

The Lilly Weston House matters

by WILLIAM KRAUSE

With a better way to celebrate Preservation Month than to gather in the front courtyard of the Lilly Weston house, one of the two structures in Westlake on the National Register of Historic Places? That is what 30 citizens of Westlake did on the evening of May 31.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation has designated May as Preservation Month for many years and uses it to showcase their “This Place Matters” campaign. The Lilly Weston committee of the Westlake Historical Society thought it would be a good chance to express



Fundraising efforts are underway for the restoration of the historic Lilly Weston house, built in 1844.

our affection for the historic house.

The committee has been re-activated and meeting monthly since January 2016 with the goal of making the Lilly Weston house an integral part of the Westlake community.

The house and its one-acre site were donated to the city in 2000 by Weston descendant Alice Ladanyi and her husband. As part of the agreement the

city set aside \$50,000 to stabilize the structure and remove later additions. Until about 2010, \$41,000 of those funds, as well as about \$22,000 of Westlake Historical Society funds were used to remove a rear addition, remove modern interior improvements, re-roof the structure, strip exterior paint from the stone and brick, replace exterior wood trim and repair windows.

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Mayor Koomar discusses city vision in first address

by TARA WENDELL

Bay Village’s annual State of the City address had a different feel this year, with a new voice and new venue from years past.

In his first major presentation as mayor, Paul Koomar shared his perspective on the highlights of last year’s administration, helmed by former Mayor Deborah Sutherland and interim Mayor Gary Ebert. Mayor Koomar, who previously served as City Council president, took over on Jan. 1 to fill the remaining year of Sutherland’s term.

In a break from tradition, the May 31 address was presented not to members of the West Shore Chamber of Commerce, but to Bay residents gathered at the Dwyer Senior Center.

Mayor Koomar’s

address spotlighted the achievements of the city’s departments in 2016, but the emphasis of the speech was on the future.

The city is regaining its financial foothold following the recession and loss of tax revenues from the state. Through reorganization, efficiency and a new budget model, the general reserve fund, which holds emergency funds and was depleted in 2010, has been replenished back to the 2009 level with two months of operating cash.

One example of the



Bay Village Mayor Paul Koomar delivers his State of the City address at the Dwyer Center on May 31.

departmental efficiency Mayor Koomar cited is the My Senior Center program initiated by Community Services director Leslie Selig.

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Bay students dramatize societal changes through baseball history

by KAREN DERBY

There are few stories more inspiring in baseball than that of Jackie Robinson,

the first black player in Major League Baseball.

Westerly Elementary fourth-graders in Bay Village brought Robinson’s struggle to life for

an audience of students and parents. Narrated through the eyes of hot dog and peanut vendors, the students explained that Branch Rickey, general manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, needed a player with a special type of character to make that first step toward the integration of our national pastime.

“What will you do when the crowd taunts you with racist remarks?” asked Rickey (played by Jacob Pullman).

Jackie Robinson (played by Doug Riley) responded, “My mother always taught me to turn the other cheek.”

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Westerly fourth-graders re-enact the historical integration of baseball by Jackie Robinson.

Westlake selects principals for LBMS, Holly Lane

by KIM BONVISSUTO

Two experienced educators will take on the role of principal in the Westlake City School District for the 2017-2018 school year.

Amanda Musselman, principal at Midview East Intermediate School in Grafton, will assume the principal’s position at Lee Burneson Middle School this fall. Interim LBMS Principal Beth Dagostino will

take over the role of principal at Holly Lane Elementary School.

The two were chosen from a pool of 79 applicants, with eight candidates coming in for interviews and four finalists making public presentations. The interview process included internal interviews and a public interview with questions from parents and staff. All of this feedback was considered in making the final decision.

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Library to discuss new building

Cuyahoga County Public Library invites Bay Village residents to participate in upcoming community dialogue sessions to discuss thoughts and ideas for the new Bay Village branch.

Meeting times:

- Wednesday, June 7, 6-7 p.m. Dwyer Senior Center, 300 Bryson Lane
- Wednesday, June 14, 6-7 p.m. Bay Village branch library, 502 Cahoon Road

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He went on to say that if an umpire called him out when he was safe, he'd just hit the ball harder the next time. He said if a pitcher threw a ball at his head, he'd just duck.

Students playing some fellow ballplayers objected to his presence, and some crowd members expressed their contempt with cries of "boo." But others stood up for him and, ultimately that first year, Robinson led the Dodgers to the 1947 World Series and was named Rookie of the Year.

Another ballplayer held up for admiration of his character was Cal Ripken. Ripken (played by Nolan Naughton), told the audience he had been passionate about baseball since he was a young boy. He especially looked up to his hero, Lou Gehrig, who never missed a game in 13 years, playing through injuries, and even playing his last game while dying from a rare disease that would be named after him.

"I know that if Lou Gehrig is looking down on tonight's activities, he isn't concerned about someone playing one more consecutive game than he did," said Ripken on the eve of his breaking Gehrig's record. "Instead, he's viewing tonight as just another example of what is good and right about the game." Ripken still holds the record for the most consecutive games played (2,632), earning him the moniker, Iron Man of Baseball.

Cleveland Indian Carlos Carrasco dreamed of being a professional baseball player when growing up in Venezuela. But in an interview with a reporter (played by Brooke Rhea), Carlos (played by Greyson Buckingham) focused on another dream – that of becoming a U.S. citizen. He talked about studying the citizenship booklet, and how his teammates quizzed him.

"You have to answer three questions out loud in English," he said. "You have to read three sentences and write down three sentences. You are not given any clues as to what those might be."

Carlos related how proud he was to raise his hand and recite the Oath of Allegiance. He also described how his teammates replaced his clothes in his locker with an Uncle Sam costume on their first road trip following his naturalization ceremony. He loved wearing the costume on the flight and bus ride back to Ohio. "I look at my wife and kids in the stands, my teammates who helped me in so many ways, and our great fans in Cleveland," he said. "And I know I'm home."

All the students in Mrs. Woodburn's and Mrs. Mahall's class played roles in the production, including the performance of Abbott and Costello's "Who's On First?" and the famous poem, "Casey At the Bat." There was even a "seventh-inning stretch" as student sang "Take Me Out to the Ballgame."

All in all, it was an educational and exciting way to welcome back the boys of summer from a long winter break. ●

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The software tracks attendance, transportation and Meals on Wheels, allowing for a more tailored approach to serving seniors' needs.

"For Leslie to have resources now of data on her programming, whether new or existing, and to monitor that and look for trends in usage will allow her to serve the seniors very well," Koomar said.

The program is similar to the iWorQ software utilized by the service department to track service calls, work orders and equipment.

Mayor Koomar was encouraged by the statistics coming out of the city's building department, which was privatized four years ago and is run by SAFE-built. There were 22 new residences built in 2016, valued at nearly \$9 million, and more than 1,800 residential alterations, a sign that people are investing in the city.

"This shows a lot of interest in Bay Village, and because our housing stock is older, that reinvestment in the homes is critical to Bay's future," Koomar said.

On the commercial side, there were 38 non-residential alterations last year. Koomar discussed his efforts to work with business owners and the two major shopping plazas to keep storefronts looking fresh and occupied by businesses providing needed services.

"I want to be a good partner with those commercial owners, Koomar said. "I think that's key to driving quality businesses to Bay Village and staying in Bay Village."

The city welcomed Madison Eye Care to the Bay Square Shopping Center and Chernisky Residential Designs to East Oviatt Road. This summer, Vivid Jewelers will begin their relocation

from the Bay Square plaza to the Burns Automotive location, a six-month process that includes a renovation of the auto garage.

Mayor Koomar discussed two other high-profile projects – a proposal for multi-family housing on the site of the former Shell station, and the relocation of the Bay Village branch library. Both items will be discussed in upcoming public meetings. Liberty Development will share their proposal for townhomes in a community meeting on Tuesday, June 13, at 7 p.m. in City Hall. The Cuyahoga County Public Library will host two public input sessions: on Wednesday, June 6, 6-7 p.m. at the Dwyer Center; and Wednesday, June 14, 6-7 p.m. at Bay Library.

One of Mayor Koomar's priorities is to enhance access to the city's parks for pedestrians and bicyclists, a theme echoed by residents involved in preparing the recently completed Bay Village master plan. A study started last year by the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) is wrapping up, and offers a vision for improving connectivity between Cahoon Park, Huntington Reservation and the lake.

"Bay Village is a very walkable and bikeable community," Koomar said. "It does make Bay very special."

With the scheduled replacement of the Lake Road bridge over Cahoon Creek in the next 18 months, Mayor Koomar shared a plan that has the Ohio Department of Transportation opening up access underneath for a 14-foot-wide walking path to the lakefront. There's a point of land along the shore, across the creek from Bay Boat Club, that could be developed as a park.

"I think it would be uniquely Bay because it would be hard to get to, and it would be more for

our residents," Koomar said about plans to develop the land. "We'd like to make this sort of a Bay-centric place for sunsets and other activities."

A path connecting the shoreline point and the walking trail, combined with the NOACA-proposed crosswalk from the walking trail to the soccer fields, would make for a continuous path throughout Cahoon Park.

"You get the sense of creating a loop, not just having one path but opportunities to move throughout our parks on bikes or walking or strollers ... to experience the land that the Cahoon family left for us."

Another part of the NOACA plan is the re-striping of Lake Road as it passes through Cahoon Park. The number of lanes will be reduced to three, adding a bike lane on each side and extra space for pedestrians on the sidewalk. The change will also help to curb speeding traffic, as that stretch is the only place for miles along Lake Road to pass other drivers.

"It doesn't seem in the middle of your park that that's what you'd want and so we're going to stripe it to three lanes, hopefully slow down traffic and provide better access to the walking trail and to the Metroparks for our residents."

He has begun talks with the Cleveland Metroparks on partnering on trails connecting the beach and cultural venues at the west end of Huntington Reservation to the sports fields, pool and planned new library at the east end of Cahoon Park.

Five months into the job, Mayor Koomar appears to be building a vision for the direction he'd like to take Bay Village during his time in office. Continuing good practices from the previous administration, along with a fresh perspective and guidance from the new master plan and NOACA study will help chart the path. ●

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Drug collection drive a huge success

by ENFORCEMENT AGENT JEFF CAPRETTO

The Westshore Enforcement Bureau (WEB) Drug Task Force gratefully acknowledges the citizens of our six western suburbs for actively participating in the semi-annual collection event on April 29 with 290 pounds of outdated and unwanted medications collected for safe disposal.

In addition, our WEB communities' citizens were responsible for properly disposing of medications via the use of the 365/24/7 drop boxes located within each of the six

police departments lobbies to the tune of 2,719 pounds for the calendar year 2016.

I urge our citizens to continue to make use of the drop boxes whenever the need arises to dispose of those expired or unwanted medications for the purpose of protecting the environment and to prevent the diversion of the pharmaceuticals of illegal activities.

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Bay Village residents, organizations honored on Memorial Day

by ELIZABETH MILLI

The Bay Village Foundation honored local residents and organizations during their annual Memorial Day observance in Cahoon Park on May 29. Jon Loufman, emcee and Channel 19 weatherman delivered a picture perfect day, while singers Emma Russell and Maggie Williams and the Bay High String Quintet delivered perfect performances for the celebration that has become a beloved tradition in the city.

This year the Foundation honored Bay Village residents Herman and Joyce Bredenbeck, Edward (Ned) Matthews, Robert Thomas and the Hawthorne family with permanent bronze plaques to be installed at the T. Richard Martin Cahoon Memorial Bridge. Honorees, past and present, have demonstrated a love for their families, friends and for the Bay community.

Herman "Herm" Bredenbeck and his wife Joy moved to Bay Village in 1959 and have been active in Bay United Methodist Church throughout the years. Herm was President of Advance Manufacturing and Joy worked as a Patient Education Coordinator at Lakewood Hospital.

Ned Matthews moved his family to Bay Village after World War II where he spent the remaining years of his life. Ned lived to be 100 years of age and his favorite pastime was to fish by the pier in Bay Village with his son Craig.

Robert Thomas and his family moved to Bay Village in 1977. Bob worked

in many industries before he and his wife, Monica, opened Thomas & Thomas West Shore Studio in 1986. The business quickly became one of Cleveland's most respected studios.

Robert, Ruth, Robert II and Ronald Hawthorne moved from Springfield, Illinois, to Bay Village in 1952. Robert was an executive at American Greetings Corporation for 30 years. Ruth was a teacher at Normandy and Westerly Elementary Schools for 20 years.

Steve Ruscher, Bay Village Foundation trustee and chair of the Grants



The Bay Village Foundation awarded grants and scholarships as part of its Memorial Day celebration. Recipients were: (back row) Dr. Charlie Farrell, The Carolyn L. Farrell Foundation; Cathy Flament, Bay Village Historical Society and Destination Bay; Tim Jasinski, Lake Erie Nature & Science Center; Barb Harrell, Village Project; Mary Sue Tanis, Youth Challenge; and Kathryn Boehnlein, Bay Village Green Team; (front row) Steve Ruscher, BVF grants committee chair; scholarship winners Anna Walker, Will Huntington and Madison Noren; and BVF scholarships committee chair Ellie Bricmont.

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endangered species.

- The Bay Village Historical Society received a grant to organize, catalogue and store their entire historical collection with a new computer system, specialized software and archival storage containers.
- The Bay Village Green Team received a grant to purchase a water bottle refilling station to reduce litter from single-use plastic containers in Cahoon Park.
- The Carolyn L. Farrell Foundation accepted a grant to be used to extend the Foundation's SweetArts Cafe program outdoors to Huntington Park.
- The Village Project received money to purchase a high density mobile shelving system that will double the food storage space allowing the Village Project to serve more people.

Three Bay High School graduating seniors who were awarded a one-time \$2,000 scholarship during the Memorial Day ceremony. Will Huntington received the T. Richard and Betsy Martin Scholarship. Madison Noren and Anna Walker also received Bay Village Foundation scholarships.

"The Foundation is pleased to award scholarships to these three hardworking and deserving students," said Bay Village Foundation trustee Ellie Bricmont, chair of the Scholarship Committee. "Each of their applications possessed a vision for improving and enhancing the quality of life in Bay Village."

Mike Romanchek, a veteran of the Marines and Bay Village Foundation trustee, read the names of past honorees who are deceased military veterans. The ceremony closed with a moment of silence followed by the playing of taps by Chris Gepperth and Jamie Dailey. ●

Committee presented checks to the grant recipients for 2017. Awards from the Bay Village Foundation will serve a wide variety of needs in the community.

- Youth Challenge accepted a grant to be used for an Adaptive Arts program at BAYarts.
- Destination Bay accepted an award for signage and flyers to promote the citywide day of fun on June 17.
- The Lake Erie Nature & Science Center received a grant to be used for a new exhibit for the Eastern Hellbender, Ohio's largest salamander and an

PRINCIPALS *from front page*

Musselman assumed the role of principal at Midview East Intermediate School in 2016 after serving two years as assistant principal at Midview Middle School. Prior to her time in Midview, Musselman spent six years as a 7-12 math teacher with the Berea-Midpark City School District. She also served as mathematics department chair for grades 7-9 in Berea.

Musselman – originally from North Olmsted – is an eight-year resident of Westlake with her husband, Jansen, and said she looks forward to working in a district where she is

personally and professionally vested.

"There is something about being able to serve the kids in my own community," Musselman said, adding that she believes in working collaboratively with students, staff and parents for success.

She earned her undergraduate degree in mathematics with a minor in Adolescent/Young Adult Education from Baldwin Wallace University. She earned a graduate degree in Educational Administration and her principal license for grades 4-12 from Cleveland State University.

Dagostino has been with the Westlake Schools for two years. She came to LBMS as assistant principal, moving into the interim principal position when former Principal Paul Wilson was named Westlake High School principal. She will replace retiring Holly Lane Principal Mimi Verdone.

Prior to Westlake, Dagostino was a grade 1-3 teacher at Hillcrest Elementary School in the Revere Local Schools for 16 years. She also worked for the Solon City Schools as a fifth-grade teacher at Orchard Middle School for two years, and as an intervention specialist for third grade and a special education tutor at D.E. Lewis

Elementary School.

"It will be difficult to leave the Burneson family. I truly enjoyed the opportunity to work with a very talented and supportive staff, as well as our amazing students and families," Dagostino said. "With the move to Holly Lane, I will be returning to my elementary roots. I look forward to establishing a relationship with the Holly Lane community and being able to contribute to an exciting future that includes a move to a new elementary campus."

Dagostino earned her undergraduate degree in education, a graduate degree in reading and a PK-9 administrative license from Ashland

University. She is a doctoral candidate for a degree in teacher leadership from Concordia University of Chicago. Dagostino holds certificates in reading validation (K-12) and special education (K-12).

Dagostino lives in Rocky River with her husband, Matthew, and their two children.

"Our final four candidates were really strong. We are very fortunate and excited to be adding both Amanda and Beth to our administrative team in Westlake," said Superintendent Scott Goggin. "We believe we are keeping our top two picks. They are making our district stronger through their leadership." ●

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Team registration open for Westlake Corporate Challenge

by BOB DEMINICO

The Westlake Recreation Department invites all employers in the city to join the 11th Annual Westlake Corporate Challenge on Monday, July 31 to Friday, Aug. 4. The competition is designed for athletes, non-athletes, and everyone in between with a list of more than 20 events. All team must be registered before Friday, June 16, by calling 440-808-5700.

The goal is to have a lot of fun while meeting and getting to know your fellow employees whom you may rarely see and network with other Westlake companies that could lead to a new business relationship. Some of the events are open to employees' families too. Of course, it is also a way to show off your athletic prowess. (Or at least that is what you can tell your kids and co-workers who didn't know you in high school!)

Competitors can run, walk or swim, play sports or live versions of TV game shows, donate blood, pack a backpack with school supplies, make a cardboard boat



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and race, or bake cupcakes to earn points for your team. This year's events will be held at the Westlake Recreation Center, Q-Lab Corporation, Dave & Busters, Bay Lanes, Meadowood Golf Course, and Community Services Center. View the Team Captains Packet online at www.cityofwestlake.org/Corporate-Challenge.

Last year, the scores were close but UH St. John Medical Center took to the winner's circle with great effort by Applied Companies, City of Westlake, ECHO Health Inc., Q-Lab Corporation, Western Enterprises and West Shore Bar Association. ●

THE GREEN REPORT

The Cleveland Indians want you!

by JENNIFER HARTZELL

The Bay Village Green Team has a fabulous opportunity for you and everyone you know. You can sign up to volunteer at any home Tribe game on a Friday or Saturday this summer and through the end of the regular season. You will be a part of the Indians Green Team and will help the Indians recycle more than they usually do.

The only thing you have to do is walk up and down an aisle in between innings; never during active play. You will be given gloves and a bag, and ask people if they have any cans or plastic bottles. I did this during the World Series – it's super easy, and the fans are generally very thankful for your work. Additionally, all Green Team volunteers will be placed in the lower level, and be able to watch the game from fantastic locations. I was behind home plate during the World Series! That was amazing.

If you volunteer with us during the regular season, you will be given first priority for any play-off or (fingers crossed) World Series games! Grab your friends and family (you must be 16 or older

to volunteer) and register at bayvillagegreenteam.org. Sign up for as many games as you'd like!

When you sign up, you will be sent an email with a link that will outline a few easy steps you need to take to volunteer (requirements from the Indians so they will have credentials for you). A day or two before the game you will be emailed a parking pass and further instructions.

This is a really great way to watch the game (for free!) from an outstanding location, and at the same time help the Indians recycle as much

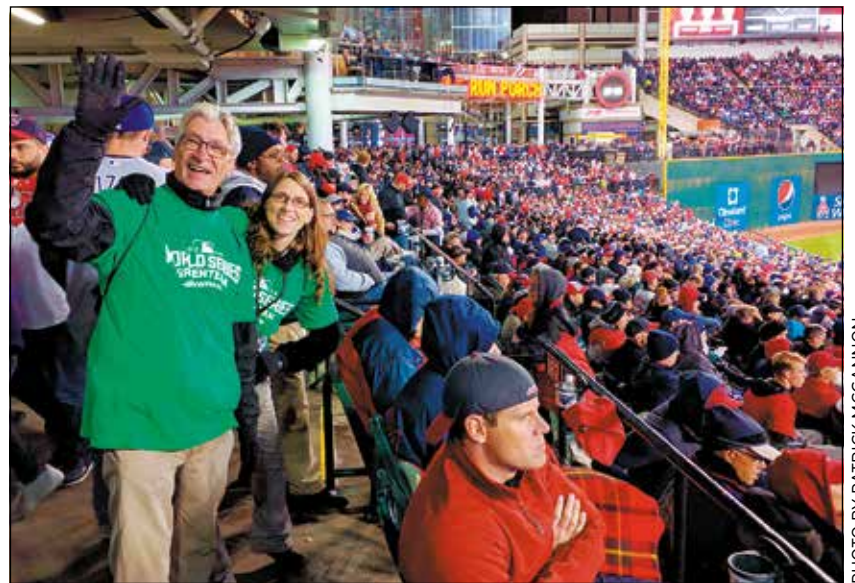


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Green Team volunteers ready to collect recyclables at an Indians game.

as possible. We are recruiting volunteers for every home game on a Friday or Saturday currently, so go to the website and sign up! I promise you won't regret it.

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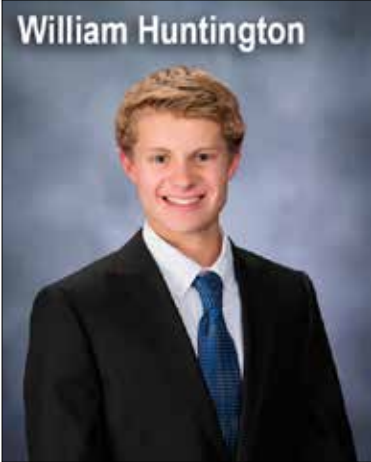


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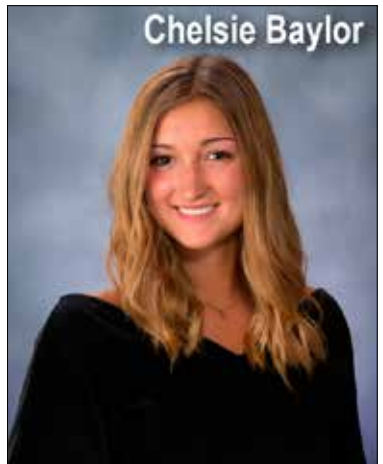
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Wishing the Bay High Class of 2017 a bright and brilliant future!

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WESTON

from front page

This work was overseen by then-committee chair Steve McQuillin, a preservation professional and former Westlake resident. Two dedicated volunteers, Dr. Jim Anderson and Tom Schuerger, spent countless hours repairing windows, keeping the property tidy and raising funds to further the renovation efforts.

It was shortly after 2000 that the Westlake Historical Society entered into an agreement with the city to lease the structure for \$1 per year and raise funds to renovate it and operate it as a museum of early Dover history. The efforts languished since about 2010 with the aging and shrinking of the historical society membership base and the scale of the task. However, Lysa Stanton, the Westlake Historical

Society president kept the candles burning in the windows and the dream of a museum for children alive with the mantra, "Warm, safe and dry ... warm, safe and dry." She asked the author to pick up the reins as the new chair of the Lilly Weston committee in 2015.

The building has been dry since the roof was replaced in about 2000. The next task for the committee was to make sure the building is safe to open to the public. The city and the historical society split the cost of a \$7,000 structural analysis by a consulting engineer. The city's portion was paid for out of that initial \$50,000 allocation. What they found is that the 1844 stone portion of the structure is basically sound while the 1856 brick portion needs approximately \$29,000 of improvements to make it safe for public use. We have begun fundraising efforts.

Another effort in conjunction with the Westlake service department is to create a Heritage Loop Trail off of the existing all-purpose trail which encircles the Westlake Recreation Center Park. This Heritage Loop trail is planned to utilize a surplus pedestrian bridge and the abandoned emergency access drive that runs along the west side of the house to create a low-cost extension of the existing walking/biking trail system (the all-purpose trail links to the existing Hilliard Boulevard bike lanes).

With the new Westlake elementary school soon to begin construction practically across the street, the

idea of a museum for children in walking distance from their school, linked to the existing Recreation Center trails is an exciting

possibility.

To donate funds for this project and for more information go to our web site at www.lillyweston.com.

com, our Facebook page "Lilly Weston House Committee" or contact us at lillywestonhouse@gmail.com. ●



PHOTO BY DAVE PHISTER

Volunteers gather for a "This Place Matters" event in the front courtyard of the Lilly Weston house, 27946 Center Ridge Road. Pictured at center is Will Krause as Austin Lilly; at right front is student volunteer Carolyn Bedell, Lilly Weston webmaster.

Car cruise brings slice of Americana to Westlake

by ELLIE PEIFFER

Bob Myers has a love of cars and people. He's bringing these two things together as his dream to host a car cruise comes to fruition with "Cruisin' Westlake" on Wednesday, June 21, from 5:30-8 p.m. at Westlake United Methodist Church.

A car cruise is a social event. It's laid back and fun. There is no judging. All makes and models of cars are welcome along with spectators that come for the summer fun. Cruisin' Westlake is a free event with live '50s & '60s music, a food truck, games, prizes and popcorn all in a great location.

In fact, the location is what

inspired Bob. One Sunday morning he pulled into his church's newly completed parking lot expansion and was admiring the landscaping when it hit him – this would make a great car cruise venue!

Cruising has a long history starting the 1950s and '60s in California and Detroit. Whittier Boulevard in SoCal started it all in the early '50s. The famous Woodward Dream cruise in Detroit continues today on the third Saturday in August, last year attracting over 1 million people.

Bob, who has been a Westlake resident since 1953, remembers the local cruise-in spots of his youth were the Man-

ner's Big Boy on Center Ridge Road in Rocky River and Bearden's Big Steer Drive In which was located at Columbia and Detroit. Both places are gone now but the memories live on.

The Disney Pixar "Cars" movie franchise taps in to those memories and America's love of cars. Bob's grandkids are super excited when he visits them in his 1970 Ford Mustang Mach 1. His wife, Gretty, drove the Mach 1 for several years with their daughter in a baby seat in the back! Bob has always owned



Gretty Myers and her grandkids with her husband Bob's Mustang. They are the original owners, purchasing the car in 1970.

at least one Mustang starting with his very first car, a 1965 Mustang fastback, that he purchased in 1966.

There will be many different types of cars at Cruisin' Westlake. Expect to see hot rods, muscle cars, antique cars, restomods (which are modified stock or classic cars older than 1990) and even some MG's! So take the kids to see the new movie

"Cars 3" and then bring them to Cruisin' Westlake to see the cars that inspired it all!

Cruisin' Westlake will take place on the third Wednesday of June, July, August & September from 5:30-8 p.m. at Westlake United Methodist Church, 27650 Center Ridge Road. The event is free and open to all. See the church website for more information at westlakeumc.org. ●



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Bay Village Troop 41 celebrates 3 new Eagle Scouts

by ANGELA FINICLE

Bay Village Boy Scout Troop 41 honored three new Eagle Scouts at a Court of Honor ceremony held May 21 at Bethesda on the Bay Lutheran Church. Troop scouts, leaders, families and friends celebrated the accomplishments of Eagle Scouts Maxwell Kunze, Trevor Coleman and Scott Stover.

Commander Fred Green of VFW Post 9693 and Commander Stan Zeager of American Legion Post 385 read proclamations to the scouts and presented American flags to their parents. Ohio Senator Matt Dolan presented proclamations on behalf of the Ohio State Senate and House of Representatives, and Councilwoman Nan Baker read a commendation from the Cuyahoga County Council. Local representatives including Bay Village Mayor Paul Koomar and Fairview Park councilman Angelo Russo were also present to offer commendations to the new Eagle Scouts.

The path to become an Eagle Scout is long, and nationally less than 5 percent of boys who enter scouting will achieve the rank of Eagle. During their journey to become Eagle Scouts, Trevor, Max and Scott completed the requirements to earn six rank advancements, at least 21 merit badges, and planned and executed a community service project.

Bay Village resident Max Kunze spent several weeks

repairing and painting the porch of one of BAYarts' historic buildings, in preparation for its dedication to former director Sally Price. Max transformed the porch from an old, creaky storage space to a fresh hangout spot with a Sally-inspired bright periwinkle floor.

Trevor Coleman built and installed "Buddy Benches" for each of the six elementary schools in his community of North Olmsted. Students who are feeling lonely or left out during recess can sit on the benches to signal that they

people can "Take a Book, Return a Book." Scott also organized a book drive which collected over 200 books to stock his library, and he built and installed a bench nearby where anyone who borrows a book can sit down and read.

Trevor, Max and Scott have been very active participants in Troop 41 camp outs, including a trip to the Northern Tier High Adventure Base in Minnesota where they canoed over 65 miles in six days. In July 2013, Scott attended the very first National Scout Jamboree held



Bay Village Troop 41 Eagle Scouts Trevor Coleman of North Olmsted, Scott Stover of Fairview Park and Maxwell Kunze of Bay Village were honored in a special ceremony on May 21 at Bethesda on the Bay Lutheran Church.

are looking for a friend to play with. Trevor's project was funded by the North Olmsted primary school PTAs, and was inspired by the need to redistribute Butternut Elementary School students throughout the district due to construction plans for their new middle school and high school campus.

Scott Stover built a "Little Free Library" and installed it on the grounds of his home church, Messiah Lutheran in Fairview Park. If you haven't heard of them before, these libraries are spots where

at Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. Trevor and Max are looking forward to a trip to Sea Base in the Bahamas this summer, before returning to school in the fall.

Max will be studying engineering technology and computer science at Kent State University. Trevor will begin his senior year at North Olmsted High School in August. Scott plans to attend Bowling Green University to major in criminal justice. Troop 41 expects great things from their new Eagle Scouts in the future. ●

Oom-Pah! Bay Senior Center to hold Polka Fest luncheon fundraiser

by LESLIE SELIG

The Bay Village Dwyer Senior Center will be holding a Polka Fest luncheon and fundraiser on Friday, June 23, at 11:30 a.m.

In addition to a delicious barbecued brats and sauerkraut meal, we'll get your toes tapping to the sounds of the Polka Pirates! The Pirates are one of

Cleveland's finest dance bands and a crowd favorite, and play all styles of polkas and waltzes, standards, big band, country, Irish and even a little rock 'n' roll. Come and dance, sing, smile and enjoy – great food, great people, great fun, great band.

This event is a fundraiser for the Dwyer Senior Center. Cost is \$5. Call 440-835-6565 to register. ●

Art historian shares 'The Glory of the Gothic' at Porter Library

by MARIA FESZ

On Tuesday, May 16, the Westlake-Westshore Arts Council hosted art historian Sean Crum, who presented a thrilling program titled "The Glory of the Gothic: The Great Gothic Cathedrals." Mr. Crum transported the audience to France, then England and Italy, to discover the art and architecture behind these amazing structures.

The crowd learned about tracery, sculpture and the making of stained glass. Not only did Mr.

Crum talk about the features of the cathedrals and the technique behind their construction, he also delved into the historical and religious aspects of the cathedral in the gothic age.

The presentation was complete with pictures of floor plans, diagrams and photos of the cathedrals at different angles to get the full effect of these grandiose structures. Mr. Crum was an enthusiastic and engaging speaker who drew the audience in with his seemingly endless wealth of knowledge of history, religion and art. ●

Bay Legion to retire flags for Flag Day

by JIM POTTER

The Bay Village American Legion Post 385 will retire old, torn and faded flags on Friday, June 9, at their Post home, 695 Cahoon Road in Westlake. This is part of their Flag Day program.

The flag retirement is conducted in accordance with strict military procedures. Each year the Post retires between 400 and 500 flags.

Citizens can place their flags in the red, white and blue box next to the front door of the Post prior to that date. The Post home is just south of the railroad tracks on Cahoon Road. ●



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THE MEDICAL INSIDER

Living with knee pain

by DIANA PI, M.D.

I have a friend, in his 60s, who loves and owns many “World’s Best Grandpa” sweatshirts. He belongs to a softball team and – much to his adoring fans’ delight and his wife’s chagrin – slides into bases.

His knees are knotty like cauliflower. I’m guessing with some certainty that his X-ray will show osteoarthritis: loss of cartilage and joint space, bony changes. But he’s never complained of knee pain (at least not within earshot of his wife).

Knee pain and knee osteoarthritis are like kiwi and emu; these flightless birds are related but not that closely related. Osteoarthritis doesn’t necessarily mean knee pain.

Knee pain can occur at any age.

A 1994 Framingham study identified painful knee arthritis as one of seven leading causes of physical disability in the elderly, ranking right up there with heart failure and emphysema, right below hip fracture, stroke and depression.

For decades, we’ve injected steroids into joints for pain relief.

Steroids are powerful drugs. But it’s a bit like waging war to keep peace: Steroids suppress inflammation in one area, and inflict harm elsewhere. For one, it’s not an ally of cartilage.

A study that came out of JAMA this month questioned its wide use.

Patients with painful knee arthritis were divided into two groups: One group received steroid injections every three months and the other, normal saline (the control). The steroid-injection group didn’t have better pain relief – and, after two years, lost more

cartilage volume on MRI.

This is worrisome because treatment for knee osteoarthritis is primarily intended to reduce pain and restore function. In this study, steroid injection didn’t relieve knee pain and potentially aged the knees even more.

I’ve shied away from prescribing joint injections for years. Now, I encourage two long-term solutions.

First, exercise. The pain haze makes you just want to ball up with a blanket, a hot water bottle and ibuprofen. But studies have shown that those who enroll in regular exercise have better pain relief and can walk longer. The effects are immediate and sustained months after the exercise program ends.

The problem with exercise programs is that too often people drop out.

Second, if applicable, lose weight. Knees are very sensitive to weight.

One pound of body weight puts four pounds of stress on knees. Squatting and going up and down stairs are particularly hard.

On the bright side: Lose a pound, you instantly lose four pounds of compressive stress on your knees. According to a study of knee biomechanics published by the American College of Rheumatology, a 10-pound weight loss translates to “48,000 pounds less in compressive load per mile walked.”

In my experience, losing a few pounds of holiday weight combined with exercise goes a long way towards relieving knee pain.

These days when I get out of the car, bed, or up from writing this story, my knees snap, crack, click and moan – an innate Greek chorus warns: keep moving. ●

WESTLAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Summer kicks off at the Clague Museum

by LYSA STANTON

You know summer has arrived when the Westlake Historical Society hosts their annual ice cream social. The Society invites you to an old-fashioned ice cream social on Saturday, June 10, 1:00-4:00 p.m. It will be held on the lawn of the historic Clague House Museum, 1371 Clague Road.

This is a great opportunity to meet other people in the community and members of the historical society. Families and friends can all enjoy the beautiful setting, guided tours of the museum, and some of the best ice cream and treats around. The museum grounds are the perfect setting for this kickoff to summer. There is no charge for this event, but any donations received will benefit the historical society. A wide variety of cold and delicious ice cream, toppings of all kinds, and old-fashioned root beer floats will be available. Both cups and cones will also be available.

There will be guided tours of the museum, a silent auction, 50/50 raffle and door prizes. Please RSVP by calling 216-848-0680.

The ice cream social began many years ago as a way to celebrate Westlake’s wonderful history. Please plan to join in the fun of the ice cream social. The museum store will be open for you to peruse as well.

The Westlake Historical Society will also be dedicating a new flagpole and plaque at the Maple Ridge Cemetery. The dedication will take place on Flag Day, June 14, at 6:30 p.m. Following the dedication everyone is invited back to the Clague House for a cake and punch reception. Maple Ridge Cemetery is located on Columbia Road, between Westwood and Rose. Additional parking will be available on Hall Drive or Rustic Lane.

For more information about these events or the Westlake Historical Society, please visit: westlakeohiohistory.org or call 216-848-0680. You may also find us on Facebook. ●

Westlake PTAs award 24 scholarships

by MARY ESSIG

Westlake Council of PTAs and its member PTAs are proud to announce 24 recent Westlake High School graduates as recipients of their 2017 PTA scholarships. Each recipient exhibited academic success as well as community and/or school involvement through participation in athletics, music, clubs, service and employment. Each recipient received a \$1,000 award from the respective PTA unit, totaling \$24,000 in scholarships awarded.

The recipients are: Westlake Council of PTAs Scholarship – Sarmad Al-Aish, Sarah Greenberg,

Mohammed Hamdan, Katarina Jamsek, Darin O’Meara and Shadi Zogheib (each a General winner), Emily Schordock (Arts), Jane Fitz (Challenge), Elizabeth Massien (STEM/Technology) and Michael Altman (Vocational); Bassett Elementary School PTA Scholarship – Carla Baaklini; Dover Elementary School PTA Scholarship – Isabel Palmer; Hilliard Elementary School PTA Scholarship – Christopher Slater; Holly Lane Elementary School PTA Scholarship – Riya Desai; Dover Intermediate School PTA Scholarship – Katherine Pavilonis; Lee Burneson Middle School PTA Scholarship – Sneha Ramachandran; Westlake

High School PTSA Scholarships – Andrew Bovenzi, Anna Craven, Samantha Illius, Paul Jatsyshyn, Abigail Ogonek and Benjamin Sposet (each a General winner) and Jack Jolliffe (Service).

Since 1968, Westlake Council of PTAs has continued the proud tradition of awarding scholarships to deserving Westlake High School seniors who plan to pursue higher education at a college, university or technical school. The Westlake Council and its member PTAs fundraise for these scholarships in many ways, including the annual Dollars for Scholars basketball game, membership drives and programming. ●

Westlake Summer Band prepares for music programs

by SCOTT ROVNIK

The Westlake Schools are planning a special summer band program in July. We are gearing up for the return of the Westlake Summer Band Program. The offerings this year are Concert Band for fifth- and sixth-graders with one or two years of school band experience, and the very popular Jazz Band and Blues Improvisation Workshop for sixth- to eighth-graders.

The bands will run July 10-20 from 9 a.m. to noon at Lee Burneson Middle School. This is our 17th year of offering

summer bands.

Students in the Concert Band will enjoy new literature from educational band books and selected sheet music.

Jazz Band is for younger students to explore the playing of school jazz band music. This ensemble will allow students to have a fun and educational experience, and greatly increase their level of success and confidence in auditioning for their jazz band next year.

The Blues Improvisation Workshop includes beginning studies to the art of blues improvisation focusing on B-flat and 12-bar blues progressions.

The special summer band experience is NOT exclusive to Westlake students/residents. Young musicians from surrounding school systems are welcome and invited to participate. The school “mail in” enrollment will end June 7, but people can still join using our Project Link and EZ Pay system.

The registration fee is \$99 for one band; \$125 for two or more bands and includes a summer band T-shirt, all band music, books, jazz music and a music folder. Discounts and scholarships available for students based on need, instrumentation or vacations.

Interested musicians can contact Scott Rovnik at 440-835-6340 until June 8. After June 8 contact Mike Waters at 440-835-6306 for availability. ●

CUYAHOGA WEST CHAPTER OF THE OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Danube-Schwabians of Eastern Europe

by JAYNE BROESTL

Last month, Cuyahoga West Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society hosted Barb Popovich and Marcia Benko, co-presidents of the Cleveland Chapter of the Carpatho-Rusyn Society. These ladies shared their knowledge of this unique ethnic group who came to the United States from Eastern Europe. Many settled here in the Greater Cleveland area.

Continuing in that

vein, Cuyahoga West is hosting Astrid Julian, teacher of the German Language School at Lenau Park, North Olmsted, on Wednesday, June 21. Ms. Julian will inform us about another ethnic group of German-speaking people, who were recruited to populate areas of southeastern Europe. Eventually, many left Europe for the United States, with some making their homes in the Greater Cleveland area. Her presentation is titled, “History of the Danube-Schwabians:

Where They Came From and Why.”

The program begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Porter Room of Westlake Porter Public Library, 27333 Center Ridge Rd. Social time is from 6:30-7:00 p.m. The general public is invited to attend, free of charge.

For more information about this program or how to become a member of Cuyahoga West Chapter, visit rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohcwogs or email cuyahogawest@gmail.com. ●

Observed in our community



Marthan Brown portrays Dr. Celia Clemans in Evergreen Cemetery Walk.



The Locker family plants their Hilliard Boulevard flower box on Planting Day.

May 20 was a day of fun in Westlake with a number of community events. The City of Westlake and UH St. John Medical Center sponsored a Safety and Wellness Fair, the Recreation Department hosted a fishing derby, the Westlake Historical Society held a cemetery walk and Westlake in Bloom participants planted Hilliard flower boxes.



Patrolman Mark Arcuri takes the fingerprints of 3-year-old Evan Lavelle and Browns mascot Chomps greets a young fan at the Safety and Wellness Fair.



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Danny Duvall and granddaughter Evelyn fish for a prize catch in the derby.

Bay Men's Club awards two scholarships

by ERIC EAKIN

The Bay Men's Club, the city's second-oldest civic organization and which is celebrating its centennial, has awarded \$1,000 scholarships to two worthy and deserving Bay High seniors, Mikayla Nemetz and Chris Geperth. They, along with their parents, were recently honored at the club's year-end golf outing and pig roast.

Nemetz will be study-



Scholarship recipients Chris Geperth and Mikayla Nemetz (center) are pictured with Bay Men's Club President Dave Blevins, scholarship committee member Peter Winzig, scholarship committee chairperson Peter Gierosky and Vice President Sean Riley.

ing international studies and pre-law at The Ohio State University; Geperth will be studying mechanical engineering at the University of Akron. Geperth is

the grandson of longtime Bay Men's Club member Elwyn Mehlman, a coincidence since all scholarship applications are submitted anonymously. ●

PHOTO BY ERIC EAKIN

Eighth-graders win poster contest



Winners of the and Tobacco Poster Contest at Bay Middle School, from left, front row: Elizabeth Varis, Chloe Rickson, Gaby Bush, Molly Mullahy. Second row: Abbey Donahue, Bea Jones, Ryan McNamara, Kendall Thomas, Kati Koss. Back row: Kiwanian Foster McMasters, Principal Sean McAndrews, Superintendent Clint Keener.

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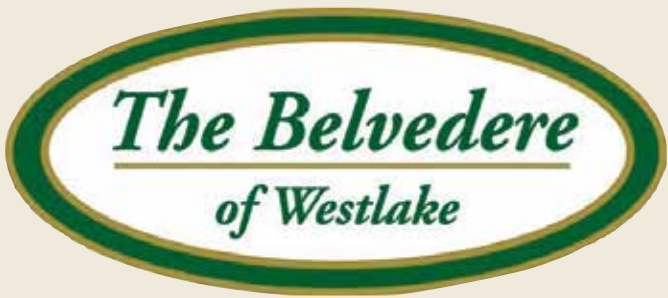
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Classic rock, blues and R&B hits from the '60s through '80s.

Upcoming events at Westlake Porter Public Library

by ELAINE WILLIS

Wednesday, June 7 (1-2:30 p.m.)
CUYAHOGA WEST GENEALOGY SOCIETY HELP SESSION – Please join the genealogy group for an informal walk-in help session.

Wednesday, June 7 (6:30-8:30 p.m.)
HORROR FILM CLUB – Join us as we explore some of the classic films from the genres of horror, science fiction and suspense. Children under 13 should be accompanied by an adult. Please register.

Wednesday, June 7 (7-8 p.m.)
CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS – Come to the library and explore “The Adventures of Captain Underpants.” We will play games and make crafts based on the popular children’s series. Ages 7-9. Please register.

Thursday, June 8 (2-3 p.m.) GREAT DECISIONS DISCUSSION PROGRAM ON WORLD AFFAIRS – Discuss critical global issues facing America today. At the beginning of each month, a copy of

Porter Library presents ‘coolest’ kids rock band

Lucky Diaz and the Family Jam Band will perform at Westlake Porter Public Library at 7 p.m. on Friday, June 9. The special after-hours concert is part of the library’s annual Summer Reading Program, and is suitable for all ages. Free tickets are available at the Youth Services Desk (limit of six per adult, please).

The first and only Americans to win a Latin Grammy for Best Children’s Album, the group has appeared on CNN, Sprout and Univision. In addition, the husband-and-wife duo of Lucky Diaz and Alisha Gaddis have been named “The Face of Kindie Music” by the Washington Post, “The Rolling Stones of Kids Music” by the Style Network, and People Magazine called their album “The #1 in coolest kids music.” They have performed in the Smithsonian, Los Angeles Book Festival Target Stage, Skirball Cultural Center, NYC Symphony Space, Brooklyn Academy of Music and Madison Square Park.

Kids will enjoy the group’s smart, crafty lyrics and irresistibly fresh pop beats! ●

the article may be picked up at the Ask Us Desk. Please read the article prior to the meeting. Please register.

Thursday, June 8 (2-3:30 p.m.) TEEN CRAFTS: DUCT TAPE – Bring out your creativity for a new craft each week. All supplies provided. Grades 7 and up. No registration required.

Thursday, June 8 (7 p.m.) CONTINUING THE CONVERSATION – Join us as we continue discussion about tough issues facing parents and students. This month’s topic is Using Social Media for Information and Support.

Thursday, June 8 (7-8 p.m.) NON-FICTION BOOK DISCUSSION – The June selection is “Time Travel: A History” by James Gleick.

Friday, June 9 (10:30-11:15 a.m.) and Monday, June 12 (6:30-7:15 p.m.) ADAPTED STORYTIME – Children with varying learning styles and abilities learn in a safe, supportive environment where respect and appreciation for differences are encouraged. This 30-minute storytime, followed by time for socialization, is designed for children who may not be successful in a typical storytime experience. Content is geared toward ages 3-7, but all ages are welcome. Siblings may also attend, but must register separately. Registration begins one week before each session.

Fridays, June 9 and 16 (2-4 p.m.) MOVIES @ THE LIBRARY! – Join us for family-friendly movies. All ages. Please register one week before each movie.

JUNE 9: After their Troll village is invaded, Poppy and the curmudgeonly Branch set off on a rescue mission. (PG)

JUNE 16: Moana sets sail on a daring mission to save her people. (PG)

Saturday, June 10 (10 a.m.-4 p.m.) IT’S FATHER’S DAY AT THE LIBRARY! – Join us for fun-filled Father’s Day crafts and activities. All ages.

Sunday, June 11 (3-4 p.m.) ART SMARTS – Explore works of a well-known artist and then use what you’ve seen to create an art piece of your own! Grades 3-5. Registration begins one week before each session.

Monday, June 12 (2-3 p.m.) ZUMBA! – Party and get into shape with ZUMBA Fitness! No experience necessary – it’s easy to do, effective and totally exhilarating! Wear workout clothing and gym shoes. Grades 6-12. Please register.

Hamilton – the man and the musical – comes to life at Porter Library

Is your entire knowledge of Alexander Hamilton based on Lin Manuel Miranda’s “Hamilton: The Musical” soundtrack? That’s okay, you’re not alone! However, if you’d like to get some more insight on one of our nation’s fascinating founding fathers, head to Westlake Porter Public Library this month!

The library will be hosting an exhibit from the Gilder Lehrman Institute of

American History called “Alexander Hamilton: The Man Who Made Modern America.” It explores Hamilton’s central role during the Revolutionary War and with the Founding Fathers in creating many of the policies for modern America.

To celebrate the exhibit, the library is hosting two programs exploring “Hamilton: The Musical” and it’s ties to

Upcoming programs at Bay Village Branch Library

by TARA MCGUINNESS

It’s time for the Bay Village library’s annual ice cream social. Join us on Wednesday, June 14, from 6-8 p.m. to cool off with Mitchell’s ice-cream in the library garden. We’ll also have music by Desmond and Molly. While you’re here, don’t forget to sign up for our summer reading program, Build a Better World.

CHILDREN

Caregivers and their children are invited to enjoy rhymes, songs, fingerplays, books and stories together. No registration is required.

- **Mondays & Tuesdays (10 a.m.)** TODDLER STORYTIME – ages 19-35 months.

- **Tuesdays (6:45 p.m.)** FAMILY STORYTIME – for all ages

- **Wednesdays (10 a.m.)** BABY AND ME STORYTIME – ages birth-18 months

- **Thursdays (10 a.m.)** PRESCHOOL STORYTIME – ages 3-5 (not yet in kindergarten)

- **Fridays (10 a.m.)** FAMILY STORYTIME – for all ages

Saturday, June 12 (2 p.m.) CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS PARTY – Celebrate the release of the “Captain Underpants” movie with a party! Join us for activity stations and games to try. And, like with any good party, there will be surprises too!

Registration required.

Tuesday, June 15 (2 p.m.) BUILDING BRICKS @ THE LIBRARY – Grades K-3: Calling all LEGO fans! You bring the imagination and we’ve got the bricks! We’ll work through a few friendly challenges then share our creations. Registration required.

Saturday, June 17 (2:30 p.m.) OUTBACK RAY’S AMAZING ANIMAL SHOW – Join us for a fun, exciting and educational look at exotic animals. This hands-on show is entertaining for kids of all ages. Registration required.

ADULTS

Saturday, June 10 (1 p.m.) BOOK FOLDING: MAKE A HEART – Come learn how to turn the pages of a book into a three-dimensional piece of art! Materials will be provided

Friday, June 23 (2 p.m.) WRITE NOW! BUILDING CHARACTER WITH CHARACTER – Poet Jamie C. Cole is a middle school language arts teacher with the Bedford City School District. This 2006-2007 Parent Teacher Student Association teacher of the year has coached seventh- and eighth-grade writers in creative writing and oratorical competition.

Please register to attend the programs online at cuyahogalibrary.org, call us at 440-871-6392, or stop in to the library at 502 Cahoon Road and register with a librarian. ●

Monday, June 12 (6-7 p.m.) MEDICARE – Join us as an OSHIIP (Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program) community liaison provides us with timely information regarding Medicare changes, enrollment in a Medicare prescription drug plan (Part D) and Medicare health plan. Please register.

Monday, June 12 (7-8:30 p.m.) MAKER MONDAY: AUGMENTED AND VIRTUAL REALITY – Learn about the immersive virtual reality apps available today, and try some out for yourself! Bring your smartphone or tablet if you have one. Please register.

Tuesday, June 13 (10 a.m.-noon) CAREER TRANSITION CENTER: JOB APPLICATIONS AND COVER LETTERS – Learn how to manage an application so that yours is read, as well as effective letter-writing techniques for cover, marketing and follow-up letters.

Tuesdays, June 13 and 20 (3-4 p.m.) SUMMER BRAIN GAMES – Kids in grades 1-3 can drop in each week for grade-appropriate educational games. Teen volunteers and staff from the Westlake City Schools will be on hand to assist.

Tuesday, June 13 (7-7:30 p.m.) BEDTIME STORIES: GOODNIGHT DINOSAURS – Put on your pajamas and join Mrs. K as we unwind at the end of the day with quiet stories, songs, fingerplays, and other activities to help us get ready for bedtime. Ages 4-6. Siblings welcome.

Tuesday, June 13 (7 p.m.) TUESDAY EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION – In June we’ll discuss “The House of Mirth” by Edith Wharton.

To register for any of the programs, visit westlakelibrary.evanced.info or call 440-871-2600. ●

American popular culture, music, poetry and more!

Lin Manuel Miranda’s score for the hit musical creates a uniquely American sound for the stage. What made “Hamilton” explode not only on Broadway, but in the national music scene as a whole? On Tuesday, June 13, at 7:00 p.m., Patrick Fulton, research services librarian for the Cleveland Institute of Music, will discuss the crafting of national identity and popular appeal through the music and rhyme of this contemporary Broadway classic.

In “Hamilton: The Musical,” hip hop

provides us with musical entertainment and historical facts. However, it also provides us with a form of poetry that has spanned decades. On Wednesday, June 21, at 7:00 p.m., Dr. Julie Burrell, assistant professor of English at Cleveland State University, will explore the hip hop roots of the Broadway musical and consider what hip hop has to do with the American Dream, from the creation of the genre through the crack epidemic.

We hope you will join us for one or both of these wonderful presentations. Call 440-871-2600 to register, or sign up on our website at westlakelibrary.org. ●

Bay Village and Westlake honor veterans during Memorial Day events

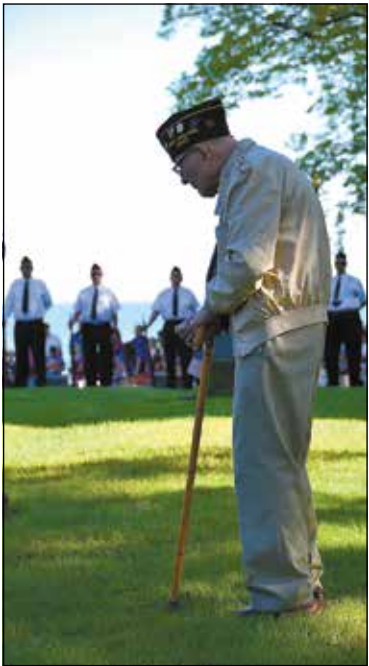
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Veterans march down Lake Road in the Bay Village Memorial Day parade.



Thirty Westlake residents placed American flags in a row during the Roll of Honor ceremony honoring the city's fallen veterans.



A veteran bows his head during the invocation at Lakeside Cemetery.



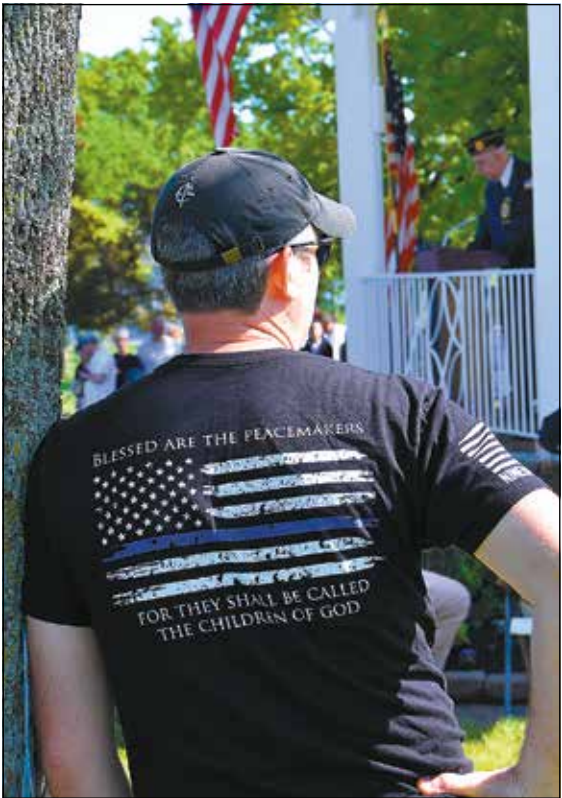
Cub Scouts Luke Filiatraut and Bailey Thibeault release white doves during the ceremony at Bay Village's Lakeside Cemetery.



A Vietnam veteran listens to speeches at Clague Park.



A 21-gun salute during Westlake's ceremony.



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LAKE ERIE NATURE & SCIENCE CENTER

Rehabilitated bald eagle soars back into the wild

by MORGAN PASKERT

After less than two weeks in captive care, a juvenile male bald eagle is free again thanks to the wildlife staff at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center.

The Center has performed wildlife rehabilitation as a free service to the public since its inception in 1945. The highly trained staff admits, assesses and treats 1,400 animals a year and over 100 species with the ultimate goal of releasing them back into the wild.

"When I began my career in wildlife rehabilitation 13 years ago, eagle populations were low in the state of Ohio. Today, we admit at least 1-2 eagles a year in need of human assistance," said Amy LeMonds, Director of Wildlife at the Center.

In late April, the Center received a

call from a local water treatment facility where the eagle was found unable to fly after landing in a processed sewage bed. Wildlife specialist Taryn Leach was off-duty at the time but volunteered to safely capture the eagle and transport it to the Center where it could be examined by the wildlife rehabilitation team.

"After our initial assessment, I was relieved to find the eagle in overall decent shape. However, human assistance was necessary in order to clean his feathers and remove the heavy sewage disabling the bird's flight," said LeMonds.

LeMonds and her team gradually washed the sewage off the eagle's tail and wings throughout its treatment at the Center. The eagle's treatment plan also included IV fluids, preventative antibiotics and tube-feeding to provide nourishment. Once he was self-feeding, the bird

was transferred to a larger enclosure where his flight and movements could be observed by staff.

After significant signs of improvement, the eagle was banded for identification purposes and ready for life back in the wild. He was released in Huntington Reservation on May 9 among a small crowd of staff and other admirers.

"It's thrilling to see a bird soar away after we poured our hearts and souls into its rehabilitation. There is no other feeling like it," described Leach.

This summer, the Center will be offering a variety of educational programs on wildlife rehabilitation including Wildlife Rehabilitator Investigation Camp, where students ages 12-15 can explore the natural history of animals, their dietary needs,



PHOTO BY JORDAN LADIKOS

A bald eagle is released back into the wild after receiving care at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center.

common injuries, treatment options and more. To learn more about the Center's summer camps and family programs, visit www.lensc.org. ●

Students receive O'Neill nursing scholarships

by CANDY SANSON

Each spring, O'Neill Healthcare Bay Village is honored to award scholarships to local graduating high school seniors planning to pursue a career in nursing. Each candidate is required to complete a scholarship application and write an essay about why they want to pursue a career in the healthcare, have a minimum

GPA of 3.0 and have at least one academic letter of recommendation.

The two recipients for 2017 are Grace Mansuetto from Bay High, who plans to study nursing at the University of Cincinnati, and Conor Miller from Westlake High School, who plans on studying nursing at Xavier University.

Congratulations to these very talented grads. ●



Grace Mansuetto



Conor Miller

Bay High students win state-level Army eCYBERMISSION

by RICHARD GASH

The U.S. Army Educational Outreach Program has announced Bay High ninth-graders Khaled Hamil, Leo Cavalier and Nick LaRossa, the Alpha Team, as first-place Ohio state winners and regional semi-finalists in the 15th annual eCYBERMISSION competition – STEM initiative. The eCYBERMISSION, administered by the National Science Teachers Association, promotes self-discovery and enables students to recognize the real-life applications of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math).

Last winter the Alpha Team



Leo Cavalier, Nick LaRossa and Khaled Hamil display their eCYBERMISSION state awards.

PHOTO BY RICHARD GASH

worked to evaluate the environmental status of Cahoon Creek. The team looked at the nitrogen and phosphorus chemicals in the creek soil and water, and determined the canopy cover along its length. Further details can be found in previous articles by conducting a search for "Cahoon Creek" on wbvobserver.com.

The team then submitted their write-up of the project to be evaluated and scored by volunteer virtual judges. One judge commented, "This project was extremely well done and

I'm very impressed. I'm also thankful that you were able to identify some well qualified mentors to aid in your investigation. That is one of the most crucial aspects of a successful and in-depth investigation! Great job!!"

Teams placing first in the state competition receive \$1,000 per student in U.S. EE Savings Bonds and as regional semi-finalists, an additional \$1,000 per student in EE Sav-

ings Bonds.

Khaled, Leo and Nick conducted their STEM winter project as members of B.S.A. Sea Scout Ship 41. The Sea Scouts are a co-ed group looking for adventures in, around or on water. For additional details contact Richard Gash at skipper@seascoutship41.org or 440-829-7048. ●

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BAYarts' June galleries focus on home

by JESSICA STOCKDALE

Reflecting on a sense of home, two local artists have combined forces to take over both BAYarts galleries this June. In "Relics of Memory: Assembled Visions," Chad Cochran and Debra Sue Solecki will be showcasing mixed media assemblage artwork.

Solecki's collaged compositions are all inspired by a specific location. "I was intrigued by the strong connection people feel towards their homeland," says the artist. "I started this series based on the observation that humans seem tied to specific places they call home."

Her pieces employ actual maps that are then layered for a "dreamlike vision of the location." Says Solecki: "A viewer who is familiar with that location will draw deeper meaning into the piece building a stronger connection to the images they see."

Layers are the key. "The mixed media compositions are assembled in layers of drawing, paper collage, found objects and paint. In a similar way, the work reveals itself in layers," remarks the artist, who is keen on

giving attention to specifics. "There are details that may not be instantly noticed but are discovered as more time is spent viewing the piece."

Born in the small Ohio spot of Fredericktown, Cochran grew up with the wish to escape his rural roots. After time in Bowling Green State University and Columbus, he experienced a pull back towards small town life with its rustic appeal. Now residing in Bay Village, his art explores an intrinsic interest in a vintage aesthetic. The beauty of his dilapidated rural scenes taps in on a nostalgic aesthetic.

"Relics of Memory' will focus on what 'home' means to a person," explains Cochran. "It could be a physical structure, it could be a key, an object and so on. It's about something that creates the connection back to what you remember 'home' being."

Employing intuitive invention, Cochran will be dipping into imagined pasts.



This piece by Debra Sue Solecki will be on display at BAYarts as part of a joint exhibit of local artists.

"I try to create something that looks like you would find it, should you venture into one of these homes and bring out belongings which were left behind, then assemble a tribute." These tributes have no short list of components. "I use a lot of old wood, barn wood, nails, pages from books, bedding, curtains, skeleton keys, the insides of a storage trunk, parts of chairs, parts of windows, family photos,

photos of homes. The way I approach this is there are tiny fragments which help create our memories. I utilize parts of homes, which people may remember where their house key was hung, what kind of lock was on the window, what did their mattress look like, what did the curtains smell like, what books were in your house? I then help 'construct memories' from these items."

The opening reception is Friday, June 9, from 6-9 p.m. ◆

Key employees aid Bay Village Historical Society

by ERIC EAKIN

Employees of Key Bank recently took time out from their busy schedules to help clean up and tend to the flowerbeds and landscaping around Rose Hill Museum and the Reuben Osborn Learning Center in Bay Village.

The employees helped out as part of the bank's "Neighbors Make the Difference Day." This year

more than 7,000 Key Bank employees partnered with local non-profits to sweep sidewalks, plant gardens and generally lend a hand in the communities in which they work and live.

"Our two facilities now look great," said Cathy Flament, president of the Bay Village Historical Society. "These Key Bank employees worked really hard and now our two museums look wonderful. I can't thank them enough." ◆



Shown, from left, are Rose Hill Museum curator Janet Zvara and Key Bank employees Genine Pellegrino, Bridget Cockley, Eva Vitale and Carmina Pavlas.

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Do you want arts, crafts, antiques, music, bicycling, great food and family-style fun? Then, “Destination Bay” is the answer.

Once again, a number of Bay Village organizations are teaming up to provide a unique community experience under the umbrella of Destination Bay. This full day of family friendly events takes place on Saturday, June 17, all around the city.

Free shuttle transportation to all Destination Bay locations will be available, courtesy of O’Neill Healthcare.

This year, visitors to any of the Destination Bay locations will have a chance to win prizes! Pick up a Walgreens “Passport to Fitness” at one of the venues and have it stamped as you travel between the events.

Tear out the map on the opposite page for your guide to a fun-filled day in Bay Village!

1. CAHOON IN JUNE

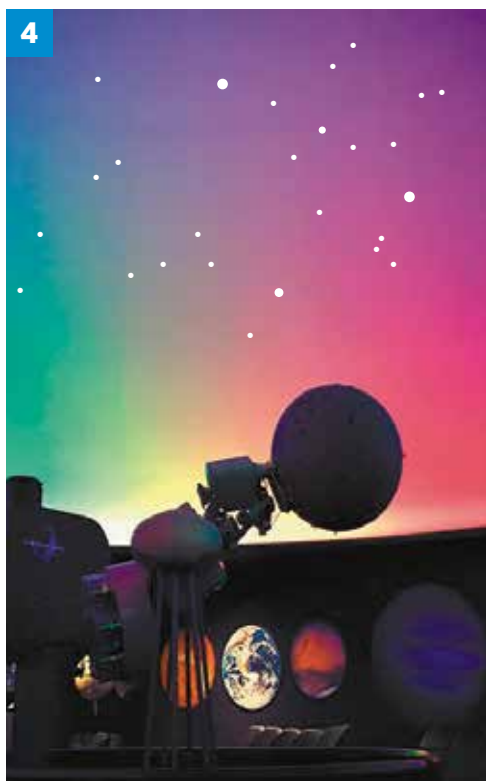
The 48th annual “Cahoon in June” fine crafts, collectibles and antiques event will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Cahoon Memorial Park.

Admission is free. There will be a Civil War re-enactment in the park, and a display of antique cars and boats. Musical entertainment will include the True North Big Band from noon to 2 p.m., followed by The Erie Cats from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Food concessions are the Ironwood Café, Fortune Café Food Truck, Island Delights and Premier Popcorn Kitchen. There will be face painting for the children. Rose Hill Museum, Reuben Osborn Learning Center and Cahoon log cabin will be open. Interested community groups are invited to set up tables free of charge. Contact Cynthia Eakin at 216-213-0312 to reserve a space.

Proceeds from this event support the Rose Hill Museum, the Reuben Osborn Learning Center and student scholarships. Visit www.bay-historical.com for additional information.

2. BAY VILLAGE LIBRARY

Stop by from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bay Village Branch Library table at the Cahoon in June event where all ages can sign up for our Summer Reading Game and get fun giveaways while supplies last! This year we will also be hosting Outback Ray’s Amazing Animal Show back at the library at 2:30 p.m. courtesy of the Friends of the Bay Village Library. Outback Ray will have a variety of exotic animals—snakes, bird, lizards and some fuzzy critters to delight folks of all ages!



3. BAYARTS ART & MUSIC FESTIVAL

The BAYarts campus will be hosting over 60 artisan vendors of handmade jewelry, photography, watercolors, candles, fine wood-working, sea glass art and more. Concessions by Sweet Melissa’s and The Brat Boys. Live music is provided by Rey Citron’s Rice and Beans Band. This free event runs 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is dog-friendly.

4. LAKE ERIE NATURE & SCIENCE CENTER

Join Lake Erie Nature & Science Center for a special selection of FREE star shows and animal encounters to engage the whole family. Meet (and touch!) the Center’s resident animals during Critter Encounters, then head to Schuele Planetarium to travel through space, explore constellations and visit different objects in the Solar System. Don’t forget to visit the indoor exhibits and wildlife gardens in between!



- 10:30 a.m. – Critter Encounters
- 11:00 a.m. – Critter Encounters, Twinkle Tots
- 11:30 a.m. – Stellar Stars
- 1:00 p.m. – Stellar Stars
- 1:30 p.m. – Family Adventures in Space
- 2:00 p.m. – Sky Tonight
- 3:00 p.m. – Full Dome Show

5. BAY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Everyone is invited to come and join us for a day of fun in the sun at the Fire Station from noon-3 p.m.! We’ll have refreshments, tours of the fire trucks, fire safety information, and the chance for kids to shoot water from a real fire hose!



6. PROJECT PEDAL

The Project Pedal charitable bike ride to benefit Village Project will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event begins and ends at Bay Middle School. Routes include the Pea Pod Pedal for young preschoolers, the Sprout Route for children six years and under on two-wheelers, and for all ages – the Cucumber Course (six miles), Kale Trail (15 miles), and the Artichoke Adventure (35 miles). Complete route maps for each ride, as well as registration information, are available on the Village Project website, ourvillage-project.com. Register by June 7 to receive a free T-shirt.



7. VILLAGE BICYCLE COOPERATIVE

Pedal on over to the Village Bicycle Cooperative from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. for a fun art project to take home, made from recycled bike parts! Or check out some bikes geared up for adventuring and learn how you can BIKE MORE & drive less. Our knowledgeable mechanics will also be on hand to answer any questions or offer support on bike repairs.

We have a full bike shop available for use by the community and would like to help you grow as a bike mechanic with some hands-on experience!

WALGREENS PASSPORT TO FITNESS

Walgreens is very excited to be a healthy destination for this year’s Destination Bay. We will have a table set up in Cahoon Park to be a healthy and fun destination for everyone visiting.

We have organized a walk where participants can enter to win an activity tracker and other great prizes as they tour all the venues. Simply pick up your “Passport to Fitness” at the Walgreens table in Cahoon Park, get it stamped (look for the tables with red balloons at all the events), and when completed, hand it in at any red balloon location to be eligible for prizes. ●



Normandy students nurture eggs and watch them hatch

by KAREN DERBY

Twenty-one days. That is how long students at Normandy Elementary School in Bay Village had to wait for their classroom chicken eggs to hatch.

During that wait, students studied what was going on inside those white shells. Using a 21-day set of plastic egg models, they opened one per day to view illustrations of the changes in the chick embryos' progressive development.

First-grader Jake Bennett explained the difference between an egg that would become a chick and one that would not. "Inside the egg," he said, "there is a red dot that is a blood cell. If the egg has that, a chick will grow." The students knew that the eggs they had would become chicks because they came from birds raised for that purpose.

"You can also tell if an egg will grow into a chick because both the hen and the rooster will take care of it," said Logan Lowry. "If there is no chick, only the hen will take care of it."

Jake also explained that different features of the chick develop in a predictable way. "The beak grows on the sixth day," he said. "The egg tooth grows on the tenth day. That's used by the chick to peck its way out of the shell."

"We kept the eggs in an incubator," explained Peyton Masterson, when asked how the students could take care of the eggs when their mother hens were not around to help.

"We had to make sure the incubator always had water," added Sloane Kerber. She said that the water kept the moisture, or humidity, in the incubator where it should be. She added that the temperature also had to be kept at 100 degrees Fahrenheit. In addition, the eggs had to be turned slowly, four times a day with a special egg turner, for each of the first 18 days.

Logan explained that the developing chicks found their nourishment inside the egg. "Every day, the chick would be eating the yolk inside the egg to grow," he said.

He added, "There is a cord, like everyone has, that would feed it." He clarified that the cord went to the belly button.

Peyton said that once the feathers dry, the newly-hatched chicks can come out of the incubator, but still need to be kept warm. Just hatched, the chicks weighed less than a quarter ounce, but they soon grew to weigh more than an ounce, a math lesson amid the life sciences lessons.

Since there was no mother hen in the classroom to model eating behavior, teacher Jen Szelesta showed the chicks how to eat by "pecking" at the seed with her finger. She said the project was part of the students' learning about how things grow, what animals need to grow, and how people need to

care for animals to help them grow.

Sloane explained, "We need to treat the animals nicely, and then they will be nice to us, too."

Chicks from the first-grade classroom of Jen Szelesta, and from the second-grade classrooms of Cathy Bogart, Stacey Evans and Lindsay Rine-

hart, were sent to a local egg producer when their educational lessons were completed. ●



Normandy first-graders, left-to-right, explaining how to incubate chicken eggs: Payton Masterson, Logan Lowry, Jake Bennett and Sloane Kerber.

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Chicks at Normandy Elementary several days after hatching.

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2 Bay Village Branch Library 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Join us at Cahoon in June to sign-up for our Summer Reading Game and then for Outback Ray's Amazing Animal show at the Library at 2:30 p.m.

3 BAYarts Art & Music Festival 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Enjoy live music along with an assemblage of food and art vendors with everything from oil paintings to handmade jewelry. A FREE event!

4 Lake Erie Nature & Science Center 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Enjoy a special selection of free star shows and animal encounters to engage the whole family. The Center offers free admission each day of the week!

5 Bay Village Fire Station Noon - 3 p.m.

Kids get to shoot an actual fire hose, sit in a fire engine, meet the firefighters and tour the fire station! Hot dogs and refreshments!

6 Village Project - Project Pedal 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Your choice of five bike routes, ice cream, music, face painting, and food. Register NOW at www.ourvillageproject.com.

7 Village Bicycle Cooperative 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Join us at the cooperative for guidance in bike mechanics, join in a crafty upcycling project, and learn how to BIKE MORE & drive less.

Join in at www.wbvobserver.com

SNIPPETS OF BAY VILLAGE HISTORY

The building of the Cahoon Log Cabin

by KAY LAUGHLIN

It was the year 1976. Our country was 200 years old, and Bay Village planned on participating in the celebration. Mayor Henry Reese formed a committee of citizens he named the Bicentennial Heritage Committee to help plan events for the city. I was a member. The goal was to meet the criteria set by the Washington, D.C. Bicentennial Administration and become a bicentennial city by planning year-round events for the village.

The committee came up with a list of suggestions to meet the federal criteria. Clubs, schools, churches and organizations met to pick a project that needed to be addressed. An area in Cahoon Memorial Park was mapped out to be designated as a historical site by the city. The boy scouts chose to build a replica of the Cahoon family's log cabin in the valley behind Rose Hill.

John Brandt, scout master, was in charge of the construction, teaching the boy scouts and girl scouts how to build a log cabin as they did in 1810. The following, in John's words (shortened a little), is his story.

There is a replica of the Cahoon log cabin sitting in the valley behind Rose Hill Museum. The cabin is located in the valley just east of the Cahoon homestead house, Rose Hill Museum.

This project got started in 1975 when the USA was getting ready to celebrate its 200th anniversary in 1976. Bay Village Mayor Henry Reese established a commission to plan for the "American Revolution Bicentennial" events. A meeting was held of all the civic organizations to give each a chance to choose from a suggested list of projects to work on.

The boy scouts chose to build the Cahoon Log Cabin in the "Heritage Valley" just east of Rose Hill. The cabin was to become part of the Rose Hill complex and be shown by the Bay Village Historical Society along with the museum.

Plans for an 1810 cabin were drawn

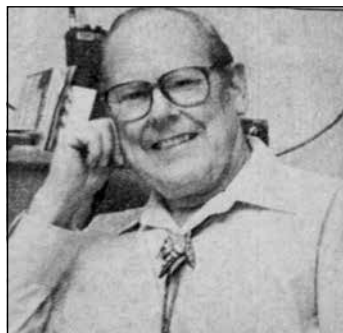
by Mr. James Sondles, architect, a Bay Village resident and father of several of the scouts in Troop 235. The commission approved the drawings and determined that the cabin should be located in the middle of the "lily pond" in the valley. The pond was put in by the WPA during the 1935-era depression, thus was not to be saved as part of an 1810 scene.

The plans called for a stone foundation about three feet high to get the basin up to grade. Under the cabin floor is a crawl space which should keep the cabin dry from ground water. Also, there is a drain in a trough completely around the cabin connected to a pipe through the dike to the creek.

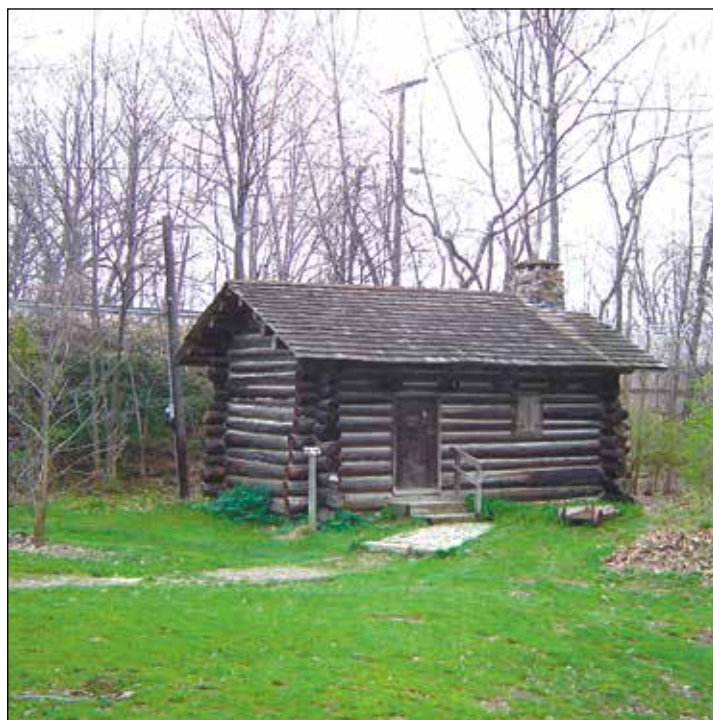
This cabin is of similar size as the Cahoon cabin. The contents of this cabin are similar to the 1810 period. No doubt the Cahoons had a loft in their cabin in order to accommodate the large family. The Bay Historical Society furnished this cabin with actual antiques.

Some 171 years later, this cabin was dedicated to the memory of the Cahoon family. It completed the project that the boy scouts took on as their bicentennial commitment. They do not camp here. They just built it and they built it with hand tools only.

This massive construction took much more time than originally anticipated – from 1975 to 1981. The actual work on the site was started in February 1976 and continued until September 1981. It took 220 boy scouts and 33 girl scouts working 3,000 hours, as well as 24 men working 900 hours at the site. Besides working on the cabin, some of the girl scouts made the beautiful quilt that is on the Foote family bed. In the six years, 180 Saturdays had



Scoutmaster John Brandt organized the 250 scouts and two dozen volunteers that built the log cabin using hand tools and 1810-era methods.



The Cahoon Log Cabin in the valley behind Rose Hill was built by scouts as part of the 1976 U.S. Bicentennial campaign.

someone on the site working. There are 312 Saturdays in six years; the ones missed were due to bad weather and the terrible snows of 1978-79. The lily pond filled up each year with water, and the city helped that problem by pushing out the dike to the south.

There are 62 tons of masonry in the foundation and huge chimney. The stone came from the lower tier of the retaining wall to the north and the remaining from the Cahoon Creek.

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co. furnished 74 power poles which were used for the "logs." They are 30 feet long, 12 inches in diameter and weigh 700-900 pounds each. They proved a challenge to chop and saw.

The cabin was built entirely using hand tools, typical of 1810. The scouts learned all about how to use the axe, two-man crosscut and one-man cross-cut saws, levers, inclines, rope, block

and tackle, team work, hard work, splinters and a rewarding feeling of accomplishment and pride. The scouts come back with their families to this day and point out the parts they helped to construct.

Nobody was injured except maybe a few splinters and band-aid nicks. The city service department furnished the cement, gravel, drain tubing, fasteners and encouragement. It was the kind of project you were glad you did but didn't want to do again. ●

There were over 200 people at the dedication on Oct. 10, 1981.

By the way, Bay Village was designated as a Bicentennial City by meeting all the criteria set in the application. The cabin is still open. This summer there will be boy scouts and girl scouts as greeters on some of the Sundays should you visit.


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THE DIGITAL WORLD

Minimize being victimized by malware

by TAK SATO

Recently I came across a Wired article titled “20 People Who Are Creating the Future.” In a piece on Parisa Tabriz, the head of security for Google’s Chrome browser, a line caught my eye: “[Tabriz] has spent four years focusing on a vulnerability so widespread, most engineers act as if it doesn’t exist: humanity.”

In other words, accepting the reality of human error and designing technology to help overcome it, rather than ignore it. Browsers such as Chrome, Firefox and Safari allow you to explore the internet (aka the cloud), but can also be a vehicle for scams and viruses to enter your devices.

The digital world is abuzz with cautionary tales about the proliferation of

“ransomware” which is a type of “malware.” Just like the etymology of the word malware comes from the concatenation of the words “malicious software,” ransomware also has malicious intent.

Simply put, ransomware takes your data, such as your documents and photos, hostage until the ransom is paid in untraceable digital currency (“bitcoins”) to the perpetrator of the ransomware.

Ransomware encrypts your data, and make it useless to you until it is decrypted with the key held by the nefarious entity. I often use the following analogy to explain the effects of encryption and decryption:

Let’s say you just finished putting together an one-of-a-kind Lego model. Overnight a thief enters your

home and decides to take the model apart – all 5,000 pieces – and puts them back in the box. However the one thing the thief does not put in the box is the 80-page instruction booklet. You wake up the next morning to discover the disassembled Lego model and the ransom note instructing you to deposit money into a Swiss bank account in exchange for the instruction booklet. That instruction booklet is the only chance you have to putting the model back together again.

The thief disassembling the model is akin to the ransomware encrypting your data, rendering it useless to you unless you pay up.

Back to that article where “humanity” is mentioned as a widespread vulnerability in technology. As

I always remind my readers, malware in most cases do not start victimizing you unless you first invite them onto your device (computer, tablet or smartphone). How does that happen? Being too click-happy (i.e. opening every email regardless of origination and clicking on every link in such email) or visiting questionable websites are examples of habits that increase vulnerability.

Practicing good digital-world habits, aka building internet street smarts, and having backups of your data stored away, are just as important as having security software, and updated software and operating systems on your devices. These increase your chance to recover from disasters and to minimize the chance of being victimized. ●

FAITH & SPIRITUALITY

Growing into diversity

by SHARON FEDOR

We’re all familiar with the term diversity, as well as its meaning. We “get” that it can apply to cultures, lifestyles, business, even ideas and constructs.

Even so, our lives may still be relatively homogeneous, through no fault of our own. We may still live in the same neighborhood or town in which we grew up. Perhaps the neighborhood hasn’t changed much; maybe the Millers still live next door and the same cashier works at the local gas station.

So how do we insert diversity into our very own lives? How do we embrace it, experience it and practice it? Local is great, home-grown is delish, and the Millers are nice, but let’s weave some diversity into the mix.

Unity Spiritual Center offers some ideas and events that will bring the flavor of diversity into your world. On Friday, June 9, adults and children are welcome to experience a revered saint from India, Amma Sri Karunamai, for individual blessings. The event starts at 11 a.m.; all are asked to arrive no later than 5 p.m. Amma describes herself as one whose intent it is to bring love and compassion into the world. She considers you one of her children.

On Saturday June 10, Amma will lead a meditation retreat at Unity. Tickets are \$77 for the half-day retreat; \$122 for the full-day retreat (includes lunch).

Would you like to have a more fulfilling relationship with your partner, friends or children? Come hear Master Steven Co teach about “Forgiving and Forgetting,” including energetic techniques for healing all kinds of relationships. Powerful exercises and meditations are included. Free healing sessions will be offered after the workshop. Master Co is at Unity on Thursday, June 8, starting at 7 p.m. Donations are welcome.

Then join us for two very special evenings with Tibetan monks, June 27 and 28, at 7:30 p.m. The Drepung Loseling Monks of The Mystical Arts of Tibet, will present the topic, “Arousing the Mind of Universal Kindness.” on June 27. The next evening begins with a potluck and meet-and-greet with the monks at 6 p.m., followed by a ceremonial prayer for wealth and prosperity at 7:30 p.m. A \$10-\$15 love offering is gratefully appreciated at each event.

The month closes with “Crown of Eternity,” a sound journey and ecstatic chants session, on Friday, June 30, 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 in advance.

Unity Spiritual Center is at 23855 Detroit Road. For more information or to register, call 440-835-0400 or visit unityspiritualcenter.com. ●

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Concealed carry bill poses risks

The Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017 (H.R.38) is a terrible idea. This bill would allow those with concealed carry permits from any state to legally carry a concealed handgun in any other state (including currently protected school zones).

To many, this may not seem like a radical idea, but scratch beneath the surface and you find that concealed carry requirements can vary immensely from state to state. For instance, Florida is a “mail-in” state that doesn’t even require residency. All you need to obtain a Florida concealed carry permit is to attend an NRA-sponsored class, get fingerprinted on site, mail in a form to the Florida Department of Agriculture (which doesn’t have a complete database from which to run background checks) and eight weeks later, you receive a concealed carry permit in the mail. It should come as no surprise that Florida has granted concealed carry permits to 1,400 convicted felons.

On the other hand, Ohio mandates residency or employment in the state, completion of a firearms safety course, live-fire training, NICS background check, no record of domestic violence, no record of severe mental illness, and no current restraining orders (other states have even more stringent requirements).

In effect, H.R. 38 could easily allow the most dangerous among us to legally carry concealed firearms throughout most of the country. At a moment in our history when mass shootings seem to occur on a monthly (sometimes weekly) basis and we have to teach our children how to throw their textbooks at school shooters (ALICE Training), this is the last bill Congress – especially our representative, Jim Renacci, who is a co-sponsor – should be considering.

– Patrick Frato, Westlake

WHS senior Sebastian Francesconi receives Jeffery Owen Marriott Memorial Scholarship

by ELISE ORR

Westlake High School senior Sebastian Francesconi was awarded the second annual “Jeffery Owen Marriott Memorial Scholarship” at the Senior Awards Banquet Night. Francesconi

was selected based on his strong academic success, leadership roles, community involvement and athletic success at Westlake – all attributes of Jeffery Marriott, for whom the scholarship honors.

Francesconi earned an impressive 10 varsity letters as a member of the Demons cross country, swimming, and track and field teams, after moving to Westlake his sophomore year. He also is a member of the National Honor Society and maintains a 4.2 GPA. He will attend Miami University (OH) in the fall where he will join the Redhawks Cross Country and Track team.

Francesconi was this year’s Southwestern Conference (SWC) cross country champion, becoming the first Demon to win the boys championship in nearly 15 years. Further, Francesconi was named twice to the first-team All-SWC team and



Sebastian Francesconi

took home MVP honors this year.

In swimming, Francesconi was a three-time letter winner and a two-time All SWC second-team selection while serving as a captain this past season.

In track and field, he is a three-time letter winner and received the team’s distance MVP award. He is currently in post-season competition, where he hopes to bring home OHSA district accolades for the Demons.

“Sebastian is obviously a talented athlete, but in addition to that, we felt he exemplified Jeff’s character, drive, passion and ambition,” said Jeff Hammond, a friend and board member of the Jeffery Owen Marriott Memorial Scholarship. “Jeff was a scholar athlete at WHS and co-captained his football and basketball teams in 1992,” explained Hammond. “Sebastian also captained his teams, and perhaps most importantly, supported his teammates and friends when faced with illness and hardship. Sebastian was a true leader on and off the field and we couldn’t have picked a finer young man to receive the scholarship.” ●

Herb Guild’s annual scholarship luncheon Aug. 2

The Herb Guild will hold its 33rd annual Scholarship Luncheon on Wednesday, Aug. 2, at LaCentre Conference and Banquet Facility, 25777 Detroit Road. This year, the theme is “Sweet as Can Bee.” The events include raffle baskets, a silent auction, a tasting table with herbal products for sale, and a craft boutique featuring garden gifts and baked goods. Credit cards will be accepted at the event.

Tickets are \$40 each. The cost of the ticket includes lunch and a fashion show. Three scholarships will be presented at the luncheon to area high school seniors. Proceeds from this annual event will be used for the club’s scholarship fund.

For more information call Kathleen McClement at 440-716-1204 or Anita Marshall at 440-333-4861. ●

COMMUNITY EVENTS Post your group’s free community events online at wbvobserver.com

Wednesday, June 7, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
SWEETARTS CAFE
Special Location A socialization and arts experience for those with memory loss/dementia and their care partners. It begins with lunch, either brown bag or ordered ahead of time from D'Italia Foods or Panera (fee), and is followed by an arts, music, storytelling or dance activity. No cost. Pre-register and/or order lunch at 440-414-0434, ext. 2.
Wolf Canopy, Huntington Reservation, 28728 Wolf Picnic Area Dr., Bay Village

Wednesday, June 7, 1-2:30 p.m.
FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH ASSISTANCE
Members of the Cuyahoga West Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society will offer free family history research assistance to the public. If you have data recorded to pedigree and/or family group sheets, please bring these forms with you.
Westlake Porter Public Library, 27333 Center Ridge Rd.

Thursday, June 8, noon
POT-A-PLANT POTLUCK
Bring a pot or hanging basket with dirt, along with a salad or dessert. After filling our stomachs, we'll provide the flowers and you provide the labor. Take home a creative, colorful planter for your outdoor space. Fun session, free and open to the public. For questions, call Nancy at 440-334-7539. Sponsored by Bay Village Women's Club.
Bay Village Police Station, Community Room, 28000 Wolf Rd.

Thursday, June 8, 4-5:30 p.m.
WELCOME TO MEDICARE
New and existing Medicare beneficiaries are invited to learn about Medicare Part A and Part B benefits, the prescription drug benefit (Part D), Medicare Advantage plans, and Medicare supplement insurance. This free event is presented by the Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIP). Call to reserve your spot as seating is limited. Light refreshments served. Contact Kathy Bultema at 440-250-2300, ext. 4402.
Devon Oaks Assisted Living, 2345 Crocker Rd., Westlake

Fridays, June 9 and 16, 2-4 p.m.
CREATIVE CONNECTIONS
An art session for individuals with memory loss and their care partners. Participate in visual art activities, music, storytelling, poetry and dance. Enjoy coffee/tea, snacks, and socialization. No cost. Please pre-register at 440-414-0434, ext. 2.
The Carolyn L. Farrell Foundation Studio, 26040 Detroit Rd., #3, Westlake

Saturday, June 10, 9 a.m.-noon
WESTLAKE SHREDDING DAY
A shredding truck will be available for quick and easy destruction and disposal of documents. The Shred-it staff will handle the documents for shredding while you watch. Each household may bring material equivalent to the capacity of two standard-size copy paper boxes (10"x18"x9"). For Westlake residents only.
Westlake City Hall parking lot, 27700 Hilliard Blvd.

Saturday, June 10, 10-11:30 a.m.
DADDY & ME: JUNE BUGS
For fathers and their children ages 0–7. Celebrate Father's Day the nature way with a special morning of fun for daddy and children. See the stars with Dad in our planetarium, meet some creepy crawlers, go on a bug hunt and make a special critter craft to take home. Fee: \$5/person (children 1 and under free); FREE to members. Advance registration required; visit lensc.org.
Lake Erie Nature & Science Center, 28728 Wolf Rd., Bay Village

Tuesdays, June 13 and 20, 3-5 p.m.
FORGET-ME-NOT CAFE
An arts enrichment and socialization cafe to engage individuals affected by memory loss/dementia and their care partner (spouse, child, caregiver). Each session will include either music, dance, poetry, song or TimeSlips storytelling. No cost. Pre-register by calling 440-414-0434, ext. 2.
The Carolyn L. Farrell Foundation Studio, 26040 Detroit Rd., #3, Westlake

Tuesday, June 13, 7 p.m.
BAY VILLAGE COMMUNITY MEETING
Liberty Development Company will explain the proposal for townhomes at the site of the former Shell gas station.
Bay Village City Hall, Council Chambers, 350 Dover Center Rd.

Tuesday, June 13, 7-8:30 p.m.
BAY VILLAGE VFW POST 9693 MEETING
VFW Post 9693 will hold our monthly meeting (2nd Tuesday of each month). Refreshments are provided after the meeting. Prospective members are welcome.
Bay Village Police Station, Community Room, 28000 Wolf Rd.

Tuesday, June 13, 7 p.m.
WEST SIDE DEMOCRATS MEETING
Victoria Jackson will discuss K-12 and higher education. If you'd like, bring a snack to share. Beverages provided. Call Jeanne at 440-892-3430.
Western Cuyahoga Lodge, 26145 Center Ridge Rd., Westlake

Wednesday, June 14, 10 a.m.
HERB GUILD GARDEN CLUB
The business meeting will start at 10 a.m. Following at 12:30 p.m., Cleveland Botanical Garden horticulturist Deyampert Giles will present a slide program on rose growing including how to purchase the best rose and how to keep your roses looking great. As always, guests are welcome to join.
Westlake Porter Public Library, 27333 Center Ridge Rd.

Wednesday, June 14, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
SWEETARTS CAFE
A socialization and arts experience for those with memory loss/dementia and their care partners. It begins with lunch, either brown bag or ordered ahead of time from D'Italia Foods or Panera (fee), and is followed by an arts, music, storytelling or dance activity. No cost. Pre-register and/or order lunch at 440-414-0434, ext. 2.
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Wednesday, June 14, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
SECURITY FOR YOUR HOME COMPUTER AND YOUR MOBILE DEVICES
Join Northeast Ohio Personal Computers to hear NEOPC member and former president Tom Jones discuss techniques to protect your WiFi at home and your devices on the go. Come for refreshments at 6:30; meeting at 7:00 p.m. For additional information, go to neopc.org.
Westlake Porter Public Library, 27333 Center Ridge Rd.

Thursday, June 15, 7-8:30 p.m.
WESTLAKE TOASTMASTERS
Learn to overcome your fears of speaking, develop better speaking and presentation skills, think quickly and clearly on your feet, build strong leadership and mentoring skills, and open doors in your personal and professional life. Contact: Mary Anne, 216-374-3205.
Unity Spiritual Center, 23855 Detroit Rd., Westlake

Friday, June 17, 1-2 p.m.
INVASIVE PLANTS
Judy Semroc, Conservation Specialist at The Cleveland Museum of Natural History, will discuss some of the top invasive plants in the area and why they are problematic. She'll give some helpful information on how to eradicate them and keep invasives in check as well as species to plant instead of invasives. Please register at westlakelibrary.org.
Westlake Porter Public Library, 27333 Center Ridge Rd.

Saturday, June 18, all day
DESTINATION BAY
See description and map on pages 16-17 for a schedule of events throughout the day.
Various locations in Bay Village

Saturday, June 18, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
FATHER'S DAY SWIM
Fathers swim free with paid admission of a child (ages 7-12).
Peterson Pool, Clague Road and Hilliard Blvd., Westlake

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