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## **Weekend Book Proceeds Go to Akron Symphony**

*Local Author, Akron Roundtable Speaker, Donates Portion of Book Sales to Concerts for Kids*

Local author Diane Laney Fitzpatrick says she's loved all the places she's lived in the United States, from Virginia to Illinois, New Jersey to California. But the queen of moving and mother of three has an especially fond memory of living in North Canton, Ohio, and volunteering with the Akron Symphony's children's programs.

That's why she's donating part of her book sales July 17-20 to the Akron Symphony's Concerts for Kids, which provides a classical music experience for children in the Akron area.

Fitzpatrick will be the speaker at Akron Roundtable's monthly luncheon meeting at noon, Thursday, July 17 at Quaker Station, 135 S. Broadway, Akron. She'll share wit and wisdom from her book, *Home Sweet Homes: How Bundt Cakes, Bubble Wrap, and My Accent Helped Me Survive Nine Moves*, a collection of stories from her cross-country moves with babies, teenagers, dogs, frogs and goldfish.

Fitzpatrick will be signing and selling her book after the luncheon. All sales there and on Amazon.com through July 20 will result in a donation made to the Akron Symphony's Concerts for Kids programs.

"One of the most rewarding volunteer projects I've done is the work I did with the Akron Symphony's children's programs," Fitzpatrick said. "I am delighted to give back to such a great organization and an Akron institution. I can't imagine a better cause than music for kids."

*Home Sweet Homes* is available in paperback and e-book on Amazon.com, at BarnesandNoble.com, and directly from the author on her website, [www.DianeLaneyFitzpatrick.com](http://www.DianeLaneyFitzpatrick.com). Every book sold from all sources during the four-day period will result in a donation of \$1 to \$3.

A native of Hubbard, Fitzpatrick was a newspaper reporter and editor in Ohio before starting her cross-country moves for her husband's job. For the past seven years, she's written a popular humor blog *Just Humor Me*. She now also blogs about moving, and encourages people to find the humor in life's stressful demands, embrace change, and explore wherever you're living.

She and her husband, Tim Fitzpatrick, recently logged another move, from South Florida to San Francisco. They have three children, who live far and wide, and who have their own share of moving adventure stories.

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