



# Lake Erie Nature & Science Center

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## **LAKE ERIE NATURE & SCIENCE CENTER HEADING SOUTH-OF-THE-BORDER**

Bay Village, Ohio --- For one night this September, Lake Erie Nature & Science Center is heading south-of-the-border, as the Bay Village non-profit's 2008 Annual Benefit takes on a "Survivor Mexico" theme. Guests at the September 13 affair will enjoy live music by mariachi musicians, as well as the popular local band Oasis. Luchita's Mexican Restaurant will prepare a custom menu for the occasion, with Sweet Melissa's Confections and Eatery providing desserts. Partygoers will be able to chase all that fiesta food with beer, wine and a signature margarita.

One lucky person may choose to fly to the real Mexico as the winner of the evening's exciting raffle: roundtrip airfare for two, courtesy of Continental Airlines! There will also be a reward for the best, south-of-the-border style, so guests are invited to don a sombrero and a serape or come dressed as an Aztec prince, a mariachi musician or cruise ship tourist.

The party, from 6:30 – 10:30 p.m., will also feature a "Mexican market" where guests can spend their "pesos" on a growing list of enticing silent and live auction items, including a fabulous Indians suite, \$500 Vivid Jewelry certificate, Pittsburgh weekend getaway, a four-pack of Disney Park Hopper passes, mystery piñatas and much more. The Center is still accepting unique auction donations, as well as Corporate Underwriters for its biggest fundraising event of the year.

According to benefit co-chairs, Alyssa Kamm, Marianna Orro and Martha West, the focus of this casual evening is on fund-raising, friend-raising and fun-raising. "Our party brings together people who value the wonderful resource that Lake Erie Nature & Science Center is to the community and we have a great time supporting the cause," said Orro. For six decades, Lake Erie Nature & Science Center has connected Northeast Ohioans to the natural world through interactive nature and science programs, live animal exhibits, free wildlife rehabilitation and a world-class planetarium. The Center is an independent non-profit and is not tax funded.

Tickets to Survivor Mexico are just \$50 per person and include two drink tickets. Guests can also support the Center as a \$300 Event Patron, which includes tickets for four people. New this year: use a credit card to make benefit reservations using the online donation form at [www.lensc.org](http://www.lensc.org). For more information call 440-871-2900 or email [info@lensc.org](mailto:info@lensc.org).

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**You're Invited to Survivor Mexico!**

**What:** 2008 Annual Benefit Party & Auction

**When:** Saturday, September 13, 6:30 – 10:30 p.m.

**Where:** Lake Erie Nature & Science Center, 28728 Wolf Road, Bay Village

Lvie music by Oasis, fiesta food by Luchita's, beer, wine and a signature margarita, "Mexican market" with Indians luxury suite, \$500 Vivid Jewelry, Disney World Park Hopper passes, mystery piñatas and much more, Continental Airlines airfare raffle, plus a prize for the guest with the best south-of-the-border style!

New this year: make benefit reservations using the online donation form at [www.lensc.org](http://www.lensc.org) (just \$50/person!). Questions? 440-871-2900 or [info@lensc.org](mailto:info@lensc.org).