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Coming this Summer

What goes great with barbecue this Memorial Day? Patriotism

(NewsUSA)—To many people, Memorial Day weekend means family, barbecuing and a long three-day weekend. But quite often, little

thought is given to the actual meaning of the day—celebrating service members who are fighting or have fought for our freedom.

This year, however, one company is seeking to make a difference for military personnel by joining forces with Operation Homefront, a San Antonio-based non-profit organization that supplies financial and emotional support for the spouses and families of soldiers deployed overseas.

Liberty Creek Wines (www.libertycreekwine.com) is partnering with Operation Homefront to honor America's heroes by awarding five mortgage-free, move-in ready homes to military families. Starting in May and continuing through Nov. 30, consumers can text the word **LIBERTY** to 313131, and Liberty Creek Wines will donate \$5 for every verified text message, up to \$48,000.

"Liberty Creek has been a great

supporter of Operation Homefront and our military families, and we're grateful for their continued partnership," said Tim Farrell, chief operating officer for Operation Homefront. "With this campaign, they've made it easy for their customers to join the cause by simply sending a text message."

Homes on the Homefront, an initiative launched by Operation Homefront in 2012, has provided mortgage-free homes and social support services to more than 250 wounded warriors and veterans and their families. Last year, the program placed 188 families in homes, at a combined savings of more than \$41 million in mortgage costs over an average 30-year loan.

"All of us at Liberty Creek Wines believe in honoring America's service members for the sacrifices they make to ensure our liberty and freedom," says Stephanie Gallo, vice president of

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Meetings

City Council - first and third Monday of each month
 Monday, May 21, 7 p.m.
 Monday, June 4, 7 p.m.

Parks and Recreation - second Monday of each month
 Monday, June 11, 5 p.m.

Planning & Zoning - second Monday of each month
 Monday, June 11, 7 p.m.

Read the minutes from Cortland City Council meetings at <http://www.cityofcortland.org/> under City Council Minutes.

All meetings are held at City Hall and are open to the public

Cortland City Council Meetings are now on TV

Cortland City Council Meetings are now posted on YouTube. The videos are usually posted no later than the next day after the meeting and can be accessed via a link on the city website or by visiting www.youtube.com and searching "City of Cortland, Ohio"

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Tuesday, May 22, 9 a.m. - A 60 minute caucus with department heads preceding.
 Tuesday, June 12, 6:30 p.m. - A 60 minute caucus with department heads preceding.

Meetings are held at the Township Administration Building unless noted

Lakeview Board of Education Meetings

Regular meetings the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Lakeview High School Media Center, unless otherwise noted.

Monday, June 11, 6 p.m. - Lakeview High School Media Center

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Please contact the Cortland News if you would like your organization listed here.

Our Next Issue...June 9, 2018

Our theme will be Summer Vacation

Article Deadline by May 25 • Display Advertising Deadline is May 30

Email articles to editor@cortlandnews.net

The mission of the Cortland News is to focus on the positive aspects and events of our community. Our goal is to inspire pride and bring the residents of our community closer to one another by providing accurate, timely and useful information. We hold ourselves to high standards of journalism and strive to be a source of trust for our readers.

Based on the policy of the Cortland News to print positive news about our community, we reserve the right to reject contributed material considered inappropriate. We reserve the right to edit information accepted for publication for accuracy, style, length, spelling, grammar, and clarity.

The Cortland News wishes to present a fair and accurate news report. If you have a concern about anything published, please call our office at 330-565-2637 and leave a message for our Manager or Editor.

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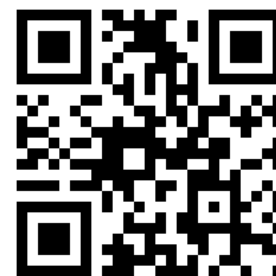
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Community Events

Event Calendar May 19 to June 9

- Cortland City/Bazetta Township and Lakeview School Board meetings and schedules. *See pg. 2 and 6*
- Lakeview Local School activities and sports schedules visit www.lakeviewlocal.org.
- American Red Cross blood donations, various dates. www.redcrossblood.org or 1-800-733-2767.
- American Red Cross Swim lessons, various dates. *See pg. 14*
- 18th Annual Antique Motorcycle Exhibit presents "The Motor," National Packard Museum, Warren, through May 20.
- Bristol Public Library Summer Reading Program, various dates. *See pg. 14*
- Cortland Community Band events. *See pg. 7*
- Johnston Senior Center offers hot meals Monday through Friday at noon.
- OhioCAN Blessing Bags project for homeless population, items dropped off at city hall.
- "Being a Victorian: Hygiene History of the 19th Century" exhibit, Sutliff Museum, second floor of Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, 444 Mahoning Ave., Warren, through August.
- Collection of "The Original S'mores" ornaments display, Sutliff Museum, second floor of Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, 444 Mahoning Ave., Warren, through August.
- Trumbull County Master Gardeners programs, Agriculture and Family Education Center, 520 W. Main St., Cortland, 6 p.m. *See pg. 12*
- Trumbull County Travel Club getaways. *See pg. 9*
- World War II memorabilia at Bristol Public Library, through end of May.
- Youngstown Nighthawks Soccer League, Cortland League schedule, visit www.facebook.com/ytownnighthawks

MAY

- 19 Veteran's Memorial Committee Armed Forces Day observance, 3 p.m., Point Park, Cortland.
- 19 Holburn Herb Growers Guild annual 2018 Herb & Plant Sale, Pumpkin Barn at Canfield Fairgrounds, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- 19 Unique Treasures Charity Car Show fund raiser for the Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland, Trumbull County Fairgrounds, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. *See pg. 14*
- 19 The 19th annual Kentucky Mountain Dinner, Cortland United Methodist Church, 155 N. High St., 4:30-6:30 p.m., benefits mission trip. *See pg. 15*
- 19 Legacy Dog Rescue and Never Muzzled basket raffle, The Federal, 110 W. Federal St., Youngstown, noon-6 p.m. *See pg. 12*
- 19 Trumbull County Republican Party monthly breakfast, Buckeye Club, 366 N. Park, Warren, 9 a.m. *See pg. 3*
- 19,20 4th annual Armed Forces Weekend Car Show, TCTC, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., proceeds go to the Warriors Helping Warriors. *See pg. 22*
- 20 USA Dance Waltz lessons and general dancing, Orthodox Center, 1025 N. Belle Vista Ave, Youngstown, 5 p.m.
- 22 Ohio Living Lake Vista Card Party, 303 N. Mecca St. (state Route 46), Cortland, 1-4 p.m.
- 23 "Discovering Paradise," presented by Larry Richardson, Bristol Public Library, 6:30 p.m. *See pg. 14*
- 26 The 116th annual Greene Alumni Banquet, Greene Church of the Nazarene, corner of state Routes 87 and 46, 6 p.m. 330-583-2386.
- 26 The Geauga County Historical Society second annual Trunk Sale, grounds of Century Village Museum, Burton, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. *See pg. 10*
- 28 Memorial Day
- 28 City of Cortland and Bazetta Twp. offices closed.
- 28 First Congregational Church in Wayne "Day Away" bus trip to Warther Museum. *See pg. 15*

JUNE

- 2 19th annual Howl at the Moon 5K night race, sponsored by Rotary Club of Cortland, Lakeview High School, 300 Hillman Drive, Cortland, 9 p.m. *See pg. 8*
- 6 Southington United Methodist Church chicken dinner, state Routes 305 and 534, 3:30-6 p.m. *See pg. 15*
- 6 Warren Women's Club's 56th Rose Luncheon, DeLucia's Banquet Center, 2610 Elm Road, Warren, doors open 11:15 a.m. *See pg. 16*
- 9 World Of Wildlife 2018 Bicycle Tour through Western Reserve Greenway, registration at KSU Trumbull Technology Bldg., 7:30-10 a.m.

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TC Republican Party monthly meeting

The Trumbull County Republican Party will hold its monthly breakfast at the Buckeye Club, 366 N. Park, Warren, at 9 a.m. on May 19. Guest speaker will be Sarah Fowler, Ohio Board of Education member from the 7th District. Fowler's elected position is non-partisan, and everyone is welcome, regardless of their political

affiliation, to come learn about HB512 and the future of education in Ohio. The Buckeye Club is located at the corner of N. Park and Scott, just north of Courthouse Square, with parking in rear of the building. There will be a full-course buffet breakfast. Cost is \$12 and includes tax and tip. Call GOP at 833-878-6285 for questions or information.



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Home Savings recently donated a check for \$5,000 to Lakeview Local Schools. The Lakeview Local School District is partnering with the city of Cortland to refurbish/replace the tennis courts at Willow Park as the school district utilizes the courts for its tennis teams.

"We use the tennis courts at Willow Park for our high school matches in the fall and spring. In addition, the courts are used for summer camps for our students," explained Sean Miller, Lakeview Local Schools treasurer. "We are looking forward to partnering with the city of Cortland on this project and we are hopeful that this project will be completed before the fall season." Dave Christner of the Cortland Parks & Recreation Board noted that over the years the tennis teams have done very well in tournaments.

"The overall project cost will be approximately \$65,000 and this donation will be a great start to our community fundraising. We are very thankful to Home Savings for its generous support. We are hoping to raise at least half the money through donations with the city providing the balance of the funds needed to complete the project," said Cortland Mayor Jim Woofter.

"We are so proud to support Lakeview Local Schools in its efforts to partner with the city to make improvements to Willow Park, which is located in the heart of Cortland, where so many students and families come together to have a good time," said Trish Gelsomino, Home Savings. "Working together we can truly make a difference!"

Business News and Notes

By Thom Foley

Did you sign your child up for any of the **Cortland Playroom** summer programs? This award-winning preschool and daycare offers education wrapped in all kinds of fun for the kids. They have been voted BEST OF THE BEST in Trumbull County once again. They still have a few openings for the fall semester - but don't wait - they won't last.

Mackenzie Catering at GardenBrook is the place to call for your graduation catering needs - or for any occasion when you want the best food!

Lakeside Sport Shop & Drive Thru has new summer hours: Monday through Saturday, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.

This month **Girl's Cortland Music 101** is unveiling its new in-store "Easy-Rent Rental Kiosk System," which allows in-store customers to enjoy the convenience and security of the Music 101 Easy-Rent Program (interest-free band and orchestral instrument rentals with option of coverage) without a credit check or long wait times.

Brookside Greenhouse is now open daily including Memorial Day. They have the best selection of hanging baskets, flowers, veggies and other plants. High quality, locally grown at way too low prices!

Beef'O'Brady's patios are all now open. Watch for the patio specials.

Auntie V's Pizza is your graduation open house headquarters. They have party, salad and deli trays, meats, cheeses, fruits, veggies, wraps - you name it -they have it.

Centerra has flowering baskets 10 inch and 12 inch and fern baskets and plants and everything you need for your lawn and garden this year. They also have a few live chicks for sale.

Cortland Lanes 9 pin No Tap league is just getting started - still plenty of time to join. It runs through June 13.

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By Chief David Rea, Cortland Fire Department

Some interesting things have been going on since I last wrote, so I'd like to take this time to bring you up to speed on what is going on at Cortland Fire Department. Spring is here and everyone is happy to be outside enjoying the warmer temperatures. While enjoying your time, one thing to remember is that open burning is banned by the Ohio Revised Code 1503.18 Ohio DNR Forestry prohibits outdoor open burning and prescribed fires in the months of March, April, May, October and November between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. This ban includes burning of yard waste, trash, and debris, even in a proper burn barrel. Outside of these restricted dates and time some limited burning is permitted. You can find more information at <http://www.cityofcortland.org>.



We would also like to thank several of our community partners for donation to the department. They have helped us toward achieving our goals. First, let me call attention to Cortland Lions Club, Rotary Club of Cortland, and The Cafaro Foundation for generously giving to our power cot project. This item helps in reducing injuries to employees from repetitive lifting of patients and equipment. For departments that provide emergency medical response and transport services lifting of patients is one of the times when our employees are most subject to injuries. These cots assist our members by bearing the weight of the patient while lifting, loading and unloading the patients into the ambulance. However, we still have some more money to raise before we can mark this project complete.

In the early spring we were visited by Kevin Gavitt from Farmers Insurance. During this visit he donated a case of Fire Wipes to our department. These wipes are specially designed and used by firefighters after a fire. They help in reducing contamination caused by carcinogens that attach to a firefighters body while they are at the scene of a fire. Studies are showing that exposure to fires can increase a firefighter changes of getting cancer by over 60 percent. Firefighter use these wipes on the fire ground immediately after taking off their gear, and before they get back into the fire truck to come back to the station. Thanks to Kevin and Farmers Insurance these will help on limiting this exposure risk.



This past week we were visited by members of Kent State Trumbull Branch Veterinary Technician Class (Melissa Best instructor). These students present our department with pet masks for our furred population. The masks are contoured to fit most sized of house pets, and are used to provide oxygen after they have been removed from a house fire. Thank you to the student and Ms. Best for the donation.

Fire chiefs attend Rotary meeting



Recently Cortland Fire Chief David Rea (left) and Bazetta Twp. Chief Dennis Lewis (third from left), attended the Cortland Rotary meeting along with Rotary President Tom Shortreed and Donna Zuga, Rotary president-elect.

2018 Cortland Rotary Golf Classic July 18

The 2018 Cortland Rotary Golf Classic has been planned for Wednesday, July 18 at Tamer Win Golf Course. Cost is \$85 per person (\$65 per person for Tamer Win season ticket holders) and includes 18 holes of golf, carts, mulligans, skins game, lunch, refreshments and dinner. It will be a four person scramble, with a shotgun start at noon. Sign in begins at 11 a.m. Register early to guarantee your spot in this popular community

event. Hole sponsorships are available at \$75 per hole. The primary sponsor is Cortland Bank.

Please make checks payable to Rotary Club of Cortland and send to Jim Noel, Cortland Rotary, 276 Wae Trail, Cortland, OH 44410. For more information you can contact Jim at 330-758-9779 (work) or via email: sfleon@aol.com. Proceeds will benefit Cortland Rotary Community Service projects.

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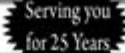
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By Christine Dorma, administrative assistant

Police Chief Tom Andrews retires

Chief Tom Andrews has retired after 33 years of service as a police officer for the city of Cortland. He was recognized at the May 7 City Council meeting and was presented with a plaque thanking him for his service and honored with a resolution read by the Mayor.

Curbside Brush Chipping

Pick-up for the entire city is the week of the fourth Monday. Brush should be placed at the curb no later than the Sunday prior to the week of collection. See the full policy on the city website.

Upcoming Dates:

Week of May 28 - Place brush at curb no later than Sunday, May 27.

2018 Mosquito Spraying

Mosquito spraying for this year is now scheduled on Wednesday evenings, 7 p.m. to midnight

May 30	July 25
June 13	Aug. 8
June 27	Aug. 22
July 11	Sept. 5

For effective mosquito control, it must not be raining, the winds need to be between 5 to 10 miles per hour and the temperature above 50 degrees. If the proper conditions are not present, the spraying will be cancelled and a make-up date will be scheduled the following evening.

Dates to Remember

May 28 - City Offices will be closed in observance of Memorial Day. Republic's trash services will be operating on a one day delay.

May 21 - City Council - 7 p.m.

June 4 - City Council - 7 p.m.

June 11 - Parks Board - 5 p.m.

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Rotary Club presents check for power cot

The Rotary Club of Cortland presented check to Cortland Fire Chief Dennis Rea. The check was to help purchase a power cot used by EMTs to load people into ambulances. Donna Zuga (left), incoming Rotary Club president and Tom Shortreed (right) current club president present the check to Chief Rea.



New police chief

By Sally Lane

As a police officer, David Morris has a very long resume, with the last 21 years of experience being in Cortland. He was recently promoted to Chief of Police upon the retirement of Tom Andrews, May 7.

Chief Morris brings skills from a variety of police levels to his new position. At times, from 2003-2006, and 2012-2017, he worked as a detective for the department. He has served on the Trumbull County Task Force for both children and adults.

From a young age, Morris wanted to be in law enforcement. Before he was hired in Cortland, and after graduation from Hubbard High School, Morris served in the U.S. Army in the Military Police from 1994-97 and attained a rank of sergeant. Following that service, he was a part-time police officer for Hubbard Twp. until he was hired by the city of Cortland in 1997. He and his wife Christa live in Hubbard, and they have two daughters, a seven-month old and a two-year-old.

As the new Chief of Police, Morris plans to continue moving forward, continuing the progress made by Chief Andrews. There are nine full time and three part time police officers on the force. "Hiring is a priority," he said, and on top of that comes training. "We need to make sure all the officers have the same training levels." He commented that our town is lucky to not have a huge opiate problem, but the department always needs to be prepared.

School safety is a top priority for Morris. "We need to have a second resource officer in the school," he said. He explained that since Lakeview Elementary in Bazetta is closed, there will be another 400 students in Cortland in the fall. "We need to be ready," he added.

We wish him all the best in his new job.



Mayor Jim Woofter congratulates the new Police Chief David Morris.

Cortland Community Concert Band summer concert schedule

By Sally Lane

One of the pleasures of summer in our area is an outdoor concert. Our Cortland Community Concert Band has been preparing music that will have you tapping and clapping, singing, and even dancing! Along with a few marches and patriotic numbers, we have a great selection of '60s, '70s, crooner, and show music.

We have almost 60 members of many ages, from teens to 70+ who enjoy playing instruments. Our band is 35 years old and has been rehearsing at the Lakeview Middle School. We look forward to the new band room in the fall.

Our summer concert series is:
Wednesday, June 13, 7 p.m. at Howland SCOPE

Wednesday, June 20, 7 p.m. at

Victoria House in Austintown

Wednesday, June 27, 7 p.m. at Lake Vista in Cortland

Thursday, July 5, 6:30 p.m. at the McKinley Memorial, Niles, weather permitting

Sunday, July 15, 3 p.m. Mastropietro Winery, Lake Milton*

*this is a wine festival featuring community bands and jazz groups from three counties. We play at 3 p.m.

Wednesday, July 18, 6 p.m., Family Garden Faire, Trumbull Agricultural Center, West Main Street Cortland (Formerly Strawberry Social)

Wednesday, August 8, 7 p.m., Cortland United Methodist Church

More information is available at www.cortlandcommunityband.org

Running Canvas, 5K & 1 Mile, Jarrett Hutton Memorial

By Daynelle Sanner

The Love Life Foundation would like to invite the Cortland community and beyond to come and participate in our upcoming Running Canvas, 5K & 1 Mile Walk, Jarrett Hutton Memorial event, taking place on Saturday, July 7, beginning and ending at the Cortland Roller Rink. It's time to paint the town and each other with vibrant colors!

This memorial run will continue to celebrate and remember Jarrett's life and his aspirations towards others. His artwork and penned words through such diversity of artistic abilities and medias continue to inspire many. Jarrett's faith, positivity, ingenuity and captivating "LOVE LIVE" attitude carry on as a positive light.

The Love Life Foundation is a non-profit organization that was established in 2016. Jarrett was an aspiring and inspiring artist that left our lives too soon. The Love Life Foundation continues to build upon Jarrett's mantra of "Love Life" (www.lovelifefoundation.net). All the proceeds from each of our events help continue to grow the Love Life Art



Scholarship and grant program.

Stay tuned for further updates, photos and details through the Cortland News and visiting our Facebook; Running Canvas, 5K & 1 Mile walk and Instagram; [LoveLifeFoundationjh](https://www.instagram.com/lovelifefoundationjh). If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at foundation.lovelife@gmail.com.

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Cortland Rotary's 19th Annual Howl at the Moon Race on June 2

The Rotary Club of Cortland will be hosting the 19th annual Howl at the Moon 5K night race on Saturday, June 2 at Lakeview High School, 300 Hillman Drive, Cortland.

The race is returning to its original Night Flight Race format in conjunction with the club, the school and sponsors. The 5K Track and Road Race will start at 9 p.m. followed by an awards ceremony. The event will include door prizes food and entertainment. Joshua Palmer of Cortland Rotary is event chairman and Ted Rupe, well-known runner and coach, is the event coordinator.

Proceeds from the event benefit various community projects that receive funding from Cortland Rotary. Examples of projects receiving funding are college scholarships for Lakeview High School seniors, funds for the Lakeview High Boosters Club, Cortland Area Cares (CAC), Rotary Park, Imagination Station, Trumbull County Orthopedic Equipment Fund, Camelot Riding Center, Warren Family Mission and more.

For race registration visit Cortland Rotary on Facebook or the Howl at the Moon race website allevents.in/org/Cortland-rotary/1626769.

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TCHS wins two Ohio Museum Association awards

The Trumbull County Historical Society has been recognized for its growth and positive impact on the community. At an award ceremony during the Ohio Museum Association Annual Conference on April 15, TCHS received honors for its collaborative programming as well as its director.

TCHS earned Best Community Partnership of the Year for its Historic Building Recognition Program. In conjunction with Trumbull Neighborhood Partnership and Trumbull 100, this project awarded 33 homeowners within the city of Warren historic site plaques and research reports on their homes. Centered in Warren's downtown Garden District, this place-making effort fostered pride by highlighting the roots of one of Warren's oldest neighborhoods. In addition, a walking tour brought to life the history of the Garden District and illuminated its potential for future development.

TCHS is also announced that its director, Meghan Reed, was named Emerging Professional of the Year for the contributions she's made in her three years with the Historical Society. These include a significant increase of the organization's membership and budget, diversified programming, and TCHS's first long-term strategic plan. She's also received numerous nationwide grants and brought regional attention to TCHS. Reed is also on the board of directors for the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau and the W.D. Packard Foundation, a member of the Wean Foundation's Capacity Building committee and the Kennedy Center's Any Given Child executive committee.

OMA offered its sincere congratulations to Reed and Trumbull County Historical Society on its countless hours and service in support of its community, its mission and a job well done.

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Safety Day to be held at Mosquito State Park

The Bazetta Twp. Police and Fire departments, in conjunction with Mosquito Lake Marina, will be hosting its 15th Annual Safety Day, Saturday, June 16 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Mosquito Lake State Park. This year's event will have a wide variety of things to do for both children and adults. The event will include vehicles and representatives from local police and fire departments, state and federal agencies along with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

This event will have numerous booths from various safety organizations along with public safety features. Special highlights this year include the Mahoning Valley Crisis Response Team tactical vehicle "The Bear," Fire Safety Trailer, Trumbull County Haz Mat Team, Trumbull County Sheriff's Dive Team, T.A.G. Drug Enforcement, United States Air Force Security Forces, Heather Merritt's Birds In Flight Sanctuary, Ohio Dept. of Wildlife and Watercraft, Army Corps Of Engineers, K-9 and karate demonstrations and other safety forces. The Metro Life Flight helicopter will be landing at noon.

There will be drawings for free kid's bikes, and many more prizes. So the bring the family out for an enjoyable day at one of the Ohio's most prestigious state parks and a day of educational fun and safety awareness.

For more information please contact the Bazetta Twp. Police at 330-638-5503 during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday or Mosquito Lake Marina at 330-637-2075.

Trumbull County Travel Club getaways

The Trumbull County Travel Club invites those over 21 to join them for its upcoming getaways. The first one is a one-day Saturday outing to Rabbit Run Theater to see the comical, live rendition of "Harvey." Leaving on June 16 at 3:45 p.m., this theatrical day includes dinner and a wine taste at Grand Rivers before the show. At intermission, guests will be provided light refreshments in a private area reserved for the Travel Club patrons.

The month of June will include a three-day mini-vacation to the Finger Lakes Region in New York. There are two breakfasts, one lunch and two dinners included in the package. This includes lunch at Glenn Iris Castle, dinner at Wagner Vineyards and on the Canandaigua Lady on the lake. The tour includes the Corning Glass Center and the Steuben Factory, plus Mark Twain's hometown and the Grand Canyon of the east. Call 330-856-5398 for more information and pricing of each trip.

July will see the group on the Gateway Clipper's Fourth of July dinner cruise. August is the Longhorn day trip with "Chowen with the Cows," the John and Annie Glenn Museum, plus a stop at a potato chip factory and Henry London's Chocolates.

There is no membership fee to belong to the Trumbull County Travel Club. The members meet twice a year to plan trips and outings. The club travels throughout the U.S. and Canada and Mexico. Members must be 21 as the club stops at wineries and other locales that require I.D.



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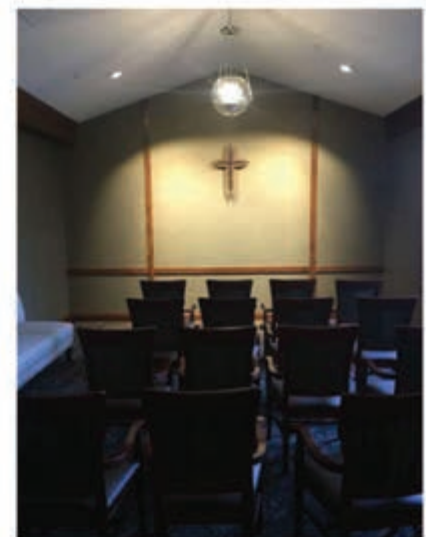
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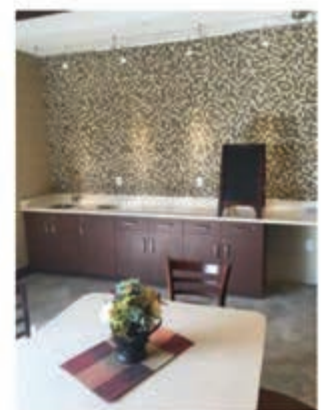
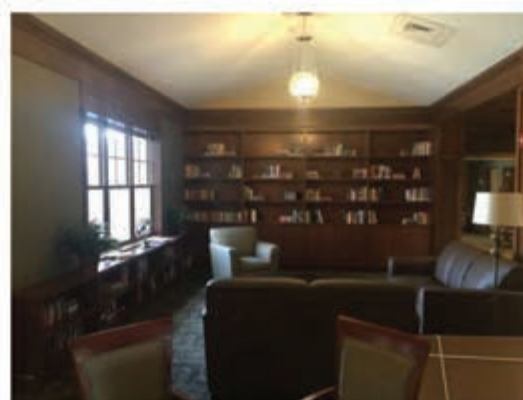
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Century Village Museum Trunk Sale

The Geauga County Historical Society will hold its second annual Trunk Sale on Saturday, May 26. This one-day event will provide sellers of goods with a great opportunity to offer their wares on the beautiful grounds of the Society's Century Village Museum for a low cost and to a wide audience. For the buying public, the Trunk Sale will bring out a wide variety of treasures in search of new homes. Everything from antiques and collectibles to useful household items

and hand-made crafts may be found. Trunk Sale hours from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

To reserve a space, contact Terri at 440-834-1492. The number of spaces is limited. Each seller will be provided with an assigned site and may sell out of their vehicle's "trunk" or from their own tables. A fee of \$25 will be charged for the space. Members of the Society may obtain a space at no charge. There will be no admission to the buying public.



By Patrolman Nicholas Gregory, Bazetta Twp. Police Department

Safety Day

As we wrap up the ending of another school year, the Bazetta Township Police Department would like to congratulate all of the graduating seniors from Lakeview High School class of 2018.

Soon enough the neighborhoods will be filled with the sounds of children playing outside, riding their bicycles and swimming. As a community, we must become more aware of the kids outside during the summer months. Most parents know that there is a curfew in place, but are not sure of the specific times. Curfew hours throughout Trumbull County are Sunday through Thursday from 11 p.m. until 6 a.m., Friday and Saturday curfew is from midnight until 6 a.m.

A reminder of the upcoming event is Bazetta Township's 15th Annual Safety Day. Saturday, June 16 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Mosquito Lake Marina, 1439 state Route 305, Cortland, Ohio 44410. This event is geared more towards safety, but it is a great way to bring the community together especially for the children. We host this

event not only to share our knowledge on safety, but to build a relationship with the ones we swore to protect and serve. The event will include vehicles and representatives from local police and fire departments, state and federal agencies along with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

There will be many different activities with a wide variety of things to do for both children and adults. Some topics include drawings for a free kid's bike, a taser and K-9 demonstration, along with the landing of the Metro Life Flight helicopter, which will touch down at noon. So come on out and bring the family for an enjoyable day at one of the Ohio's most prestigious state parks and a day of educational fun and safety awareness. For more information please contact the Bazetta Township Police at 330-638-5503 during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday- Friday or the Mosquito Lake Marina at 330-637-2075.

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A hidden jewel

By Carole Wiley

Cortland residents frequently drive by a lovely building on North High Street but probably give it little or no thought. Creekside Commons is nestled behind and to the right of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. There are 23 nicely appointed resident apartments which are handicap accessible. The residents are 62 and older with certain income limits.

Prince of Peace previously owned the land. Early in the new century the church's pastor at that time, Duane Jesse, wanted to use some of the church's property to meet a community need of some sort. Various ideas were studied. The research led to a joint effort between the church and the Franklin Foundation of Columbus. The church donated the land and funding was provided from the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development and from the Trumbull County Consortium Home Funds.

The building opened in June, 2004. A board of directors was formed and continues to consist of Prince of Peace members. Vacancies in the building are readily filled from a waiting list.

The mostly female residents are quite happy with their homes. They frequently hold a dinner for themselves in the warm and cozy dining room with most making some sort of contribution to the menu. They have recognized the benefits of doing things for others through various outreach events. They served dinner to the firemen. They crocheted warm hats and lap blankets

for residents in a local nursing facility. They have assisted in some of the projects of Lakeview Outreach and Fellowship. They are making plans to be "Grandma Cheerleaders" on their own float in this summer's Street Fair parade!

And now a bit about a few of these unique ladies. Terri is a self starter who tries hard to lead the group to an outreach idea every month. Kathy is a walker, a puzzle addict, and admits to not being a cook! Donna always has a funny comment or a joke to tell and belongs to the Trumbull County Antique Tractor Club! Charlotte has written and has had published a book in which she connects some of the events in Jesus's life to events in her own life. When asked about the book, she will give all the credit to the Lord. Winnie is quiet, yet well known to be generous and kind. Connie is devoted to her grandchildren. Betty is the resident gardener. She thoroughly loves to plant, transplant, feed, water and nurture many of the flowers and plants around the building. Sandy is the resident animal lover. She even gives names to the various critters who visit the property and has named her own cat "Dufus!" And then there is Shirley whose profound faith in God enables her to share this faith with excitement and joy as we are all instructed to do!

Creekside Commons is a jewel because of the many reasons listed. It is another example of why we are proud of living in and around Cortland.

More than 39,000 veterans are homeless each night: How you can help

(BPT) - There are 18.8 million veterans in the U.S., according to the most recent U.S. Census. More than 9 million are seeking treatment at their local U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs medical center, and more than 39,000 are homeless on any given night, according to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

There are many ways to help a veteran in need. Below are a few suggestions on how you can make a difference in a veteran's life this year.

Tie your passion to your action

We all have passions that bring us joy. There are many ways that suit your interests to give back while helping veterans in need. For example, do you like to spend time outdoors? Many organizations host volunteer activities like cleaning a veteran's memorial in the community. Are you more of a people person? Give your time to a local veteran's facility to connect with a resident in need of company.

Reach out to a veteran service organization to learn more

The American Legion Auxiliary (ALA), The American Legion and Sons of The American Legion are actively involved in veteran causes with local units across the U.S. They offer community through memberships, organize and hold volunteer events throughout the year. As a first step, visit the websites of each organization and look for a unit close to you. Meeting with these organizations or others can kick-start your efforts to get involved with the veteran community.

Donate a day of service

Everyday life can get messy with



full-time jobs and commitments. One way to identify free time for charitable activities is to use a day off engaging in community service. "Donate" your Memorial Day to help the ALA distribute handmade poppies that support veterans in local hospitals, visit a veteran's facility or deliver a meal or care package.

Give a gift

Extend your thankfulness to the veteran community by making a gift. Mark your calendar for Nov. 27, 2018, when you can participate in #GivingTuesday, a global giving movement, by making a monetary donation to an organization that dedicates its efforts to helping veterans. Whether you come together as a family, a company, a community or by yourself, a donation can make a real difference.

Helping a veteran can be a year-long commitment or a one-day activity. To learn more about how to take the first step, visit www.ALAforVeterans.org.

SCOPE's 'We Are Off Our Rockers' parade dance team looking for members



SCOPE Senior Services is looking for anyone over 50 who might be interested in being part of the SCOPE's "We Are Off Our Rockers" parade dance team. SCOPE will need men and women who want to get some exercise and enjoy walking and dancing as a unit in various parades throughout the year. Even seniors who use walkers and those in wheelchairs are welcome.

Last year, over 25 individuals from ages 50 to 92 took part in the SCOPE Senior Citizen Parade Team and were the highlight of many parades in our area line dancing to the song "Sweet Caroline" by Neil Diamond.

The "We Are Off Our Rockers" team plans to participate in parades from Memorial Day to Veteran's Day. Practices are held each Friday at noon

at the Warren Senior Citizen Center gymnasium located at the YWCA at 375 N. Park Ave. in Warren. This year SCOPE is excited to have dance instructor Pat Lumpkin design and teach simple dance moves, which will move seniors down the parade routes.

Many senior citizens play sports, work out, dance and participate in fitness programs, so why not get some exercise and have fun showing off at various parades in the area? Maybe SCOPE can change the perception that all seniors are too old to move, dance or walk.

For more information about the "We Are Off Our Rockers" Senior Citizen Parade Dance Team, call Ranea or Mike at SCOPE Senior Services at 330-399-8846 or email mwilson@fcsOhio.org.

Ohio auditor speaks to Republican club



The Trumbull County Republican Party held its monthly breakfast on Saturday, April 21, at The Buckeye Club on North Park Avenue in Warren. Ohio State Auditor, Dave Yost, spoke to the group educating them on the workings of the Ohio State Auditor's office. The next GOP breakfast will be May 19 at 9 a.m. at the Buckeye Club, with Sarah Fowler, State Board of Education member for District 7 as the featured speaker, addressing HB 512, among other topics.

Pictured are Trumbull County GOP Chairman Kevin Wyndham and Auditor Dave Yost.

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Cortland Garden Club holds Quarter Auction

By Debbie Williams



Pictured with some of the donated items are Mary Lou Jarrett and Becky Bucco.

Laughter, fun and that winning feeling - what more could a person want on a weeknight? Members of the Four Seasons Garden Club enjoyed all this and more when they held a Quarter Auction at a recent meeting. Even though the majority of ladies were unfamiliar with how a Quarter Auction worked, it was clear from the start that the process was easy, fun and many went home with beautiful items.

For anyone not familiar, a Quarter Auction is similar to Chinese Auction where items are donated and people place bids to win the item. The big difference however, is that each person wanting to bid on an item will, for a small fee, purchase a numbered paddle when they arrive. When the item they hope to win is ready to be auctioned off, the person will contribute a predetermined number of quarters in a container for the item. The value

of the item determines the number of quarters to bid. Once all bids are placed the auctioneer will begin pulling numbers, similar to pulling bingo numbers, and if your paddle number is called you win the item.

All items, mostly garden themed, were donated by club members and had values ranging from \$5 to \$30. This made it exciting as some bids only required one quarter, while other items required up to five. Almost everyone went home having won something, but the big winner was the event itself and the fun that was had by all.

Now that the group is knowledgeable and comfortable with the concept there's already talk of making this an annual event. The money raised from this event will be donated to a local charity or organization yet to be determined.



I am wishing a Happy Springtime to one and all. It sure seems we had a long wait this year for winter to really be over. THIS is my favorite season. I love the sense of renewal, the fresh colors and the fragrances that follow a spring shower. You ready for outdoor activities? I am!

Wednesdays in the Garden, a series of free gardening related programs are in full swing at the

Agriculture and Family Education Center here in Cortland. The one hour long programs take place outdoors, starting at 6 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or not, and enjoy a variety of gardening programs. On May 30, the subject is "Planning and Planting a Vegetable Garden," on June 13 the presentation is about "Creative Containers" and the June 27 the topic is native plants. The address is 520 W. Main St. in the garden.

Trillium grandiflorum is the official Ohio wildflower. The large white trillium, also known as the "Great White Trillium" blooms April to May. This spring bloomer is an understory plant found in mature deciduous forests. This

plant has three broad leaves and three showy white petals that turn pink with age. Photosynthesis occurs in the three leaves, if the flower is picked, the leaves are often taken also and the plant can die. White trillium are long lived, to 25 years, and it can take more than three years before the flowers are ready to bloom. An interesting fact is that ants are one of the ways the seeds of white trillium are spread.

Native Americans cooked the roots and used them medicinally. White tail deer graze on them and consider white trillium a delicacy. Ohio's state wildflower is found in all 88 counties. You might recognize it by the name Wake-robin.

The Master Gardener plant sale is Saturday, May 19 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you get a chance come visit us, we like to talk plants, and you might find that ONE perennial, herb, annual or vegetable plant you have been searching for forever.

Happy Gardening!
Kathleen Ferris is a Trumbull County Ohio State Extension Master Gardener and a Cortland resident.

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Upcoming Master Gardener's programs

Every other week this summer the Master Gardeners of Trumbull County are offering programs concerning gardening. All programs are free and are held at the Agriculture and Family Education Center at 520 W. Main St., Cortland at 6 p.m. The program on May 30 covers the planning and planting of a vegetable garden. This will be followed on June 13 with creative containers.

All programs are free and it is suggested that you bring a lawn chair. For more information please call 330-638-6783.

Dog benefit on May 19

Who doesn't love a basket raffle? Even better is one that helps the forgotten dogs of the backyard. Legacy Dog Rescue and Never Muzzled are holding a huge basket raffle on Saturday, May 19 at The Federal, 110 W. Federal St., Youngstown. The event will be from noon to 6 p.m. One hundred great baskets and/or gift cards will be raffled, with the winners drawn at 6 p.m. The winners need not be present. Come out and have a great lunch/dinner and a drink with friends working together to help the forgotten dogs of the Valley. Fifteen percent of all food sales will be donated back. For more information, contact Jenn at 330-719-5569.

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Recital showcases talent of young violinist

By Sally Lane



Musical talent, passion, support and opportunity came together for Brendan McEvoy very early in his life. His senior violin recital performance at the Cortland Opera House was spellbinding as the audience felt the love he has for music through his gifted presentation. The 70 audience members realized that we were listening to an 18-year-old master.

The setting was perfect in the beautiful 175 year-old building. The 155 year old historic square grand piano, once owned by an outstanding Cortland pianist, Bessie Marvin, sounded glorious under the talented hands of Laurie Jones, who accompanied Brendan as he played concertos by Nardini, Vivaldi and Bach. Brendan and Abigail McLaughlin performed an inspired "No.6 Allegro ben marcato," a Duet for Two Violins, Op. 20, by Giovanni Viotti. The final composition that Brendan performed was Meditation from "Thais" by Massenet. It ends on a very high note that fades to a pianissimo. There was not a sound, not a cough, not a chair scrape for several seconds until the audience erupted into wild applause for this talented young man.

The son of Ann Cavalier and Liam McEvoy, Brendan, at age five, began taking violin lessons from Mrs. Virginia Cooke, a member of the Warren Chamber Orchestra, Youngstown Symphony and a lifelong violinist. After she passed away in 2011, Brendan continued his education at Music 101 with Sandi Quotson and Rachel Spak until moving under Abigail McLaughlin's tutelage in 2015.

On May 17, Brendan was graduated from Mathews High School, where he was the Student Body president,

treasurer of the National Honor Society, captain of both the Prep Bowl and Robotics teams, co-president of Art Club, president of the Games Club and honorary member of the band. He was dual-enrolled at Mathews and YSU in the CCP program.

Brendan has performed for many area churches since the fourth grade, was a member of the Youngstown Symphony Symphonette while in seventh and eighth grades and is currently playing with the Youngstown Symphony Youth Orchestra under the baton of Dr. Steven Gage of the Dana School of Music at YSU. Several other honors have been earned during his high school years. He received the 2018 Greenville Symphony Scholarship during its April concert.

Brendan will attend the Dana School of Music at Youngstown State University, where he has received the prestigious, full-ride Leslie Cochran Scholarship. He plans to major in music composition and minor in journalism.

Brendan dedicated this recital to his first violin teacher, Mrs. Virginia Cooke. He thanked his accompanist Laurie Jones who is the music director at Baker and Currie Elementary Schools. She has accompanied Brendan for his solo and ensemble event. The duet partner was Abigail McLaughlin, a violinist and teacher in northeast Ohio. She is also a violinist in the Warren Philharmonic Orchestra and the Youngstown Scoring Stage, and one of the founding teachers for the Strings of Joy Youth Program.

Pictured from left are Mrs. Laurie Jones, accompanist; Brendan McEvoy, violinist; Abigail McLaughlin, violinist for duet.

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The Lake to River Chapter American Red Cross and the Warren City Schools is offering its summer Learn-to Swim Program at the Warren G. Harding High School pool. The cost per student per 8-class session is \$35. Early registration is \$20.

- Registration is open to ALL. Children need not attend Warren schools.

- Registration forms are available and may be downloaded from the Warren City School's website at <http://www.warrenschools.k12.oh.us>. Call 330-392-2551 if more information is needed.

- The lessons offered are for children 3 years of age through 13 years of age. A new class is also being offered for adult and teen beginners.

- ALL class registration is through the Warren City Schools. Register at the high school bookroom 9-11 a.m. and

1-2:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.

- Registration fee for participants is \$35 per student per session (cash or money order). Paid registration is requested prior to first day of class.

- Limited scholarships are available.

Upcoming Sessions:

June 15-Aug. 3, Fridays—early registration on or by June 1

June 11-June 21, Mondays through Thursdays—early registration on or by June 1

June 25-July 5, Mondays through Thursdays—early registration on or by June 15

July 9-July 19, Monday through Thursdays—early registration on or by June 29

July 23-Aug. 2, Mondays through Thursdays—early registration on or by July 13

Bristol Public Library's summer reading program

The Bristol Public Library's summer reading program begins June 1 and continues through July 13. "Reading Rocks" is this year's theme for children ages 1 through 12th grade.

Toddler Time and Story Time, for ages 1 to 5, will be offered three times this summer. Space is limited on program days but attendance isn't necessary to participate in the program for the summer.

Grades K-12 participants will earn prize drawing tickets by reading and attending library programs. Four library programs are offered and bonus prize drawing tickets will be

awarded for attending.

The weekly prize drawing is being held again this summer. Earn one weekly prize drawing ticket each time you visit the library Monday through Friday (one ticket per person, per day). This year's prizes include admission to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, a Fender acoustic guitar bundle and other musical and reading fun packages.

Registration is required for all programs. For more information or to register, please contact the Bristol Public Library's Circulation Desk at 330-889-3651.

'Discovering Paradise' at Bristol Library

"Discovering Paradise," presented by Larry Richardson, will be held at the Bristol Public Library on Wednesday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m. Richardson will present a slide show of his latest expedition to Panama, "Birding in Panama." "Birding in Panama" is a

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Registration is required due to limited space and can be done by contacting the circulation desk at 330-889-3651.

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March for Meals brings community together



Over 70 members of the Warren G. Harding football team, family of Edward C. Taylor and many other caring Trumbull County citizens gathered in the early morning of March 24 to participate in the Edward C. Taylor Memorial March for Meals. Approximately 200 walkers participated.

Trumbull Mobile Meals was

founded in 1970 by the women of the Trumbull County Medical Society Alliance and is exclusive to Trumbull County. Over 230 registered dietitian approved meals are delivered daily to area residents. Those meals are prepared fresh, daily, in the local kitchen of Trumbull Mobile Meals utilizing local suppliers for ingredients.

Car show to benefit Ronald McDonald House

The Unique Treasures Charity Car Show fund raiser will be held on May 19 for the Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Trumbull County Fairgrounds. Admission is free.

Car registration is \$5 and begins at 9 a.m. The entrance is through Gate A. There will also be vendors, a 50/50 raffle, a Chinese auction and entertainment by DJ John F. Ropper.

Trumbull County Republican Women's Club

Trumbull County Republican Women's Club thanks the community for its support of the club's spring card party. A basket raffle and 50/50 raffle were part of the afternoon's fun with live rosemary plants given to the high winner

at each table. The Republican Women's Club meets on the first Thursday of each month at various locations in Trumbull County. Membership information can be obtained by contacting Barbara Rosier-Tryon at 330-550-1215.

Crafters and vendors need for Holiday Fair 5 ways to get your home ready for summer

The Women of Worship at Cortland Christian Church are looking for crafters and vendors to participate in the Holiday Fair on Nov. 24 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. It will be held in the Fellowship Hall, which is large and convenient for

everyone. There will be a bake sale and a soup and sandwich lunch will be available.

Please call Joyce at 330-240-6621 to save a table and get a registration form or for more information.

(StatePoint) Summertime means backyard barbecues, home decorating updates and more. Want to make all of this happen affordably?

The discount experts at Dollar General are offering some essential shopping tips to save time and money while finding the items you need to live it up in style this season and beyond.

Refresh Your Home

Refresh home décor on a budget any time of the year. Explore your creative side as you pick out new curtains, throws, pillows, wall art and more. To avoid getting overwhelmed, you may want to start out by updating spaces one at a time, rather than giving your whole home a complete overhaul all at once. Shop at a discount retailer to find the perfect decorating solution for your style and budget, in an easy and convenient way.

Get Party-Ready

The items needed to pull off a successful shindig can quickly add up, whether you're hosting the party or planning to attend one. To be the hostess with the mostest, select thematic items that color coordinate, or find seasonal options to complement your party essentials, like balloons, plates, party favors, disposable table cloths, napkins, silverware and more. A discount retailer such as Dollar General can serve as an affordable one-stop shop for finding all of these items and is also a good destination for those in need of gift items for birthday celebrations or other special occasions. Find gift cards, candles, toys and cards for recipients of all ages.

Stock up on Seasonal Décor

Make this season's holidays, barbecues and celebrations unforgettable by decorating your home or work station with fun and inexpensive seasonal décor. Throw the perfect patriotic celebration with red, white and blue, or celebrate the summer with a wide selection of colorful backyard adornments.

Everyday Essentials

Instead of buying everyday items as-needed at an expensive shop, save both time and money by stocking up on these supplies at a discount retail store. At home, be organized and have a handle on where you store items, so you can grab them as you need them.

Save More

From your favorite snacks to cleaning products and more, private brands are a great option when looking to save on quality products. You can also save even further with digital coupons that provide customers with an easy-to-use platform. Seek out stores that offer perks, like Dollar General. To sign up for deals and discounts, visit dollargeneral.com/coupons or access coupons on the mobile app. Shoppers can load coupons to their account and redeem them at checkout during their next visit.

Whether you're looking to update your home décor for summer or you're searching for affordable party supplies for an upcoming barbecue or gathering, free up some space in your budget and your schedule by one-stop shopping at a discount retailer.

'Day Away' bus trip

The First Congregational Church in Wayne is sponsoring a "Day Away" bus trip to the Warther Museum, featuring trains and its gardens; shopping in Sugarcreek; the David Warther Museum featuring ships and a carving tour; plus dinner on Thursday, June 28.

The cost is \$99 per person with the balance to be paid by May 28. Check should be made payable to The First Congregational Church of Wayne (TFCCOW), c/o Logan Coleman, P.O. Box 114, Williamsfield, OH. Call for more information 330-397-9189.

Dinner to benefit mission trip

The 19th annual Kentucky Mountain Dinner will be held on Saturday, May 19 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Cortland United Methodist Church, 155 N. High St., Cortland. The menu includes sweet potato casserole, honey baked ham, Kentucky corn bread, green beans,

bean soup, creamed chicken on a homemade biscuit, cobbler or Derby pie and a beverage. The cost is \$9 for adults, \$5 for children ages 3-5 and free for children under 3. The proceeds will be used for a mission trip to Red Bird Mission, Beverly, Ky.

Southington UMC holding chicken dinner

The Southington United Methodist Church, state Routes 305 and 534, will be holding a chicken dinner, on Wednesday, June 6, from 3:30 to 6 p.m. The menu includes: one fourth of a chicken, scalloped potatoes, green beans,

applesauce, coleslaw, homemade desserts and beverage. Price is adults \$9, children (ages 4-10)/chicken tenders dinner, \$4.50, and children 3 and under, free. Carry outs available. Call 330-898-2156.

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Computer security presentation at Cortland Rotary



Bryan Higgins (left) recently told members about the threat security breaches pose to both personal and office computer systems that are either not protected or are under protected. The threats, Higgins said, include ransom ware and data theft. Higgins is vice president of Team Office Technologies in Austintown. Club member Jenny Palmer introduced Higgins.



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56th annual Rose Luncheon

Warren Women’s Club announced plans for its 56th Rose Luncheon to be held on Wednesday, June 6. The annual luncheon will be at DeLucia’s Banquet Center located at 2610 Elm Road in Warren. Doors will open at 11:15 a.m., with a sit down lunch being served at noon. The luncheon will again feature over 60 baskets, door prizes and a big ticket prize. On the big ticket, a lottery tree will be feature number one followed by an Insta-Pot coupled with a \$100 gift certificate to Giant Eagle. A Panera Bread certificate for one year is slotted into the third spot with a restaurant board containing gift certificates totaling \$160. For the nature lovers in the crowd there is a Fairy Garden to be won by the fifth pull of the ticket drawing.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$25 per person and can be purchased from ticket chairman, Terri Crabbs at 330-637-3845, President Sandy Mahaffey at 330-518-6927 or Peggy Boyd at 330-856-5398.

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Homefront’s efforts to provide homes to veterans across the country.”

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Four innovative ways to boost the impact of your charitable giving

If philanthropy is part of your financial strategy, you may want to think outside of the box and look for methods of giving that go beyond traditional monetary donations. Recent changes in the tax landscape may also be a reason to take another look at how you give financially. The following are four increasingly popular strategies that can work for you:

1. Gift highly appreciated stocks or other assets

If you hold stocks or other investments for more than one year that have gained value, you may consider liquidating the asset to make a charitable donation. Doing so may result in a taxable long-term capital gain. One potentially more efficient way to maximize the value of your donation is to give appreciated stock directly to a charity. The charity would receive an asset it can continue to hold or immediately sell and you would not count the gift as taxable income. Additionally, the market value of the stock at the time the gift is made is would generally deductible from your adjusted gross income if you itemize your deductions (subject to income-based limitations). Check to ensure the charity accepts this type of donation before exploring it as a financial strategy.

2. Establish a charitable trust

Another way to consider gifting assets is to set up a charitable trust. Trusts can help you manage highly appreciated assets in a more tax-efficient manner while, in some cases, allowing you to split assets among charitable and non-charitable beneficiaries. The timing of each gift and the flexibility you want dictates the type of trust that works best. With a Charitable Lead Trust, a charity is funded with income from assets placed in the trust for a specified time period. After that time, the remaining assets revert to other named beneficiaries, such as your heirs. In a Charitable Remainder Trust, the reverse occurs. The trust makes regular income payments back to you or another beneficiary. After a period of time specified in the trust, the remaining assets are directed to the named charities. These trusts have specific rules and are generally established through a professional. An alternative option is to choose a donor-advised fund, which allows you to make a large donation that may be immediately deductible from taxes, but gives you the flexibility to recommend gifts to charities spread out over a period of years.

3. Maximize donations through your employer

Workplace giving campaigns are becoming increasingly popular. Your employer may offer the convenience of making contributions through payroll deductions, allowing you to give systematically with each paycheck. In addition, your employer may match a certain donation amount, which can add to the impact your gift makes. If you have access to these or other workplace giving programs, check to see if the charities you care about are eligible to receive this type of donation.

4. Make a charitable individual retirement account (IRA) donation

If you have reached age 70-1/2, you are required to take distributions from your traditional IRA each year. If you don't need the money to meet your essential and lifestyle expenses, you may prefer to avoid the resulting tax bill. An alternative is to take advantage of the Qualified Charitable Distribution rule. It allows you to transfer funds directly from your IRA to a qualified charitable organization. This is a tax-efficient way to shift up to \$100,000 out of an IRA each year. By doing so, you may avoid having to claim income (and subsequent tax liability) since you would not receive the required distribution. If you have not yet reached age 70-1/2, you may want to consider this strategy as part of your retirement plan.

As you consider these and other gifting strategies, consult with your financial advisor and tax advisor. These professionals can help you evaluate the choices to ensure the gifts you make are most effective for your goals and consistent with your overall financial plan.

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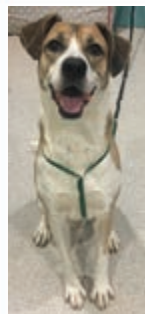
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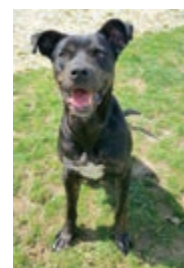
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Addie may be a big dog, but that doesn't mean she's still not a softie! She is a 7-year-old, black/brindle/white Pit/lab mix. She was adopted before, but then returned due to her owner becoming sick. She is strong, but very well trained. She can be frightened of storms, but just wants some love and comforting. She is a happy girl and loves being loved! She had heartworm in 2015 but was treated and cured. Addie is recently graduated from the CCP training program. The CCP Program is a nine-week basic obedience program held at Trumbull Correctional Institute. Addie will also be housebroken and crate trained. Her adoption fee is \$200 and includes her spay, vaccinations, heartworm testing, microchip with registration and more.



Shelter hours are Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. Adoptions close at 5:30 p.m. The shelter is closed on Sundays and Mondays. AWL shelter is located at 812 Youngstown Kingsville Road SE in Vienna, across the street from Avalon at Squaw Creek. For more information call 330-539-5300 or visit www.awlrescueme.com.

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Get an early tax 'refund' by adjusting your withholding

By Jennifer Slywczak, CPA

Each year, millions of taxpayers claim an income tax refund. To be sure, receiving a payment from the IRS for a few thousand dollars can be a pleasant influx of cash. But it means you were essentially giving the government an interest-free loan for close to a year, which isn't the best use of your money.

Fortunately, there's a way to begin collecting your 2018 refund now: You can review the amounts you're having withheld and/or what estimated tax payments you're making, and adjust them to keep more money in your pocket during the year.

Choosing to adjust

It's particularly important to check your withholding and/or estimated tax payments if:

- You received an especially large 2017 refund,
- You've gotten married or divorced or added a dependent,
- You've bought a home,
- You've started or lost a job, or
- Your investment income has changed significantly.

Even if you haven't encountered any major life changes during the past year, changes in the tax law may affect withholding levels, making it worthwhile to double-check your withholding or estimated tax payments.

Making a change

You can modify your withholding at any time during the year, or even more than once within a year. To do so, you simply submit a new Form W-4 to your employer. Changes typically will go into effect several weeks after the new Form W-4 is submitted. For estimated tax payments, you can make adjustments each time quarterly payments are due.

While reducing withholdings or estimated tax payments will, indeed, put more money in your pocket now, you also need to be careful that you don't reduce them too much. If you don't pay enough tax throughout the year on a timely basis, you could end up owing interest and penalties when you file your return, even if you pay your outstanding tax liability by the April 2019 deadline.

Getting help

One timely reason to consider adjusting your withholding is the passage of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act late last year. In fact, the IRS had to revise its withholding tables to account for the increase to the standard deduction, suspension of personal exemptions, and changes in tax rates and brackets. If you'd like help determining what your withholding or estimated tax payments should be for the rest of the year, please contact us.

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SCOPE Senior Centers offer transportation and lunch

Free transportation to the six SCOPE operated Senior Centers in Trumbull County is available to seniors over 60 years of age.

"This countywide transportation service is a partnership with Trumbull Transit as SCOPE pays for the rider's share of the cost. This service has become vital especially to those seniors who wish to take advantage of the nutritional senior lunch program. For any donation, seniors can eat a well-balanced good-tasting lunch each day" stated Mike Wilson, director of SCOPE Senior Services.

To order the free transportation, call the local Senior Center you wish to travel to three days in advance of your trip. The centers and their phone numbers are: Champion at TCTC, 330-847-0503, ext. 1638; Cortland, at the former post office, 330-637-3010; Howland, next to the administration building at 330-609-7806; Lordstown Center, the back door of the elementary school, 330-824-2173; Niles Center, across the street from the fire station at 330-544-3676; and Warren, located in the YWCA building on N. Park, 330-

399-8846.

In a related story, the Trumbull County Commissioners recently approved the Niles Senior Center to begin serving the nutritional lunch program starting in June. This makes four of the SCOPE operated Senior Centers as host locations of the senior lunch program along with Cortland, Lordstown and Warren. The nutritional senior lunch program is coordinated by the Trumbull County Office of Elderly Affairs with a grant through the Area Agency on Aging District 11. The cost per senior is only a donation, if the senior can afford it. Those under 60 can pay a \$5 fee to eat these lunches at the SCOPE Centers. Those wishing to eat must make a reservation by calling 330-675-2486 at least two business days in advance of the day(s) you wish to eat. You may also tell the food site manager at the centers to make a reservation.

Call any of the SCOPE Senior Centers for information on free transportation, lunch and other planned fitness classes and social activities, or the SCOPE Senior Citizen Hotline at 330-399-8846.

Visiting the past, present and future Community and retirees bid a fond farewell to old buildings

By Sally Lane with community quotes gathered by Thom Foley



Shared memories filled conversations as retired teachers bid a fond farewell to their old schools while enjoying a luncheon at Lakeview Elementary and dessert at the Lakeview Middle School. The event was hosted by the PTOs and Lakeview Teachers Association at both buildings. "We wanted to thank our retirees for their years of service to Lakeview Local Schools and allow them a chance to say their farewells to the schools they called their work home for so many years," said Lakeview Elementary PTO president Amy Baker-Newton.

Both buildings will be demolished, with the Middle School being the first one to feel the wrecking ball in as soon as two weeks. Driveways need be constructed for the buses, landscaping prepared and access to the new building completed before school opens in the fall. Lakeview Elementary on Bazetta Road will be torn down in October, according to Principal Scott Taylor. That land may make space for more athletic fields; various plans are being discussed.

In the afternoon, after school was out for the day, the community was invited to walk through both buildings. As present and former students of all ages walked through the halls and entered old classrooms, it was truly a trip down "Memory Lane" or like opening a treasure box.

Some people reflected on special teachers in their lives. Hunter Woodley, Class of 2013, aspires to be like her former intervention teacher John Terbovich, while her mom, Kelli Steinbeck (Class of 1992) fondly remembered school plays. Others counted "field days and Mrs. Kindel's composition books" as their favorite memories (Bailey Johnson, Class of 2017).

Lisa Bellin commented, "Everything seems so much smaller now than when I was here." She is looking forward to her son starting kindergarten in the new school this fall.

Councilwoman Kathy Fleischer, Class of 1997, said "I remember my mom taking me here to the playground before I was even in school. This place has so many positive memories for me. This is going to be so good for the community. I have people calling me asking if I know of any homes for sale because they want to move to Cortland. New schools have really positive impacts on a community and housing values. Even though this building (the Middle School) isn't that old it says a lot about our community that we are willing to invest our children's education."

The Middle School was built in 1978, during a major population surge in town, and Bazetta Elementary was built in 1929 (two years after the building of Bazetta school was approved and the one-room school houses were sold). The Bazetta and Cortland schools consolidated in 1956, and Lakeview High School was built, opening in the 1960-61 school year. Cortland Elementary building, which closed in 2009, was a grade one through 12 school on the east side of Mosquito Creek Lake until the high school was built.

The new school will be for pre-kindergarten children through eighth grade. Designed for 21st century learning, it brings together all the latest research to help our children thrive mentally and physically in our ever-evolving world.

While everyone was walking through the old buildings, almost everyone commented that they can hardly wait to see the inside of the new school. They have watched as the building began to take place, growing to tower over the present building. Care was taken to keep part of our local history alive in the new building. According to school board member Donna Zuga, the brick chosen for the outside was closely matched to the brick on the present Bazetta school, and the bell from the Cortland Elementary has been shined up and placed in the main hallway.

In the meantime, the suspense is mounting as this school year ends and the opening day is about three months away. Fourth-grader Preston Polakoff said, "I am looking forward to the roof top garden, the big staircase. I think it will be easier to learn."

First grader Jaxon Albu expressed his enthusiasm, "I want to be a scientist, so I am happy there will be a science room. I am not going to miss the old building - it is too hot!"

Perhaps the Lakeview Elementary PTO president said it best to the group of retirees, "Every end is a new beginning.... We are so excited for our new beginning coming this fall. But we are very proud of our past and these wonderful people that have helped shape our school district to what it is today!"

Several Lakeview retirees, who spent from 25 to almost 40 years teaching, visited the two buildings that are closing at the end of this school year.

They are pictured: front row seated, from left: Julie Reeher, Danita Davis, Kirsten Burkey, Eva Flaviani, Eileen Hazel, Carolyn Urchek, Margie Cline, DeeDee Cox. Second row: Mary Lou Bristol, Natalie Raymond, Marcia Clute, Karen Johnson, Judy Fatobene, Sally Lane, Cindy Dominic, Donna Miller. Top row: Anne Herman, Mary Antil, Larry Sherer, Burke Ensign, Tom Rodgers, Joe Guido, Kay Moore, Judy Cross, Donna Lewin, William Imke.

Cortland Playroom children celebrate Mother's Day

The children at the Cortland Playroom celebrated Mother's Day by have a "Mother's Day Tea" for their moms. They made a special flower pot and planted a flower in it, a heart key ring that mom can carry with her every day, picture holders and a centerpiece with "hand" made flowers. Each class had all types of different snacks, but the best one was the children decorated two heart cookies—one for mom and one for themselves! Besides the snacks, each class read a special book just for moms and sang songs for them as well. Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers!



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Sunflower seeds planted by kindergarteners

Bazetta Elementary kindergartners all became gardeners recently and it's hard to say who enjoyed the day more - the students or the adults. Several members of Cortland Four Seasons Garden Club returned to the elementary school again this year to help students in kindergarten learn about gardening and plant sunflowers. Jennifer Nelson first read a story about seeds and how to plant them, then each child was given materials to create their own planting. The students couldn't wait to get started and really followed directions well. Each student was given an individual cup to plant their sunflower seeds and then later took home to water and watch grow. The sunflower seeds were generously donated by the Love Life Foundation and all other materials were donated by Four Seasons Garden Club.



Nancy Ford, foreground and Debbie Monolakis help several students scoop soil into their cups.



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Lakeview Class of 1967 honors classmate with donation to Veterans Memorial



The Cortland Veterans Memorial Committee recently received a \$1,000 donation from the Lakeview Class of 1967. At their recent class reunion, the classmates made individual contributions to honor PFC Andrew Sinchak, U.S. Army, who was killed in Vietnam. The contributions totaled \$1,000, and when the memorial is constructed this summer it will include a large engraved paver with the Lakeview High School emblem and the honoree name.

Frank Daugherty and Bob Woofter thanked the Class of 1967 for selecting the Veterans Memorial project as the means for permanently honoring

their classmate. With this donation, Daugherty noted the total in donations, paver orders and pledges is now over \$140,000 from businesses, individuals, service clubs, veteran's organizations and other community groups. He mentioned that the committee is working to raise the remaining \$16,000 during May, and build the memorial this summer.

Pictured are from left: Larry Sanfrey, classmate; Patty Smith, classmate; Robert Woofter, committee member; Ike Issacson, classmate; Frank Daugherty, committee member; and Mayor Jim Woofter, a 1967 classmate.

Simply Slavic Festival in June

The Simply Slavic Festival has grown! This year the celebration starts on Friday, June 15 with "Party on the Plaza"--Slavic-style on Federal Plaza East in Youngstown, from 7 to 10 p.m. featuring the outrageously fun Chardon Polka Band and Slavic food trucks and a Slavic bee garden. Admission is free.

On Saturday, June 16 the big

event runs from noon to midnight in downtown Youngstown. Highlights include live music, folk dance performances, homemade food, children's activities, a Slavic storytelling booth and a bonfire after dark. There is free parking at Covelli Center. Admission is \$4. Children 12 years old and younger will be admitted free of charge. For more information call 330-508-9874.

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Lakeview honors scholars



On Friday, May 11, Lakeview High School held its 27th Annual Scholarship Brunch at Candlelite Knolls in Bazetta. Guests included Superintendent Robert Wilson, Board of Education members, faculty, parents and scholarship presenters.

Jonathon Ramey, senior class counselor, reported that the Class of 2018 received a four-year grand total of \$1,470,286 in renewable college scholarships. In addition, over \$50,300 in locally-funded scholarships were awarded to our graduating seniors by local clubs, organizations and community members. These totals do not include grants based on financial need nor any scholarships which students were offered but rejected.

Lakeview High School wishes to thank the following individuals, organization and business for continuing to support our students. With their assistance, Lakeview graduates will continue to succeed in their educational and career goals and bring pride to the Lakeview Local School District and our community.

CLASS OF 2017 LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

- American Legion Post \$540 Scholarship
 - American Red Cross Scholarship
 - Bowers Insurance Group Scholarship
 - Bulldogs to Buckeyes Scholarship
 - Carol Callahan Snodgrass Memorial Scholarship
 - Coca-Cola Honors Scholarship
 - Cody Betts Memorial Scholarship
 - CR Electric Scholarship
 - Jaime L. Scott Memorial Scholarship
 - Lakeview Band Boosters Scholarship
 - Lakeview Board of Education Scholarship
 - Lakeview Bulldog Boosters Pat Berry Memorial Scholarship
 - Lakeview Bulldog Alumni Association Scholarship
 - Lakeview Little Bulldogs Scholarship
 - Lakeview Teachers' Association Scholarship
 - Lions Club Scholarship
 - Lt. Col. Philip and Robert Stockton Memorial Scholarships
 - Matt Spencer Memorial Scholarship
 - Optimist Club Scholarship
 - Rotary Club Scholarship
 - Strimbu Memorial Fund Scholarship
 - Suellen Golubic Memorial Scholarship
 - Tami Harter Memorial Scholarship
 - William J. Roush Memorial Scholarship
- If you or your organization is interested in offering a Lakeview Local Scholarship, please contact the Lakeview High School Guidance Office at 330-638-5874.

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29th Annual Strimbu Memorial Bar-b-Que draws sell-out crowd

Lakeview student receives \$2,000 scholarship

The 29th Annual Strimbu Bar-B-Que drew a sell-out crowd of 1,600 on Wednesday, May 2 at the Yankee Lake Ballroom in Brookfield as part of a fund raising effort for the Strimbu Memorial Fund. First National Bank was the major sponsor of the event.

Since its inception in 1990, the Strimbu Memorial Fund has provided \$3.3 million in support of academic scholarships, local economic development, individuals in need and numerous charitable organizations. At this year's BBQ, it awarded \$34,000 in scholarships to local high school students. Ninety-nine percent of the proceeds of the Strimbu BBQ go to these scholarships and grants.

"The Strimbu Memorial Fund was created to perpetuate the work of the late Nick Strimbu Jr., who had a passion for leading individuals and economic development agencies in order to attract, assist and retain the industrial base of the valley," said Board President Jim Grasso. "In addition, when the Strimbu Memorial Fund awards scholarships to area students, we are investing in the life of a person—and that is worth millions."

The BBQ, catered by Jeffrey Chrystal Catering, featured an endless buffet reminiscent of a full-scale Texas bar-b-que. This year's entertainment featured country-rock star Chris Higbee. His extraordinary fiddle playing became widely known and he was asked to play fiddle alongside music icon Charlie Daniels.

The event also featured both silent and live auctions, with many unique items such as a Sea-Doo Spark 3-Up, a Lake Erie fishing trip, a John Deere TS 2018 Gator, a Roxor by Mahindra, travel packages, a John Deere 2540M Zero Turn Mower, golf packages and more.

This year, the fund awarded twelve \$2,000 and one \$10,000 college scholarships to local high school seniors planning to further their education. Leadership and self-reliance are the two most important criteria that are required to receive one of these scholarships. The requirements were established to mirror the example that Nick Strimbu Jr. demonstrated during his lifetime. The fund's philosophy is simple: one of the most substantial ways to enhance our community's future is to help educate the young people who will be the leaders of tomorrow.

Those receiving scholarships and the sponsors that provided the funding are:

- **Badger High School** – Jennifer Greskovich Scholarship sponsored by Custom Coating & Miller Livestock
- **Brookfield High School** – Nicholas Varga Scholarship sponsored by Kirila Family Fund
- **Farrell High School** – Amira McLean Sponsored by AIM National Lease
- **Greenville High School** – Lisbeth Toy Scholarship sponsored by Chubb & HDH Group
- **Hickory High School** – James Gulla Scholarship sponsored by Matune/Basile Advisors
- **Hubbard High School** – Zachary Resatar Scholarship sponsored by Truck World, Inc.
- **Kennedy Catholic High School** – Sonny Mancino Scholarship sponsored by National Interstate Insurance
- **Lakeview (OH) High School** – Alana Hovance Scholarship sponsored by The Whetstone Family & Toyota of Warren
- **Mathews High School** – Kira Bowman Scholarship sponsored by Governor Insurance
- **Reynolds High School** – Kaisa Morgan Scholarship sponsored by Reynolds Services, Inc.
- **Sharon High School** – Madeleine Songer Scholarship sponsored by Flynn's Tires
- **Sharpsville High School** – Ryan Whalen The Grandy Family in Memory of Gary "Gus" Grandy
- **West Middlesex High School** – Rachel DeStefano Scholarship sponsored by Primary Health Charitable Foundation

The overall \$10,000 scholarship winner was Jennifer Greskovich from Badger High School. The scholarship was provided by Steel Dynamics.

The 30th Annual Strimbu Memorial Fund BBQ is scheduled for Wednesday, May 1, 2019.



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open at 10 a.m. and the show runs until 5 p.m. each day. Admission is \$1. There will be food, a Chinese Auction, 50/50 raffle and a DJ, along with other booths. The cars will have awards for Saturday and Sunday along with door prizes. Car registration is \$10 for a day or \$15 for both days. Preregister your cars by emailing rsullinger@gmail.com.

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