



# PTA Pulse

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### Upcoming Dates:

**April 1-8** Spring Break

**April 10-16** D&W or Family Faire Shopping Days

**April 15** Popcorn Day

**April 18-22** Scholastic Book Fair, BOGO

**April 30** Spring Walk-a-thon & Craft Show

*Don't forget to check out the handy calendar on the last page of this newsletter!*



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## ATTENTION PARENTS: PTA NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT YEAR



We are in need of volunteers to coordinate/organize PTA events/programs for next year. If we do not get volunteers, those events **will not** be offered for next year. The events that are in jeopardy of disappearing are:

- Helmet Sale
- Community Garden
- Family Fun Night

We understand that everyone has busy schedules. However, if you would like to see the above programs continue, then please sign up to help. We are also in need of co-chairs for many of the programs. The programs that the PTA sponsors help make Lakewood a great place for our students, as well as teaching them how to be good stewards of our community.

If you would like to know more or volunteer, please contact one of the current board members:

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### Used Book Sale



Do you have used books (children or adult) and would like to find a new home for them? *Then we have a solution for you!* The PTA will be having a used book sale during the Craft Show/Walk-a-thon on **April 30<sup>th</sup>**. After Spring Break, you can donate your gently used books (look for bins by the office) and we will take care of the rest. All proceeds will go back to the PTA to fund field trips, family nights, assemblies, popcorn days and more! Because the PTA is a non-profit organization, your donation can be deducted on your taxes AND you help your child's school. Thanks in advance and happy spring cleaning!

**Next PTA Meeting**  
**Monday, May 23, 2011 6:30**  
**PM, school library**

**Meet next year's**  
**PTA Executive Board**

**Free childcare available**



### Are You "In-the-know?"



Stay up-to-date, find important information, get the scoop at Lakewood's website:

[www.westottawa.k12.mi.us/schools/lakwoodelementary/pta/](http://www.westottawa.k12.mi.us/schools/lakwoodelementary/pta/)

Thank you to everyone who attended the General PTA Meeting on the 28th. We voted for new candidates for next year's Executive Board and they are:



Angie Servis — 1st VP-Membership  
Meredith LaBurn — 2nd VP-Communication  
Heidi Van Slooten — Treasurer

Congratulations! We would also like to thank those who volunteered to be a candidate as well.

A big THANK YOU to: Mrs. Kleinheksel, Wendy Biedenbach, Tammy Hartman, Jeanna O'Connor and Melanie Kercher for their work on the Nominating Committee. As a result of their time and efforts, they found great candidates who were willing to run for next year's board. We couldn't have done it without you!

## BOOK FAIR CARNIVAL

### Book Fair Is Coming!

*April 18-22*

*Buy One Get One Free*

April 18 9:00-4:00

April 19 9:00-8:00 Family Night!

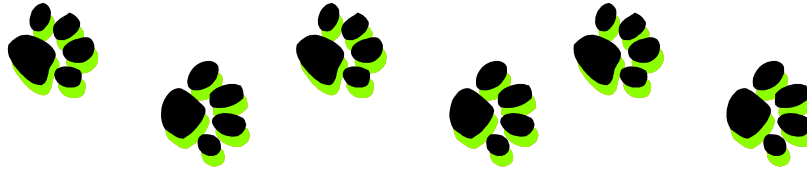
April 20 9:00-4:00

April 21 9:00-4:00

April 22 9:00-12:00



Happy Spring!



**\*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\***

**LAKEWOOD SPRING WALK-A-THON  
AND CRAFT SHOW  
SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2011**

THE SPRING WALK-A-THON AND CRAFT SHOW WILL BE HELD TOGETHER THIS YEAR ON SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2011. THERE WILL BE LOTS OF CRAFTS TO SEE AND BUY, KIDS GAMES, MUSIC, FOOD, BAKED GOODS, RAFFLES AND OF COURSE OUR WALKING TRACK TO EARN THOSE FUNDRAISING DOLLARS.

THE WALK-A-THON AND CRAFT SHOW IS A FUN WAY FOR OUR SCHOOL TO RAISE MONEY FOR ALL OF THE GREAT PROGRAMS OUR DEDICATED PTA SPONSORS EACH YEAR.

**THE HOURS FOR THESE EVENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**WALK-A-THON 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

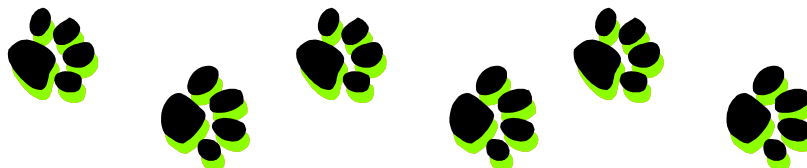
**CRAFT SHOW 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING AT EITHER OF THESE EVENTS, PLEASE CONTACT STACIE HOEY AT 738-0397 OR [DSHOEY@CHARTERMI.NET](mailto:DSHOEY@CHARTERMI.NET).

**REMEMBER, THERE ARE TWO EVENTS HAPPENING AT THE SAME TIME SO WE WILL NEED TWICE THE VOLUNTEERS. IF YOU HAVEN'T VOLUNTEERED AT SCHOOL YET, THIS WOULD BE A GREAT TIME TO JOIN IN ON THE FUN!**

A LETTER WILL BE COMING HOME WITH OTHER ITEMS THAT WE NEED DONATED, LIKE COOLERS, BOTTLED WATER, ETC. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO DONATE ANY OF THESE ITEMS PLEASE ALSO CONTACT STACIE HOEY!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT THE WALK-A-THON AND CRAFT SHOW!



## Family Skate Night



Thank you to all the families who were able to make it out to the HOME Roller rink on the 21st for Family Night. We hope everyone had a good time! Also thank you to Jean Ramirez for organizing this fun event.

## Ready for Spring Hiking Club?



**Tuesdays & Fridays**  
**April 26—May 27**

### @ Lunch Recess

Please remind your children/students for every card completed, their name will be entered into a drawing for a gift certificate for a new pair of shoes! The more cards completed, the more chances to win!

This spring, for every 10 laps completed (2 ½ miles) they will be awarded a toe token. This is different from last fall. Parents and teachers are always welcome to join the children but, since we are awarding toe tokens at 2 ½ miles versus 5 miles, we will not be giving double punches if a parent hikes. Please still join in the fun anyway! The kids love seeing adults out there.

Interested in helping volunteer from 11:45 to 12:45? Please contact Yvonne Johnson #399-5026 or yrjohnson@att.net.



## Shop D&W or Family Fare April 10—16, 2011

Earn cash for Lakewood!  
Just give the cashier our code:

**87938**

### “Rewards for Re-using” School Fundraiser!

Don't forget to take your used printer cartridges to the **Holland Cartridge World** on Riley & US31.

You will be able to purchase the ink cartridges that you need, and when you redeem the coupon, you will receive an extra \$1.00 off your purchase for each cartridge you buy. Cartridge World will then donate \$1.00 per cartridge you purchase back to our school!

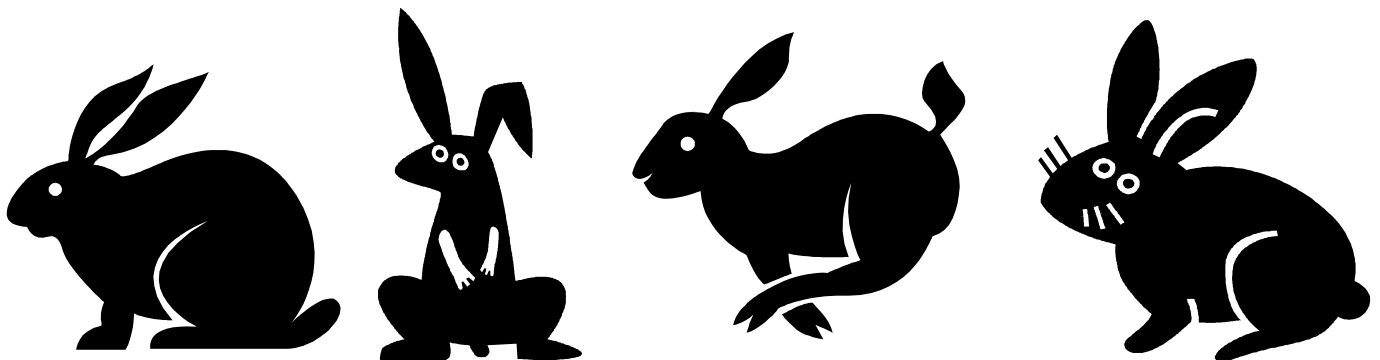
*Questions? Call: 616.928.0966 or email: sales@cwwestmichigan.com*



Remember to keep clipping those Box Tops! Each one earns 10 cents for our school.

The new classroom pizza party competition has begun.

See General Mills website for a complete list as well as other great ways to earn money for Lakewood at [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)



# CashBack 4KIDS

## Lakewood Elementary PTA



Lakewood Elementary PTA is excited to announce a new way for you to support us while reaping substantial benefits for your family.

Support us by visiting  
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Sign in to [CashBack4Kids.com](http://CashBack4Kids.com)  
using our Organization ID:  
**LakewoodPTA**

**CashBack4Kids.com** is an unique fund raising web site that makes it easy to shop at over 600 of your favorite online stores - all while enjoying special online pricing, valuable coupons, and deals that save you money.

The best part is that as you enjoy the convenience and savings of shopping through our **CashBack4Kids.com** portal, your purchases will earn us significant donations from the vendors supporting this site.

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PLACE

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Taking Care of Business

travelocity

RadioShack

Budget



THE HOME  
DEPOT

BLOCKBUSTER

TARGET



# April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 No School	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Spring Break						
10	11	12	13	14	15  Popcorn Day	16
D&W and Family Fare Shopping Days this week—give the cashier our school code 87938 to earn cash for our school.						
17	18 Book Fair 9:00-4:00	19 Book Fair 9:00-8:00 Family Night	20 Book Fair 9:00-4:00	21 Book Fair 9:00-4:00	22 Book Fair 9:00-12:00	23
24	25	26  Hiking Club	27	28	29  Hiking Club	30  Spring Walk-a-thon & Craft Sale