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## Grand Marshal Of The Lakewood Fourth Of July Parade

# Lakewood's Youth Service Organization "H20"

by Melissa Garrett

Lakewood Mayor Mike Summers has announced that Help-To-Others (H2O) will serve as the Grand Marshal for the City's Fourth of July parade. The parade is scheduled to step off on Thursday, July 4, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. on Lake Avenue at

Kenneth Drive and conclude at Lakewood Park.

H2O, celebrating its 20th anniversary this year, is a service learning organization for middle school and high school students in Lakewood. A collaborative effort between the Department of Human Ser-

vices/Youth and Lakewood City Schools, this program is dedicated to strengthening and enriching the region by engaging its young people as community builders. In 2011, 333 high school volunteers logged 3,682 hours of service, 222 middle school volunteers logged 899 hours, and 198 middle school summer campers logged 3,960 hours of service for 60 community events and more than 40 non-profits in the Cleveland area.

"We are pleased to honor

H2O during its 20th anniversary for all this organization has given to the Lakewood community" said Mayor Summers. "For two decades, H2O has taught the youth of Lakewood the importance of community service and importance of giving back to the community. We are proud to have them serve as Grand Marshals of the Fourth of July Parade."

Joining in the parade will be musical favorites, the Lakewood High School Ranger Marching Band, St. Edward High School

Band, the Lochaber Pipe Band and Red Hackle Pipe Band.

After the parade, festivities will continue in Lakewood Park with games, food, activities and information provided by several of Lakewood's community organizations. At 7:00 p.m., the Lakewood Project, Lakewood High School's Youth Rock Orchestra, will perform at the Bandstand at Lakewood Park.

The Fourth of July will conclude with Lakewood's annual fireworks extravaganza at approximately 9:45-10:00 p.m.

## Lakewood In Words And Pictures



photo by Jim O'Bryan

British Band Alabama 3 played a free show at the Phantasy Nite Club. It was a tribute show to James Gandolfini, the star of *The Sopranos*, who passed away. A3 wrote and recorded the theme song for *The Sopranos*. Boy did they rock the house. Look online for photos and videos.



photos by Jim O'Bryan

This past weekend volunteers from Cliffs Natural Resources joined with volunteers from Lakewood Alive on various projects around town to make the city look better. Thanks, Cliffs Natural Resources and LakewoodAlive. Above they were painting the fence at the Nicholson House.



On the left they painted a house on Lark.

Below left: Worked on a small park on Thrush and Dowd,

Below built flower boxes for the skate house.



by Christine Gordillo

The Lakewood City Schools Board of Education approved the hiring of four principals for the 2013-2014 school year at its June 17 meeting. Two of those hired will replace retiring principals and two will replace principals moving into other administrative positions with the district.

Harding Middle School Principal Keith Ahearn will become the new principal at Lakewood High School, replacing Dr. Bill Wagner, who is moving into the position of Director of Human Resources for the district.

Ahearn joined Lakewood Schools as Harding's principal in 2009. Prior to coming to Lakewood, Ahearn was principal at Garfield Heights Middle School. Under Ahearn's leadership, Harding was rated Excellent with Distinction on the latest State of Ohio report card. Ahearn earned a bachelor's in History from Fairfield University in Connecticut and his master's in Education Administration from John Carroll and has studied at Harvard University's Institute for School Leadership.

"We were very fortunate to have an excellent candidate in our own school system to replace Dr. Wagner at LHS," said Superintendent Jeff Patterson. "We look forward to

Mr. Ahearn's leadership as the next high school principal."

Ahearn thanked the Board for "an amazing opportunity."

"I am excited to serve the staff, students and parents of LHS as they are, in my opinion, the center of this community," he said.

Three elementary principals have been approved by the Board, although their building assignments have not yet been determined. Joining Lakewood City Schools' administrative team will be Sandra Kozelka, currently an Instructional

Coach for the district, Sabrina Crawford and Sandra Powers.

Kozelka has been with the district for 22 years and has served as a primary teacher, mentor, elementary school facilitator and district instructional coach. She received both her undergraduate and graduate degrees from Baldwin Wallace University.

"In the many roles that Sandy has had with the district, she has always placed the learning needs of children first through her collaboration

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## District Treasurer Penton Submits Resignation

by Christine Gordillo

Lakewood City Schools Treasurer Tim Penton has resigned from his position effective July 31, 2013. Penton cited "unforeseen circumstances" of a personal nature in his letter of resignation to the Board of Education.

Penton joined the district in August 2012, serving as interim Treasurer following the departure of then-Treasurer Rick Berdine. He assumed the position of Treasurer on Jan. 1, 2013.

Before coming to Lakewood, Penton was Treasurer for Whitehall City Schools for 12 years.

"Tim Penton has served



the Lakewood City Schools well during his time as Treasurer," said Board President Edward Favre.

"He made great strides and improvements and worked

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City News

What are the odds...

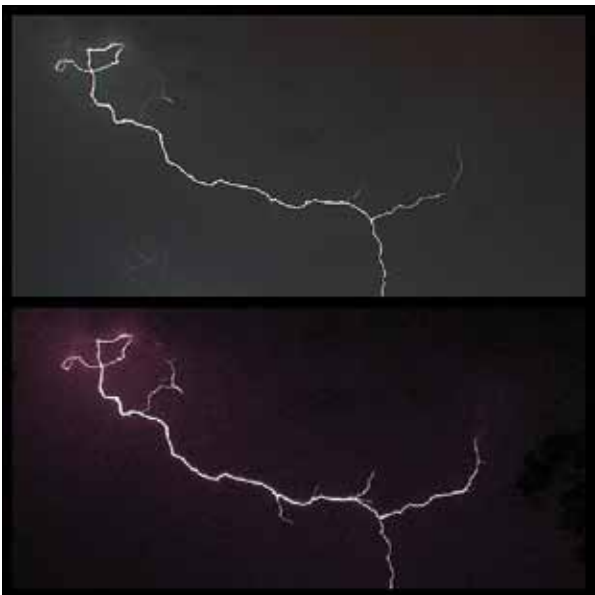
by Jim O'Bryan

Last week I was sitting on my porch as the storm came in. It looked like lightning, and I wasn't doing anything so I grabbed my camera and sat down to take some pictures. Well I wasn't getting anything earth-shattering so I went inside. A couple minutes later Deb walked in and said, "You know, you should have been looking east." So I decided to grab her and my camera and drive down to Lake Erie hoping to get some photos of lightning over Cleveland.

I went down to Pier W and got ready to take a couple of photos. But the images never really materialized, and after about ten shots, I was getting ready to head back when we noticed a little lightning to the west. So over the next 15 minutes, I took another twenty photos of lightning. We packed up and headed home. I looked at my photos and saw nothing really special, but I picked a couple and posted them on the Observation Deck along with an announcement made by another resident about the storm coming in. I put them up and never thought any more about it...

The next morning, I got up and walked the dog. After I got home I turned on the computer and checked the latest news on the Deck, and saw that a friend of mine had posted his own lightning photo to the storm thread.

He also posted that he and I had shot exactly the same stroke of lightning at the same time, about 1/4 mile apart from each other without either one of us knowing we were doing it. The photo he uploaded proved it. The same bends and loops, as unique as a



When these two lighting photos were posted on the Deck, it was the begining of something wild! My photo is above Steve Davis' photo.

snowflake--- except that it was exactly the same as the one I'd just posted, but his was from an I-Phone, a quarter mile away from where I shot mine.

What is even more amazing, neither one of us took that many photos and there was a lot of lightning in the sky. One of the reasons we were both taking the pictures is the skies were alive with lightning. Crazy, what are the chances, what are the possibilities?

Later that day our paths crossed at a local coffee shop bakery, and we were laughing about what the chances are. Not just in taking the pictures of the same lightning, but him recognizing it, deciding to post it, other people seeing it, and finally that I would see it. You know, it is pretty crazy, and the odds, when you take a step back and look at the larger picture: Two people who know each other...One who rarely takes photos... Same angel, same phase, just crazy.

So I asked to see his photos, and as he showed them to me, they seemed familiar. So we went through my 20 photos and his 13 photos and three of

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them were of the same lightning, taken at exactly the same time, looking at the same place in the sky.

Now while I could see half the sky, Steve could only see through two small sections between the trees, limiting the chances again. But with no conversation between the two of us about any of this, we had duplicated 24% of his random images, with 13% of the images I had taken at random during a 2-hour long storm. You know, it is pretty amazing.

Imagine 50 years ago, telling someone that you and a friend would take the same photo of the same subject 1/4 mile apart at the exact same

time. They would have doubt, but would say, maybe.

Now if you told them 50 years ago that you would do it 24% of the time with 13 images, they would be highly suspicious, but would think maybe.

Now if 50 year ago you had told the person one would be using a camera with no film, the other was using his phone, and they would find out about this by not talking on the phone, or talking to each other, and only realize it after it was posted to a cloud that can be seen by nearly everyone in the world, and monitored by all the nations and business of the world, then what would they say?

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Lakewood Observer Starts Its 10th Year Of Serving The Residents, Businesses, Non-Profits, Schools, And City Hall

by Jim O'Bryan  
Publisher  
Lakewood Observer

It is hard to believe sometimes that only 9 years ago a small group of Lakewoodites walked in their first 4th of July Parade as “The Lakewood Observer.”

Since that first walk, where we declared “Freedom from corporate media” proudly in the opening story, so many things have happened in this city, and so many people have taken part.

I find it interesting that back when we started this project there was the Plain Dealer, The Sun Papers, The Scene, The Free Times, and The Westlife, all healthy publications covering Lakewood. The problem we had identified was not the coverage, but how we were being covered, and why.

We’d found out that the discussion and perception on our own streets was often a better barometer of where the city was and where the city was headed. That when a reporter came in from out of town, they rarely understood the neighborhood, let alone the people, the impact, and the larger factors of the story.

We felt to do this we had to empower residents to report not just what they see and hear but what they feel.

Many in mainstream media saw this as a massive no-no: reporters must stay impartial with no thoughts, feelings or bias when reporting a story. But the six publications from the PD on down were already doing that and all were not only starting to fail financially but were failing the city of Lakewood. Not only did we suffer from the “if it bleeds it leads” mentality, we also suffered from being the closest, safest city to downtown Cleveland, making us an easy hit for any TV reporter looking for an upainted house, weeds or uncut yard, guys with baggy pants etc. We had in fact become the easy punchline for local media, so we wanted to change that.

We wanted to admit to and own our bias and bring it publicly to the discussion. After all, do you want to hear from a baker who has never cooked? Do you want to hear about schools from someone who has never gone, never sent their kids, never sat through a PTA meeting? Or from a neighbor or friend who has not only gone through it, but has gone through it the same way you would.

We called this “Civic Journalism” in an era of “open source” and “citizen journalism”—our style gave greater leeway in the reporting of news and opinions, but allowed the reader to 1) Know who was speaking with real names. 2) Know what their bias was in the story—so you would know that the person had

some dogs in the fight, so to speak. Through this, over the course of weeks, months and now nearly a decade you start to understand why a person believes in schools or doesn’t believe in taxes.

Which person wants to save parks, or why they want to mow them down. Why they want businesses over residents or residents over businesses in Lakewood. In a way it’s similar to the way you would read weather reports or movies reviews. “Hmm that seems interesting but I have never agreed with that person.” Or, “Hmm maybe I should vote for that tax levy, this person has no kids in schools and still sees a need.”

The personal experiences of the sum total of Lakewood have made this media project strong. For nine years we have charted a course of respecting the city we live in and love, whether having a tough discussion with differences of opinion like the ones you around the family dinner table of the Observation Deck, or smile with beautiful photos, stories, and images about life in wonderful Lakewood.

People always have something to say about the Lakewood Observer newspaper, or that damn Lakewood Observation Deck, or they love the endless photo galleries, now over 10,000 images of life in and around Lakewood.

I could never thank all of the people who have come forward to share stories, photos, images, sounds, ideas, discussions, post comments both positive and not-so-positive for taking the time to jump into what I gleefully call “The Lakewood Mosh Pit of Word Jazz.”

What I am hoping is that in the coming days, you take that small step and become a member of the Lakewood Observer and share your images and stories at: <http://lakewoodobserver.com/members> or jump into the quick, light and fun discussion on the Observation Deck

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City News

# Mayor Looks To Change Parking Rates Downtown

by Christopher Bindel

Council President Brian Powers called the June 17, 2013 meeting of Council to order at 7:31 P.M. He then turned it over to Councilwoman Monique Smith (At-Large) for the first order of business. Councilwoman Smith read a communication regarding Cleveland Pride Week. This year Cleveland Pride Week will begin Sunday, June 23, and it will mark its silver anniversary celebrating the LGBT community in our area. Smith asked Council “in the spirit of Lakewood’s well known support of inclusiveness” to pass a resolution recognizing the Cleveland Pride organization and joining them in celebrating 25 years of success.

Council passed the resolution

unanimously.

The next order of business was in regards to the Arthur Avenue street light enhancement project. After a final meeting on the issue in the Committee of the Whole, Council decided to pass the measure with a few final adjustments, including increasing the price per household by about \$47. Council passed the ordinance approving the project.

Mayor Summers then read a communication notifying Council of his intention to change parking rates on two lots in downtown Lakewood. The lots behind First federal of Lakewood and Geiger’s are going to be resurfaced soon and the meters will be removed. However, parking will not become free; a new kiosk managed parking sys-

tem will be installed. The new rates for this system will be as followed: the first 30 minutes are free, each additional hour is \$1.00 with a maximum ability to purchase four hours, including the free half hour, the maximum amount of time you could get per spot is four and a half hours.

The Mayor brought this to Council’s attention because according to the charter they have to approve these changes with no action on them in 60 days, or reject them.

The Mayor said that many of the parking rates in the city have not

changed since 1993 and that he is in the process of reviewing them and would like to include Council in the discussion. He also stated that Council is in charge of setting the hours of parking enforcement and asked that they consider discussions on those as well as the rates.

Council referred the matters to the Finance Committee for discussion.

Coming to the end of the agenda items, and with no one from the public wishing to speak, Council President Powers adjourned the short meeting at 8:08 P.M.

## Special Park Rules In Effect At Lakewood Park On July 4th

by Melissa Garrett

The City of Lakewood will have some additional rules in effect at Lakewood Park on Thursday, July 4, 2013 for the Fourth of July festivities. These rules are being added for the safety and protection of everyone in attendance during the Lakewood Fourth of July celebration.

**The following rules will be in effect at Lakewood Park on July 4, 2013:**

**All generators, propane and gas fueled grills are prohibited.**

**All tents and shelters are prohibited.**

**Police will be conducting searches of bags and coolers for reasons of public safety.**

**No alcoholic beverages are permitted at any time throughout the year.**

**No personal fireworks. This includes novelty fireworks like sparklers.**

**No dogs or pets of any kind will be permitted in the park on July 4th.**

**The skate park, tennis courts, basketball courts and Kid’s Cove playground will be closed at 7:00 p.m.**

“There are more people at Lakewood Park for the Fourth of July than at any other time during the year,” stated Mayor Mike Summers. “Safety is our first priority. These added security measures will help to ensure that everyone has a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July.”

## City Announces 2013 Summer Band Concert Schedule

by Melissa Garrett

The City of Lakewood is pleased to announce the 2013 schedule for its Summer Band Concert Series. A long time Lakewood tradition, these free concerts are held on Sundays at 7:00 p.m. at the bandstand in Lakewood Park, 14532 Lake Avenue.

### Upcoming Concerts

June 30 ~ FireSide Band

Thurs., July 4 ~ The Lakewood Project

July 7 ~ 122nd Army Band

July 14 ~ Cats On Holiday

July 21 ~ Men of Independence

July 28 ~ No concert! But join us on July 27 and 28 as The Cleveland Shakespeare Festival performs at Lakewood Park. These free performances begin at 7:00 p.m.

August 4 ~ Ernie Krivda & The Fat Tuesday Big Band

August 11 ~ The Cleveland TOPS Swingband

August 18 ~ Lakewood Hometown Band

In the event of rain, the Lakewood Hometown Band concert on August 18th will be held in the Lakewood City Hall Auditorium, 12650 Detroit Avenue.

# Lakewood Chamber of Commerce Honors Maria Shinn, Ralph Lukich At Annual Awards Luncheon

by Valerie Mechenbier

The Lakewood Chamber of Commerce honored its Past Presidents, long-term members, the 2013 Outstanding New Member and the 2013 Business Person of the Year at Vosh on June 21st. One hundred Chamber members and guests celebrated the contributions of dedicated Chamber members who have volunteered their time and energy over the years to promote the mission of the Lakewood



Lakewood Chamber of Commerce 2013 Business Person of the Year: Ralph J. Lukich of Omni Lakewood Ltd.

Chamber of Commerce.

Following the swearing-in of the Chamber’s 2013-2014 Board of Directors by Lakewood Municipal Court Judge Patrick Carroll, Chamber CEO & President Patty Ryan recognized and introduced the Past Presidents in attendance at the luncheon: Larry Faulhaber (1975-76), Mary Sue McGorray (1993-94), Mary Lou Call (1998-99), Carol Mason (2003-04), Timothy Laskey (2004-05), Julius Skerlan (2005-06), Sean Brennan (2006-07), and Terry Vincent (2009-11). Thirty-eight businesses were then recognized for their long-term membership and continuous support, including: Serpentine Arena at Winterhurst and Bobby O’s (5 years), Breadsmith of Lakewood, Cleveland Home Title, Lakewood Hospital Foundation and The Salem Team at Keller Williams (10 years), Beck Center for the Arts (15 years), Rockport Wealth Advisors (25 years), and St. Edward High School (35 years).

Ms. Ryan called upon Past President Carol Mason to introduce Maria Shinn, owner of Maria L. Shinn LLC, as the 2013 Outstanding New Member.



Lakewood Chamber of Commerce 2013 Outstanding New Member: Maria Shinn of Maria L. Shinn LLC.

Maria’s law practice specializes in estate planning, probate administration, elder law, and non-traditional families. Ms. Mason recognized Maria for being an exemplary new member and doing all of the “necessary things” that support the Chamber’s mission of serving the business community: since joining the Chamber in 2011, Maria has become an active member of the Chamber’s Economic Development Task Force, has attended nearly every Chamber func-

tion, and is beginning a term on the Chamber’s Board of Directors.

Alyssa Wilmot of The Movement Factory was then asked to introduce Mr. Ralph J. Lukich, Property Manager of Omni Lakewood Ltd: the Chamber’s 2013 Business Person of the Year. In her eloquent tribute, Ms. Wilmot highlighted Mr. Lukich’s role in filling the 18-acre multi-tenant Lake Erie Building at 13000 Athens Avenue with nearly 100 businesses and being extremely supportive of new businesses and young entrepreneurs and artists, giving them “a chance to be successful and follow their dreams.” Mr. Lukich thanked his family, his Omni Lakewood partners and staff, and the Lake Erie Building businesses who continue to renew leases and ask for additional space for their support in making the Lake Erie Building a significant economic presence in the City of Lakewood.

For additional photos and a complete list of long-term members and Chamber Past Presidents, visit [www.lakewoodchamber.org/annual-awards-luncheon/](http://www.lakewoodchamber.org/annual-awards-luncheon/).



# Government News

## Passage Of Rape Crisis Funding Bill To Provide First-Time State Funding For Rape Crisis Centers

by Nickie Antonio

State Rep. Nickie J. Antonio (D-Lakewood) and Chair of the Ohio House Democratic Women's Caucus is pleased to announce passage of Sub HB 108, legislation to provide first-time funding to 27 rape crisis centers throughout the state by appropriating \$2 million from the General Revenue Fund. Rep. Antonio signed on in support as a cosponsor of the legislation since its introduction. The bill also establishes a Rape Crisis Program Trust Fund administered by the Attorney General and funded through registration fees of sex offenders, new fines for sexually oriented offenses and donations.

"This legislation is long overdue," said Rep. Antonio. "For the thou-

sands of survivors of sexual assault there is new hope for healing through programs that could be supported throughout Ohio by this bill."

The State Victims Assistance Advisory Council, which provides recommendations and advocacy for victim services and police, would gain two new members under HB 108.

If the bill becomes law, Ohio would be more in line with neighboring states that provide dedicated state funding for similar rape crisis programs and services. Currently, Ohio's network of rape crisis programs provides coverage to 37 counties and receives no state funding. The Ohio House unanimously approved the bill.

## Rep. Nickie Antonio Works To Secure Funds For Housing Facility Dedicated To Mentally Ill

by Nickie Antonio

Nickie J. Antonio (D-Lakewood) is pleased to announce the release of \$500,000 to assist the community in a project to house individuals with severe and persistent mental illness. Construction of a 65 unit apartment building with 65 efficiency units will be dedicated to provide independent, permanent supportive housing to individuals with severe and persistent mental illness.

"Housing that is safe, decent and affordable can be the lifeline to improved quality of life for those in our community living with severe mental illness. To those future residents we say, welcome home," said Rep. Antonio.

The Emerald Development and Economic Network Inc. (EDEN), a non-profit contract agency of the Cuyahoga County ADAMHS Board, is responsible for the project and will develop and continue to operate the building. The housing complex will include a staff office, lobby, and common space for laundry and socialization.

The Cuyahoga County ADAMHS Board and its agencies maintain a waiting list of individuals and/or families with severe and persistent mental illness in need of permanent, safe, decent and affordable housing. This project proposes to increase the number of independent housing units for consumers.

## Ahearn To Lead LHS, Three Other Principals Named

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with her colleagues, her knowledge of curriculum, instruction, and our Lakewood community," Patterson said.

Crawford has nearly 15 years experience in education as both a teacher and principal. She comes to Lakewood from Warren City Schools. Her leadership skills have been developed through her roles as an elementary principal and high school assistant principal. She is well versed in the Ohio Improvement Process and providing instructional leadership in the Core Curriculum. She holds an undergraduate degree from Kentucky State and a Masters in Educational Administration from John Carroll. She is currently working on her Superintendent's license from Ashland University.

Powers joins Lakewood after working for the past 20 years in the Garfield Heights City Schools, where she has worked as both a principal and assistant principal at the elementary and middle school levels.

Powers received both her undergraduate and graduate degrees in education from Cleveland State University. Powers also studied at the Harvard University Institute for School Leadership.

The three new elementary principals will replace Noreen Hazen, who retired from Lincoln Elementary, Dr. Kathleen McGorray, who retired from Horace Mann Elementary, and Roxann Ramsey, who will be leaving Grant to become Director of Teaching & Learning K-12.

The Board also approved a new administrative role for Brian Siftar for the 2013-2014 school year. Siftar, currently Coordinator of State & Federal Programs/Gifted & Testing, will become the district's Director of Special Programs effective Aug. 1. In this new position, he will add Information & Technology to his existing responsibilities.

## As Independence Day Nears, Senator Brown Reintroduces All American Flag Act

by Nadhal Eadeh

On Friday, June 14th, In honor of Flag Day, U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-OH) joined veterans on board the USS COD to announce the reintroduction of the All-American Flag Act, legislation that would ensure that flags purchased by the Federal government are entirely made in America.

"American flags should be American-made," Brown said. "It is the right way to honor our veterans and it is the right way to support American workers and businesses. With Ohio companies proudly producing the American flag, taxpayer funds should not be used to purchase those made in other countries. The All-American Flag Act of 2013 would ensure that the government buys flags that are entirely produced with American-made materials."

While children and families wave their American flags during the traditional 4th of July parade, many of those very flags are made in China. According to the most recent U.S. Census Bureau statistics, the value of American flags imported into the United States last year was \$3.8 million—including \$3.6 million from China. Brown, known as the leading propo-



Senator Sherrod Brown gets hearty handshakes from some Veterans who stopped down to hear his announcement.

nent of manufacturing in America, argued that his legislation would help bolster the fortunes of many Ohio flag making companies, including RS Sewing, a Canton company.

In 2011, Brown first introduced the All-American Flag Act, which the Senate passed unanimously. The Federal government is currently required to purchase flags made from 50 percent American-made materials; the legislation would require the government to buy flags that are entirely produced with American-made materials.

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# Lakewood Public Library

compiled by Leana Donofrio-Milovan

## Sunday, June 30

### Sunday with the Friends: Brian Henke: Nimble Fingerstyle

The lion sits alone onstage, playing his acoustic guitar with a quiet intensity that can mislead those who aren't really listening. But if you're there with him, he can conjure thunderstorms as easily as he can paint a rainbow. Flocks of birds soar overhead while ants build cities at your feet. You are a child again and the wonders of nature are yours.

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

## Thursday, July 4

Holiday: Independence Day – Closed

## Friday, July 5

### LakewoodAlive Front Porch Concert Series:

#### Mojo Generations Big Band

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

## Saturday, July 6

### Lakewood Public Cinema

#### “The Avengers” (2012), Directed by Joss Whedon - Rated PG-13

Captain America, Iron Man, the Incredible Hulk and the Mighty Thor team up with Scarlett Johansson and Jeremy Renner to save the world from the Norse god of mischief and his interdimensional allies. Whew! Filmed in Cleveland, this Marvel masterwork displays more compelling drama and depth of character than you might expect from a comic book movie—unless, of course, you actually read comic books.

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

## Wednesday, July 10

### Introduction to Ancestry.com Library Edition

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

# LPL Children/Youth Events

compiled by Eric Knapp

## Friday, June 28

### Music to Go with Miss Misty - For the whole family

Get ready to jump, wiggle and dance with sing-along music. Miss Misty's got the beat!

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

## Tuesday, July 2

### Afternoon at the Movies - For the whole family

Beat the summer heat by taking in a movie on our big screen. All movies are free and open to the public. Movies are shown in the Main Library Auditorium.

1:00 p.m.: “The Secret World of Arrietty”

Tuesday, July 9, at 1:00 p.m.: “Madagascar III”

## Monday, May 20 – Saturday, Aug. 3

### Summer Reading Club

#### For youth, birth through twelfth grade

Feeling adventurous? Join our Summer Reading Club and read 30 books or for 30 hours over the summer. Visit the Reading Club desk to collect stamps and tickets for prize drawings. Special rewards for those who finish! To register, please stop in and fill out a registration form.

Children and Youth's Services desk at both the Lakewood Public Library's Main and Madison branches.

### Family Weekend Wonders

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

Main Library Activity Room and Madison Branch Auditorium

### Weekends With Wee Ones

#### For families with children under 2 years old

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

Madison Branch Children's and Youth Services

Saturdays at 11:30 a.m. and Sundays at 3:30 p.m.

## Thursday, July 11

### BOOKED FOR MURDER: Queens of Crime

#### “Portobello” by Ruth Rendell

The greatest collection of crime-solving, lady detectives from yesterday and today will keep you up late, turning the pages. Unburden yourself once a month and share your sleepless ponderings with this friendly, law-abiding group of mystery lovers. Visit [www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/bookclubs](http://www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/bookclubs) for more clues and full book descriptions.

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

## Friday, July 12

### LakewoodAlive Front Porch Concert Series: Revolutions Brass Band

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

## Saturday, July 13

### Documentary Film

#### “My Perestroika,” Directed by Robin Hessman - Not Rated

They were the last generation to grow up behind the Iron Curtain. Five young adults struggle to find their place in a new Russia that is vastly different from the one that was promised to them as children. This intimate portrait finds great laughs and great sorrow in the contradiction of being young and free when you can't quite escape the old regime.

6 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium

## Tuesday, July 16

### Knit and Lit

#### “Those Who Save Us” by Jenna Blum

Gail Eaton hosts a social club for multitaskers—a combination book club and stitchery group. She's looking for readers who can enjoy intense discussion of modern classics while relaxing with their latest project. Come share your passion for great literature and show off your knitting, crocheting, counted cross-stitch, embroidery and quilting works-in-progress. Visit [www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/bookclubs](http://www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/bookclubs) full book descriptions.

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

# Summoning The Divine In Nature: Brian Henke's Guitar

by Elaine Rosenberger

Known as the guru of finger style guitar, Brian Henke is a self-taught guitarist, composer, and a graduate of Lakewood High School. Henke finds inspiration mainly from nature, but also from his own human reaction to the divine in everything around and within us. Henke brings his unique acoustic guitar style to Lakewood Public Library on Sunday, June 30 at 2:00 p.m. in Lakewood Public Library's Main Auditorium. But before he does, he sat down to answer some questions about himself and his work.

#### When did you first realize that the guitar was the instrument for you?

I received my first real guitar, a Harmony Stella, on the evening of my 13th birthday. It was like the heavens opened up and all the angels were singing.

#### What do you love about the guitar?

Well, it's the kind of instrument that you can learn the basics of in about two weeks and be playing songs for your friends, but can never be totally mastered in one lifetime, because there's just too many different ways to play it and too many different kinds of music you can play on it. No matter how much I know about playing guitar, I too am still a "student" as well.

#### What do you enjoy most about Lakewood?

One of the things I've always liked about Lakewood is that it's a "walking city." You can walk anywhere, any time and find a park, store, restaurant, or coffeehouse in a short time and distance.

#### Can you describe your technique and how it has developed?

I am self-taught, although I was always lucky enough to play in bands and jam with great guitarists when I was younger. I watched them and



learned from them as well. Because no one was there to tell me it was wrong or impossible, I learned a lot of unusual techniques. Things like using both my right thumb and index finger at the same time for fast tremolo picking, or using the pinky finger of my left hand to pick with while holding down chords and using my right hand to play harmonics and other things at the same time.

#### You've likened your music to a "big pot of stew." Can you talk about some of the influences on your music?

Everything from classical, new age, folk, pop, progressive rock, country and bluegrass.

#### What other performers or composers do you admire?

My favorite composer of all time is Beethoven, but I'm also really fond of Lennon and McCartney, Pete Townshend and Roger Waters and David Gilmour.

#### What's the most interesting feedback you've ever gotten for one of your songs?

I think the most touching for me

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Lakewood Public Library

Love Your Library? Then You're Invited!

by Shannon Strachan

For nearly a hundred years, Lakewood residents have enriched their lives with the many educational and cultural benefits of the Lakewood Public Library. Thousands of books, millions of songs, movies, magazines, concerts, lectures and forums crowd the Main Library and the Madison Branch. To ensure that the community retains robust access to these riches—even as the nature of its resources continue to change and grow—the Lakewood Public Library Foundation was formed.

Have you seen the works of the Lakewood Library Foundation? From the bronze shell and glistening tines of Peter Diepenbrock’s sculpture Transversion on the northwest lawn, to the majestic Richard Haas murals flanking the Grand Reading Room, visible signs of the Foundation’s work are not easy to overlook. But the influence of the Foundation on Lakewood runs far deeper. It was the determination of the Foundation that first brought public computers and high-speed Internet to the Library’s patrons. The Foundation’s support made Lakewood Public Library a pioneer and a leader in connected library services. Free PSAT and ACT prep programs sponsored by the Foundation made the difference for scores of Lakewood’s young people who went on to brighter futures, winning scholarships and getting into better schools. Supporting the tireless and creative Children’s Services in the form of author events and programming is a Foundation favorite. The Lakewood Library Foundation is also responsible for bringing world-renowned artists and best-selling authors to our fair city.

We each have our own reasons for “Loving our Library.” Maybe it’s



that great book you read and can’t stop thinking about, or your child has learned to love reading because of the “Family Weekend Wonders” series, or better yet, your teen could not put down the book recommended by the Children’s Services librarian. Maybe it was the Sunday music that spoke to you or watching that old favorite movie in the library auditorium; for many it is just a quiet spot to think or the ability to connect to the outside world through use of the public computers. One thing is certain: our Lakewood Public Library speaks to its 50,000+ Lakewood residents and many outside visitors in different ways—all important to each individual. This is why the Foundation continues its mission to raise the financial resources necessary to ensure financial support is available to the library, in order to continue its mission to serve the Lakewood

Special Friday  
Performance: Music  
To Go With Miss Misty

by Marge Foley

Get ready to jump, wiggle, and dance all around with sing-along music when Miss Misty performs at the Lakewood Public Library. Miss Misty will engage the audience with her beautiful voice as she sings and plays the guitar. This performer knows how to entertain! Having earned a Bachelor of Music degree from Ohio University, Misty Drotleff uses the power of music with children to encourage early literacy. She has been doing children’s musical performances for the past eleven years at several west side libraries and for several community events and programs. Misty states, “My main goal for performances is to keep the children engaged with high energy songs that foster movement, singing along and, of course, general silliness.” For this specific program at Lakewood, she is planning on performing circle and movement songs, many classic children’s songs with a twist, and a few cover songs from popular children’s artists.

Bring your youngsters to the library on Friday, June 28th at 3:00 p.m. to enjoy a show that is sure to be memorable. All programs are free and open to the public. This event, generously funded by the Friends of Lakewood Public Library, will be held in the Multipurpose Room, which is located in the Children’s Department.

community. So...if you “Love your Library” and have a little or a lot of time to share:

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Please join the Library Foundation members and hear about how you can get involved. We are gearing up for a fall author event (John Searles) and

some strategic planning in the areas of fundraising, marketing and PR. Your energy and your talents are needed and what better way to support the library you love, meet new people in your community, develop some skills and build your resume? We would welcome your RSVP to Jody at (216) 226-8275 x102, but if at the last minute you find you have time, just show up.

The Lakewood Library Foundation is a non-profit volunteer organization founded in 1994 that operates exclusively for the benefit of the Lakewood Public Library. It seeks financial support from corporations, foundations, individuals and groups to enhance library collections, equipment, facilities and services. Seven trustees serve without compensation on the foundation board. The Internal Revenue Service recognizes the Lakewood Public Library Foundation as a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. Donations to the Lakewood Public Library Foundation are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by the law. For more information about the Lakewood Public Library Foundation please visit [www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/foundation](http://www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.org/foundation).

Who's That Librarian? Philly!

by Ben Burdick

Name: Philistine B. Ayad  
Position/Department: Paraprofessional/Children and Youth Services (CYS)

Birthplace: Cleveland, OH  
Tell us something interesting about yourself: I cannot swim. I also lived in Jerusalem for five years.

How long have you worked at LPL? Since October of 2011.

What's your favorite spot in the Library? My favorite spot in the Library is a tie between the Librainium and the Toddler Story Room. I love how the Librainium engages the imagination, offers entertainment, and allows children to learn without realizing it. The Toddler Story room is also a favorite because of the gorgeous story-themed paintings.

What are you reading right now? I am reading several different things at the moment: Magyk by Angie Sage (I am reading this so that I can lead the book discussion with Lakewood middle school students), I am re-reading Cinder by Marissa Meyer (I love this futuristic sci-fi retelling of Cinderella as a cyborg), and The Fateful Triangle by Noam Chomsky (this man is a modern day Renaissance man and is very knowledgeable about the Palestinian-Israeli conflict).

If you were stranded on a deserted island, what three books would you want in your backpack? The Quran, The SAS Survival Handbook (because otherwise, I’d probably only last a week) and Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone.

Do you have a favorite memory of the library? My favorite memory of the library is when a little boy gave me



a flower at the end of a story time session, hugged me, and said, “Thank you Miss Philly!”

Suddenly you find yourself living the life of a book character. Who are you and why? I would want to be the Time-Space Witch, Yuuko, from the manga series xxxHoLic. She is a character who is never flustered, she calmly assesses the situation and acts accordingly--all the while dressed in the most amazing outfits. She is almost always in control and, although she carries a heavy burden, is up to any challenge.

What might surprise us about your work at LPL? The amount of work that goes into everything we do in Children and Youth Services: planning programs, presenting them, designing crafts for the children, doing outreach programs, teacher pulls for the TLC, and even the many reference questions and interactions with our patrons. It is always exciting, and the joy on peoples’ faces after a program or interaction makes all of the work worth it.

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would have been when I was told that my music kept someone sane who was stationed in Afghanistan and Iraq. There was also the man who told me that after the horrible things he saw in Vietnam that he had been unable to think of and remember his childhood until he heard me play that day.

If you could leave your audience with a message, what would you hope that message would be?

Wow, that’s a tough question...but only because I hope that I’ve shared so many different things with the people that I’ve played and written my music for. I hope that they are able to find both a measure of peace and inspiration. I hope that maybe people are just a little more in touch with both the child and the divine within themselves. Mainly, I hope that they walk away smiling...

Brian Henke’s concert takes place in the Main Library Auditorium at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 30. Admission is free and open to the public.



Lakewood Schools

## Student Registration By Appointment Only For Lakewood Schools

by Christine Gordillo

Lakewood City Schools is accepting all student registrations by appointment only this summer. Registration will be at the Board of Education, located at 1470 Warren Road.

**The following documents will need to be printed, completed, and brought to your registration appointment:**

- Residency and Custody Affidavit (This must be signed in the presence of a NOTARY PUBLIC)
- Release of Academic Records Authorization
- Home Language Survey
- Physician's Medical Report

**The items listed below must be brought to your registration appointment:**

- Child's Birth Certificate (certified with state seal) NO PHOTOCOPIES (Students born outside of the U.S. must have their native country's birth certificate and an original notarized English translation. Students born outside of the U.S. may also provide one of the following: passport, visa, green card.)
- Proofs of Residency (Provide 2)  
In the form of: Utility Bills (gas, electric, water), valid signed lease, Sec. 8 documentation, pay stub, valid driver's license with current address, municipal income tax return, voter registration card, business mail (i.e. credit card statement)
- Owner Affidavit (This must be signed in the presence of a NOTARY PUBLIC when no other proofs of residency can be provided.)
- Driver's License or State ID of the residential parent/legal guardian registering the student.
- Custody Documents (if applicable) Only legal residents who are the parent or legal guardian of the child may complete the registration process. Applicable court documents must be a certified copy and contain any and all exhibits or attachments referenced to show custody.
- Copy of Current IEP and ETR (if applicable)
- Copy of Current 504 Plan (if applicable)
- High School Transcripts (if applicable)

At the conclusion of your registration appointment, you will be given a "SNAP Code" to access our online process to complete the registration process.

Your child will not be registered until both phases of our registration process have been completed.

## Board Of Education Financial Advisory Committee

by Edward Favre

At its May 20, 2013 meeting, the Lakewood Board of Education created a Financial Advisory Committee to work with Treasurer Timothy Penton, Superintendent Jeffrey Patterson and the Board Member assigned to Finance. The purpose of the committee is advisory in nature and will include the following areas: review the annual State Audit and address any concerns; conduct a pre-audit and post-audit meeting; share business and financial "Best Practices;" review the Treasurer's Five-Year Forecast; and make an annual report to the Board.

The Committee will have three citizens who are Lakewood residents who will be appointed by the Board.

Appointees are expected to have financial and/or audit experience, such as CPAs, CFOs, CEOs, or bankers. One of the terms will be three years in length with two of the initial appointments being one and two years each in order to establish a rotation of filling one position each year. One of the citizens will be chairperson of the committee.

It is the Board's expectation that the committee will work in a cooperative, collaborative and consensus driven manner.

Interested citizens must submit a letter of interest and experience to the President of the Board of Education, 1470 Warren Road, Lakewood, Ohio 44107 no later than July 1, 2013.

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collaboratively with the Board, the Superintendent and the rest of district, as well as those outside the district," Favre continued. "We were disappointed to hear of his decision, however understand and respect his private reasons. We wish Tim the best and would welcome the opportunity to work with him in the future."

## Story Correction



Lakewood High School students Claudia Stadler and Jenny Sureemee with Marty Harris of The Lakewood Rocky River Rotary Club.

by Debra O'Bryan

In Volume 9, Issue 10 of The Lakewood Observer dated May 29, 2013, there was an error in the caption of the Sunrise Rotary Sponsors Student Exchange article. Charlotte Hisel was mentioned in the photo, but it was actually Jenny Sureemee who was with Claudia Stadler and Marty Harris at the Rotary District Conference in Painesville. Jenny will be going to Korea on a 12 month exchange. Congratulations Jenny! Have a wonderful year abroad.

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Lakewood Schools

# Alumna Continues Legacy Of Excellence In Music Education

by Anne Schleicher

One graduate will be coming back to Lakewood High just as she’s leaving Lakewood Schools. Marjorie “Margie” Dusenbury Hildebrandt, class of ’68, will attend her 45th reunion in August, weeks after retiring from 27 years as the inspirational music teacher at McKinley/Horace Mann Elementary. She leaves a legacy of going above and beyond for thousands of Lakewood schoolchildren.

Margie’s passion for music is in her blood. Her grandfather, Lou Dusenbury, was a member of a state champion barbershop quartet. Her father, who sang under the direction of Lakewood High’s legendary instructor T.R. Evans, came from a family of singers. His children followed suit. “My siblings are wonderful singers and still make music today,” she explains.

Margie moved to Lakewood from Brooklyn, Ohio, in seventh grade when her father opened Dusenbury & Son Piano, next to the Detroit Theater.

Her attraction to teaching music was planted at that point. She credits several choir and instrumental teachers—Glen Schnittke and Bob Rice at Harding, and Ulah Gilmore, Neil Davis, Richard Strang and Fritz

Schaufele at Lakewood High—for inspiring her to want to teach in the district.

She attended The Ohio State University for one year before switching, per her father’s suggestion, to Cleveland State University’s new music education program. She then earned her master’s degree at The University of Akron.

“I chose to teach in Lakewood as a way to give back for the wonderful education I received here,” she says. “Mr. Davis, my choir director, clinched it for me. But the choirs, band, orchestra and the musicals I participated in are all etched in my memory. I had dedicated teachers in all areas who cared about us, and I wanted to do the same.”

Margie accomplished that in spades. In addition to teaching music class to students in kindergarten through fifth grade, she formed a “Lunch Bunch” to prepare budding singers for choir in fourth and fifth grade. Fourth graders learned to play the recorder under her tutelage. She instructed fifth graders in how to dance with a partner and demonstrate proper behavior through her Manners Club, and also served as advisor to the



Marjorie Hildebrandt inspired thousands of Lakewood school students.

school’s Safety Patrol. All students were invited to try out for the Talent Show that she initiated; in her last year she even organized one for parents.

She showcased her students’ talents every chance she could. The choir performed nearly 10 times a school year, including off-campus locations like Lakewood Hospital’s Skilled Nursing Unit. She started a Veterans Day program, prompted by her son’s deployment in the Army and then Special Forces. Students were encouraged to bring a veteran in uniform to the event. Each grade level then sang a patriotic song to honor them.

Her dedication has a lasting effect. Says one former student, “She taught me to push forward and never give up. Now music means the world to me.”

Retiring Horace Mann principal Kathleen McGorray says not only students benefited from Margie’s talents. “Margie demonstrates daily that it is as important to her to guide students to be beautiful people as it is to help them make beautiful music,” she explains. “She strikes that lovely balance and brings out the very best—in children and adults.”

The mother of two sets of twins who are three years apart, Margie recognized early in her career the need for children to channel their energy in creative, positive ways. “I love that I can see children of all abilities achieve in the music room. The joy on their faces makes my day.”

Perhaps what she has cherished most as an educator is “watching the children become responsible for their learning; noticing the things to fix, taking pride in what they know and do.”

Her retirement plans sound as busy as a full-time job. “I want to spend more time with my grandchildren, including the ones in Seattle,” she says. “Our military son is planning a wedding in January, so I’ll be getting ready for those responsibilities. I love to make cards, so I’ll do more of that. And then there’s the volunteering—at Severance Hall, the Palace Theater, and Horace Mann.” She will substitute teach when needed and might start a children’s choir for the community through her church, where she sings in the choir, of course.

Somehow, she found time to help plan her 45th LHS reunion on August 16–17, 2013. “My favorite saying is, ‘Music Makes a Happy Heart.’ I wholeheartedly believe it ... and live it.”

To learn more about the LHS Class of 1968 reunion, or to become active with other Lakewood alumni, visit [lakewoodalumnifoundation.org](http://lakewoodalumnifoundation.org).

## Lakewood Teachers Association Presents Scholarships



Bridget Ellert, Rokeishia Smith, Rachel Van Scyoc

by Mary Pat Ellert

Each year the Lakewood Teachers Association grants scholarships to seniors who plan to continue their education. This year Colleen Corrigan, LTA president, presented three lucky graduates each with a \$500 scholarship to use toward their college expenses. Rokeishia Smith is a Lakewood High graduate who will attend Cuyahoga Community College to begin her quest to become a teacher. Bridget Ellert will attend Mercyhurst University to study Social Work, and Rachel Van Scyoc will attend Capitol University. Rachel is the daughter of Lakewood music

teacher Lisa Van Scyoc, and Bridget is the daughter of Garfield Middle School teacher Mary Pat Ellert. Lakewood Teachers Association congratulates all graduates of the class of 2013!



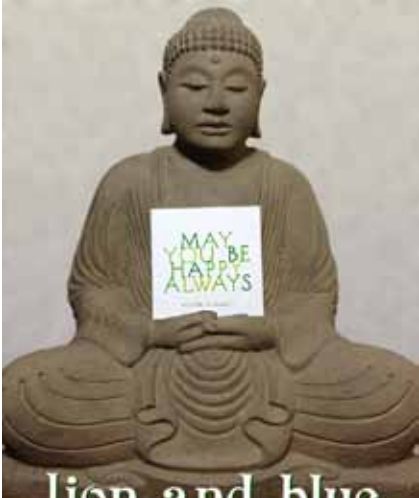
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Kid's Corner

A Trip To Onaway

by Gina Marjanovic, 4th Grade,  
Lincoln Elementary

On June 4, 2013, Mr. McGuan's 4th and 5th graders at Lincoln Elementary School went to Shaker Heights to meet their Pen Pals. We went to a school called Onaway. Our Pen Pals were in Mr. McGuan's brother's class, Mr. Martin McGuan. The class and our Pen Pals had been writing to each other for a couple months, three letters from each class.

At the beginning of the day Mr. McGuan gave his students a "prep talk." It was about how when we were on a field trip we were representing Lincoln. After that, we set off.

Onaway was a long way away, at least ten miles. So, the Lincoln students walked to the bus stop at Detroit by the Lakewood library and at CVS and waited for the RTA bus. It felt like hours because we were so excited but it was only at least five minutes. Finally, the bus came to a stop and the students, teacher, and chaperones boarded the bus. All the students were in the back of the bus. We were only on the bus at least ten minutes.

The bus took us to the Rapid.



The Lincoln students used the RTA to get over to Onaway in Shaker Heights.

We boarded the last cars so they were going backwards when they traveled. The Rapid was pretty entertaining, by watching things out the window going backwards. Most people were talking though. The most entertaining part for me was taking pictures and videos of what I saw out the windows. We were on that at least thirty minutes.

The Rapid took us to Tower City. From there they boarded an RTA train. This time they were going forwards. (I took pictures and videos there too.) The train took us to Shaker Square. We had to walk the rest of the way.

The walk was pretty entertaining and agonizing. On the way we walked through a forestry type area. It was small though. The best thing about it was the shade from the sun. I took lots of pictures of that place. I was in the back of the line with a chaperone and an awesome thing happened. He spotted and almost stepped on a worm that I estimated was eight inches long! It was so cool!

After we got out of the forest type area, we saw two schools. There was Onaway on the left side and another school I can't remember the name of on the right side. I know that the school was a middle school though. If you went to Onaway, you could tell that they do lots of art. There were flowers, there were cool looking semi-circle benches, there were overhangs that looked cool, there were rocks made to sit and play on, and there was something that measured wind in the shape of a flower. They also had an awesome playground.

We were all hot and sweaty from the agonizing walk so when we entered the cool/cold building it was like heaven. We walked down one hallway, up two short staircases, and down one more hallway and arrived at our Pen



Watching the cityscape go by outside the windows of the Rapid.

Pal's classroom.

Just putting this out there, Mr. McGuan and Mr. McGuan (the brothers) don't look alike. But you can tell they each love plaid.

The fourth and fifth graders went to the corner of the classroom and Mr. McGuan (our teacher, not theirs) called out names like, "Who's Ava's Pen pal?" till everyone was paired up. Everyone got a nametag to put on so they knew who you were.

The first ten or twenty minutes we just socialized with our Pen Pals. Then we had lunch. Lunch was fun. We ate on the ground, the rocks, and the benches. After lunch we got to have a little bit of a recess. Everyone was either still eating or rolling down the hill.

After lunch we played kickball. We played that at least thirty minutes. My team won. When people were waiting in line to bat they were either talking, or looking at the awesome playground that I mentioned before. They had slides with covers and no covers, and cool looking monkey bars. I have to admit, they have a better playground than us.

After kickball we launched rockets! Our Pen Pal's teacher, Mr. McGuan, launched them with some help of the chaperones. But first he told us about what the rockets would do and about the small one had a streamer and the big ones had a parachute. They launched them in a big soccer field. He first launched a small rocket, then a short rocket, a big rocket, and then another big rocket!

We counted down from five, he launched the small rocket and it shot up into the sky. There was a pop and a stream came out of the rocket. The rocket slowed, and then landed. The small rocket landed near to where he launched it. Lots of people recorded the launches, including me. We waited as Mr. McGuan set up for the next rocket. We did the "countdown" and the rocket shot up to the sky. There was a pop and the parachute opened. The wind caught the parachute. This rocket landed on a building across from Onaway. Next, Mr. McGuan set up to launch one of the big rockets. The big rockets were a bit taller than me and very thin. We counted down and the rocket blasted off. It went

high into the sky then the parachute opened. It landed on top of a building right next to Onaway. Mr. McGuan set up for the last rocket. We counted down and the rocket blasted off. There was a pop and the parachute opened. The wind caught the parachute. The rocket ended up on the roof of Onaway. After that, we went back inside.

When we got back into the school, we got our stuff together, went to the bathroom, and left.

Mr. McGuan said that we were taking a different route home. We walked to an RTA train stop. It felt like hours but it was only five minutes that we waited for the train. Finally we boarded the train and we started home. On the train, since we were in the last car, we traveled facing backwards. It didn't feel like long that we were on the train. But none of the less, we were on there at least thirty minutes.

Then we got off the RTA that took us to Tower City. We went through Tower City and boarded another RTA train. It took us to a bus stop. We then headed for the bus stop. Even though it sounds weird, the bus was pretty cool. I sat in the middle section where the "connector" I call it was.

The bus took us to Taco Bell in Lakewood. We walked from there. The walk wasn't as agonizing as walking to Onaway, as it was more fun. When we got back into the classroom we got our things together and school ended.



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by Jeanine Gergel

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Grace Lutheran Church To Hold Blessing Of The Pets Service

by George Hansell

It's that time of the year again when Grace Lutheran Church of Lakewood puts up a big white tent on their front lawn and holds activities and services to serve the community in the Name of Jesus Christ. In years past, the congregation has hosted a three-day evangelistic crusade, but this year they are trying something a little bit different. Instead of being a blessing to people only, they will seek to be a blessing to people's pets as well. The Greater Lakewood Community is cordially invited to come to a Blessing of the Pets service on Tuesday, June 25th at 7 PM under the tent. Grace Lutheran Church is located across the street from Madison Park at 13030 Madison Avenue. All animals are welcome! The Rev. George Hansell, Pastor of Grace, requests that the owners please ask their animal companions to be well-behaved.

The Blessing of Animals has long been a tradition in the Christian Church, normally celebrated in the Fall on or near October 4th, the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, whose fondness and kindness to animals was legendary. Pastor Han-

sell is known in his congregation as being particularly fond of dogs, though he is the owner of two cats. He looks forward to blessing any furry, finny, scaly, or feathery creature that comes under the tent. Our human friends are asked to bring a free-will offering of pet food for a local animal shelter.

In addition to the Blessing of the Pets service, the congregation will be participating in the Lakewood community yard sale on Thursday June 27th and Saturday June 29th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds from the sale will go towards purchasing school supplies for the students of Garfield Middle School. On Thursday, June 27th, free health screenings will be offered complements of University Hospital from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On Friday, June 28th, the community is invited to come under the tent at 7 p.m. for a Bunco Party. Light refreshments will be offered.

As part of its 10th Anniversary

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## Lakewood Is Art

Chris Vance Brings Band Aid To Lakewood:

# Vance Music Studios Expanding

by Betsy Voinovich

Business is good at Vance Music Studios.

"We have been running at maximum capacity since Fall of 2012," says Chris Vance, founder of the music school which opened its doors in 2006. "We decided to stop looking at this ever-expanding waiting list and build more rooms. This should be going down late Summer/early Fall. Not only will we expand the availability of our current offerings, but I have a nice list of other great instructors and new programs we can offer. Stay tuned!"

If you've tried to get in at Vance, and could not, it might be a good idea to call now, and get on the list to be part of the launch in September.

"I know we have been pegged as a 'Rock' studio because of the strength of our rock program, but man do we have more to offer," Chris says. VMS specializes in highly educated, experienced teachers who are professional musicians. First, there's Chris himself. "Personally, although back in my younger days in Buffalo I have played with some fairly hot rock bands (and even a few in the Cleveland area), my degrees are in Music Theory and Classical bass performance. I have played with major orchestras, as have many of our past and current instructors. Some of our past instructors currently play in major orchestras (Atlanta, Philly), and some are their way."



Next Generation rocking out at the Winchester, in a lineup that includes four other Vance bands and a packed house.

VMS is also the jazz school in town. "JAZZ!" says Chris, "Geez! A lot of us here play tons of jazz gigs with some of the greatest players around town. A few of our instructors play in Mojo and The Fat Tuesday Big Band, and we are always picking up small group gigs (August 2nd we will play at Lakewood Hospital's Starry Night Fundraiser).

### The Bandmaker

But VMS's real claim to fame, to hear the students tell it, is a class that they offer called "ensemble," but the kids call it "rock band." And Chris Vance is known around town as the man who connects the bands. The Bandmaker.

"It's tough for them to get organized at this age," he says. "Agree on a location—or find one—match up all of their schedules—when what is really great for them to do is play together: lis-



Michael Delaney's Vance band, "Neon Transmission," could go on tour right now. His stellar bass playing landed him a gig with the Lakewood Project.

ten to each other, sharpen their skills with each other, and make music. They have the ability once they're together. The ensemble class helps them get there—both logistically and musically."

The current line-up of VMS bands is so impressive that they will be playing in September at the Ingenuity Festival.

This summer Vance is offering this experience to the whole community in the form of "Rock Band Camp"—a week's experience of forming, practicing, and performing with a band.

"We decided to do this primarily because of popular demand," Chris says. "Every year parents have asked if we would do something for Summer, so we did. The main thing I wanted to achieve is creating an individualized program that would be fun as well as educational. Many of the other Rock camps offered locally operate very differently-- kids are thrown into a giant pool and each member gets to play a couple of tunes (a la carte). First thing Monday morning, VMS campers will form individual bands, and select a set list to be performed Friday night at The Winchester. I feel this is the biggest perk- they take ownership of the band and become a self-sufficient unit." This year, Rock Camp. Next year, Rock Camp and Jazz Camp.

And it's fun. "One of the real perks of running the studio (and something I am sure will come across in the camps) is although we really push the students to play their best and learn the correct way (technique/theory/etc.), we always manage to have a ball!" Chris says. "There are days when I can't believe how great these kids sound, AND my face hurts from laughing so much!" These will be some educated campers. The week-long camp not only offers music lessons and rehearsal, but time for music theory and improvisation, a classroom setting for music appreciation, focusing on specific history and development, and finally, a workshop in how to take care of your gear: setting it up, and maintaining it. A one-stop musician shop.

You can check out the performance of the Band Camp Bands on the final Friday night of band camp at the Winchester Music Hall, July 12.

The next performance of the official Vance Music Studio bands is on August 2nd at the Lakewood Main Library "Front Porch Series."

This is a perfect place to come, listen to these young bands, and see how it works--maybe dance if you dare--and get a glimpse of Lakewood's rock and roll future.



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# Lakewood Is Art

## “Monty Python’s Spamalot” Embarks On Quest At Beck Center

by Kathleen Caffrey

Beck Center for the Arts closes its 2012-2013 Professional Theater season with “Monty Python’s Spamalot” on the Mackey Main Stage, July 12 through August 18, 2013. Winner of three Tony Awards including Best Musical, “Monty Python’s Spamalot” is the outrageous musical comedy “lovingly ripped off” from the cult classic motion picture “Monty Python and the Holy Grail.” Show times are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are now on sale.

With music by the Grammy Award-winning team of Eric Idle and John Du Prez and lyrics by Mr. Idle, Spamalot tells the story of King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table as they embark on their quest for the Holy Grail. Throughout their journey they experience many odd encounters that include killer rabbits, a chorus line of dancing divas, knee-slapping knights, flatulent Frenchmen, flying cows, and show-stopping musical numbers including “Always

Look on the Bright Side of Life” and “The Song That Goes Like This.”

“It is every Monty Python fan’s dream to be able to direct this show,” commented Director Scott Spence. With musical direction by Larry Goodpaster and choreography by Martín Céspedes, the talented cast of 20, including Equity actors Dougfred Miller as King Arthur and Jessica Cope Miller as Lady of the Lake, will keep the laughs rolling in this shameless parade of puns and slapstick.” It makes all of those years watching Monty Python every Friday night on PBS so worthwhile,” adds Spence.

Tickets for “Spamalot” are \$28 for adults, \$25 for seniors (65 and older), \$12 for students (with valid I.D.), and \$10 for children (12 and under). An additional \$3 service fee per ticket is applied at the time of purchase. Preview Night on Thursday, July 11 is \$10 with general admission seating. Group discounts (13 or more) are available. Purchase tickets online at [beckcenter.org](http://beckcenter.org) or call Customer Services at 216.521.2540, ext. 10.

Beck Center for the Arts is located at 17801 Detroit Avenue in Lakewood, just ten minutes west of downtown Cleveland. Free onsite parking is available.

Beck Center will host “Marquee Friday” on opening night, July 12, which includes three gallery exhibits, free musical entertainment by Lounge Kitty, complimentary appetizers and happy hour drinks from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Daniel’s Lounge.

Presented through special arrangement with Theatrical World Rights, this production of “Monty Python’s Spam-

lot” is sponsored by Murphy Weber Fox and is generously funded by Cuyahoga County residents through Cuyahoga Arts and Culture and the Ohio Arts Council.

*Beck Center for the Arts is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization that offers professional theater productions, arts education programming in dance, music, theater, visual arts, early childhood, and creative arts therapies for special needs students, and free gallery exhibits featuring local, regional, and international artists.*

## Mission Group Entertains Hospice Patients

by Laurie Henrichsen

It’s no secret to Lakewood residents that the Greater Cleveland region is in the midst of a major rebirth. All the “buzz” about our hometown has reached into rural North Carolina. Sixty middle school and high school students from the combined youth choirs of First Baptist Church of Mount Holly and Marion, North Carolina were inspired to plan a “Cleveland Rocks” mission trip and are in town until June 24.

While in Cleveland, the choir members performed for Hospice of the Western Reserve’s patients at David Simpson Hospice House on E. 185th St. and Ames Family Hospice House in Westlake, and took part in projects at the Cleveland Food Bank, The City Mission, the Men’s Shelter, and

Lutheran Metro Ministries. They are reserving time to visit the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum, the Greater Cleveland Aquarium and other attractions while in town. The combined choirs also sang the National Anthem at a Cleveland Indians game.

The two choirs have performed mission tours across the United States, most recently to New York City, Chicago, and San Antonio. The Choir is under the direction of father and son Ministers of Music Terry and Brian Childers. Music for the concerts is drawn from a repertoire spanning hundreds of years, from classical to contemporary.

*About Hospice of the Western Reserve: Celebrating 35 years of service in the Northern Ohio region, Hospice of the Western Reserve is a nationally ranked*

## Huzzah! Vintage Base Ball Comes To Lakewood Park

by Meg Ostrowski

Sunday, July 7th beginning at 11:00 a.m., visitors to Lakewood Park will be able to step back through time and enjoy an exciting game of 1860s base ball. (Yes, it was two words originally.) The Lakewood Historical Society is sponsoring games between the following teams: Akron Black Stockings; Forest City BBC; Cleveland Blues BBC; and Whiskey Island Shamrocks. Enthusiastic volunteers don old-style

uniforms and recreate the game based on rules and research of the early years of base ball.

Although various forms of ball games were played in America before the Revolutionary War, in 1842 the New York Knickerbockers were the first team to officially adopt rules. The 19th-century game was considerably different than today’s game. Most “ballists” had minimal gear, no gloves and just a thin bat. Until 1865, fair and foul balls caught on one bounce were outs. Foul balls were determined by where they first hit the ground, regardless of where they roll afterwards. The ball was thrown underhand in a shallow arc to the “striker” or batter. The team with the most “aces” (runs) at the end of a match was declared the winner. Considered a gentleman’s game, rules governed players’ behavior and uncivil language. Spitting and wagering were not allowed.

Spectators will be able to purchase candy, popcorn and old-fashioned pop, provided by the Lakewood Historical Society.

The Lakewood Historical Society collects, preserves and interprets the history of Lakewood, Ohio. The society operates the Oldest Stone House Museum and the Nicholson House, a rental facility; maintains an extensive collection; presents public educational programs; hosts special events; and conducts historical research.

## Oliver Hazard Perry Played Crucial Role In Ohio History

by Adam Giffels,  
AP U.S. History student, LHS

**Editor’s Note:** *Oliver Hazard Perry will be one of five living history presentations that will be part of Ohio Chautauqua 2013: When Ohio Was the Western Frontier set for June 25-29 at Lakewood Park.*

Oliver Hazard Perry grew up as the son of a naval captain with experience in the American Revolution. Perry’s father, Christopher, had a warrant obtained for his son so that he would be able to bring him along on voyages, including some during the Quasi-War. Learning from the experience with his father, Oliver Hazard Perry would push his naval career ahead and see the first of his war action in The First Barbary War as an acting Lieutenant.

Between the First Barbary War, which ended in 1805, and the War of 1812, Perry was granted leave for a few years until being given command of the schooner USS Revenge, only to eventually have it destroyed. For about

one year before the War of 1812, Perry was unemployed.

As the war began, Perry pushed persistently for assignment among the waters. Being rejected, Perry would then join Commodore Isaac Chauncey and be given command of building fleets on the Great Lakes. Perry’s fleet engaged in battle with British Commander Robert Barclay in the Battle of Lake Erie. Although Perry was at first overwhelmed, reinforcements later in the battle would insure a strong victory, so strong that it was the first time a British naval squadron surrendered.

“We have met the enemy and they are ours.” – Oliver Hazard Perry

The Battle of Lake Erie was a small engagement relative to others of the time, yet the impact was enormous. The victory opened up Canada for potential invasion, one of the primary reasons the War of 1812 was fought. At the same time, the entire Ohio Valley was then protected from invasion, leaving the area to be settled peacefully.

With the surrender of the British naval force, Perry’s victory also ensured the hubbub of British forces in the Battle of the Thames. The Battle of the Thames was where Tecumseh, a proud Native American who had called on an alliance between many tribes in order to stave invasion of their lands, died. The alliance was then broken up, along with Tecumseh’s dream of an independent Indian state in the Midwest.

Oliver Hazard Perry’s impact on the future of the United States should not be underestimated. The Battle of Lake Erie was one of the most impactful battles of the War of 1812. It would eventually serve as a crushing blow to the Native American race, as from the time period after Tecumseh, the culture was to be only further pushed to its demise.

Also, having Ohio protected from any possible capturing or invasions was another of Perry’s great achievements, as the mineral rich and fertile land would demonstrate itself as a very important area in the United States’ future.

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# Wellness Watch

## Outdoor Yoga!

by Marcia Camino

Sometimes, as Clevelanders, we really earn our summers. We love being outside as much as we can during summer.

For those of us who also like yoga, or are interested in trying this ancient and proven system of wellness, consider joining Lakewood's Pink Lotus Yoga for Outdoor Yoga this summer. While our schedule is not completely set yet, we do have our Saturday morning class in place, and we're kicking off earlier this year because the weather has recently been so nice.

So Join Pink Lotus Yoga on the boardwalk at Rocky River Park on Saturdays, May 11th-August 31st from 9-10 a.m.

Our outdoor classes are fun, free-spirited yoga for students at all levels.

Fee: Freewill donation  
Parking: Limited, so take alternative transportation

Bring mat, water, towel or blanket, and dress in layers. Sunscreen and sunglasses are highly recommended though location offers a sun/shade mix. Parents who wish to bring children 5 and older must have prior instructor approval.

Rainsite: NONE! Go to Julie Brown's 8:45-9:45 a.m. class instead (\$14 drop-in).

Updates provided close to class time on website, on Facebook, and on Twitter when class is cancelled due to inclement weather.

<http://pinklotusyoga.com/outdoor yoga.aspx>

## Lakewood Social Worker Recipient Of "Caring More" Award

by Jeff Janiczek

*Award recognizes a social worker who goes above and beyond for patients and the community and provides a donation to a charity of their choice.*

Lakewood social worker Emily Marvin has been chosen as the recipient of the Crossroads Hospice "Caring More" award. At a breakfast held in her honor, Emily received \$500 to present to her non-profit of choice, the Abbey Rose Foundation.

As the Director of Care Coordination with Caring Tree Senior Care, Emily Marvin has helped hundreds of seniors stay independent in their own homes. She provides counseling to seniors and their families and connects them with valuable resources in the community, such as caregiving, transportation, meal-planning and housekeeping. Emily also teaches classes to fellow social workers, including courses on the benefits of humor in healthcare and how to support those who care for loved ones with dementia.

"Social workers are the unsung heroes we depend on every day. They

go out of their way to connect the ill to resources, counsel their families and give them the special time and attention they need," said Stacie Beck, Executive Director of Crossroads Hospice in Cleveland. "Emily exemplifies what it means to go the extra mile for the people she serves, their families, her colleagues and community, and we are delighted to honor her as the recipient of the 'Caring More' award."

In the community, Emily plays an integral role in the Abbey Rose Foundation, which was established in memory of her niece who passed away at four-months-old. She provides loving support to hundreds of grieving mothers across the country by mailing them the same book that helped her own family overcome Abbey's tragic loss, "Mommy Please Don't Cry: There Are No Tears in Heaven" by Linda Deymaz.

"By knowing that we are helping mothers in their toughest times, we hope we can bring peace," Emily said. "Even as a little baby, Abbey touched many lives, and she continues to touch many lives."



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Business News

# CityWide Street Sale

by Paula Reed

Empty out your attic and fill up your wallet, or empty out your wallet and fill up your bags with bargains! The 4th Annual CityWide Street Sale is Thursday, Friday & Saturday June 27th through June 29th.

Sponsored by the Downtown Lakewood Business Alliance (a program of LakewoodAlive,) participation in CityWide Street Sale is open to all Lakewood merchants and residents. In celebration of the Street Sale,

shop owners throughout the city will be clearing out the back room. You'll find great deals on off-season merchandise out on the sidewalk - up to 80% off. LakewoodAlive is offering garage sale kits to residents for \$5. Kits include

street sale signs, a total of 9 red, white and blue balloons, a how-to guide for a successful garage sale, price tags, stickers and more. The kits are available for purchase at lion and blue (15106 Detroit) and Paisley Monkey (14417 Detroit) Last year we sold out of these kits, so get yours ASAP.

We'll post all streets with participating sales at [downtownlakewood.org](http://downtownlakewood.org) beginning Monday, June 24. Shoppers will be able to print the list; resident names will not be published. The sale will also be advertised in various local publications, both in print and online formats.

To sign up online and participate in the 2013 CityWide Street Sale, please go to [citywidestreetsale.com](http://citywidestreetsale.com) and complete the on-line form. You may also download the form, print it, fill out and mail to LakewoodAlive, 14701 Detroit Ave. #LL10, Lakewood 44107.

Please promote this sale using all red, white and blue colors. Whether you participate as a garage sale vendor or shopper, you'll have fun. Ohio Chautauqua will also be in full swing, so let's make this a festive Lakewood weekend!

# Chamber CEO Awarded Honorary NTHS Membership

by Valerie Mechenbier

The West Shore Career-Technical District (WSCTD) was honored to present Mrs. Patty Ryan, CEO and President of the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce with an honorary membership in

the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) at its annual Student Recognition and Career Passport Assembly on May 21st. Mrs. Linda Thayer, Educational Coordinator at WSCTD recognized Mrs. Ryan for her "enthusiastic dedication, service, and support of our students. The partnership between WestShore and the Lakewood Chamber and local businesses is a valued and important part of our career-technical curriculum. Mrs. Ryan has been a leader and advocate in the Lakewood community." For the past 7 years, the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Lakewood/Rocky River Rotary



Patty Ryan (Lakewood Chamber of Commerce) and Linda Thayer (West Shore Career-Technical District)

has sponsored the Outstanding Work Ethic Award to recognize WestShore students for "demonstrating professionalism, responsibility, and integrity in the workplace."

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For more information on these and other Lakewood Chamber events, visit [www.lakewood-chamber.org](http://www.lakewood-chamber.org).

## Upcoming Events

### Friday, July 19th

#### July Luncheon Meeting

Speaker: Dru Siley, Director of Planning & Development, City of Lakewood  
The Waterside Room at the Emerald Necklace Marina  
1500 Scenic Park Drive, Lakewood  
11:30am Registration & Networking, 12pm Lunch & Program  
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### Thursday, July 25th

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Friday, July 26: Bobby Ferrazza

Friday, August 2: Vance Music Studios Student Rock Bands  
Friday, August 9: Walkin' Cane  
Friday, August 16: Bob Frasier & Friends  
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Pulse of the City

Ohio, 170 Years Ago...The Tragic Time Of High Sun And Thunder Moon...July 20, 1843

by Gary Rice

Some are unaware of their secret. Others learned their secret at an early age, but by now have either forgotten or repressed it. Some know it well, but couldn't care less. Some feel that revealing their secret would serve no purpose, or that it would be irrelevant in today's world. With the passage of time, some are even uncertain as to whether their secret is true or not.

Still, there are those who remember and honor their secret secretly. Sometimes, you can tell who carries their secret by subtle signs. Not wearing a watch could be such a sign. Yes, there are those among us who do not measure time as others do. There are those among us who still look to the skies, the lakes, the rivers, and the hills to mark passage of the natural cycles of life, because the strict precision measurement of western time simply does not fit into their life's cultural or spiritual paradigm. Those would be the ones who quietly (and among themselves of course) measure their lives in "Indian time." They would be the ones who still walk on what is known as "the Red Road."

There were hundreds, even thousands, of such people who lived in this state, who built homes, roads, and fine



Birch bark, sharpened stones, sinews, and arrow quiver, during the time of High Sun...

villages here. Perhaps surprisingly, in 1776, the year that the United States declared its independence from England, the land Oyo, now called Ohio, was inhabited almost exclusively by such people. Twenty-seven years later, by the time Ohio became a state in 1803, there were only a few groups of those people left. On July 20, 1843, during the time of High Sun and Thunder

Moon, the last of them officially left Ohio after a forced march from Upper Sandusky to Cincinnati. Whomever remained here who were connected in any way to those people were forced into silence. If their secret would have been revealed, they too could have been forced to leave our state. Were those emigrants forced from our state for the commission of a crime? Was their land, property, farms, houses, cattle and sheep taken from them due to something they had done?

No dear reader, it was only because of their race. These were indeed the Native Americans, commonly and erroneously referred to back then as "Indians," and the brutal, inhumane, horrendous, relentless, and institutionalized subjugation and removal of those people here in Ohio would be the collective subject of this column.

A few years after Native Americans Squanto and Massasoit helped the Pilgrims to avoid starvation at Plymouth Rock in 1621 (at the time of that first collective Thanksgiving), other settlers were seen rolling Native American heads down the streets of a nearby settlement. Native Americans that musket balls did not shoot down often died as a result of smallpox and other European introduced diseases. Even before the term "biological warfare" was officially recognized and understood, smallpox-infested blankets were gifted to unwitting tribes. Large Mastiff dogs were brought in to hunt down and tear Native Americans to pieces. Native American survivors were pressed into hard labor slavery on the frontier. In an effort to escape all of this, many eastern tribes flooded into the Ohio wilderness.

While the British controlled the 13 colonies, the Alleghenies were considered the edge of settlement for colonists, so for awhile the Ohio country remained a highly developed and very eclectic Native American paradise, having Delaware and Seneca-Iroquois people mixing with the Shawnee, Huron, Ojibwa, Kaskaskia, Miami,

Potawtomi, Mingo, Munsee, Ottawa, Wyandot, and many other such groups who built their homes, roads, and villages here.

After America gained her independence from England, settlers flooded over the Appalachians and across the Ohio River and into the Ohio Valley. Having already been pushed from their former homes, Native Americans fought back bitterly. For years, Ohio and Kentucky were bloody battlegrounds, building up to an 1811 uprising led by Shawnee leader Tecumseh. As America's 1812 second war with England began, many Native Americans sided with the British. American troops finally pushed Tecumseh into Canada where he was killed. From that day forward, there would be little love lost between many remaining Ohio Native Americans and the incoming settlers. In 1830, the United States Congress, by a razor-slim margin of only six votes, passed the Indian Removal Act. "Indians" living east of the Mississippi were told to move west. The Cherokee "Trail of Tears" was the best known of those removals, but there were others, including Ohio's removal of the Wyandots in 1843 from their reservation at Upper Sandusky. At that time, they were the last remaining Native American residents of this state.

I have an old book called the "Military History of Ohio Illustrated" (1885, Soldiers Edition) that has a chapter concerning "The American Indians." First, the book attempts to differentiate more modern "Indians" from earlier mound builders, referring to "Indians" as "invaders." (And I suppose the incoming settlers were not?) I will quote the following revealing passage from that book. It says much about the temperament of Ohio's settlers back then:

"These invaders are now being driven westward by the march of civilization and as years roll on they will doubtless be blotted from the face of the earth as their numbers are being rapidly diminished. Is it but a just act of retaliation, ordained by an all-wise Providence? One peculiarity of the Indians is that all attempts at civilization have proved abortive. Their nature cannot be changed."

On July 20, 1843, the remnants of the Wyandot (or Wyandotte) Nation, after their forced journey from Upper Sandusky, boarded two steamers in Cincinnati in order to complete their journey to new lands in the west. Those few of mixed blood who remained here in Ohio claimed to be White, for obvious reasons. Many living in Ohio today can claim Native American ancestry, although for personal, social, or cultural reasons, or perhaps simply because of fear...or perhaps, wisdom, there are those for whom that secret will forever remain... a secret.

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Lakewood Living

# The Storm Of ‘69

*Certain events, such as Sept.11, 2001, the Kennedy and Martin Luther King assassinations, or Hurricane Katrina, are so powerful they are defining moments for those who experienced them. For these events, many vividly recall details of the event years later. For longtime Lakewood residents, July 4, 1969 is such a day.*

About 8:00 in the evening on that Independence Day, a sudden and powerful storm, known as a derecho, swept off Lake Erie into a crowd of nearly 20,000 at Lakewood Park. It was a tragic quirk of misfortune as this abrupt storm occurred at the busiest time of the busiest day at the busiest location in the City. A Hollywood horror movie could not have scripted such an ill-timed tragic event.

Channel 5 weather man Mark Johnson would write years later that the storm of July 4, 1969, “as Ohio weather history goes, was one of the top ten severe weather events ever.”

That evening, as they have for decades, thousands of people of all ages arrived at Lakewood Park in anticipation of the grand fireworks display to celebrate America’s 193rd birthday. They came by car, walked, or biked. They came in all ages with strollers, in wheelchairs, with coolers and blankets. As dusk neared, people searched for an open spot of grass to settle in and take in the program. Many recall local radio personality Wayne Mack was at the Lakewood Park bandshell serving as master of ceremonies. The park filled as the music played. According to a story written by Plain Dealer reporter Michael Heaton, a band composed of St. Ignatius high school students, Revolution, entertained from the bandshell. Master of Ceremonies Mack glanced at the gathering dark clouds over the lake and is reported to have humorously told the overflow crowd, “think dry.”

Although it had been a hot and humid day, the weather was nothing out of the ordinary for summertime in northeast Ohio.

Rosewood Avenue resident George Kubas was a city employee stationed at Lakewood Park that evening.

“I started working in the water department of the City of Lakewood as summer help. Some time in the middle to end of June the regular City workers went on strike. They took all the summer help, put us on garbage collection and gave us a pay raise. As July 4th was approaching the City was looking for people to work the concert and fireworks. I signed up to work that day because the money would be pretty good and I was saving to pay for my college education”.

Kubas, a 1969 Lakewood High graduate continued, “when I got to the garage behind city hall on the morning of the fourth, I was paired with an older guy with whom I played football at Lakewood High. We headed toward the park to begin setting up the chairs and getting the area around the concert stage prepared for the evening concert.”

Kubas recalls having parked a

“medium size” city flat bed truck near the north end of the bandshell.

“Shortly after the concert started you could feel the wind pick up and the temperature really started to drop. Looking toward the north, the clouds that moved in were very dark, all of a sudden what had been over the lake, those clouds came right at the park. The winds were strong, rain began to fall and you could hear the trees screaming against the wind. The band stopped playing and people were running to their cars,” continued Kubas.

Kubas and his co-worker assessed the situation, “branches started to fall and you could see trees being uprooted. We headed toward the city truck and got into the cab as that was the only protection from the storm. I twisted my body under the front seat and my co-worker put his body over mine...we could hear the wind howling, branches cracking and trees falling around us.” As Kubas recalls, he was terrified.

Summit Avenue resident Barb Zirke recalls attending a family picnic in Solon. “The sky turned pea green with pink lightning. My uncle drove us back to Lakewood....the lightning over the Shoreway was unbelievable ...branch after branch after branch of lightning electricity. We dropped my mother’s cousin off at her apartment building on Bunts Road. She had her rosary out and was praying the entire drive home. The windows at the grocery store (Krogers at the corner of Bunts and Detroit) were blown out and there were police everywhere”.

School Board member Ed Favre recalls a “wall of clouds coming in off the lake as the storm approached.”

Belle Avenue resident Terry Novak, home from college, was entertaining a former St. Edward High School classmates when the storm hit. “The sky started to darken and I looked down the driveway and saw the ominous black and green clouds. I said to the guys maybe we should wait before we start our trek to Lakewood Park. ..then the storm hit.”

Meanwhile Barb Zirke, who is now a public school teacher, had navigated her way to the family home on Summit. “When I got home, my dad had made it over the trees and was home from work at U.S. Steel on Harvard. He listened to the battery radio in the kitchen in the dark, we heard someone had been killed at Lakewood Park. I found out later it was a classmate, Greta Schwartz.”

As the high winds subsided, terrified eighteen-year old summer City worker George Kubas was curled on the floor of a city truck near the bandshell.” He recalls, “I don’t know how long we were in the truck, but at some point we felt safe to get out and survey the damage. I found out later that a high school classmate, Greta Schwartz had been hit by a falling tree and killed not far from where we had been.”

It is reported that among those who attempted to save her life was LHS

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classmate Steve Henry.

The next day, fourteen-year old Dagmar Dolejs was identified as also being killed at Lakewood Park.

Greta Schwartz had graduated from Lakewood High when she was only sixteen. She had been a majorette in the Lakewood High School Marching Band and thoroughly enjoyed her role in leading the Ranger Band onto the field during football games and in other venues.

Young Dagmar Dolejs was one of five children of Woodward Avenue residents Anthony and Bernice Dolejs.

The sudden and powerful derecho ( or identified by some as a lake seiche) also surprised thousands at Cleveland’s Edgewater Park where fireworks gazers and others, including many boaters, had congregated in anticipation of that City’s July 4th fireworks celebration.

The storm’s aftermath left three additional people killed at Edgewater, two more electrocuted from fallen power lines and four boaters drowned as their boats capsized during the storm.

In total eleven died at Lakewood and Edgewater Parks.

The accompanying rains brought between ten and fourteen inches of rain over the next two days, causing massive flooding in northern Ohio.

The Ohio Historical Society called the storm the “most devastating summer flooding in Ohio history.” Statewide there were 41 storm related deaths, over 500 injured, 10,000 homes damaged and 104 small businesses destroyed. In addition, over 100 boaters were rescued by the Coast Guard. Reports were over 250,000 lost power according to the Historical Society.

Lakewood Park lost over 100 trees. The ensuing rains made clean-up difficult. Huge oak and maple trees fell on homes or blocked the streets. Clifton, Lake, and Edgewater Drive were nearly impassable as huge splintered tree limbs lay strewn across the pavement.

School Board member Favre recalls the W. 117th Street underpass at Madison was completely flooded.

City worker Kubas remembers, “... things were pretty chaotic initially, but then we got word that all the city workers had come off strike to help with the

cleanup. Crews were assembled to handle the downed trees and power lines. I started working at noon and worked until 7:00 the next morning. That pay period I had 72 regular hours and 73 overtime hours, it was a big check I’ll never forget,” said Kubas, now a sports photographer.

Later in July of 1969, another transitional event occurred. On July 21st, American Astronaut Neil Armstrong became the first human being to land on the moon. Most Americans can vividly recall where they were when they first heard the grainy sentence, “...one small step for man, and one giant leap for mankind.” The country and world celebrated man’s achievement.

But in Lakewood, the residents were recovering from a long week without power and the storm’s clearing had barely concluded. The City mourned the loss of two young lives.

Years later Terry Novak recalls, “I was a buddy of Tony Dolejs whose sister died when stuck by a tree limb at Lakewood Park...sad memories.”

Of Greta Schwartz, said classmate Barb Zirke, “going to her funeral was one of the saddest things I’ve ever attended.”

Both Lakewood teenagers, Greta Schwartz and Dagmar Dolejs were buried the same day at Holy Cross Cemetery.

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Lakewood Living

# Lakewood Farmers Market Kicks Off June 29

by Lauren Prebel

The Lakewood Farmers Market is kicking off its 4th season on Saturday, June 29. The Lakewood Farmers Market began in 2010 as a grassroots resident initiative and has demonstrated commitment, not just to community, but to collaboration since. The neighborhood market will boast a healthy mix of hand-picked produce, artisanal foods and handmade goods from over 20 area vendors. Shoppers can purchase local farm fresh produce and prod-

ucts such as Ohio-raised meats, eggs, cheeses, honey, baked goods, pasta, spices, oils and soaps and lotions, plus one-of-a-kind handcrafted items. Located in the heart of downtown Lakewood at City Center Plaza on Detroit Avenue between Cook and Warren, the market will be held each Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. through October 5. Truly a community health- and wealth-building initiative, the growing market continues to provide a venue for neighborhood residents

to connect with hyper-local growers and home-based cottage industries, as well as encourages area business and organization involvement, reinforcing the market's motto: "We're Local, We're Lakewood." Supporters of the Lakewood Farmers Market include area businesses, the City of Lakewood and the Downtown Lakewood Business Alliance. Collaboration also continues to grow as Lakewood Alive partners with the Lakewood Farmers Market both as

fiscal agent and partner in Market Connect, which will be operating the market this market season. Market Connect is a cooperative multi-community and multi-stakeholder direct marketing initiative that aggregates value-added products and distributes them directly to customers at the Lakewood, Kamm's Corners, and Broadway Farmers Markets. The program adds popular unrepresented products from unavailable vendors ensuring that customers have a better and more regular product selection as well as provides on-site management and promotional support. For more information, please visit [marketconnect.us!](http://marketconnect.us!)

The Lakewood Farmers Market provides a gathering place for neighbors to connect while fostering community health and wealth. Neighborhood markets support health by decreasing both the amount of fossil fuel needed for transport and the amount of chemical fertilizers or pesticides routinely applied. Plus, locally grown food's short journey from farm to table means it is fresher, equating to increased nutrient content and decreased susceptibility to contamination. Sourcing food locally is beneficial for the regional economy as well because it lends support to family farmers, cottage industries, and area businesses. While the majority of money spent at chain grocery stores leaves Northeast Ohio, shopping at your neighborhood farmers market keeps dollars circulating within our region, building community wealth.

## Ohio, 170 Years Ago...The Tragic Time Of High Sun And Thunder Moon...July 20, 1843

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During the last Sunday church service of the Wyandots on July 9th, a Wyandot leader, Squire Grey Eyes, rose to speak. Reportedly, this was his last paragraph:  
"It remains only for me to say farewell. Yes, it is indeed farewell. No more shall we engage in the solemn feast, or the feast of rejoicing. No more shall Sandusky's plains and forests echo to

the voice of song and praise. No more shall we assemble in our Temple to sing the sacred songs and hear the story of the Cross. Here our dead are buried. We have placed fresh flowers upon their graves for the last time. No longer shall we visit them. Soon they shall be forgotten, for the onward march of the strong White Man will not turn aside for the Indian graves. Farewell - Farewell Sandusky River. Farewell

- Farewell our hunting grounds and homes. Farewell to the stately trees and forests. Farewell to the Temple of the Great Spirit. Farewell to our White Brothers, and friends, and neighbors. It is but a little time for us till we leave our earthly home; for here we are no continuing city, but we seek one that is to come, whose builder and maker is God. Let us remember the dying words of Brother Stewart: 'Be Faithful.' "

The Wyandot Mission Church stands today, and provides summer Sunday services in Upper Sandusky (and those graves are still there too!) thanks to the United Methodist Church, for which the Wyandot Church is a Heritage Landmark. John Stewart, referred to above, was the first Methodist missionary in Upper Sandusky.

## Grace Lutheran Church To Hold Blessing Of The Pets Service

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Celebration, the congregation will be offering a Community Worship Service and Picnic under the tent at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 30th. Everyone is

welcome to attend. For more information on any of the activities planned by the congregation, contact Pastor Hansell at Grace Lutheran Church at 216-221-4959.

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Lakewood-Rocky River Rotary Awards Scholarships To Four High School Seniors

by Lynn Donaldson

Four college scholarships were awarded by the Rotary Club of Lakewood and Rocky River at it's weekly luncheon on Monday, June 10.

Graduating seniors Amy Lam and Robert Hendricks from Rocky River High School and Amira Nasrallah from Lakewood High School each received \$2,500 awards from the Lakewood-Rocky River Rotary Foundation. Lakewood High School senior Joseph Czechanski received a \$1,000 grant.

In addition to their outstanding academic records, the four scholarship winners were chosen for extracurricular and community involvement.

Joe Czechanski was a four-year varsity baseball player and a member of the National Honor Society. Earlier this year he was recognized by the Rotary club as the outstanding student in the Construction Trades program of the West Shore Career-Technical District. Joe will study engineering at the University of Cincinnati.

Amira Nasrallah contributed more than 100 service hours through her school's H2O (Help to Others) Service Program. She also was recognized by the Rotary club as the outstanding Health Careers student in the West Shore Career-Technical



Four high school seniors were awarded scholarships by the Rotary Club of Lakewood and Rocky River on June 10. With Rev. Jon Fancher, scholarship committee chair, are (from left) Joseph Czechanski and Amira Nasrallah (both from Lakewood High School) and Amy Lam and Robert Hendricks (both from Rocky River High School). The scholarships are provided by the Lakewood-Rocky River Rotary Foundation.

District. This National Honor Society member will study exercise science/pre-physical therapy at Baldwin Wallace University.

Amy Lam was a four-year member of Rocky River's tennis team, and captained Rocky River's Relay for Life event for three years. She was a member of the National and French honor soci-

eties. She elected to forego her senior year at Rocky River in order to pursue the post-secondary education program at Cleveland State University. This fall Amy will continue her collegiate studies in health policy and administration at The Ohio State University.

Robert Hendricks was a four-year member of the Rocky River football

team and was selected West Shore Conference Scholar Athlete. He served on Student Council throughout high school. Rob is probably best known as the founder of "Hoops for Hunger," an annual fundraising program that has raised over \$125,000 for the Cleveland Food Bank's Harvest for Hunger through a varsity basketball competition between Rocky River and Bay high schools. Rob will begin studies in pre-medicine and pre-law at Cornell University this fall.

The Rotary Club of Lakewood and Rocky River is part of Rotary International, a worldwide organization of more than 1.2 million business, professional, and community leaders. Members of Rotary clubs (known as Rotarians) provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

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