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HAPPY Valentine's DAY

The heart wants what it wants – on Valentine's Day

(NewsUSA) - With the wrapping paper and bows barely put away, stores across the country

are already prepping for the next major event – Valentine's Day.

Whether loathed by the lonely hearted or embraced by hopeful romantics, Feb. 14 can elicit everything from anxiety to optimism. And why not? It is the one day a year that expectations are high, and hope is in the air.

Unfortunately, men can be poor planners when it comes to this special day, and trying to please one half of a couple without breaking the bank can also be a struggle. Which is why, say experts, the most romantic day of the year tends to be anything but.

"The majority of men act like robots, purchasing flowers and chocolate for their sweethearts because that's what everyone else is doing," says Michael Webb, a relationship author. "Many people celebrate the day out of obligation rather than celebration."

But it doesn't have to be that way. Check out the following ideas to help jog the most uncreative mind to new heights:

- Consider the alternatives. Dinner reservations on Valentine's Day (which happens to be on a Friday this year) require (sometimes) planning months ahead of time. If you haven't already done so, a breakfast or brunch instead can be just as lovely. Besides being more inexpensive than dinner, it also allows for a full day of Valentine's activities (planning still required).

- Attend to the little things. It's been said that the devil is in the details, and never is this more true than on the most romantic day of the year. So, whether you're fine dining or having an intimate dinner for two at home, candles, soft music and incense can create a memorable ambiance not to be soon forgotten on this day of dates.

- Make a romantic gesture. Romance doesn't have to break the bank. A few special truffles to be enjoyed with a bottle of wine are far more inexpensive (and appreciated) than a large box of chocolates. Or rejuvenate your

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 Monday, Mar. 2, 7 p.m.

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 Monday, Feb. 10, 5 p.m.

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www.cityofcortland.org under City
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 Second Monday of each month
 Monday, Feb. 10, 7 p.m.
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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, Feb. 11, 5 p.m. - A 60 minute caucus with department heads preceding.

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Our Next Issue February 29, 2020

Our theme will be Women's History Month - Women in Business

Article Deadline by Feb. 14 • Display Advertising Deadline is Feb. 19

Email articles to editor@cortlandnews.net

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Community Events Event Calendar February 8 – February 29

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.

Cortland Branch Library events. *See pg. 18*

Bristol Public Library events. *See pg. 18*

Johnston Senior Center offers hot meals Monday through Friday at noon.

Lakeview Elementary kindergarten registration, various dates. *See pg. 6*

"Mustang vs. Camaro – Battle for Supremacy" exhibit, through April 15, 2020, National Packard Museum, 1899 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren.

20th Annual Vintage Motorcycle Exhibit, "Two Wheels at the County Fair" through May 16, National Packard Museum, 1899 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren. *See pg. 16*

Warren SCOPE Senior Center Help Heal Veterans art creativity classes, Tuesdays, 12:30-2:30 p.m., Warren Senior Citizen Center at YWCA, 375 North Park Ave., Warren.

The Upton Association's Women's Suffrage series of talks, first Wednesday of March and April, 10 a.m., the Upton House, 380 Mahoning Ave., Warren. *See pg. 18*

Youngstown Nighthawks Soccer League, Cortland League schedule, visit www.facebook.com/ytownnighthawks

FEBRUARY

- 8 Charity pancake breakfast hosted by Cortland Masonic Lodge to benefit TNR, 9 a.m.-noon, Cortland Masonic Lodge, 3263 Everett-Hull Road (E. Main Street).
- 10 Cortland SCOPE meeting with guest speaker Judge James A. Fredericka, Probate Judge, 11:30 a.m., Cortland Christian Church, 153 Grove Drive, Cortland. *See pg. 13*
- 11 Trumbull County Genealogical Society meeting, 10:15 a.m., Conference Room A, Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, 444 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren. *See pg. 9*
- 12 Trumbull County Master Gardeners In the Garden Series, "Common Gardening Mistakes," 6 p.m., Agriculture and Family Education Center, 520 W. Main St., Cortland, free. *See pg. 14*
- 15 Ohio Boating Education Course, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Army Corps of Engineers Office (Mosquito Lake), 2961 Warren Meadville Road, Cortland, free, pre-registration needed, 330-298-9196.
- 16 USA Dance Cha-Cha lessons, 5 p.m., Orthodox Center, 1025 N. Belle Vista Ave., Youngstown. *See pg. 8*
- 17 President's Day
- 17 City of Cortland offices closed.
- 17 All branches of the Warren-Trumbull County Public Library closed in observance of the President's Day holiday.
- 20 OSU Master Gardeners Want to Learn More Series, "Climate Change & Gardening in Northeast Ohio," 1-2 p.m., Agriculture and Family Education Center, 520 W. Main St., Cortland, \$10. CEUs available to Master Gardeners. *See pg. 14*
- 20 Trumbull County Travel Club meeting, 1-2:30 p.m., Howland SCOPE Senior Center, Howland. *See pg. 14*
- 21 St. John Orthodox Church fish fry dinner, 4-7 p.m., 2220 Reeves Road NE, Warren. *See pg. 9*
- 28,29 March 1 Lakeview High School Drama Department's winter production, "Shakespeare Scenes," Feb. 28 and 29 at 7:30 p.m. and March 1 at 3 p.m., Ridel Auditorium. *See pg. 7*



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Business News & Notes

By Thom Foley

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Centerra has Nature's Blend bird seed on sale. Join the Frequent Buyers Club – buy 10 get one free!

Girt's Cortland Music 101 offers instrument rentals for all ages. Thinking about learning how to play an instrument? They are the best around.

If you hire a small contractor for some home improvements should you be concerned if one of his employees gets hurt on your property? Check out **Greenwood Insurance's** ad for the answer.

Auntie V's Pizzeria has heart shaped individual pizzas for your sweetheart for Valentine's Day. Give them what they REALLY want ... PIZZA!

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Dr. Lynn Johnson, Cortland Pediatrics tells us that is more important now than ever to have your child immunized. Be smart and protect your children.

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Matilda is a professional love bug that enjoys being with her people. She would love to find a home where she could relax and soak up the adoration of her humans when she is not too busy exploring or playing with her favorite toys. Matilda and her four kittens were brought to the Animal Welfare League in August after being found outside. All four of her kittens have found their forever homes, but Matilda is still patiently waiting to find her person. For more information on Matilda or any of her feline friends, contact the Animal Welfare League.

Shelter hours are Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. Adoptions end 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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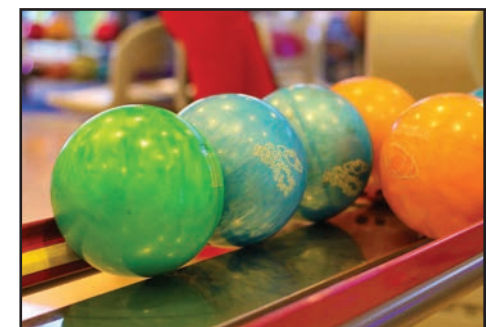
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Cortland Lanes to host tournaments in March

Cortland Lanes has been chosen to host the Trumbull County Team event Tournament in March and the Trumbull County Senior Final Tournament in March. Each event lasts two weekends on Saturdays and Sundays. Over 250 bowlers and their families are expected to attend each event. This is a Warren Bowling Association sanctioned event. Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded.



Dignan named president of CERMR

By Jean A. Corliss

James Dignan has been named president of the Center for Environmentally Responsible Materials Recycling (CERMR). CERMR, a 501(c)(3) corporation, is dedicated to providing scientific and economical technology solutions to the crisis in recycling of plastics and other wastes. CERMR will work in collaboration with Youngstown State University (YSU) to accomplish its objectives. Headquartered in Washington, D.C., CERMR also has offices in Youngstown, where the planned R&D facility will be built.



Dignan will assume responsibility for managing CERMR activities and collaboration with Ohio state and local governments, YSU, corporations and other organizations to advance its strategic objectives. CERMR is working with public and private entities to fund the construction of the R&D facility that is dedicated to the environmentally responsible recyclability of end-of-life hydrocarbon materials that include waste plastics, electronic scrap, tires, medical and municipal waste. The non-incineration CERMR licensed technology converts waste materials into a clean renewable syngas and hydrogen that can be used for commercial purposes. To that end, CERMR will conduct R&D to advance the re-purposing of the waste byproducts for commercial recycling which include rare earth elements, steel, copper, gold and silver.

CERMR collaboration with YSU includes R&D, educational and workplace skills development for students and their preparation of entry into the workplace associated with end-of-life material recycling science and technology.

"We are very excited to have James become a member of our management team. He brings a depth of experience, leadership and relationships having worked with both the public and private sectors," said CERMR Chief Executive Officer Paul Cicio. "It is no accident that CERMR plans to build its R&D facility in Youngstown. Ohio is home to the largest plastic industry cluster in America and is recognized as a leader in the industry worldwide. Finding environmentally responsible technology solutions is essential to the economic well-being of Ohio and its workforce."

Dignan was most recently CEO and vice CFO for the Youngstown-Warren Regional Chamber of Commerce. Prior to this he was Deputy Director, Global

Force Management and Mobilization in the Office of the Secretary of Defense at the Pentagon. He served with the U. S. Air Force as a Colonel with nearly 30 years in positions around the globe, including an assignment as the commander of the 910th Airlift Wing at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station in Vienna Twp.

"I am excited to join CERMR to help develop an economical yet environmentally responsible materials recycling solution right here in the Mahoning Valley. CERMR's proposed partnership with YSU will help establish the university and our region as a global technology leader in materials recycling processes and in key research and development efforts with vast potential."

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HIRAM COLLEGE

Cortland residents named to Hiram College Dean's List

Hiram College is pleased to announce the following Cortland students as members of the Dean's List for the fall 2019 semester: Megan Bockelman, Olivia Detweiler, Alexis Polcawich and Thomas Rink.

Dean's List recognition is awarded each semester to students who, during the semester, complete 12 or more hours of graded coursework at Hiram College with a semester grade point average of 3.6 or better.

Lakeview Elementary has begun kindergarten registration. The district enrollment process (including kindergarten registration) is now done electronically and online. Your child must be 5 by Aug. 1, 2020 to enroll.

If you currently have a student enrolled in Lakeview Schools, please log in to your OneView account and simply select "Enroll New Student." If you do not have a child enrolled at Lakeview, follow these steps: To start your registration from home, use a PC (phones will not complete all tasks) that is connected to the internet. You will start by going to the website, www.lakeviewlocal.org. From there:

- Click on Forms and Link
- Click on Electronic Registration (under the Enrollment heading)
- Be sure to complete all three forms that are required

On the following dates the school district will provide access to a computer to register a child if you do not have access to a PC connected to the internet to complete the enrollment forms elsewhere. All parents/guardians should plan to bring their required documentation on Tuesday, March 10 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; or Wednesday, April 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Regardless of where you complete your enrollment forms, you must bring in the required documentation outlined below on one of the dates above.

The following items are REQUIRED to process your child's registration:

- Proof of residency - Two forms are required (mortgage statement, lease contract, pay stub, utility bill, etc. - must list your residential address).
- Birth certificate
- Social Security card

- Immunization record
- Custody documentation with court seal and judge's signature (if not living with both parents) or a statement from an attorney documenting process of a divorce.

- Parent/Guardian photo identification

The legal custodial parent/guardian must enroll the student. Incoming students do not need to attend the above dates. Screening information, which students will attend, is listed below.

If you do not have all of the above documentation submitted on one of the above dates, your registration will not be processed. Screening will be held at LES the week of May 26-29.

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"Velocity features five distinct activity areas that will remind you of skate parks, half-pipes and mountain climbs as they demonstrate trajectory, velocity and momentum of moving objects," said Colleen Ruby, director of operations at OH WOW!.

Throughout the exhibit, kids and accompanying adults experiment with designing their own freestyle ramps, checking out three unique launching machines and using data visualization software to compare results of multiple test runs.

"We are lucky enough to have this exhibit for the up and coming field trip season. It will be a great addition to our permanent exhibits in preparation for students of up and coming state testing. Any group interested in visiting while Velocity is in house should contact our front desk for more information," Ruby said.



Members of Cincinnati's Shakespeare Band to perform with Lakeview Drama Dept.'s 'Shakespeare Scenes'

By Marty Young

The Lakeview High School Drama Department will present its winter production, "Shakespeare Scenes," Feb. 28 and 29 at 7:30 p.m. and March 1 at 3 p.m. in Ridel Auditorium. The production will present scenes from the Bard's "Julius Caesar," "Romeo and Juliet" and "Much Ado About Nothing" in the most authentic Shakespeare text available with period costumes provided by Ward's costume of Niles and Akron Design and Costume. Enhancing the performance with period music are two members of Cincinnati's

Shakespeare Band, Tina Gutierrez (lute) and Jackie Stevens (soprano). They will perform the necessary songs and dances in the scenes and period music between plays.

The scenes will be presented in the round on the auditorium stage, similar to Shakespeare's "The Globe" theatre. All seats are \$5 and reserved. Advance tickets may be purchased at Daybreak Music, Main Street, Cortland until the afternoon of Feb. 28. If not sold out, remaining tickets will be sold at the door.

If you are a Shakespeare buff, we are sure you will enjoy the authentically presented scenes. If Shakespeare is new to you, or maybe you thought it just wasn't your thing - give it a try. Each scene will be set with narrators (Tristen Salyard, AJ Harper, Arika Roach and Stephen Gorman) to make them much easier to understand.

The show will begin with scenes from "Julius Caesar" with Griffin Becker as Julius Caesar, AJ Harper as Brutus, Jacob Batchelor as Marc Antony and Anna Rider as Calpurnia. Other cast members are Cameron Edie, Audrey Parrish, Aylah Purdum, Ella Powers and Ella Moss. Stage manager is Grace Mazur. Although considered a tragedy, "Julius Caesar" is also a history, based on written histories of the time. The audience will participate in the famous forum scene.

"Romeo and Juliet" (Mitchel Meadors-Matheson and Molly Stein) will also include Maggie Bork (Nurse), Griffin Becker (Friar) and Noah Mooney (Paris). Party attendees are Lili Ramos,

Julianna Gomez, Arika Roach, Jessie Roach and Avery Jones. Stage manager is Cameron Edie. William Shakespeare took existing stories to craft this tragedy, probably his best known work, of the ill-fated romance between a Capulet and a Montague.

The comedies are represented in "Much Ado About Nothing." Laughs abound with mistaken identities, deception and match-making. The story follows Beatrice and Benedick (Emily Reebel and Stephen Gorman), an avowed bachelor and "bachelorette," and how their friends plot to fix them up. Alongside this story, nothing is easy for Hero (Jessica Roach) and Claudio (Noah Mooney). The scenes also include Prince Don Pedro (Cameron Edie), Governor Leonato (Jacob Batchelor), Antonio (Mitchel Meadors-Matheson), Margaret (Reagen Lew), Ursula (Aylah Purdum), Friar (Griffin Becker) and Messenger (Lili Ramos). Stage manager is Audrey Parrish.

Backstage crew is minimal for this production, but includes Kobe Lam on lights, Josh Reighard as properties manager, prop assistants/stage hands Ella Powers and Ella Moss, Kaileen Stevens on make-up and Danielle Turner, Karryn Lamp, Katie Dean and Madison Cluckey on costumes.

Both "Romeo and Juliet" and "Much Ado About Nothing" include period dances choreographed by Ashley Olejnik. Set pieces were donated by photographers Gino Katakis and Jim Williams. Ken Young, auditorium



Molly Stein (Juliet) and Maggie Bork (Nurse)



Anna Rider (Calpurnia) and Griffin Becker (Julius Caesar)

manager and husband of the director, Marty Young, built Juliet's balcony. The Lakeview Drama Department thanks you for your continued support. We look forward to your attendance at "The Bard's Best." Remember- tickets are now on sale at Daybreak Music!

Lakeview Grad earns doctorate

By Sally Lane

As interests and talent turned into hopes, dreams and goals, Trevor Wilson's educational journey has led him from Lakeview High School in his hometown to Fulbright Scholar in Moscow, Russia. Recently he earned

philosophers) were unable to be read in the Soviet Union due to censorship, but in the 1990s onward (including now) they have become very popular." Before he spent the year in Moscow researching for his PhD, Wilson earned a master's degree from University of Pittsburgh and did research in Russia and Germany for several summers.

Wilson credits his high school French language teacher, Mrs. Kimberly Hartley, for introducing him to studying foreign languages. "I found that I picked up languages easily," he said. Then, between his freshman and sophomore

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his Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Pittsburgh and is standing on the threshold of endless possibilities.

The subject of his doctorate was the Russian community which left Russia after the 1917 October Revolution and relocated in France and Germany. "My work was on how these figures were brought back into Russia after the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991. Before that, many of these authors (many of them political or religious

Pirate Day at the Cortland Playroom

The Cortland Playroom started its January fun month with Pirates Day. The teachers and children dressed as pirates with hats, eye patches and sashes. They also made crafts and some had fun "walking the plank." The parents helped by providing snacks that added to the special day. The next fun day will be Western Day.



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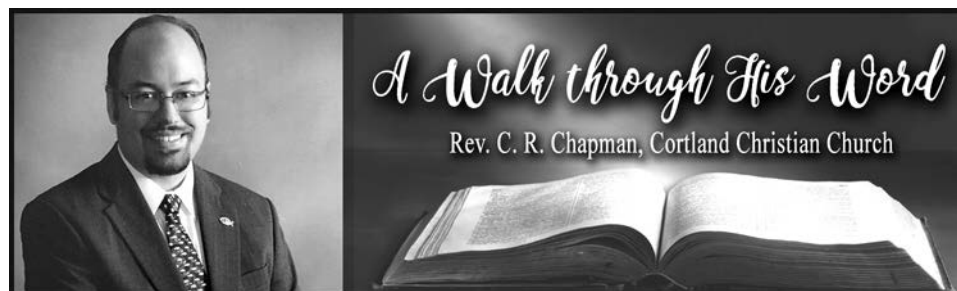
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Remembering True Love

"But I have *this* against you, that you have left your first love," (Revelation 2:4 NAS95).

I have seen many marriages drift further and further apart. So much so, that the marriage is no longer based upon love but becomes that of toleration. Over my pastorate I have been asked to lift many different couples in prayer that their marriage would be saved.

While our 2020 culture sees marriage as something that is disposable, it is far from it. Marriage is a holy institution that should be taken with the utmost seriousness. The ending of a marriage should be the exception not the norm. What is it that causes husband and wife to drift apart? For simplicity's sake, it is forgetting their first love. The couples that fight, the couples that merely tolerate each other often no longer love one another as they did when they first met. At some point in time they have stopped dating. They have stopped being romantic. They have stopped having a special night each week to dance, dine, and be intimate. Such time is important to continue to know one another, for as humans we change each year based on our life experiences. Knowing someone is a life-long process. Indeed, many couples in distress have forgotten their first love and this can lead to other marital issues too.

If this is you, then I encourage you to remember those things that caused you to fall in love with your spouse. Bring back a weekly date night. Go out together and dine and converse. Experience life together that you will have a common bond to grow upon and build for if you do not then you are relying on decades old experiences that have been used as much as they can be.

Imagine sewing a dress with only two or three seams. It would fall apart. Each seam represents those common experiences. Return to dating and loving. Return to your first love.

Christians, too, need to remember their first love. He is Christ. He is the One who gave His life for us and gave us a promise through His resurrection of eternal life. "Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends," (John 15:13 NAS95). God gave the greatest love that He could to you. He took upon flesh and gave up His life upon a cross for your sins, so that you could spend eternity in paradise with Him, the Creator of all.

Christians do not be astray long, but remember why we pray, remember why we read the Bible, to draw closer to Jesus. Remember why we gather in church to worship, because we love Him for, He first loved us, and He has not forgotten His love for us.

And to the church, remember why you gather weekly. You are not a social club. You are not a list of programs. You are not a bunch of numbers on tithe boxes. You are the body of Christ. You are co-heirs with the Son of God, the Messiah. You are loved and highly valued for you are His bride. The things that take place in your walls are out of love for Him and for all created in His image who do not know Him yet. Go out to them, and when they come let them in to hear about His love for them that they would receive Christ as Savior and become a part of His body, loving Him by repenting and obeying as we are all to do.

Remember your first love.

Cha-Cha lessons featured Feb. 16

USA Dance features Cha-Cha lessons on Sunday, Feb. 16, sponsored by Alexandra Ahren, at the Orthodox Center, 1025 N. Belle Vista Ave., Youngstown.

The evening will feature Cha-Cha basics for beginners at 5 p.m., a Cha-Cha lesson at 5:30 p.m. and open

dancing to Ballroom, Latin, Swing and Hustle from 6:15 to 9 p.m. The cost for USA Dance members is \$5, \$10 for non-members and \$2.50 for students.

For more information on ballroom dancing visit www.usadance2015.com or Facebook at USA-Dance-Chapter-2015-Youngstown-Warren-OH.

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Cortland Christian breakfast back by popular demand

Cortland Christian Church is once again sponsoring a Sausage Gravy and Biscuit Breakfast. The last one left everyone asking when the next one would be, so here is the date and all the information you will need. It is a Southern Comfort Style Breakfast on Saturday, March 14 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. It includes homemade sausage gravy and biscuits, scrambled eggs, cheesy grits, fresh fruit, sweet rolls, hot coffee, tea and juice. Donation is \$9. Call 330-637-4611 for tickets.

Organize your team for CHOW's Quiz Night

It's time to organize your team of 5-8 members for CHOW's "Just for Fun Quiz Night," which will be held Saturday, March 21 in St. Robert parish hall. Put your heads together as a team to answer trivia questions in the following categories: entertainment, mathematics, sports, religion, science, history, current events, literature and pop culture. If you don't have 5-8 people to make a team, come anyway and teams will be formed so all can play.

Contribution is \$10 per person and includes soups, veggies, snacks, soft drinks, coffee and fun, which will be served at 6:30 p.m. The game will begin at 7 p.m. Proceeds will be used to continue CHOW's work delivering clothing, household goods, food and school supplies to Grahn School Community Center in Grahn, Ky. Plan to join us for a fun night of trivia with food, fellowship and laughs. For more information, email chowohio@gmail.com.



Genealogical Society to meet Feb. 11

The monthly meeting of the Trumbull County Genealogical Society will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 10:15 a.m. in Conference Room A, which is located next to the Local History and Genealogy Center of the Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, 444 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren. Tim Seman, Genealogy and

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years at Lakeview he participated in the People to People Ambassador program and traveled to France, Spain and Italy.

LHS Guidance Counselor Jonathan Ramey was responsible for suggesting that Wilson needed to apply to Kent State University's summer program for students interested in international studies when he was a senior in the high school. There were over 400 applicants for the openings and Trevor was the only one selected from Trumbull County. He was ranked in first place for the Russian language section after his summer at Kent.

After graduation from Lakeview in 2008 Wilson began studies at the University of Pittsburgh. As an undergrad at Pittsburgh, he spent a year in France as an exchange student, then summers in Moscow at Moscow State University. Trevor is the son of Tracy Wilson Ciulla of Cortland and Thomas Wilson of Warren. Now, as Trevor T. Wilson, PhD, he looks forward to a professorship at a university or several ways to use his knowledge and expertise here in the United States. Congratulations!

Congratulations

Local History librarian for the Public Library of Youngstown and Mahoning County, will discuss preserving historical records. All meetings are free and open to the public. Visit facebook.com/trumbullcountyohiogenealogy and trumbullgenealogy.com for more information.

St. John holding fish fry dinner

A fish fry dinner will be held at St. John Orthodox Church, 2220 Reeves Road NE in Warren on Feb. 21. Dinner will be served from 4 to 7 p.m. The menu includes baked or fried cod or shrimp, macaroni and cheese, French fries, cole slaw, dessert and drink, all for only \$11. Call ahead for take-out dinners at 330-372-3895.

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Cortland Rotary recognizes Paul Harris Fellows



Twelve club members were recently recognized as Paul Harris Fellows by Rotary International. Pictured from left are Dr. Thomas Montgomery, club president; Robert Burkey, treasurer; Beth Harris, Velina Taylor, Garland Bradshaw, Rick Rose, Don Moore, Bev Hoagland and Gris Hurlbert. Not shown are Jim Noel, Dr. Bipin Patel and

Thomas Shortreed. The award is named for Paul Harris, the Chicago attorney who founded Rotary in 1905. There are now some 35,000 clubs worldwide with some 1.2 million members. In addition to the many services clubs perform in their communities, clubs also support efforts to combat polio, provide clean water, sustainable living and more.



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Junior League activities

Members of the Warren City Federation of Women's Clubs recently collected DVDs, games and snacks for Warren Junior Women's league to deliver to the residents of Boyd's Kinsman House. The home is for adults with special needs and developmental disabilities located in Kinsman since 1971.

In addition, the GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League Public Issues Community Service Program committee donated items for care packages to the USO of Northern Ohio Care Package Office in Warren for its Operation Outreach and Family Care program. The program provides refreshments to service members and their families as they prepare for deployment.



From left are Club President Mary Lou Jarrett, Vice President Becky Bucco and committee member Julianne Kestler.



Retirement and new beginnings

By Sally Lane

It has been only a little over a month since 2020 began and Jim Woofter "retired" from city government. The former mayor plans are "spending more time with the Cortland News, relaxing and enjoying the rest of my life." Good goals. He should have added after a few weeks that "enjoying the rest of my life" will involve starting a new business. "Jim Woofter's Headshot Studio" will open March 1. Photography has always been a huge part of Woofter's life. For many years almost everyone in town had their graduation and wedding pictures taken by Jim. "This business will be a little lower key," he said. "These photos will be head shots only for advertisements, business cards and passports. I won't be doing weddings or graduations." Please see his advertisement in this issue.

Cortland-born and raised, Woofter chose to take an active part in his hometown as a businessman and city leader almost all his adult life. His involvement in every part of city government, including four years as mayor, provided the insight for successful local leadership. However, it was Jim's "artist's eye" in his photography business that saw the possibilities for a more beautiful Cortland. Jim was responsible for obtaining the town clock at Point Park and commissioning the design of the town's logo. He supported the construction of the Veterans Memorial at that same location. He supported and promoted the Cortland Beautification

Association's and other organizations' efforts to beautify the town. Willow Park's tennis, basketball and paddleball courts were created or re-paved - just to name a few projects in which Jim was involved.

However, it is his ownership of The Cortland News that necessitated keeping up with new technology. It inspired him to work on bringing the city into the 21st century technologically during his time as mayor. Communication, billing, meetings and record keeping by the city are all much smoother and convenient.



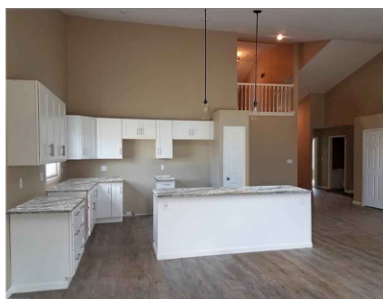
Jim's influence hasn't been completely political or as a businessman. In 1983, he and Roger Harned started the Cortland Community Band. It will celebrate its 37th year in February. The band plays about a dozen concerts during the year in Trumbull and surrounding counties and is becoming a tradition for the annual Christmas in Cortland concert featuring the band and a community choir at Lakeview High School.

When asked what gave him the most satisfaction during his 18 years in city government, Jim answered, "It was the sense of caring about our people and always having an open ear to their problems." He is most satisfied with "uniting the department heads and bringing the city into the 21st century tech-wise."

The new mayor, Deidre Petrosky presented a plaque to thank and honor Jim for his dedication and service to the city. "I admire and respect you and your service to this city, and I thank you for making this transition so easy. My very best wishes to you as you enjoy your new adventure," she said.

The good wishes to Jim are echoed with our hopes and wishes for a long and happy "retirement."

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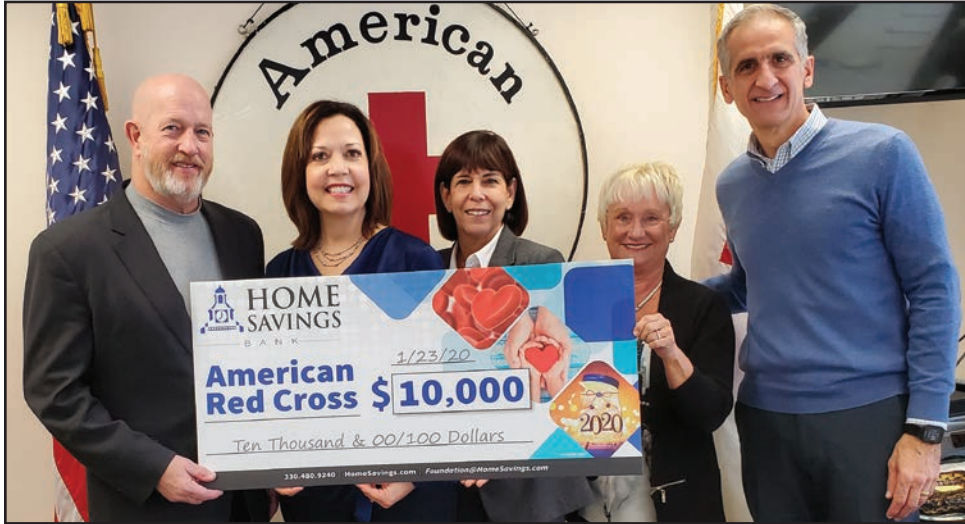
Red Cross receives donation from Home Savings

Home Savings donated a check for \$10,000 to the American Red Cross. The funds will be used for the Heroes Sponsorship level of the 2020 Acts of Courage Event.

"The American Red Cross presents the Acts of Courage event to honor and recognize local individuals who have acted courageously in a time of emergency," explained Karen Conklin, executive director, American Red

Cross, Lake to River Chapter. "With the support of this donation, we are excited to host this year's event on June 10, 2020."

"We are so proud to support the American Red Cross in their efforts to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies," said Trish Gelsomino, Home Savings. "Working together we can truly make a difference!"



Pictured from left are: David Dobstaff, VP, Commercial Relationship manager, Home Savings Bank; Trish Gelsomino, branch manager, Home Savings Main Office; Deborah Grinstein, board chair, American Red Cross, Lake to River Chapter; Karen Conklin, executive director, American Red Cross, Lake to River Chapter; and Lou Joseph, SVP, Real Estate & Facilities.

Team Brielle - LCH Warrior

Cortland residents Rachel and Antonio Butler are the parents of three children. The youngest, 16-month-old Brielle has an extremely rare form of cancer and cell abnormality known as LCH (Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis) where the cancer cells continue to multiply unless they are killed. Brielle was diagnosed at 6 months and began chemo at 7 months. Last month they found out it spread from her head to her neck and underarms. This week she started a new round of much stronger chemo to help combat the disease. This new chemo is primarily used for leukemia so it will make her sick and cause her to lose her hair. It will be five days of chemo shots one week a month for the next year.

As anyone who has gone through an illness knows, they encounter thousands of dollars in hidden expenses in addition to all the usual co-pays and deductibles. Driving to Akron for the special treatments, parking, gas, meals on the go, medical supplies not covered, child sitters for their other children...the list is never ending.

To help offset the costs that this young family must absorb there are three fundraisers. There is a GoFundMe account in Brielle's name "Help for Brielle." There is also a Facebook fundraiser at "Brielle's Journey," and finally they are selling TEAM BRIELLE t-shirts for \$20. Local business Western Reserve Computer Stitch is making the t-shirts. You can order the shirts directly on the FB page or private message Rachel. You may also email her at butlerrachel139@gmail.com.

Brielle is doing all the normal things a 1 year old does including walking. She plays with her two older siblings, Caylynn, 7 and Xavier, 11, who are both students in the Lakeview Schools.

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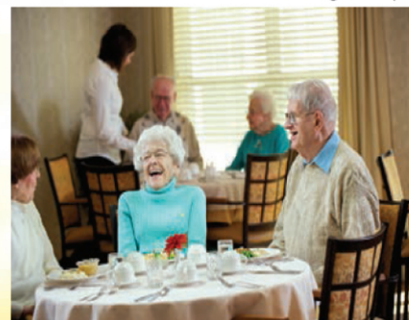
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Interested in Initial Public Offerings (IPOs)? Here's what you should know

Getting in on the "ground floor" is what interests many investors in companies that have just made their stock available to the public. These so-called Initial Public Offerings (IPOs) often draw significant attention, particularly when well-known companies are involved.

IPOs are a way in which firms make their stock available to the public as a way to raise capital. They also allow individuals and entities who invested in the company when it was private to sell shares on the open market. If you are interested in IPOs and want to learn more, here's what you should know.

Investing in an IPO stock

One appeal of IPOs for investors is the ability to own publicly traded stock at the earliest opportunity. Many do so with the assumption that over time, the stock will increase in value, and they wish to take advantage of what may be the lowest price available. But as with most investments, there is no guarantee that a profit will be generated.

Depending on the stock's popularity, it may also be difficult to purchase shares when the stock is first traded. Typically, large institutions and higher-net-worth individual investors will have the best opportunity to participate in the initial offering. Talk to your financial professional if you have interest in a specific IPO to determine if you have the ability to obtain shares at the initial offering price.

Do your homework

Here are three key factors to consider as you assess whether to put money to work in an IPO.

Factor #1 - Prospects for the company

IPOs typically involve younger companies, but in some cases, they are firms with longer track records. Either way, information about such a company may be limited. It is important

to carefully read the prospectus, learn about the quality of the firm's management and assess the marketplace that the company serves. You want a sense of confidence that over time, the company has strong potential for long-term success.

Factor #2 - The fairness of the initial offering price

You want to be confident that the initial public offering share price is fair and offers you reasonable potential of appreciation over time. The initial listing price is likely to quickly fluctuate based on supply and demand for the stock. If you are unable to invest at the initial offering price, you may be purchasing the stock for a higher or lower price, even on the same day of the initial offering.

Factor #3 - Your investment portfolio and time horizon

Anytime you invest in stocks, a generally accepted practice is that you should only buy if you intend to hold the stock for at least five to seven years. This is just as true in the case of an IPO stock. While you may have visions of making a "quick buck" by owning a stock early in its existence, there are no guarantees. Like any stock, newly-issued IPOs have the potential to fluctuate in value. Depending on the timing of your investment, the stock may even drop in price, particularly if the broader stock market happens to experience a notable decline. Patience is important. It's also essential to ensure you evaluate the purchase of an IPO stock in context of your overall portfolio and financial plan.

Be sure to consult with your financial advisor to determine if and how an IPO stock fits within your overall portfolio.

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Fire Prevention & Safety Tips



By David Rea, Fire Chief

Cortland Fire Department

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1. Do front door first. The best place for your house number is near the front door, at or slightly above eye level and lit by a light.

2. Make sure the numbers are large enough to be seen from the street.
3. Consider garage and/or lap post location.
4. Do mailbox numbers correctly.
5. Check visibility.

As you are preparing for spring and outside improvement to your house keep this information in mind, and help us get to you sooner. Visit our Facebook page @ Cortland City Fire Department for more tips and to keep up with department information.



Do you know your tax bracket?

Although the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) generally reduced individual tax rates through 2025, there's no guarantee you'll receive a refund or lower tax bill. Some taxpayers have actually seen their taxes go up because of reductions or eliminations of certain tax breaks. For this reason, it's important to know your bracket.

Some single and head of household filers could be pushed into higher tax brackets more quickly than was the case pre-TCJA. For example, the beginning of the 32% bracket for singles for 2019 is \$160,725, whereas it was \$191,651 for 2017 (though the rate was 33% then). For heads of households, the beginning of this bracket has decreased even more significantly, to \$160,700 for 2019 from \$212,501 for 2017.

Married taxpayers, on the other hand, won't be pushed into some middle

brackets until much higher income levels through 2025. For example, the beginning of the 32% bracket for joint filers for 2019 is \$321,450, whereas it was \$233,351 for 2017. (Again, the rate was 33% then.)

As before the TCJA, the tax brackets are adjusted annually for inflation. Because there are so many variables under the law, it's hard to say exactly how a specific taxpayer's bracket might change from year to year. Contact us for help assessing what your tax rate likely will be for 2020 – and for help filing your 2019 tax return.

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TCAP Winter Crisis Program accepting applications

Trumbull Community Action Program (TCAP), 1230 Palmyra Road SW, Warren, is announcing that utility bill assistance under the Winter Crisis Program is available through Tuesday, March 31.

The program helps income eligible households avoid utility disconnection; restore disconnected service; establish new service; purchase fuel oil, propane, coal and wood.

Walk-ins are available on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings only. TCAP will see 25 people first come, first serve. The doors will be open at 7 a.m. Appointments will be in the afternoon.

Monday and Friday will be all appointments. The doors will be open at 7 a.m.

Appointments can be scheduled by calling 1-866-747-1041 or online at capappointments.com. Callers must wait to receive a confirmation number to secure the appointment.

Applicants that cannot apply at the TCAP Warren office can apply at one of five satellite sites by appointment only from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Contact the following:

- Tuesdays: Niles Community Center – 330-393-2507, ext. 259
- Tuesdays: Tod's Crossing- 330-393-2507, ext. 260
- Wednesdays: Newton Falls Methodist Church – 330-393-2507, ext. 232
- Wednesdays: Buckeye Apartments- 330-393-2507, ext. 227
- Thursday: City of Hubbard Municipal Building –330-393-2507, ext. 229

Seasonal and self-employment must provide 12 months income.

Judge Fredericka to address SCOPE

Cortland SCOPE will meet on Monday, Feb. 10 at the Cortland Christian Church, 153 Grove Drive in Cortland at 11:30 a.m. Following lunch, Judge James A. Fredericka, Probate Judge, will speak about Probate Court services and the Guardian Angels program.

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By Christine Dorma, Administrative Assistant

Happy New Year and I hope all your holidays were merry. Now we get to settle down, take it easy, get our lives back to normal and that can include assessing our gardens. This is the perfect time to re-think last year's garden design and plants. Landscaping, container plantings, shrubs and trees can also be included, along with your hardscape. While outdoors looking around, pay attention to upheaved plants that need to be tamped down with the toe of your shoe. Gardening magazines along with plant and seed catalogs are great sources for ideas and inspiration.

A visit to a favorite greenhouse is a great way to enjoy a splash of color in the middle of winter. Visit the Cleveland Botanical Garden, Holden Arboretum, Stan Hywet Hall and Gardens, the Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Garden along with Fellows Riverside Garden. Check their calendars for lists of events, classes and shows. Take advantage of these opportunities to take a walk in a green space instead of sitting inside on a dark and dreary winter day.

Closer to home, the Ohio State Trumbull County Master Gardeners continue to offer educational and entertaining programs through-out the year. Wednesdays in the Classroom and Wednesdays in the Garden are free one hour evening programs presented

by the master gardeners. Wednesdays in the Classroom are held monthly during winter. The Feb. 12 program is "Common Gardening Mistakes." March's program is "Hostas" and April's will be about "Growing Blueberries, Raspberries, etc." These programs start at 6 p.m. and are inside the Extension building.

Other classes are also offered to the general gardening public, but these also provide continuing education credits to all OSU master gardeners. "Climate Change and Gardening" is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 20 starting at 1 p.m. in the classroom. There is a \$10 charge for all attending. In March the program will be about "Native Plants" starting at 10 a.m. This is a two hour program with a \$20 fee. For more information about Extension and master gardener activities call 330-638-6783.

For what it's worth, here is my first gardening advice for the new year. Gardening is a process (I read that somewhere and it has stayed with me). So try things. Read books, visit other gardens, but do not go blank or freeze up when you look at your own space. Sure, there will be failures, but you'll live and so will the garden. Play, experiment and have fun with your plants. After all, it's a hobby!

Happy Valentine's Day and Happy Gardening!

Cortland Welcome Bags

For many years, the city of Cortland has personally delivered "Cortland Welcome Bags" to new residents moving into city. These bags include a welcome letter from the mayor, a list of important phone numbers, a map of the city, as well as many small donations from local businesses and organizations such as pens/pencils, magnets, notepads, coupons and flyers. This is a wonderful way to advertise your business!

If you would like to participate, we need a supply of 100 items. We ask for the items to be dropped off at the Cortland Administration Building no later than Tuesday, March 10. If you have any questions, please feel free to call 330-638-0142 or email clerkofcouncil@cityofcortland.org.

Snow and Roads

The city makes every effort to keep our roads safe during winter storms. Parking bans are only issued during snow emergencies and will be communicated through our website, special edition of the e-news, and notification of local news media. Even if a parking ban has not been issued, residents can help our plow drivers and keep the roads safer by not parking on the street until the snow has been removed. Please refrain from shoveling snow from driveways into the roadways.

Discoloration of Water

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E-News

The city issues a weekly e-news with news items and calendar events happening in our community as well as agendas for City Council and Planning & Zoning Commission meetings. This is also one of the means of communication used to send out public notices such as parking bans or boil alerts. You can subscribe at our website www.cityofcortland.org or by sending an email to admin@cityofcortland.org. Have a Happy Valentine's Day!

Dates to Remember

- Feb. 10 - Parks Board - 5:30 p.m.
- Feb. 10 - Planning & Zoning Meeting - 7 p.m.
- Feb. 18 - City Council Meeting - 7 p.m.
- March 2 - City Council Meeting - 7 p.m.
- * City Hall will be closed Monday, Feb. 17 in observance of President's Day.
- * Trash services will run as normally scheduled.



Travel Club meeting scheduled

The Trumbull County Travel Club will host its first meeting of the 2020 year on Thursday, Feb. 20. Membership and potential members will gather at the Howland SCOPE Senior Center in Howland from 1 to 2:30 p.m. There is no cost or fees to attend or belong to the Travel Club. The club is open to any person wanting to travel, with friends or to meet new friends. The club travels mainly by motor coach but does travel by train, cruises and air.

The meeting on Feb. 20 will include handouts for day trips for the spring and summer. There will be an update on the New Orleans, Baton Rouge, La., eight-day vacation. This trip for warmer spring temperatures is from April 14-21. There are 10 seats still available for the trip to experience the sounds, food and culture of Louisiana. Stops will be made going and coming home around Nashville, Tenn. Printed information will be available for the October trip to the Hudson Valley, four day, three night mini-vacation.

If you cannot make this meeting, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to the club's secretary. For the address call Peggy at 330-856-5398.

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Ohio Dept. of Aging announces grants to increase access to healthy, local produce for older Ohioans

The Ohio Dept. of Aging (ODA) is awarding 11 grants totaling \$440,000 to Ohio's area agencies on aging to build or expand partnerships increasing access to nutritious food for low-income older Ohioans. The local Direction Home of Eastern Ohio's Nutrition in Your Neighborhood Program received \$40,000.

Governor Mike DeWine held a meeting in Canfield with his agency cabinet directors. As part of the day's planned activities throughout the Mahoning Valley, ODA Director Ursel McElroy announced the statewide grant awards for farmers' market projects at the Girard Multi-Generational Center in Trumbull County.

McElroy presented a \$40,000 check to Direction Home of Eastern Ohio's Nutrition in Your Neighborhood program for its "Producing Healthy Seniors" project. The program will operate in Trumbull and Ashtabula counties and will provide fresh produce via mobile markets at local senior centers and congregate nutrition sites.

The ODA's Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) provides income-eligible older adults with access to fresh, nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs and honey through farmers' markets and roadside stands. The program, previously available in 45 of Ohio's 88 counties, is in high demand. In 2018, nearly 35,000 older Ohioans redeemed more than 65,000 cash-based coupons to purchase local produce from 440 local farmers. The program is made possible by funding from the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, as well as state and local funds.

"Access to healthy and nutritious food influences life expectancy and health outcomes," McElroy said. "Since 2001, the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program has connected older Ohioans and farmers. We are supporting and expanding healthy eating and being engaged in communities."

"We are grateful to Governor Mike DeWine and Ohio's General Assembly for investing in efforts to enhance proven health and wellness strategies to those older Ohioans who need them the most," McElroy added.

"Producing Healthy Seniors" projects must support at least two sites within their service areas, including making produce available in non-traditional locations such as senior housing communities, local senior centers, and congregate meal sites. In addition, area agencies will partner with local food advocacy networks and established community partners to provide food and additional services and resources, such as on-site nutrition education, cooking demonstrations, and healthy recipes for participants.

Youth Symphonette accepting applications

The Warren Area Youth Symphonette is now accepting applications to join the free enrichment program for young stringed instrument musicians. Families can find out more about the program at Makingourways.org and can find the application to join at <http://makingourways.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/enrollmentapplication.pdf>






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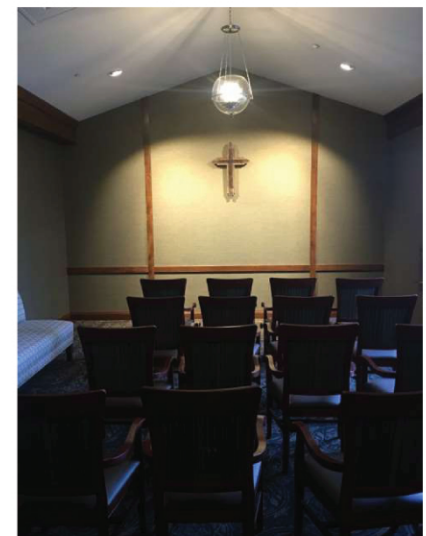
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20th Annual Vintage Motorcycle Exhibit open at Packard Museum

The National Packard Museum's 20th Annual Vintage Motorcycle Exhibit, "Two Wheels at the County Fair" opened Jan. 11 and runs through May 16. "Two Wheels at the County Fair" celebrates the rich history of flat track racing and features 30 different vintage motorcycles that either raced at or were ridden to county fairground racetracks from the early 1900s until 1980. Vintage accessories, gear and riding apparel will be exhibited alongside the bikes.

"Flat track is probably the oldest form of motorcycle racing, and the focus of the exhibit is on the riders, racing teams, and fairground tracks that left an indelible mark on motorcycle history," said Executive Director Mary Ann Porinchak.

The diverse exhibit features some very rare, very early motorcycles including a 1906 Neckarsulm (NSU), 1909 Grey Hound, 1912 Indian Single racer and 1926 Harley Davidson Peashooter, which was the second racer built that production year.

The Post-War era is represented by a 1946 Harley Knucklehead known as the "South East Missile," a 1948 Harley WR Factory Race Bike, and a highly coveted 1951 Vincent Black Shadow.

British and European bikes battled American machines for supremacy from the late 1950s until the early 1970s and this era is represented by a 1966 Harley CR Competition Sprint, 1967 Triumph Bonneville, 1967 and 1970 Bultacco, 1970 Ossa, 1972 Aermacchi 350cc single-cylinder along with other significant machines.

Japanese bikes raced onto the scene in the 1970s and 1980s and the exhibit features bikes from this golden era of professional dirt track racing including a 1984 Honda RS 750.

History of Flat Track Racing

County fairgrounds hosted some of the very first flat track races in the early 1900s. Crowds filled the grandstands to watch daredevils on 2-wheeled machines fly around oval dirt horse

tracks at speeds approaching 100 mph. Early motorcycle races were organized by local or regional clubs and there were no uniform rules until the American Motorcycle Association (AMA) was founded in 1924. AMA "Class A" Pro Flat Track Racing, which debuted in 1932, was essentially an open class, but only major teams, with factory backing and resources could afford to be competitive.

Class A racing declined as manufacturers went bankrupt and sponsorship money dried up during the Depression. To combat the decline, the AMA introduced "Class C" racing series in 1934. Street-legal bikes were permitted to encourage more riders to compete. Class C was a big success and soon became the premier class in dirt track racing.

Racing ceased during WWII. Championships returned in 1945 but did not return to full form for several years. Indian ceased production in 1953, leaving Harley Davidson as the sole remaining American manufacturer. British manufacturers entered the AMA Championship series in the 1950s supporting racers and challenged Harley for track supremacy.

Flat track racing grew in popularity over the next three decades. Regional and independent races were held at least five times a week at club grounds or fairground tracks around Ohio. By 1983 attendance at AMA Grand National Dirt Track races exceeds all other forms of dirt track racing, but the popularity of flat track racing declined in the 1990s with the ascendancy of professional Supercross.

Fortunately, dirt track racing has seen a recent resurgence in popularity and the resurrected Indian Motorcycle brand has dominated recent action. Fairground tracks remain a popular place for flat track races. The Lima Half-Mile Grand National race held annually at the Allen County Fairgrounds in Lima, Ohio is one of the best attended events in the country.

Award Winning Exhibit

Widely recognized as one of the nation's finest motorcycle exhibits, the National Packard Museum's Annual Vintage Motorcycle Exhibit has received numerous awards over the past 20 years. Among these are the Antique Motorcycle Foundation's highest honor, the "Award for Excellence," as well as three consecutive first place awards in the Interpretive Exhibits Category from the National Association of Automobile Museums. The Annual Vintage Motorcycle Exhibit regularly attracts visitors from around the world. Previous exhibits have drawn guests from over 30 states and nine foreign countries.

"The purpose of the National Packard Museum's Annual Vintage Motorcycle Exhibit is to educate our visitors about the important and unique role motorcycles have played within the broader story of transportation history," said Porinchak. "Our annual exhibit also promotes the preservation, restoration and collection of antique and vintage motorcycles, so that audiences young and old may have the opportunity to learn about and appreciate motorcycle history's unique story."

During the exhibit's four month run, the museum will host several motorcycle-themed programs and events, including the Pirate Motorcycle Club's "Movie Night at the Museum." The event begins at 6 p.m. on Feb. 5, and includes two films featuring vintage racing footage and interviews of early board and flat track racers. Admission is \$10 and includes refreshments provided by Motozilli.

"Two Wheels at the County Fair" is sponsored by the Lake Erie Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America, Motozilli, Thom Duma Fine Jewelers, West & Main Bar & Grill, Warren Harley Davidson, Ridin' On Magazine, Little Wing Café, 2 Wheel Power Hour, Pizza Hut, The Vintage Movement and Dynamic Designs, LLC.

The National Packard Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m., and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$5 for seniors (65 and older), \$5 for children (aged 7-12), and children under 7 are free. Cameras and flash photography are welcome. For group rates or more information, please visit our website at <http://www.packardmuseum.org>, visit us on Facebook, or call us at 330-394-1899.



Sweet, luscious snacks for loved ones Valentine's Day eats and treats

(Family Features) Valentine's Day naturally brings thoughts of hearts, flowers, sweetness and love. Because it also occurs during American Heart Month, it's a perfect opportunity to start taking care of your own heart and the hearts of loved ones.

Part of the charm of the day's celebrations is in giving family and friends flavorful foods to enjoy from chocolates and candies to other sugary treats. However, the festivities don't have to be completely focused on unhealthy bites in order to make someone feel special.

This year, it can be easy to share in the fun of Valentine's Day by serving those you love with sweet, seasonal treats. For example, these Frosted Watermelon Cutouts make for ideal snacks for children and adults alike whether it's an after-school treat or a sweet dessert with just three ingredients, heart-shaped cookie cutters and minimal time spent in the kitchen.

The recipe includes the benefits of watermelon, which boasts plenty of vitamin C to boost the immune system's defenses as a cholesterol-free, fat-free and sodium-free food. Plus, watermelon draws its red color from the powerful antioxidant lycopene (12.7 mg per serving), which may help protect cells from damage, and the healthy treat is American Heart Association Heart-Check Certified with just 80 calories per serving, making it the perfect centerpiece for Valentine's Day recipes. Find more Valentine's Day inspiration and recipes at watermelon.org.

Frosted Watermelon Cutouts

- 1 seedless watermelon, cut into 1/2-3/4-inch thick slices
- 4 brownie bites
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Alcohol regulation in Ohio: What is legal?

A free market in alcoholic beverages has never existed in American history. A 1970 U.S. Supreme Court decision noted that, in 1660, "the precursor of modern-day liquor legislation was enacted in England, which allowed commissioners to enter, on demand, brewing houses at all times for inspection. Massachusetts passed a similar law in 1692." Before Prohibition, there was no orderly marketing of alcoholic beverage distribution. When the 21st Amendment ended Prohibition in 1933, all states were authorized to strictly regulate the transportation, importation and use of alcohol within their borders.

Ohio Alcohol Laws

All states have a system of regulations governing the sale of alcoholic beverages. In Ohio, the state government holds a public monopoly and public ownership of a portion of the alcoholic beverage supply chain, namely "spirituous liquor" (all intoxicating liquor over 42 proof or containing 21 percent or more alcohol by volume). All spirituous liquor or "spirit" sales in Ohio occur at private "agencies," or stores that sell liquor. Spirit profits are the funding source for economic development in Ohio through JobsOhio, a private nonprofit corporation.

However, Ohio does not own any aspect of the alcoholic beverage supply chain for beer and wine. The license system for beer and wine is considered a "private" system because the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Liquor Control licenses private vendors to operate wholesale or retail systems of distribution of beer and wine and on-premises consumption of spirituous liquor by the individual drink.

Ohio's most important focus (and the focus of most states) is the "three-tier system" for regulation of beer and wine distribution. This system reflects the three-tiers of manufacturers, wholesale distributors and retailers that exists in all states and outlines the way in which alcoholic beverages must make their way to consumers. This allows the state to prevent undue economic pressures among the entities involved and to regulate the manufacture, distribution and retail sale of alcoholic beverages. The system was designed to prevent the pressures and corruption that resulted from manufacturers owning retail businesses in an earlier era. Beer and wine must pass through all three tiers before reaching the consumer, and the state has the power to regulate all three tiers.

Buying Alcohol Online

Ohio prohibits ordering spirits online. To purchase a bottle of bourbon, for example, you must physically go to an Ohio state agency store. If you are an Ohio resident and are at least 21 years old, Ohio law allows you to bring no more than one liter of spirits into this state for personal use (not for resale). As an Ohio resident, you may order beer and wine over the internet, but only from the winery or brewery that produces the product. Properly-licensed Ohio retailers may deliver beer and wine to persons over 21 years of

age who have placed an order over the internet, by phone or through an app. If you own a winery or brewery outside of Ohio, and want to ship to Ohio customers online, you can lawfully ship beer or wine if you have applied for and received a class "S" permit from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control. That is, assuming you comply with all Ohio laws, including payment of Ohio taxes, quantity limitations and no sales to any person under the age of 21.

Celebrations

Ohio prohibits all alcohol license-holders from giving away any alcohol in connection with a licensed business. For example, when the Cleveland Cavaliers won the NBA Championship, no bar in Ohio could celebrate by saying, "Drinks on the house!" However, if a bar patron says, "A round of drinks on me," the bar is allowed to charge only that patron for each drink served for that round.

Ohioans should also be careful about alcohol at public tailgating events. Ohio law prohibits alcohol consumption in "places of public accommodation." For example, a parking lot is considered a "place of public accommodation" because it is open to any member of the public, so tailgate parties taking place in a parking lot cannot include open containers of alcohol. The same can be said for walking down a sidewalk with an open drink. However, if a previously public area such as a parking lot or a city block is cordoned off and restricted to invited guests only, it becomes a private place. In that case, possession of an open container would be permissible for the private affair.

How an Attorney Can Help

The alcohol distribution system is set up to incentivize citizens to obtain permits while using fines, suspensions and revocations of permits as a disincentive from conduct which is not in accordance with the law. Liquor is a highly regulated industry and it certainly helps to have an attorney to assist in familiarizing yourself with what the law allows and requires.

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Articles appearing in this column are intended to provide broad, general information about the law. This article is not intended to be legal advice. Before applying this information to a specific legal problem, readers are urged to seek advice from a licensed attorney.



Donate blood to save a life

By Jean Bolinger

Every other month the American Red Cross operates a blood drive at Garden Brook on the second Wednesday from noon to 5 p.m. Almost everyone can be a donor and the entire process from registration to refreshments takes about 30-40 minutes. Your blood contains red cells that are used to treat trauma or surgery patients, platelets that help treat cancer patients, organ transplant patients and surgery patients and plasma (the liquid portion) that is used to treat patients with burns and bleeding disorders. So a small segment of your day can be extremely beneficial to several other people.

To donate blood you must be healthy and feel well on the day of your donation, be at least 17 years old, bring a photo ID and weigh at least 110 pounds (additional requirements apply to high school donors). Once you have donated you can give blood every 56 days.

Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood. Less than 10 percent of those who are eligible to donate actually do. Please consider joining the dedicated group of blood donors and visit Garden Brook on March 11. This information was provided by the American Red Cross.



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LIBRARY NEWS

Cortland Branch Library events in February

The following programs take place at the Cortland Branch Library, 578 Lakeview Drive, Cortland. For registration call 330-638-6335. All library events are free and open to the public. No reservations are required unless noted.

#TeenMidweek
Every Wednesday at 3 p.m.
Join us every Wednesday after school for different activities! For teens in grades 7-12. Free.

Family Fun Storytime
Monday at 6 p.m.: Feb. 10, 24
Come as a family to enjoy stories and activities for big kids, little kids, and the young at heart! Fun for families with children ages 3 to 10. Free.

Preschool Storytime
Tuesday at 11 a.m.: Feb. 11, 25
Stories and a craft related to a weekly theme reinforce the development of early literacy skills. For ages 3 to 5. Free.

Babytime
Wednesday at 10 a.m.: Feb. 12, 26
Laugh and learn with your baby! For infants 6 to 18 months old with a parent or caregiver. Short stories, fingerplays, and simple songs. Registration is required. Free.

Toddler Tales
Wednesday at 11 a.m.: Feb. 12, 26
Storytime for toddlers 19 to 35 months old with a parent or caregiver. Registration is required. Free.

Libratory
Friday, Feb. 21 at 1 p.m.
Early afternoon program created with our homeschool community in mind! Activities are designed to promote collaboration, literacy, and critical thinking. For ages 5 to 12. Registration is required. Free.

LEGO Club
Saturday, Feb. 29 drop-in between 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Children ages 5 to 12 can join us for LEGO Club, a monthly program where kids can have fun with other kids creating LEGO masterpieces. The library supplies the LEGO bricks, and finished structures stay at the library. Free.

Book Discussion
Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 6:30 p.m.
Read the book and then join in the discussion! The featured book will be "The Life We Bury" by Allen Eskens.

Sex in the Garden: Pollinators and Flowers
Thursday, Feb. 27 at 10 a.m.

This illustrated presentation will take us on an educational tour of the world of pollinators, including insects, wind, humans, and others! Phyllis Mihalik, owner of PM Consulting and a certified Master Gardener volunteer with the Ohio State University Extension Master Gardener Program, designs landscapes and pollinator and rain gardens that succeed in northeast Ohio's challenging weather and soils. Free.



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Bristol Public Library February News

Story Time Resumes

Children's programming will resume in February at the Bristol Public Library. Story Time, for 3, 4 and 5 year olds, will be held on Fridays at 10 a.m. Sessions will begin on Feb. 21 and will end on March 27. Children will enjoy stories, songs, and games during each session. This is the perfect opportunity for your child to learn to interact and socialize as they make new friends as well as learn to be away from parents or caregivers.

Registration is required, due to limited space, and is underway. Visit the Bristol Public Library for more information and to register or contact the Circulation Desk at 330-889-3651.

Friends of the Library Fundraiser

The Friends of the Bristol Public Library will host a Wood Sign Workshop

on Monday, March 16 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Old Fire House Banquet Hall in Bristolville. The instructors of Brazen Brush, in Boardman, will guide you step-by-step through creating your unique masterpiece. Whether hanging in your own home or giving as a gift, you will leave with a wood piece to be proud of. And best of all, no talent or experience is necessary and all supplies will be provided. The cost is \$30 for a wood photo frame or a small pallet wood sign and \$50 for a large pallet wood sign. There are over 150 designs to choose from. Samples are on display at the library. All participants must be registered and paid for, by credit card, three days prior to the event. Go to www.brazenbrush.com and click on the calendar of events or contact the circulation desk for more information.

Women's suffrage series

The Upton Association is starting the celebration of the passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and the beginning of Women's Suffrage with a series of talks on the first Wednesday of March and April. A program was also held in early February. Each program will start with light refreshments at 9:30 a.m. followed by the program at 10 a.m. The March presentation will be by Carole Starr-Kmiecik, a living history interpreter who will portray

Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross. Her talk ties into the Upton House because Harriet Taylor Upton founded the local chapter of the Red Cross. The April program will be given by Elizabeth Cole Clark and will review the history of the suffrage movement. The programs are free and open to the public. The Upton House is at 380 Mahoning Ave. in downtown Warren. For more information visit www.uptonhouse.org.

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