

The Kendalight

Kendal at Oberlin Residents Association

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Commencement Weekend in Oberlin

Commencement weekend in Oberlin begins on Friday, May 25, and includes a wide array of special programs for the college, town and Kendal at Oberlin. Hundreds of alumni will return over the holiday weekend to take part in festivities.

Highlights of the Weekend

Friday, May 25 -- The Grand Piano Extravaganza, 8:30pm, Warner Concert Hall (\$20) -- Featuring the Oberlin Conservatory piano faculty. **Sign up for Kendal bus.**

Saturday, May 26 -- The Obertones/ Nothing But Treble/'Round Midnight, 10:00pm, Warner Concert Hall (\$15) -- Oberlin's a cappella groups will sing music of all genres. **On May 23 the women's a capella group Nothing But Treble performs at 7:15pm in Heiser Auditorium**

Sunday, May 27 -- Multifaith Baccalaureate Celebration, 1:30pm, Warner Concert Hall -- Daisy Kahn, executive director of the American Society for Muslim Advancement.

Campus Illumination: Social on the Square, 7:00-10:00pm -- Enjoy ice cream and music in a Tappan Square transformed by strings of colored Japanese lanterns. After the **Commencement Concert** at 9:30pm, **Oberlin Steel Drum Band** ends the evening on the steps of Finney Chapel. **Sign up for Kendal buses.**

Monday, May 28 -- At 9:30am the **Academic Procession and Commencement Exercises** begin in Tappan Square. **Thomas Frieden**, '82,

Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Administrator, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, will speak at the commencement exercises and receive an Honorary Doctor of Science degree.

Kendal at Oberlin will do its part to celebrate the weekend, holding open houses Friday, May 25 (1:00-4:30pm); and Saturday, May 26; Sunday, May 27; and Monday, May 28 (9:00am-4:30pm). Join us in welcoming visitors and friends to our campus.

Looking Ahead: Updating the Strategic Plan for Kendal

Residents are moving into the new Assisted Living Whittier rooms now, bringing to a close the three major phases of our 10-year Master Plan which resulted in more than 17 million dollars of campus improvement at Kendal at Oberlin since 2005.

Last fall, we began the process of updating our Strategic Plan with the help of the Kendal community. All board members, department heads and more than 60 residents voluntarily submitted input on our **Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT)**.

Kendal recently engaged an outside firm, ParenteBeard, to conduct a marketing study, the first in ten years. It was charged to look at how KatO stands up to trends in retirement living on a state, regional and national basis; compares with competition in North-east Ohio; and compares to six area CCRC's in regard to occupancy, design, contract types, etc. Its recommendations will help us consider how we

Fun Fitness Week

Scheduled for June 18-22

Mark your calendar! Get ready to have lots of fun during this week. We hope that everyone will participate in at least one event. For that you get enjoyment and a free healthy lunch in the Fox and Fell.

More details will appear in the June *Kendalight*. Curious? Questions? Contact Jerry Berner,

reposition our Kendal campus for the next 10-15 years, particularly to ensure that the design of almost 200 "classic" cottages and apartments built in 1993 remain attractive to the market.

In April, Kendal received responses to a Request for Proposal (RFP) from five architectural firms that specialize in designing senior living campuses.

Over the summer we will choose one firm and begin the serious work of defining how Kendal can remain an attractive and competitive retirement community yet at the same time assure affordability and full occupancy.

Our strategic planning (*Cont'd on p. 5*)

**COFFEE HOUR WITH
BARBARA THOMAS
FRIDAY, MAY 11
9:30AM - LANGSTON**

**AFTERNOON
EXCHANGE
THURSDAY, MAY 24
4:00PM - AUDITORIUM
BARBARA THOMAS**

FROM KORA COUNCIL . . .

What fund-raising efforts does KORA (Kendal at Oberlin Residents Association) engage in? Normally there are three "campaigns" every year for contributions (which are tax-deductible). In the early fall we raise the money used for our own KORA activities. Our budget for 2012 is \$23,555. The largest categories (over \$1,000) are Communication (\$4,150), Sports and Recreation (\$2,060), Eureka (\$2,200), Library (\$1,600), Art (\$1,685), and KORA's own expenses (\$1,310). KORA also holds a Reserve Fund of \$20,000. Our KORA Treasurer Joe Palmieri also handles the money that comes in and goes back out for copier use, our many trips, and other events.

Twice a year we seek contributions to say "thank you" to our loyal and hard-working Kendal staff. Since gratuities, tips and gifts to staff are prohibited, residents may show their appreciation by contributing to the Staff Holiday Fund (late fall) and the Staff Vacation Fund (late spring). Contributions are not obligatory. You have been promised certain services for which gratuities are neither required nor expected. However, contributing to these funds allows you to acknowledge the service our staff members provide.

Much of this service is behind the scenes. Our laundry staff are among these "hidden helpers." They work all three shifts every weekday and all day on weekends processing about 900 lbs. of laundry a day. KORA Council at its April meeting gave special congratulations to these staff for receiving from Stephens Care Center residents in the recent state nursing home survey a near-perfect "satisfaction rating" for their handling of personal laundry -- a category that in many nursing homes gets a very low rating.

You should by now have received a letter in your open box soliciting your support of the **Staff Vacation Fund**. In 2011 this fund totaled nearly \$34,000; 247 residents gave an average of about

Register for Spring LifeLong Learning Courses in Heiser

What They Said They Were Doing and What They Did: Plato and/or Socrates on Education and Society in the Meno and the Republic. Content and concepts of common-sense realism in the Republic that underlies the discussion of human nature in the individual, the society and the state. Ira Steinberg, Professor Emeritus of Philosophy, Oberlin College. Wed., 10:30am to noon, **May 9 and 16** (2 sessions). Fee:\$15. (class #2142)

A Look at Contemporary Church Music. Anthems suitable for use in mainstream Christian churches by living composers discussed along with recordings. June Swartwout, Associate Professor Emerita of Voice, West Virginia University. June is an Oberlin Conservatory graduate and has an MM in church music from WVU. Thurs., 10:30 to noon, **May 10** (1 session). Fee: \$10. (class #2143)

Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde: the Potboiler as Work of Art. The wealth of artistry behind Stevenson's writing, including his technique of crafted indeterminacy, presented through lecture and discussion. Advance reading: Chapters 1-4, about 18 pages. Read any edition; available at Mindfare. Katherine Linehan, Professor Emerita of English, Oberlin College. Thurs., 10:30am to noon, **May 24 to June 7** (3 sessions). Fee: \$20. (class #2141) Registration forms are available in brochures near the bulletin board. For more information, call The Center for LifeLong Learning at 366-4148; to register by phone, call Lorain County Community College at 366-4067.

\$138 per resident. The fund was distributed to 156 employees. Administrators and department heads are not eligible. **Do give generously to the Staff Vacation Fund -- and please make your contribution by the end of May!** A box for your contributions is at the Reception Desk during staff hours.

-John Elder, KORA President

Oberlin's Big Parade on May 5

This wondrous not-to-be-missed town-gown spectacle starts at Eastwood School at 12:00 noon and goes up East College St. to Tappan Square. Kendal's Precision Lawn Chair Drill Team will be marching in the parade for the last three blocks.

Memorial for Jim White

Oberlin College has established a memorial scholarship to honor the life and work of our beloved Kendal resident Jim White. To contribute to this fitting tribute to Jim's legacy and to provide support to needy Oberlin College and Conservatory students, just as Jim did during his lifetime, contact the Office of Development at (800) 693-3167 or giving@oberlin.edu.

2012 Silent Auction: Just Around the Corner!

The Staff Special Events Committee will once again assess the donations to our popular June Silent Auction to assure that we include better quality items, making it a more lucrative fund-raising draw for auction participants. All items will be accepted and either placed in the Auction or passed to R>A>F. Be assured that jewelry and hand-crafted items will still be welcome donations this year. The Auction benefits the Stephens Education Fund and the Staff Emergency Fund. Donated items may be brought to Administration now. If you wish to receive a formal acknowledgment of your donation, be sure to include your name.

The Silent Auction setup takes place on Monday, June 11, in Heiser Lounge. Bidding begins once the setup is completed and continues until 3:00pm on Wednesday, June 13. This is the day of our Annual Community Picnic in front of the Heiser entrance and side yards from 11:30am to 1:30pm. We'll have a wonderful day!

-Toni Merleno for the

Staff Special Events Committee

PROGRAMS

LECTURES

**First Thursday Health Lecture:
“Sleep Apnea and Fatigue
in the Elderly”
May 3 - 7:15pm - AUD**

Speaker: Dr. Mark Bej, neurologist,
Mercy Allen Hospital Sleep Clinic.

**Third Thursday Lecture:
“Public Services Institute of
LCCC: a Catalyst for Change”
May 17 - 7:15pm - AUD**

Speaker: Shara L. Davis, Dean of Research, Institutional Effectiveness, and Public Services at Lorain County Community College and Director of its Public Services Institute (PSI).

News & Views

Fri., May 4 - 10:30am - AUD

Kendal resident Bob Randel will be the discussion leader on “Promoting Democracy: Foreign Policy Imperative?” based on the Foreign Policy Assn. briefing book “Great Decisions.” Sponsored by The Center for LifeLong Learning at LCCC. No registration or fee. All are welcome.

**“The Ecology of Vernal Pools”
Mon., May 7 - 7:15pm - AUD**

Ray Stewart, president of The Ohio Wetlands Assn., will present a powerpoint talk dealing with the ecology of vernal pools followed by a short film. Vernal pools are those bodies of water that dry up in the summer and, as a result, do not support fish. Without fish predation, vernal pools are able to support an important population of amphibians such as frogs and toads and salamanders and insects such as dragonflies and caddis flies and, alas, mosquitoes, all in their immature state. For the wet spring period there is a remarkable web of life under the surface of the vernal pools.

TRIPS

**Miller Nature Preserve
and Conservatory, Avon
Wed., May 30 - 10:00am-3:00pm**

Free bus trip provided by Lorain County Metro Parks system will take us to this lovely preserve on 83 acres of wooded land. The Conservatory hosts seven distinct plant collections: orchids; bonsai, palms, ferns and cycads; bromeliads; desert plants; carnivorous plants; and a colorful seasonal collection. We can purchase a light lunch at the Orchid Café, then visit another Metro Park in the area.

Note: Admission to the Conservatory (\$2.00) and lunch at your expense. Bus leaves Heiser at 10:00am, returning about 3:00pm. Sign-up sheet will be posted Wednesday, May 16.

**OHC: “Creating the
Oberlin History Comic Book”
Tues., May 22 - 7:15pm - AUD**

Author/illustrator/historian Bentley Boyd will talk about his unique approach to presenting history in an entertaining, fact-filled way. The “Oberlin: Origins and Onward!” history comic book incorporates the history of the college and community from 1833 through the present. It was published by OHC in memory of former Kendal resident and OHC trustee Nicholas Stevenson. Free and open to the public.

**LifeCare Bus Trip: Birding at Crane Creek with the Orcutts
Tuesday, May 15 - 8:00am-4:00pm (Bring your own lunch)**

We'll take the bus directly to the site west of Sandusky, a 90-min. drive. First a stop at the Interpretation Center, then to the ¾-mile-long boardwalk over the wetland, through the woods that border the beach where the migrating warblers and other birds on their way to their preferred nesting sites stop to rest and eat before making the long water crossing that is Lake Erie. Lunch on the beach. After lunch we may check out the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge there. **Reserve with a \$20 check payable to KORA placed in Box #120.**

MUSIC

**Chamber Music
Sun., May 6 - 3:30pm - AUD**

Oberlin Conservatory students play a Mozart quintet and a Brahms sextet.

**Madeleine Kabat, cello
Tues., May 29 - 7:15pm - AUD**

Madeleine's program includes Paganini's Variations on One String. She is an Artist Diploma student of Darrett Adkins. Her pianist is Stephen Kabat.

**Preview of Oberlin Dance
Company and The Contemporary
Music Ensemble Program
Wed., May 9 - 1:00pm - Hall**

Conductor Tim Weiss and choreographer Carter McAdams present a lecture-demonstration of Reich's “Eight Lines.” They conclude with one section of a dance, then take questions from the audience. **Free. Sign up for Kendal bus.**

**Oberlin Dance Company and
The Contemporary Music
Ensemble Performance
Fri., May 11 - 8:00pm - Hall**

Dance and music unite for two performances of revivals: Reich's “Eight Lines” with instruments dancing on the stage; and Visiting Professor of Percussion Jamey Haddad's “Honey on My Lips.” Then a premiere showcases six scores, each by an Oberlin faculty composer. **Tickets: \$8; seniors, \$6.** Call CTS: 775-8169. **Sign up for Kendal bus.**



Sunday Movies Whittier - 7:15pm

May 6 - Roman Holiday (1953) - Audrey Hepburn won an Oscar for her portrayal of a sheltered princess on the loose in Rome, unaware that her sightseeing companions are a newsman (Gregory Peck) and a photographer (Eddie Albert). Rated G. Wonderful views of Rome!

May 13 - To Sir, With Love (1967) - An idealistic engineer-trainee (Sidney Poitier) teaches a group of rambunctious white high school students from the slums of London's East End.

May 20 - Leap of Faith (1992) - Fake faith healer (Steve Martin) is stranded in a small town where he finds he can't fool all of the people all of the time. PG-13.

May 27 - Bad News Bears (2005) - Alcoholic pest removal worker who's a former minor-league baseball player (Walter Matthau) is recruited to coach a failing team of 12-year-olds. PG-13.

Saturday Favorite Film

May 5 - 7:15pm - AUD

His Girl Friday (1940) - Cary Grant and Rosalind Russell in a comedy about a star reporter (Russell) trying to resign in the middle of a major story.

Saturday Night Movie

May 19 - 7:15pm - AUD

Titanic (1997) - Fictionalized account of the ill-fated maiden voyage of RMS Titanic combines history, tragedy and the passionate love affair of two newly met young passengers, Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet. PG-13.

For the Umbrella Belles

Interested in taking part in an umbrella routine for the Fourth of July? Rehearsals won't start now but I will begin preparing if there is enough interest. Call 774-2280. -*Eileen Dettman*



Art Gallery News

This year's **Kendal Creates** will fill all three of our gallery spaces -- **Kendal Gallery, Community Gallery** and **Friends Gallery** -- from May 11 to August 12. For the past few years, we have been hanging our special summer show in time for it to be on view during Commencement Weekend, one of the busiest times of the year for visitors to Kendal at Oberlin.

In addition to works in many other media, our 2012 show will include a number of quilts made by Kendal resi-

dents, to coincide with FAVA's 15th biennial "Artist as Quiltmaker" exhibit. This is part of a special community-wide outreach by FAVA, with other exhibits of quilts also going up in such locations as Ginko Gallery, Oberlin Public Library, Oberlin College Science Center, Locke's Green Side Up, and Ben Franklin.

For many reasons, we know everyone will enjoy this special summer show. One of the most important is that it will give all of us yet another opportunity to see and appreciate the extraordinary creativity of our friends and neighbors. -*Sheila Eckstein, Marilyn Myerson, and Robert Taylor, Co-coordinators*

Student Report on Kendal Roofing Study

Wed., May 2 - 1:30pm - AUD

Students in the Environmental Studies 101 class at Oberlin College will report the results of their Kendal roofing study. This research project will provide Kendal with information on the economic and environmental feasibility of using light-reflecting shingles in the large roof-replacement project that Kendal is about to initiate. All are welcome to attend.

Conversations with Community Model UN Program

Wed., May, 30 - 1:00pm - AUD

Students from Langston Middle School share their experiences at the Ohio Model United Nations program in Columbus. Teacher Chris Baylis will be with them. Money raised from last fall's UN Dinner helped fund the trip.

R>A>F ShopTalk

Some disappointed shoppers recently thought they had placed "Holds" on R>A>F merchandise, only to find that the Holds did not hold. We will try a more formal system with simple forms to be found near the cash boxes, asking name, item and date. Of course, immediate Cash and Carry is the best method, but not always possible.

The R>A>F volunteers want to thank and commend our "consulting jewelers," Malcolm and Mary Fowler, the proprietors of Herrick's Jewelry on College St. They have given freely of their time, helping us to evaluate the many pieces of jewelry donated by our generous residents. The Fowlers are an asset to the Oberlin community in many ways and we appreciate them. Receipts for the four weeks ending April 24 were \$5,123.68, including a commission on a car sale of \$457.

Keep It Flying! -*Mary Simons, Chair*

Tuesday Tea at Allen Memorial Art Museum - May 8 - 2:30pm

Oberlin College Art History major Claire Jenson will speak about the museum's Tilmann Riemenschneider's Bust of Saint Urban. Her talk, "Ritual Power and Holy Likeness," will address the rich history of ritual effigies of Saint Urban in southern Germany and the striking portrait that Riemenschneider has rendered in the Allen Memorial Art Museum portrait bust. Claire Jenson is the graduating senior selected by the AMAM staff after a competitive call for papers.

All are welcome. No registration, no fee.



Library Notes

The Shredder Box Revisited: The Shredder Box in the Library was overstuffed for about two weeks before it was emptied on April 13. It was still on an eight-week emptying cycle instead of the intended four-week cycle. But another reason for its overfilled condition is that some residents have placed inappropriate material in the Box. Paperwork such as corporate and mutual fund annual reports and ads for potential investments, which contain no personal information, do not need to be shredded. Occasionally even magazines and newspapers have been found in the Shredder Box! As a help to residents, a plastic bin for recycling paper that does not need to be shredded has been placed beside the Shredder Box. *-Russ Bimber*

Kendal's Care and Nurturing

Care and Nurturing is an "umbrella" committee of KORA under which are six subcommittees. Chairs meet quarterly as a group in order to exchange experiences and prevent overlap of their activities and purposes.

Buddy System (Gay Fischer): Residents who live alone in the cottages or apartments are encouraged to choose a buddy and develop a mutually convenient signal or contact plan, so that each person is checked on once a day.

Supporting Friends (Margaret-Ann Ellis): Kendal volunteers, who have completed special training and are scheduled at the request of staff, spend time with seriously ill Stephens Care Center (SCC) residents. They also help with mail and other needs.

Memorial Services (Nancy Garver): This committee provides help to the family of a deceased resident in planning a memorial service.

Stephens Center Shoppers (Peggy Reid): This committee shops weekly for small items for SCC residents.

Pushers (Lavona Olmsted): This new committee will assist residents who want to attend activities in the Heiser.

Medical Companions (Don Norenberg): They accompany residents who need assistance and emotional support, delivering instructions, etc., for off-campus medical appointments when arranged by staff. *-Eileen Payton, Care and Nurturing*

Strategic Plan ... (Cont'd from p. 1)

process began with a SWOT (summary in Library). We will continue to engage the community on these important topics that go beyond committee input. The Marketing Committee, headed up by resident board member Robert Taylor, has more than seven resident members. The Master Planning committee has eight members (including the KORA president, not counting staff), five of whom bring the resident perspective. As these committees begin to form recommendations, information will be featured so as to invite resident input in both small and large groups, much like we did with our "architectural charrettes" as we shaped our Dining Expansion and Renovation program. **This multi-year process is only just beginning and it is of major importance to all of us.** I look forward to offering manageable ways to have our community of residents, staff and board all take part. *-Barbara Thomas*

Staying Safe and Shopping Wisely on the Web

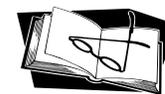
Computer Users Group

Tues., May 1 - 7:15pm - AUD

Barbara Sawhill, Director of the Cooper International Learning Center at Oberlin College, will speak on internet shopping. She says, "The internet has made it possible for us to do so many wonderful things without leaving our home... watching movies, connecting with family members, shopping for items online.

"In this session, we will talk about online shopping: how to keep your information (and your identity) safe online. Examples of best practices will be shared, as well as information about known scams and how to avoid them."

A reminder: This will be the final Computer Users Group program until the fall.



For the Vision Impaired

Low-Vision Support Group

"How Much Do You Know About Your Eyes?"

**Thursday, May 10
4:00pm - Green Room**

A fun and educational quiz game!

Reading of *The Kendalight*

Tuesday, May 1, at 10:00am in Crossroads Room

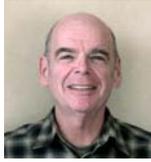
Marie Evans reads the parts of *The Kendalight* which are important to you.

Spring Fling Sale, Sat., May 19 - 1:00pm - AUD

The beautiful hand-dyed silk scarves and hand-painted circular fans created for this year's Spring Fling will be for sale for \$10 each. You can make your choices while the decorations are still hanging; just let Robert Taylor know and he will pin names on the scarves and make a list of the fans selected. Or you can wait until the decorations come down the morning of May 19 and choose from among those still available when the sale begins at 1:00pm. Please come with cash or a check made out to the Cardinal Shop. As is true every year, all proceeds from the sale will go directly to the R>A>F.

Welcome Kendal's New Residents

Martin Davidoff



My birth certificate lists the date and place as 1942 and Brooklyn. Formal education was provided by the New York City public school system and the City College of New York. Despite distractions like paying jobs, late nights spent at Gerdes Folk City listening to an unknown kid from Minnesota (Bob Dylan) and hitch-hiking excursions through the United States, Canada and Mexico I managed to obtain a BS in physics.

At this point I was sick of sitting in a classroom. The newly formed Peace Corps had great appeal but presented serious financial barriers. And Vietnam damped visions of heading to Haight Ashbury so I signed on Columbia University's deep sea oceanographic research ship, the Vema. Eight months at sea taught me what it means to work 24/7 for weeks on end and enabled me to see lots of water and the grungy (interesting) side of ports on several continents. The experience also caused novels by Conrad to come alive in a new way. When I returned to academe at Syracuse University it took me eight years to complete a PhD, again in physics.

Years later, while working on a text on space satellite design, something sparked and the pleasures of writing, literature and languages became a more central part of my life. This led to a very satisfying stint working with the editorial group that produced the Public Radio program "The Great Atlantic Radio Conspiracy" (if you're not part of the conspiracy you're part of the problem).

These profiles have challenging length constraints, so details of marriage,

divorce, human rights activities in Guatemala during the early 1990s, service as an international observer in a small Mayan village in La Selva Lacandona (Mexico) during the Zapatista uprising, and a seven-day trek across the Sonora Desert (Migrant Trail Walk) -- must be left to your imagination.

"Investment Options"

Henri Fitzgerald, Wells Fargo Thurs., May 10 - 4:00pm - AUD

With the market conditions remaining precarious, knowing where to invest continues to be tricky. Henri Fitzgerald (CTFA), the advisor for Kendal at Oberlin's Annuities and Trusts, looks at the options. He is Vice President, Senior Trust and Fiduciary Specialist, for Wells Fargo and has been serving other Kendal affiliates for some years.

Upcoming Moves

Anne Davis will move from Shaker Heights, OH, to a Kendal Cottage in mid-May.

Catherine Fauver will move from Walnut Creek, CA, to the Apartments in mid-May.

Transfers

Nate Greenberg moved from his Cottage to Patterson in early April. Phone number remains the same.

Barbara Harding moved from her Cottage to Whittier in early April. She has no phone.

Duncan Love moved from his Cottage to Patterson in early April. He has a temporary phone.

Joyce Michalak moved from Whittier to Patterson in mid-April. Phone number remains the same.



1/15/12
to
3/15/12

Nature Sightings at Kendal

Martin: **1-15** Bald eagle soaring above Island Pond; Deist: **1-17** Snowdrops are blooming! at #95; Orcutt: **1-18** Song sparrow in the Courtyard Garden; Grounds crew: **1-20** Two red foxes mating near the tennis courts; Barna: **1-26** Heron at Phase 3's Triangle Pond; Deist **1-27** Female red-bellied wood-pecker at #95; Walker: **1-31** Two Richardson geese on Island Pond --RARE! -1/4 the size of a Canada goose, same color and pattern. Schoonmaker: **2-10** Great blue heron on Rock Pond; Orcutt **2-11** Herring Gull on Rock Pond's big rock during the big snow; Orcutts **2-17** Female hooded merganser on Rock Pond, and a male sighted early next morning, **2-18** Marie's end of Rock Pond, **2-17** Two groups of three geese cavorting; Talbot **2-18** Red winged blackbird at feeders of #120; Searles **2-18** Winter aconite blooming near #128. beautiful bright yellow -- opens with the sun, closes with none; Schultz: **2-27** Song sparrow in a tree by Phase 1. Orcutt: **3-2** Ring-necked duck on Rock Pond; Reiber: **3-3** Cardinals, junco, house finch, goldfinch, house sparrow at a feeder in Phase 3; Orcutts: **3-6** A turkey vulture over Rock Pond and two days later, spring peepers were "singing" in back pond in Phase 2 and **3-9** grackles, three meadowlarks on Rock Pond shore; Barna: **3-8** Muskrat at Triangle Pond; Hefner: **3-11** Killdeer, bufflehead, meadowlark singing behind Wildflower Hill; scaup, coot, wood ducks on Meadow Pond, a bat near Buttonbush Bridge, two pairs American (*Cont'd p. 7*)

New Whittier Open House Friday, May 4, 3:00-5:00pm Begins at the Whittier Lounge

wigeons in Russia Township pond. **3-12** Northern shovelers, and pair of wood ducks on Meadow Pond. **3-13 & 3-14** Reddish screech owl in the nest box on Green Pond. **3-15** Three pairs of ring-necked ducks on Meadow Pond.

For those who noted activity later in March and early April, our apologies. We just ran out of space! Watch for more sightings next month.

Transportation Talk

The times for town trips have changed. The **Wednesday trips** are at 9:00 and 10:00am instead of 9:15 and 10:15am. The times are noted on the sign-up sheets by the open mailboxes.

Transportation for **medical appointments within Lorain County** can be arranged through the Health & Wellness Clinic, or by calling Donna directly at 440-775-9832 as soon as you know the time of the appointment. It is very helpful if you can set up your appointment for one of the following time periods: Monday morning, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday 1:00-4:00pm (Oberlin only), Thursday morning or Friday afternoon.

If there is a follow-up appointment, let Donna know as soon as possible; if it doesn't fit Kendal's schedule, you may be able to change it.

For **medical appointments outside Lorain County**, Kendal will provide transportation for a fee. Other options: "Be My Hired Driver" (\$12.50/hour, call Donna); West Side Town Car (440-647-4500); or A 2 Point B (Ron Rimbort, 775-7222). *-Diantha Paré, Chair, Transportation Committee*

IN MEMORIAM

KEITH YOUNG
APRIL 5, 2012

EVA GREENBERG
APRIL 14, 2012

Kudos to Volunteers

- If Kendal gave awards to our Volunteers, two names would be at the top of the list: Louise Breese and Virginia Erdy. They have been volunteer tutors for most of the school year for two Korean high school students who came to Kendal three times a week to develop and practice their English. Virginia and Louise have enriched these students' skills and lives immeasurably.
- On the Volunteer Bulletin Board, you'll see that Francene Toss, Eastwood librarian, has provided an amazing list of volunteer Grandparent Readers that covers many years.
- There's also a long list of folks who join Herb Henke at Second Harvest each month to sort food.
- There are lots of different ways to volunteer! We all admired Bob Cothran's glorious Spring Fling panels on display in Heiser Auditorium
- Our unsung volunteers are those on AV duty in the Auditorium! We scold them -- "louder," "can't see" -- but despite mechanical malfunctions from time to time, we can't live without their services! We are grateful for all their efforts. *-Anne Elder*

Check out our KORA website:

www.kaores.kendal.org. And the blog at www.kendalatoberlin.ne; and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/kendalatoberlin.

Where Were You in 1940?

The U.S. Census is conducted every ten years. Every census gives different information, according to what questions Congress decides should be included. Census records are kept private for 72 years and the 1940 records were released in early April 2012. This is the first census in which some of us here at Kendal may find ourselves listed.

The 1940 census is available free on line. As long as you know the state, street, and hopefully a nearby cross street of your family residence, it can be an easy job to find your family listing. Go to 1940census.archives.gov, click on "Get started" and follow directions. Questions included on this unique census include all the usual personal information, but also specific questions about the value of the family house (or rent paid), employment (or lack thereof), income during 1939, place of birth, location of the family in 1935. This "snapshot" of your family 72 years ago provides a fascinating picture of the time just after the Great Depression, and specifically your family's particular situation. Good luck in making a search!

-Nancy Hultquist

Don't Miss the Trolley!

Resident Len Garver and Rod Knight will demonstrate Len's HO-gauge trolleys in Heiser Lounge on Friday, May 4 at 4:45pm. Come join the fun!

Kendal Kryptogram #87 -by Nina Love

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Solution to Kendal Kryptogram #86: "Just how low can a highbrow go when a highbrow lowers his brow." *-Ogden Nash*

Some Table (Tennis) Talk

Thanks to the gracious consent of its donor, our Stiga table tennis table will soon replace the table missing these past two months from the apartment building. (When the Obamas entered the White House, they bought a Stiga for family play!) And thanks to generous supporters who wish to see table tennis thrive at Kendal, with a boost from KORA, a new high-quality table will bring our table complement back up to three. Celebration is in order!

The table tennis group invites all residents -- new and veteran, spry or a bit stiff, bold or a bit shy, and everything in between -- to look in on our lively sessions. We meet three mornings weekly and promise plenty of good humor and friendly support. Kendal table tennis will up your mental focus and energy level, widen your social circle, and -- yes! -- make you feel younger. Try it, you'll like it!

-Sidney Rosenfeld, Sports and Recreation

Why Recycle?

Recycling reduces the: amount of land fill; need to use up natural resources; amount of energy spent to harvest resources; and amount of energy spent to transport resources.

Aluminum: An aluminum can can be recycled again and again. It can be back on the grocery shelf in 60-90 days. Recycling one can saves enough energy to run a TV for two hours.

Glass: Glass can be recycled repeatedly, saving 25-30% of the energy used to make the glass.

Paper: The amount of paper thrown away each year could heat 50 million homes for 20 years. If all Americans recycled just 1/10 of their newspapers, we would save about 25 million trees a year.

Plastics: Americans use 2.5 million plastic bottles every hour! Most are thrown away. Recycling plastic saves twice as much energy as burning it in an incinerator. *-Jerry Berner, for the Environmental Concerns Committee*

Saturday Park Walks

May 5 - Big Parade! No park walk.

May 12 - 9:00am - Columbia Reservation.

May 19 - 9:00am - Pine Tree Site of French Creek Reservation.

May 26 - 9:00am - Wellington Reservation.

Assemble at Heiser Reception desk to car pool. Questions?? Ask Jerry Berner.

Quaker Life 101

Mon., May 7 - 4:00pm - AUD

"A Reflection on Quaker Universalism," set in the context of Christian universalism, and touching on broader spiritual universalism, is the second in this series on Quaker life. Don Reeves' presentation will be followed by discussion and sharing. Sign up near the bulletin board or call Connie Bimber to receive advance reading.

UU Kendal Gathering

Wed., May 16 - 4:15pm - AUD

"In the Beginning There Was Light: A Scientist's Perspective on the Beginning (and End) of the Universe"

Chris Martin, Oberlin College associate professor of physics and astronomy: The line between science and religion has always been blurry, but now modern science has blurred it further in an attempt to explain the very genesis of our universe.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT KENDAL

Episcopal Service

Holy Communion
Saturday, May 12, 11:00am, CAR
Rev. Brian Wilbert

Roman Catholic Mass

Friday, May 18, 10:00am, Crossroads

Society of Friends

Sundays, 10:00am, Green Room

Third Sunday Church Service

Sunday, May 20, 4:00pm, CAR

Bridge Results

Mondays: Mar. 26: 1st, Bill Schreiner; 2nd, Carol Ganzel; 3rd, Nancy Beauchamp.

April 2: 1st, Bush Olmsted; 2nd, Mary Beth McCalla; 3rd, Bud Spierling; 4th, Alverta Schneider.

April 9: 1st, Alice Kohl; 2nd, Carol Ganzel; 3rd, Nancy Beauchamp.

April 16: 1st, Mary Beth McCalla; 2nd; Helen Randel.

April 23: 1st, Connie Bimber; 2nd, Bush Olmsted; 3rd, Alice Kohl; 4th, Helen Randel.

Wednesdays: April 4: 1st, Helen and Bob Randel; 2nd, Cate and Paul Schwaegerle; 3rd, Alice Kohl and Nancy Beauchamp.

April 18: 1st, Betsy Belden and Ed Schwaegerle; 2nd, Russ and Connie Bimber; 3rd, Cate and Paul Schwaegerle; 4th, Alice Kohl and Nancy Beauchamp.

First Church United Fellowship Sat., May 12 - Penn Rm & AUD

9:30am: Fellowship and food

10:00am: "Jazz with Mike King and Friends"

The Kendalight

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If no email access, please type articles on separate sheet (NOT on room request form), sign and place in Kendalight open box.

All articles must carry a signature and telephone number.

It's Time to Get Ready for 2012 Reaccreditation - V

Each month we highlight standards that are part of the review for Kendal at Oberlin's five-year reaccreditation with CARF-CCAC.

Information Measurement/Management and Performance Improvement - To stay on target both strategically and tactically, accredited organizations constantly monitor and track performance with the use of indicators and measuring goals. Organizational representatives evaluate results ongoing and identify areas for improvement. Identified areas become part of a Process Improvement Plan with the goal to meet the needs of residents and other stakeholders as well as the business needs of Kendal. Indicators are determined with regard for these areas: financial, resource allocation, governance, risk analysis, human resources, technology, environmental health and safety, field trends and services delivery system. Kendal uses organizational planning groups such as the Continuous Quality Improvement Committee (CQI), Risk Management Committee, Governance Committee, an update of our Accessibility Plan and our annual Strategic Matrix to assure compliance with these standards. These tracking mechanisms are part of the overall process to assure Kendal meets standards for Performance Improvement covering business needs and service delivery. The focus takes into account program efficiency, effectiveness and ultimately the satisfaction of those served.



If It's Spring ... It Must Be Time for the Plant Sale

Friday, May 4 - 7:30am to 5:00pm in the West Corridor between mailboxes and LNB

For Bill's tomatoes and peppers, etc., date will be announced in mid-May.



Dining and Nutrition Services

May Special Events

Sunday, May 13

Mother's Day Buffet

12 noon and 2:00pm

Fox and Fell Dining Room

There are two seatings for reserved service. Reservation forms for Fox and Fell will be placed in mailboxes.

11:30am to 1:15pm - Friends Corner Dining Room: Normal serving hours for all meals.

Langston Open 7:30 to 9:30am for breakfast only on Mother's Day.

Tuesday, May 15

Ninde Scholars Reception

Heiser Auditorium, 5:00pm

The late Richard and Nan Ninde, long-time Kendal residents, presented a challenge grant of \$450,000, asking the community to match it dollar for dollar. The resulting endowment supports the Ninde Scholars program

Saturday, May 19

Reception for Kendal Staff

High School Senior Graduates

Heiser Lounge, 3:00pm

Congratulations to our graduating Kendal staff seniors in the Class of 2012:

Asia Alston, Oberlin High School: Central State University, Journalism.

Katie Galik, Firelands High School: LCCC, to become elementary school teacher.

Samantha Golden, FHS: Toledo State University, Doctor of Pharmacy.

Erica Hanko, FHS: Bowling Green State University Firelands, then Ohio State, Agricultural Education.

Kayla Jackson, OHS: LCCC, study something in medical field.

Briana Johnson, OHS: Central State University, Social Work.

Laine Kaiser, FHS: LCCC, major in ultrasound/sonography.

Josh Kocsis, OHS: University of Cincinnati, Nursing.

Hanna McAvoy, FHS/JVS: LCCC, Nursing.

John McLaughlin, Elyria High School: OSU, Civil Engineering.

Cassie Muniga, FHS/JVS: CCC, Nursing.

Katie Niemec, Elyria Catholic High School: Akron University, Nursing.

Chase Reeves, OHS: LCCC, Psychology.

Brittany Saylor, FHS: Youngstown State University, early childhood education.

Emily Schwarz, Open Door High School: LCCC, Psychology, Social Work.

Marcus Taylor, OHS: Undecided.

Ryan Thomas, Lake Ridge Academy: Miami (OH)University, Political Science.

Olivia Vieta, St. Paul High School: Xavier College, Cincinnati, double major Montessori and secondary education, minor in art education.

Gage Widener, FHS: Toledo State University, Pharmacy.

Newcomers' Reception

Heiser Lounge

Wednesday, May 9, 4:30pm

Be sure to wear your name tag!

Watch for Sign-up Sheets:

Solo Diners: Thursday, May

10, 5:30pm, The Den. We

meet on the second Thursday monthly and invite new Kendal residents to join us.

SPINACH (Senior Persons Interested in Nutrition And Community Health): Next meets in September.

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

Or find them on our website:

www.kaores.kendal.org

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Reading of <i>The Kendalight</i> 10:00am CCR Computer Users' Group: "Staying Safe on the Web" 7:15pm AUD	2 Student Kendal Roofing Study 1:30pm AUD Pairs Bridge 7:10pm AUD	3 Health Lecture "Sleep Apnea and Fatigue" Dr. Mark Bej 7:15pm AUD Oberlin College Community Strings 8:00pm Finney 🚌	4 Plant Sale 7:30am-5:00pm West Corridor News & Views 10:30am AUD Whittier Open House - Begins at 3:00pm - WHT Len Garver's Trolley Run 4:45pm Heiser Lge	5 Big Parade in Oberlin 12:00 pm Film: His Girl Friday 7:15pm AUD
6 Quakers 10:00am Green Rm Chamber Music 3:30pm AUD Film: Roman Holiday 7:15pm WHT Oberlin Musical Union and 🚌 Chamber Orchestra 8:00pm Finney	7 Quaker Life 101 Don Reeves 4:00pm AUD Bridge 7:10pm, CCR "Ecology of Vernal Pools" Ray Stewart 7:15pm AUD	8 Tea at AMAM 2:30pm	9 Preview: CME/Oberlin Dance Company 🚌 1:00pm Hall (free) Newcomers' Reception 4:30pm - Heiser Scrabble 7:15pm CCR Oberlin Orchestra 🚌 8:00pm Finney	10 "Investment Options" Henri Fitzgerald 4:00pm AUD Low Vision Support Group 4:00pm Green Rm Solo Diners 5:30pm Den	11 Coffee Hour with Barbara Thomas 9:30am Langston Sounding Board 10:00-11:00am Green Room Contemporary Music Ensemble/Oberlin Dance Company 🚌 8:00pm Hall (tx)	12 Walk in the Park: Columbia Res. 9:00am Heiser United Fellowship 9:30am Penn, 10:00am AUD Episcopal Serv. 11:00pm CAR Oberlin Jazz Ensemble 🚌 8:00pm Finney
13 Quaker Worship 10:00am Green Rm Mother's Day Buffet - Fox & Fell 12 noon and 2:00pm Film: To Sir, With Love 7:15pm WHT	14 Bridge 7:10pm AUD Opera Scenes Recital II 🚌 8:00pm Finney	15 Birding with the Orcutt's at Crane Creek 8:00am-4:00pm (LifeCare Bus) Reception for Ninde Scholars 5:00pm - AUD	16 UU Kendal Gathering "A Scientist's Perspective on the Beginning (and End) of the Universe" Chris Martin, OC Assoc. Prof., Physics, Astron. 4:15pm AUD Pairs Bridge 7:10pm AUD	17 KORA Council 10:00am AUD "PSI of LCCC: a Catalyst for Change" Shara Davis, LCCC Dean & Director, PSI 7:15pm AUD	18 Roman Catholic Mass 10:00am CCR	19 Walk in the Park: French Creek Res. 9:00am Heiser Spring Fling Sale 1:00pm AUD Reception for Kendal Staff HS Senior Graduates 3:00pm Heiser Lounge Film: Titanic - 1997 version 7:15pm AUD
20 Quaker Worship 10:00am Green Rm Third Sunday Church Service 4:00pm CAR Film: Leap of Faith 7:15pm WHT	21 Bridge 7:10pm AUD	22 OHC: "Oberlin Comic Book" 7:15pm AUD	23 Scrabble 7:15pm CCR Nothing But Treble (women's a capella group) 7:15pm AUD	24 Afternoon Exchange Barbara Thomas 4:00pm AUD	25 Grand Piano Extravaganza (tx) 8:30pm WCH 🚌	26 Walk in the Park: Wellington Res. 9:00am Heiser Commencement Recital - II 🚌 8:00pm Finney
27 Quakers 10:00am Green Rm Multifaith Baccalaureate: Daisy Kahn 1:30pm WCH Illumination Night, 7:00-10:00pm Tappan Sq 🚌	28 Memorial Day Oberlin College Commencement 9:30am - Tappan Sq. Bridge 7:10pm AUD Film: Bad News Bears 7:15pm WHT	29 Madeleine Kabat, cello 7:15pm AUD	30 TRIP: Miller Nature Preserve and Conservatory, Avon 10:00am-3:00pm (Metro Parks bus) Conversations with Community Model UN 1:00pm AUD	31 CCR = Crossroads WCH = Warner Concert Hall WHT = Whittier Lounge	English Country Dancing meets every Sunday at 7:15pm AUD Wed. Morning Discussion Group meets every Wed. 10:00-11:00am WHT Bold Face = at Kendal tx = Tickets 🚌 = Kendal Bus	