

# Helen Marketti's Music Corner *Dan Moyer*



It isn't often you run across someone who portrays one of the most famous men in rock legend history. Dan Moyer often plays "John Lennon" at special events and venues throughout the year.

What is so special about The Beatles, the late John Lennon and music from the 60s generation? Dan took some time recently to share his thoughts regarding these questions and more.

"Obviously The Beatles were the number one band I was interested in as early as I could remember," said Dan. "I also enjoy listening to The Beach Boys, The Monkees and basically all of the "Baby Boomer" generation of music."



Dan played "John Lennon" for several years in a Beatles tribute band called, Back Beat.

"The neat thing about having played in Back Beat is that I was able to meet several of my music idols. We were sometimes on the same bill as them or you would run into them since you're playing at different venues," he said. "When I was in Back Beat, we did shows for George Harrison's sister, Louise. We also used to have the band ELO come to our shows!" (laughs)

The music of the 60s is still as fresh as it was in its beginning. The messages of the songs are still relevant today. First generation fans remember the songs and each generation that follows. "The music of that era is timeless," said Dan. "There are 15-year-olds out there who enjoy the music as much as we do. Paul McCartney continues to sell out stadiums all over the world. The Rolling Stones still tour. I think that says it all."

What is it about John Lennon that would encourage someone to portray him on stage? "Actually, performing as John Lennon was something I have always wanted to do. I was always focused and determined to be part of a Beatles tribute band where I could play John. That was my goal."

Dan mentioned that John's voice is in his vocal pitch, which helps to make the

portrayal more accurate and natural. Fans are often unforgiving with slip ups and mistakes so Dan works hard to make sure he is spot on with John Lennon's personality type which works itself into the show as much as the music. Overall, Dan has portrayed John Lennon for over 25 years!

"When you meet people after the show you listen to many great stories about how The Beatles music touched their lives. You hear everything from fans who first saw them on The Ed Sullivan Show to sharing what was their first Beatle album," explains Dan. "It helps to bring back memories for people which I enjoy."

Dan still plays "John Lennon" as part of a band called, "Legends of Rock" with a gentleman named Walt Sanders who portrays "Elvis".

There are a few different shows within one show. "I will play John Lennon and sing the early hits of The Beatles such as what you would see on The Ed Sullivan Show then Walt takes the stage as "Elvis and does his set. Walt has performed with Elvis's original back up singers," said Dan. "We do duets together and sing, "Imagine". If we have a third set, we sing many 50s, Doo Wop and 60s music combined during our shows."

While it seems Dan is mostly in John Lennon mode, he does solo shows as himself for Veteran organizations. "I do solo shows, too. I sing 50s and 60s songs that they remember. I have a special place in my heart for our Veterans."

For more information on "Legends of Rock",  
[www.onenightwithyou.net](http://www.onenightwithyou.net)

## In Your Own Backyard

**The Fremont Ross Lady Giants Volleyball team would like to invite the community to our 7th Annual Hitting to Heal "Kids Helping Kids" charity volleyball game Monday, September 26th.** The Lady Giants will be taking on the Lady Flyers of Lake High School with games beginning at 6 pm.. This evening will once again benefit Alexa's Butterflies of Hope, The Alexa Brown Foundation. This foundation helps the families of kids diagnosed with Juvenile Cancer. The Fremont Ross Lady Giants and the Lake Lady Flyers believe it is an honor to help raise funds that support this foundation and help the families of these brave children! Events that night include the JV & Varsity games, T-shirt sales, 50/50 and a Themed Basket Raffle. T-shirts will be sold in advance starting September 12th in the Fremont Ross High School office and Athletic office. Wear the t-shirt to the game on September 26th and get in for free! Please join us and help these "Kids Helping Kids" help the community!

**Ladies, you are invited to a luncheon and program with the Fremont Area Women's Connection at Anjulina's Catering, 2270 W. Hayes Ave., Sept. 13, Luncheon 11 am-12:30 pm, Cost \$12 inclusive.**

Our Feature will be Jan Guthrie, Golden Threads, speaking about their FREE service for seniors, including info on health insurance, prescriptions and billing. The Speaker will be Mary Haddad, Adrian, MI. telling of Survival and Success in her search for significance. For reservation: luncheon and free child care, please call by Sept. 8, or email Carrol at [fawcluncheon@gmail.com](mailto:fawcluncheon@gmail.com).

Hayes Memorial United Methodist church garage sale is Saturday, Sept. 17, 9am-3pm, 1441 Fangboner Road in Fremont.

**SEPT 17 - Free Community Carnival in Lindsey** at corner of Lynn and Maple

Streets, 2 to 6 pm. Food and fun with lots of games and prizes, bingo and a Magic Show. Sponsored by Trinity United Methodist Church. Consider donating a canned good for Washington School backpack program.

**Village of Lindsey Farmers Market is held the second Saturday of each month through October,** from 9 am to Noon, in the village park on Main Street. Open to vendors who wish to sell baked goods, crafts, produce, plants, etc. Fee is only \$5.00 for unlimited space. For information, call 419-665-2045.

**Our Lady of the Pines Events: Centering Prayer:** Sept.6, 7-8pm: The focus of Centering Prayer is simply to rest in God's presence and consent to God's action within. 1250 Tiffin St. Fremont, [www.pines-treat.org](http://www.pines-treat.org)

Changing Season: Sept.13, 9am-3pm. Just as we experience the changes in nature each season, we also experience the changes in the seasons of our own lives. Spend the day exploring your own season and the many ways God is present to you through it all.

Stations of Mercy "Bears Wrongs Patiently": Sept. 20, 7-8pm. Join us as we celebrate this Jubilee Year of Mercy, free will donations to St. Vincent DePaul.

Going Deeper with God through SoulCollage@: Friday, Sept. 30,-Sunday, Oct. 2, by Dr. Jane Steinhauser. SoulCollage@ is a creative way to experience prayer while tending the soul and listening to the Holy Spirit. Create your own "holy cards" using images, intuition and imagination and then explore ways they can lead you to a deeper contemplative prayer. Space is limited so register early!

**Grand Opening of the Humane Society of Sandusky County** new animal shelter at 1513 North River Road in Fremont, Sunday, Sept. 18th from 1-4pm.

**Please Join Us As We Remember and Honor Our Fallen Heroes:** Clyde Fair Proudly Welcomes the Ohio Flags of Honor Foundation, September 16th & 17th.

The Flags of Honor will be on display at the Clyde Fair by the Clyde Moose Hall on Maple Street. It will be open to the public from the evening of Friday September 16th till Saturday September 17th. The opening ceremony will be Friday September 16th at 6pm with posting of the Flags of Honor. Closing ceremony will be Saturday 17th at 6pm. Would you like to help us with the posting of the flags? Please be there by 5:45pm Friday night.

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