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History of Lakewood

**By Carina Caya
Cleveland Elementary School
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Grade 3**

Hey! I have someone you might want to hear about if you want to learn about the history of Lakewood. His name is Ray and he's 79 years old. He's my next door neighbor. He has lived here for more than 50 years and he sure knows a lot about how Lakewood used to be. In fact, he was here when all the houses that are here now were pea patches.

I interviewed Ray and I found out a lot about Lakewood. Ray told me that the park next our house used to be flat land made of dirt, grew weeds, and had field rats. The airplane that is now on display at Del Valle Park was donated to Lakewood for the kids to play with. They put it up on display around 1966 because it was being badly damaged.

Learning about Lakewood by interviewing Ray was fun and I got to learn a lot about the history of Lakewood, but I have to say that learning about Lakewood and just Lakewood is just something I love and I hope you do, too.

Thirty Years Back in Lakewood

By Stevie Dalkos

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Have you lived in Lakewood? I haven't lived here too long but I know someone who's lived here her whole life and her name is Carey Flake.

You know Del Amo? It used to be a dead-end street. So she got to play kickball in the street! Across the street from my school there was a stable and she to go and ride a horse, clean, and brush them, too. I wish I could do that.

In Lakewood, things have changed a lot, but some things are still the same. I wish things had never changed because I think the thing that they took away would have been the best things in Lakewood. Lakewood is the best place to live.

Rose Mennig
Cleveland School
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What I Like About Lakewood

Lakewood is a beautiful city. There are many things I like about the City of Lakewood. Lakewood has many nice neighborhoods, schools, churches, parks and stores. There are many parks in Lakewood.

Did you know that at May Boyer Park there used to be horse stables? I know because a teacher named Mrs. Flake came and told my class. She came to live in Lakewood when she was three months old. One stable was called Hadley. She told us there were lots of horse stables. The park has changed now because there aren't anymore horse stables.

Even my school has changed because girls had to wear skirts or dresses and the boys had to wear shorts and pants. Now girls can wear pants and shorts. I like Lakewood better now that I've heard Mrs. Flake tell me about Lakewood when she was a girl. It seems like she's a landmark to me because she has lived here in Lakewood all her life.

What a Friend Indeed

**By Sabrina Crew
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“What’s up, Ray?” Ray’s a crossing guard on Palo Verde in Lakewood. He is great at his job and a really great friend. He’s loving to everyone around him. He is a true friend.

You wouldn’t believe how many personality traits Ray has! First of all, he is very joyful! Whenever I see him, he is smiling. Also, he is very welcoming. The first time I walked to school with my oldest sister, Nikki, he welcomed us with a big smile. Lastly, Ray is very kind-hearted. He is always thinking of others and never himself. Ray is great guy.

Ray is very special because whenever I’m blue, he makes me feel better. Ray is also very good at his job. I’ve never seen him make a mistake. I always feel good around him and I should.

From what I know, Ray knows every person he crosses. My opinion is that everyone should have a special friend. My choice is Ray because he is a kind-hearted, intelligent, loving and joyful guy.

Note: Ray is a crossing guard in the City of Lakewood. He ensures the safety of Cleveland students at the intersection of Palo Verde and Del Amo.

Special Person in Lakewood

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Do you have a friend that needs help doing something? Well, I'll tell you one thing my friend Nicole does. She does not know how to do a back flip so I taught her and she learned.

Nicole has a lot of personality traits. She sometimes is cranky, but mostly she's respectful and funny. Nicole has glasses and brown hair.

Nicole is special. I think that Nicole is special because she helps me when I'm hurt or need help with my homework. I also help her with those things too.

I think I learn a whole lot of different things about her each day and so does she. I'm telling

you. This is funny and really,
really, really, really, really,
really, really, really cool.

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Cleveland

What I like about Lakewood

By Bradley Adamson

May 14, 2003

Lakewood is a great city, with great people. I live in the city of Lakewood. I like Lakewood because it is kept clean and safe. It is also kept up to date. Right now all the steets are getting repaved on my block. I also like the fact that I can play in my front yard and still be safe because, of the police officers are always keeping a lookout for bad people. I also can go to the park with all my friends and play with all the nice equipment. The park is also safe because of the park counselors.

Lakewood is a great city to live in and I hope it will always be safe and kept clean.

Preston Gruettner

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What I like about Lakewood

There are many great aspects about the city Lakewood. However, I will tell you about my favorite aspect. The atmosphere.

The wonderful thing about the atmosphere is how every thing is so soothing and relaxing.

For example, you can head on over to the donut shop in the morning and then later on you can go to the library. You can top it off by going to surf and sport or getting a slurpee from the corner store. Or, you can play chess at Extra Logistics.

Then the next day you could do more things like go to the park and play in the fresh air breeze.

There are a lot of great things about Lakewood but I like the atmosphere the best.

What I Like About Lakewood

Name: Linetta Harris

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What I Like About Lakewood

Lakewood is a very outstanding city. In my opinion, it has great malls, sports programs, libraries, schools, and parks. There are also churches for all faiths, and a wonderful program for senior citizens. It even has community activities for people to enjoy.

My favorite mall, is the Mall of Lakewood. I always enjoy my visits to it. Because of the wide variety and large quantities of stores, it is hard to visit them all in one day. My favorite stores are the book stores. I also enjoy the big department stores such as Macy's and Robinsons May. When you are hungry, you should head to the food court. There you will find what you are craving for, and something to quench your thirst. When you have a day when there is nothing to do visit the mall and make a day of it.

Now the sports programs are my favorite subject. Especially softball. The reason it is my favorite is because I play for the Lakewood Ladies travel-ball team. But Lakewood Has many other sports to offer. For example: football, soccer, volleyball, and basketball. That is mainly all of the sports that they offer.

The libraries here are fantastic. There are two libraries that I like the best, George Nye and Iacaboni. Not only are the books nice, but the library staff is too. When they see you are having trouble looking for a book, they will come to your service. They also let you use computers and they give you internet access. You can even print out what you like. It is good for the people who don't have a computer or printer.

Lakewood has some of the finest schools. I attend Grover Cleveland Elementary. This is my last year and I feel sad about having to leave such a great school. All of the teachers here are caring and understanding. This school has the best PTA system ever.

The parks in Lakewood are beautiful and clean. We have all different kinds of parks in Lakewood, such as Del Valle, Mae Boyer, Pan American, Mayfair, and San Martin. You could come to any which one and relax. My favorite is Mae Boyer.

We also have lots of churches here. Church is fun. Especially Sunday School. Anytime you go to talk about God is fun.

Lakewood also takes good care of the senior citizens. For example, Meals on Wheels. We also have a city program that tends to seniors' houses, and yards. We are very lucky to have that!

Linetta Harris

Our community also has many activities. During summer nights we have singing and concerts. We also have haunted houses and games on Halloween. We have board games we can play during the week as well.

In conclusion Lakewood city is the best. It has everything and more that I and other people might like. I hope that you too have now grown to enjoy it as much as I do!

Kassidy Hause

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An Admirable Person

Have you ever stopped, looked around, and noticed how many people are in Lakewood? So it's not easy to pick this person out. But on the other hand it is easy because she is very kind-hearted and that is just one of the ways it makes her admirable.

From the first day I saw her, she was always nice, respectful and most of all very kind-hearted. She is one of my best friends...My Mom. She is very beautiful too. Her hair shines just as the water does when nothing's around it. And her teeth are whiter than milk. She is the one who takes care of me when I am sick and also when I am hurt. She tucks me into bed with my great dad. Then gives me a big sloppy kiss.

As you know there are more people in Lakewood but there is

only one "World's Most Admirable Mom."

The End!

What I Like About Lakewood

Lakewood is great! It has all kinds of wonderful things. What I like the most is my school. Cleveland school has a lot of things. It has many programs like the Deaf and Hard of hearing classes and After school Olympics. I'm a hard of hearing student but, I go to a regular class with my friends. School is great. There is Lakewood Mall. It is great too! That is where I buy most of my things. There are many restaurant to go to eat and relax. There is a Y.M.C.A. near my school. That is where I learn how to swim, play basketball and all kinds of sports. Sometimes there's a fair at the park. There is a lot of fun. I always win things there. These are the things I like about Lakewood.

What I Like About Lakewood

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Rm 21

For the 50th Celebration, let me tell you about "what I like about Lakewood."

I like the wonderful schools that they have like Cleveland, MacArthur, DeMille, Lakewood High School, Mayfair, and many others. All of the schools have great education in them. In the schools they have so many programs and activities. Like PTA programs, Olympics, p.e., the carnivals, swimming, the dances, proms, parties they have at the end of the year, the yearbooks and many others that the schools and others provide for us kids. There are so many stores that are so clean and have great people that help you. The neighborhoods are awesome compared to some neighborhoods. The neighborhoods are very quiet where no one disturbs the people in the neighborhoods. The people aren't the

Tiffany Klop

kind of people who want to party with loud music. In Lakewood the neighborhoods are so peaceful. The kids in that neighborhood play very quiet and aren't rude to people. Even though there are a lot of dogs there is usually never a dog on the street because of great people there. At the parks they have so many activities and fairs. They also always keep their parks clean for the animals. Lakewood is a awesome city. Usually in Lakewood they don't have very much traffic. So accidents don't happen. In Lakewood they have awesome jobs and the people who work there get treated fairly sometimes. I am so glad Lakewood is a city.

Nicole A. Martinez

May 14, 2003

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Grade 5

Special Someone

Have you ever stopped and thought about an admirable person in Lakewood? Well, this person is very thoughtful and is my neighbor. I am going to be telling you how this person is special to me. So sit back, relax and enjoy!

My neighbor is the best there can be. His name is Wayne Piercy, and he was the Mayor of Lakewood. Boy, is he a really nice neighbor. His house is really nice and he has a wonderful garden in the front, and to top it all off, he has a pool. He is specially nice to my sister and me. Last Easter (back in 2002) in the morning, he dropped two little baskets filled with candy saying "Happy Easter". Also each time I come home from school, there he is working on his garden waving "Hi" at us. He is good like a bag of M&M's and a very unique neighbor that anyone can have. He also has a wonderful wife named Pat.

Well, I hope you enjoyed a little information about my admirable person. I think I am very, very lucky to have a neighbor like Mr. Wayne Piercy!