), sponsored by the John P. Murphy Foundation and Ulmer & Berne LLP, and is gener-

ously funded by Cuyahoga County residents through Cuyahoga Arts and Culture and the Ohio Arts Council.

*Celebrating its 80th anniversary, Beck Center for the Arts is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization that offers professional theater productions on two stages, arts education programming for all ages and abilities, including Creative Arts Therapies for individuals with special needs, outreach education, and free gallery exhibits.*

5th Annual Lakewood Summer Meltdown

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competitive course. With more than 500 runners last year, this unique evening race has become one of the region's most popular. 1-mile registration is \$15. 5K advance registration is \$23; day-of \$28. Sign up at [LakewoodSummerMeltdown.com](http://LakewoodSummerMeltdown.com). Runners who pre-register may pick up their race bibs on Friday, July 11 from 4-7 p.m. at the Lakewood YMCA (16915 Detroit Avenue).

During and after the 5K race, check out the Meltdown Beer Garden (21 and over) featuring the summer sounds of the Burning River Ram-

blers, cold draft beer, and food trucks. Buckeye Brewing and the Buckeye Beer Engine have partnered with LakewoodAlive to sell 3 Buckeye Beers in the Beer Garden including one made special for the Meltdown.

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Visit [LakewoodSummerMeltdown.com](http://LakewoodSummerMeltdown.com) for the most up-to-date Meltdown details.

Calvary's Summer Arts And Crafts Fair

by Shari Page

Calvary United Methodist Church is hosting a Summer Arts and Crafts Fair on Saturday July 26, 2014 at Harding Middle School. Mark your calendar!

Come out and support our local artists and crafters. Whether you're looking for a special gift for a birthday or maybe something wonderful for your yourself, there is no doubt you will have a distinctive selection to choose from!

There will be food for purchase and a bake sale. All the proceeds support our many local ministries which go back into our community!!

This event is free and open to

the public, so come out and join us for some fun! It runs from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Rain or shine we will be getting our Arts and Crafts on! The Fair will be held in the air-conditioned gymnasium at 16601 Madison Ave. We are still accepting applications for art and craft vendors, if you would like more information, please contact the church at 216-221-4324.

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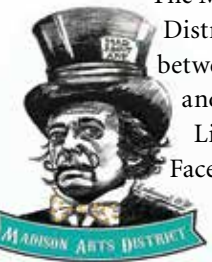
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Wellness Watch

3 Tips To Take To Enjoy Life’s Ride

by Selina Almodovar

Life can often be seen as one long roadtrip filled with many freeways, construction sites, and potholes!

Sometimes, we are in a season where everything is moving at a “highway” pace. Whenever you are going through a transition, such as planning a wedding, going to college, or having a baby, things can seem to just fly by if you’re not too careful. Reaching the end destination too quickly could lead you to missing the experience of it altogether. When riding the freeway of life, you must remember to enjoy the ride.

Then you have those construction sites in your life. These seasons are when you simply “work on yourself.”

You know what I’m talking about: those seasons of dieting and workout plans, or the season of academia. These seasons are filled with constructive moves that will help define a “better quality” of you for seasons to come. That is, if you stick it out, and keep your eye on the road. This is a critical zone, and lack of careful driving could lead to some ugly results. When driving through the construction in life, you must remember to stay focused.

Whether you’re just cruising through life, or slowing down at a construction zone, life will always hit you with an unexpected pot hole. Life is always full of stupid pot holes. Job

losses, divorce, death, illness, break-ups, unfortunate news...yup, these can come from nowhere (perhaps caused by a prior season), and can cause some major damage.

Sometimes those potholes will have us stop completely in our tracks to sit and dwell on what just happened. We worry of what will come of it. In essence, we allow our pot holes to become bigger than our road trip. Instead, when the pot holes approach you, do not simply stay in them and allow them to stop life completely. When driving into an unexpected pot hole, you must remember to keep the wheels rolling and accelerate forward.

Every road trip is different and unique to the driver. Some trips are bumpy while others are a breeze.

Whichever road you decide to take, know that some will be driving with you, alongside of you, and could even be the one with road rage who keeps beeping their annoying horn behind you. No matter where your destination is, everybody is driving and will experience the road of life and all the road has to offer.

In order to see what lies ahead in your life, you’ve got to drive on, stay focused, and enjoy the ride.

Coach Selina M. Almodovar is a Cleveland native, Lakewood resident, and a certified health coach and founder of Well Said Living: A health coaching service for women seeking balance. Her services are designed to help women in transition create their ideal lifestyles through “well said” words.

What Your Hairdresser Wants You To Know

by Bonnie Fencel

Summer presents changes because of the four seasons. Hair texture is affected by humidity, sun, and outdoor exposure.

If curly hair has gone too full and unmanageable there are remedies. Professional products for smoothing come in shampoos, conditioner and styling aids. Hair relaxers can turn really curly hair into looser beach waves that are easier to comb through.

Finer thinner hair has the opposite problem, a flat clinging look. The hair cut that is fresh to keep skinny ends thicker looking helps. There are products for volume too. Root lifter, shampoo and conditioners for volume all help.

If you are swimming in chlorine please use the clarifying shampoo to remove it after the swim. Chlorine can make hair brittle.

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Business News

# Belle Barber Shop Continues Tradition

*by Steve Sink*

Paul Mediate owned and operated the Belle Barber Shop on Detroit Avenue for more than 50 years. Mediate died unexpectedly in April — and his long-time assistant Joe D’Onofrio passed away two months before that — but the barbershop will carry on.

My name is Steve Sink, I’ve been a barber for almost seven years and I will continue the Belle Barber Shop’s tradition of serving the community. Expect the same friendliness and quality service.

Even the trinkets collected over

the years, and hung neatly on the wall, will remain.

Belle Barber Shop at 14530 Detroit Avenue has been a barbershop since the building was constructed in 1917.

I’ve got big shoes to fill. As a resident of Belle Avenue I was honored and privileged that Paul saw the potential in me to continue on the tradition. He handpicked me to become the fifth owner of the Belle Barber Shop.

In addition to haircuts, the Belle Barber Shop will also resume straight-razor shaves and shoeshines

— both services that had previously been suspended at the shop years ago.

We’re three years away from the 100th anniversary. That’s a place that Paul, Joe and I had all hoped to reach together. Obviously, they’re not going to be here at the shop, but they will always be with me.

The store is open from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday; 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; and 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

*Pictured at right: Steve Sink will continue the Belle Barber Shop’s tradition of serving the community.*



## O’Neill Healthcare Lakewood Scholarship Winner

*by David O’Neill*

O’Neill Healthcare Lakewood, previously known as Lakewood Senior Health Campus is pleased to announce Christina Ferra as the 2014 winner of their annual nursing scholarship. Christina recently graduated from St. Joseph Academy with a 3.8/4.0 GPA and is headed to Ashland University in the fall to pursue a Bachelors of Science in Nursing.

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*Right: David O’Neill, Administrator, presenting Christina Ferra with her scholarship check.*





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Opinion

# Common Core: Part 4

by Chuck Greanoff

In my three part series on the Common Core for the Lakewood Observer, I hoped to get across the following points: 1) The Common Core is a business model, not an educational one, designed to monetize children and create scalable products for test prep/educational corporations; 2) failure is predicted and hoped for, so that more products can be sold and more schools privatized; 3) the standards themselves are not grounded in an understanding of child development on either a cognitive or social/emotional level.

As I continue to examine the standards and the economic/political context in which they were developed, my views have only been strengthened. One particularly galling example of bad pedagogy is the exemplar lesson on teaching the Gettysburg Address, a subject dear to my heart. Common Core architect David Coleman favors “close reading”—described below—a nice way of stripping any context and meaning from one of the most meaningful speeches in US History. (Source-- [http://achievethecore.org/page/35/the-gettysburg-](http://achievethecore.org/page/35/the-gettysburg-address-by-abraham-lincoln)

[address-by-abraham-lincoln\)](http://achievethecore.org/page/35/the-gettysburg-address-by-abraham-lincoln)

*“The idea here is to plunge students into an independent encounter with this short text. Refrain from giving background context or substantial instructional guidance at the outset... Some students may be frustrated, but all students need practice in doing their best to stay with something they do not initially understand. This close reading approach forces students to rely exclusively on the text instead of privileging background knowledge, and levels the playing field for all students as they seek to comprehend Lincoln’s address.”*

The “level playing field” means what—no one gets context, so we can reduce learning to the lowest common denominator? He hasn’t yet figured out a way of eliminating context from students who already have it--perhaps Bill Gates can fund that project, too. If you go to the link provided, you can see the entire 29 page lesson. Notice, at the top, the tagline “Achieve The Core.” Lovely marketing. Once again, the elevation of a corporate curriculum and testing scheme is on display, as they assign their products as “something to achieve.”

“Learning” that happens in

isolation never lasts, and doesn’t inspire further inquiry. I’m appalled that Coleman would even suggest using the Gettysburg Address this way. As a history teacher, my overarching goal is to have students develop an analytical disposition, to see historical events not in isolation but to place them in a broader context. I’m not alone. Jeremiah Chaffee, a language arts teacher in Upstate New York, wrote the following for the Washington Post:

*This gives students a text they have never seen and asks them to read it with no preliminary introduction. This mimics the conditions of a standardized test on which students are asked to read material they have never seen and answer multiple-choice questions about the passage.*

*Such pedagogy makes school wildly boring. Students are not asked to connect what they read yesterday to what they are reading today, or what they read in English to what they read in Science.*

*The exemplar, in fact, forbids teachers from asking students if they have ever been to a funeral because such questions rely “on individual experience and opinion,” and answering them “will not move*

*students closer to understanding the Gettysburg Address.”*(Source-[http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/answer-sheet/post/teacher-one-maddening-day-working-with-the-common-core/2012/03/15/gIQA8J4WUS\\_blog.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/answer-sheet/post/teacher-one-maddening-day-working-with-the-common-core/2012/03/15/gIQA8J4WUS_blog.html))

Close reading has its advocates, and its place as a tool for helping students become more literate. The real danger is that teachers will feel pressure to conform to a testing regimen aligned with the Common Core and sacrifice good pedagogy—i.e., imbued with context- in service of a score on a standardized test. As Chaffee points out, this close reading exemplar “mimics” the conditions of a standardized test, which I suppose is the whole point.

There has always been a risk, but to date few teachers have become “test-prep technicians.” As the penalties against teachers for “poor performance” escalate, it will be harder to resist the temptation to ignore the long-term intellectual and social well-being of the student in service of the almighty test score. Such are the perverse and damaging incentives of the Common Core business plan.

## Are We All GUYS ???

by Christine Shearhart

Are we all GUYS ???

I am not sure when it happened. When did it become socially acceptable to refer to both sexes as “guys”? Have you noticed it? Everybody is a guy. I see it on TV, in movies, used by store clerks, everywhere!

My guess is that corporate America decided to level their employees, male and female, to give the illusion of equality among sexes. And somehow this spread like wildfire into every aspect of life. I can see it being used with all male dominated teams, of course. And Webster’s Dictionary says it is appropriate language in groups of mixed sexes to call them “guys.”

Okay, I accept that. But women are increasing in management of major corporations, politics, are the main earners in many families. Because of this, should we also be called “guys”? Heck NO !!!

The other day, a greeter at Quaker Steak and Lube, addressed my female friend and I ,“How are you guys today?” I answered, “There are no guys here, only us ladies.” She was not pleased with my response, and just continued with seating us in silence.

I believe it is a matter of respect. Women are meant to be respected as the Mothers of our planet. No one would be here without their Mothers.

We should never relinquish this role of honor for the vision of “being one of the guys.”

Please ladies, stand up for your right to be a girl, woman, female. All job applications , surveys, insurance forms still want to know if you are male or female. At the beginning of the race, drivers in the Indianapolis 500 are called out each year, “Ladies and Gentlemen, start your engines.”

Ladies, it’s up to us to change this. It’s easy. Just correct those who call you a “guy” by saying, “I am a woman. No guys here.” By making people aware of this, we can reclaim our sex and be ladies, and girls again.

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## Pulse Of The City

# 45 Years Ago This Month...July 4th, 1969

by Gary Rice

July 4th, 1969, started out like many other Fourth of July holidays on our stretch of the North Coast. Parents, children, and volunteer groups prepared to march in parades, made their last minute picnic preparations, and coordinated with their friends as to where to meet that evening down at Lakewood Park for the lakeside fireworks display.

At the same time, protesters across the country were preparing to express their displeasure at America's involvement in Vietnam. What had begun as a fairly non-violent exercise in peaceful protest in the mid-sixties, had degenerated into an ugly, no-holds-barred confrontational situation all over the nation. Lakewood had avoided much of the ugliness that had marred these protests in other cities, but officials were understandably wary of potential civil disobedience or violence, particularly on public patriotic holidays.

Unfortunately, the entire city was certainly not expecting the type of violence that would arrive at around 7 p.m. that evening.

Ask anyone who lived in Lakewood on that day, and you will hear tales of utter terror, mixed with many tales of sorrow and heroism.

I was with my rock band on Virginia Avenue. Ordinarily, the band might have been down at the Lakewood Park bandshell, but we were playing at the Virginia Ave. block party instead. Another band was playing at the Lakewood Park bandshell that day. I forget why we weren't down at the



Gary with downed tree, the day after the storm hit. (Photo by Robert Rice)

bandshell. Maybe we booked the Virginia engagement first; I don't really remember those details very well. I do remember our playing music on a front porch, and stopping for a break. It was then that the soft July breeze, cutting through the Lakewood sunshine, stopped being a breeze. In fact, it stopped altogether. In all of my life, I have never experienced such a quiet moment.

Then, it started.

First, a roar began that sounded like a horrible freight train coming.

From my vantage point, it looked as if a solid gigantic gray waterfall was rapidly approaching from the Northwest. The band quickly started to put their equipment into the house.

And then, the derecho hit like a sledgehammer.

Forecasters mostly said that this North Coast disaster was the result of a fast-moving line of severe thunderstorms. Later, it was referred to it as being a derecho; a kind of straight-line storm, although quite frankly, it came up so suddenly that I doubt whether anyone could say with certainty exactly what it was that hit us. Apparently, it was indeed a derecho, and not a tornado. Some reports said the storm winds clocked in at 80 mph. Some said 100 mph. It was bad enough either way.

Whatever it was, Lakewood, and most of the Ohio-Erie coastline went into an abyss of fast-onset destruction that evening. Forty-two fatalities were registered in Ohio, with seven in the Greater Cleveland Area, and several in Lakewood, including a friend of mine from high school. Trees toppled or snapped in half like so much kindling, storm windows shattered, lawn furniture tumbled across yards, and family grills turned into flying saucers.

In the days after the storm, trees

were cut up, electricity was restored, and debris was swept away. Those of us devastated by the loss of our friends had few counselors to turn to back then. School was, after all, out for the summer. For those of us who had recently graduated in the class of '69, we were forced to grow up fast. In a few weeks, we would experience the Moon landing on our black and white TV sets, and news reports from Vietnam would again dominate the headlines. Many of our classmates would soon be in the "Nam" in person. Others, like yours truly, would move on to college. Still others would go on to jobs, families, or whatever.

In those weeks following the storm, I spent a lot of time with my guitar in the basement; wondering about the meaning of life--and about how friends our age could possibly be cut down at the very point that their lives were beginning to blossom.

I was into Bob Dylan songs back then. One of those was "A Hard Rain's A-Gonna' Fall," as sung by Joan Baez. While the song does mention tough times ahead, the last part of it, for me at least, marked a stirring call for action... the blue-eyed son who goes out before the rain comes, to help a weary world at the brink of the abyss.

Who was supposed to be giving this help to others? In the case of my friend who had died, it was thought that she might one day become a teacher. She was always helping others. Who was left to do the helping work in this world that needed to be done?

Well... I was a blue-eyed son... wasn't I?

That's one of the big reasons I went into teaching. Over the years, hundreds of children with special needs received help from a blue-eyed son; inspired partly by Bob, partly by Joan, and yeah, partly by my friend, and the terrible circumstances surrounding the events of July 4th, 1969.

I had the opportunity to thank Joan Baez personally, many years later; for her part in my personal spiritual epiphany. It was too late to thank my friend. Besides, there are some things that need to be done privately; in the depths of one's heart. I elected not to publish her name here, because I did not want to intrude upon her family's privacy; wherever they may be.

The old-timers here in Lakewood know who died, very well. We lost several of the best and the brightest of our youth on that day. We survivors had a lot to measure up to. Hopefully, most of us have at least tried to do so.

So many people never know how much they have inspired others to action. Perhaps it is enough that the action does happen. That day, July 4th, 1969, changed many lives forever here in Lakewood. Exactly how, is not only etched in the minds of those who experienced it, but also in the lives of those who were influenced by the infinite spirit of Goodness...and with that sublime inspiration that keeps this old world rolling along.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Commissioners Youth Scholarship Softball Tournament

**Register your team to participate in the tournament benefiting Lakewood Recreation Department scholarships for youth programs.**

**Men's Tournament - Sat, Aug 9, 2014**  
**Co-Ed Tournament - Sun, Aug 10, 2014**  
**Rain Dates: Aug 16 & 17, 2014**

**Games will be played at Foxx and Usher Fields (both fenced), and played in a flight format. Each team is guaranteed three games and single elimination brackets.**

**Registration Fees are \$250.00 per team, and include umpires, scorers, & game balls; \$150.00 will benefit the Scholarship program.**

Bring the family out on Friday, Aug 8<sup>th</sup> for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Family Fun Night at Madison Park.

City of Lakewood Personnel vs Lakewood School Personnel in a Kick Ball game at 6pm,

Lakewood Fire vs Lakewood Police in a Softball game at 8pm.

The Kiwanis will be selling food in the Pavillion area.

Donations will be taken up to benefit the Scholarship fund.

To register, contact the Lakewood Rec Department: 216.529.4081, or lakewoodrecreation.com. For sponsorship opportunities, contact Troy Bratz at troybratz@gmail.com.



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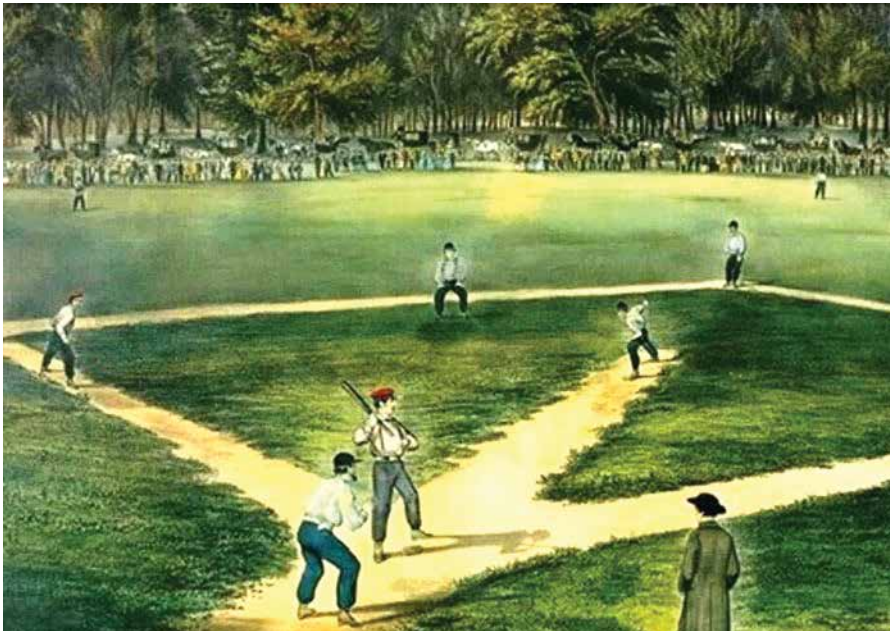
Vintage Base Ball Is Back  
This Year In Lakewood Park

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Vintage Base Ball, a signature event of the Lakewood Historical Society, will feature the Cleveland Blues Base Ball Club against the Village Base Ball Club from Bay Village and the Akron Black Stockings Base Ball Club. The first game will start at 11 a.m. at Lakewood Park's Stone House Field and will run until 12:15 p.m. Scott Longert, noted author and baseball historian, will speak at 12:30 pm about late nineteenth century base ball in the Cleveland area and the lead-up to the professional Cleveland Spiders and the building of League Park. His current book, "The Best They Could Be: How the Cleveland Indians Became the Kings of Baseball, 1916–1920," will be on sale the day of the event, and advance copies are now available in the Oldest Stone House Museum's gift shop. The Oldest Stone House Museum will be open for tours throughout the day and snack vendors Savannah's Sweet & Salty Kettle Corn and Chill Pop Shop

Cleveland will be on hand. On July 27th, in addition to honoring our baseball heritage, the Lakewood Historical Society will be celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the Junior Board, which has developed into our Women's Board. All former and current Junior/Women's Board members, Lakewood Historical Society members, and select special guests will be invited to enjoy an ice cream social from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Lakewood Park Women's Club Pavilion. If you have been a member of either organization and did not receive an invite please contact the society. If you are not a member and would like to join the celebration, today is a great day to join.

For more information, please visit the society online at [www.Lakewoodhistory.org](http://www.Lakewoodhistory.org) or call the office at 221-7343. The Oldest Stone House Museum is located at 14710 Lake Ave., Lakewood, OH 44107 and is open for tours on Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Sundays from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., and by appointment.



Colored lithograph, "The American National Game of Baseball," Currier & Ives, 1866

Lakewood Farmers Market

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ket both as fiscal agent and partner in Market Connect, which operates the market. Market Connect is a partnership between Lakewood based networking firm Kelley Green Web and three com-

munity development organizations. Market Connect sells local food products to customers at the Lakewood, Kamm's Corners, and Broadway Farmers Markets, increasing variety and ensuring consistency for customers. The program adds popular products from unavailable vendors ensuring that customers have a better and more regular product selection as well as provides operations management and promotional support. This year, online pre-ordering for market pick up will also be available.

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Sea Scouts Return From  
International Regatta

by Richard Gash

Nate Cullinan and Shawn Sovie, juniors at Bay High and Lakewood High School respectively, placed a close second in the Kiwi division of a week-long sailing regatta held in Long Beach, California. The William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup attracted 38 teams from around the world, comprised of a captain, Shawn Sovie and a crewmember, Nate.


There were young sailors from nine countries that included Sea Scouts from New Zealand, South Africa, Finland, Poland, and Ireland. The competition used Club Flying Junior dinghies belonging to Long Beach Yacht Club and the U.S. Sailing Center. After the series of races, only three points separated Nate and Shawn from a first-place finish. The bi-annual regatta is sponsored by Oxbow Carbon, LLC founded by Dr. William

Koch, winner of the 1992 America's Cup, promoting leadership through seamanship. Details on the regatta can be found at the website: [seascoutcup.org](http://seascoutcup.org).

Our Sea Scouts both returned with lifelong memories including sailing and racing a 14-foot dinghy in the Pacific Ocean escorted by a pod of dolphins and being distracted by a sea lion out fishing, things they did not see last year when they won a qualifying regatta, held at Chippewa Lake Yacht Club, to represent the Boy Scouts of America Central Regio


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# Lakewood Living

## Lakewood Commissioner’s Softball Tournament Benefiting Youth Recreation Scholarships

by Troy Bratz

The Commissioners of the Lakewood Community Recreation and Education Commission, the Adult Athletic Commission and the Youth Athletic Commission are excited to present the third annual Lakewood Commissioner’s Softball Tournament benefiting Lakewood Youth Recreation Scholarships. These scholarships are given to the community’s youth who would otherwise not have the funds to participate in our Recreation Department’s many activities each year.

Each year the Recreation Department provides scholarships to the young residents so they may participate in the any of the sports or other programming that is offered. Approximately 10,000 children living in Lakewood take part in a variety of activities every year. In recent years, the scholarship has provided \$50 toward each child’s activities. This tournament

is the main source of funds for the scholarship fund every year.

The weekend events will kick off at Madison Park (Usher Field) on Friday, August 8th with a charity kickball game where employees of the Lakewood Schools will face off against City of Lakewood employees. Kickball will be followed by a charity softball game. Lakewood’s Police Department will battle The City’s Fire Department. Come cheer on the people that make our city great. Bring your family, friends and a picnic basket to enjoy one of Lakewood’s fine parks. For hungry players and spectators alike, the Lakewood Kiwanis will be grilling their famous hot dogs.

On Saturday, August 9 and Sunday, August 10, 2014 play continues at Usher and Foxx Fields. Saturday will be our Men’s Tournament and Sunday will be our Co-Ed Tournament. Each day will consist of 8 teams, each

playing through a flight-style tournament. Registration costs will be \$250 per team - all inclusive for game balls, scorers, officials, etc. The winning team will be given championship tournament t-shirts. The best part - \$150 of each registration will go directly towards Lakewood Youth Recreation Scholarships!

We will provide each registered team with an information packet that will include a map of Lakewood along with a thank you to our sponsors and additional donated items - provided by many of the wonderful businesses in

Lakewood! We need generous sponsors to help make this year’s tournament weekend a huge success by donating softballs, cases of water, t-shirts, flippers, coupons, gift cards, gift bag items etc. Cash donations are also graciously accepted! In order for your business to be included in the information packet and on the championship teams t-shirts, we need your commitment by Friday, July 18, 2014.

Please contact Troy Bratz via e-mail at TROYBRATZ@GMAIL.COM or phone (216) 702-2196 with any questions.

## Lakewood Kiwanis Annual Chicken & Ribs BBQ Fundraiser!

by John Huetter

Lakewood Kiwanis is once again holding its annual Chicken & Rib BAR-B-QUE at Lakewood Park Kiwanis Pavilion on Sunday, July 20, 3 to 6 pm. Your meal also includes potato salad, baked beans, water melon, dessert and

beverage. Tickets are \$15. Hotdogs will be available at \$2 for children under 5 years. Tickets are available from Lakewood Kiwanis members or at the door.

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## Brown Spots On Lake Erie



by Yana Sharp

I have noticed something recently that I have never seen before on the Lake - a few large brown film-looking spots close to the shoreline. The picture above was taken from the backyard of 11820 Edgewater Dr.

## Bald Eaglet Fledges



The Emerald Canyon Bald Eaglet has fledged and flew the nest, leaving Mom and Dad as empty nesters. We have been following the Bald Eagles for year, and this year’s success seemed in doubt for months. But this would be the 5th Bald Eagle Mom has given birth to in the canyon. See all of the pictures and videos on the Deck!



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Lakewood Living

Hen Hopefuls: The Paschke Family

by Annie Stahlheber

Happy summer from the Hens in Lakewood Committee! Meet The Paschke family, Lakewood Ave. residents interested in responsible hen-keeping in Lakewood.

What street do you live on?

Lakewood Avenue.

How long have you lived in Lakewood?

11 years. We moved here as soon as we found out we were having a baby.

Why do you choose to live in Lakewood?

I feel that Lakewood is the best place to raise kids, especially at our ages. It has so much to offer and we

own a gorgeous, old house too!

Why do you want to raise hens in Lakewood?

I want the best for my children, especially with food. Raising hens will not only allow us to provide fresh eggs for them, but it will teach them how to care for more animals and the Earth!

Why do you think Lakewood is a community that should allow responsible hen-keeping?

Lakewood is known for being a diverse, caring, progressive community. It only makes sense that Lakewood would allow something so beneficial & eco-friendly!



Abandoned Kitten Needs Your Help!

by Mike Deneen

As we all know, every life contains some of hardship. However, one tiny Lakewood kitten has already suffered enough hardship to last an entire lifetime. The six-week-old was abandoned on the streets of Lakewood, and suffers from a medical condition that will require amputation.

A Good Samaritan found the kitten stumbling across a Lakewood road, and brought it to the Lakewood Animal Hospital. The veterinary examination revealed the

nerve fibers on her right front leg had been severed at some point. She has radial nerve paralysis in that leg and is unable to walk on it, move it, or feel it. This type of nerve damage is called “neurotmesis” and there is no chance of regaining any function. She will need to have the leg amputated at the right shoulder. The tiny kitten, weighing only 1.6 lbs, is too small for such invasive surgery. She will need to wait until she’s three months old and weighs at least three pounds. Once the leg is amputated, she will need several weeks of

care, but she is expected to bounce back and live a full healthy life as a 3-legged kitty.

CCLAS, the volunteer group that works with Lakewood Animal Shelter, has stepped in to help. The kitten is now in foster care, and her foster family have named her Edie. She will be available for adoption after her surgery, probably near the end of August. However, CCLAS needs to raise \$900 to pay for Edie’s surgery. You can help the cause (and learn more about Edie) at the group’s website [www.cclas.info](http://www.cclas.info)



Orphan kitty Edie, who needs surgery to remove one of her legs.

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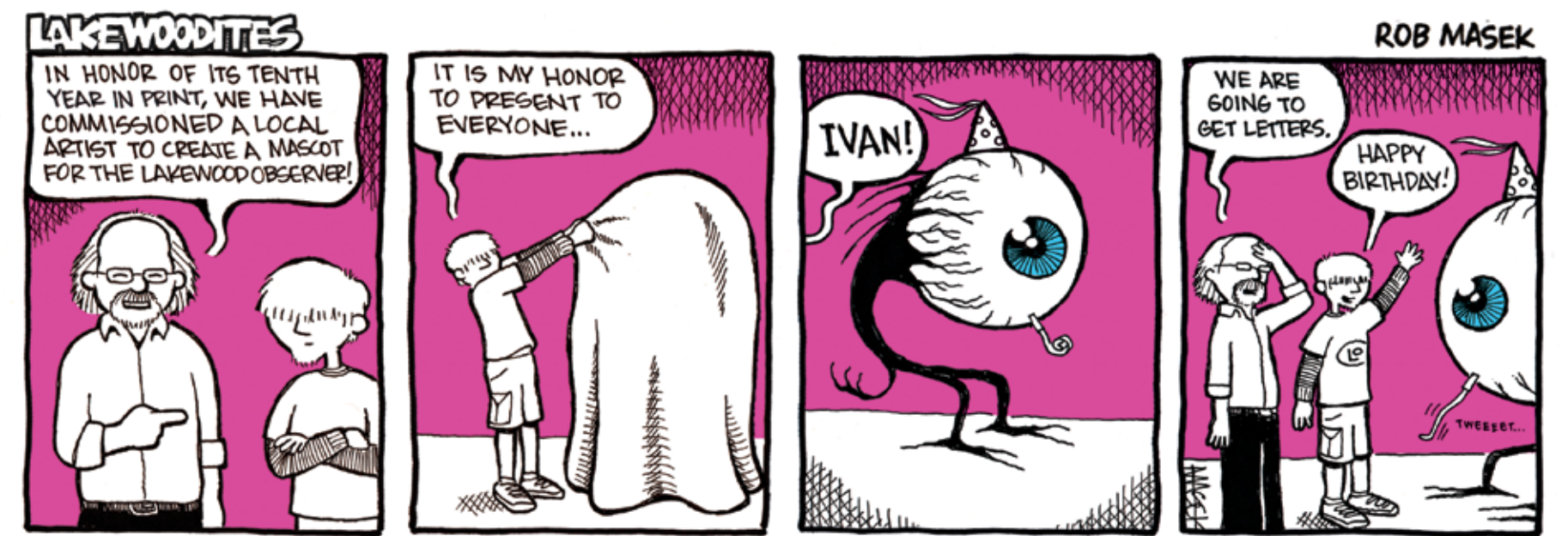
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