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### Lake Local Schools

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*Mission:* Educating generations, serving our community.

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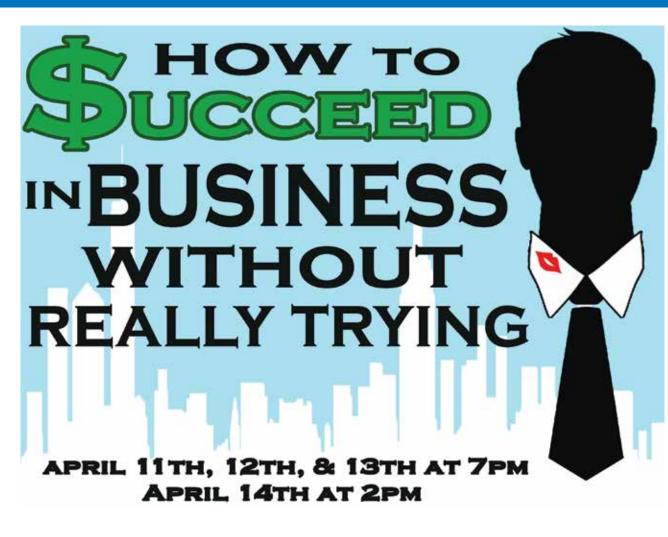
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# Apply for Low-Interest Student Loans

High school graduates from Stark County schools who plan to further their education can turn to the non-profit Canton Student Loan Foundation for student loans with a low effective interest rate of 1.5 - 2 percent. There are no related fees.

Recipients can apply loans to any undergraduate course of study, including four-year college degrees, two-year associate degrees, and degrees from technology and trade schools. Students may borrow up to \$12,000 total over the course of their education. Freshmen can receive \$3,000 per year, and students closer to graduation may be able to receive more per year. Graduate school loans are also available. Loan applications are due in the Foundation's office by June 1, 2019.

For more info, and to apply online, visit www. cantonstudentloan.org, or contact the Canton Student Loan Foundation at (330) 493-0020 or via e-mail at info@cantonstudentloan.org.



Lake High School's Choral Department will proudly present the musical

How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying in the Performing Arts Hall April 11, 12, and 13, 2019 at 7 p.m., and April 14, 2019 at 2 p.m.
A Project Connect performance will take place Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 12:45 p.m.

This Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award-winning musical follows the rise of J. Pierrepont Finch, an ambitious window washer who quickly catapults his career to a high-powered executive. This satire of 1960's big business explores workplace snafus like coffee breaks, nepotism, backstabbing co-workers, and office romance.

The standout score by Frank Loesser features such classics as the surreal and funny "Coffee Break," the rousing "Brotherhood of Man," and the harmonious "Been a Long Day." More than 100 Lake High School students will participate in this production including cast, crew, and orchestra. Tickets are now available for purchase for \$10 on the Lake Local website at <u>www.lakelocal.org</u>.

# **DISTRICT NEWS**

# **Construction Continues at Lake Middle High School**



Demolition of former middle school as of March 17, 2019



Demolition progress as of March 21, 2019.



New main entrance to Lake Middle/High School.

Significant activity is ongoing at this site this spring as construction continues on the second building addition at Lake Middle High School, and as demolition proceeds at the vacated middle school.

Construction of the addition consists of a new gymnasium, science classrooms, a new main entry to the school facing Market Ave., and a two-story connection corridor. This phase of work will continue through the end of 2019.

Demolition of the vacated middle school is currently in progress and will

continue into the beginning of summer. Once the building is removed, contractors will begin site-work to create additional parking lots and green space by the fall of this year.

The middle high school building will also see additional interior renovation completed this summer, including upgrades to the science classrooms located in the center of the classroom building. All renovation work will be complete by the end of summer before students return for the 2019-2020 school year.

The campus transformation for grades 7-12 is close to the finish line, with all work being completed on budget and ahead of schedule!





A classroom under construction.



From top of staircase, looking north.

New staircase.



Natural light brightens two-story hallway.



The new gymnasium is taking shape.

# **DISTRICT NEWS**

# Graduate Gives Back to District in 'Concrete' Way

One 2004 Lake graduate who completed his entire school career from Kindergarten through to graduation as a Blue Streak, was able to give back to his alma mater in a concrete way – literally.



Third graders pause over concrete.

A lifelong resident of Lake Township and owner of a concrete business for the past 13 years, J. J. Robertson and his crew spent a few days pouring concrete last August, adding several decorative concrete pieces at Lake Elementary and at Lake Middle High School, and also poured standard concrete near green space areas at both buildings.

"During the days we worked at Lake Elementary, we also got to witness the final demolition of the old building. Many guys in my crew also went to Lake, so it was somewhat emotional to see the end of an era. But that same day we were also able to tour the new facility, so it was exciting to see and envision what's to come, especially since I have three young kids who will benefit from the new facilities," said J. J.

J.J. and his wife Lisa's three children include Avery, 7, who is now in first grade and attending Lake Primary, and two younger toddlers. Avery represents the third generation of the Robertson family to attend Lake – her grandfather, Joe Robertson, also is a lifelong Lake Township resident, local businessman, and Lake graduate from the class of 1972.

"It was an honor to be a small part of the project for many reasons...especially because of the Lake community. As we worked, familiar faces passed by - teachers, coaches - waving hello," continued J.J.



The highlight of the central walkway to the building is the decorative concrete strip.

Others on his crew who also attended Lake include his foreman, Joe Griffin, a 2005 Lake grad, who also has children at Lake Primary and Lake Elementary; Jeff Harris, a 1976 grad; and Mark Kannal, a 1991 Lake grad.

Following passage of a \$93 million school bond issue in May of 2015, Lake Local Schools followed the recommendations gathered during several community meetings and consolidated the number of school buildings from five to three. The three remaining buildings provide enhanced safety and security, 21st century technology, and flexible learning spaces promoting interactive learning.

The remodeled Lake Primary, (formerly Uniontown Elementary), now houses grades PreK-1 and includes 9,700-square feet of new space, and 49,000 square feet of renovated space. It opened to students and staff after Christmas break in January, 2019.

Lake Elementary now houses grades 2-6 and encompasses 135,000-square feet. It was completed and open to students last September, at the start of this school year.

New construction work continues on our Lake Middle High School on the eastern expansion which will provide a new two-story main entrance facing Market Ave. Including office spaces and the middle school gym, this east wing is scheduled for completion by December, 2019 at the latest. Once completed, the Lake Middle High School will include 110,123-square feet of new construction, and 64,000-square feet of remodeled classroom space. The above areas are in addition to the central complex of the building, which was completed in 2001 and has remained untouched.



Recent bus training was collaborative effort.

# Bus Safety, through Training, is a Priority

Bus safety training was completed recently, and Lake Local Schools thank local law enforcement that contributed to this successful event. Lake Local staff members, along with personnel from the Hartville Fire Department, Suffield Fire Department, and Hartville Police Department conducted a "Mock Bus Crash" at the Lake Bus Garage on Kent Ave. in order to be better prepared in the event of an accident. Lake Bus drivers and mechanics were student passengers in our "Mock Bus Crash." Our bus driver for the mock crash was Heidi Gingerich, who is also one of our on-board instructors.

The training scenario, shared with all the participants, was set by Hartville Fire Chief Mike Lorenzo. In this exercise, a bus would go off the road to rest against a tree, with no access to the front door. All bus passengers were given index cards with the nature of their injuries - some could walk off, others had minor injuries, while others needed medical attention.

The Lake school bus drove around the bus compound located on State Route 43 before its "crash." Afterward, Bus Transportation Supervisor Lauri Livingston, Secretary Kim Mokler, and Operations Director Jeff Breit awaited radio calls for help. As calls came in, everyone responded according to plan, calling 911, ensuring that the driver was safe, and checking on the students' condition. Hartville Police Chief Dordea was the first on scene, with another officer following to check on students and secure the scene, followed by rescue teams from Hartville and Suffield.

The Hartville and Suffield fire departments did an outstanding job making this training exercise as realistic as possible; victims were carried off the bus on stretchers, bandages and air casts were applied, and support was provided between patients and responders. Steps were taken to ensure that patients remained calm and were all right. Police officers also shared helpful general safety information with our drivers. We learned what procedures worked, and what we need to work on so that we are prepared in case of an emergency, plus we are already planning our next bus training session.

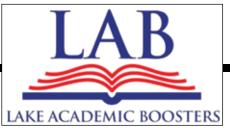
Thank you again, to our local fire and police departments, and all Lake staff involved, for their support and participation in this valuable, helpful training event!



Local Fire/EMIS units also participated in the event.

Assisting a "victim" during the training.

# **DISTRICT NEWS**



# **Cafeteria Corner**

Students and staff are settling into our newly remodeled home at the Lake Primary building. In the kitchen area, we've added a new sprinkler system, lights, and fresh paint. We are enjoying the much larger cafeteria/dining area available to us in this beautiful building!



Serving students lunch at the Lake Middle High School cafeteria.

Our Food Service staff are preparing for an audit from the Ohio Department of Education (ODE). Every three years, one building is selected and audited to ensure we are following USDA and ODE food service rules and regulations. During the upcoming months, we will add new, exciting dishes to the middle/high school and elementary school menus. In February, we added an Asian dish, and we were happy to see it was a big hit.

Follow our Food Service department on Twitter @LakeLocalLunch to learn about the new menu items being served. Daily lunches usually are posted 24 hours in advance. Feel free to tweet us suggestions for food items you'd like to see on a future menu!

Nutritional info for our school lunches has been updated and can be found at <u>http://www.lakelocal.org/LunchMenus.aspx</u>. It includes calories, carbohydrates, and some allergen information. Also take a minute to learn how to read food labels, eat on a budget, find info about the USDA 'MyPlate' program, and more at <u>http://www.lakelocal.org/LearnAboutNutrition.aspx</u>.



Also note our department is currently accepting applications for part-time/as needed substitute cafeteria workers. Please contact Gloria Molenaur at molenaurgloria@lakelocal.org if interested. Please call 330-877-4742 if you have any questions. Thank you for letting us serve your Blue Streaks!

Pizza is a favorite meal item.

# Support LAB

**Student Recognition** The Lake Academic Booster Club (LAB) recognizes Lake students in grades 4 through 12 for exemplary academic performance. In the spring of 2018, we recognized more than 1,000 Lake students for academic excellence.

**Scholarships** LAB expanded its role by issuing scholarships to Lake High School Students during the 2011-2012 school year, when LAB issued two scholarships to students. During the 2017-2018 school year, LAB issued 10- \$500 scholarships during Senior Recognition Night to students based upon exemplary academic achievement.

LAB also assumed leadership of the Lake Scholarship Fund, which formerly operated under the auspices of Scholarship America as the Dollars for Scholars Program. LAB now administers the collection of funds and awards more than \$10,000 of scholarships annually. In the spring of 2018, 24 scholarships were awarded through the Lake Scholarship Fund in the amount of \$12,000.

**Innovative Programs** LAB provided funding supporting innovative programs beginning during the 2015-2016 school year. This funding was introduced to encourage and reward innovation and efficiency among Lake Local staff members, and to recognize the positive impact new initiatives have upon our students and community. All stakeholders are encouraged to submit requests for funding to support innovation and efficiency.

**Support Lake Academic Boosters!** If you would like to join us in encouraging and honoring the academic achievements of our students, as well as supporting our education program, we ask that you join LAB. Together we can continue to impact the futures of our students as they move on to greatness beyond Lake. Financial gifts can be directed to Lake Academic Boosters at P.O. Box 63, Uniontown, Ohio, 44685, or e-mail us at LakeAcademicBoosters@gmail.com.

LAB is a 501(c)3 organization, so all donations are tax deductible.

(Membership Drive form available on page 5)



# **Buying or Selling...**

# Team Up With Us!!



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# **LIBRARY NEWS**

# **Check Out these Lake Library Events!**

### **Children's Programs**

### Story Times\*

 Baby:

 Tuesdays | 11 a.m.-noon

 Mar 26; Apr 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; May 7, 14,

 Toddler: Wednesdays | 10 –10:30 a.m.

 Mar 27; Apr 3, 10, 17, 24; May 8, 15

 OR

 Thursdays | 10-10:30 a.m.

 Mar 28; Apr 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16

 Preschool:

 Wednesdays | 11 a.m.-noon

 Mar 27; Apr 3, 10, 17, 24; May 8, 15

 OR

 Thursdays | 10-11 a.m.

 Mar 28; Apr 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16

 Preschool:

Wednesdays | 6:30-7 p.m. Mar 27; Apr 3, 10, 17, 24; May 8, 15

### Popcorn and Movie Day\*

Sponsored by Lake Community FOL Monday, Apr 1 | 2:30-4 p.m. Come for a movie, popcorn, and meet new friends. When possible, we will show a movie

### newly released on DVD. Learning at the Library\*

Fridays | 3 – 4 p.m. Apr 5, May 10

Learn about works of noted artists or children's book illustrators, then create an art project based on their style. We may explore the library's electronic resources. All students welcome.

#### Pups and Pages\*

Saturday, Apr 6 | 10:30 a.m.-noon

Family: Licensed therapy dogs will listen to you read. Bring a book or borrow one of ours.

### Pysanky for Tweens and Teens\*

Sponsored by Lake Community FOL

Monday, Apr 8 | 5:30-7:30 p.m. Learn the Ukrainian art of egg decorating. Each student will

use a beeswax stylus to decorate an egg, then take it home. For children in grades 4 and up.

### Lego Club\*

Saturdays | 2:30-3:30 pm

Apr 13, May 4

Family: build fantastic creations using LEGO and DUPLO bricks and KEVA planks provided.

#### Boys and Books

Mondays | 6-7 p.m.

Apr 15; May 13

Read the selected monthly book with a caregiver, and meet at the library to discuss it. Recommended for boys in grades 3-5. Call for titles.

#### Mother-Daughter Book Club\*

Thursdays | 6-7 p.m.

Apr 18; May 16

Girls in grades 3-5 and their female caregivers read the selected monthly book together, and then come to the library to discuss it. Call for titles.

#### Nature Walk\*

Sponsored by Lake Community FOL

Tuesday Apr 23 | 3-4 p.m.

Family: Join us at Fichtner Park in Hartville to partner with Stark Parks in removing the invasive garlic mustard plant. Park behind Comfort Suites in Hartville.

### May Day, May Day

Saturday May 27 | during library hours Children used to make baskets of flowers for neighbors' front doors to wish them a happy spring on May 1. Revive this old tradition while doing a make and take craft.

### **Teen Programs**

### **Teens Create**

Thursdays | 3 – 4 p.m. Apr 4, 11, 18; May 2, 9, 16, 30

Hang out with friends and make new ones. Enjoy music, art, STEM, snap circuits, and more. Each day will bring something new to explore.

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### **Teens Create: Late Edition**

Thursdays | 6 - 7 p.m.Apr 25; May 23 Hang out with your friends later and enjoy music, art, STEM, snap circuits, and more. Each day will bring something new to explore.

### Parent-Teen Book Club\*

Tuesdays | 6-7 p.m. For teens in grades 6-12 and their caregivers. Apr 9: 13 by James Phelan May 14: *Fortunately, the Milk* by Neil Gaiman

### **Adult Programs**

### Book Club: Booked on Tuesdays

Tuesdays | 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Mar 26 *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens Apr 23 *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean May 28 *The Map of Salt and Stars* by Jennifer Zeynab Joukhadar

#### **Knitty Gritters Knitting Club**

Mondays | 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Apr 1, 15, 29; May 6, 20 Bring your current knitting projects and stay in the loop.

#### **Book Club: Mystery Book Club**

Tuesdays | 2 - 3 p.m. Apr 2 *The Zig Zag Girl* by Elly Griffiths May 7 *A City of Secrets* by Victoria Thompson

#### Blockbuster Wednesdays

Sponsored by Lake Community FOL Wednesdays | 2 - 4 p.m. Apr 3, May 1 Grab your friends for a fun day out and watch a newly released video.

#### **Empowering Women in Small Business\***

Thursday, Apr 4 | 6:30-7:30 p.m. Women share how they started, marketing tips, using social media, and how to juggle life while operating a small business.

#### Pysanky Egg Decorating \*

Sponsored by Lake Community FOL Tuesday, Apr 9, 10 | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Learn the Ukrainian art of egg decorating. Classes limited to 20 adults each.

### 11th Annual Plant Swap

Saturday, May 11 | 10-11:30 a.m. Got a green thumb? Or need to thin out your garden? Acquire new unique plants for free.

### **Technology Programs**

### VHS/DVD Converting\*

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Tuesday, Apr 23 |2-3 p.m. Have old family videos on VHS tapes you'd like to convert to DVD or another digital format? Learn how to use video conversion software to preserve cherished memories.

### **Support LAB** continued from page 4

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Uniontown, Ohio 44685

# LAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

### Celebrating Right to Read Week

Many classrooms had special visitors stop by to read, Noah Collins and Superintendent Kevin Tobin. Students enjoyed hearing each guest read to them, and share their love of reading.



In addition, the staff created a Dr. Seussville reading hallway. Throughout the day, students sat here to read a book. Each grade level created a section of

the hallway revolving around a particular theme. We are still investigating the teaching team that thought it was hilarious to put Frank Gant's head on Thing 1's body.

Students also celebrated Green Day of Right to Read week by serving green eggs and ham. Be assured all eggs, even though they were green, were



cooked properly and safe to eat!

### We Love Our School, Reading, and Preparing for Our Spring Concert

In first grade, we absolutely LOVE our new building. The new learning areas and bright colors have been a wonderful change to our school year. First graders celebrated the 100th



day of school by building structures using 100 cups, working through 100 math problems, writing 100 words, completing 100 exercises, and collecting 100 cans to donate. We are excited to report that the entire school donated 1,245 cans to the Fish Pantry this year.

During Right to Read Week, we celebrated Dr. Seuss, read many stories, and dressed in silly clothes. Students are now practicing for the spring concert with Mrs. Bishop and are very excited to share their songs with everyone. Mark your calendars and join us!

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019* at 6 p.m. Mr. Collins and Mrs. Nalepa's Class

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019* at 7 p.m. Mrs. Riggs, Mrs. Wheeler, and Mrs. Miller's class

*Thursday, April 11, 2019* at 6 p.m. Mrs. Quior and Mrs. Stormer

*Thursday, April 11, 2019* at 7 p.m. Mr. Franklin, Mrs. Massa, and Mr. Reed

### Counting to 100, Cubelets, and Healthy Smiles

On February 26, 2019, kindergarten students celebrated their 100th day of school! They celebrated the day dressing up as a 100-year-old senior citizen, or creating



a "100"-themed shirt. Some activities included stacking 100 cups, counting 100 items, writing about what they thought life would be like at 100 . . . and lots of different crafts!

The students have also explored robotics using cubelets. When combining different cubelets together they can create robotic movement. The cubelets provide countless opportunities for students to become problem solvers, creative thinkers, and work cooperatively with their classmates. They love figuring out ways to get their robot creations to move, make noise, or light up!

In February, Dr. Mead, a local dentist, visited all the kindergarten classes to talk about the importance of taking care of our teeth. Students enjoyed his presentation and received a goody-bag including a new toothbrush to take home. Thank you, Dr. Mead!

# A Vote YES for Issue 8 is a Vote FOR Your Lake Community Library!

### AWARD WINNING SERVICES

The Lake Community Branch of Stark Library is located in the same building as Lake High School and the YMCA.

Stark Library's annual circulation of over 4 million items includes books such as travel guides, self-help manuals, and financial planning guides as well as e-books, movies, and music.

Each year, Stark Library presents more than 8,000 programs for more than 150,000 attendees. Last year almost 90,000 visitors walked through the door of the Lake Community Branch.

Stark Library has mobile services programs including 5 bookmobiles. These programs provide services to over 200,000 visitors at over 150 locations including senior and homebound citizens.

Stark Library provides job training and job skill development to enhance the job prospects of our citizens.

Stark Library provides additional services such as automotive diagnostic tools, radon sensors, and passport services.

### **CONSEQUENCES IF THE LEVY FAILS**

If Issue 8 does not pass, Stark Library will lose more than half of its operating budget.

If Issue 8 does not pass, many of Stark Library's essential programs including senior outreach programs, children's services and programs, and job training and assistance programs will be cut.

Stark Library has not done any building upgrades in over 13 years. If Issue 8 does not pass, Stark Library will not be able to conduct required building repairs and maintenance.

If Issue 8 does not pass, Stark Library will lose more than half of its funding and the quality of life in our communities may be diminished.

### FINANCIAL OVERVIEW OF LIBRARY FUNDING

Issue 8 is an eight-year, 2-mill levy that will replace the current 1.7-mill levy set to expire in 2019.

More than half of Stark Library funding comes from local property taxes. This funding is set to expire in 2019.

Most of the remaining Stark Library funding comes from the State of Ohio Public Library fund. This fund has been drastically cut over the past decade resulting in a loss of \$2.8 million a year to our libraries.

Issue 8 is a wise investment for our community and will provide financial stability for Stark Library. The levy would cost the owner of a \$100,000 home about \$26.50 more per year.



# YOUR AWARD WINNING STARK COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARIES

Stark Library has won an award for the last 4 years in a row as one of the top 1% of all libraries in the United States! According to this rating, Stark Library "delivers a strong return on investment and is one of the strongest performers when compared to its peers."

As reported by The Canton Repository, Stark Library is "one of our community's most valuable assets."

Paid For By Vote Libraries, Gregory J. Blasiman, Treasurer, 4505 Stephen Circle NW, Canton, Ohio 44718

# LAKE ELEMENTARY

CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS & EVENTS



# **Celebrating Right to Read Week**



Lake Elementary celebrated Right to Read Week in mid-March with the theme **Dr. Seuss is on the Loose!** Each day students and staff dressed accordingly using Dr. Seuss books as their inspiration: Monday's book was *Green Eggs and Ham*, and students wore green; Tuesday's book was *Cat in the Hat* and students celebrated Twin Day; Wednesday's book was *Wacky Wednesday* and students wore wacky clothes; Thursday they read *Fox in Socks* and wore crazy socks; and lastly, Friday's book was *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish* and students wore red and blue.

Guest readers read to classes and special programs were staged for students to enjoy throughout the week.



# Music Therapist Enhances Learning

Through a grant from the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation, students in Mr. Reed's and Mrs. Collins' class have worked with music therapist **Bonnie Hayhurst** several times this year. During each 50-minute session, students interact through song, dance, and playing of various musical instruments.

Students have composed their own songs and improvised various melodies. Instruments such as the cabasa, guitar, tambourine, bongos, and gathering drum can be heard throughout the halls of Lake Primary and Lake Elementary. These new instruments and musical experiences provide smiles and laughter for all the students.

Bonnie will return for one more music session this school year!

# Student Newspaper Informs Readers

Lake Elementary is proud to introduce members of our school newspaper staff! The students are enjoying their work to brainstorm ideas, write their own articles, and prepare a newspaper. Fifth grade teachers Melissa Krukow and Julie Jones assist students as needed.



(l to r) First row: Braden McKinney, Carson Wheeler, Isaiah Wagler; Second row: Kaylee Bradley, Mackenzie Orum, Maria Phillips, Allison Shaffer, Bennett Beun, Taylor Moore; Third row: Kylie Petersen, Kaitlyn Powers, Olivia Beard, Julia Pallas, Keira Popek.

# Students Placed Second in Art Splash Event

Four artists' pieces of artwork were selected for the Canton Museum's recent Annual Art show, ART SPLASH, and were included in the art competition for grades K-5. The students were:

Cecilia Griffin (GR 2) - Second Place Award Winner

Riley Fiegly (GR 3) Layla Angelo (GR 4) Emily Eakin (GR 5) - Second Place Award Winner

Congratulations to these young artists!



Emily Eakin

Cecilia Griffin

# LAKE MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

A New Counseling Suite meets needs of **Students and Staff** 

Walk inside Door 2 at Lake Middle High School, and you will see that the former high school administrative offices are just one of many places throughout the building that have undergone a makeover. (Note the new administrative offices are located



The reception area for grades 7-9.

At either end of the suite, separate staffed reception areas for grades 7-9 and 10-

12 are positioned to help meet the needs of students and promote a logical traffic

flow. "We wanted a space that would feel comfortable for students to want

to come in and feel free to talk with school counselors," said SoL Harris Day

architect Lee King. Flexible furniture with hard and soft seating options for staff

and students combine to make the offices and rooms inviting and welcoming.

The Counseling Suite is also in close proximity to three new Multiple Handicap

classrooms directly across the hall, and to a Sensory Room, benefiting both

A tremendous amount of traffic passes through this area during

discuss class schedules individually with each of the district's

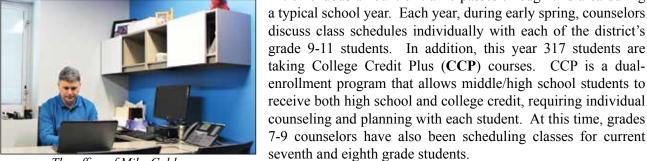
grade 9-11 students. In addition, this year 317 students are

7-9 counselors have also been scheduling classes for current

in the recently completed east addition of Lake Middle High School, close to what will be the new main entrance facing Market Ave.) The area is now a counseling suite for counselors grouped together by grades 7-9 and 10-12. It includes two large existing conference rooms used for IEP meetings, staff meetings, and large student groups. The new counseling offices are now sized to allow for smaller group, or individual one-on-one discussions with staff.



The reception area for grades 10-12.



The office of Mike Coldsnow.

How do the counselors and students like their new space, after relocating into it, getting unpacked, and getting used to it? Collectively, the counseling staff offered the following responses:

groups.

"The natural light contributes to an overall feeling of well-being. The counseling conference rooms give us a space to *meet freely with students, parents,* staff and community members."

"The new offices allow us to be private when needed and easily facilitates collaboration."



The office of Hollie Alexander.

*"Our building"* serves more than 1.650 students and we value each one and the various reasons they may come to see us; social/emotional, academic, and career."

We are very thankful for the office space the district has provided for us and the opportunities to best serve our students, staff and the community."

*"We are able to focus"* on age appropriate topics. Students also become familiar with our space making the transitions throughout middle/high school easier."



Two packages of stickers arrived by mail.

# **Learning Art Includes Corresponding with an Artist**

How many of us can say that we've received correspondence from an internationally known contemporary artist? Lake Middle School teacher Heather Boxler and her art students can!

This connection came about after Mrs. Boxler watched a HULU documentary earlier this spring about Shepard Fairey, an American contemporary street artist, graphic designer, activist, illustrator, and founder of OBEY Clothing line, that includes men's and women's t-shirts, hoodies, pants, etc. "The funny thing is, my husband has given me some OBEY shirts, but I didn't know the connection between them and Fairey," said Mrs. Boxler.

After watching the documentary, Mrs. Boxler introduced her 24 middle school art students to the work of Fairey, including the now iconic Barack Obama "Hope" poster that emerged during the 2016 presidential campaign. Each student created their own Fairey-inspired artwork, creating a dramatic image along with a bold word to define their piece. "I enjoyed watching the students work through the creative process to come up with an original idea," said Mrs. Boxler.

Mrs. Boxler sent an e-mail to the artist, and a description of the project, so he could see how his work had inspired her and her students to create in a similar style. Soon after that she received a reply. "I received an email from Shepard's publicity person, thanking us for reaching out and offering to send us some stickers. I thought this was so cool. About a week later, we received two packages from

Las Angeles filled with Mr. Fairey's signature stickers! My kids were so excited. I totally was not expecting to hear back from his office," said Mrs. Boxler.

In this era of social media and constant messaging, this reveals how special it is to take a minute, compose a more personal message, and share it with someone. You just might get a reply.



Student Emma Labbe, grade 8, created this piece after studying Shepard Fairey's art.

# KE MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

# **Student Businesses Up and Running, Perform Well at DECA Event**

Lake's Career Tech Marketing and Business Management has enjoyed a successful year!

After receiving Junior Achievement (JA) start-up money in November 2018, following a Shark Tank presentation to local business leaders, three school businesses led by Marketing students were launched.

They include:

- Aroma Wellness offering frankincense, peppermint, and lavender essential oils, as well as a mini, portable diffuser to promote well-being (learn more on their Facebook page at https://www.facebook. com/aroma.wellness.lhs/, their website: www. aromawellness.shop), and **\*\*\*Instagram**: aroma. wellness\*\*\*
- Sole Solutions offering colorful, environmentally friendly reusable plastic straws, as an alternative to using traditional throw-away straws given in restaurants, dining areas (visit their Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/solesolutions. JA/, website www.solesolutionsja.com), and **\*\*\*Instagram**: sole.solutions\*\*\*
- **Co.nnected** offering assistance with social media strategies and video production (learn more via their Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/ connected.lhs/, their website, located at https:// connectedlhs.com/, and \*\*\*Instagram: connected. lhs\*\*\*

The start-up money loaned to the above three businesses, along with interest, will be returned to JA by the end of the school year from proceeds made by each business.

In addition, since March 4, 2019, a team of Marketing students has also successfully launched the Lightning Café, a small coffee shop selling two varieties of freshly brewed coffee inside Door IE at Lake Middle High School from 6:50 - 7:30 a.m. daily Monday through Friday to staff and students! In addition, various hot and iced teas are also being sold. (Learn more about the Lightning Café through Twitter @lightningcafe1, Instagram lhs lightningcafe, and on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/thelightningcafe/.

Consider supporting all these deserving student businesses! To enjoy the Lightning Café, you have to be an early riser! Please enter the middle high school building using Door 1E, and complete the necessary visitor check-in.

In addition, Angela Fisher, Janson Smith, Gia Storey, and Kyle Aten finished in the top 10 at a state Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) Marketing competition held March 16-17, 2019 in Columbus. Lake is becoming involved with DECA again after being away from the not-for-profit career and technical student organization for several years.

Janson and Angela also qualified for the upcoming

International DECA event taking place in April 2019, in Orlando, Florida, by taking third place in the Marketing Management Team Decision Making event in Columbus Best of luck to Janson and Angela! Accompanying them will be Lake Marketing and Business Management instructor Aja Tompot and Guidance Counselor Debbie Marshall.



Stop for an early morning cup of coffee at the Lightning Café by Door 1E.



# LAKE BAND







(l to r) Emily Schrembeck, Nathaniel Clevinger, Billy Brown.

Derek Gullett

# Lake Band Students Participate in All State Honor Ensembles

Lake High School band students **Billy Brown**, trombone; **Nathaniel Clevinger**, clarinet; **Derek Gullett**, trombone; and **Emily Schrembeck**, bassoon, recently participated in the Ohio Music Education Association sponsored All State Band and Orchestra held at the Cleveland Huntington Convention Center Jan. 31 – Feb. 2, 2019.

Acceptance into these ensembles was completed through a recorded audition as well as director recommendation. Approximately 1,000 high school student musicians from across the state of Ohio submitted the required recordings in May 2018 for consideration, and only 200 were selected to participate. Finalists were notified last August.

The members of the All State ensembles represent the best high school musicians from across the state and acceptance into these groups is an honor. The fact that four Lake High School band student musicians were accepted to participate speaks highly of them personally and also speaks highly of the quality of music instruction that the Lake band program provides its students.

Once students are accepted, they receive music to be performed and spend two days at the conference rehearsing the music with some of our nation's most prestigious and respected conductors. At the conclusion of the rehearsals they perform a concert for conference attendees which includes parents and music educators from across the entire state.



Congratulations to Billy, Nathaniel, Derek and Emily for being accepted and representing our school district and community so well at this event! – *Rich Kibler* 

# **Blue Streak Marching Band travels to Disney World**

From February 14 –19, 2019, during the President's Day weekend holiday, the Lake High School Blue Streak Marching Band traveled to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida. The Lake Band takes this trip every four years so that every high school band student has a chance to enjoy this experience during their time in the Lake Band program.

During their stay, band members marched in a parade down Main Street USA within the Magic Kingdom. They performed extremely well, conducted themselves admirably, and were a fine representation of the Lake community, school district, and band program.

Our students were frequently complimented throughout the trip for their attentiveness, courtesy, cleanliness, manners,



The Blue Streak Marching Band walks by Cinderella's castle.

and behavior by restaurant managers, bus drivers, hotel managers, and tour company representatives. The students' performance down through the Magic Kingdom on Sunday, February 17, in front of 70,000 people, was very well-received by audience participants and was an incredible thrill for the students.

While in Florida, in addition to the Magic Kingdom, our students visited Disney Hollywood Studios, the Animal Kingdom, Epcot Center, and Medieval Times. Many fond memories and friendships were created and solidified through these experiences.

The students worked very hard in raising their own money for this trip, and they also had incredible help from the Lake Band Boosters in defraying the cost. Many thanks go out to the parent trip committee which included Todd Spencer, Kathy Martin, Mira Mirkovic, Tracy Bragg, and Nicole Chance. Thanks to all of our community members and parents who contributed to the many fund-raisers that helped these students earn their way to Disney World. – *Rich Kibler* 





Walking down Main Street, U.S.A. in the Magic Kingdom Parade was a highlight for the Blue Streak Marching Band.

# **ATHLETIC NEWS**



# Congratulations

The middle school seventh grade girls basketball were Federal League tournament champion.

The **varsity cheerleaders** won the Federal League title, then recently were named state runners-up in the Division II Non-Building division.

Sophomore **Nathan Moore** recently competed at the 2019 Ohio State Indoor Meet Championships. He placed second in the mile to earn All Ohio Honors.

At the recent OASSA State Jazz competition, Lake's **varsity dance team** (of three) was the smallest team competing after passing through a pre-qualifying round. The Lake Trio placed tenth in a field of 17 in Jazz in the finals.

The **middle school wrestling team** was Federal League champion.

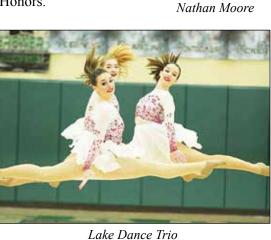
The **freshmen boys basketball** team won the Federal League tournament.

**Thomas Cassetty** (106) and **Michael Mather** (285) advanced to the OHSAA State Wrestling Meet.

**Katey Koehl** advanced to the OHSAA State Gymnastics Meet where she finished fourth on the beam, eleventh on the bars, and eleventh overall.

# Spring Schedules

The most up-to-date spring schedules will continue to be posted on the athletics web page. For updates via text message about cancellations and delays when the spring rains arrive, text @lakesports to 81010.



### Athletic Office Hours

Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lake High School Athletic Director Joe Bogdan and Athletic Secretary Tricia Knoch can also be reached by phone at (330) 877-4288.

# New Athletic Office Coming Soon

The Lake Athletic Office will be moving (again) sometime early next school year. Our new offices will be across the hall from the main office at the new main entrance to Lake Middle High School being constructed along Market Ave. This will offer our visitors one entrance convenient to both offices.

# Football Season Ticket Renewals



It is nearly time to renew your season tickets for football. Information will be posted on-line and mailed to current season ticket holders in April. Persons wanting to buy season tickets for the first time will be able to do so beginning in June.

# **PROUD SUPPORTER OF LAKE ATHLETICS**





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# READY, SET SPRING!



# HEALTHY KIDS DAY

Saturday, April 20, 10:00am to 1:00pm at the Lake Community YMCA. We'll have lots of games, crafts, inflatables, food - Join us for a whole lot of fun!

# SUMMER DAY CAMP

## Registration now open!

For kids entering 1st grade through 8th grade Weekly field trips, swimming, sports, arts and crafts and STEM projects!

For more info, contact: Christina Collins:

# YOUTH SPORTS

# Spring Session, April 22 – May 22

- Outdoor Soccer Ages 3 years old up to 4th grade
- Tennis Skills Ages 3 years old up to 4th grade
- Golf Skills 1st through 4th grade

Lacrosse Skills – Ages 5 years old up to 4th grade

ccollins@ymcastark.org | ymcastark.org/day-camp For more info, contact: Rob Dent: rdent@ymcastark.org

# **SPLATTER SCATTER 5K & FUN RUN**

Saturday, May 25 at the Lake Community YMCA – New Course for 2019! FUN RUN:11:00am 5K: 11:45am These races are part of the brand new Lake Community YMCA RACE SERIES. Register for all 4 races for only \$100! Single race registration: \$40/person. Register before May 3 and save \$10! For more info, contact: Zac Piersol: zjpiersol@ymcastark.org



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