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We've got a spring in our step.

Spring is here, and we at the Port Authority are feeling especially lucky to be able to add so many events to our Black River Landing calendar for the upcoming summer season! Continue scrolling to see what we're so excited about.



Ongoing & Upcoming Activities & Events

Rockin' on the River

Back at Black River Landing for a full season of top-notch music is the Rockin' on the River Concert Series! At a recent press conference earlier this month, Promoters Bob and Sandy Early unveiled the lineup of 18 dates and 36 bands!

Season Passes (\$90) are still available, as well as a limited number of VIP Passes (\$150). Unless noted otherwise, entry is \$7 per person at the gate.

Children 12 and under can attend for



free. The first concert of the season is Friday, May 28 with Dirty Dees, Xtreme AC/DC and Invincible, a Pat Benatar Tribute. Gates open at 5:30 p.m., the opener starts around 6:15 p.m. and the headliner begins around 8:45 p.m.

Best Lake Erie Lighthouse

Help the Historic Lorain Lighthouse retain its title as the Best Lighthouse on Lake Erie by casting a ballot in Lake Erie Living Magazine's Best of Lake Erie Contest! If successful, 2021 would be the eighth year in a row the Lorain Lighthouse has won. Those who enter submissions will also be entered for a chance to win one of four family packs of four tickets to Cedar Point Amusement Park & Resort! Be sure to enter your name, email and zip code at the end of the three-page ballot in order for it to



<u>count</u>. Ballots must be cast by May 1, 2021. Vote today by clicking HERE.

Oasis Marinas at Port Lorain

Opening for the season on May 1, 2021, is Oasis **Marinas at Port Lorain!** improvements to the site have continued during the



winter months and boaters can look forward to a completely renovated restroom facility and full-coverage Wi-Fi this season. Slips are available for booking through the Snag-A-Slip app or webpage. Oasis Marinas' new partnerships with Freedom Boat Club and Erie Shore Rentals & Detailing mean customers can expect additional amenities and activities, too. The Boat Club offers members use of its private fleet of vessels, and Erie Shore will be offering jet ski rentals and car detailing and boat washes!

Shuttle Boats

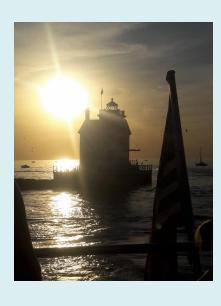
As the weather continues to warm up, we at the Port are gearing up to get our shuttle boats back in the water! The Lady Charleston and Pride of Lorain are receiving maintenance during the off season and are getting ready to be transported back to their slips at Oasis Marinas at Port Lorain. Covid-19 quidelines will determine if we're able to offer a full schedule of River Nature Tours, Sunset Cruises and Sip & Sway Trips, but we remain cautiously optimistic. Stay tuned for additional



Lorain Lighthouse Tours & Dinners

announcements related to the boats!

Lorain Lighthouse Tours and Sunset Wine Dinners offered by the Lorain Lighthouse Foundation will start back up in June 2021. Regular tours of the lighthouse are \$20 per person and include boat transportation to and from the structure. Sunset Wine Dinners are \$150 per person and take place on Tuesday evenings starting June 15 through Tuesday, September 14 (weather permitting). The dinner is catered by Erie Steak & Seafood Co. and each course is paired with a wine. Click HERE to book online, or after April 1 call 440-984-1012 to book a dinner and 440-752-8955.



The Summer Market

Back at Black River Landing in July for its second year in Lorain is The Summer Market fundraiser and shopping event! Erin Stack and the non-profit Girls Give Back are actively planning the two-day event set to take place on Friday, July 23 and Saturday, July 24. The open-air market features a carefully curated selection of more than 125 small businesses offering art, homemade goods, home décor, furniture, vintage finds, clothing, fresh food, baked goods



and more. Mark your calendars for this free event that takes place rain or shine!

BrewFest WD

Plans are also underway for the 2021 BrewFest Waterfront District! On Saturday, August 14 the craft beer festival will fill the festival site from 1-6 p.m. Attendees of this 21 and over event will get to taste samples of a wide variety of craft beverages from local and regional breweries, meaderies, wineries and cideries. The event also features food, music and games! Each entry ticket includes 15 sample tickets, and additional sample tickets will also be available to purchase.



Cleveland Dragon Boat Festival

Coming to Lorain's Riverside Park on September 18, 2021, is the Cleveland Dragon Boat Festival! Teams from various locations will compete in races on the Black River for the chance to win medals. Several vendors will also be at the park providing food options. To register for the event, click HERE.



Lorain Out of the Darkness Community Walk

Also on September 18, 2021, is the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's Lorain Out of the Darkness Community Walk at Black River Landing. Registration starts at 11:30 a.m. and the event is from 1-3 p.m. Click HERE to register, or click HERE to donate. Registration is free and open to the public. Donations can be made until December 31. If you're looking for resources, please visit www.afsp.org/resources.



Roads, Rails N' Sales

Returning for its second year at Black River Landing is the Roads, Rails 'N Sales event featuring a flea market and car, truck and motorcycle show! On September 25, 2021, vendors and vehicles will fill the festival site to raise funds for the ongoing restoration of Lorain's Caboose C-3855. The event is hosted by the Lorain Growth Corporation's Caboose Committee and will also include food trucks, raffles and a 50/50 drawing. Click HERE to view the event flyer.





Past & Upcoming Board of Director's Meetings

March 2021

The most recent Lorain Port and Finance Authority Regular Board of Director's Meeting took place on Tuesday, March 9, 2021. Topics of discussion included the 2021 shuttle boat captain agreement and the LoCo 'Yaks sublease agreement, among others.

April 2021

The next LPFA Regular Board of Directors Meeting is set to take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13 at the port offices. All meetings are free and open to the public. To read prior meeting agendas and minutes, click HERE.

