

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Remembering long fight for women's right to vote

by JANICE PATTERSON

On Monday, Aug. 26, the Westlake-North Olmsted Chapter of the League of Women Voters will celebrate Women's Equality Day, marking a key date in the history of women's right to vote in the U.S.

This August date in 1920 was when the United States Secretary of State certified the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, making female citizens eligible to vote for candidates at all levels of government beginning with the presidential election of November 1920. The lead-up to this change in law had been long and tumultuous, beginning formally in 1848 at a national convention of advocates for women's right to vote in Seneca Falls, New York.

It was not until 1919 that the pro-



Suffragist and women's rights advocate Abby Scott Baker lobbies Ohio Gov. James Cox for women's right to vote.

posed 19th Amendment was passed by both houses of Congress. Years before, several Ohio cities (including Toledo, Lakewood and East Cleveland) had rewritten charters to allow women to vote in municipal and/or school board elections.

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West Side children enjoy Jewish summer camp



Camp Gan Israel combined learning and fun for Jewish children this summer.

by RABBI MENDEL JACOBS

For the second year in a row, children of the West Side enjoyed a fantastic summer experience at the Camp Gan Israel Jewish summer camp.

Guided sports activities with professional coaches, exciting field trips, and exploration of the arts filled each day this summer. Most importantly, children

learned about their Jewish heritage and Jewish values in a fun-loving environment.

The administration at Chabad of the West Side was ecstatic to see the steady growth since last summer, with enrollment more than doubling over the past year. It looks indeed like Jewish learning and activity has a bright future here on the West Side! ◆

Annual ceremony honors Westlake's best blooms

Colorful patio garden takes top honors



PHOTO BY DENNY WENDELL

Planning Director Jim Bedell, who visits and photographs all entries in the annual Westlake in Bloom competition, stands with Dick and Dolly Hartman, winners of both their category and the prestigious Lu Walter "Best in Bloom" award.

by TARA WENDELL

It is often said that the best things come in small packages. Westlake residents Dolly and Dick Hartman proved that to be true when their small garden won big in the Westlake in Bloom competition earlier this month.

After coming in first in the "Patio and Abutting Garden, Multi-Family Residence" category during the awards ceremony Aug. 8 at LaCentre, the pair were shocked to hear their names called again at the end

of the evening for the Lu Walter "Best in Bloom" award.

Competing for the top overall award against 77 other entries including entire large yards, the Hartmans wowed the judges with the 175-square-foot plot next to their Westlake Crossings apartment. The judges commented that the garden is "absolutely beautiful with its wide variety of color and creativity that is a joy to the beholder. This is a wonderful garden and super patio area that beautifies this entire side of the building."

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Bay High grad studying in Tanzania

by PATTY CURRY

Laura Curry, a 2017 Bay High School graduate, received a Boren Scholarship and is studying abroad this year in Tanzania, Africa. She is a junior at West Virginia University and is WVU's 26th Boren Scholar.

As a history major at WVU, Laura has concentrations in American, African, Asian and Latin American history but developed a special interest in Africa. She also has a minor in Business Administration and is a student in the Honor's College.

The Boren Scholarship promotes linguistic and cultural immersion. Laura will be learning Swahili while learning the history and culture of East Africa.

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TANZANIA *from front page*

“My two African history courses last semester have taught me so much about the rich and complex history of this continent as well as reorienting my worldview,” she said. “As I began researching Tanzania, I read about not only the natural beauty of the region but also the kindness and warmth of Tanzanians. The experience of living abroad will be invaluable to me because one day I hope to partner with local organizations to promote human rights.”

Boren Scholars are able to take part in an intensive language study at the University of Florida through the African Flagship Languages Initiative. Laura studied there this past summer before departing for Tanzania for the academic year. She is now spending almost eight months fully immersed in a village in Tanzania, living with a host family. She is studying at a university first semester and doing an internship second semester.

Laura competed with students from all over the country for the scholarship. In addition to gaining valuable experience in Tanzania, she is serving a critical need of the U.S. government for workers with unique language skills.

Recipients of the Boren Scholarship are required to work for the federal government in the national security area. Laura plans to work in immigration, foreign service and eventually for the United States Agency for International Development. ●



2017 Bay High graduate Laura Curry is planning a career with USAID.

Herb Guild honors scholarship winners

by BARBARA ARMSTRONG

On Wednesday, Aug. 7, The Herb Guild Garden Club held its 35th annual scholarship luncheon. Two area students received \$2,000 scholarships and both were present at the luncheon to receive them.

Rachel Drobnak is a graduate of Olmsted Falls High School and will be attending Michigan State University. She will be majoring in Environmental Studies and Sustainability and minoring in Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems. Hannah Miu is a graduate of

Berea-Midpark High School. She will be attending Bowling Green State University, majoring in Environmental Science and minoring in Horticulture. Both are looking forward to attending college this fall.

This year's luncheon, which was held at LaCentre in Westlake, was a big success. Thank you to everyone who attended and made these scholarships available. Plans are in the making for next year's luncheon and the date will be announced at a later time. Visit our website, theherbguild.org, for more information. ●



From left to right: Kathleen McClement, Anita Marshall (both 2nd vice presidents and co-chairs of the scholarship luncheon); Hannah Miu and Rachel Drobnak (both scholarship winners); Mary Kay Filipiak (chairperson of the scholarship committee).

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SPORTING VIEWS

Are the Browns good enough to make the ultimate leap in 2019?

by JEFF BING

Well, I'm so excited to talk about the 2019 Browns, I can't wait to get star-

Hang on a microsecond, there's something I need to get off my chest before we get to my Browns predictions ...

We interrupt this column to bring you a more pressing topic (in the eyes of your columnist, anyway, but NOT so much in the eyes of this publication) ...

So there I was, sitting in my easy chair, watching the Indians demolish the Yankees this past Thursday evening, accomplishing something that hadn't happened in baseball in 113 – count 'em, 113 years – when ... oh wait, that's not true, my TV provider no longer carries Fox Sports Ohio, who in turn, carries the Tribe games. I guess I imagined that part about "watching" the Tribe's record-setting annihilation of the Yankees, so what you want to take from this is that I'm just a teensy-weensy bit annoyed.

I've been told that it would be poor journalism to name my

provider, although I'm not sure *why* to be honest (probably some silly thing about ethics ... *what-ever*), so I won't. All I will say on the matter is that, when I catch up with those scoundrels, I will give them so many right-handed jabs my arm will probably end up in a "sling." If you didn't hear me the first time, I said my right arm would end up in – and let me spell it out for you – a S-L-I-N-G. Do we understand each other? Sometimes subtlety carries its own inherent challenges.

So this evening, after I try to tune in the Tribe on the Fox Sports Ohio channel, and all I get is some drivel about them doing this for *me*, I'm ready to explode (yet again). So, they're on *my* side, and trying to keep *my* costs down, right? And since it seems my costs go up about every six months as it is *with* their guardianship, I guess I owe these guys a real debt of gratitude. I mean, imagine what my monthly bill would be without them "looking out" for me. Thanks, fellas, you guys are swell.

Then, in what I can only interpret as the epitome of protection, they even go on to tell me

that if I upgrade to one of their (many other) premium packages, I'll be so inundated with "superior" sports that (apparently) I'll forget all about those silly Indians (remember, Chief Wahoo is just plain wrong, so they're really doing me a *favor*).

What, exactly, will make me forget about Wahoo? I guess, stuff like fly fishing in Barbados, "futbol" in Madagascar, or real housewives in Miami (or is it Maui)? Seriously, does it really make any difference? Do I care if they're real or fake, and how do I tell the difference, anyway?

So, I'm going to dump the do-gooders – how can I ever continue without their protection? – and implement a Plan "B."

But enough about me ... you want to hear about the Browns – and that's exactly what we'll do now!

Oh, will you look at that ... I've gone and used up my bi-weekly allotment of words! Oh heck, I've got enough pull here that if I want to write a longer column, I can. *No way* the Observer editors would simply cut me off right in the middle of a sen- ●

EDUCATION

Leonardo da Vinci: A true Vitruvian Man

by LYNN TALIAK

The fall session of Case Western Reserve University's continuing education discussion classes in Bay Village begins Sept. 16.

Explore the life and historical setting of Leonardo da Vinci, the man whose very name is synonymous with creativity, curiosity and inventive genius. Anatomist, artist, astronomer, biologist, botanist, city planner, dramatist, engineer, geologist, inventor, militarist, ornithologist, physicist – da Vinci questioned all, created much amid the turbulent Renaissance world of mighty popes and princes. This passionate, flamboyant, but flawed man became one of the most extraordinary human beings in all of history.

Walter Isaacson's biography provides us a meticulously researched and highly compelling tome through which we can interact with this mercurial giant of intellect and talent. The

book is available through Amazon, the library and bookstores. This will be our only textbook, and as this is a non-credit course there is no homework, no tests, no papers and reading is optional but does help one to fully enjoy our lectures and discussions. How about that for a fun and easy way to do a course?

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BLOOM *from front page*

Dolly and Dick, who have been married for 56 years, are longtime gardeners, once winning a similar award in Lakewood for the landscaping around the colonial home they owned there. When they downsized and moved back to Dick's hometown of Westlake six years ago, they figured they couldn't continue their hobby.

But to the Hartmans' delight, the management at Westlake Village allowed them to dig up the grass next to their patio and start building a garden. It took several years and 500 bags of dirt to transform the space into an award-winning garden, but it is work the couple enjoys.

"I love to take something not-so-pretty and transform it into beautiful," Dolly said. "We live outside and I want to look at pretty."

The tidy garden features a mix of bushes, annuals, pots and hanging baskets, as well as sculptural elements and a water feature.

"I love to see the spring and summer come along and all the beautiful flowers that I can keep growing all the way through September," said Dick. "I like to add something different every year."

The annual Westlake in Bloom com-



PHOTO BY JIM BEDELL

Dolly and Dick Hartman's apartment patio garden includes a blend of colors, textures and dimensions.

petition is a friendly way to encourage civic engagement by both residents and businesses. The awards ceremony, emceed by Planning Director Jim Bedell, honors the top three finishers in each category with a plaque and photo with Mayor Dennis Clough. The first-place winners also receive a gift certificate donated by a West-

lake garden center. Awards are also given for the Evergreen Cemetery memorial fence gardens and the Hilliard Boulevard flower boxes.

"Westlake in Bloom really sets the community off," said Mayor Clough who, for one day each year, goes by the moniker of Westlake's gardener-in-chief.

"All anyone has to do is go down Hilliard to see a glimpse of what flowers do for a community, what plantings do for a community, and then most of all, what you all do for the community, because you're the ones that put the effort in to make it a better community," Clough told the gardeners gathered for the ceremony. ●

Westlake in Bloom 2019 winners' list

Evergreen Cemetery Fence Gardens

- First Place: In Memory of Leverett and Abigail Johnson
- Second Place: In Memory of Chuck and Peg Stein
- Third Place: In Memory of Joseph and Mary Buckey

Hilliard Boulevard Flower Box

- First Place: In Memory of Nick Massa
- Second Place: The Moran Family
- Third Place: The Witouski Family

Community Garden

- First Place: Georgine Rak
- Second Place: Lee Ding
- Third Place: Lauren Strandbergh

Apartment, Condominium or Subdivision Entrance

- First Place: Westtown Gardens Apartments
- Second Place: Bay Landing Condominiums
- Third Place: Wyndgate Club

Nursing Home/Assisted/Independent Living Facility

- First Place: The Belvedere of Westlake
- Second Place: Rae-Ann Suburban Nursing and Rehabilitation
- Third Place: Rae-Ann Westlake Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation

Business/Hotel/Motel

- First Place: Crocker Park
- Second Place: Kleinhenz Jewelers
- Third Place: The SpyGlass Group

Place of Worship/Institutional/Quasi-Public/Public Place

- First Place: Westlake Seventh-day Adventist Church
- Second Place: St. Ladislav Catholic Church
- Third Place: Church on the Rise

Patio and Abutting Garden – Single Family

- First Place: Sandy Strodbeck
- Second: Marv Schaust and Pat Galinat
- Third Place: Marc and Sharon Guay

Patio and Abutting Garden – Multi-Family/Cluster Home

- First Place: Dolly and Dick Hartman
- Second Place: Ildi Kish
- Third Place: Rose Sklenka

Vegetable Garden

- First Place: Lonna Nimylowycz
- Second Place: Barb and Chris Roach
- Third Place: Steven Genther and Elizabeth Nici

Shade Garden

- First Place: Laurie and Ken Krauss
- Second Place: Marian Ext and Dr. Roger Mansnerus
- Third Place: Patty Hays

Window Boxes

- First Place: Beverly Wilkinson
- Second Place: Michelle Walsh
- Third Place: Joni Lynn McKinley

Residential Landscaping – Front Yard, Small

- First Place: Mary Beth and Jack Bedell
- Second Place: Molly Roach
- Third Place: Sandra Freedman

Residential Landscaping – Front Yard, Large

- First Place: Schneider Family
- Second Place: Karyn Grahovac
- Third Place: Robert and Annette Koenig

Residential Landscaping – Rear Yard

- First Place: Diane D. Morris
- Second Place: Al and Janice Pescatrice
- Third Place: Nancy Schill

Residential Landscaping – Entire Yard, Small

- First Place: Robert McCormick and Richard Lindsley
- Second Place: Evelyn J. Davis
- Third Place: Lizabeth K. Emrick

Residential Landscaping – Entire Yard, Medium

- First Place: Matt and Ellen Matisko
- Second Place: Louis and Jean Povinelli
- Third Place: Lan Le Truong To and Binh V. To

Residential Landscaping – Entire Yard, Large

- First Place: Marian Ext and Dr. Roger Mansnerus
- Second Place: Terry Monnolly
- Third Place: Donna Davisson

Lu Walter "Best in Bloom" Award:

- Dolly and Dick Hartman

POETRY

Vultures soaring

by GEORGE RYAN

Beautiful to see, many vultures are soaring up high against a blue sky punctuated by billowing white cumulus clouds. They are not threatening. Somehow they're not like human beings who we call vultures. They seem to have lofty ambitions and keen sense of smell. They eat what others will not; some of them share. On top of a water tower it seems like 20 of them are now resting before they take off again to make lazy circles in the sky.

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THE DIGITAL WORLD

Smartphone buying tips

by TAK SATO

A portable form factor, combined with the ease of operation using only one finger – which I coined as “Power of One” devices – smartphones have become ubiquitous devices that are always connected to the internet, aka the cloud, and always with you.

While we use a smartphone in the real world, it is a vehicle into the digital world that supports the duality-in-lifestyle of living in both real and digital worlds simultaneously. There are no beginnings nor endings to these worlds; they coexist and are interwoven, blurring the boundaries as technology continues to permeate into every nook-and-cranny of our lives.

I thought it would be fun to put together couple tips about smartphones and their service providers. With premium smartphones costing upwards of \$1,000 or more, buying new smartphones for a family of four, including services for each, may leave a big dent in your monthly budget.

Times have changed from when cellular phones were subsidized heavily in exchange for signing a two-year service contract ... or have they really? Gone are “contracts” carriers claim, replaced by interest-free installment payments for customers with good credit to pay for that new smartphone over 24 months. Fine print: the balance owed becomes due immediately if you try to jump ship to another carrier. Sounds similar to unlimited data plans that have an artificial ceiling where throttling that leads to slowdowns is explained in very small type.

In this industry, “subscriber number” (the

number of customers a carrier has) is one of the metrics that goes into ranking mobile service providers. When price wars flare up, you often see advertisements such as “buy one, get one free” (“BOGO” for short), enticing you to jump ship to a new carrier. Such deals may also include the new carrier paying off what you owe on your phone at the incumbent carrier. This is why, in my opinion, you have the potential to save if you decide to change providers during these campaigns and you need new phones!

If you don’t have a preference of a particular make and model, like an iPhone (model) exclusively offered by Apple (make), you are presented with more options in varying price-points from smartphone manufacturers licensing Google’s Android operating system. Sure, Android-based smartphones also have premium smartphone models costing \$1,000+ from various manufacturers but they also offer lower – for example entry and medium – pricing tiers where the models from those tiers are still appropriate for many.

This is where I think you can save some money, even if you pay in installments with zero percent interest, by considering Android-based smartphones due to the abundance of makes and models to choose from at different pricing tiers.

Whatever make and model, the basic “functionality” of a smartphone is the same. Rather, it boils down to your preferences sans some geeky details. It’s akin to the preference in buying a Subaru Outback, Toyota RAV-4, or Ford Escape as your next all-wheel-drive car before the white stuff hits Cleveland in several months to get you from Point A to Point B. ●



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VOTE *from front page*

The proposed amendment was approved in the U.S. House of Representatives by a vote of 304 to 89 on May 21, 1919. The U.S. Senate voted “yes” on June 4, 1919 by a vote of 56 to 25. Now the proposal needed two-thirds of the state legislatures to secure its inclusion in the Bill of Rights. The Ohio legislature responded rapidly (and affirmatively) on June 16, 1919. Then-Governor James Cox was a vocal supporter in Ohio and then before the nation when he became the Democrat’s candidate for U.S. President in August 1920.

By March 1920, 35 states had voted for the amendment, eight states had rejected it and five had not voted; the nation waited eagerly to hear from the necessary 36th state. The issue as well as the weather were both “hot” when the Tennessee legislature addressed the question. The Tennessee Senate easily voted “yes”

and the issue went to the Tennessee House of Representatives, where a last-minute change to the affirmative by a young representative (influenced by his mother’s plea) broke the 48-48 tie, resulting in final approval on August 18, 1920. (It took 60 more years for the remaining 12 states in the nation to ratify. Mississippi was the last state to approve the amendment – March 22, 1984.)

Immediately upon the 19th Amendment’s certification, the League of Women Voters embarked on voter education activities and has never stopped. Membership in the League is open to both men and women and all local residents are invited to join in this critical non-partisan mission. For more details, call the LWV of Greater Cleveland office (which has many chapters in the area, including Westlake-North Olmsted and Bay Village) at 216-694-8108 or visit www.lwvgreater-cleveland.org. ●



RIGHT: This cartoon from August 1920, titled “The sky is now her limit,” shows a young woman carrying buckets on a yoke, looking up a ladder ascending to the sky. The bottom rungs include labels of “Slavery,” “House Drudgery” and “Shop Work.” The top rungs include “Equal Suffrage,” “Wage Equity” and “Presidency.”

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Lake Erie Nature & Science Center honors volunteers of the year

by MORGAN PASKERT

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center recognized Kirsten Wykowski and Paige Burns with volunteer-of-the-year awards at the organization's annual Volunteer Appreciation Celebration on Aug. 13.

Each year, the Center celebrates its many volunteers who are vital in helping the Center to fulfill its mission to educate children, families and students and provide wildlife services. Volunteers help with animal care, docent education, family and youth programming, summer camps and more. The Center's Volunteers of the Year are people who consistently demonstrate teamwork, reliability, responsibility and leadership within the Lake Erie Nature & Science Center Volunteer Program.

Wykowski was recognized as "Adult Volunteer of the Year" for her dedication to the Center's wildlife rehabilitation program. Wykowski studied zoology at The Ohio State University and earned a master's degree in biology from Miami University. She began volunteering with Lake Erie Nature & Science Center in 2015, and plans to continue her education by pursuing a doctorate in veterinary medicine.

Burns, of Westlake, was recognized as "Student Volunteer of the Year" for her commitment to the Center's Project Wildlife program and her many volunteer hours in animal care and summer camps. She plans



**Kirsten Wykowski,
Adult Volunteer of
the Year.**



**Paige Burns,
Student Volunteer
of the Year.**

to attend Ohio University this fall to pursue a degree in wildlife and conservation biology.

"Volunteering at the Center has been an experience I never would have dreamed of, being able to learn about wildlife hands-on," said Burns. "Not only did the Center give me the opportunity to work with wild animals, it also introduced me to amazing people who helped me break out of my shell and become more social!"

"Kirsten, Paige and all of our volunteers help to make Lake Erie Nature & Science Center a treasured destination for children and families of all ages," says Executive Director, Catherine Timko. "The Center is able to serve more than 165,000 people annually with exhibits, programs and animals because of these dedicated volunteers who work alongside our paid, professional staff. We are grateful for their skill and enthusiasm."

To learn more about volunteer opportunities at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center, visit www.lensc.org/volunteer. ●

'A Comedy of Tenors' opens Clague Playhouse season

by KIMBERLY MITSCHKE

One hotel suite, four tenors, two wives, three girlfriends, and a soccer stadium filled with screaming fans. What could possibly go wrong?

It's 1930s Paris and the stage is set for the concert of the century – as long as producer Henry Saunders (played by Lou Will) can keep Italian superstar Tito Merelli (Mark Rabkin) and his hot-blooded wife, Maria (Jenny Erbs), from causing runaway chaos.

As a sequel to the original "Lend Me A Tenor," prepare for an uproarious ride, full of mistaken identities, bedroom hijinks, and madcap delight.

Also in our cast are Jarrod Vullo as Max, Leah Kraynak as Mimi, Jacob Gaspar as Carlo and Susan M. Wagner as Racon. The play is directed by Ron Newell.

"A Comedy of Tenors" opens Friday, Sept. 13, and closes Sunday, Oct. 6, with performances on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Admission is \$18 for adults, \$17 for seniors (60+), and \$10 for students (any age with a valid ID) and may be purchased by calling the box office at 440-331-0403 Wednesday through Saturday from 1-6 p.m. or visiting www.clagueplayhouse.org. Clague Playhouse is located at 1371 Clague Road in Westlake. ●

WESTLAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Silent auction, pie contest will take place along with annual duck race

by LYSA STANTON

Thank you to everyone who has already adopted ducks for the Westlake Historical Society's annual Rubber Duck Race on Saturday, Aug. 24, at the Westlake Recreation Center. Ducks can still be adopted on our website, www.westlakeohiohistory.org. The event begins at noon and promises to be a lot of fun.

As part of the Rubber Duck Race, there will also be a large Silent Auction and Old-Fashioned Pie Contest.

The Silent Auction features over 30 items from different donors including theater tickets, movie night packages (DVDs & snacks), passes for museums and attractions, electronics, and many other fantastic items.

We appreciate everyone who has already donated items for our silent auction.

Also, there is still time to enter the Old-Fashioned Pie Contest to be held with the Duck Race on Saturday, Aug. 24, at the Westlake Recreation Center. The pie contest is only for amateur bakers entering homemade dessert pies.

You do not need to be a resident of Westlake, but you do need to drop off your entry at the Westlake Recreation Center Community Room by 1:30 p.m. the day of the contest. We will have separate divisions for students and adults.

The Westlake Historical Society's Museum Store will be open and memberships will also be available.

This is a free, family-friendly event with no admission charge. Children are welcome and a duck pond for the kids will be available.

If you have any questions, please call the Clague House Museum at 216-848-0680, or email us at clague-museum@yahoo.com. ●

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THE GREEN REPORT

Save the Trees!

by JENNIFER HARTZELL

Have you ever wondered what you can do to save more trees? Yes, you have power to help the trees on earth! To do this is simple: Vote with your dollars.

The Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) has a certification system that designates the paper or product made from trees was created from trees in forests that are responsibly managed. “Responsibly managed forests” means that the trees that are harvested are replaced or allowed to regenerate naturally. Furthermore, you can be certain that rare plants and animals are protected entirely, and the rights of indigenous people are protected.

The FSC has a logo, with the outline of a tree, and when you

are purchasing anything from milk cartons to printer paper to toilet paper, the FSC logo can assure us that our purchases are making a difference and ensuring we are not consuming goods from irresponsible sources. In addition to ensuring that trees are replaced, and plants and animals are protected, the forest owner must also use local workers to run the forest and provide training, safety equipment and a decent salary. Guidelines for certifications also include limiting the number of trees that can be cut down and restrict-



The Forest Stewardship Council's certification logo on a package of Kleenex tissues.

forest practices worldwide. The U.S. chapter is headquartered in Minneapolis. Today, the FSC operates in more than 80 countries.

Trees support life across the world. They produce oxygen and absorb carbon dioxide, which is the main cause of climate change. It is estimated that 15 billion trees are cut

ing the use of hazardous pesticides.

The FSC was created in 1992 in an attempt to stop deforestation of the planet. The founders of FSC were businesses, environmentalists and community leaders, and the goal was to create a voluntary, market-based approach that would improve

down each year. The global tree count has fallen by 46% since the beginning of human civilization. Trees are being cut down daily across the globe for agriculture use and other commercial purposes. The average American uses seven trees a year in paper, wood and other products made from trees.

How can you make a difference? First, try to not use products made from trees. You can purchase reusable “paper towels” made from bamboo. I bought some about 5 years ago and I’m still using them – I just throw them in the washer and dryer! Also, when printing from your computer or at work, ask yourself if it’s really necessary. Maybe it’s not and you can save some paper.

When you must purchase products made from trees, look for the FSC logo. This logo can be found on anything from paper towels to lumber to furniture. You might ask “should I purchase printer

paper from recycled materials or FSC paper?” The answer is both – you can find FSC certified paper made from recycled materials and that is actually the best purchase you can make as it is about as environmentally friendly as paper can get.

I recently found FSC certified toilet paper at Aldi! It’s super easy to find and yes, that purchase will make a difference.

Next time you are at the store, take a look at different brands to see which have that logo. Some of the brands that are FSC certifies are: Band-Aid bandages, Seventh Generation products, Cottonelle toilet paper, Everyday Value toilet paper, Kleenex brand facial tissue, and Puffs facial tissue. The list goes on and on and can be found at us.fsc.org/en-us/market/find-products.

Once you notice the logo, it will be easy for you to spot it on other products when shopping. Thank you for saving the trees! ●

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Bay Village, a great American town

Many years ago in Houston, I met the woman I fell in love with and married. She was from Ohio, and I was from Michigan. I knew little of Ohio, except there were some cousins, near Ashtabula.

As I got to know my wife, I visited her family in the town where she graduated from high school and her parents resided, Bay Village. At first, it seemed like just a nice name. I met her mom. Within half an hour, she told me how proud she was of living in Greater Cleveland, saying many times that day (later, too): “Cleveland, the Best Location in the Nation.” I was open to that and felt welcomed and loved.

The purpose of this essay, is to celebrate a special place which, from the

perspective of a visitor here, is amazing. Though, I have been here many times in the past 29 years, this year I was struck how simply incredible this small town really is.

First of all, right in the middle of the town on Lake Erie is big Cahoon Park. I learned early on that no organized activities can occur there on Sundays, per a stipulation of the Cahoon family that willed it to the city. Some pretty special things occur there on the other six days of the week. How about “Bay Days” to coincide with the Fourth of July and a big fireworks display on the shore of Lake Erie.

There is Huntington Beach for swimming and great views of the beau-

tiful blue waters of Lake Erie. Just down the road is Lake Erie Nature & Science Center honoring local flora and fauna.

Sitting on the front porch on the residential street where Mom’s home has been for 62 years, the three of us sat under the huge acorn factory call a giant oak in the front yard. Over the course of an hour and a half, only three cars drove by, quietly. Six young women on a walk strolled by. They were enjoying the moment.

Later that evening after dark, I stepped out side and was immediately struck by how quiet the streets were. While Houston has its quiet moments, they seem to come only between 3 a.m. and 4 a.m. It was noticeable here that solitude and quiet living is just the way each day is lived.

Later, my wife and I went to the Cahoon Park walking path. We watched the slow progression of another stunning sunset.

Last October when we visited, these same parks and residential streets were filled with the incredible color of fall foliage. Yellows, oranges and reds make me marvel at the beauty of God’s handiwork. I took so many pictures of tree colors I never see in dear ol’ Houston.

I am leaving town next week. I will miss my mother-in-law until seeing her next time (God willing and Wischmeyer Creek don’t rise)! I will look down on Lake Erie as our plane ascends from Hopkins Airport north over the lake. The plane turns left to head south toward Texas and flies right over Bay Village. I will wave back in my heart to this lovely oasis from the hustle and bustle of 2019 life. Where time is measured in moments of self enrichment and joy.

A part of my heart will forever be in this tree-lined village by the Bay. I shall return.

– Conner Bentley, Houston, Texas

Porter Library seeks new trustee

Westlake Porter Public Library is currently accepting applications for a position on the board of trustees that starts on Jan. 1, 2020. The position will become available when Lindsay English’s term expires on Dec. 31.

The board is composed of seven members and has primary responsibility for approving library policies, setting the budget, hiring a director and fiscal officer and advocating for the library. Terms are seven years with a maximum of two terms. Library board meetings are held monthly, usually on the third Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the library.

Trustees represent the community

at large and their varied library interests. The only prerequisite for applicants is that they have an interest in public library issues and wish to become a public library advocate.

Those interested in applying for a position as a trustee may get an application at the library’s Reception Desk, from the library’s Administration Department by calling 440-250-5451, or by downloading it from the library website at www.westlakelibrary.org.

For more details on responsibilities of trustees or on the application process, please call library Director Andrew Mangels at 440-250-5450. The application deadline is Sept. 14, 2019. ●

Tri-C’s Encore Campus Fridays program debuts at Westshore Campus

by JOHN HORTON

The Encore Campus Fridays program at Cuyahoga Community College debuts this fall at Westshore Campus to enrich the minds and lives of those aged 55 and older.

The fall program begins Sept. 20 and runs every Friday for seven weeks at the campus, located at 31001 Clemens Road in Westlake. Age-eligible students can enroll in one to six courses for a \$99 fee. The 50-minute classes take place between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

The overall course catalog at Westshore features more than 40 options on a wide variety of subjects, including art, computers, finance, fitness, history, music, religion, science and more. Classes are taught by Tri-C

faculty, retired educators and subject experts.

The College expanded the popular program to Westlake after years of success at Eastern Campus in Highland Hills and Western Campus in Parma.

“This is another example of how Tri-C is building programs at Westshore Campus to serve everyone in the community,” said Suzanne Ortiz, who oversees Encore Campus Fridays for the College.

Visit www.tri-c.edu/encore for more information or to register for Encore Campus Fridays or Neighborhood Scholars courses. Potential students can also call 216-987-2274 for information. Enrollment for both programs is now open. ●



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DIGGING DOVER

Another piece of Dover history for sale: Limpert's Fruit Farm, Part 1

by WILLIAM KRAUSE

Part one of a four-part series on the Limpert family and their bygone fruit farm on Detroit Road in Westlake.

Amere \$2.3 million will buy you 8.6 acres, twin circa-1893 Eastlake style homes and a unique piece of Dover history. The property is located just west of St. Paul Lutheran Church on the south side of the street, 28083-28119 Detroit Road. The white frame homes are set back a fair distance from the road and are almost obscured by overgrown vegetation. When they were still clearly visible from the road the “gingerbread” trim was a pleasant sight to see.

An Ohio Historic Inventory form says that a sign advertising “Wine for sale” was still displayed in 1977. As recently as the 1990s I believe a red and white “Bonded Winery” sign was mounted on the side of the road. Was it once illuminated with neon? Did it also say “Limpert’s Fruit Farm”? I can’t remember for sure.

The Limpert vineyards are memorialized in the name of a short street in the adjacent Settler’s Reserve subdivision called “Limpert’s Vine Row.” The overgrown rows of grapevines, orchards and crop land are still visible in aerial photographs on Google and to some extent from the ends of “Hall’s Carriage Path” and “Taylors Mill Turn” cul-de-sacs and the easterly adjacent St. Paul Lutheran parking lot. St. Paul’s actually owns the land immediately north of those cul-de-sacs for several hundred feet.

The 8.6 acres is all that remains of a 60 acre farm owned by Minnie Limpert in 1927 which stretched all the way south to Hilliard Boulevard and beyond. An 1874 map shows a J. Limpert owning 45 of these same acres, though the earliest deed for them I could find was filed in 1880, transferring 13 acres of land from Phinney and Osborn to John

Limpert. This land transferred from John Limpert to his son Charles W. Limpert in 1914 and in 1915 to Charles’ wife, Minnie, upon Charles’ death.

In 1956 the land transferred from Minnie to her unmarried daughter, Julia M. Limpert, on deeds notarized by Carl M. Limpert, her brother, a Justice of the Peace of Westlake Village. In 1959 Julia gave 1/3 interest in all of the properties to Carl M. and Herbert Limpert, her two unmarried brothers. Herbert died in 1974 and Carl M. inherited the land in 1982 after Julia died in 1981. In 1982, at age 74, Carl M. married the 69-year-old Amelia Cordt Grimes; she died in 1985.

A resident of Settler’s Reserve, Jacqueline Bonitati, is passionate about trying to save this remnant of Dover’s agricultural past. She is canvassing her neighbors and reaching out to the owner and the city to see if there is a way to save at least some of the land from development. Since the property is zoned single family it could be developed as a subdivision but that is exactly what Jacqueline is hoping to avoid. She envisions bringing the land back into some kind of agricultural use which could also be permitted under single family zoning.

Unfortunately Jacqueline says Settler’s Reserve does not have a Homeowners Association, which would be one mechanism that could be used to acquire and hold the land. Unless someone comes forward with a couple million dollars, probably the best hope for her dreams is that the land be rezoned for single family cluster in partnership with a developer who would build new cluster units on some of the land and save the rest of the land for joint agricultural use for the unique cluster home



A bit of the home’s “gingerbread trim” peeks out from behind overgrown vegetation.



Johann (John) and Maria Limpert’s grave marker in St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery. John and Maria were the first owners of the Limpert Fruit Farm in 1880.

buyers who would be interested in this kind of thing. As she says, vineyards and wine are in vogue these days.

A flyer that Jacqueline e-mailed to me titled “Save the Vineyard” states that she wants the community to consider historic preservation options and cultural resource protection, tax incentives to not develop this land as housing, or the city or a private party to turn it into a functioning vineyard again like the John Christ Winery in Avon Lake.



A 1920 plat map of the Limpert property.



A Google map view of the Limpert property.



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Bay Village Branch Library

Upcoming Programs

by TARA MCGUINNESS

The Bay Village branch library is continuing its Teen Zone program on Wednesdays at 3 p.m. starting on Sept. 4 for the 2019/20 school year. This weekly after school program for students in grades 5 and up focuses on themes in gaming, art, movies, technology and more. Parents must sign a release before their child can participate. Please stop by to see a librarian to register your child for Teen Zone.

CHILDREN

Weekly storytimes are on hiatus for the month of August. Please join us again starting Sept. 3.

Wednesday, Sept. 4 (7 p.m.) **Mad Scientists: Strawbees Tower** – Grades K-2: Join us for a hands-on science program. Construct the tallest tower using Strawbees that can hold a ping pong ball at the top for two minutes.

Saturday, Sept. 7 (11 a.m.) **Let's Cel-**

brate Grandparents – Bring your grandparents or grandparent figure to share stories, activities and crafts.

TEEN

Wednesday, Sept. 4 (3 p.m.) **Teen Zone**

ADULT

Wednesday, Aug. 21 (7 p.m.) **Through the Eyes of the Artist: Mary Cassatt** – Mary Cassatt influenced Impressionism not only as an artist, she also had an important role in sponsoring and financially promoting Impressionist art. She was single-handedly responsible for introducing the paintings of the French Impressionists to the United States. Join us to learn about her life and art as pre-

sented by Felicia Zavarella Stadelman.

Saturday, Aug. 24 (2 p.m.) **Canvas Button Art** – Join us to learn how to make a piece of art from beads, buttons and a silhouette image. All supplies will be provided. This program is intended for adults ages 18 and over.

Tuesday, Sept. 3 (7 p.m.) **'90s Maker Nights** – Let's hit rewind to a wicked cool time. Join us for totally '90s maker nights featuring your favorite old school crafts and snacks. This month's craft is Perler Bead Jewelry.

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

Westlake Porter Public Library

Upcoming Events

by ELAINE WILLIS

Thursdays, Aug. 22 and 29 (4-5 p.m.) **Code Club!** – Grades 3-4: Learn how to build an app, design a video game, and change the world through code! We'll start with Khan Academy and Google's CS First. Registration begins one week before each session.

Friday, Aug. 23 (10 a.m.-noon) **Fiber Fanatics** – A time for needlecrafters to share, solve problems, and show off.

Friday, Aug. 23 (4-5 p.m.) **Got Science?** – Learn all about earthquakes. Can you build a structure that can stay standing during an earthquake? Grades 1 and 2. Please register.

Saturday, Aug. 24 (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, Aug. 24 (2-3 p.m.) **3D Printing Orientation** – In order to use the library's 3D printer you need to take this class first. Learn library policies about using it, how to download a 3D printable object file, and how to prepare it for great print. Please register.

Saturday, Aug. 24 (3-4 p.m.) **Alternatives to Cable TV** – Frustrated with cable service? This program will help you sort through the variety of viewing alternatives available. Learn about digital media players, streaming services and additional options. Please register.

Saturday, Aug. 24 (3:30-5 p.m.) **STEAM-Maker Lab: Go to the State Fair** – It's time for the state fair! We'll take a look at various fair attractions, discover how they work, and make our own miniature attraction. Grades 3-5. Please register.

Sunday, Aug. 25 (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.

Sunday, Aug. 25 (2-3 p.m.) **American Girl Doll Club** – 2019 Girl of the Year Blaire Wilson uses her creativity to connect with others. We'll play games and make a theme-related craft. Ages 6-11. Please register.

Monday, Aug. 26 (4-5 p.m.) **Code Club!** – Grades 3-8: Learn how to build an app, design a video game, and change the world through code! We'll start with Khan Academy and Google's CS First. Registration begins one week before each session.

Monday, Aug. 26 (6:30-8:30 p.m.) **Retirement: Are You Ready?** – Do you know what you need to have in place in order to be financially prepared to retire? This class will discuss what you need to think about and know in order to retire comfortably. Please register.

Tuesday, Aug. 27 (6:30-8:30 p.m.) **Nutri-**

ents for Optimal Health – Discover information about water, protein, vitamins, probiotics and Omega 3, 6, 9 fatty acids. Which fat is which? Learn how certain nutrients function, and why they are important to the body. Please register.

Wednesday, Aug. 28 (2 p.m.) **Wednesday Afternoon Book Discussion** – The August selection is "The Secrets Between Us" by Thrity Umrigar.

Wednesday, Aug. 28 (7-8:30 p.m.) **Author Visit with Jill Grunenwald: Reading Behind Bars** – Local author Jill Grunenwald will share the details of her newest book, "Reading Behind Bars," a memoir of her time as a prison librarian. Copies of the book will be available for purchase after the program. Please register.

Saturday, Aug. 31 (2-3:30 p.m.) **Meet the Artists Reception** – Please join the Westlake-Westshore Arts Council in the Porter Room to greet the artists from the juried art show.

To register for any of the programs, please call 440-871-2600 or visit events.westlakelibrary.org/events. ●

Local students receive Tri-C honors fellowships

by JOHN HORTON

Three students from Bay Village and Westlake have been selected for Cuyahoga Community College Honors Program Fellowships, which offer high-achieving students scholarships to cover tuition, fees and books as they work toward an associate degree.

Scholarship recipients include Haley Sathre of Bay Village and Sophia Abdelhamid and Arielle Kriaris of Westlake.

The students signed commitment letters with the College during an Aug. 7 ceremony at Tri-C's Jerry Sue Thornton Center in Cleveland. Each scholarship – funded by donors to the Cuyahoga Community College Foundation – is valued at up to \$5,160 per academic year.

The College's sixth fellowship class features 40 students who graduated high school with at least a 3.5 GPA and outstanding ACT/SAT scores. By entering the scholarship program, they commit to being full-time students, maintaining a high GPA and earning a degree from Tri-C within two years.

"These gifted students chose Tri-C to begin their college journey," said Herbert Mausser, the College's director of Honors and Scholars Programs. "I look forward to seeing them cross the commencement stage to collect their degrees in the spring of 2021."

The honors fellowship places special emphasis on academic planning, mentoring and portfolio building to reflect student work. Smaller honors

class sizes also ensure specialized attention for students.

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Haley Sathre of Bay Village and Sophia Abdelhamid and Arielle Kriaris of Westlake received Tri-C Honors Program Fellowships.

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SNIPPETS OF BAY VILLAGE HISTORY

First Girl Scout Day Camp held in 1945

by KAY LAUGHLIN

The following tidbit was part of the weekly news in Katherine Messenger's local newspaper column in the summer of 1945.

“G irl Scout News – 1945: This week brought to a close the first Girl Scout Day Camp to be conducted in Bay Village. The project consisting of outdoor craft, handcraft, singing, and games was met with enthusiastic response from the Brownies and Girl Scouts. A program demonstrating a few of the activities will take



Glenview Brownies standing in a field in front of the Huntington barns. Huntington was a popular place for outdoor activities on the west side. This photograph was taken in 1946.

place July 4th at 1:30 p.m. in the valley of Cahoon Park. Everyone is invited to attend.” Many Girl Scout events



The terracing and fish pond behind Rose Hill Museum in the Cahoon Park valley was often used for outside activities and day camps.

were held in the valley behind Rose Hill Museum. The pond was used for "crossing over the bridge" from Brownies to Girl Scouts. There was a small park with a merry-go-round, teeter-totter and swings close by. I remember making pads out of red-and-white-checked linoleum squares by sewing them together with leather striplings for seat pads. ●

PET CARE

A St. Francis attitude all year long

by NANCY BROWN

T ypically in October, Christian churches honor the famous, beloved St. Francis of Assisi by having pet blessings. But did you know that St. Francis is not just the patron saint of animals, he is also the patron saint of stowaways, the environment and ecology? He was a friend to the poor, calmed and blessed an attacking wolf and his quotes are well documented and used each day.

Researching St. Francis' biography, I learned that he was an Italian Catholic friar, deacon and preacher. He founded the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of St. Clare, the Third Order of St. Francis and the Custody of the Holy Land. St. Francis is considered one of the most venerated religious figures in history.

Heightened awareness of present our environment and ecology made me wonder what would St. Francis say or do in

current times.

It is documented that he believed "that nature was the mirror of God. He called all creatures his brothers and sisters." He preached to and about animals. St. Francis wrote in his Canticle of the Creatures about the moon, the sun, wind and water. Because of his devout love for all animals and the environment, he believed that creatures (including humans) have a responsibility to protect and be respectful to all of creation. Statues and printed materials of him almost always have a bird on his shoulder, surrounded by scenes of nature.

Here are a few of his quotes to meditate on and apply as we try to make our homes, city and world a little nicer place to live in:

"Start by doing what is necessary, then do what is possible, then suddenly you are doing the impossible."

"Praise be to you my Lord, through our Sister Mother Earth who sustains and governs us producing varied fruits with

colored flowers and herbs."

"Where there is charity and wisdom, there is neither fear nor ignorance."

"If you have men who will exclude any of God's creatures from the shelter of compassion and pity, you will have men who will deal likewise with their fellow man."

"Lord make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love."

In just a few months local churches will start honoring and remembering St. Francis with pet blessings, but you do not have to wait until then to celebrate him or repeat his acts of kindness. Pet shelters are always in need of blankets, towels, crates, pet dishes and monetary donations. This is a great way to recycle pet products. Local facilities include the Bay Village and Westlake police departments, the Cleveland APL, and the Lorain and Cuyahoga county dog kennels. ●

Free showing of critically acclaimed film, 'Gen Silent,' Aug. 25 in Westlake

by BARBARA POWELL

C hurch of the Redeemer UCC will host a screening of Stu Maddox's critically acclaimed film, "Gen Silent," Sunday, Aug. 25, at noon at the church, 23500 Center Ridge Road, Westlake. The viewing is free, but attendees are asked to make reservations by calling the church at 440-331-0834 or emailing church@corucc.org.

The documentary tells the story of six LGBT older adults transitioning to assisted care and facing the decision of going back into the closet to survive.

Their surprising decisions are captured through intimate access to their day-

to-day lives over the course of a year in Boston. "Gen Silent" brings these issues into the open for the first time. The film shows the wide range of quality of paid caregivers – from those who are specifically trained to make LGBT seniors feel safe to the other end of the spectrum, where LGBT elders face discrimination, neglect or abuse.

Rev. Beth Long-Higgins, executive director of the Ruth Frost Parker Center for Abundant Aging with United Church Homes, will lead a brief discussion and answer questions following the film.

For more information, contact the church or visit corucc.org/coming-events. ●

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Kids, Teens & Emergencies Welcome!

Local women's chorus seeks singers

by PATRICIA GRUBER

The Avon Lake Women's Chorus is a non-profit organization that welcomes women of all ages and all communities (not limited to Avon

Lake residents).

We prepare winter and spring programs to entertain residents of independent/assisted living facilities and clubs/groups in Lorain and western Cuyahoga counties. Under the direction of a

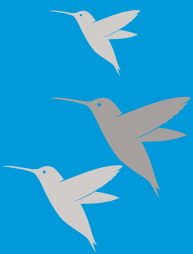
professional choral director and an accomplished pianist, our upbeat programs feature holiday music, show tunes, old favorites, pop melodies, traditional, whimsical, gospel and rock 'n' roll that get faces smiling

and toes tapping!

For information, call Fran at 440-934-3442. The Chorus meets Mondays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., at Avon Lake United Church of Christ. The first meeting is Sept. 9. ●

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

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

Wednesday, Aug. 21, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

THE SWEET ARTS CAFE

Free arts enrichment and socialization café for those with memory loss/dementia and their care partners (spouse, child, caregiver). It begins with a brown bag lunch and is followed by an arts, music, storytelling or dance activity. Pre-register at 440-414-0434.

The Center for Artful Living, 26633 Detroit Rd., Westlake

Wednesday, Aug. 21, noon-1 p.m.

WESTLAKE TOASTMASTERS CLUB #497

Brief pre-meeting greeting time at noon; official meeting begins at 12:15, where you can overcome your fear of public speaking and polish your skills. Everyone is welcome. Find a supportive environment to get the practice and experience that will propel you to reach your speaking goals. *Westlake Porter Public Library, 27333 Center Ridge Rd.*

Wednesday, Aug. 21, 7 p.m.

BAY VILLAGE CREEK CLEANUP

Join the Bay Village Green Team in cleaning up Cahoon 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. *Cahoon Park Gazebo, 303 Cahoon Road*

Thursday, Aug. 22, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

MEDICAL MARIJUANA & CBD OIL TALK

Nature's Pharmacy and Compounding Center Dr. Katy Pack (pharmacist) will be giving a talk about medical marijuana and CBD oil. Dr. Pack will explain: how the cannabis plant effects our bodies, the rules surrounding the use of medical

marijuana in the state of Ohio, and the use of CBD oil. RSVP: 440-835-6565

Bay Village Senior Center, 300 Bryson Lane

Thursdays through Sept. 12, 5-8 p.m.

BAYARTS FARM + ART MARKET

Local food, artisans, garden needs, home decor and demos. Free to attend, dog-friendly. Vendors contact market@bayarts.net. *BAYarts, 28795 Lake Rd.*

Thursday, Aug. 22, 6:45-8 p.m.

WORD WARRIORS TOASTMASTERS MEETING

Learn to become a more confident speaker, communicator and leader on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. Guests are always welcome! Contact Kitty Brandal at kittybrandal@gmail.com for more information. *Westlake Porter Public Library, 27333 Center Ridge Rd.*

Friday, Aug. 23, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

Funky Truckeria Taco Truck and Cleveland Cookie Dough 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.*

Monday, Aug. 26, 9-10:30 a.m.

PUPPY PALOOZA

It's National Dog Day in the "dog days of summer" so let's talk about dogs! Our furry friends deserve the best and K9 Concierge Susan Coleman knows just what our pups need to stay healthy and happy. Leave your pets at home and come learn about pet nutrition from the expert. No cost.

Please call to register, 440-835-6565.

Bay Village Senior Center, 300 Bryson Lane

Monday, Aug. 26, 6 p.m.

LWV WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY:

CHAPTER MEETING & SUPPER

This meeting will take place at the home of Jean Seasholz. Address will be provided when you RSVP by emailing westlake-northolmsted@lwvgreatercleveland.org. If you are interested in joining LWV or in learning more about it please RSVP by Friday, Aug. 23, and join us.

RSVP for location details

Wednesday, Aug. 28, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

NOURISH YOUR SOUL THROUGH HEALTHY FOOD, COMMUNICATION AND COPING SKILLS

For those coping with cancer: Nourish your soul through healthy food, communication and coping skills. Advance registration required: 216-595-9546.

The Gathering Place, 25425 Center Ridge Rd., Westlake

Wednesday, Aug. 28, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

RISKS OF OSTEOPOROSIS

As we age our bones become weak and brittle and are more likely to break. Medical lecturer Tom Strong discusses symptoms and causes of the disease. Complimentary lunch provided. RSVP required by Aug. 26; call 440-835-5661.

Huntington Woods, 7705 Westchester Pkwy, Westlake

Friday, Aug. 30, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

Jones Bones and The Sweet Spot 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, Aug. 31, 4:30 p.m.

FREE COMMUNITY MEAL

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

Wednesday, Sept. 4, noon

LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY?

Please join the Lake Erie Nature & Science Center Women's Board to learn about our volunteer activities which support the Center. Social time starts at noon; meeting is at 12:30. Executive Director Catherine Timko will update us on center activities and future plans.

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center, 28728 Wolf Rd., Bay Village

Wednesday, Sept. 4, 1-2:30 p.m.

FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Members of Cuyahoga West Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society will offer assistance to the public. If you have data recorded to pedigree and/or family group sheets, bring these forms with you. *Westlake Porter Public Library, 27333 Center Ridge Rd.*

Thursday, Sept. 5, 7-8:45 p.m.

WESTLAKE UNITY TOASTMASTERS

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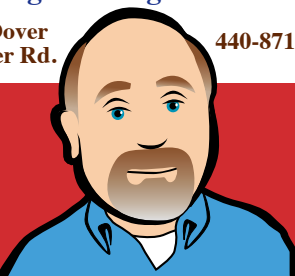
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