



PTA Pulse

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Lakewood Elementary

Upcoming Dates:

- April 2-9—Spring Break
- April 12—School Resumes
- April 19-23—Book Fair
- May 6—Half Day: Children's Parade
- May 13—Celebration of Learning
- May 24-28—Keppel Park
- May 31—No School

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Volunteering

Please fill out your Volunteer Profile form and turn it into the office. This needs to be done before you can volunteer in the classroom. Volunteering is a very important part of the success of Lakewood school. Please stop by the office and sign in and out each time you volunteer here. Thank you for all you do!!

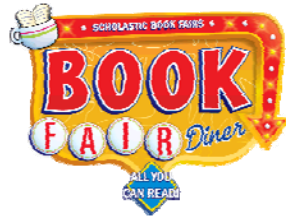
Membership

There is still time to join the Lakewood PTA. The cost is only \$5.00 and it helps to support the many wonderful programs the PTA sponsors for our school throughout the year!

Scholastic BOGO Book Fair Diner —

All You Can Read

April 19th—April 23rd



Please join us from April 19th—April 23rd for our annual BOGO Book Fair. For every item you buy, get another for FREE! It's that simple — you'll leave the fair with twice as many books! And it is the perfect way to stock up on great books for the summer.

The Book Fair hours are:

- Monday: 9:00—4:00
- Tuesday 9:00-8:00
- Wednesday 9:00-4:00
- Thursday 9:00-4:00
- Friday 9:00-Noon



Don't forget, we will be open late on Tuesday for Family Shopping Night, so stop by and check out the selection with the whole family.

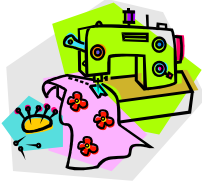
We hope to see you there!

The Goodies Factory Spring Fundraiser

We would like to thank everyone for their support in the Spring Fundraiser. Because of your support, the PTA can continue to provide wonderful programs for our students at Lakewood. Here is the breakdown on how we did:

- Merchandise Sales: \$15,760.50
- Donations: \$375
- Total Profit to Lakewood: \$6,464.50

Thanks to all the parents and teachers who helped at the Inflatable party. Fun was had by all!



Lakewood Craft Bazaar
Saturday, April 17, 2010
9:00am-3:00pm



Do you or someone you know love to shop and browse craft shows, well if you do, please stop by on **Saturday, April 17th** and visit Lakewood's first Craft Bazaar. We will have crafts and gifts to buy, games and activities for the kids, a PTA bake sale and much more.

If you are a crafty person and would like to feature your talent, there is still room for you to reserve a table at the Craft Bazaar. Please contact Angie Servis at 738-8796 or am.theartofwords@gmail.com for more information.

We hope that you can join us on April 17th from 9:00-3:00 and help support Lakewood's first Craft Bazaar.

Hope to see you there!

Family Science Night



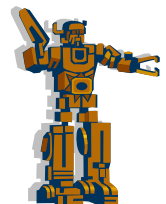
We would like to thank all the families who came out for our Science Night. There was a lot of scientific knowledge being shared. We hope you all had fun!

We would also like to thank the following people and groups who came out to help us with the different learning stations: Jamie Krupka with Outdoor Discovery Center and all his "creatures"; Wade Gugino from Googenius.com, he was the expert cartoonist for the evening; Tod Gugino and his Hope College student volunteers; and West Ottawa Robotics Team and their coaches and mentors. Many of them volunteered their time and we are very grateful—we couldn't have done it without them! Feel free to thank them if you attend any of their programs.

If you would like more information regarding summer camps, please visit each of their websites. Outdoor Discovery Center has a few family events coming up as well.

www.outdoordiscoverycenter.org
www.Googenius.com/Googenius_University.html
www.hope.edu/camps/science.html

Lakewood would like to wish the Robotics team the best of luck in their competitions this year!



Save The Date

Blood Drive

May 21st 11:30am—5:30pm

at Harderwyk Church

Lakewood Elementary will be participating in a Blood Drive on May 21st at Harderwyk Church. We are teaming up with Waukazoo Elementary to help the Red Cross with this worthy cause.

Our goal is to collect 50 units total for both schools.

Tell all of your friends and family to stop by anytime from 11:30am-5:30pm to help Lakewood and Waukazoo Elementary achieve their goal!

If you would be interested in volunteering, contact Matt Metcalf at 283-6003.
More information on the Blood Drive will be coming home soon.

Student Quotes

During March, the students attended some great assemblies: Chinese Acrobats, Striketime Dance, Bill Harley and NED Yo-Yo assembly.

Alex Worley a 5th grader in Mrs. Johnson's class, had this to say about the Chinese Acrobats, "That was Awesome! It was the best assembly we ever had!"

Sophie Blackburn a 2nd grader in Mrs. Boggs class said this about the NED assembly, "It was cool, I liked the tricks."

Emma Tracy, also a 2nd grader in Mrs. Boggs class said, "I liked the song 'Grown-ups are Weird'" which was heard during the Bill Harley assembly.

We are fortunate that our students had the opportunity to see each of these great assemblies!



Cash for Class



The dates for the next Cash for Class shopping days are April 11-17 at D&W and April 18-24 at Family Fare. Don't forget to stop in during those dates and Lakewood will earn money for your purchase.

The code for Lakewood is 87938.

Support Your Community. Support Local Businesses. Support Lakewood PTA. Save Money!!!

Save Money, Support Your Community

Sign up for a membership at www.DutchDeals.com.



- *You'll get special "member only" coupons from hundreds of local businesses
- *You'll get special discounts emailed to you monthly and get special discounts on your birthday
- *You can quickly search and print coupons that fit your needs from any computer

A one year membership costs \$20 and gives you access to a ton of great deals from local businesses. For every membership purchased Lakewood will receive \$10. When you register on the website just make sure you select Lakewood Elementary from the dropdown list of non-profit organizations.

Consumers Credit Union has found a great way to help Lakewood PTA! Open a Johnny Appleseed savings account for your child and Consumers will match the initial \$5 deposit.

Plus, for every account opened Consumers will donate \$5 to Lakewood PTA!

- Teach your child the early benefits of saving
- Monthly prize incentives for making a deposit
- Great rates on Johnny Appleseed CD's
- A great way to help the PTA



Visit them at their 2 locations, 3320 West Shore Drive (inside Meijer) and 1037 S. Washington Ave. Coupons are available at the office or stop in one of the branches and tell them you are from Lakewood Elementary when you open an account.



Blue Nile Traders Coffee

If you are a coffee drinker and love great coffee, please think about buying your coffee from

- the non-profit company, Blue Nile Traders. We are more than a free trade company, we buy our coffee beans from farmers in Addis Abba, Ethiopia. It is Mountain grown which is 100% organic. The coffee is then roasted by a self help group of women who mostly have HIV and are trying to live and take care of their children. We pay the farmers and the women in the self-help group. We sell it and send all of the profits to an orphanage where they use the money for school supplies, clothes and food for the children. Every time you take a sip not only will you love the coffee, but you are helping children who otherwise would not have a chance at life. Price per pound is \$10.00 for 16 oz. Check out the website www.blueniletraders.org for more information. If you are interested in purchasing coffee, please contact Paul Osburn at 399-7619 or you can order online at the website listed above.

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