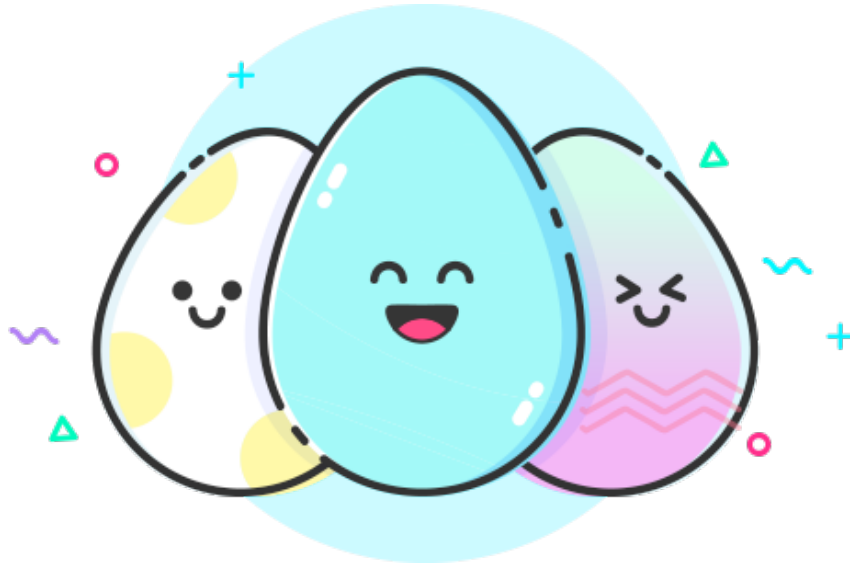


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We hope you had a wonderful Easter weekend!
Continue scrolling to see the awesome ongoing opportunities for fun and upcoming activities taking place in Lorain!

Events & Activities

Black River Wharf Reopens

The Black River Wharf Boat Launch and Grumpy's Bait Bucket, 1355 Black River Parkway, is open for the season! Local and visiting kayakers and boaters can launch for a small fee or invest in a season pass, which also works at our East Side Boat Launch facility.

Motorized boats are \$4 per launch or \$50 for a season pass.

Nonmotorized boats are \$2 per launch or \$25 for a season pass.

And don't forget to stock up on all your fishing supplies! Grumpy (Bob Fowler) and his loyal dog Rudy will be there to greet you.



Stage Top Installation

The unofficial start to the festival/concert season is almost upon us! Our beloved stage top is only about two weeks from exiting hibernation. Due to the interesting weather swings Ohio experiences, the stage top comes down in October every year and is stored until the end of April. Be on the lookout as Black River Landing comes back to life!



Riverside Park & Lakeside Landing

Warmer weather means its the perfect time to get outdoors! Spending time at Riverside Park or Lakeside Landing is a great way to do so. Riverside Park offers pavilions, a playground and a boardwalk for fishing, while Lakeside Landing offers gorgeous views of Lake Erie, pavilions and picnic tables. The Port recently completed an LED lighting upgrade project, meaning all Port operated sites are now beautifully lit.



Ariel Broadway Hotel & Event Center Progress

April was a very exciting month for the historic Broadway Building/[Ariel on Broadway](#)! The final coat of concrete was poured on the parking deck and the new elevator was installed! The steel framework for the atrium windows is going in, and it won't be long before the brand new windows are installed. Radhika Reddy of Ariel Ventures and her team are following strict guidelines to maintain historic elements of the building. The project is expected to be completed before the end of 2019!



Brunch for the Beacon

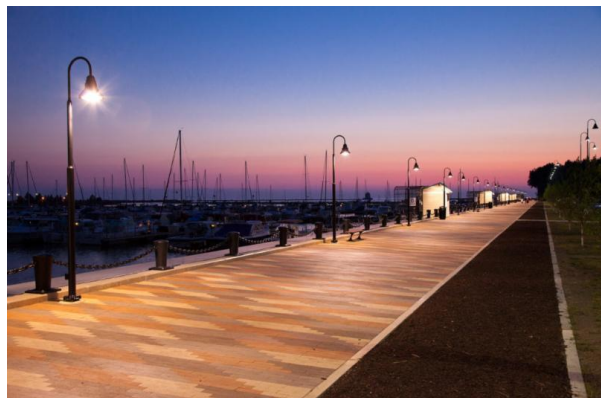
A fundraiser supporting the Lorain Lighthouse Foundation is this weekend! The [Brunch for the Beacon](#) will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 28 at Jackalope Lakeside, 301 Lakeside Ave. Tickets are \$20 per

person for a meal including eggs, hash browns, sausage, bacon, French toast, a hot pasta dish, pastries and beverages. Call Frank at 440-960-2301 for more information and to purchase tickets.



Mile-Long Pier

The Mile-Long Pier was among the Port properties to receive new LED lighting at the end of 2018. Summer dockage for boaters begins May 1, but birders, dog walkers and anglers are already making their way down to [Spitzer Lakeside Marina](#), 301 Lakeside Ave.



Mexican Mutual Society's Cinco de Mayo Festivities

Cinco de Mayo festivities are right around the corner in Lorain! The [Mexican Mutual Society](#) will start the celebration on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, with its Annual Cinco de Mayo Buffet from 5-7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$17 at the door for adults. Children 12 and younger are \$8 per ticket. The buffet includes chicken and beef fajitas, tamales, tostadas, tacos, burritos, chilaquiles, perrito, rice and beans, and dessert. Contact Joel at 440-371-2251 for tickets. On Saturday, May 4, at 4 p.m, the Annual Parade will start at St. Francis Cabrini Church at Homewood Drive and end at the MMS, 1820 E. 28th St., in Lorain. The Little Queen Coronation will take place after the parade.



Wednesday, May 1, 2019 from 5-7 pm - Annual Cinco de Mayo Buffet
This popular event will kick off the Club's Cinco de Mayo festivities for the week. Cost is \$15 in advance, \$17 at the door and \$8 for children under 12. Call Joel at 440-371-2251 for tickets. Cash Bar! Enjoy drink specials all week!

Saturday, May 4, 2019 - Festivities Include:
4:00 PM - Annual Parade route starts St. Francis Cabrini Church (formerly St. John's) at Homewood Drive and Route 57, to Clinton Avenue on to East 31st and then to Pearl Avenue ending at the Mexican Mutual Society, 1820 East 28th Street.
Followed by the Little Queen Coronation at the Mexican Mutual Society Courtyard - 1820 E. 28th Street

Raffle prize winners announced at 7:00PM
The Mexican Mutual Kitchen will open at 4:00 PM.
All food proceeds to be donated to the Scholarship Fund.
(440) 277-7375

Rockin' on the River 2019 Season

[Rockin' on the River](#) kick starts its fifth year at Black River Landing on Friday, May 24, 2019! Retuning to Lorain for another awesome opening act is [The Michael Weber Show](#). [The Spazmatics](#) will then take the stage as the headliner for the evening. Enjoy an night filled with great music, delicious food and tasty drinks. Season passes are

available for \$80 per person and VIP passes are \$150 per person. (Season and VIP passes will NOT be available for purchase after the first concert May 24.)



Vote YES on Issue #3: Port Levy Renewal

With May quickly approaching, we want to be sure to remind you to visit the polls on **Tuesday, May 7, 2019**, and vote **YES** for **Issue #3**! The Port Authority's renewal levy is on the ballot and we need your support. The levy renewal is NOT a tax increase and covers the operating expenses of the Port Authority. Help us continue to drive economic development within the City of Lorain, promote waterborne commerce and increase the public's access to our city's beautiful waterways. Early voting is also available at the [Lorain County Board of Elections](#).



Black River Shuttle Boat Tours

See Lorain from a different point of view while aboard one of our shuttle boats! Our scenic [Black River Boat Tours](#) begin in June and run through the second week in September. Trips include the River Nature Tour, the History Excursion, the Sunset Cruise and Sip & Sway Trips. During the first few weeks of October, we offer Fall Foliage Voyages on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Tickets are either \$16 or \$20 per person, depending on the trip. Dates and tickets for the 2019 season will be available soon!



Lighthouse Tours & Sunset Wine Dinners

Starting in June, the [Lorain Lighthouse Foundation](#) will once again offer tours of the Historic Lorain Lighthouse. The trips are offered between June and September and are \$20 per person. On Tuesdays during the same months, the group is also offering Lighthouse Sunset Wine Dinners. This features a tour of the historic structure

and a four-course meal with paired wines prepared by Jackalope Lakeside. For dates, details and other information, click [HERE](#) or call 440-984-1012.



Brews Cruise and more on the Jet Express

Did you have an amazing time at Brewfest and can't wait to taste test more delicious, local brews? You're in luck! Brewfest has teamed up with the Port to offer a Brews Cruise aboard the Jet Express on Friday, June 14, 2019! Avon Brewing Company, Bascule Brewing Company, Franklin Brewing Company, and Railroad Brewing will be serving up craft beer samples while you enjoy scenic views of Lake Erie and the Black River. Tickets are \$40 per person and are available by clicking [HERE](#).



Additional Jet Express trips, including the Boat to the Browns and the Island Cruise, will also be offered this season. Details and ticket information will be available soon!

LPA Board of Directors Meetings

April 2019

The LPA Board of Directors most recently met on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, to discuss topics including the 2019 Journal Jog, the History Excursion and Lighthouse Tour agreements and the 2019 shuttle boat tour schedule, among others.

May 2019

The next Board of Directors meeting is set to take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2019. Regular board meetings typically take place on the second Tuesday of the month. All meetings are open to the public. Click [HERE](#) for past meeting minutes, agendas and resolutions.

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