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Lakeview senior celebrations

By Sally Lane

Life is full of milestones to celebrate. From a child's first step to that confident walk across the stage to receive a high school diploma, a student's life has been celebrated and

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POSTAL CUSTOMER ECRWSS CORTLAND, OHIO 44410 supported by parents, teachers and the community. The predictable senior year of school includes many treasured "lasts" – sports events, concerts, assemblies, classes, school dances, the prom and memorable times with friends and classmates ... until this year.

In February 2020, the "predictable" school year fell apart with seniors caught in the middle. Spring sports, prom, college plans – even gatherings of friends – all up in the air. However, for reasons that were completely unpredictable, this senior year may be the most memorable in all the last 58 years of Lakeview High School. The first class graduated from the newly built Lakeview High School in 1962.

As the possibility of no in-building classes for the rest of the school year became a reality, our schools jumped into action. Lakeview students from Grade 4 to seniors already had computers, and most of the younger students also had access to computers at home, but what was a leisurely movement to partial

supplementary online classes turned into a rush to connect all students. The future of education became NOW!

We should applaud the creativity and caring of ALL the Lakeview district teachers and administration for their hours and hours of work to make the transition to online learning for their students. They have worked to make sure that each student feels their care. The creative ways the teachers have used the internet has profoundly moved education into the future and allowed our children to move forward in the school system.

That brings us to the Class of 2020. As it became obvious that there was not going to be the usual graduation ceremony {all "circumstance" with no "pomp"} our high school Superintendent Velina Jo Taylor, Principal Larry Herrholtz, Assistant Principal Mike DeToro, Athletic Director Ron DeJulio AND many members of the community worked very hard to make memories for this class.

Signs identifying seniors were given to the students for their yards thanks to parents who suggested them, and thanks to Printer's Edge for printing them.

Senior spring athletes whose season was ended before it began were honored in a virtual program at the stadium. (details were in the May 2 issue of the "Cortland News"). A "sunset" photo of seniors in their cars in front of the high school brought the class together while keeping "social distance" – a difficult task – was held May 8.

Thanks to the entire Cortland/Bazetta community the annual "Senior Parade" was an even better event. Along with the usual parade around town, a drive through Ohio Living Lake Vista was added so that our seniors could be congratulated with waves and cheers from their seniors. See story on page 6.

The Class of 2020 will have plenty of memories. They will have

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First and Third Monday of each month Monday, June 1, 7 p.m.
Monday, June 15, 7 p.m.

CORTLAND CITY COUNCIL

Read the minutes from Cortland City Council meetings at www.cityofcortland.org under City Council Minutes.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Second Monday of each month Monday, June 8, 5:30 p.m.

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Second Monday of each month Monday, June 8, 7 p.m.

Meetings and agenda of Council and Planning meetings area available at www.cityofcortland.org

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, June 9, 7 p.m. - A 60 minute caucus with department heads preceding.

Meetings held via ZOOM. Visit www.bazettatwp.org

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 8, 6 p.m.,

through video conferencing.

Area Service Clubs

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Please contact the Cor	tland News if yo	u would like your organization listed here.

Our Next Issue June 13, 2020

Our theme will be Summer Vacation

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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.

Death notices and obituaries will be printed in the Cortland News at the request of the family. Arrangement should be made to have information for death notices and obituaries sent directly to the Cortland News from the funeral home. Space restraints may require some editing. Publication dates for the Cortland News may prohibit an obituary from appearing prior to a funeral or memorial service.

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Community Events Event Calendar May 23 - June 13

The Cortland News is offering an abbreviated calendar due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We are hoping a full calendar of events will resume shortly.

Cortland City/Bazetta Township and Lakeview School Board meetings and **schedules.** See pg. 2 and 3

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.

MAY

- 24 City of Cortland Curbside Brush Pickup
- Memorial Day
- **Cortland City Offices Closed**
- 27 City of Cortland Mosquito Spraying, 7 p.m.

10 City of Cortland Mosquito Spraying, 7 p.m.

Business News & Notes

pandemic, The Cortland News wants to keep you informed as to what businesses are doing to protect you while serving you. Once again for this issue of the "Business News & Notes," we asked every business to update us on how they are handling business in light of COVID-19. We recommend that you contact a business by phone or email to see what they are doing before heading there.

Attorney William H. Brooker is meeting clients by appointment only. Call the office for more information. Masks are required.

Brookside Greenhouse is open for business with a large variety of garden plants and flowers. We are recommending a face covering and practicing social distance. Call Annette at 330-727-8683 for more info or check out our Facebook page. Open Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Auntie V's Pizzeria is using ONLY the drive thru window for orders. Delivery is available Wednesday through Saturdays.

Totally Dog - The store is open Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 330-637-2238 for more information. We are constantly spraying surfaces down with Clorox spray and use social distancing. We are still offering curbside pickup, and delivery options are also available. You can find more information on our FB page or by calling and leaving a message. Grooming is also available. Call Kym at 330-637-2239. Also, the doggy day care and Elite K-9 Training is open. Call Karen at 330-883-6904.

Roman Supply (formerly Buckeye Bulk) is offering pick up or delivery. We are making every effort to maintain social distancing and we have hand sanitizer on hand in the office if you need to come in. Feel free to browse all of the different material in the yard or you may pay over phone. Just mark on your property where you want the product left and our truck will dump it there. We take credit cards, checks and cash and are open six days a week.

Action Physical Therapy is here for you. We are still open for those who are in need for therapy and are taking all precautions to ensure your safety and the safety of our staff. All staff and patients are screened at the door. We are asking if they have been exposed to anyone or a high-risk area or if anyone in their home has any upper respiratory or flu like symptoms in their home. All staff and patients are then moved to a triage area where temperatures are taken. All staff and patients must wash hands before treatment begins. Proper hand washing techniques are

As we slowly crawl out of the posted in every location. All equipment is disinfected immediately after use. Please call with any questions or concerns you may have.

Attorney Martin Nosich is meeting clients by appointment only. Call the office for more information.

Gessner & Platt Co., L.P.A. is now open for appointments only. Please call 330-637-3906. Masks appreciated.

Mark Thomas Ford is open for business as usual, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. We have sanitized the building and are all wearing masks to protect you. We request that you wear masks also. We are taking all the required safety requirements. Nothing is more important to us than your safety. If you are interested in buying a vehicle and don't wish to come in, we can bring it to your home with the paperwork. Please call and make arrangements, we will do our best to accommodate you safely. Our service department is also open regular hours. Please call to make an appointment.

M.D. Denna Heating and Cooling is operating normal business hours for heating and cooling repairs. We offer 24 emergency service. Please call the office for more information. Our technicians are wearing masks, gloves and booties when they are in a customer's home. We are doing our best to keep all our customers and employees safe. We wish all the 2020 graduates congratulations and much success in the future. Especially to our son, Brandon Denna, a 2020 Champion graduate.

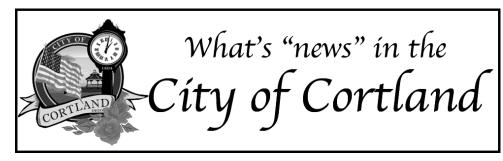
Vasilios's will be opening Tuesday, May 26 at 9 a.m. We will be performing all the necessary steps in open safely. Check our Facebook page for more details. Our whole front counter has a plexi-glass window for your safety. We want to thank the community for their support through this difficult time. We greatly appreciate it. Also, congratulations to ALL the 2020 Graduates. A JOB WELL DONE!

Reese Driveway Services is currently doing estimates for driveway and parking lot sealing and services. The estimate will be left on your front door. We are booking jobs for a later time.

Campbell Carpet has reopened for sales and installations. We have remodeled the interior during this shut down and added many new lines - including expanding our Luxury Vinyl Plank products. We are happy to be back! Congratulations to all 2020 graduates.

Centerra is open for business as usual! We have a large inventory of hanging baskets and a complete inventory of our regular products. We are wearing masks for your safety and would appreciate you doing the same.

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By Christine Dorma, Administrative Assistant

Class of 2020

wish you great success in your future endeavors.

Mosquito Spraying

The schedule is set up for every other Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. to midnight, weather permitting. 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 for the following evening.

May 27 June 10 June 24 July 22 Aug. 5 Aug. 19 Sept. 2 Sept. 16 **Brush Chipping**

The city of Cortland Service Department will conduct branch and limb pick up service along city streets through October. Be sure to have the limbs at the curb the evening before; only one pass per street will be made.

2020 Brush Chipping Schedule: Week of... June 22 July 27 Sept. 28 Aug. 24 Oct. 26

2019 Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report

The city's annual Drinking Water Congratulations! You did it! We Consumer Confidence Report is now available. The Ohio EPA requires the city to make available to all water consumers by July 1 of every year the results of the previous year's testing. The CCR is mailed in the water bills and can also be accessed at our city website. The EPA's schedule of compliance dictates the contaminants and frequency of testing.

The city of Cortland receives its drinking water from seven wells. Four of these wells are located in Willow Park, two wells are located on the property behind City Hall, and the seventh well is off of Bradley Brownlee Road. Our water comes from a limestone aquifer, which is approximately 300 feet deep. The only treatment the city performs is fluoridation and chlorination.

Dates to Remember

May 25 - City administrative offices will be closed in observance of Memorial Day. Republic Services - there will be no disruption of service during this holiday

> June 1 - City Council - 7 p.m. June 8 - Parks Board - 5:30 p.m.

June 8 - Planning & Zoning - 7 p.m. June 15 - City Council - 7 p.m.

*Please watch the city website for changes.

Stay Safe!





Class of 2020 ~ Lakeview High School



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Lakeview High School Class of 2020

By Sally Lane

A virtual graduation ceremony for the Lakeview High School Class of 2020 was held May 17 via YouTube. On June 1 to June 5, Cap and Gown photos will be taken. A time is scheduled between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. for each student to arrive at the high school, walk across the stage in cap and gown, receive their diploma and be photographed one at a time.

There were 153 students in the class. Nine students are valedictorians and one is the salutatorian. Valedictorians are from left top row: Rocco Bruno, Douglas Gurdak, Brandon Frasca, Matthew Balest, Abigail Langmeyer. Bottom row: Sarah Hughes, Edward Rygalski, Emily Reebel, Laura Garvin and salutatorian, Lexi Inman.



Maplewood High School Graduates



Row 1 (Front): Corbin Burggraf, Harlei Scott, Grace Johnson, Brianna Starcher, Bella Kellar, Hannah Letcher, Marissa Reghetti, Josh Meiner. Row 2: Joe Airgood, KayLynn Birkhimer, Abby Ward, Summer Gaylog, Sydney Morris, Zoey Adkins, Emily Kohlmorgan, Madison Miller, Ethan Skinner. Row 3: Austin Turner, Blaine Dahmen, Oreonia Davenport, Colleen McCartney, Hannah Manning, Kala Prox, Maddie Murray,

Alex Hansen. Row 4 (Back): Dominic Martin, Patrick Begley, Shane Swogger, Tim Deraway, Cody Farmer, Ryan Bedlion, Chase Walker, Gabe Gladd, Hunter Omerzo.

Class Motto:

"Chase your dreams but always know the road that will lead you home again." -Tim McGraw

Class Colors: Royal Blue and White / Class Flower: Sunflower Class Song: "Remember You Young" - Thomas Rhett Valedictorian ~ Hunter Omerzo / Salutatorian ~ Summer Gaylog

CLASS OF 2020

Zoey Star Adkins Joseph Lee Airgood Ryan Jeffrey Bedlion Patrick Joseph Begley KayLynn Rae Birkhimer Corbin Tyler Burggraf Kristopher Zander Corrigan Blaine Frederick Dahmen Oreonia Magdalena Davenport Timothy Adam Deraway Cody Asher Farmer Christopher Allen Flowers Dakota Edwin Garrison Summer Lynn Gaylog Gabriel Alexander Gladd Alexander Douglas Hansen Dustyn Jonathon Hembree Joshua Conrad Hudler Grace Elizabeth Johnson Isabella Pearl Kellar Mark Allen Kirch Emily Elizabeth Kohlmorgan Hannah Marie Letcher

Bodhi Weylin Mahan Dominic William Alan Martin Colleen Marie McCartney Joshua James Meiner Christopher Thomas Mezerkor Madison Marie Miller Sydney Athalia Morris Madison Grace Murray Hunter James Omerzo Kala C. Prox Marissa Ann Reghetti Haley Jeanne Roper Andrew James Scott Harlei Reneah Scott Ethan Michael Skinner Brianna Jordyn Starcher Shane Thomas Swogger Austin Dale Turner Miranda Gail Vandergriff Chase MacPherson Walker Abby Rose Ward Eva Marie Wiltrout-Owens

MHS Class Valedictorian & Salutatorian

Hunter Omerzo, Valedictorian

- Senior Class Treasurer / Junior Class Secretary
- NHS member (2 yrs.), Senior Year - Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer
- Member Student Council (3 yrs.)
- On the Academic Quiz Bowl Team (4 yrs.)

AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS

- First Team All-League 2019
- Lettered in Cross Country (4 yrs) Track (2yrs)
- First Team All-NAC (3 yrs) First Team All-County (1 yr)
- Individually Qualified for Regionals Cross County (3 yrs) Individually Qualified for
- Regionals Track (2 yrs) Presidential Scholar Award Dickinson College
- Arconic Foundation Sons and Daughters Scholarship Award



 Red Cross Scholarship His other interests include fishing, exploring, metal detecting, bottle digging and outdoor activities.

Hunter's love of history and treasure hunting has solidified his dream of being an archaeologist. He will attend Dickinson College in the fall majoring in archaeology and running for the Dickinson Cross Country and Track team.

Summer Gaylog, Salutatorian

- Junior and Senior Class Vice President
- NHS member (2 yrs.), Senior Year President
- Band President
- Member Student Council (2 yrs.)
- Member of Future Teachers of America (2 vrs.)
- Member of 4-H showing: poultry, goats, & pigs (12 yrs.)

AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS

- UF Trustee's Scholarship
- Johnston Alumni Scholarship
- Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Award
- Red Cross Scholarship

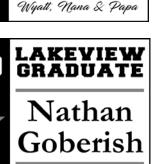


Her other interests camping, fishing, hiking photography.

Summer has been accepted to The University of Findlay (Honors) for Animal Science/Pre-Vet.







Love,



CONGRATS!





Maplewood grad receives **ROTC** scholarship

Patrick Begley, a 2020 graduate of Maplewood High School, is presented his Army ROTC scholarship by Terry Michaels, the Recruiting Operations Officer (ROO), at the University of Akron ROTC Department. Patrick will be attending the University of Akron majoring in Cybersecurity.





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This big, handsome brute is Ralph! He is a good dog with a big heart to match his stature. Ralph loves to run around outside and hang out with his people. He also enjoys a nice treat and will thank you with big sloppy kisses. Ralph arrived at the Animal Welfare League in March after his owners could no longer care for him. In his previous home, Ralph shared space with other dogs, but he seems to thrive better as the only fur-child. If you are interested in adopting Ralph, visit the AWL website at awlrescueme. com to submit an application.

Meet Baby! Baby is an affectionate and snuggly cat that will show you how happy and content she is with her constant purr. She adores attention and is very playful, but also enjoys perching in a window and relaxing in the sun.

Baby found herself at the Animal Welfare League in March when her previous owners could no longer care for her. She previously lived in a home with other cats, and Baby appears to get along great with just about everyone she meets. For more information on Baby or other adoptable animals at the AWL, contact the shelter Tuesdays-Saturdays between noon-6 p.m. for more information at 330-539-5300. Adoptions are by appointment only at this time. AWL shelter is located at 812 Youngstown Kingsville Road SE in Vienna, across the street from Avalon at Squaw Creek.



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business as usual. We have a large inventory of products and parts. The service department is running at full speed so call for an appointment. Our new motto is ADAPT and OVERCOME! We wish everyone continued health and safety! Congratulations to all 2020

Cortland Pediatrics, Dr. Lynn Johnson is seeing well check patients in the morning and ill patients in the afternoon. Please call for an appointment before coming in. We are maintaining our regular hours.

Greenwood Insurance is open regular hours. Our lobby is closed but we do have a payment window in the front. We can service you via phone, email and online. Texting is available. Please be safe. Congratulations to all 2020 graduates

Lakeside Sport Shop is open - the drive thru is best for beer, cigarettes, etc. The lobby is open for bait and other items. The floor is taped 6 feet apart, so please use social distancing. We have hand sanitizer available to use on the counters. We are constantly wiping and sanitizing the store. Please be safe.

Jody Sova Realtor - We are adapting and doing business as safely and efficiently as the guidelines allow. We are utilizing the available technology for your safety and ours. Most paperwork can be done through using the internet. All precautions are taken to see that everyone is safe.

Petrosky Brothers Construction We are taking all the necessary precautions to keep our workers and customers safe during this time. We have installed an automatic sanitizer and deodorizer in all of our vehicles. It immediately disinfects the worker

Cortland Mower is open for and the vehicle. We are allowed to do emergency repairs and maintenance and are working on schools and businesses that are shut down. We are also preparing summer homes for when the snow birds return to Ohio. Your safety is always our first concern.

Jolly Store Crafts, located at 3539 state Route 5, Cortland is currently operating as an online retailer only. We have a large colorful variety of beads and supplies for hours of fun at home. We offer pick up for local customers. Use code "PICKUP" on our website so you won't be charged for shipping. Our goal is to remain operational, so that everyone can shop safely online www.jollystorecrafts.com. Stay encouraged and stay safe!

Music101Ohio.com is proud to share that we will continue to serve our community with three businesses moving forward. Music 101, our headquarters store and teaching facilities (Rt. 305 Fowler-Center location), Girt's Cortland Music 101, located at 197 S. High and our Music101Ohio.com Online Music Lesson Academy, continuing online lessons, rentals and print music options. Once our physical stores reopen we'll continue to follow cold and flu protocols including things like hand sanitizing stations, disinfecting surfaces and studios between students and maintaining other safety protocols.

We are excited to announce that Mosquito Lake Marina is now open. Boat rentals and food will also be available. Our new hours will be Sunday-Thursday 6 a.m.-9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 6 a.m.-10 p.m. I can assure you that we will be following all the guidelines for everyone's safety. Thank you for everyone's support through all this. We are back.

Seniors celebrate seniors during annual parade

By Sally Lane

It is a tough time for seniors whether you are a senior in high school or a 65+ senior citizen. Our high school seniors are missing the traditional closure to their high school careers: prom, parties, gatherings of friends. Our senior citizens feel the same isolation. Social distancing has been social isolation as family and friends are not allowed to visit the facility for fear of spreading COVID-19.

When the older group of seniors heard that the youngest seniors were probably going to miss their annual last-day-of-school parade, a plan began to take shape. Lake Vista employee Sarah Hadley and others jumped into action and contacted a few people at the school. The result was a parade that both groups of seniors on both ends of the age spectrum will always remember.

Traditionally the parade consists of seniors driving their cars through Willow Park, to the Middle School building and back to the High School on their last day of classes. It is a let-offsteam time with horns blaring, laughter and happy hollers.

There were smiles, laughing, waving, and cheering, as seniors at Ohio Living's Lake Vista enthusiastically greeted the younger seniors. A very long line of decorated student's cars, led by police cars and firetrucks form Cortland and Bazetta, circled through

the complex. The weather was cold and snowy, but the mood was light and happy. Principal Lawrence Herrholtz described the event as "powerful" as both groups bonded in this shared experience.

The old saying "It takes a village " was significant as this senior living community pulled together to make this parade special and a wonderful gift to the Class of 2020.



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Lakeview senior to receive top honor from Diocese

Douglas Gurdak, senior, Lakeview High School, St. Robert Parish, is one of 14 Mahoning Valley students who are receiving high honors from the Catholic Diocese of Youngstown.

The award goes to high school juniors and seniors who model dedication, integrity, values and promise for church and society. Students are chosen for modeling Christian discipleship and exemplifying the qualities of moral integrity, prayer, good works and Christian leadership in their school and parish communities.

Sixty-seven students were nominated. A maximum of two Eagle of the Cross Awards are presented to students in each of the six diocesan Catholic high schools and up to three in the parishes.

Cortland resident earns medical degree

Austin T. Haines of Cortland, was among the students who received a doctor of osteopathic medicine (D.O.) degree from Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine at the college's April 18 degree conferral.

In 2016 Dr. Haines earned a B.S. in biochemistry from John Carroll University, and is a 2012 graduate of Lakeview High School. After graduation Dr. Haines will begin a residency in family medicine at University Hospitals St. John Medical Center in Westlake, Ohio. He is the son of Paul Haines of Bay Village and Jennifer Haines of Cortland.

The 2020 graduating class was the 41st to graduate from the Heritage College, which was created by the Ohio Legislature in 1975, and is the only institution in the state accredited to educate osteopathic physicians.

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City-wide garage sale delayed

The Cortland city-wide garage sale has been delayed due to the pandemic. In the interest of safety for everyone it was decided by the committee to wait until it is deemed safer for such an event. Watch the Facebook page Cortland Citywide Garage Sale or email CortlandOHGarageSale@gmail.com for more information.

Women's History Committee event canceled

The Trumbull County Women's History Committee wishes to thank all those who purchased tickets for the 2020 event. The event has been canceled for this year. All those who purchased tickets will soon be receiving a reimbursement from the committee. We look forward to your participation

Pictured decorating the window at the Warren Public Library prior to the closing, are from left Women's History Committee members E. Carol Maxwell, Esther Gartland and Stephanie Furano.







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Local agencies partner to feed the homebound

SCOPE Senior Services, the Salvation Army and Second Harvest Food Bank have recently partnered to provide free groceries to Trumbull County residents during this COVID-19 crisis who are homebound and shut in.

SCOPE has been operating a "Traveling Pantry" food truck that delivers free groceries to the elderly in Trumbull County since July of 2015. Second Harvest Food Bank provides food to hundreds of non-profits and food pantries to be distributed through those local agencies including the Salvation Army. Both SCOPE Senior Services and the Salvation Army are being financially supported by the United Way of Trumbull County.

Second Harvest delivers pallets full of food to the Salvation Army headquarters in Warren. Then, the food is bagged, loaded and delivered via volunteers including ladies from the Serenity House program, North Mar Church and SCOPE staff through 15 routes across Trumbull County.

"Since the SCOPE food truck delivery project has been in existence for a while it was ideal for our group to help provide this service not just to our elderly citizens, but to those of any age who are poor and homebound during this crisis," stated Mike Wilson, director

If you are in need of food, paper products or cleaning supplies in Trumbull County call SCOPE directly at 330-399-8846 or after hours call 211 Help Network.





Thank you!

Kindergarten screening postponed

Lakeview Elementary Kindergarten Screening for the 2020/2021 school year that was scheduled for May 26-29 has been postponed. The Lakeview School District will continue to monitor the directives of Gov. Mike DeWine and health officials. The district is hoping for an August screening with details coming out later this summer.



910th launches 'Hercs Over America' to salute COVID-19 responders

The 910th Airlift Wing recently launched two flights of "Hercs Over America," as a way for the Air Force Reserve family to salute the thousands of healthcare workers, essential employees and other first responders on the front line of the battle against COVID-19.

This "salute" flyover, consisted of two of the 910th's C-130H Hercules aircraft that initially traveled to healthcare facilities in Erie, Penn., and then proceeded to the Cleveland area to salute workers in six Cleveland-area hospitals. The C-130s then headed off to Akron and Canton facilities.

Because the 910th received an incredibly positive response from its initial "Hercs Over America" flyover and since only a limited number of medical facilities could be flown over earlier that week, the 910th built a list of additional facilities based on feedback received from the wing's community partners and social media followers to conduct a second "salute" flyover. The 910th aircraft were then in the skies locally above St. Joseph Medical Center in Warren, St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Youngstown and St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Boardman.

"The 910th's Reserve Citizen Airmen are proud to serve alongside the first responders and essential personnel in the COVID-19 response efforts. We are all in this together. These selfless Americans on the front lines of the fight against COVID-19 remind us we can rise to meet any challenge with unrivaled spirit and commitment," the station said in a statement.

As with many Air Force Reserve community engagement activities, these flyovers were scheduled to occur during one of the wing's training missions and incurred no additional cost to taxpayers.



Two C-130H Hercules aircraft assigned to the 757th Airlift Squadron fly over Youngstown on May 4. Aircrew members assigned to the 757th AS flew the aircraft over hospitals in Western Pennsylvania and Northeastern Ohio as part of the "America Strong" movement started by the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds to salute first responders and medical workers during the COVID-19 pandemic. (Submitted photo)

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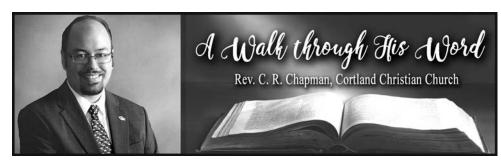


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In the years after WWII, boys grew up fast and became men. They worked hard for hard work was instilled in them from their experiences behind enemy lines. Women became thrifty with the greenback. They entered professions that their husbands and sons left behind when they were called to defend freedom. So great the impact of the war that even today, nearly 75 years after the war, those who lived through that time still display the habits of hard work, integrity, and resourcefulness that they were forced to develop all at once.

Dear Graduates, You will remember today for all of your life. You will see many changes in the world between now and the day that you grow old and gray. Some changes will be good, and others will be for the worse, but there is one thing that will never change. God. He will always be there for you- both in the good times and bad. Trust in Him and obey His unchanging Word. As one of many pastors in this town of Cortland I offer to you two pieces of advice as you graduate this year. The first is this... Live your life to please God. Please Him in your work, in your public life, and in the privacy of your own home, and if you live to please Him by following His Word then you will please those people in your life who really matter. My second piece of advice is this. Whether you decide to attend university, trade school, begin an apprenticeship, or something else remember these words. Learn from every moment of life, not just in the classroom, but outside of it. Learn from unique opportunities. Take out your ear buds and learn from your observations of the people around you. Learn from God's creation. Listen to His voice displayed by the Works of His Hands. Congratulations!

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Men of Faith

Breakfast fellowships have been curtailed because of the virus, which has hampered men to build their relationships with other men in person. There is a gathering of 25 to 100 men in attendance every Saturday morning of the month in different locations around the Mahoning Valley and beyond uniting men from different churches coming together to glorify the Lord.

Every breakfast includes a testimonial speaker giving their rescue story and some also have uplifting music. Each breakfast the Men's Rally in the Valley promotional

material is given out: 25,000 business card tickets, 3,000 posters, 3,000 wrist bands, 4,000 book marks and 2,500 yard signs for this year's Rally purchased by gracious sponsors. The Rally has been postponed to Saturday, Oct. 10 at the Covelli Center starting at 9 a.m. with "Jesus is our Only Hope" as the theme with five speakers (mensrally.org) and JJ Weeks, Christian recording artist, Victory Christian Praise Band and testimonies from Teen Challenge men. If you would like to be on the email list or have any questions, email Jeff at jcline3699@gmail.com.



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Veterans Memorial Committee cancels **Memorial Day** observance

The American Legion Honor Guard will not be available to perform the flag ceremony and rifle salute at the Cortland Veterans Memorial, previously planned for Sunday, May 24 at 2 p.m.

Although there will be no Memorial Day observance, the Cortland Veterans Memorial Committee is encouraging area residents to stop at the Veterans Memorial in Point Park sometime during the holiday weekend and silently give thanks for our honored veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice in protecting and defending the United States.

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SCOPE conducting online fitness programs

SCOPE Senior Services is streaming fitness classes through Zoom Meetings technology. Karen Rutan Fitness, SCOPE's SilverSneakers FLEX instructor, is conducting classes every day. Fitness classes happen online on Mondays at 11a.m., Tuesdays at 10 a.m., Wednesdays at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. and Fridays at 11a.m.

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To be considered, the veteran must meet the following criteria:

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This Hall of Fame sets the standard for recognizing Ohio's veterans for accomplishments beyond their military service. In addition, it is a fitting way to say "thank you for your service to our nation and thank you for your continued service to our communities." Chances are you know a veteran who deserves to be inducted into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame. You are encouraged to nominate that deserving veteran today.

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New break temporarily makes retirement plan withdrawals less taxing

A key provision of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act is intended to help alleviate some of the economic hardship many Americans are experiencing as a result of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. It allows taxfavored treatment for distributions from retirement accounts in certain situations.

Penalty waiver and more

Under the CARES Act, IRA owners who are adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic are eligible to take tax-favored "coronavirus-related" distributions (CVDs) of up to \$100,000 from their IRAs. If you're under age 59½, the early withdrawal penalty that normally would apply is waived. Any eligible IRA owner can recontribute (repay) a CVD back into their IRA within three years of the withdrawal date and treat the withdrawal and later recontribution as a tax-free rollover. There are no limitations on what you can use CVD funds for during that three-year period.

The CARES Act also may allow you to take tax-favored CVDs from your employer's qualified retirement plan, such as a 401(k) or profit-sharing plan, if the plan allows it. If allowed, the tax rules for CVDs taken from qualified plans are similar to those for CVDs taken from IRAs. As of this writing, a lot of details still need to be figured out about how CVDs taken from qualified plans will work. Contact the appropriate person with your employer for more information.

7 basic rules

There are seven basic rules for taking CVDs from IRAs:

- 1. You can take one or more CVDs up to the \$100,000 limit.
 - 2. CVDs can come from different IRAs.
- 3. The three-year recontribution period for each CVD begins on the day after you receive it.
- 4. You your can make recontributions in a lump sum or through multiple recontributions.
- several IRAs, and they don't have to be the same accounts you took the CVDs from.
- 6. As long as you recontribute the entire CVD amount within the threeyear window, the whole transaction or series of transactions are treated as taxfree IRA rollovers.
- 7. If you're under 59½, the 10% penalty tax that usually applies to early IRA withdrawals is waived for CVDs, even if you don't recontribute.

If your spouse owns one or more IRAs in his or her own name, he or she may be eligible for the same distribution privilege.

Who's eligible

CVDs can be taken from January 1, 2020, through December 30, 2020, by an eligible individual. That means an individual:

- Who's diagnosed COVID-19 by a test approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,
- Whose spouse or dependent (generally a qualifying child or relative who receives more than half of his or her support from you) is diagnosed with COVID-19 by such a test,
- Who experiences adverse financial consequences as a result of being quarantined, furloughed, laid off or having work hours reduced due to
- Who's unable to work because of lack of childcare due to COVID-19 and experiences adverse financial consequences as a result,
- Who owns or operates a business that has closed or has had operating hours reduced due to COVID-19 and has experienced adverse financial consequences as a result, or
- Who has experienced adverse financial consequences due to other COVID-19-related factors.

As of this writing, IRS guidance on how to interpret the last two factors is needed. Check in with us for the latest developments.

When taxes are due

You'll be taxed on any CVD amount that you don't recontribute within the three-year window. But you won't have to worry about owing the 10% early withdrawal penalty if you're under

You can choose to spread the taxable amount equally over three years, apparently starting with 2020. But here it gets tricky, because the three-year window won't close until sometime in 2023. Until then, it won't be clear that you failed to take advantage of the taxfree CVD rollover deal. So, you may have to amend a prior-year return to report some additional taxable income from the CVD. As of this writing, the IRS is expected to issue guidance to clarify this issue. Again, check in with us for the latest information.

You also have the option of simply reporting the taxable income from the 5. You can recontribute to one or CVD on your 2020 individual income tax return Form 1040. Again, you won't owe the 10% early withdrawal penalty if you're under 591/2.

Getting through the crisis

CVDs can be a helpful, flexible tax-favored financial tool for eligible taxpayers during the pandemic. But it's just one of several financial relief measures available under the CARES Act that include tax relief, and other relief legislation may be forthcoming. We can help you take advantage of relief measures that will help you get through the COVID-19 crisis.

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It may be a time for tax loss harvesting

One possible upside to a down market comes in the form of a longrecognized strategy called tax loss harvesting. The concept took a backseat in the midst of an 11-year bull market, but it has jumped back into discussion

Given the dramatic drop in investment markets in 2020, many investors may hold positions in stocks that have lost ground. In the right circumstances, generating a tax loss by selling specific securities may be advantageous. Here's what you should

A potential tax-saving strategy

The tax loss harvesting strategy applies specifically to investments held in taxable accounts. Since current taxes aren't applied to IRAs or workplace retirement plans, this strategy is not applicable in those accounts.

The tax benefit of selling a security in a loss position is that those losses could potentially reduce your tax liability. Suppose you invested \$10,000 to buy 1000 shares of a stock for \$10 per share more than a year ago. Today, if the stock's value dropped to \$8 per share, your initial investment is now valued at \$8,000. The stock may recover and eventually appreciate in value. But if you sell it today, you could claim a \$2,000 long-term capital loss. Is that the right choice?

The upside of tax-loss selling

One deciding factor is whether you have investment gains that can be offset by the losses you incur from selling securities in a negative position. Longterm capital gains you claim are taxed at rates of 0, 15, or 20 percent based on your federal tax return. If you had a \$3,000 long-term capital gain to claim on your 2020 tax return, that would come with a federal income tax bill of \$450 if your long-term capital gain is taxed at the 15% rate. If you lock in a \$3,000 long-term capital loss, it will offset that gain and eliminate any tax liability with respect to the capital gains.

Likewise, if you own mutual funds in a taxable account, they may pay out capital gains distributions this year, even if they are not performing well at the present time. Those gains too can be offset by capital losses you claim.

Note that you may not need or want to offset capital gains if your taxable income, including the gains, is \$40,000 or less for single tax filers or a married taxpayer filing separately, or \$80,000 or less for a married couple filing a joint return. Taxpayers with income and gains below those income thresholds qualify for a 0% tax rate on long-term capital gains.

Singles and married couples filing a joint return can use up to \$3,000 of net capital losses to offset ordinary income (\$1,500 for a married, filing separately, tax filer). Beyond that, unused losses can be forwarded to offset potential taxable capital gains in future tax years.

Cautions about tax loss selling

The downside to selling a position that has suffered a loss is that you can't purchase that specific security or one that is "substantially identical" 30 days before or after the sale at a loss. Choosing to sell also means you sacrifice the potential to benefit from a rebound in the price of the security. You want to be certain that you are comfortable not owning a specific security for a period of time that could be a candidate for tax loss harvesting.

Most of all, any buy-or-sell decisions you make regarding your portfolio need to go beyond just the tax consequences. Talk to your financial advisor about how tax loss harvesting opportunities fit into your overall financial plan. Be sure to consult with your tax advisor as well to understand how tax rules apply.

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