

# Hello, Friends of LCWC!

There has been an Orthopaedic Surgery Clinic at the Lakeview Community Wellness Center every two weeks for nearly four years, but many of you probably never were aware.

As part of the community, I have been encouraged to write an article for the Lakeview Area News on topics in my field that would be interesting to readers.

The title for our twice monthly column "Bones R' Us" has to be abbreviated.

"Bones, Joints, Muscles, Ligaments, Tendons, Nerves and Discs R' Us" is too long winded!

However, those are all the things Orthopaedic Surgeons like me treat. We treat the musculoskeletal system of the body from the top of the neck to the toes! We diagnose and treat all kinds of problems such as fractures and joint injuries, arthritis, back problems, hand and upper extremity and orthopaedic problems of children. Surgical treatment of orthopaedic problems includes arthroscopic surgery, total joint replacement, fracture treatment and back surgery.

The Orthopaedic Clinic at Lakeview Community Wellness Center is capable of evaluating all of these problems. The hospitals where I work are Gratiot Medical Center in Alma and Carson City Hospital.

Writing a twice monthly medical article comes quite naturally, because our office has had a huge interest in patient and family education through our office publications and our teaching web site, [www.orthopodsurgeon.com](http://www.orthopodsurgeon.com). On the web site there are more than 100 articles for patients and families about things that we treat in our practice.

Our column of course will cover many specific topics of interest, but will also have frequently asked questions and features like "Funny Bones" containing little known but interesting facts.

I am planning on continuing to be a part of the Lakeview community for a long time seeing patients in the Clinic at Lakeview Community Wellness Center and writing this column for the Lakeview Area News.

I hope you will find the column informative and entertaining.

The Orthopaedic Clinic is always on Friday afternoon at 1:30 pm. Patients may make their own appointments by calling 989-463-6092 any weekday. The next three clinic dates at Lakeview Community Wellness Center are Feb.22, March 7, March 21, 2008.