The Bliss Series

Presented by the Buckeye Lake Historical Society Museum

"Mayan Women of the Guatemalan Highlands: Changing Hopes and Expectations"

Saturday June 18, 2016 at 1:30-3:00 PM

Buckeye Lake Historical Society Museum 4729 Walnut Road Buckeye Lake, Ohio



Donations are accepted as admission



The Mayan population makes up about 50% of the population of Guatemala. During 30 years of travel and part-time living there, one of the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere, Vivian Harvey has observed many significant changes. Many of these are occurring with Mayan girls and women of this beautiful country. After a 36-year Civil War and a series of devastating earthquakes and hurricanes, girls are being educated and moving into the work force. Thanks to the many NGO's working in the highlands of the country. Vivian will discuss these changes and what they mean for families and the country.



Vivian Harvey

Vivian has been visiting Guatemala for 30 years, living in Panajachel each winter, volunteering in several school programs. She works with women's weaving cooperatives around Lake Atitlan. Several years ago she started a program to provide weaving benches for woman of Sololá, a group of about 140 backstrap weavers.

Her educational background includes a degree in education from the University of Michigan, and two graduate degrees from The Ohio State University, one in early childhood education and the other in family studies.

Vivian Harvey is employed by the Cemanahuac Educational Community in Mexico, as the Educational Programs Coordiaor. Previously she was at The Ohio State University for 12 years and taught child development and family studies.



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