

The Kendalight

Kendal at Oberlin Residents Association

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Let's Celebrate KaO Pride

KaO's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Allies Interest Group invites you to celebrate National Pride Month during June. Notice the rainbow flag and other decorations in Heiser!

Please take a moment during June to enjoy the library display of LGBTQA literature. Some works were written by our own Kendal authors and other pieces were selected to be of interest to our Kendal residents. A special feature will be a copybook containing reprints of articles written by our residents that have appeared in previous issues of



Eureka! and other publications.

Have you noticed the Rainbow Hearts on resident and staff name tags? These will be available at the hallway display of KaO Pride material, along with Heart posters if you would like to

show your support in your window.

A series of movies on LGBTQA themes will be shown over WSCC on Tuesdays and KOTV on Saturdays. For details, see page 4.

The celebration will culminate in a series of "conversation circles" to be held in late June. Each small group will have one or more of our LGBTQA members to express our gratitude for the welcoming Kendal community, to discuss our stories, and to answer your questions.

The circles are planned for Friday, June 25. Details will be announced in mid-June. **Everyone is welcome!**



Fun Fitness Week Begins on June 7

For the 16th year, Kendal staff and residents will have a week of fitness and fun activities, this year set up in accordance with Ohio Dept. of Health guidelines. There will be 20 different activities from Mon., June 7, through Fri., June 11. Line Dancing with Dan Reiber in front of the Heiser entrance is a new activity. Another will be identifying musical tunes played by more than 12 residents on various instruments. Back from the past but modified for safety will be Croquet (outside), Dog Play Time, and KELC Bikers' Relay.

Traditional activities will include Walking, Swimming, Biking, Observation Walks, Radio-Controlled Sailing, Miniature Golf, CommUnity Walk, Shot Put, Wii Fun (limited number at one time), Tennis Court Fun, Robot Table Tennis (limited number), and Baggo.

Sign up for all events on tables by the Heiser Lounge windows. Find activity descriptions on the bulletin board outside the KELC. Register early for the Walking Relay (pick your resident/staff partners) and Dog Fun. Check the whiteboard next to the sign-up tables for any last-minute changes to activities.

Schedules will be put in everyone's mailbox a week before the events start.

Your reward for participating in even one event is a healthy no-charge lunch on Fri., June 14. (Sign up for the lunch at the Heiser Lounge tables.) Helping someone else do an activity also counts as participation. Watch for details of how the lunch will be served!

Plan to have a fun week. Interested in assisting other residents? Contact Jill Tvaroha, Saun Howard, Dana Mitchell, or Kathy Caldwell.



Independence Weekend 2021

Saturday, July 3
(Rain Date: Sunday, July 4)

Save the dates! Early plans are to make it a weekend affair with the Parade and Patriotic Program on Saturday, held outside around Heiser Circle, with a picnic lunch somewhere.

We hope to offer opportunities for canoeing on Farmer Pond, kite flying, model sail and power boat racing on Triangle Pond, Hoot and Holler RR watching, ice cream eating, and any other fun things we can come up with. We might even have ceiling decorations somewhere!

Stay tuned and we will tell you what plans unfold.

~Your Special Events Committee





Kendal at Oberlin Residents Association

May's Spring Fling was a wonderful event, filled with talent, variety, and interest. A big thank you to the planners, videographers, film editors, and narrator who seamlessly wove together musicians, speaking choir, travel tales, photos, dancers, Stephens Care Center bell choir, and KELC children in *The Call of the World*. It was a delight! Your KORA funds were used to purchase the new videotaping equipment.

Other KORA committees and interest groups continue their essential work. The Program Committee has presented a bounty of superb programs. Horticulture's plant sale provided a large variety of healthy plants for our gardens. The Arboretum Committee's Arbor Day events were informative and we now have five new trees in Heiser Circle, thanks to a generous resident. After much study, the Joint Technology Committee is starting to implement a new website and database for residents and staff to use. It will enable us to see the calendar of events, look up residents and phone numbers, find documents, make TheWorxHub service requests and dining and PS Salon reservations, see announcements, and so much more.

After extensive planning and construction, the Art Committee, Woodshop, other volunteers, and KaO staff have reinstalled the Founders Quilt near the William Penn. It's a lovely part of KaO's history (see p. 4 and 5).

Residents are fully engaged with KaO's Strategic Planning, completing surveys, participating in focus groups, and working on committees with administration and KaO Board members. The resulting plan will guide us for the next five years.

Residents responded generously to the Staff Vacation/Appreciation Appeal and wrote thank-you notes to staff to accompany the distribution of checks. ~Mary Behm, KORA President

Help Mine Kendal's Treasure

The casual visitor to Kendal may be struck by the attractiveness of our surroundings and the many opportunities which seem effortlessly available – the fresh flower arrangements, living plants, varied and beautiful art exhibits which grace our public spaces; the library, woodshop, art studio, and craft room; the wealth of Kendal offerings via computer and in-house TV channels. Available? Yes. Effortlessly? Not really. All these riches and more are made possible by the work of the Kendal at Oberlin Residents Association committees, composed of residents. Kendal's energetic and creative residents are among our greatest treasures.

The Leadership Development and Nominations Committee of KORA is here to help mobilize them. To do this, it must become acquainted with the gifts and interests of Kendal residents and encourage them to use these in service to the Kendal community, with its many varied activities and needs. The responsibilities of the LDNC are described in Article IV of KORA's Constitution and By-laws. In addition to helping and encouraging residents to become active in KORA activities, the committee must produce a slate of candidates to be KORA officers and councilors and LDNC members, to be elected at the Association's annual meeting in November.

In July, we will be asking for your input about this slate. You will be asked for your suggestions for the posts of KORA President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Councilors, as well as members of the LDNC. If you are interested, you can suggest yourself. Job descriptions will be posted on the KORA bulletin board. LDNC members are Sue Palmieri, chair, Ann Francis, Bob Longsworth, Tom Morgan, Sandy Siebenschuh, and Barbara Whitehouse.

EXCHANGES WITH BARBARA THOMAS
THURSDAYS AT 4:00PM - ZOOM, KOTV, WSCC

Suggestions and Concerns Committee Meeting Mon., June 14 - 2:00pm Crossroads Room

Members of this committee will listen to your suggestion or concern in confidence (and privately, if you wish), discuss it with you, and decide how to pursue it to a satisfactory resolution. For more information, contact chair Marjorie Porter.



Next KORA Council Meeting Thurs., June 17 - 10:00am Zoom and KOTV

Mark your calendar and be sure to join us for our monthly meeting!

Looking for Someone?

Find profiles of all residents, newcomers and old-timers, in "Who's Here" on the Kendal Library center bookcase.

LifeLong Learning Team Invites Your Suggestions

Our final course for 2020–2021 was offered last month. Now, to help us plan for fall and beyond, we need suggestions for classes that you would like to see. We're especially interested in adding more topics in the sciences and social sciences. Send ideas for both topics and potential presenters to Mary Van Nortwick. With Zoom as an option, the presenter need not live in the Oberlin area.

Cartoon Potluck **Mon, June 7 - 7:15pm** **Zoom only**

Join this Zoom gathering for an hour of pure fun. Zoom's Share Screen function will let you see the favorite cartoons of other residents.

If you haven't already submitted up to three favorites and would like to, contact host Carol Conti-Entin. People who haven't submitted cartoons are also welcome to enjoy the delectable smorgasbord.

2021 Oberlin Chalk Walk **Postponed Due to Pandemic**

The Oberlin Chalk Walk Committee has made the decision to postpone its popular event again this year. It hopes to see attendees back in 2022 for this annual gathering when master artists, local artists, and scores of community members of all ages create beautiful, quirky, and unique works of chalk art throughout downtown Oberlin.

Newcomers' Interviews **on Hiatus until September**

The Newcomers Committee has placed its KOTV newcomer interviews on hiatus. It has completed interviews with those who have moved in since the last Newcomers reception, in fall 2019.

Since a number of new residents have very recently arrived or will arrive during the summer months, the committee looks forward to resuming interviews and other events to introduce our newcomers to the Kendal community.

~Sharon Furrow



Smart Giving!

Tales from the Crypt: Estate Planning Horror Stories! **Tues., June 29 - 4:00pm - Zoom webinar and KOTV**

Should you update your estate plans? Catherine Gletherow, Associate Vice President, Oberlin College, provides answers to that question on a Zoom webinar. If residents use Zoom for access, they may post questions for response on the chat function.

~Committee on Philanthropy

"Shaping Our Future" **Resident Forums** **Tues., June 8 & Thurs., June 17** **4:00pm - Zoom**

All Kendal at Oberlin residents are invited to participate in one of two "Shaping Our Future" forums being presented by the Strategic Planning Committee of the Kendal Board of Directors.

These Zoom meetings are one of the ways the Strategic Planning Committee is listening to the hopes and concerns of residents for the future of our community.

At these virtual meetings, each person will be assigned to a "breakout" room with a small group of other residents where ideas will be shared and collected.

Residents are encouraged to indicate their planned attendance for one of these two duplicate meetings by signing the sheet in front of the open mailboxes and then joining the Zoom gathering on the date chosen. (Note: the meeting on June 17 will replace the regular Thursday Exchange.)

Questions about these gatherings or any other matter related to the *Kendal Strategic Plan 2022-2027* should be directed to: Liz Schultz (Chair, director@oberlinheritage.org) or Gary Olin (Vice-chair, glolin@oberlin.net).

Other members of the committee are Dick Baznik, Mary Behm, Ann Fuller, Karen Kilgo, Toni Merleno, Jack Southworth, Barbara Thomas, Mary Van Nortwick, Joan Villarreal, as well as Nora Adelman and Sean Kelly from Kendal Corporation.

🎵 Music at Kendal 🎵

First Sunday Chamber **Music Open Rehearsal** **Sun., June 6 - 4:00-5:00pm** **Heiser Auditorium**

Stop by and listen to this informal presentation by Kendal residents. It's a read-through (or rehearsal) for all to enjoy! Protocols limit the number of people who can be in Heiser Auditorium at any one time to 25, including the musicians. If more than 25 show up, the overflow will be able to hear the music in the hallways and Heiser Lounge.

Fourth of July Singing **Now a YES, YES!**

For more than a year, the pandemic has meant no singing. However, for this July 4 celebration, which will take place outdoors with a theme related to immigration, a choir is invited.

If you wish to sing the beautiful Finlandia hymn in harmony, sign up on the July 4 Choir sheet near the mailboxes. We will have two or three short rehearsals outside, with rain location in a large garage. Celebrate! Sing!

~Carol Longworth

Let's Dance!

We have approval for both English country dancing and square dancing to begin again at Kendal.

English Country dancing will be Sundays at 7:15pm, in parking lot #4, in front of the garages, with live music by the band *Consensus*. Bring a chair and a bottle of water for break time.

Square dancing will be Tuesdays at 7:15pm, in Heiser Auditorium to recorded music.

We will begin with basic moves and easy dances, so beginners are encouraged to join us. You do not need to come with a partner. We usually change partners after every dance. If you are interested, please join us. Any questions? Call or email Jan Larsen.

Saturday Night Movies 7:15pm - KOTV

June 5 - Watch the debut of our special Encore Programs (see p.7).

- 7:15pm - Ruth Bader Ginsburg: A Law Clerk's View.
- 8:15pm - 25th Anniversary Mystery Theater.

June 12 - Maurice (1987) Based on E. M. Forster's novel, it's a tale of gay love in the restrictive and repressed culture of Edwardian England. Cast includes James Wilby, Hugh Grant, Rupert Graves, Denholm Elliott. (Some male frontal nudity.) 🌈

June 19 - Saving Face (2004) Film focuses on a young lesbian Chinese American surgeon, her unwed pregnant mother, and their relationship to both family and community. Directed by Alice Wu in feature-length debut. 🌈

June 26 - Man in an Orange Shirt (2017) A relationship made impossible by societal pressures during WWII is vividly contrasted with a current romance nearly derailed by the consequences of a 1940s tale. 🌈

Sunday Movies 7:00pm - WSCC

June 6 - Now, Voyager (1942) A frumpy spinster (Bette Davis) blossoms under therapy into an elegant, independent woman who falls in love with an unhappily married architect (Paul Henreid).

June 13 - Flight From Ashiya (1964) In the early 1960s, a flight crew's mission is to rescue a life raft of Japanese civilians stranded in rough seas.

June 20 - Cheaper by the Dozen (2003) With his wife doing a book tour, a father of 12 (Steve Martin) must handle a new job and his unstable brood.

June 27 - The Pumpkin Eater (1964) A mother of eight (Anne Bancroft), married to a philandering third husband (Peter Finch) is in a fragile mental state.



Art Gallery News

The biennial **Kendal Creates** show opened May 18 in the **Kendal and Community Galleries**. Though it was a bit of a challenge to display more than 80 items in just two galleries, we were delighted to get entries from more than 50 residents!

The exhibition of work created by Kendal residents includes models, sculpture, wood turning, ceramics, and knitted and quilted pieces as well as paintings, watercolors, photographs, and more.

Because of restricted entry into the **Friends Gallery**, this year's Kendal Creates Show will not extend into the Stephens Care Center's exhibit space.

Instead the current show of photographs and art by Kendal residents will be succeeded by an exhibit of Don Parker's watercolor landscapes previously shown in the Community Gallery.

The Art of Aircraft as Structural Design, a display of small airplane models that Joe Luciano has been making all of his life here at Kendal, will continue in the **Curio Cabinet** for the duration of the Kendal Creates Show. Be sure to take the time to look at the details of his craftsmanship.

After years of planning, work, and restoration, the **Founders Quilt**, created by a group of the founding residents of Kendal at Oberlin, has been installed in its permanent display space – the small alcove between the Heiser Lounge and the Penn Dining Room. Our gratitude and admiration

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Tuesday Themed Films 2:00pm - WSCC

June 1 - Uncle Frank (2020) When his father dies in 1973, a gay man takes his 18-year-old niece on a road trip from NYC to South Carolina. They're unexpectedly joined by his lover. 🌈

June 8 - The Watermelon Woman (1996) A young black lesbian filmmaker probes into the life of The Watermelon Woman, a 1930s black actress who played "mammy" stereotypes. 🌈

June 15 - Cowboys (2021) A troubled but well-intentioned father who has recently separated from his wife runs off with his trans son into the Montana wilderness. 🌈

June 22 - The Kids Are All Right (2009) Two children conceived by artificial insemination bring their biological father into their non-traditional family life. 🌈

June 29 - A Single Man (2009) An English professor, one year after the sudden death of his boyfriend, is unable to cope with his typical days in 1960s Los Angeles. 🌈

Thursday Movie Musicals 2:00pm - WSCC

June 3 - Second Chorus (1940) Two college trumpet players (Fred Astaire, Burgess Meredith) hire a new band manager (Paulette Goddard), then compete for her affections as they vie for a job in Artie Shaw's band.

June 10 - Oklahoma! (1955) Farmers, cowboys, and a traveling salesman sing Rodgers and Hammerstein songs and compete for the local ladies. With Gordon MacRae and Shirley Jones.

June 17 - Cinderella (1997) In this musical version of the classic tale, a fairy godmother (Whitney Houston) helps a young woman (Brandy) meet a charming prince.

June 24 - Top Hat (1935) A dancer (Fred Astaire) falls for a model (Ginger Rogers) who mistakenly thinks he is married to her best friend.

IN MEMORIAM

NANCY GRAY, MAY 24, 2021



Come see the Founders Quilt in this small alcove between Heiser Lounge and The Penn.
Photo: Suzanne McDougal

Art Gallery News (Cont'd from p. 4)

go to Anne Wardwell and Margaret-Ann Ellis, who spent hours cleaning the quilt, inch by inch, using professional textile conservation techniques to brighten each square. Thanks go to Anne and Ed Wardwell for storing it safely for a couple of years in their cottage. Additional thanks go to Doug Kirtz for designing the way in which the quilt could be safely displayed on the wall and building the backing board. Facility Services helped as well: Greg Wilgor crafted the support bar on which it rests and Quinn Barbee completed the installation by securing the top edge to the wall. Carl Whitehouse designed and built a white “garden fence” to keep electric scooters at a distance when they park there. Additional adjustments to lighting and ventilation will be done by resident Terry McGowan and KaO electrician Jon Hall.

Final thanks go to Grover Zinn, who coordinated the efforts of all the skilled craftspeople in the project.

Look for more information about the history of Kendal’s Founders Quilt in the July *Kendalight*.

The Kendal cable channels are:

- **WKAO: 919, 19-1, OR 95-100**
- **KOTV: 920, 19-2, OR 95-101**
- **WSCC: 921, 20-1, OR 96-100**

First Thursday Health Lecture Hearing Loss: Prevention and Treatment June 3 - 7:15pm - Zoom/ KOTV

Speaker Dr. Joshua Bowyer, an audiologist with Oberlin Hearing Care, received his doctorate in audiology from the University of Cincinnati. He also holds bachelor’s degrees in communication sciences and disorders and in gerontology from Bowling Green State University.

Program Committee Notes

We have ended our Covid programming year with great May events including Kendal residents remembering WW II and David Dauphiné showing us some of his white-water-rafting adventures. There have been more than 80 programs since September 2020.

In June, July, and August we plan to do limited “live” programming and, instead, show encores of favorite programs that have been recorded. You will find these featured in the Encore Programs column (see p. 7). Please let Mary Van Nortwick know about a program that you might have missed or would like to see again. In addition, DVDs of recorded programs continue to be available in the library.

We will resume live programming in September with in-person presentations in Heiser Auditorium. We’ll also continue some presentations on Zoom, which allows presenters to come to us from afar.

Please let us know about programs and presenters that you would like to see in the fall.

There are many tasks associated with soliciting and implementing Kendal’s programs. To continue programming we need help with one or more of the many tasks that make programs possible. It takes a village. Contact Shirley if you can help or want to learn more.

Many, many thanks to all of you who have given or helped to give programs this past year.

~Shirley Taylor, Chair, Program Committee



Spring Fling! Encores

Tuesday, June 1 - 4:00pm
Thurs., June 10 - 7:15pm
KOTV

Many thanks to the 77 people who worked on and participated in **Spring Fling 2021**. They each volunteered to share their *Call of the World* with an experience or musical offering. They were all amazing!

If you miss the encores but want to watch the video at home, you can find the DVD in the Kendal Library.

KENDAL RESALE SHOP

Benefitting Kendal Residents Assistance Fund (RAF) and Community Charities

SHOP!

Wednesday–Saturday,
11:00am–5:00pm
(closed Sunday–Tuesday)

DONATE!

Bring your donations of clean, gently-used, ready-to-wear clothing and usable household items to the box outside the shop, 24/7.

Given to RAF

2021, year to date:

Total contribution: \$9,000.

Kendal Precision Lawn Chair Team to Perform on July 3

The Kendal Precision Lawn Chair Team is coming out of mothballs in time for the 4th of July Parade! Old-timers, new-timers, all are invited to join our jovial team to get ready for a glorious holiday with our wacky, high-spirited, fun routines. Contact Don Parker for information and to sign up.

More About Kendal's Residents



Janet E. Newman

My roots go deep into Canadian soil; my parents moved to the U.S. during the war and raised my two brothers and me mostly in Avon Lake, a small town on the south shore of Lake Erie, about 20 miles north of Oberlin!

I did my undergraduate work at Smith College, Northampton, MA, and studied in Spain in my junior year. In 1967, I graduated with a BA in Hispanic Studies.

I began my first profession as a computer programmer/analyst in Washington, DC.

My husband and I became active in the Unitarian Universalist faith, and after his death in a car accident in 1978, I began two years of full-time ministeri-

al study at Wesley Theological Seminary in DC. I earned the MA from the Divinity School of the University of Chicago in 1982 and the Doctor of Ministry from Meadville/Lombard in 1983. I was ordained by the Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, VA, where my husband and I had married and become lay leaders, where I felt a call to ministry, and then where my husband was memorialized.

I served two congregations as a called minister and then decided to pursue the specialty of Interim Ministry. In that capacity I served congregations as far north as Ottawa, ON; as far south as Fort Myers, FL; as far east as the Boston area; and as far west as Denver.

Upon retirement in 2016, I returned to my "base camp," a modest condo in Winter Park, FL.

Soon I realized that I needed to provide for my future as I aged. I researched Continuing Care Retirement Communities and was drawn to the Quaker values in Kendal communities. A cottage became available much sooner than I expected—and now I'm delighted and grateful to be with you!



Art Studio News

Following our work on the stoneware miniature garden houses that absorbed a lot of time and imagination, we had one more sculpture class in April that I called our try at "Chihuly-inspired" sculpture. Dale Chihuly is a renowned large-scale glass sculptor. His work is artistic, colorful, and often displayed in gardens or hung in glass-ceiling exhibition halls. To find the new display of our colorful garden art, check out the base of the white birch tree in front of

the Art Studio windows. If you wish to view the real colored glass of Dale Chihuly and team go to Chihulygardeandglass.com or *Macchia Forest, 2010*.

The Clay Workshop also sculpted trees, dragonfly tiles, phone holders, a cat, and a lidded box.

If you have an idea or would like to be a part of our working group, let us know. All levels of experience and ambition are appreciated!

Don Parker's watercolor or pastel classes will begin in the fall, but if you would like a watercolor group in late June, call me.

~Joyce Parker, Art Studio

KaO Board Notes

Kendal at Oberlin's Board of Directors met by Zoom. With most getting vaccinated, a hybrid meeting may be possible before year's end.

The Board officially accepted **Kendal's 2020 Audit**. The results will be part of the Annual Disclosure Statement sent to residents this summer.

The auditor's industry report focused on **cybersecurity**. Healthcare providers are a major target for cybercriminals. Kendal has been proactive with added security solutions.

Approval of **refinancing of 2013 bonds**, to be completed by early summer, should bring considerable savings over the next nine years.

Cleveland YWCA's 21-Day Challenge addressing Diversity, Equity & Inclusion was the topic of lively discussion. Offered since 2019, it presents a new set of readings, videos, and podcasts, allowing for all participants to choose according to their interests, knowledge, and time constraints.

The Board accepted **Mary Haber's resignation** for personal/health reasons. Her expertise in human resources has been greatly appreciated over her long nine-year tenure. ~Barbara Thomas



Event Links

- For "inside Kendal" program links, **contact Carol Harvey**.
- For "outside Kendal" community cultural and educational ad hoc events, **contact Barbara Gordon-Lickey**.

Upcoming Moves

Gerry and Ann Findlan from Oberlin, OH, in early June.

Recent Move-Ins

Jesse Carlock and **Kerry Glaus** from Beavercreek, OH, in mid-May.

Recent Transfers

Louise Dunn to Patterson in early May.

Encore Programs on KOTV

Missed a program you'd hoped to watch? Want to re-watch a particular favorite? Many of our programs that appear over Zoom are recorded, and the Program Committee plans to show some of them on KOTV.

If you have specific programs you'd like to see again, please contact Mary Van Nortwick. Mary and fellow coordinator Ken Cheek will do their best to accommodate special requests!

Here are our first two Encore performances, one a timely repeat of Jonathan Entin's October 8 talk, the other a gem from our 2018 25th Anniversary Mystery Theater. Enjoy!



June 5, 7:15pm - Ruth Bader Ginsburg: A Law Clerk's View (Oct. 8, 2020) Kendal resident Jonathan Entin was hired by Ruth Bader Ginsburg as her law clerk on the day she was confirmed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in 1980. They stayed in periodic contact over the years. He will tell us not only about her judicial career but also about her pathbreaking work as the lawyer who completely changed the law of gender discrimination.

June 5, 8:15pm - 25th Anniversary Mystery Theater (July 15, 2018) Come join us for fun with history and mystery. Authored by Angie Church when she was second-shift housekeeping, the drama stars many talented residents and staff, including Barbara Thomas, Stacy Terrell, and other familiar faces. Guaranteed laughter with a spectacular and shocking ending!

Wordly Wise and United Spellers Bring OUTSTANDING Results for United Way's Spellebrate!

Bravo to our six volunteers who represented Kendal in the annual Spellebrate! Both teams made it into the Semi-Finals, and Team Wordly Wise reached the Finals and then captured it all against the Lorain City Library's team, The Great Gats-Bees, a repeating finalist every year.

Thank you to all six great spellers:

- **Team Wordly Wise** - Kari Inglis, Robin Laurén, Sandi McClennen
- **Team United Spellers** - Jerry Berner, Nancy MacRae, Kim Preston

If you missed seeing it, you can stream the recording from YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fqRyMVDutzM>



Spellebrate Trophy

Protecting Our Most Vulnerable

Are you thinking, "I'm vaccinated. I'm healthy. Why can't I go into stores and restaurants without worrying about a mask?" Here's why.

We live in a congregate setting – essentially a big "bubble" – that includes people within a wide range of health. So those of us who are least vulnerable must protect those who are more vulnerable, especially residents living in the Stephens Care Center (SCC).

After a long isolation, SCC residents are enjoying the Heiser Lounge, library, auditorium, and other public areas in our campus. According to current regulations, a single positive COVID-19 test would not only put residents at risk but also stop their visits outside the SCC and require testing for at least two weeks!

Thus, even after June 2, we will continue to wear masks in all Kendal public spaces and to exercise caution in the outside community (especially in stores and restaurants), to ensure the freedom and safety of our most vulnerable residents.

Yet the rules keep changing! The New Normal Committee has prepared a simplified guide to be released by June 2. Check this for the latest procedures and restrictions, all thoughtfully based on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), State of Ohio, and Kendal at Oberlin.

Kendal Kryptogram #195 - by Nina Love

**FUNFCU ELK ANYMOAR OE OBFNEEOWCU WHY O
SN ANYMOAR UZUVKSLK.**

~L. L. BOCAU

Solution to Kryptogram #194: "Four out of five doctors recommend another doctor."
~Anonymous



Library Notes

Previewing Special Displays

The library's featured display for June will observe National Pride Month with the mostly new books donated by our LGBTQA Interest Group. Though Robert Taylor's fiction has always been popular with our readers, the collection has been weak in other LGBTQA materials. These new books, combined with A V Shirk's gift of a subscription to *Gay & Lesbian Review*, provides us with an improved selection of reading on a topic that has evolved dramatically over our lifetimes.

Upcoming displays will include *Climate Change* in August, with *Aging* and another show of photography books in months to come. To provide some change from exhibits on a single topic, we are thinking about shows of neglected gems among the low-use books and favorite books and DVDs recommended by the members of the Library Committee, hopefully leading on to those chosen by other residents. Start thinking about sharing your favorites.

New Magnifying Reader

Thanks to Diantha Paré, we have a new, improved magnifying reader on the desk next to the public-access computer. It is especially useful for reading the small print in newspapers and also could be helpful in deciphering personal papers and enjoying magazines.

We have been uncertain whether the declining use of the magnifying reader justifies giving it the library's limited space, but perhaps there are residents who need a magnifier but are not aware of its existence. Anyone with declining vision (which is most of us) is encouraged to give it a try. ~Mary Clare Beck

Tuesday at 2 Continues June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Crossroads

Sign up on the blue sheets on the clipboard by the open mailboxes.

~Anne Palmer

Climate Query



Did you know that the International Energy Agency recently called for "no new oil or gas fields," spending \$820 billion a year on electric grids by 2030, increasing charging stations for EVs to 40 million by 2031, and building 20 giga-factories a year for making lithium-ion batteries for the next decade? Worldwide, that and much else are necessary to avoid civilizational catastrophes. Read the summary at [Bloomberg.com](https://www.bloomberg.com) (search for "Averting Climate Crisis").

Snapshots from Our Stephens Staff Education Fund

With generous contributions from residents, the Stephens Staff Education Fund helps finance continuing education for Kendal employees. *The Kendalight* will feature a few employees who have recently benefitted from the Fund.

Elisabeth Christman

Elisabeth Christman has been a sales and marketing representative at Kendal for two years. Last year, she was offered a chance to participate in Leadership Lorain County (LLC). The Staff Education Fund paid her tuition.

LLC is a county-wide program for leadership training. Its signature program is an annual ten-month class that explores segments of our community such as business, social justice, healthcare, law and government, education, and recreation. It develops personal and leadership skills, promoting teamwork and networking. Participants work on service projects that focus on solving community problems or contributing to local infrastructure. The program features panel discussions, site visits, guest speakers, and hands-on learning through immersion in Lorain County.

Elisabeth became one of 42 participants in LLC's class of 2020, representing a wide variety of employers in Lorain County. Its goal was to get folks together to learn more about the county and stimulate networking and local knowledge.

Elisabeth grew up in nearby Port Clinton and graduated from John Carroll University in Cleveland. After working for a few years in California, she and her husband inherited her grandparents' home in Port Clinton, across the street from her parents' house. Her husband works in Cleveland.

"I realize now how much is outside Cleveland," she notes. "I'm more aware of resources in the health care community here. I see how compassionate people are in this community. Now I'm a network builder. I have a whole list of people I can call on."

Normally the LLC class meets once a month for a year, including an overnight retreat. Some of these meetings disappeared during the pandemic, but meetings continued online. "We spent a day at the Common Ground Center in Oberlin, where we used teamwork on the obstacle course. That was my favorite activity," says Elisabeth.

"This was good timing for me," she says, "to meet people and build a new community. It would take years to learn so much about this region without Leadership Lorain County. I know so much more now, and it helps when I talk with prospective residents of Kendal."



**From The John Bartram Arboretum:
The Little Leaf Linden
(Tilia Cordata)**

The little leaf linden is very adaptable to a variety of soils, from acidic to alkaline, sandy to clay. It likes to be moist, but well-drained, not just sit in water. Thus it should be watered when there is a drought, especially when young. One thing which is not good for it is road salt.

A little leaf linden grows at a medium rate, 1 to 2 feet a year, to a height of 50 feet, spreading to about 40 feet in diameter. It needs at least four hours of direct sunlight a day, but likes full sun.

The tree has a very attractive pyramidal shape (see photo) with medium green leaves that have a little chartreuse accent which remains with it long into the summer. The leaves turn a golden color and drop late. The dense canopy gives great shade. The little leaf linden is a tree whose leaves a resident here at the Kendal arboretum finds especially attractive with the dark of evergreens behind it.

The linden flowers are clusters of yellowish blossoms that hang down on long stalks and have a pleasant fragrance. They are attractive to wildlife such as hummingbirds and bees. Their bloom time is in June, later than many



The Rising of the Moon

Thursday, June 24, at 2:40pm will be the **Full Strawberry Moon**. The name comes from Algonquin tribes of Native Americans. Typically the last full moon of spring or the first of summer, this full moon was their sign to harvest wild strawberries.



On May 30, 2017, a little leaf linden tree was planted at Kendal in memory of resident Anne Martin's late husband, Tom. Photo at left shows Anne with son Cbris and grandson Sam gathered around "Tom's tree" almost two years later on May 27, 2019. Photo at right shows the tree today with its typical leafy pyramidal shape. Photos submitted by Anne Martin.



trees. Fertilized flowers produce a nut-like fruit which animals like. When the tree is mature, its soft wood provides nesting hollows for birds such as woodpeckers.

This tree is considered low maintenance, though it should be carefully pruned for strong structure giving it a single leader and well-spaced lateral branches. The tree typically has a life span of a few hundred years.

It has a wide potential planting range in the United States which includes most all of the east, north, and central regions. Japanese beetles can skeletonize its foliage, so planting

where beetle infestation is strong is not advised.

We have several little leaf linden trees in our arboretum, one of which can be found between parking lots 6 and 7, closer to the roadway than to the cottages. We are fortunate to be in an area where the tree can thrive. If you take the time to get to know it, you will likely love it as so many do.
~Anne Helm for the Arboretum Committee


**Dementia Friendly Discussion Group
Fri., June 25 - 10:00am - Zoom**

Contact Carol Bojanowski to get the link. **All are welcome!**

Big Bus Trip to Blossom Music Center Cancelled

The Cleveland Orchestra is reintroducing in-person concerts, including the 2021 Blossom Music Festival. However, it's not feasible to pack 55 Kendal residents into a bus and deal with restricted access and crowded areas, so we have decided to cancel the group visit to Blossom this summer.

We hope there will be options for a return to concerts at Severance Hall in Cleveland in the fall. Questions? Ask Randy Wagner or Anne Martin.



Dr. Alan Power's third component of well-being is **SAFETY**. What do you do when someone is struggling with their walker or confused about which way to go? Rather than ignoring them or taking over their task, ask if they would like help. This shows respect, helps keep them safe, and lets you both **STAY CONNECTED**.

Need Gadget Help? Ask student Cailin on Fridays, 2:00–3:00pm, on Zoom: 929 5079 1155. Call in: 1-312-626-6799 (type in Zoom number when asked).

Call 775-9868 to hear the announcements of the day.

Saturday Walks

Come explore walking areas off the KaO campus. The walks are leisurely, about 2–3 miles, and generally scenic. We meet outside the Heiser main entrance every Saturday at 9:30am (weather permitting). Remember to display in your car the pink card that identifies you as a Kendal resident.

- **June 5** Indian Hollow - Royal Oaks
- **June 12** Schoepfle Garden
- **June 19** Carlisle - Equestrian Center
- **June 26** Kopf Family Reservation

Questions? Contact Phil Pritchett.

Table Tennis Has Returned

Regular hours for table tennis have been set for Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday from 10:00am to 12:00pm in Heiser Auditorium.

One table continues to be set up for play in the Stephens Care Center.

Come and play! All are welcome!

~*Sidney Rosenfeld*

Nest Box News

The nest box season is picking up. The weather has warmed up and insects, which most young chicks need in order to grow and develop, are becoming more plentiful. Eastern Bluebirds have claimed three of Kendal's nest boxes. One box by Meadow Pond has five chicks that are developing well. Bluebirds in a nest box by Island Pond lost four chicks last month due to cold and lack of adequate food. Now they are busy building a new nest to start over. A third nest built in the box near parking lot 5 does not yet have eggs. Bluebirds have also shown a great deal of interest in the nest box in the Community Garden and the nest box behind Cottage 5 where the bright male often perches on the roof or inspects the interior. It seems no female has yet joined either, as no nesting material is in either box yet.

Tree Swallows are just starting a nest in the second box at Meadow Pond. Three of the four boxes on Wildflower Hill have a total of 16 tree swallow eggs, and the box by Island Pond has another 6, for a total of 22 tiny white eggs!

As on Audubon nest box trails, most of Kendal's nest boxes are paired. Eastern Bluebirds and Tree Swallows make good neighbors since they do not compete for the same food. Bluebirds drop from a perch to pick up insects in the lawns and grass or on trees and leaves. Tree swallows catch their food on the wing, flying with their beaks wide open to scoop up flying insects. They help to keep the mosquito population down. Watch for them as they soar low over the lawns around Kendal.

~*Nina Love*

Juneteenth Celebration Festival “African Americans: The Struggle, The Fight for Freedom, and Still Yet Invisible” Saturday, June 19 - 9:00am–6:00pm

This year, the Juneteenth Oberlin Executive Board will present a unique program: a drive-by festival with a parade and drive-through vendors. Covid protocols will be followed and masks required for everyone.

Plastic-shielded booths will be placed only on the tree lawn curb around Tappan Square. Festival goers can drive up and point to what they want; the vendors will get it for them.

Food trucks will be located on Professor Street, away from the parade. Safety protocols require that people stand 6 feet apart while in line ordering food.

Attendees must watch the parade from their cars. There will be no stage or live performances other than during the parade itself, when participating groups can stop for a one-minute performance at the end before disbanding.

The festival organizers will have volunteers moving the traffic and are not encouraging foot traffic.

For more event details, visit www.juneteenthoberlin.org.

Church Services on WSCC

Christ Episcopal Church

Sundays, 8:30am

First Church in Oberlin UCC

Sundays, 10:00am

Roman Catholic Mass

St. Patrick's Cathedral, NYC

Sundays, 11:15am

AA for You?

Saturdays, 7:00pm - Ed. Bldg.

Try out the resident-led Alcoholics Anonymous meeting on Saturdays at Kendal, for residents only! Contact Kim Peters kpeters@kao.kendal.org (776-5016) or Kim Preston, kpreston@kao.kendal.org (775-9813).

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Dining and Nutrition Services

Dining Matters



We have started on our return to community dining, but we have a way to go before we are back to most pre-pandemic practices. We must wait for health department regulations and staffing constraints to permit further progress. We are now able to enjoy socializing and dining in the Fox and Fell; we can help reduce lines and waiting times by selecting lunch as our mealtime, reserving a table in the Langston for dinner during our assigned week, or opting to take meals home to enjoy at our leisure. We can make this step toward normality effective.

Eventually, we will be able to implement the Choice Meal Plan that will use dining dollars. Before the pandemic, a few residents asked for a more flexible dining plan than the one specified in our contracts. Those residents had specific dietary needs that were difficult to fulfill within our dining cycles. Consequently, the administration and the Dining Matters Committee have been discussing various plans and options, attempting to balance the needs of these residents with the stable finances needed to support community dining.

Since socialization and community are the most cherished aspects of dining, the tiered system was developed to give residents access to dining while allowing them to prepare some their own meals at home when the meal selection at Heiser was less than ideal for their needs.

Most residents will select the 30-meal tier that is most like contract dining – that number of dining dollars is easily sufficient to provide a typical meal a day. Depending on your preferences, you may find that ordering à la carte is more to your liking – it can reduce unnecessary food waste associated with

senior community dining and might fund more mealtimes than you expect. You may even find you have unspent dining dollars at the end of the month. In that case, similar to practices before Covid, those unspent dining dollars will remain in the KaO budget to support the myriad services we enjoy at Kendal. We can support the Kendal we love both financially and socially.

Choices, flexibility, and socialization are the desired outcomes. New dining procedures, new menus, and new meal plans are future milestones in our journey to normalization.

Where to Find Contact Info

- **Kendal at Oberlin Directory**, printed and distributed each year in February.
- **Bulletin Board**, near photos of new residents. Add these corrections and additions to your printed directory.
- **Online Resident Directory**, in the resident database (kaores.net), click “Directory.” Note: you must either be on the Resident WiFi network or be logged in to access this information.

For the Vision-Impaired



Low-Vision Support Group audio presentation:

How Well Are You Adapting to Visual Impairment?
Friday, June 11
1:30pm - Green Room

Need to Change a Date for a Scheduled Event? Or Make Some Other Correction?? Notify *The Kendalight* and WKAO so we can update your announcement on the website or elsewhere!



Nature Sightings

4/16/21
to 5/14/21

4/16, **Pair of Red-tailed Hawks**, over Meadow Pond, Larry Porter; 4/19, **Great Blue Heron**, Center Pond, Carol Hall; 4/19, **Rusty Blackbirds**, woods behind pool, Maureen Bailey (hskp); 4/19, **Pair of Wood Ducks**, Buttonbush area, Jason Cockayne (Grnds); 4/24, **Pied-billed Grebe**, Rock Pond, Anne Martin; 4/27, **Bald Eagle**, New Russia Park, Kathy Hazelton; 5/1, **Little Blue Heron**, pond in Northwest Corner, Larry P.; 5/4, **Baltimore Orioles**, #33, Fred Behm; 5/4, **Eastern Bluebird**, woods at lot 8, Mary Behm; 5/4, **Magnolia, Northern Parula, Common Yellow-throat Warblers, Catbirds, Red-bellied Woodpecker**, Hallie’s Alley, Lee Hefner; 5/5, **Green Heron**, Center Pond, Prudy Hall; 5/6, **White-crowned Sparrow**, in front of #90, Anne M.; 5/10, **Chipping Sparrow, Winter Wren**, at feeder #11, Joan Long.



Wear your face mask and name tag so newcomers and old-timers alike know who you are!

Masks for the New Normal



Get New – From box at Heiser Reception Desk.

Customize – Call Joyce Parker for alterations appointment.

Recycle – Leave misfits and repairs in box at Reception Desk.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<u>Christ Episcopal Service</u> 8:30am WSCC <u>First Church Service</u> 10:00am WSCC <u>RC Mass</u> 11:15am WSCC <u>Film (see page 4)</u> 7:00pm WSCC <u>English Country Dancing</u> 7:15pm Lot #4	<u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC <u>Centering Program</u> 11:00am WSCC <u>Documentary</u> 7:00pm WSCC	<u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC <u>Grief Support</u> 10:30am Whit./Zoom <u>Themed Film (see p. 4)</u> 2:00pm WSCC <u>Tuesday at 2</u> 2:00pm Crossroads <u>Downton Abbey</u> 7:00pm WSCC <u>Square Dancing</u> 7:15pm AUD	<u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC <u>News Currents</u> 3:00pm WSCC <u>SCC Council</u> 4:00pm WSCC 6/9 & 6/23 <u>Song Swap</u> 7:00pm Zoom/KOTV	<u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC <u>Musical Film (see p. 4)</u> 2:00pm WSCC <u>Eco Art Therapy</u> 2:00-4:00pm SCC Tent <u>Mexican Train Dominoes</u> 3:00pm SCC Tent <u>Exchange with BT</u> 4:00pm Zoom/KOTV/WSCC <u>Great Courses</u> 7:00pm WSCC	<u>Chronicle News</u> 10:00am WSCC <u>Travel Video</u> 3:00pm WSCC	<u>Saturday Walk</u> 9:30am Heiser <u>Gadget Help</u> 2:00pm Zoom <u>Book Reading</u> 2:00pm WSCC <u>AA for You?</u> 7:00pm Ed Ctr <u>Film (see page 4)</u> 7:15pm KOTV

June 2021

For details, links, and last-minute scheduling, see WKAO and the KORA Calendar.

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		Encore: Spring Fling 4:00pm KOTV	Cleveland Orchestra 4:00pm WSCC	Hearing Loss: Prevention and Treatment 7:15pm Zoom/ KOTV		Encore: Ruth Bader Ginsberg 7:15pm KOTV Encore: 25th Anniversary Mystery Theater 8:15pm KOTV
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Fun Fitness					
	Check your mailbox and the bulletin boards for activity schedules					
	Cartoon Potluck 7:15pm Zoom	Shaping our Future Forum 4:00pm Zoom		Encore: Spring Fling 7:15pm KOTV	Low Vision Group 1:30pm Green Rm	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Suggestions & Concerns 2:00pm Crossroads			KORA Council 10:00am Zoom/KOTV Shaping our Future Forum 4:00pm Zoom		Juneteenth Festival at Tappan Square 9:00am-6:00pm
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
					Dementia Friendly Discussion Group 10:00am Zoom LGBTQ Conversation Circles TBA 🏳️‍🌈	
27	28	29	30	Full Strawberry Moon- Thurs., June 24, 2:40pm 		
		Estate Planning Horror Stories 4:00pm Zoom/KOTV		Zoom: See <i>kaores.net</i> and click "Calendar" for link. KOTV: Cable 920, 19-2, or 95-101 WSCC: Cable 921, 20-1, or 96-100		