



What does this warning sign mean to my family and pets?

by NANCY BROWN

Have you really ever investigated what it says on those little flags that are put on residents' lawns after chemical applications? Or questioned the lingering smell or residue after bug spray inside your home? The consequences of traps and deadly bait?

How long should those flags be displayed? Just what does the real warning to "stay off" mean to people, pets and our environment? Were you crazed by the ants you found in the house and just started spraying or signed up for a service without digging deep into the potential chemical consequences?

Exposure to lawn chemicals can occur from the winds blowing it around. We even bring those chemicals in our homes because they are on our clothing. You do not have to have a pet to get fleas. You can bring them in on your tennis shoes!

Animals not only breathe in the chemicals, they can also absorb them through their pads and skin. Some dogs like to lick and eat grass. Unfortunately they can't read the warning sign. Nor can they comprehend the deadly consequences of herbicides and fertilizers.

To protect your pets, children and yourself, have a clear understanding of the toxicity of dry and wet or sprayed-on chemical applications.

► See **LAWN CHEMICALS** page 2

New Westlake pool opens with a splash

by TARA WENDELL

The city of Westlake proclaimed that it is ready for summer with the grand opening of its brand new pool complex on June 15. Hopefully Mother Nature was listening. With a light drizzle and temperatures in the 60s, it wasn't exactly swimming weather as Mayor Dennis Clough raced down the three-story slide and broke through the ceremonial ribbon before splashing into the pool.

Residents of Westlake have been eagerly awaiting the renovation of Peterson Pool, and the added activities of the surrounding Westlake Aquatic Center (WAC). Construction began last spring on the \$7.4 million project, which was approved by voters in 2018 with the passage of a 1/8% tax renewal levy.

The WAC features the 5,700 square foot Peterson Pool with lap lanes, a diving board and a 10-foot climbing wall; a plunge pool for the two renovated speed slides; a lazy river; a zero-depth-entry activity pool with low-slope slides

for younger children and multiple water effects; and an interactive splash pad that mimics the natural flow of water in creeks, flood plains and cascades. The five water features total more than 20,000 square feet.

The pool deck includes several permanent shade structures, grassy areas, a concession stand and a 4,600 square foot bath house. ●



PHOTOS BY DENNY WENDELL

Westlake Mayor Dennis Clough ascends the stairs of a water slide at the Westlake Aquatic Center & Peterson Pool. Instead of a traditional ribbon-cutting, the mayor took a ceremonial plunge down the slide to open the new facility on June 15. See an aerial view from the top on page 8.

Bay Alumni Foundation inducts 6 into Hall of Fame

by HUNTER LIPTRAP

The Bay High School Alumni Foundation is proud to announce the names of the Distinguished Alumni and Distinguished Educators who will be inducted into the Hall of Fame during Homecoming weekend Sept. 20-21.

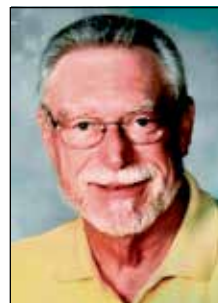
The Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Award was established in 1987 to honor those alumni who have realized great achievements and served their communities well in their years after graduating from the Bay Village public schools.

The Distinguished Educator Hall of Fame Award was established in 1991 to honor educators who were employed in the Bay district for a minimum of 10 years and have been recognized by the community, staff, students and/or parents as being a positive role model and whose extraordinary efforts made an impact on students and staff.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

Bill Egan, Class of 1964, was a resident of Bay Village for most of his life. Bill was a respected Bay police officer for nearly 20 years. He was the Safety Town officer, community relations officer, taught safety education programs in the Bay schools, and was the AAA Safety Specialist through a federal grant. Many remember Bill as an educational aide at Bay High School, where he also coached soccer and tennis.

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Bill Egan



Jim Hodge



Karen Kresge

WESTLAKE COMMUNITY POLICE ACADEMY

Learn what it takes to protect and serve

by RANDY DEMUESY

First, I allowed two of my partners to be stabbed in the back. Moments later, I accidentally shot one of them right in the head. It was NOT a good night for me.

Fortunately, it turned out just fine for them. We were just three of the 22 "students" taking part in the 2019 Westlake Community Police Academy.

I'll come back to the building search exercise in a moment, as it was merely one of over two dozen topics and activities we dove into during our weekly 3-hour sessions.

Over the course of 12 weeks, various experts in various areas of police work instructed us. Each week offered a deeper peek into the vast

abilities of our formidable Westlake law enforcement: narcotics investigation, hostage negotiation, crime scene processing, patrol techniques, radar operation, crowd control, human trafficking investigation, jail operations, detective procedures, court systems and more.

Did you know our Westlake Police Department is a leader in digital forensics? Even the federal government turns to us for help overcoming security blocks in devices to gain valuable evidence.

Thankfully, the bomb squad isn't called into action much – but with a full complement of robots, blast suits and mobile X-ray machines, they are more than ready.

► See **POLICE** page 2

July 4th Bay Days run returns to Bay High track

by RICH OLDRIEVE

Once again, the annual Bay Days Kids Run and 5-Mile Open on July 4 will start in front of Bay High School, but this year the finish lines are back on Bay High School's track. Last year, work on the stadium's field forced the race to finish on the west driveway, which led to a slightly longer trek north on Bradley. This year, as runners wind through western Bay's tree-lined streets, they will turn right off of Bradley onto Winston.

The track finish is exciting for runners and spectators, while the fenced-in stadium can help parents keep track of their children. The Kids Run is free for children age 14 and under, but registration is required. The 5-Mile Open fee is \$35 through July 3; \$40 on the day of the event. After the run, participants young and old can enjoy Dixieland Jazz played by the Bay Community Band, and gobble

up Popsicles, water-melons and chicken sandwiches delivered by a red, white and possibly blue cow. Other amenities include ice cream certificates for the top 3 in each age group, meal certificates for all participants, plus professional massages and medical treatment.

It's also important to note that with all the road detours in Bay, there is no construction being done on the roads used on either the Kids Run or the 5-Mile Open. Nonetheless, families and participants in the 10 a.m. baseball games who are coming from the south or east of Bay High School are encouraged to find their way to Porter Creek Drive to wind their way to street parking located to the north and east of Bay High. This is because Bas-



Runners in the 2018 Bay Days Kids Run.

sett and Bradley will be closed off during the race. You should be able to find parking on Rye Gate, Florence or Ruth. If baseball tournament participants don't use street parking, they might find Bay High's parking lot full.

Finally, the Cleveland West Road Runner's Club is pleased to announce that over the past

two years, the club has donated over \$30,000 in cash and in-kind contributions to local charities – including the Carolyn Farrell Foundation which helps loved ones caring for individuals with memory loss maintain positive communication through the process of the shared creation of visual and musical art.

Online registration is available at CleWestRunningClub.org. Sign-up & packet pickup is at Second Sole Lakewood: Sunday, June 30, 1-4 p.m.; Tuesday, July 2, 4-8 p.m.; and Wednesday, July 3, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Race-day registration and packet pick-up starts at 7:15 a.m. in Bay High's gym hallway. ●

Don't miss out on the 2019 Westlake in Bloom competition



Diane Morris took first place the "Residential Landscaping, Large, Rear Yard" category in the 2016 Westlake in Bloom friendly competition.

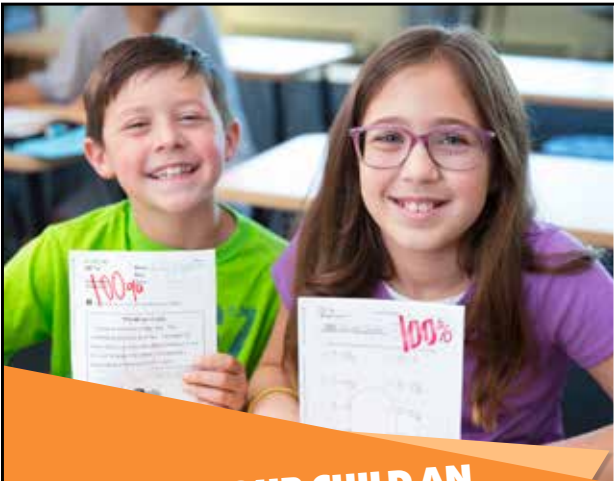
by JIM BEDELL

Attention Westlake gardeners, there is still time to enter the 2019 Westlake in Bloom competition! The deadline for entering is Friday, June 28, at 5 p.m.

Entry forms are available at Cahoon Nursery, Dean's Greenhouse, Gale's Westlake Garden Center, Porter Library, and at Westlake City Hall, Recreation Center, and Community Services Department. You can also download an entry form at www.cityofwestlake.org/588/Westlake-in-Bloom.

Properties will be judged on July 8, 9 and 10 and awards will be presented at a ceremony on Thursday, Aug. 8, at 6:30 p.m. at La Centre Banquet and Conference Center.

Pick up an entry form today and make sure to get it to City Hall by the deadline date. ●



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American Legion celebrates Flag Day



PHOTO BY JIM POTTER

The Bay Village American Legion Post #385 honored 98-year-old World War II veteran George Maloof by including him in their June 14 flag retirement ceremony. Legionnaire George spent five years as a member of the 22nd Bomber Group, a part of the Army Air Corps seeing action the Pacific Theater. The Legion officially retired 200 full-size flags and 1,000 cemetery flags on Flag Day. The Legion retires flags on both Flag Day and Veterans Day.

Kick off summer at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center

by MORGAN PASKERT

The summer solstice on Friday, June 21, marks the start of summer and the longest day of the year.

In the Northern Hemisphere, the summer solstice occurs when the sun reaches its highest and northernmost points in the sky. The word “solstice” comes from Latin *solstitium* – from *sol* (sun) and *stitium* (standing), reflecting the fact that on the solstice, the sun appears to stop moving in the sky as it reaches its northernmost point.

Celebrate the solstice by joining Lake Erie Nature & Science Center for its first Telescope Night of the season on Saturday, June 22, at 8:30 p.m.

“The sun will be above the horizon for over 15 hours and will not set until after 9 p.m., making it a great weekend to venture outside for evening stargazing,” says planetary specialist and NASA Solar System Ambassador Bill Reed. “The waning moon will not rise until almost midnight, resulting in dark skies and ideal conditions for evening observing.”

Telescope Night participants will not only learn about the solstice, but will also discover the visible constellations and planets in the night sky. Jupiter, the largest planet in the solar system, will be above the horizon as the sun sets and should be high enough for easy observing by 10 p.m. For those willing to stay out for a while, Saturn and its bright rings will be visible after 11 p.m.

Telescope Night is recommended for adults and children ages 6 and up. Tickets cost \$8 per person and can be purchased at www.lensc.org or by calling 440-871-2900. ●

THE DIGITAL WORLD

A 2019 review of internet street smarts

Part one in a series on staying safe in the digital world.

by TAK SATO

A new piece of legislation, a “do not call” list, an app ... these and more are often promoted as silver bullets to protect our privacy. But acknowledging the sheer frequency of debilitating data breach news pushed to my smartphone, I think the efficacy of these solutions are yet to be proven.

We, the real-world denizens, put up many a wall next to the digital world – aka internet or the cloud – to prevent the nefarious from coming through. At the same time, we utilize our 21st-century life skills of “digital literacy” to perform many everyday activities in the digital world.

What the digital world offers outweighs the potential risks emanating from nefarious actors exploiting those same benefits but for their ill gains. So rather than becoming complacent and numb to these frequent data breaches that threaten our right to privacy, we need to take ownership of what we “can” control.

For example when data breaches are reported, use your

digital literacy skills to navigate to the victimized entity’s website where you should be able to find advisories of actions you can take – such as credit monitoring. It may also list important numbers to call, although I prefer email or even chat (if offered) right on their website because it leaves a written trail.

For companies that have been victims of a data breach, relying on propagating the latest information using digital-world tools such as their website can be a catch-22 proposition when certain demographics of our population are concerned. Yet it is a sure-fire way to reach audiences quickly, repeatedly and with updated information. It has become a societal norm that is augmenting, or even replacing, hardcopy letter mailings, making digital literacy that much more valuable.

A credit freeze, also known as a security freeze, restricts access to your credit report to prevent identity theft and is another tool in your arsenal. You may even want to consider evoking it before any more news of data breaches are reported. Ill-gained bounties from these data breaches are systemic and

nefarious actors can aggregate your personally identifiable information tidbits from multiple breaches to compose a more complete profile of victims for exploitation.

Although robocalls can be perceived more as annoyances than risk, there have been documented cases where people end up being victimized. What to do?

You already possess an effective tool, a learning machine that is far more capable than any silver bullet that scientists have been studying for decades to mimic this “tool” every single one of us possess: our brain and the way it can learn good habits.

In the case of robocalls, for example, not answering calls from unsolicited or unrecognized numbers is a good habit you can nurture. After all, if you learned to toss junk mail without even opening the envelopes, you surely can build tolerance to ignore unsolicited and unknown calls, emails, etc.

When matters of the digital world are concerned, think twice before doing something out of “convenience.” I’ll explain more about what I mean by this in part two of this series. Stay tuned. ●

SPORTING VIEWS

The positive aspect of negativity

by JEFF BING

To the Cleveland Indians, Cleveland Browns and Cleveland Cavaliers, it is time for me to issue a long overdue message: “Thanks, guys. I never could have made it this far without you.”

Not that I’ve actually “made” it all that far, to be honest. Then again, I do have a terrific wife, 3 great kids and 7 fantastic grandchildren. Oh, and I’m still vertical, which counts for something, no? And to what do I attribute all of this to? In truth (and don’t tell any of them – especially my wife – that I said this) I’m (to paraphrase Lou Gehrig) the “luckiest man on earth.”

What, you ask, have Cleveland sports done to warrant this outpouring of emotion? Let’s look a little further ...

It’s pretty simple. For a good part of my life – from the early 1960s into the mid-1990s, the Indians were horrible, and I could always look at negative events in my own life and think, “Yeah, right now my circumstances stink, but at least I’m not the Tribe.”

And from 1999 through 2017, I had the Browns. Their record-setting two decades of futility is recent enough that I don’t

even need to go there, do I? My reader(s) know all too well about the Browns and their “successes” of the last 20 years.

And finally, to round out the comic relief, I had the Cavs to fill in the gaps with their own brand of ineptitude when I needed a beacon of hope (a.k.a. “bad basketball”) to make me feel oh so good about my own bumps in the road.

So, yeah, taking that a step further, Cleveland sports have become the equivalent of a poor man’s “therapy” for guys like me. And this kind of therapy costs a lot less than a shrink, baby! Who’s laughing now?

Ergo, the question becomes, “Since you’re living the good life as a direct result of the pathetic performance of Cleveland sports teams, what happens if they all get good at the same time?”

Slow down there, pardner. Let’s back up the padded psycho truck and think about that just a *momento*.

First, we have Jimmy Haslam running the Browns. Quite possibly the worst owner in all of sports, he finally did the even-a-blind-squirrel-finds-an-acorn thing and hired John Dorsey. Unfortunately, Haslam has an Art Modell-esque ego and will

become outraged when Dorsey is credited with the Browns success. Haslam will find a reason to fire Dorsey, and it won’t be long before the Browns once again become “Hue Jackson material.” Bank on it. (Sorry).

Next, we have Dan Gilbert. This guy made a fortune in mortgages, not running NBA teams. Dan’s problem is that he apparently doesn’t recognize the difference between the two. Frankly, I have a better chance of becoming President of the US of A (if it happens, address me as “Mr. President,” please) than Dan has a chance of getting to be an *intelligent* NBA owner. Trust me.

And the Dolans. Ah, yes, the Dolans. The guys who insist on running a major league franchise on a K-Mart budget. Some like to say that the Dolans “at least are better than Jimmy Haslam or Dan Gilbert,” which drives me nuts, because it’s like saying Curly was the smartest of the Three Stooges. Paul Dolan – the same guy who questions fan loyalty while saying he’s “disappointed” in attendance, but at the same time saying they “must” cut payroll to remain fiscally sound. So, Paul, you want the fans to “buy in” when you, yourself won’t?

What, me worry? ●

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Fun all day at 2019 Destination Bay

Photos by Denny Wendell



Riders head out on a 15-mile bike tour through Bay Village during one of the Village Project's Project Pedal events.

Five Bay Village organizations teamed up to provide a unique experience under the umbrella of "Destination Bay" on June 15. The annual event of family friendly events featured biking, art, music, collectibles, history tours, nature exhibits and a chance to win prizes. Participating organizations included the Village Project, the Bay Village Historical Society, BAYarts, Lake Erie Nature & Science Center, Village Bicycle Cooperative and Walgreens. ●



The Bay Village Historical Society held its 50th annual "Cahoon in June" event of fine crafts, collectibles, antiques and tours of historical buildings in Cahoon Memorial Park. Pictured from left are Society members Cynthia Eakin, Cathy Flament, Tom Phillips and Eric Eakin.



Amber Littleton and her son, Truett, watch as Eric Evanoff tunes up Truett's Bicycle at the Village Bicycle Cooperative.



Light rain and cool temperatures didn't stop visitors from browsing at the BAYarts Art & Music Festival in the Metroparks' Huntington Reservation.



A couple has fun creating their own classic portrait painting inside the BAYarts playhouse.



A young visitor studies the tide pool at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center.



Kris Davis of the Bay Village Walgreens hands out a "passport" at Destination Bay. Stopping by each event qualified visitors for a chance to win prizes.

'Homeless Jesus' sculpture on view at St. Paul Westlake now through July

by RICK HAASE

St. Paul Westlake is hosting a thought-provoking sculpture of "Homeless Jesus" through the month of July. The sculpture is owned by the Community West Foundation and was installed on our grounds June 3. St. Paul Westlake Pastor Emeritus, Rev. Dr. David Buegler, sits on the Community West Foundation Board. Each two months, a different west side church displays the sculpture for the community.

Canadian artist Timothy Schmalz created this depiction in 2013 to remind viewers that when Christ came down incarnate in His humanity He was essentially "homeless." He even said, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of man has nowhere to lay his head." (Luke 9).

If you visit St. Paul Westlake, 27993 Detroit Road, you will see the nail marks. If you are strong enough, there is a place on the park bench for you to sit with Jesus.

The Community West Foundation is sharing the piece of art with west side churches so that they might be inspired to offer the love of Jesus to the "least of these," as Jesus urged.

The sculpture is at St. Paul Westlake in support of Mary's Hunger Ministry, the Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries (which operate Northeast Ohio's largest homeless shelter), and Building Hope in the City, as well as the annual St. Paul Westlake underwear drive and "Socks Plus" program.

St. Paul Westlake is living out the witness that the "Homeless Jesus" calls us to do. ●



The Rev. Dr. David Buegler, pastor emeritus of St. Paul Westlake, shows off the Homeless Jesus sculpture.

Fresh air, exercise, lake views

by GEORGE RYAN

A Tai Chi practice group meets at Huntington Beach in Bay Village, just west of the water tower and ice cream shop, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. Pat Heinke leads the group first in an opening exercise, a break, then the Wu style Tai Chi often called Qigong, the short form (24 steps); another break and then some people stay for the long form (108 steps).

Many of the participants have taken some formal classes before, but experience is not necessary to participate in the Huntington Beach sessions.

While these exercises stemmed from martial arts, they are widely acclaimed as an exercise to help balance and overall health. They coordinate the mind and the body in synchronized movements that move energy through your body. The informal group always welcomes new people of all ages to participate in these free exercises. ●



Tai Chi helps balance and overall health for all ages.

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Westlake Mayor Dennis Clague (bottom, left) announces the opening of the newly constructed Westlake Aquatic Center & Peterson Pool in Clague Park. This is a view from atop the water slide tower.

Bay Village Scout earns Eagle rank



PHOTO BY RANDY RISCH

Darren Vesely, Bay Village Troop 41, earned the Eagle Scout rank on June 10. Darren becomes the Troop's 161st Eagle Scout since 1964. For his Eagle service project, Darren's team collected donations and sent care packages to service members through Operation Buckeye. Visit troop41.wordpress.com for more information about Boy Scout Troop 41. ●

Mayor Clough honors Devon Oaks residents

by LINDA HART

Devon Oaks Assisted Living in Westlake recognized 21 residents during a 90 & Over birthday luncheon on May 14. Westlake Mayor Dennis Clough attended the celebration and presented a personalized proclamation to each honoree, followed by a handshake and photo op. Mayor Clough thanked the honorees for their gifts of wisdom and experience, their valuable contributions to the community, and acknowledged their remarkable ability to successfully adapt to significant events and changes during their lifetimes. ●



Westlake Mayor Dennis Clough presents a personalized proclamation to Yolanda Joniak during Devon Oaks' 90 & Over Celebration.

BAY ALUMNI

from front page

Jim Hodge, Class of 1970, is proud and grateful that he grew up in Bay Village and for the superb education he received in Bay schools. He was president of his class as a sophomore, junior and senior. He was a seven-letter athlete where his leadership skills became evident. He is a nationally recognized expert in philanthropy and has given hundreds of keynote addresses, seminars, and workshops as well as a TEDx talk titled, "Shift Happens."

Karen Kresge, Class of 1966, grew up in Bay Village, was a cheerleader and homecoming queen, and also a talented figure skater. She had a successful skating career as a solo performer; she has directed, produced and choreographed ice shows and is a well-respected judge and authority in her sport. Norm Mulder, Class of 1967, was not a great student during his years in the Bay schools, but he was always an advocate for the underdog. While in the Army, he spent time in Vietnam. After coming home he launched and eventually sold Mulder Moving,

and went to work for a financial planning firm. In 2014, Norm started TOPUCU, the acronym of his creed "The Only Person You Cheat Is You," whose mission is to provide a transformational structure targeted toward schools, at-risk teens and incarcerated individuals. **DISTINGUISHED EDUCATOR** Doug Borchert, Bay Middle School social studies teacher, was the kind of teacher that students remember for their entire lives. He taught more than social studies, he taught his students to strive for



Norm Mulder



Doug Borchert



Judi Coolidge

excellence and to lead by example. He coached BMS football for 15 years, freshman baseball for 13 years. Judi Coolidge, Bay High School English teacher and yearbook advisor for 30 years, dedicated her life to helping stu-

dents be their best. As a teacher, her students were encouraged to find their unique talents. Her work as a yearbook advisor has earned her hundreds of state, regional and national awards. She is still leading yearbook workshops around the country to share her expertise. ●



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Saturday, July 6 • DAN ZOLA ORCHESTRA

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Westlake Porter Public Library Upcoming Events

by ELAINE WILLIS

Wednesdays, June 19 and 26 (10:15 & 11 a.m.) LET’S SING AND DANCE!

– Sing and move to the music with Miss Nancy! For children ages 2-6 with a caregiver. Please arrive early to receive a ticket.

Wednesdays, June 19 and 26 (4-5:30 p.m.) and Thursdays, June 20 and 27 (6:30-8 p.m.) BOW WOW BOOKS

– Stop by Youth Services to sign up for a 10-minute reading time with a reading therapy dog. Registration begins Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 19 (6:30-8:45 p.m.) CUYAHOGA WEST GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

– Tom Neel, director of the Ohio Genealogical Society Library in Bellville, Ohio, will present "Until Death Do Us Part: An Examination of Marriage and Divorce Records of the 1800s."

Wednesday, June 19 (7-8 p.m.) TEEN TASTE TEST: ICE CREAM EDITION!

– Sample a variety of delicious ice creams in this blind taste test! We'll determine fan favorites, and rate each on look, taste and texture. May not be suitable for individuals with allergies. Grades 7-12. Registration begins June 12.

Thursday, June 20 (10-11 a.m.) STAYING SAFE ONLINE

– Learn some simple best-practices to avoid scam emails, use strong passwords, and keep your computer safe. Please register.

Thursday, June 20 (noon-1:30 p.m.) SMALL BUSINESS LUNCH & LEARN: INTEGRATING EMAIL MARKETING WITH SOCIAL MEDIA

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Thursdays, June 20 and 27 (2-3:30 p.m.) TEEN CRAFTS

– Bring out your creativity every Thursday throughout the summer! Drop-in for a new craft each week. While supplies last.

Thursday, June 20 (4-5 p.m.) CODE CLUB!

– Learn how to build an app, design a video game, and change the world through code! Grades 3-4. Registration begins one week before each session.

Friday, June 21 (9:30-10 a.m.) MY FIRST SUMMER

– Celebrate your baby's first summer with a fingerprint flower-pot craft. For babies age 0-18 months with a caregiver. Please register.

Fridays, June 21 and 28 (2-4 p.m.) MOVIES @ YOUR LIBRARY

– Enjoy a feature-length newly released DVD or favorite family classic! Contact the Youth Services Department for specific titles.

Friday, June 21 (4-4:45 p.m.) FUN SCIENCE FRIDAY: THE SUN AND THE SEASONS

– Hopefully the sun will be shining as learn about our closest star and what makes the seasons change. Ages 4-6. Please register.

Saturday, June 22 (10:30 -11:30 a.m.) POKEMON FUN!

– A fun morning of Pokemon themed play, prizes and crafts! Ages 6-11.

Saturday, June 22 (2-2:45 p.m.) PORTER PLAYTIME MARCHING BAND

– Join our Porter Playtime Marching Band! No experience necessary. All instruments provided. Ages 4-6. Please register.

Sunday, June 23 (3-4 p.m.) ART SMARTS: PAUL KLEE

– Explore works of a well-known artist and then use what you've seen to create an art piece of your own! Grades 3-6. Please register.

Monday, June 24 (2-3 p.m.) CODING FOR KIDS

– Learn computer programming by designing video games that can be shared and played with friends! Grades 3-6. Please register.

Monday, June 24 (3-4 p.m.) ROBOTICS FOR KIDS

– Pair up to create, program and animate robots using LEGO bricks then experiment with other kids in friendly competitions. Grades 3-6. Please register.

Monday, June 24 (3-4 p.m.) BREAK-OUT: TOTALLY RADICAL '80S

– Similar to an escape room, this breakout challenge is going to test your ability

to work together to solve all the clues that'll keep you and your group from getting stuck in the '80s! Can you break out? Grades 7-12. Please register.

Tuesday, June 25 (1:30-3 p.m.) MEDICARE: OSHIIP

– Attend a presentation from the Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIIP) to learn the "ins and outs" of Medicare. OSHIIP is a free service through the Ohio Department of Insurance and provides objective information to people of any age on Medicare. OSHIIP does not sell insurance. Please register.

Tuesday, June 25 (6:30-8:30 p.m.) HERBAL MEDICINE

– This class will cover what herbs to take for specific health concerns. Learn about essential oils and how to make your specific blends. Acquire skills on making herbal medicines, salves and tinctures from your own garden. Please register.

Tuesday, June 25 (7-7:30 p.m.) BED-TIME STORIES: UNDER THE STARS

– Put on your pajamas and join Mrs. K as we unwind at the end of the day. Relax with quiet stories, songs, finger-plays and other activities to help us get ready for bedtime. Ages 4-6. Siblings welcome.

Wednesday, June 26 (2 p.m.) WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

– The June selection is "In Pieces" by Sally Field.

Thursday, June 27 (7-8:30 p.m.) CALLING CRAFTERS: SUMMER FLOW-

ERS – If you are an adult crafter, or like making crafts, this class is for you. During this session you will learn about the free crafting resources available through the library. Our instructor will take you through step-by-step directions. All materials provided. You will make a paper flower bouquet to take home. Registration required, must be 18+.

Friday, June 28 (10 a.m.-noon) FIBER FANATICS

– A time for needle-crafters to share, solve problems, and show off.

Saturday, June 29 (10:30-11 a.m.) MOTHER GOOSE ON THE LOOSE!

– An interactive storytime featuring simple books, rhymes, songs and movement. For ages birth-3 years old with a caregiver.

Saturday, June 29 (3:30-5 p.m.) STEAMMAKER LAB

– Learn about the properties of flight and create flying machines to take home. Grades 3-5. Registration begins June 22.

Sunday, June 30 (2-3 p.m.) AMERICAN GIRL CLUB

– We will enjoy a light picnic with our dolls before engaging in outdoor picnic games and activities on the side lawn. Ages 6-11. Registration begins June 23.

Sunday, June 30 (2-4 p.m.) CHESS CLUB

– Hone your chess skills or learn how to play the game. Recommended for ages 6+, but all ages are welcome. If you have a chess set, please bring it with you.

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

2 June fundraisers support Porter Library

Avid readers and library supporters have two ways this month to enjoy books and movies and support the library: a month-long sale at the Book Nook Used Book Sale room and a fundraiser with Fresh Thyme Farmer's Market.

From now through June 29 everything at the Friends of Porter Public Library's Book Nook is half-price. This includes books, DVDs, music CDs and more. The Book Nook's hours are Mondays from 3-7 p.m., Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In addition, the Friends of Porter

Public Library are this month's recipient of Fresh Thyme Farmer's Market's "Giving Bag" program. For each Fresh Thyme shopping bag purchased during June, \$1 will be donated to the Friends.

Proceeds from the Book Nook, the Fresh Thyme fundraiser and all Friends of Porter Public Library's fundraising efforts are donated to the library and fund the annual Summer Reading Program and other programming, outreach vans, special collections, and much more.

The Book Nook is located in the library's lobby. Fresh Thyme Farmer's Market is located at 30100 Detroit Road in Westlake. ●

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SNIPPETS OF BAY VILLAGE

Just For Fun: Three old-timers reminisce

by KAY LAUGHLIN

Let's take a look back at "happenings" in Bay Village during the early 1900s with some fun stories and facts told by Clifton Aldrich, Ernie Wuebker and George Drake.

George Drake

The first Christmas I remember was in the old Aldrich parlor (George lived with his grandparents, Mary Anne Stevens and Henry Aldrich, at 30663 Lake Road), where we had a tree that used real candles that clipped on the branches. I got a tricycle. One trip I made on my new bike was to a birthday party at the "grove" (Eagle Cliff Woods – the Stone family church campground on the north side of Lake Road still recognizable today). I rode past the water pump that was located at Bradley and Lake roads. A big stone trough stood there for the horses to drink from.

Our father, Lincoln Drake, was building a house on Bradley Road. There were no other houses between Lake Road and Ashton Lane (Link Road) on the east side of Bradley Road until my dad built his at 351 Bradley Road. (Grandpa Aldrich planted a row of trees along the east side of the road up to where Walker Road meets. Many are still standing.)

There was a split rail fence along the south side of Lake Road from Grandma and Grandpa Aldrich's house on the corner of Bradley Road east to Saddler Road. The fence kept the cows in the pasture.

There was a grocery store and post office (called Eagle Cliff Post Office) just north of the Lake Shore Electric tracks on Bradley Road. It was nice because you could see clear down the tracks into Avon Lake. (Today this is the entrance off Bradley Road into Huntington Woods.)

Ernie Wuebker

Perry Powell told me of his father, Tom, saying there was an Indian encampment here previous to the time that he bought the farm in the early 1800s. (The farm was at 576 Bradley Road. Ernie was related to the Powells and lived on part of this farm.) While I was plowing I turned up about four quarts of small arrowheads and about four quarts or more of the tomahawk and skinning-type stones.

A couple of men on Bradley Road bought the first automobiles around here. One of these men, after he acquired the art of driving, was still not too safe a driver. In going to church a few weeks later, he got up to Detroit Road and bumped into a motorcycle. The cyclist was knocked off but the machine was not damaged. The cyclist got back on the motorcycle this time behind the auto, and the man got back in his car. Before the motorcyclist could get out of the way, the man started the auto – he had it in reverse – and ran over the motorcycle.

We fished for years out in the lake and had every reason to expect a good catch of blue pike. I remember one occasion of going out and in an hour's time, with my partner, of catching fifty-two blue pike ranging from fifteen to eighteen inches in length, without any other kind of fish giving us a bite. The commercial fishermen set gill nets out.

The population was rather scarce here when I was fifteen years old. I recall only ten houses on Lake Road from Dover Center Road to the banks of the Rocky River.

Clifton Aldrich

(Clifton grew up at 366 Bassett Road. He built his own home on Osborn Road. Both are still standing.)

Calvin Osborn was an habitual trader. If he had more than one horse, he hung a "Horse for Sale" sign on Lake

Road. One day the Methodist preacher from Dover came by and, in need of another horse, stopped to see Cal and his stock. "Yes, I have one horse for sale now. He has a rough coat and he don't look good, but he's a good horse anyway," Cal told him. (After bargaining a good price, the preacher gave Cal \$25. The deal was made and the old nag was tied behind the buggy. On Dover Center Road the preacher stopped at the blacksmith shop to have the horse's shoes inspected. "Well, parson," said the smithy, "so you brought Cal's old blind nag, did you?" "Blind?" yelled the parson. "Sure enough, he said that he didn't look good."

On the southeast side of Tuttle Creek was a little old schoolhouse where my sister Edith taught. (It is part of Bay Presbyterian Church today.) Right next to that was Ezra Tuttle's place. He married Victoria Clague – Clague Road is named after her family. Down a little further was the Dover Bay Wine Company. (This land became the streets from Forestview to Clague Road.) When you go a little farther you come to where Joe Gardner's place was – he was the fellow who promoted Mulberry Park where he had planted



George Drake



Ernie Wuebker

mulberry trees. (Mulberry Park was at Clague Road across from Reese Park today.) They had picnic tables, concessions and a merry-go-round.

During the early period in Bay Village there was political favoritism. There really was! In front of the councilmen's houses they had slag roads and the Cahoons had a slag road up to the crossing over to Dover to their store. Wherever there was a councilman, he had slag in front of his house so the road wouldn't be so dusty."

These are just a few of the stories that can be found in our book, "Bay Village: A Way Of Life." I have edited a little to make the stories fit but they are still in the writers' words. If you want to read more, buy one of the good books written on Bay Village history. ●



William Aldrich II family, Clifton standing on the right, front row.



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Bay Men's Club awards scholarships

by ERIC EAKIN

The Bay Men's Club has awarded four \$1,000 scholarships to four very deserving Bay High students: Meira Simolin, Courtney Brewer, Grace Frey and Sophie Dasko.

Scholarships are awarded based on need, character, scholastic achievement and leader-

ship qualities. The four students and their families were honored recently at the club's annual golf outing and pig roast at the Bay Lodge.

Simolin plans on studying biochemistry at Penn State University. Brewer plans to concentrate on psychology at DePaul University. Dasko plans on studying history and pre-law at John Carroll University. Frey

plans to study pre-occupational therapy at The Ohio State University.

"The accomplishments of these four recipients, both academically and in other fields, was most impressive," said Peter Gierosky, scholarship committee chairperson. "The Bay Men's Club is happy to provide this seed money for our leaders of tomorrow." ●



PHOTO BY ERIC EAKIN

Pictured, from left, are Bay Men's Club president Iggy Gannon, Meira Simolin, Courtney Brewer, Grace Frey, Sophie Dasko, and Scholarship Committee chairperson Peter Gierosky.

Westlake Meals on Wheels announces new executive director

by BROOKE O'DONNELL

The board of directors of Westlake Meals on Wheels (WMOW) is excited to announce Marie Patten Blatter as the new executive director. As a longtime volunteer, Ms. Patten Blatter continues the tradition of making a positive impact in the community.

"Marie has more energy than the Energizer Bunny and shares our passion for serving our clients," said George Scherma, chairman of the WMOW board of directors.

Ms. Patten Blatter brings organizational skills, creativity and a willingness to collaborate with the entire Meals on Wheels team. Ms. Patten Blatter's experience includes management of all aspects of major retail operations, including distribution, human resources and cost-effectiveness. In addition, she retired in 2015 after 17 years with the Cleveland Indians organization.

"I am proud to be associated with a team of caring,

dedicated volunteers that are committed to serving our neighbors within our community."

Westlake Meals on Wheels is an independent, nonprofit charitable corporation which receives no government funding and is entirely community-supported. Our mission is to assist our neighbors in maintaining their independence within the comfort of their own home by delivering nourishing meals and socialization. Our freshly prepared, well-balanced meals are available to those recovering from an illness or surgery, the elderly, or the disabled. Both hot and cold meals are delivered Monday through Friday. Our visits also provide peace of mind to family members, knowing someone checked in on their loved one. Westlake Meals on Wheels serves Westlake North Olmsted, Olmsted Falls and Olmsted Township.

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In the Game

by NAOKI SATO, age 12

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There are no limits and the court
Is my dream world.

Dribbling down the court,
I feel as if I'm in heaven.
I shoot the ball, then watch it
Spiral toward the hoop
And fall through the net.

The only noise I hear is the swish
As I see the net
Hanging on the rim.
Whenever I step onto the court,
The rest is history.

BAY VILLAGE COMMUNITY THEATER

Dating 101

by MARGARET HNAT

Learn and laugh about the ins and outs of the modern dating scene when Bay Village Community Theater presents three short one-act plays as part of its "All the World's a Stage[d Reading]" series.

Where's the best place to meet a potential date? At a bar? At a photocopy machine? Are friends a good source of advice? Would you shake hands or kiss on a first date? Actors Patrick Meehan, Ben Saylor and Barbara Wysocki will explore these questions and more in Australian playwright Alex Broun's "Jammed," "Turn the Other Cheek" and "Spading."

Broun is an award-winning playwright whose plays have been performed around the world. His most famous one-act play, "10,000 Cigarettes," has had over 2,000 stagings and was performed by Bay Village Community Theater in 2017.

The free performances are Saturday, June 22, 2 p.m., at O'Neill Healthcare, 605 Bradley Road; and Sunday, June 23, 6 p.m., at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 468 Bradley Road. ●

Healing room to open at Advent Church in Westlake

The West Shore Healing Room will open on July 9 at Advent Episcopal Church, 3760 Dover Center Road in Westlake. The healing room, which is certified by the International Association of Healing Rooms in Spokane, Wash., offers personal prayer for physical and emotional healing and addictions.

The room will be open on the second Tuesday of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. No appointment is necessary and there is no charge. Appointments for prayer at other times can be made by calling 216-407-3220 or emailing to westshorehealing@gmail.com.

The International Association of Healing Rooms coordinates 2,946 healing rooms in 68 countries.

"We appreciate that the leadership of Church of the Advent has been very welcoming and encouraging for our ministry," said Rev. Bill Benedict, co-director of the West Shore Healing Room.

Rev. Benedict has been involved in the healing ministry in Greater Cleveland for nearly 30 years in the Episcopal Church, with the International Order of St. Luke the Physician and with non-denominational churches.

"We are very excited to be bringing this ministry to the west side of Greater Cleveland," Rev. Benedict said. "A healing room has been quite successful in Lake County for several years and we believe it is important and the right time to bring this ministry to the West Side." ●



PHOTO BY GEORGE RYAN

Work progresses on Lake Road bridge replacement

Construction continues on the Lake Road bridge, as seen in this photo taken June 7. The new path along the Cahoon Creek to a lakefront park can be seen taking shape next to the log cabin (above the rock bank).

THE GREEN REPORT

Help clean Bay Village waterways this summer

by JENNIFER HARTZELL

If you are looking to make a serious impact on the pollution in our waterways and Lake Erie, look no further than one or more of the Bay Village Green Team's waterways clean-ups this summer. These are fun events that meet at different creeks in Bay Village to clean up litter in and around the local waterways.

When I say they are fun, I mean it! You get to meet other like-minded citizens who care deeply about keeping our water clean, and you also get to feel good about going out and making a difference! Grab your kids, friends and neighbors and plan to attend one! Here are the events:

- Wednesday, June 19, 7 p.m. Meet at Reese Park on Clague Road for a Sperry Creek clean-up.
- Tuesday, July 16, 7 p.m. Meet at Columbia Park on Lake Road for a Columbia Beach and Tuttle Creek clean-up.

- Wednesday, Aug. 21, 7 p.m. Meet at the Cahoon Park gazebo for a Cahoon Creek clean-up.

For more information please visit the Bay Village Green Team Facebook page for a complete listing of these events and more.

After the clean-ups, the volunteers typically enjoy a cold beverage together at a local establishment, creating a nice end to a productive evening and providing more time for volunteers to get to know each other.

I know all of the Bay Village Green Team volunteers for these events would love to see new faces! The more volunteers, the merrier (obviously), as well as more waste collected. Also, always remember that even if your schedule doesn't allow for you to attend one of these planned events, you can do clean-ups on your own, anytime, simply by picking up litter when you see it around town. This helps prevent litter from going down a storm drain which will end up in the lake.



PHOTO BY PATRICK MCGANNON

Families participate in a waterways clean-up of Sperry Creek.

Yes, waterways clean-ups can be done on your street by you alone! Every picked-up piece of litter is one less that will end up in our waterways or Lake Erie. Whether or not you're with an organized group doesn't matter – you alone will make a difference.

Happy summer, everyone! ●

Bay Village Branch Library Upcoming Programs

by TARA MCGUINNESS

It's summer and many of you may be frequenting the Bay Village pool to cool off and enjoy some summer fun. On Tuesdays, join us there for our poolside storytime. Librarians from the Bay Village branch children's department will host a storytime during the 2 p.m. rest break. We hope to see you there.

Don't forget to stop by the branch library to stock up on reading materials for summer and mark your minutes read to win prizes and entries for

grand prizes in our Grand Slam Summer Reading Game!

CHILDREN

Weekly Storytimes:

- **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.) PRE-**

SCHOOL STORYTIME – ages 3-5 (not yet in kindergarten)

- **Fridays (10 a.m. and 11 a.m.) FAMILY STORYTIME** – for all ages

Saturday, June 22 (10 a.m.) DRIVE IN AT BAY – Join us for a Bay Library “Drive In” movie! Work with your child to transform a plain box into a personalized car. Once the cars are ready and parked, we will enjoy selections from the Disney movie “Mater's Tall Tales.”

Monday, June 24 to Friday,

June 28 (10:30 -11 a.m.)

CHALK THE WALK – Bring your imagination and creativity to the library and decorate our sidewalks with colored chalk after storytime all week. Budding artists of all ages are welcome!

Monday, June 24 (2 p.m.)

MONDAY MOVIE – Cool off this summer by visiting the library for special screenings of popular movies. Bring a blanket and pillow or sleeping bag. A parent/guardian must sign a release form before the program.

ADULT

Saturday, July 6 (2 p.m.)

LEGACY OF THE APOLLO: THE GREATEST LEAP – Great Lakes Science Center celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 mission to the moon. Journey through the early days of spaceflight, tragedies, triumphs, and future plans for spaceflight.

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

READER'S OPINION

Proposed Bay Village fence ordinance raises concern

by MARY SLAMAN

On June 3, two fence proposals were submitted to Bay Village City Council – one to keep the ordinance at 4-foot-high fencing for side or back yards (the way it has been for over 60 years), the other to increase the fence height to 5 feet with 75% transparency (chain link fencing or wrought iron with horizontal or vertical pickets).

Four of seven council members, a majority, decided to move forward with 4-foot fencing. Within a week, however, one council member changed his mind and we are now back to the proposal for 5-foot fencing.

The proposal would affect the entire city, but was started because one resident complained her dogs kept jumping over her fence. However, the Board of Zoning Appeals has made it clear that the fence ordinance is not meant for

animal control or neighbor problems, but to keep the character and charm of the city. Also questionable is that residents on the lake are excluded from the proposed changes, discriminating against the rest of the city whose views are just as important to them.

Members of city council need to understand that along with maintaining our community's aesthetics and property values, safety is the most important reason to keep the 4-foot ordinance. Higher fences create a safe haven for burglars once in your yard and greatly reduce your chances of seeing them. Criminals might specifically target your home or you, and it is harder to get help if you need to get your neighbor's attention, especially in domestic violence situations.

Higher fences create a false sense of security. A Bay Village resident agreed with me at a recent BZA meeting, stating, “Privacy gives you anonymity. I can tell

you as a policeman for 30 years, and as a safety director for 12 years, when you have all the yards blocked in with privacy, once a burglar is in your backyard, he owns you. He can get in that house, he has total anonymity. ... I can tell you countless burglaries where the people made entry through the back. ... It is a safety factor. In this city we are very lucky. We have very few burglaries. Part of it may be due to the fact that we have lines of view from one house to another.”

When you are in a crisis, everything around you becomes a blur and you do not see clearly. You need full sight lines and clear views with no obstacles. I know this because my son was a victim of a crime. He was kidnapped and molested. He was only 7. He was found behind two locked doors with walls all around him. He could not be seen and he could not get out. He would have been murdered if he had not been found.

I ran and screamed searching for him. Every door, every wall, and all barriers outside were all blocking my views to find him. He was taken away and possibly gone forever. When committing a crime, a perpetrator will always look for ways to not be seen, ways to hide a child to

kidnap or hurt. Higher fences are a barrier to find your child. There should never be any obstacle that would make your search for your child harder.

I ask that the current city council members trust the founding members of Bay Village and previous council members who created this special, beautiful city and made decisions thinking of the future of Bay Village. They kept saying no to higher fences over 60 years ago to secure Bay Village for their children, and generations to come, so we could continue to enjoy the character, safety and charm we have today.

If this proposed ordinance passes, we may eventually have 6-foot fencing everywhere. We are smart like those before us and we love Bay Village enough to stand strong in our convictions. Be the hero for our children and community and vote no against the 5-foot fence. Keep the fence ordinance as it is at 4 feet, as did all the wise council members before you.

I encourage Bay residents to contact your city council members and tell them you want to keep the fencing at 4 feet. Join me at City Hall on Monday, June 24, at 7:30 p.m. – the night they are scheduled to vote on the ordinance. ●

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FAITH & SPIRITUALITY

Unity hosts women's retreat in July

by JOANNE ROWDEN

Unity Spiritual Center welcomes women to a spiritual retreat July 18-20 on the USC campus at 23855 Detroit Road in Westlake. The retreat begins Thursday evening, continues all day Friday, and on Saturday until 3:00 p.m. It is not an overnight event.

California-based singer and songwriter, Karen Drucker, who is also a creator of transformational women's retreats held around the U.S., will lead the Unity retreat. The theme is "Self Care for Turbulent Times." She will be joined by Betsy Muller, human energy expert and author of "Energy Makeover." The price of \$199 includes all events, and six

healthy meals by "whole-istic" chef, Cheryle Costa, of Kitchen Underground Project.

This is the third year that Unity has hosted a women's retreat. Last year 80 women from five states attended. This retreat is for women of all ages who want to experience a renewal of their spirits, share the joy of feminine spiritual community, and rest from the utter busy-ness of life. Join in singing, chanting and dancing to life-changing music, in addition to thought-provoking discussions.

Register or learn more online at usctestlake.org or call the center's office at 440-835-0400. Unity is non-denominational and welcomes people of all faiths. ●

Spiritual organizer to speak at St. Paul women's luncheon

by RICK HAASE

Clear out your spiritual clutter. Shannon Upton – who describes herself as an organizer, speaker, author, encourager, teacher and anxiety fighter – wants to help.

Upton is the author of a series of "Organizing You" books, Christian self-help books which she says will teach you how to clear out your spiritual clutter, along with the clutter in your home and schedule. She has also authored two free group Bible studies as resource material. A wife and mother of three,

Upton resides with her husband, Travis, and their children in Central Ohio.

Join the St. Paul Westlake Women's Ministry for a luncheon with the Christian speaker, author and blogger on Saturday, July 20, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Child care will be available during the event. A \$15 registration fee includes lunch. Upton will sign copies of her books as a part of the event.

For more information, call the church office at 440-835-3050, or contact Gayle Brady at 440-759-6918 or via email at gbrady@oh.rr.com. ●

BAYARTS

Eric Rippert's personal landscapes

by JESSICA STOCKDALE

Now on display in the Sullivan Family Gallery at BAYarts is the work of Cleveland artist Eric Rippert. Primarily a photographer, he has branched out into paintings the past two years. This particular exhibition is titled "The Man Whose Head Expanded" a title that was pulled from the English post-punk band The Fall. The paintings followed suit, with emotionally resonate titles like "That Joke Isn't Funny Anymore," "Things I will Keep" and "Life and How I Live it."

"I chose to call the paintings by the titles of songs I listened to while I was in my studio painting," explains Rippert. "To me, music inhabits the same subconscious space inside me that my paintings come from."

Symbols included in these paintings include several skulls, playfully loped flowers, a train, a rocket, clouds and houses. They were created with a multitude of mediums: acrylic gesso, enamel, latex, graphite, oil pastel and ink. Splatters and organic shapes share the space with precise geometric forms as if to say "don't relax into your expectations." There's a lot going on here.

Those aforementioned skulls are almost comical, with simplified teeth squares. The blank eye sockets actually have more under them to those who



"Sad if I Lost It" by Eric Rippert features acrylic, gesso, latex, enamel, oil stick, charcoal and spray paint on canvas.

venture up closer to the piece to see what's beaded under them. Skylines creep up from the bottoms of canvases, black as coal, only to be met with muted blue waters. Pure swaths of solid color are offered in a pink house, a red background and peach lips. But so much of the work also has a sense of erosion, with transparent layering and fluctuating gradients. The built texture is everywhere.

The imagery used is personal to Rippert, who draws from both recent and past memories. "Remembering my childhood trips to the playground and my grown-up trips to the museum is the inner prep work for my painting."

But one does not need to know his full inner biography to appreciate the art. Rippert wants an emotional reaction,

whatever it may be to the viewer. "It would be great if visitors to my exhibition could experience some sort of sensation that is out of the ordinary; an awareness that may be difficult to immediately identify or define, like the feeling one gets when reminded of a blurry moment from long ago."

In one piece, "Sad if I Lost It", which calls up images of graffiti, a frenzied ribbon of blues could appear to be a foreground of water, as the bold colors behind present a background that could be anything. Is it a hot air balloon or carnival scene, with a steel-beamed Ferris wheel created by rising black angles? It's up to the viewer.

"The Man Whose Head Expanded" will be on display at BAYarts until July 5. ●

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Post your group's free community events online at wbvobserver.com

Wednesday, June 19, 6:30-8:30 p.m. CUYAHOGA WEST CHAPTER, OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Tom Neel, director of the Ohio Genealogical Society Library, will present "Until Death Do Us Part: An Examination of Marriage & Divorce Records of the 1800s." Program begins at 7:00 p.m. Social time, with refreshments, is from 6:30-7:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend, free of charge. *Westlake Porter Public Library, 27333 Center Ridge Rd.*

Wednesday, June 19, 7-8:30 p.m. BAY VILLAGE CREEK CLEANUP

Join the Bay Village Green Team in cleaning up Sperry Creek. Garbage bags and recycling bags will be provided. Dress appropriately. Bring any gloves or tools you wish to use. For the adults joining, we will be meeting at Ironwood after for drinks. *Reese Park, 301 Clague Rd.*

Thursdays, 5-8 p.m. BAYARTS FARM & ART MARKET

Local food, artisans, garden needs, home decor and demos. Free to attend, dog-friendly. Pie Baking Contest, Cupcake Wars, Yappy Hours. Every Thursday. Vendors contact market@bayarts.net or visit bayarts.net/events/market.html. *BAYarts, 28795 Lake Rd.*

Thursdays, June 20 and July 3, 7-8:45 p.m. WESTLAKE UNITY TOASTMASTERS

Improve your speaking and leadership skills in a fun, supportive environment. Meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. *Unity Spiritual Center, 23855 Detroit Rd., Westlake*

Friday, June 21, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

Nelly Belly and Sweet! The Mobile Cupcakery will be serving lunch and sweet treats. There's plenty of parking and picnic tables are available. *Bay Village City Hall parking lot, 350 Dover Center Rd.*

Friday, June 21, 3 p.m. 2019 HOSTA TAILGATE

The Great Lakes Region Hosta Tailgate is a 3-day gardening event which kicks off June 21 at the Bay Community House. For \$10 participants can shop the plant and garden-related vendors, play a game of Hosta Bingo, partake in the silent auction, have dinner, and join in on the bidding at the live plant auction beginning at 7:00 p.m. Days 2 and 3 are self-guided garden tours of North Coast Hosta Society's members' gardens. *Bay Community House, 303 Cahoon Rd.*

Friday, June 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m. SUMMER SOLSTICE LABYRINTH WALK

Come add your energy to the sacred labyrinth as we celebrate the summer solstice. This community focused event invites members, friends and guests to enjoy the labyrinth as a sacred way to welcome the summer season. *Unity Spiritual Center, 23855 Detroit Rd., Westlake*

Sunday, June 23, noon-2 p.m. BRUNCH AND LEARN

Join us for a free brunch and learn event featuring carving stations, an exquisite buffet and special guest Mitchell Sotka, a specialist in 18th to 21st century antiques, gifts and elegant home accessories. Bring an item from home for a chance to be selected for a free evaluation from Mitchell. Items that can not be appraised include: coins, dolls, books and sports memorabilia. Please RSVP; call 440-333-5401 and select 3 for Breakwater or email kim@thenormandy.com. *Breakwater Apartments, 22701 Lake Rd., Rocky River*

Sunday, June 23, 6:30-8 p.m. WESTLAKE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Together Band will play classic rock and soul. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy a variety of music. Free. *Westlake Recreation Center, 28955 Hilliard Blvd.*

Friday, June 28, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

SuperHero and The Little Penguin will be serving lunch and sweet treats. There's plenty of parking and picnic tables are available. *Bay Village City Hall parking lot, 350 Dover Center Rd.*

Saturday, June 29, 1-4 p.m. FOREST CITY ROSE SHOW

June is the time for roses! Free. All welcome. *North Olmsted Branch Library, 27403 Lorain Rd.*

Saturday, June 29, 4:30 p.m. FREE COMMUNITY MEAL

Join us for a great meal hosted by Church of the Redeemer, Westlake and Clague Road Church. No carry outs. The church is accessible to the physically challenged. *Clague Road UCC, 3650 Clague Rd., North Olmsted*

Sunday, June 30, 1-2:30 p.m. OUTDOOR PATRIOTIC CONCERT

Begin your celebration of Independence Day early with a free outdoor patriotic concert featuring the Lutheran Wind Ensemble. The concert will be held in back of the church parking lot. In case of inclement weather it will be held in the Activity Center. Please bring your own lawn chairs. A free will donation will support the Lutheran Wind Ensemble's support for music programs in NE Ohio Lutheran schools. *St. Paul Lutheran Church, 27993 Detroit Rd., Westlake*

Sunday, June 30, 6:30-8 p.m. WESTLAKE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Colin Dussault's Blues Project will play blues and rock. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy a variety of music. Free. *Westlake Recreation Center, 28955 Hilliard Blvd.*

Sunday, June 30, 7-9 p.m. BAYARTS CONCERT SERIES

Maura & the Bellows bring a tasteful twist to alternative folk, from soul-felt ballads to stirring rock 'n' roll. Wind down your weekend BAYarts style on the beautiful Huntington Reservation campus. Delicious summer fare, concessions and libations to purchase. *BAYarts, 28795 Lake Rd.*

Wednesday, July 3-Saturday, July 6, noon-10:30 p.m. BAY DAYS

Carnival rides, games and food vendors. Free admission. From noon-5 p.m., an unlimited ride ticket is \$19. *Cahoon Memorial Park, Bay Village*

Wednesday, July 4, 10 a.m.-dusk WESTLAKE FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

The day kicks off at 10 a.m. with a parade from Lee Burneson Middle School, down Dover Center to Hilliard and then east to Clague Park. At 11:15 a.m., Mayor Dennis Clough and members of City Council honor America's birthday. The festivities continue with a classic car show, free rides on the Rocket Ship car from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., and a dog show and martial arts demo from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Food vendors will open at 4 p.m. and music begins at 6 p.m. Fireworks at dusk! *Clague Memorial Park, Westlake*

Wednesday, July 4, 11:30 a.m.-dusk BAY VILLAGE FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

The Children's Bike, Trike and Wagon Parade starts at the Gazebo at 11:30. Enjoy Bay Days from noon to 10:30 p.m. At 1 p.m. there will be a bubbleologist by the gazebo. At 2 p.m., a vintage base ball game will begin at the south end of the park. The Sloppy Joe Band plays at 7 p.m., followed by a fireworks display at 9:45 p.m. *Cahoon Memorial Park, Bay Village*

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