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By Sally Lane

Our roller coaster ride of weather this winter makes many of us wonder when spring will really come to stay.

March has always been the battleground month between winter and spring, but this year the battle of the elements has been all winter. About the time we call someone to shovel us out, the snow has melted.

Meteorologically, spring began March 1, based on annual temperature cycles that make dividing the year into quarters convenient. The groundhog pushed his "snooze alarm" for six weeks from Feb. 1, which is March 15. Then, there's the vernal equinox, March 20 at 6:29 a.m. EDT. This spring equinox is the oldest and probably most reliable definition of when spring finally arrives.

In Ohio, we all seem to have our own "ah-ha" moment when we realize it's spring. It can be as lowly as when we take the extra heavy coat out of the car, or when we sweep all the leaves and debris from the garage floor. For many of us, it is the start of baseball season or March Madness with college basketball.

My own down-to-earth moment this week was noticing worms on the drive way. (I know this is amazing stuff). Then I read that the March moon is actually called the "Worm Full Moon" as worms begin to emerge from the earth. However, my favorite sign of spring is hearing birds singing in the morning...not just chatters like when they notice I've filled the feeders, but songs that announce their claims to our yard for their territory. To me, hearing them fills me with joy.

The longer daylight also triggers bird migration. Songbirds that eat mainly insects and worms fly back to our area and begin to establish nesting territories. It's time to have your birdhouses up, if you want to attract bluebirds. Some of the seed-eating birds that visited our feeders this winter, like the dark-eyed junco, take off for more northern climates. We have had a half dozen or so juncos at our

feeders constantly from right before the first snowfall until now. Other avian visitors to our feeders often decrease in numbers as their diets change to protein-rich bugs as they start to raise their families, and their claimed territories exclude others birds of the same species. Winter time camaraderie does not count when it is nesting time. They will flock together again in the fall.

My daffodils are peeking out of the ground now, and the crocuses will soon be blooming. It won't be long before violets and adder's tongue will dapple our little wooded area behind our house, accompanied by a chorus of peeper frogs.

This issue of the Cortland News announces many events for our town. "The Wizard of Oz" is being presented this weekend at Lakeview

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 Monday, March 20, 7 p.m.
 Monday, April 3, 7 p.m.

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 Monday, April 10, 5 p.m.

Planning & Zoning - second Monday of each month
 Monday, April 10, 7 p.m.

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

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Cortland City Council Meetings are now on TV

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Monday, March 27, 6 p.m. - A 60 minute caucus with department heads preceding.
 Monday, April 10, 6 p.m. - A 60 minute caucus with department heads preceding.

Meetings are held at the Township Administration Building unless noted

LAKEVIEW BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

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

Monday, April 10, 6 p.m. - Lakeview High School Media Center

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OUR NEXT ISSUE....APRIL 8, 2017

Our theme will be Home & Garden

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

EVENT CALENDAR MARCH 18 TO APRIL 8

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 Lakeview Local School activities and sports schedules visit www.lakeviewlocal.org.
 Cortland Branch Library events. *See pg. 15*
 American Red Cross blood donations, various dates. www.redcrossblood.org or 1-800-733-2767.
 American Red Cross Swim lessons, various dates. *See pg. 10*
 American Sewing Guild meetings, various dates. *See pg. 10*
 Annual pond stocking sale sponsored by the Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District. *See pg. 5*
 Johnston Senior Center offers hot meals Monday through Friday at noon.
 Lakeview Kindergarten Registration open. *See pg. 21*
 Sutliff Museum exhibit: "The Language of Flowers" through July 2017.
 The National Packard Museum's 17th Annual Antique Motorcycle Exhibit, "British Invasion," runs through May 27.
 Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District annual spring bulb and tree seedling sale, orders through March 31, 330-637-2056, ext. 111. *See pg. 7*
 Vintage Valentines Exhibit, "Messages from Cupid: Vintage Valentines from 1840-1930," Sutliff Museum, Warren, through April 4.
 Youngstown Nighthawks Soccer League, Cortland League schedule, visit <https://www.facebook.com/ytownnighthawks>

MARCH

- 17-19 Kent State Trumbull Theatre presents "The Increased Difficulty of Concentration," Friday and Saturday performances. 8 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. *See pg. 21*
- 18 St. Stephen Parish, Luck of the Irish Dinner and Reverse Raffle, Ciminero's Banquet Center, Niles. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Tickets 330-652-4396.
- 18 Cortland United Methodist Church corned beef/cabbage or roast beef dinner, 4:30-6:30 p.m., 155 N. High St., Cortland. *See pg. 22*
- 18 Spaghetti dinner sponsored by Opal Chapter #181 Order of the Eastern Star, 4- 6:30 p.m., Cortland Masonic Hall, 3263 Everett Hull Road.
- 18 Trumbull County Women's History Celebration's "High Tea" brunch, National Packard Museum, doors open at 11 a.m.; program at noon, tickets: E. Carol Maxwell, 330-360-0901. *See pg. 9*
- 18,19 "The Wizard of OZ," Lakeview High School Raidel Auditorium, March 18, 7:30 p.m. and March 19, 3 p.m. *See pg. 20*
- 19 Geauga County Historical Society pancake breakfast, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Lennah Bond Activities Center on the grounds of Century Village Museum. *See pg. 5*
- 23 Lakeview Middle School PTO skating party, 6-8 p.m., Cortland Roller Rink. *See pg. 21*
- 25 Learn the art of Ukrainian decorated eggs "Pysanky," Trumbull Art Guild, Warren, 1-3:30 p.m. *See pg. 10*
- 25 Polish Carnival Celebration, Youngstown Country Club, 6:30 p.m., 330-333-9724.
- 25,26 TNR of Warren low cost spay neuter clinic for cats, Pets are People, Too, N. Park Avenue, Warren, 330-330-8166.
- 26 Geauga County Historical Society pancake breakfast, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Lennah Bond Activities Center on the grounds of Century Village Museum. *See pg. 5*

APRIL

- 1 "Hop Along the Bunny Trail," hosted by The Cortland Specialty Shops, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. *See pg. 4*
- 1 Hamilton Road Quartet, First United Church of Christ, 280 E. Market St., Warren, 6 p.m. *See pg. 22*
- 2 Geauga County Historical Society pancake breakfast, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Lennah Bond Activities Center on the grounds of Century Village Museum. *See pg. 5*
- 5 Southington United Methodist Church chicken dinner, 3:30-6 p.m., state Routes 305 and 534. *See pg. 18*
- 6 The Alzheimer's Association of Greater East Ohio Chapter annual "Paint the Night Purple" benefit dinner and auction, The Lake Club, 1140 Paulin Road, Poland. *See pg. 22*
- 7,8 Annual craft show at Mecca Community Church, 5920 Phillips-Rice Road, April 7, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; April 8, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. *See pg. 22*

**PLAYROOM VISITS
DR. BENTON**

The classes at the Cortland Playroom got to visit Dr. Benton's dentist office recently. The hygienist talked to the children about proper dental cleaning, the right way to brush your teeth and the children got to practice on a pair of teeth. The staff and children then talked about what is good food and what is bad food. Dr. Benton then showed the children how a crown was made. How exciting! Thank you to Dr. Benton and his staff!

Pictured is Logan Freudenrich waiting for his exam.



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"HOP ALONG THE BUNNY TRAIL" AT CORTLAND SPECIALTY SHOPS

The Cortland Specialty Shops will be hosting a "Hop along the Bunny Trail" event on Saturday, April 1 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Spend a fun day shopping charming Cortland and join in some Easter festivities.

Adults and kids - please bring your Easter basket and fill it with a treat from each shop! Wear your "Best Easter Bonnet" to be entered to win a prize for "Best Bonnet" at each shop. Don't forget to visit the "Traveling Easter Bunny" who will be hopping

shop to shop.

Cortland Specialty Shops include: Beach Bum Tanning Salon, Centerra Country Store (formerly Western Reserve Country Store), Country Porch Winery, Furniture Décor & More, Galleria of Arts & Antiques, Happy Harvest Florist, Heritage Florist, Just Pizzelles, Quilter's Fancy, Sparkle Market and The Body Shoppe Fit Crew Studio LLC. Be sure to stop at each shop to be entered to win a special gift basket of goodies.

WESTERN RESERVE FARM COOPERATIVE MERGES WITH CENTERRA CO-OP

By Sally Lane



Cortland, since its very beginning, has been an oasis on the edge of farm country in northern Trumbull County. Businesses catering to the surrounding rural needs have always boosted the Cortland and Bazetta Township economy while also providing products of interest to residents. Need pet food, bird seed? How about fencing and gates? Lawn and garden supplies, water softener salt, fuel products? A bale of hay? The largest birdfeeder selection you will see anywhere? From backyard to barnyard, Cortland's Western Reserve Country Store at 315 S. Mecca St. has got you covered. More about the name change of the store at the end of this article.

Manager Brian Hall has been with the Cortland store for nine years and the company is the largest feed company in northeastern Ohio. "We have feed for every kind of animal," he said. From horses, goats, cows and sheep to the special animals at Wagon Trails, in Vienna, the store has the proper kinds of feed. Besides feed, veterinarian services are available at the store for wellness checks and inoculations on the second Saturday of the month.

A few years ago, they added gift merchandise and increased the number and types of bird feeders. "We move a LOT of bird seed at this store," he commented. And, just waiting to be filled are squirrel-proof feeders, hummingbird feeders, along with all kinds of gadgets for feeding a variety of wild birds: holders for fruit for orioles,

suet holders and finch feeders. You can even make your own feeder from a plastic soda bottle using an inexpensive adapter for a perch. If you are planning on attracting bluebirds or purple martins, you can get the nesting boxes here. Note: they need to go up very soon, as these birds nest in April and choose their housing before that.

Nothing says springtime like baby chicks, and Hall will have them, as well as some Muscovy ducklings, in April. The store is already loaded with garden seeds - all kinds of vegetables, both regular and heirloom types, as well as flowers.

Since 1937, this store has been a part of Cortland, although it has been under several different names and locations. First it was part of the Farm Bureau, then later it was known as Countrymark, and most recently it was part of the Western Reserve Farm Cooperative, Inc. However, as of March 1, the Western Reserve Farm Cooperative, Inc. merged with Town and Country Co-op Inc. The merger gives the company a new name: Centerra Co-op. The name is a combination of two words: *Center*: the point of focus within a circle, and *terra*: meaning "of the earth." "The name reflects our purpose and our ethics," said Jean Bratton, CEO of Centerra. Phone numbers remain the same, employees remain the same, hours are the same. The store will still be part of the four Specialty Shop events during the year including the upcoming "Bunny Trail" in April. It's Spring! Feed your spring fever and visit Cortland's store!



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BUSINESS NEWS AND NOTES

By Thom Foley

Mark Thomas Ford services all makes and models of domestic cars - and most of the foreign ones, too. Stop in and meet the Award Winning Service Team!

No better place to celebrate St. Patrick's Day than **Beef 'O'Brady's**. Dozens of beer choices and the food is great!

Belleria Pizza & Restaurant has a great Friday fish dinner. Soup and salad and fries and delicious fish for only \$10.

Cortland Lanes is starting its annual 9 PIN NO TAP league April 26 through June 14. Kids at 4:30 p.m.; adults at 6:30 p.m.

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Furniture Décor & More invites you join them (and the rest of the specialty shops) for the Bunny Trail April 1 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring your blanket and fill it with a treat from each store. Call for details.

Have you seen **Vasilio's** new website? The pictures alone will make you hungry. www.vasiliosdining.com.

Looking for a fun place for your whole family to celebrate St Patrick's Day? Try the **Lake Tavern Family Restaurant**. Great food, great prices, great family place.

Lou Wollam Chevrolet is offering an early bird special for you're A/C - see their ad on the back page and save money!

Rite Aid is your one stop Easter shop. Candy, cards, gifts - anything you need for the Easter Bunny.

The Sweeperman fixes all models of sweepers and floor cleaners. If they can't fix it ... it might not be broke!

Obituary

William E. "Bill" Harned, 93, of Warren, Ohio died Monday, February 27, 2017, at Lake Vista Nursing Home. He was born September 15, 1923, in Conneaut Lake, PA, the son of the late William Alba and Genevieve (Heberling) Harned.

On November 20, 1946, William married the former Marie Hall. They shared 60 years of marriage until her passing August 11, 2007.

He was a 1941 graduate of Cortland High School, and received his Bachelor's Degree from Georgia Tech. University. Bill was employed as a salesman with Panther Industries of Fort Worth, Texas for over 30 years, worked for Richard's Milling Company in Cortland and as a building contractor with his brother. William was the owner and operator of the Cortland Roller Rink.

William was a veteran of the United States Navy having served during WWII. During his time in the Navy he received the following: Good Conduct Ribbon; American Theater Ribbon; and Victory Medal.

He was a member of Cortland United Methodist Church. William was the former Chief of the Cortland Volunteer Fire Department, served on the Lakeview Board of Education and also served on the City of Cortland Charter Commission.

William is survived by his children, Roger D. (Rochelle) Harned of Mason, OH, Jenny (Tim) Chappell of Crestview, FL, Eddie Harned of Cortland, OH and Kenneth Harned of Green Bay, WI; grandchildren, Rachel, William, Melissa and Terri; great-grandchildren, Jordan and Zachary; brother, Robert



(Norma) Harned of Cortland, OH; sister, Ornetta Mehl of San Benito, TX; five nieces and nephews; and four great-nieces and nephews.

Besides his wife, William was preceded in death by his parents; and brother-in-law, Myron Mehl.

Services were held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at the Carl W. Hall Funeral Home, where Pastor David Vensel officiated. The family received friends one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at the funeral home.

Interment was in Hillside Cemetery, Bazetta Township, OH, where military honors were observed.

The family requests that material contributions be made to Disabled American Veterans, 2044 Youngstown Rd. SE Warren, OH 44484, in his memory.

ANNUAL SPRING POND STOCKING SALE

The Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District is holding its annual pond stocking sale. White amurs, koi, bass, bluegill, hybrid bluegill, catfish, perch, redear sunfish (shell crackers) and minnows are for sale. White amurs and koi are often used for pond vegetation control. The white amurs cost \$15 each and the koi cost \$13 each. The fish fingerlings are available from 7 cents to 85 cents per fish.

The pre-ordered fish will be

available for pick-up at the Mosquito Lake Parking area off of McCleary Jacoby Road and W. Main Street (next to the cemetery) on Thursday, April 27 from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Individuals who receive the Trumbull SWCD newsletter will be getting an order form in the publication. To request an order form or for more information, please contact the District Office at 330-637-2056, ext. 111. Orders will be taken until Friday, April 21, 2017.

GEAUGA CO. HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PANCAKE BREAKFASTS

The Geauga County Historical Society will host pancake breakfasts in March and April. These breakfasts will feature all-you-can-eat pancakes served with pure maple syrup produced from the Society's own sugarbush and sugarhouse using traditional collection and production methods.

Choose one or more Sundays to visit the Society's Century Village Museum in beautiful Burton. Pancake breakfasts will be on March 19 and 26 and April 2. Breakfast will be served from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Menu includes all-you-can-eat pancakes with the Society's own maple syrup, scrambled eggs, sausage, applesauce and a beverage. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for children ages 5 to 12 years old, and free to children 4 and under.

Breakfasts will be served in the Lennah Bond Activities Center on the grounds of Century Village Museum, southeast corner of Burton Square. GPS: 14653 East Park Street, Burton, Ohio 44021. For more information or group reservations, call 440-834-1492.



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GROWING UP CORTLAND

By Roger Harned, edited by Sally Lane

[Special note: While most obituaries give important dates in a person's life – birth, death, marriage, survivors and a few accomplishments – it is the other stories between those dates that fill out the effects of that person on other people and ultimately the history of our families, our hometowns and the country. When Roger Harned sent me some information about his father, William E. Harned, to add to his obituary, it jogged so many memories of our town, that we decided to share his remembrances about his dad and his hometown from the 1920s to the present day as a special article – Sally Lane.]

Dad was as "Cortland" as a kid growing up can remember. He grew up on East Main Street (two acres now called "Harned's Landing"), graduated Cortland High School in

1941 and served in the Navy as did so many graduates at that time. He was married to Marie Harned over 60 years, until Mom died in 2007.

They managed Cortland Roller Rink, where Mom sometimes played the organ. The three of us kids practically grew up on skates. Dad and Uncle Bob Harned built several houses in the area and added a new Sparkle Market on the foundation of the old Cortland Movie Theatre on High Street. Dad and Mom were also active in Cortland United Methodist Church where we retain many family friends of all generations.

I remember when the phone company ran a special phone line to our house from downtown so my dad could activate the fire siren when he became chief of the Cortland Volunteer Fire Department.

Every year these volunteers not only left work to put out fires, but worked tirelessly to sponsor the Cortland Street Fair.

Like most Cortland parents, mine were active in supporting band, sports and other Lakeview activities. Dad also served as president of Lakeview School Board at a time when the program for the physically handicapped of Trumbull County was welcomed to Cortland and Lakeview Middle School (1978) was constructed. I think he enjoyed his time on the Lakeview School Board and involvement in the alumni association, sports and events of Lakeview more than anything else over the years.

From the late 1960s to his retirement, Dad was an account representative for Panther Chemical Company (out of Texas) in northeast Ohio and northwest Pennsylvania. Dad continued to be active up until 2016, even bowling on senior leagues at Echo and Cortland Lanes.

But there is more to the story of Bill Harned. That "dash" between 1923 and 2017 contains details of a lifetime, not only for Bill but his effect on the Cortland of today through interactions with others along the same journey through time.

It started when Mark Richards hired Bill's father, W. Alba Harned, my grandpa, as superintendent of Richards' Mill in Cortland on Main and Mecca streets when my father and his siblings were young. I can remember the smell of oats from inside the old wood mill. Grandpa let me look around when I came in with my dad. Later, when Richards Milling went out of business (1962), Al and Gen Harned bought an Atlantic gas station franchise (later ARCO), which many remember at the intersection of state Routes 5 and 46. Dad, my brother, cousin and I, along with many others found part-time employment there over the years.

Dad, his brother Bob and sister Ornetta (Harned) Mehl grew up on their little two-acre farm in the village at 218 East Main St. They had horses and ponies (which we all remember well), with three fields and the barnyard lot. When Cortland grew from a village to a city, their farm was "grandfathered in" with my grandmother's horses being the last farm animals in Cortland. We used to ride out the back gate toward the now Willow Street ball field, past the area where tennis and basketball courts now entertain, through the woods toward Fowler Street and paths through the wildness over to state Route 305 and back.

Grandpa Harned was mayor of the village of Cortland from 1953 to 1963. Grandpa told me a story about a man in Cortland who was mad at him for making him put in a sidewalk in front of his house when, as a village councilman, he voted for sidewalks in zoned areas of the village. When I grew up, the farms started where the sidewalk ends. East Main Street was then called "Everett-Hull Road." I was always fascinated by the same road coming up out of Mosquito Lake on the west side, but I also remember shadows of the tops of tree branches beneath the lake in times of drought (or am I just imagining that?).

Dad and his brother Bob both worked for Richards' Mill, where both (I believe) drove feed truck deliveries to the farms of northeastern Ohio and northwestern Pennsylvania. They learned trades at the mill as well. Dad learned carpentry and Bob masonry. They formed Harned Brothers Construction and began building houses in the area, including the one we grew up in on East Main Street. A housing recession put them out of business.

Cortland was a quickly changing town. In time, our small-town histories turned into small city dreams. The Harneds have always been part of this Cortland history and Bill and Bob Harned never ventured far from the roots of the small town they knew best.

Bill Harned is almost an icon of what the greatest generation looked like in a little town in the rural northeast of Ohio. He was just like most of our fathers in the mid-20th century, the George Bailey ("It's a Wonderful Life" movie) parent of the baby-boomer generation. No one truly appreciated all they have done for all of us, for our communities and for our loved ones. Each contributed so much to who we are and to what our small towns can never again be. For now, like my dad, these people have passed the baton of a great legacy to a generation dispersed into places all over America. Cortland is rooted in our families, bound by the love, duty and community. Bill Harned and so many others exemplified what once was the American dream. It has never been nor will ever be an easy life to live the American dream. Because of our dad, we grew up in it.

The obit tells only part of the story. We will all miss Dad in so many ways and appreciate all your thoughtful comments and prayers for our family.

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What's "news" in the City of Cortland

By Terri Barnovsky, administrative assistant

2017 Curbside Brush Chipping - Changes in Schedule

Curbside Brush Chipping for city residents will resume in April. There are changes to the schedule for this year. Pick-up for the entire city will now be the week of the fourth Monday. The full policy and 2017 schedule are listed below:

CITY OF CORTLAND

CURBSIDE BRUSH PICKUP POLICY - 2017

The city of Cortland Service Department will conduct branch and limb pick up service along city streets starting in April and continuing through October. This year the schedule has been simplified. Pick-up will now be for the *entire city* the week of the *fourth Monday* of each month. The city will no longer be divided into sections and there will still be one pick-up per month, per household. The service day may vary during collection week due to weather and work load. As noted below, branches should be placed at the curb no later than the Sunday prior to collection week to ensure removal. **One pass will be made on each street.**

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Branches and limbs need to be placed at the curb **no later than the Sunday** before the scheduled collection week. One pass will be made on each street.
- Only branches and limbs will be picked up (trimmed/pruned and root-free).
- Branches and limbs must be no longer than 6' in length and can be up to 6" in diameter.
- The city will pick up a single brush pile no larger than 6' x 8' per household.
- Do not combine piles with your neighbors.
- Branches and limbs must be stacked in a straight pile with cut ends facing the street.
- No firewood, large logs or complete trees will be picked up.

If you have any questions, please call the Administration Building at 330-637-3011.

2017 Brush Chipping Schedule

Week of April 24

Week of May 22

Week of June 26

Week of July 24

Week of Aug. 28

Week of Sept. 25

Week of Oct. 23

Spring Clean-Up

Spring Clean-Up has been scheduled for April 27 and 28. This service is provided for residential customers of Republic Services within the city of Cortland. Items will be picked up with your regular trash.

Dates to Remember

March 20 - City Council - 7 p.m.

April 3 - City Council - 7 p.m.

April 10 - Parks Board - 5 p.m.

April 10 - Planning & Zoning Commission - 7 p.m.

TRUMBULL SWCD ANNUAL SPRING BULB & TREE SEEDLINGS SALE

The Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District is holding its annual spring bulb and tree seedling sales. A variety of species are now on sale to the public and private landowners. The sale offers low-cost, native and non-native planting materials from healthy sources to provide a resource to landowners wanting to create windbreaks, living privacy screenings, enhance or create wildlife habitat, and provide food sources for wildlife and/or people.

Featured trees are bare-root stock for direct planting. Landowners can receive planting advice from their nearest ODNR Division of Forestry office or private forestry consultant at 440-564-5883. The 2017 Tree Sale and Bulb Sale order forms and the District's newsletter, which has the species information can be found on the District's website www.swcd.co.trumbull.oh.us

Orders may be placed through March 31 and orders will be available for pick up at the Trumbull County Fairground's Flower Barn on Friday,

April 14 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

To request an order form or for more information, contact the District Office at 330-637-2056, ext. 111.

TRUMBULL PARKS SEASONAL PHOTO CONTEST BEING HELD

The Trumbull MetroParks, Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District and the Trumbull Neighborhood Partnership are accepting submissions for their seasonal photography contest. Entrants must specify which park in Trumbull County that the photo was

taken and when the picture was taken. Every season one winner will be published on the MetroParks' website and its social media outlets. The spring deadline is May 26 by 2 p.m. Email entries to Zachary.svette@trumbullmetroparks.org.

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TCAP WINTER CRISIS PROGRAM

FINAL DAY FOR WALK-INS IS MARCH 31

Trumbull Community Action Program (TCAP), 1230 Palmyra Road SW is announcing that utility bill assistance under the Winter Crisis Program is available through March 31. The program helps eligible households avoid utility disconnection; restore disconnected service; establish new service; and purchase fuel oil, propane, coal and wood.

Walk-ins are available all day on Mondays. Tuesday through Friday, walk-in customers that arrive between 7:30 and 10:30 a.m. can be seen each day before noon. Appointments for weekday afternoons can be scheduled by calling 1-866-747-1041. 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 four satellite sites by appointments only from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Contact the

following:

Mondays: City of Hubbard Municipal Building - 330-393-2507 ext. 229, 220 West Liberty St, Hubbard, OH 44425

Tuesdays: Niles Community Center - 330-393-2507 ext. 227, 401 Vienna Ave., Suite 2, Tiffany Square, Niles, OH 44446

Wednesdays: Newton Falls Methodist Church - 330-393-2507 ext. 232, 334 Ridge Road, Newton Falls, OH 44444

Thursdays: Tod's Crossing Senior Living - 330-393-2507 ext. 230, 1330 Blakely Circle SW, Warren, OH 44485

The final day for the Winter Crisis Program at Trumbull Community Action Program (TCAP) is Friday, March 31, 2017. This will be an all walk-in day applications will be taken up to 3:30 p.m.

For all other questions and additional information call TCAP at 330-393-2507 ext. 225.



After enjoying the warmest February on record, March has definitely come in roaring like a lion. I am certainly glad I wrapped my Nikko hydrangeas during a warm spell in February to protect the swelling buds from killing frosts. A temperature from 30 degrees F. to 32 degrees F. is not considered a killing frost, but those frost temperatures in the 20s are killing to tender buds and flowers. So I wrapped the hydrangeas that bloom on old wood, meaning their buds are already formed, and they will stay covered until May. I was a little late this year, we'll see.

Down at the Extension we like to say, "March in, prune out." March signals the start of the gardening season, all of the ornamental grasses that have not already been cut, need to be cut back or burned to crown level. This is also the time of the year to watch for heaving perennials. They're not sick, they've just been pushed out of the ground by the freezing and thawing and must be pressed back gently into the soil before their roots dry and wither. Stepping gently on Coral Bells, Heucherellas, Bearded Iris and Foamflowers also works. The word "gently" is key here.

Now is also the time to fertilize with a granular fertilizer before the foliage appears. Use a balanced 10-10-10 or a 5-10-5 or a 5-10-10 to encourage strong root growth and development.

Summer and fall flowering shrubs and trees that bloom on new wood can be pruned and broken or crossing branches cut out as needed, and cool weather vegetable seeds can be started. The season has started!

For fun, you can force some colorful spring flowering shrubs to get an early start on spring. The most popular choices for forcing are pussy willow and forsythia. Other great picks are crabapple, flowering quince, mock orange, redbud and fothergilla. Simply cut branches about 1' to 2' in length and bring them inside and place them in a bucket of warm water overnight. There is no need to smash the ends with a hammer as usually recommended, you can if you want, or the next day re-cut the stems and make additional slits at the base of the stems to increase water absorption. Put the branches in a vase in a cool spot out of direct sunlight until you see the buds starting to open, usually one to three weeks, then move the vase to a sunny spot and enjoy early spring flowering shrub blossoms in the comfort of your house.

March also signals the start of spring plant sale season. Many local garden clubs and service organizations use the income from their plant sales to fund local projects. The Four Seasons Garden Club located here in the Cortland/Bazetta area is sponsoring their annual Mother's Day flower sale featuring hanging baskets, specialty pots and annual cell flats. Proceeds from this sale will keep the flags flying over Cortland and also help to defray the costs to keep the flags flying over state Route 11.

Order forms can be picked up from any member of the Four Seasons Garden Club, or flowers can be purchased on the days of the sale May 12 from noon to 5 p.m. and May 13 from 9 a.m. until noon in the parking lot next to Payne's at Mackenzie's Catering. Questions, call Mary Lou Jarrett at 330-637-7489.

Happy Gardening!

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

CORTLAND ROTARY HOWL AT THE MOON 5K RACE

Cortland Rotary is planning its Howl at the Moon 5K Race for Saturday, June 3 at Lakeview High School. The race will go off at 9 p.m.,

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A SIMPLE SPRING CLEANING CHECKLIST

(StatePoint) It's the time of year to roll up your sleeves and do some spring cleaning. Experts point out that it's helpful to streamline the tools you use to do the job and the tasks you seek to accomplish.

"An all-purpose cleaner and a tough degreasing agent can be used in so many areas of the home," says Jeff Devlin, a licensed contractor who's appeared on several home improvement television shows. Devlin's first tip: look to reduce the number of products in your cleaning arsenal. "Along with high-quality sprays and cloths, I use one all-purpose cleaner that also contains degreasing ingredients."

Devlin, along with Mean Green and its line of heavy-duty, all-purpose cleaners offer these different strategies for critical areas of your home.

- **Stove and range hoods:** While you should be cleaning these areas regularly after food preparation, take this opportunity to conduct a more thorough cleaning. Spray cleaner directly on the mess for up to two minutes. Wipe clean with a sponge or cloth. Then rinse thoroughly with clean water.

- **Sinks and countertops:** Sinks and countertops can be a trap for food, grease, grime and soap scum. Generously spray non-porous surfaces with your cleaner then rinse with clean water.

- **Stove exhaust filter:** The grease buildup that collects on the stove's exhaust filter can be a tough nut to crack. In a sink basin, mix 8 ounces of a concentrated multi-surface cleaner and 1 gallon of hot water and submerge the filter. Place the filter in a sink or dishpan and pour in concentrated cleaner to cover. Allow the filter to soak for 30 minutes. Drain the dishpan and rinse thoroughly with hot water.

- **Floors:** Give your floors a mopping. Mix 4 ounces of cleaning solution with 1 gallon of warm water. Apply with mop or sponge.

- **Garbage cans and diaper pails:** Bags often leak nastiness into the bottom of the garbage can, which can easily be missed when quickly replacing the bag. Turn your cleanser's nozzle to spray and generously cover the can. Wipe or brush any areas that have any residue. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

- **Showers, tubs and tile:** Use your cleaning agent at full strength and generously spray surfaces directly. Allow it to penetrate the soap scum for up to two minutes. Do not allow to dry. Wipe away with a coarse sponge or cloth. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

- **Toilets:** Let's face it. This isn't anyone's favorite job but it has to be done. Turn that nozzle to spray and generously spray the outside of the toilet. Wipe clean with a paper towel, then give a quick rinse.

- **Patio:** For patios, outdoor furniture, concrete, vinyl fences and siding, use the same cleaner outdoors: simply spray, then wipe clean with a cloth or sponge and rinse surfaces with clean water. While you're at it, consider removing grease and grime from tools, engine parts, tires, sports' gear and lawn equipment.

For efficiency, consider cleaning solutions that don't require pre-cleaning, such as Mean Green Super Strength Cleaner & Degreaser, the strongest all-purpose cleaner available. More tips for getting your spring to-dos completed can be found at meangreendegreaser.com.

"Make spring cleaning simple and effective by using smart strategies on every surface of your home," said Devlin.

UPTON ASSOCIATION TO HOLD HIGH TEA

The Upton Association will participate in the annual Women's History event on Saturday, March 18, with high tea with Patty Carver. The event will be held at the National Packard Museum in Warren. For reservations contact E. Carol Maxwell at ecarol@twc.com.



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TAG OPENS 'PHOTO 2017'

MAYOR WOOFER RECEIVES AWARD



"Photo 2017" recently opened at the Trumbull Art Gallery. Sixty-six photographs by 43 photographers were selected. In all 51 photographers submitted 132 photos to be judged. Five photographers, including Cortland Mayor Jim Woofter received juror awards at a reception held recently at TAG. Others recognized were John Fire, Karen L. Fisher, Gail Trunick and Walter Unks. Instead of awarding

individual images, each photographer selected for an award was honored for the body of work that was submitted.

In addition to the show at TAG, an additional 56 photographs will be shown at the Nissen Gallery at Trumbull Memorial Hospital.

Mayor Jim Woofter is pictured with his award-winning photo: flat irons range of the Rockies near Boulder, Colorado.

SALE OF PLANTS HELP FLAGS FLY

By Debbie Williams

Ever notice the 100 or so American flags flying in Cortland in spring and summer? They can be seen gallantly waving from each light pole on High Street and state Route 46 from Speedway to Main Street. They line the fence behind the clock at the center of Cortland as a colorful and patriotic backdrop. And don't forget the other 60 flags that were mounted on the Kings Grave bridge as a reminder to honor our military and veterans that are enjoyed on a daily basis thousands of travelers. The simple splendor and symbolism of the American flag brings happiness to so many; let's continue this tradition.

These beautiful reminders of

our freedom are purchased from the proceeds of the spring and fall plant sales held by the Four Seasons Garden Club of Cortland. The spring sale featuring ferns, flower baskets and annual flats are grown in Northern Ohio and are ready for planting when they arrive in mid-May. They are healthy and hardy and will enhance your garden or porch with color and fragrance upon arrival.

Please continue to help support decorating Cortland with American Flags by purchasing some plants today. To place an order or obtain a form call 330-637-7489. Spring will be arriving soon and now's the time to plan for its grand entrance. Thank you for your support.



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AMERICAN SEWING GUILD MARCH SCHEDULE

The Niles Chapter of the American Sewing Guild's remaining March schedule for Neighborhood Group meetings. Guests are always welcome.

Howland Happy Stitchers meet at Living Lord Lutheran Church, 851 Niles-Cortland Road (state Route 46), Howland, March 21 at 10 a.m.

Nancy A. is doing the famous to be announced project. For information call Carol 330-856-4827.

Southington So-Sews meet at Southington Christian Church, 3285 state Route 534, Southington, March 27 at 10 a.m. Creative challenge using long cotton loops and beads. For information call Jennie 330-847-7386.



By Jake Abbott, patrolman, Bazetta Police Department

Spring is finally in the air. We're noticing the days are getting longer, birds are chirping, the flowers are blooming, and the sun is actually shining. These are signs that it is getting warmer outside and the outdoor activities are about to begin. Some of you will likely start this spring off with the long awaited clean up, followed by new outdoor projects, planning for a summer vacation, or just relaxing and enjoying the nice weather with family and friends. There are a lot of positive aspects of the upcoming warmer weather, but with it comes one inevitable negative, and that's criminal activity. It's a fact that people are more active during the warmer months and that includes the criminal population.

The good news is there are always precautions you can take to substantially lower your chances of becoming victims of either property or violent crime. An easy place to start is in your own driveway. Locking your vehicles is probably the easiest way to prevent a thief from entering your car and taking your belongings. Thieves are looking for easy targets, something they can get in and out of quietly without causing a scene. If your car doors are locked, chances are the intruder will leave yours alone and move on. The same can be said about

the outbuildings on your property. Thieves will generally steal whatever they can sell on the streets, and power equipment is always in demand. A simple lock on shed doors will usually do the trick.

The next preventative action involves a little more time and elbow grease. Lighting is a great way to deter unwanted night time visitors. "Dusk to dawn" lights or motion activated exterior lights work well because criminals don't want to risk being caught or seen. There is probably an easier target down the street. Dusk to dawn lights work well on barns, garages or sheds away from your house because they are on all night and may shine into your windows if they are too close. Motion activated lights are good for around the home and work very well to alert you to activity on your property.

However you choose to protect your property, remember being vigilant and aware of your surroundings can go a long way. If you see something suspicious call either 911 or the Trumbull County Dispatch Non-Emergency number 330-675-2730 and an officer will respond. Stay safe and enjoy the weather.

Authorship of this column alternates between the Cortland and Bazetta Police Departments.

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AMERICAN RED CROSS LEARN-TO-SWIM PROGRAM

The Lake to River Chapter American Red Cross through the Warren City Schools will again be offering swim lessons in Warren, at the Warren G, Harding High School pool. The cost per student per eight-class session is \$35, with an early registration savings of an additional \$15.

- Registration is open to ALL. Children need not attend Warren schools.
- Registration forms are available and may be downloaded from the Warren City School's website at <http://www.warrenschoools.k12.oh.us>. Call 330-392-2551 if more information is needed.
- The lessons offered are for children 3 years of age through 12 years of age.
- Four sessions are available. The classes are scheduled to meet twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays for four-weeks between 5 and 6:30 p.m. dependent on age and ability.
- ALL class registration is through the Warren City Schools. Register at the high school bookroom 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-2:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.
- Registration fee for participants is \$35 per student per session (cash or money order), with an early registration savings of an additional \$15. Paid registration is requested prior to first day of class.
- Limited scholarships are available.

- Upcoming Sessions:**
- March 27-April 26; Mondays and Wednesdays—early registration on or by March 17
 - March 28-April 27; Tuesdays and Thursdays—early registration on or by March 17
 - May 1-May 24; Monday and Wednesdays—early registration on or by April 21
 - May 2-May 25; Tuesdays and Thursdays—early registration on or by April 21

LEARN THE ART OF 'PYSANKY'

Learn the art of Ukrainian decorated eggs "Pysanky," at the Trumbull Art Guild, Warren, on Saturday, March 25 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Experience this historic "art of the people" using a batik method of wax-resist with dye baths.

Create an original design incorporating traditional methods and symbolism on an actual egg shell.

The instructor for the class is Carol Novosel. Cost is \$15 for the class and supplies. To register call 330-395-4876.



ABLE ACT ACCOUNTS HELP PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES SAVE FOR THE FUTURE

You may be familiar with Ohio's "529 Plan" savings accounts that help families set aside money for future college costs. The federal ABLE Act, signed into law in December 2014, provides a similar savings account opportunity for people with disabilities and their families. In Ohio, these accounts are known as "STABLE" accounts.

Q: *What does the ABLE Act do?*

A: Like the 529 Plan, the ABLE Act falls under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. The Act allows people with disabilities and their families to save money in a special savings account. Earnings on an ABLE account are not taxed, and account funds are generally not considered assets for the supplemental security income (SSI) program and Medicaid. This is important for those with disabilities, who can lose SSI or Medicaid benefits if they have too much (more than \$2,000) in resources.

Q: *Who is eligible for an account?*

A: To take advantage of the ABLE Act, you must have significant disabilities that began before age 26. (You do *not* need to be under age 26 to be eligible for an ABLE account, but the "age of onset" of your disabilities must have been before you were 26 years old.) If you meet this age criteria and already receive SSI or SSDI benefits, you are automatically eligible.

If you do *not* already receive SSI or SSDI benefits, you may still be eligible to open an ABLE account. To qualify in this case, you must meet the "age of onset" requirement as well as the Social Security Administration's requirement that you have "significant functional limitations." In addition, a licensed physician must provide a letter of certification that attests to your disabilities.

Q: *How would ABLE Account savings affect my SSI or Medicaid benefits?*

A: You can put as much as \$100,000 in an ABLE account, and it will be exempted from your SSI \$2,000 individual resource limit. If your ABLE account exceeds \$100,000, any amount over \$100,000 will count as a resource toward the \$2,000 SSI limit. All amounts in an ABLE account are exempted from the Medicaid resource limit.

Q: *Are there contribution limits?*

A: If you are a qualified individual, you are allowed to have only one ABLE account. The *total* contribution to your account each year by all contributing individuals, including family and friends, is \$14,000. That amount will be adjusted annually for inflation. Each state has different rules for the total contribution limit that can be made to an ABLE account over time.

Q: *I have a disability that qualifies me for an ABLE account. What happens if there's money left in my account when I die?*

A: Your ABLE account will have a payback provision. This means that, when you die, Medicaid will be paid back first for any services that were provided to you with funds remaining in the account. Any remaining funds will be distributed after your death to a beneficiary you have chosen.

Q: *What expenses can I pay with the money in my ABLE account?*

A: Expenses you can pay for with ABLE account money must be related to living your life with a disability. These include education, housing, transportation, employment training and support, assistive technology, personal support services, health care expenses, financial management and administrative services.

Q: *What should I consider before opening an ABLE account?*

A: Before opening an ABLE account, remember that there are spending restrictions as well as a payback provision. Like most families and individuals, you may want to make an ABLE account part of a larger plan that includes a third-party special needs trust. You may also want to explore other ways to save. For more information or to open a "STABLE" account in Ohio, visit www.stableaccount.com.

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High School. Directed by Marty Young, the show, a musical, showcases the amazing talent of our students and promises to be extraordinary. It is Saturday, March 18, 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 19, 3 p.m.

With sincere condolences, we are running the obituary of long time Cortland resident Bill Harned. His son, Roger, has shared a lot of Cortland history in a special article about growing up in Cortland. If you love Cortland history, be sure to read this article.

Our business feature this issue is Western Reserve Country Store. It wouldn't be springtime in Cortland without baby chicks and seed packages at this store. You are guaranteed a case of spring fever as soon as you walk through the door. Happy Spring!



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SPRING IS IN THE AIR: JOIN THE ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION IN MARCH AND RECEIVE 10 FREE TREES

The Arbor Day Foundation is making it easy for everyone to celebrate the arrival of spring by planting trees. Join the Arbor Day Foundation in March 2017 and receive 10 free white pine trees or 10 white flowering dogwood trees.

"White pine trees or white flowering dogwoods will add beauty to your home throughout the year," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Dogwoods are known for their showy spring flowers and red berries that attract songbirds during winter. White pine trees are fast-growing landscape trees that will break heavy winds, making them an ideal addition to any yard."

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

With planting instructions included, the trees will be shipped at the right time for planting, between now and May 31. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Arbor Day Foundation members also receive a subscription to Arbor Day, the Foundation's bimonthly publication, and The Tree Book, which contains information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE WHITE PINE or 10 FREE DOGWOOD TREES, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by March 31, 2017, or join online at arborday.org/march.

NATURAL TIPS TO BEAT SEASONAL RESPIRATORY HEALTH CHALLENGES

(StatePoint) Spring and summer can be particularly difficult times of year for those with respiratory health challenges, when simple activities like gardening, walking the dog and reading a book on the patio can cause itching, wheezing, sneezing and trouble breathing.

"It is all about improving one's immune function in response to environmental factors, which can mean the difference between perpetual discomfort and a happy, vital spring and summer," says Kelly Heim, PhD, senior director of Scientific Affairs at Pure Encapsulations, a leading manufacturer of dietary supplements.

Whether you are looking to make your garden the envy of the neighborhood, or you simply want to

stay active and comfortable while enjoying the outdoors, consider the following treatments and tips.

Something Sweet

Honey isn't just delicious; it can be therapeutic, potentially helping you to alleviate seasonal symptoms. However, it is important you select honey produced in your local area for this strategy to work. You should also know that this immunotherapeutic approach won't protect against all the causes of respiratory health challenges.

Dietary Supplements

Your nutritional intake can have a large impact on the way you feel in spring. Consider a dietary supplement designed to support both innate and adaptive immune response. For example, Pure Encapsulations Aller-Essentials with EpiCor contains a blend of nutrients and herbal extracts designed to promote healthy immune function in response to environmental factors.

Research suggests that it enhances natural killer cell activation, B cell and T cell function, and salivary IgA levels; and that the quercetin, hesperidin and vitamin C in the supplement provide additional support for stabilizing mast cells which can release histamines and exacerbate respiratory issues. More information can be found at PureEncapsulations.com/alleressentials.

Practical Considerations

While building up your immune response is crucial in the battle against respiratory problems, you can make your home a healthy oasis in with a few practical considerations. Create a makeshift mudroom or landing zone in your foyer. Remove shoes and outer layers when you get home, and ask your guests to do the same upon arrival.

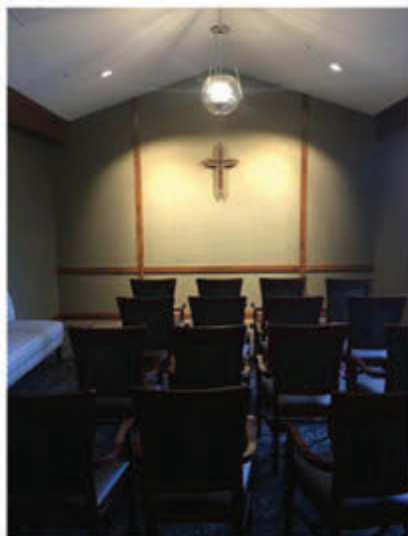
Keep your bedroom particularly protected from the outdoors, for example, don't toss the same jeans and clothing that have been on a picnic blanket on your bedspread. Wash your hair in the evening before going to sleep, particularly after a day in the garden, and remember to change and launder your pillows and linens regularly.

Ask a Doctor

When it comes to health, there is no one-size-fits all solution. Talk with your health care provider, who can help you pinpoint the exact source of your suffering, in order to determine the best treatment options for you.

With a few lifestyle changes, you can look forward to a season of breathing easy.

Armstrong Memory Care Assisted Living



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SWEET SPRING DESSERTS

(Family Features) When the scent of fresh blooms begins to fill the air, it's a sure sign that spring has sprung. It's the perfect time of year to gather loved ones for a leisurely meal, then linger over dessert as you enjoy this season of refreshment.

No dessert menu is complete without an array of treats, and these creamy, homemade Blueberry Key Lime Cheesecake Bars are the perfect way to put a sweet finishing touch on your celebrations. Or go for a crowd pleaser with this Cherry Cheesecake Lush Dessert and its smooth, velvety texture and plump, juicy cherries.

The secret ingredient in each of these desserts is Lucky Leaf Fruit Fillings, which are GMO-free and contain plenty of fruit - and no high-fructose corn syrup - for exceptional tasting desserts every time. With popular flavors like apple, blueberry, cherry and strawberry, you have plenty of convenient, versatile ways to dress up desserts.

Find more tasty treats for all your spring entertaining at luckyleaf.com.

Blueberry Key Lime Cheesecake Bars

Recipe courtesy of Inside BruCrew Life blog

Prep time: 25 minutes

Cook time: 45 minutes

Servings: 24

- Nonstick cooking spray
- 30 vanilla cream-filled cookies
- ¼ cup butter, melted
- 3 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened
- ¾ cup sugar
- ¾ cup sour cream
- 1/3 cup key lime juice
- 1 tablespoon key lime zest
- ¼ cup flour
- 3 eggs
- green gel food coloring (optional)
- 1 can (21 ounces) Lucky Leaf Blueberry Pie Filling, divided
- 1 container (8 ounces) whipped topping, thawed
- key lime slices (optional)

Place baking sheet on bottom rack of oven. Fill halfway with water. Heat oven to 325 F. Line 9-by-13-inch pan with foil and spray with nonstick spray.

Using food processor, pulse cookies until crumbly. Stir together crumbs and butter. Press evenly into bottom of prepared pan.

Beat cream cheese until creamy. Add sugar and sour cream, and beat again until smooth. Add key lime juice, zest and flour, and beat until mixed thoroughly. Add eggs, one at a time, and beat gently after each. Add green food coloring to cheesecake mixture, if desired.

Spread cheesecake batter evenly over crust in pan. Add 1 cup of blueberry pie filling over top of cheesecake. Use butter knife to gently swirl pie filling into cheesecake. Do not let knife go through to crust.

Place pan on oven rack above tray of water. Bake 45-48 minutes. Remove immediately and place on wire rack for 1 hour then place in refrigerator until completely chilled.

Cut into 24 squares and serve with whipped topping, remaining pie filling and key lime wedges.

Cherry Cheesecake Lush Dessert

Recipe courtesy of Lemon Tree Dwelling blog

Prep time: 15 minutes

Cook time: 15 minutes

Servings: 12

- 1 cup vanilla wafer crumbs
- 1 cup finely chopped pecans
- 1 cup butter, melted
- 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 16 ounces whipped topping, divided
- 2 small boxes cheesecake-flavored pudding
- 3 cups milk
- 1 can (21 ounces) Lucky Leaf Cherry Pie Filling
- ½ cup chopped pecans

Heat oven to 350 F.

In medium mixing bowl, combine vanilla wafer crumbs, finely chopped pecans and butter.

Press into 9-by-13-inch baking pan; bake 15 minutes. Remove from oven and cool.

In separate mixing bowl, combine cream cheese, powdered sugar and 1 ½ cups whipped topping. Mix until smooth; spread evenly over cooled crust.

Combine cheesecake pudding mix, milk and 1 ½ cups whipped topping, and mix until smooth. Spread evenly over cream cheese layer in pan.

Top with pie filling, remaining whipped topping and chopped pecans.

JOHN STARK EDWARDS HOUSE EXPANDS HOURS

The Trumbull County Historical Society is now opening the John Stark Edwards House for visitors and tourists on a consistent weekly basis. Starting on April 6, the Edwards House and Trumbull County Museum will be open every Thursday-Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m.

"This has been a long time coming," says TCHS Director Meghan Reed. "For years, the Historical Society has only been open to the public the first Sunday of the month. I'm thrilled that we can now open the museum three days during the week as a fun spot for tourists to explore the history of our area."

John Stark Edwards was one of the first settlers of Trumbull County, arriving here from Connecticut in 1799. While the Historical Society operates the home that he built in Warren in 1807,

they also steward the Trumbull County Museum, which showcases Trumbull County's past from pre-history to the present. Visitors to the museum can see a variety of artifacts of local and national significance, including the first wrench used to build a Packard automobile, an artillery-ridden tree from the Civil War Battle of Chickamauga, a grandfather clock created by nationally collected clockmaker Ansel Merrell, and a local axe-head that is approximately 5,000 years old.

"The museum is one of Trumbull County's treasures," says Reed. "We steward a collection of over 15,000 objects, documents, and photographs, and it is our hope that residents, out of town guests, and researchers will take the opportunity to utilize us as a getaway attraction and as a resource for research."



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PREPARE YOUR BUDGET FOR CLOSING COSTS WHEN BUYING A HOME

By Nathaniel Sillin

Imagine the frustration that would follow if you spent hours planning and narrowing in on a dream home only to find out that you can't afford it when push comes to shove. Starting with a price range can help you make the most of your search, but you'll need to account for closing costs to create a realistic budget.

A catch-all for the fees and services that result from the sale of a home, closing costs are generally about 2 to 5 percent of the home's value when you're making a purchase. In other words, you could pay about \$4,000 to \$10,000 on a \$200,000 home.

Estimating your closing costs. Your closing costs and fees vary depending on where you're buying, how much you put down, who helps you with the home-buying process, the type of home you're buying and the type of loan you're taking out.

You can estimate the closing costs of homes you're interested in by using one of the many closing cost calculators online. Also, ask your real estate agent to help you estimate the closing costs of homes in different neighborhoods.

A few of the fees you could encounter when closing on a home. While costs can vary and state laws dictate differences in the closing process, here are a few typical services or fees:

- **Inspections.** You likely want to hire an inspector to make sure the home doesn't need any major repairs and there aren't any wood-eating pest (such as termite) infestations. Many lenders require you get these inspections, but even when they don't it's usually a good idea.

- **Attorney fees.** You could have to pay attorneys to help prepare and review documents for the closing.

- **Survey.** Some states require you to hire a surveyor to verify the size of the lot.

- **Homeowner's insurance.** You may need to pay several months' worth of homeowner's insurance premiums up front.

- **Origination fee.** Mortgage lenders, banks or brokers often charge about 1 percent of your loan's value.

- **Property taxes.** Several months' worth of property tax payments could be due at the closing.

You might see advertisements for "no-closing-cost" mortgages. While these offers can be enticing, you'll generally pay a higher interest rate on the loan or the closing costs will be

wrapped into the mortgage. It might be a good option if you're planning on moving within the next few years. Otherwise, you'll likely wind up paying more in interest over the lifetime of the loan than you would have on the closing costs.

Try to do your own calculations to determine if a no-cost closing makes sense based on your estimated closing costs, increase in monthly payments and how long you plan on staying in the home.

You'll know approximately how much you have to pay before the closing. Mortgage lenders have three business days from when you submit a loan application to give you a loan estimate. The standardized document shows your estimated interest rate, monthly payments, taxes, insurance and closing costs.

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has an interactive example of a standard loan estimate form with explanations and definitions of terms. On the second page, there'll be a list of closing costs, including a breakdown of which services you may be able to negotiate.

You shop mortgage lenders, compare the loan estimate you receive and then continue the process with the lender that gives you the best estimated terms.

Three business days before your scheduled closing, the lender you choose must give you a five-page closing disclosure form with the finalized terms.

Carefully look over the closing disclosure and ask your real estate agent, loan officer or attorney questions. If you don't agree with the new terms of the deal, it's not too late to back out. If you're happy with the terms and the closing goes smoothly you'll be a homeowner soon.

Bottom line: Estimating your closing costs, and budgeting accordingly, can help ensure you're looking for homes within your price range. That's important because you want to be able to move quickly when you find a home you love. However, don't move so fast that you miss out on savings opportunities. Shopping mortgage lenders and service providers could help you minimize your closing costs.

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LOCAL TROOPERS RECEIVE ACE AND CRIMINAL PATROL AWARDS

Ohio State Highway Patrol troopers are continually looking "beyond the plate" to remove drugs from Ohio communities and return stolen vehicles to their rightful owners. Troopers who excelled during the fourth quarter of 2016 were recognized for their achievements at a ceremony held at the Patrol's Training Academy today by Colonel Paul A. Pride.

The Ace Award is for excellence in auto larceny enforcement. Each winner will receive a certificate, uniform ribbon, and an Ace license plate for

display on his or her patrol car. The Criminal Patrol Award is for excellence in felony enforcement. Each winner will receive a certificate and uniform ribbon.

Those recognized from the Warren District include: Tpr. Matthew R. Abbey, Warren Post, Criminal Patrol award; Tpr. Ricky T. Caraway, Warren Criminal Patrol, Criminal Patrol award; Sgt. Daniel H. Jesse, Warren Post, Criminal Patrol award; and Tpr. Daniel W. Morrison, Warren Post, Criminal Patrol award.

CORTLAND BRANCH LIBRARY EVENTS

The following programs take place at the Cortland Branch Library, 578 Lakeview Dr., Cortland. All library events are free and open to the public. No reservations are required unless noted.

Time for Tots
Wednesdays at 11 a.m. through March 29

A developmentally appropriate storytime program for children ages 2 to 3 1/2 with a parent or caregiver. Registration is required; call 330-638-6335.

Preschool Storytime
Mondays, every week at 6 p.m.;
Tuesdays, every week at 11 a.m.
Preschool Storytime features stories and a craft related to a weekly theme and reinforces the development of early literacy skills. For children ages 3 to 5.

Teen Midweek
Every Wednesday at 3 p.m.
Teens in grades 7 to 12 can stop by every Wednesday after school. Different activities each week! Games, yoga, DIY, crafts, and lip sync battles!

Origami For Beginners
Tuesday, March 21 at 5:30 p.m.
Have you ever wanted to try origami? This is your chance to experiment with the art of paper folding. Have fun with friends while learning some basic techniques. For kids in grades 2 to 6. Registration is required as space is limited; call 330-638-6335.

One Book/One Community Events Book Discussion
Wednesday, March 22 at 6:30 p.m.
The 2017 One Book/One Community book is "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr. Read the book and then join in a discussion to share your opinions, questions, and insights.

The World of Butterflies
Thursday, March 23 at 10 a.m.
Bob Coggeshall will show slides of some of his own photographs as he describes many colorful and unique butterflies.

Friends-Of-Fiction "Fan-Tuesdays"
Tuesday, March 28 at 4 p.m.
Do you write fanfiction or create fan art? Join us once a month for a time to share your artwork and get feedback to expand your craft! For teens in grades 7 to 12.

Preschool Storytime
Mondays, April 3, 17, 24 at 6 p.m.;
Tuesdays, April 4, 18, 25 at 11 a.m.
Preschool Storytime features stories and a craft related to a weekly theme and reinforces the development of early literacy skills. For children ages 3 to 5.

Teens Who Geek
Tuesday, April 4 at 3 p.m.
Think you have what it takes to be the geekiest geek of them all? Bring your group of friends for snacks, prizes, and trivia on pop culture, television, movies, music, books, and more. For teens in grades 7 to 12. Cortland Branch Library, 578 Lakeview Drive, Cortland.

National Library Week Open House
Wednesday, April 12 from 3-5 p.m.
Help us celebrate National Library Week with punch and cookies courtesy of the Friends of the Cortland Library, plus basket raffles.

LEGO Lovers Unite!
Saturday, April 15 drop-in any time between 1-2 p.m.
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A COMBO OF DIFFERENT WAGERS WON'T HELP AGAINST THE HOUSE EDGE

Dear Mark: Is there a way of combining multiple wagers on a roulette table to maximize one's odds and increase my chances of winning? For instance, a column bet pays off at 2 to 1. If I place the second and third column, I have a 66.6% chance of winning, just so long as the 0/00 don't appear. I would offset that by playing either the 0-00-1-2-3 combination, or a split bet of one chip on the 0-00. Tim S.

You can increase your probability of winning - at least something -- by placing multiple bets on the layout, but, let me cap that, BUT, the house edge on any combination of bets, less one, is always going to be 1/19, or 5.26%.

You also included in your question the 0-00-1-2-3 combination bet. All wagers, Tim, on a double zero roulette table give the casino a 5.26% advantage (1/19), and no combination of bets on the layout will change that. One exception to that rule is a wager where you are betting that the 0, 00, 1, 2, or 3 pocket catches the ball. That wager is significantly higher.

And why? Because it is about what the casino is willing to pay you versus the true odds of hitting any of these numbers. This five number wager, also called the basket bet, has a 13.16% probability of winning, pays 6 to 1, creating an overall return of .9211 on the dollar. This one bet, above all others, has a house edge of 7.89%.

Any combination strategy, Tim, at an American roulette table should be to start with avoiding the five-number

wager. Otherwise, all the remaining bets, in any combination, still have a 5.26% edge.

The canny players maximize their odds and increases their chances of winning by searching out, and playing only on a single zero roulette game, as that little extra effort -- if successful in finding one -- allows you to chop the house edge from 5.26% to 2.63%.

Dear Mark: I ran into a slot machine where there is an option to stop one or more wheels, or to stop all of them. Does that change the outcome of the spin, or are the results the same had I not used the touch screen? I am figuring it is divine intervention on where the reels will stop, and not skill. Alan R.

Surprisingly, Alan, I have not crossed paths with this type of machine. I am aware of them, but to tangle with, or write about, I have not to date.

So, Alan, winging my answer here, I am fairly sure that by manually stopping the video reels at what you believe is some syncretistic moment, is not going to have any impact on the outcome. If it did, this would make it a game of skill, which is not legal in any gaming jurisdiction that I am familiar with when it comes to slot machines. Video poker, on the other hand, is completely skill based.

Gambling Wisdom of the week: If you have one chink in your psychological armor, playing the horses will bring it out. - Andrew Beyer, *Beyer on Speed* (1993).



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PET ETIQUETTE FOR HOTEL STAYS

Planning a getaway for you and your pet? Be sure to plan ahead and take all the necessary precautions to ensure that your pets' travel experience is a happy and safe.

For many, pet travel means staying at a pet friendly hotel. It's important to make sure that you and your pet are prepared. Following some simple tips will help to ensure that your hotel stay with your pet is an enjoyable one.

- It's recommended to book a room on the ground floor and by an exit. This will make it much easier for you to take your pet out for bathroom breaks.
- Make sure to always clean up after your pet as well.
- Be sure to exercise your pet... this means walks. Ask hotel personnel about the best places to walk your pet.
- Treat the hotel room with respect...this means covering any furniture and beds that your pet may be allowed on.
- If traveling with cats, place their litter boxes in the bathroom. This will make clean-up much easier.

It's recommended to not leave your pet unattended in your hotel room. Even the best behaved pets can bark and become destructive when in new surroundings. If you must leave your pet alone, be sure that it's for a very short time. Alert the front desk that your

pet is alone in the room and try putting on the TV or a radio to make your pet more comfortable. If your pet travels with a crate or kennel, place them in it when leaving the room. In addition, place a note on the hotel door indicating that your pet is in the room.

Don't leave any pests behind. Before leaving home be sure to give your pet a good cleaning and de-flea and de-tick them. This means a good flea and tick bath along with utilizing preventative flea and tick control. Leaving behind a stinky smell, or worse, fleas or ticks is the kind of thing that makes accommodations change their pet friendly policy. In addition, if a deposit is required, these types of things could very well prevent you from getting it back.

Accidents happen! Even pets that have never had an "accident" indoors may do so under stress. Bring along a disinfectant as well as a rag in the event that you have to clean up after your pet. Not doing so could also cause a loss of deposit.

To ensure that you're welcomed back, keep your pet on a leash and avoid taking them into dining rooms and other restricted areas.

Following some common sense rules will help ensure that you and your pet have a happy and safe trip.

**PREVENT BLINDNESS
DECLARES MARCH
AS WORKPLACE
EYE WELLNESS MONTH**

Prevent Blindness, Ohio Affiliate, has declared March as Workplace Eye Wellness Month to provide employers and employees with free information on the dangers of blue light, digital devices and vision, and eye injury prevention in order to promote eye health at work. The largest source of blue light is sunlight. However, there is concern over the long-term effects of screen exposure (from television screens, computer monitors, smart phones, and tablet screens) because of the close proximity of the screens and the length of time spent looking at them, such as during the workday combined with leisure time. Early research shows that too much exposure to blue light could lead to:

- **Digital eyestrain:** Fatigue, dry eyes, bad lighting, or how one sits in front of the computer can cause eyestrain. Symptoms of eyestrain include sore or irritated eyes and difficulty focusing.

- **Retina damage:** Studies suggest that continued exposure to blue light over time could lead to damaged retinal cells. This can cause vision problems such as age-related macular degeneration or cataract.

According to a recent report from The Vision Council, "Blue Light Exposure and Digital Eye Strain," 87 percent of survey respondents use digital devices more than two hours per day and over 52 percent regularly use two digital devices simultaneously. "As we spend more and more time on digital devices, at work or at play, we need to make sure we take care of our vision," said Sherry Williams, president & CEO of Prevent Blindness, Ohio Affiliate, "By talking to an eye care professional and getting the proper recommendations, we can make sure we protect our eyes for the future."

To help prevent an eye injury at work, Prevent Blindness recommends:

- Know the eye safety dangers at work-complete an eye hazard assessment
- Eliminate hazards before starting work. Use machine guarding, work screens, or other engineering controls.
- Use proper eye protection such as non-prescription and prescription safety glasses, goggles, face shields, welding helmets or full-face respirators.

Prevent Blindness also offers a Work Safety module as part of its free program, the Healthy Eyes Educational Series. Each module in the series includes a Presentation Guide and corresponding PowerPoint presentation on a relevant eye health topic such as adult eye disorders, eye anatomy, healthy living, low vision and various safety topics. Fact sheets can be downloaded at any time from the Prevent Blindness website for use as handouts to accompany the presentation. To find out more about workplace eye health topics, please call Prevent Blindness at 800-301-2020 or visit www.pbOhio.org.

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SOUTHINGTON UMC HOLDING CHICKEN DINNER

The Southington United Methodist Church, state Routes 305 and 534, will be holding a chicken dinner, on Wednesday, April 5, from 3:30 to 6 p.m. The menu includes: one fourth of a chicken, scalloped potatoes, green

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



DON'T DERAIL YOUR RETIREMENT: WATCH FOR THESE 3 RISKS

If you're in or nearing retirement, you're likely thinking about it as a time to relax, check items off your bucket list and enjoy what you've earned. But from a financial standpoint, it's important not to get too comfortable. Once you leave the workforce, you will likely be reliant, at least in part, on your savings to cover living expenses. So it is important to stay diligent and be aware of potential risks to your financial security. Here are three key risks to keep an eye on in retirement:

Not revisiting your investment strategy

As you approach or enter retirement, you may have to re-assess your risk tolerance and make sure that your portfolio aligns with your goals, the lifestyle you want in retirement and your financial situation. Remember that you may have less time to recover from market swings, so consider protecting your portfolio as you prepare to live off your savings. With that said, being too conservative isn't always the right solution. With many retirees living decades in retirement, you will likely have time for your assets to grow or at least, keep up with inflation. Plan to periodically review your portfolio in retirement to make sure you're comfortable with your progress and risk tolerance.

Spending too much too quickly

When retirement rolls around, you may find you have more money accumulated than you've ever had before. This can lead to a false sense of financial security and prevent you from adjusting spending in retirement. But if you begin spending at an unsustainable level in the early years of retirement, you risk depleting your nest egg too quickly.

If you dream of traveling or starting a business after you step away from the workforce, factor those activities into your retirement budget. That way you can feel good about enjoying what you've earned while also being cautious about not outliving your assets.

The rising cost of living

Many retirees believe the amount of money they can generate from their investments and other sources of income, such as Social Security, will be sufficient when retirement begins. But keep in mind that, historically, the cost of living has risen over time. For example, if you live for another 25 years after you retire and the cost of living rises by an average of three percent per year, your annual living expenses could potentially double in that time. Consider the possibility that retirement may be much more expensive as time goes on. Accounting for inflation impacting the most prominent items in your budget, such as health care or travel, is a good place to start.

The benefits of being prepared

Preparation and discipline can keep you on track and feeling secure about your finances in retirement. You can take steps to help address these risks prior to leaving the workforce with proper planning, diligent saving and a portfolio that is aligned with your goals and risk tolerance. If you've already entered retirement, these risks deserve consideration to help you continue to manage your assets on the way to achieving long-term financial security.

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WARREN REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Warren Republican Women's Club held their March meeting with guest speaker Mary Ann Ryther. Her topic was the USS Oklahoma, a battleship sunk on Dec. 7, 1941 at Pearl Harbor entombing 388 sailors and seven Marines. As dog tags were not issued by the U.S. Navy except in the time of war, these sailors were unidentifiable. In 2015, the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency exhumed their remains from the National Cemetery of the Pacific and have preceded by forensics to send these fallen heroes to their families. A donation was given by the club to the USS Oklahoma Remains Preservation Project.

The annual Spring Card Party will be held Saturday, May 13. It will be held at Christ Episcopal Church on Atlantic Street in Warren. A buffet of salads and desserts will be served. Tickets will be \$8 per person and can be obtained by calling Paula Snyder at 330-856-6057. There will be a 50/50 and a basket auction also.

Nominations for the 2017-2018 club year were announced to members at the meeting. Voting will take place at the next club meeting, which will be April 6 at the Cafe 422 beginning at 11:30 a.m. New members are always welcome. For membership information contact Membership Chairman, Eddie Wolcott at 330-550-8171. Warren Republican Women's Club is affiliated with the Ohio Federation and the National Federation of Women's Clubs. The club's philosophy is "We believe that it is the right of the individual to achieve the best that is within her, as long as she respects the rights of others; this is the source of our Nation's strength."

Pictured are Barbara Rosier-Tryon and Mary Ann Ryther





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SIX TAX TIPS FOR THE SELF-EMPLOYED

Self-employed taxpayers normally earn income by carrying on a trade or business. Here are six important tips from the IRS for the self-employed:

• **Self-Employed Taxpayers**

Sole proprietors and independent contractors are two types of self-employment. Taxes can be complex for the self-employed.

• **Estimated Tax**

Self-employed taxpayers generally need to make quarterly estimated tax payments. IRS Publication 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax, has details on making those payments.

• **Schedule C or C-EZ**

Self-employed taxpayers must file a Schedule C, Profit or Loss from Business, or Schedule C-EZ, Net Profit from Business, with their Form 1040.

• **SE Tax**

For those making a profit, self-employment and income tax may need to be paid. Self-employment tax includes Social Security and Medicare taxes. Schedule SE, Self-Employment Tax, helps to figure the tax.

• **Allowable Deductions**

Taxpayers can deduct expenses paid to run a business that are both ordinary and necessary. An ordinary expense is one that is common and accepted in the industry. A necessary expense is one that is helpful and proper for a trade or business.

• **When to Deduct**

In most cases, taxpayers can deduct expenses in the year paid or incurred. Some costs must be "capitalized," however. This means deducting the cost over a number of years.

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Roxy is a 7-year-old Coonhound mix. Roxy is a very friendly girl that gets along with other animals. She was selected to be part of the Caring Companions Program and is spending nine weeks learning basic obedience and commands like sit, down, stay and many more. She entered the program on Jan. 25. When Roxy comes back from CCP, she will also be housebroken, crate trained and will walk well on a leash. She is available for pre-adoption. Roxy's adoption fee is \$200 and includes her training as well as her spay, vaccinations, heartworm testing, microchip and more.

Shawna is a 3-year-old domestic shorthair. She was surrendered by her previous owners because they no longer wanted her. Shawna is a friendly cat that would love a family to call her very own. Shawna's adoption fee is \$20.16 and includes her spay, vaccinations, FeLV and FIV testing and a microchip with registration.

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

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OVI-related crashes accounted for 37 percent of all fatal crashes in Ohio in 2016, this percentage has remained relatively constant since 2013.

There were 14,420 OVI-related crashes on Ohio roadways, killing 423 people and injuring 8,785. Speed was a contributing factor in 59 percent of all OVI-related crashes. Of drivers considered at-fault in OVI-related crashes, 54 percent were in their 20s and 30s, and 72 percent were male.

"We need motorists to commit to keeping our roads safe by planning ahead to designate a driver and insisting that everyone in the vehicle is buckled up," said Lt. Brian Holt "You can also help fight the battle against impaired driving by actively influencing friends and family to do the same."

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**LAKEVIEW HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS
"THE WIZARD OF OZ" MARCH 18-19**

By Marty Young



The drama department of Lakeview High School will present the Royal Shakespeare Company's version of "The Wizard of Oz" in Raidel Auditorium on Saturday, March 18 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 19 at 3 p.m. This version is the stage adaptation of the beloved 1939 MGM classic movie that starred Judy Garland as Dorothy. It features all your favorite songs by Harold Arlen and E.Y. Harburg. It is being performed by permission of Tams-Witmark Music Library, Inc. of New York.

The production features Natalie Gottfried as Dorothy. She is accompanied down the yellow brick road by Sean Galela (Scarecrow), Troy Gregory (Tinman), Tim Gregory (Lion) and Aero Gresley (Toto). They are helped by Glinda the Good Witch of the North (double cast with Reagen Stack and Olivia Hall). They are thwarted by the Wicked Witch of the West (double cast with Casey McKay and Jennie Gresley). They eventually get to The Emerald City where the Guard (Doug Gurdak) takes them to meet the powerful Wizard of Oz (Adam Ruitter). Other cast members include Brittany Arcuri, Madyson Barnard, Jacob Batchelor, Colin Beebe, Maggie Bork, Mallory Bridgeman, Alonna Burney, Katie Dean, Cameron Edie, Anna Garvin, Rachel Gorman, Stephen Gorman, Mary Grzelewski, Ben Herrholtz, Mikaila Hunter, Emily Kirchens, Lauren Laws, Reagen Lew, Kevin Longstreth, Tarryn Mansfield, Rachel Mark, Drew McLennan, Saige Muresan, Bishop Peoples-Gagne, Emily Reebel, Anna Rider, Jessie Roach, Abby Seman, Braden Smith, Kylie Tracy, Donald VanHorn, and Chloe Wagner.

Behind the scenes everyone is working hard to give our community the most professional show possible. Ken Young, auditorium manager, has

been an immense help to his wife, drama director Marty Young, with set construction and technical help. Vocal Coach, Katie Fowler, worked with all the soloists. Choreographer Ashley Olejnik prepared and taught the large group dances and the Tinman's dance. Music Director Laurie Jones will lead the orchestra consisting of Alan Purdum, Andrew Cappuzello, Bonnie Hood, Jacob Huff, and Andy Planitz as she provides piano accompaniment. Lakeview teacher Heidi Monroe and her team will create artistry as make-up specialists. The Lakeview Art Club under the advisement of art teacher Jeff Piper has created Munchkinland foliage. Many parents are helping with costumes. Students fill the roles of stage managers, lighting, sound effects, props, tickets, publicity, video, projector, set painters, make-up and costume assistants. They include Brynn Anstadt, Lauren Barnovsky, Kellie Barry, Noelle Baumgardner, Leigha Carlson, Chuck Gidden, Zach Hudson, Haylee Huffman, Megan Johnson, Hunter Kirkpatrick, Sarah Kloboves, Katryn Lendvay, Leah Manns, Mikaela McKenzie, Addison Paul, Elizabeth Smith, Jared Snyder, Jake Streets, Madison Wrobel, Max Boivin, and Joshua Miller. Sound is provided by Michael Thomas.

We hope you can spend a portion of your St. Patrick's Day weekend with us and travel to the Emerald City! The two lower middle sections of auditorium seating will be reserved, advanced sale tickets only. They are available at Daybreak Music on Main Street in Cortland. General admission for lower side sections and upper seats are available one hour before the show in the auditorium lobby. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for students and seniors.

**LAKEVIEW CLASS OF '67 BEGINS PLANS
FOR REUNION**

The Lakeview class of 1967 will be holding its 50th reunion on Friday, June 16 at Garden Brook Banquet Center. Mailings will be going out soon, however, there are

several classmate addresses that are still needed. If anyone knows an address or phone number of any of the classmates, please contact Larry Sanfrey at 330-372-6825.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

Lakeview Elementary began registration on Feb. 13. The district enrollment process, including kindergarten registration, is now done electronically and online. A child must be 5 by Aug. 1, 2017 to enroll.

If you currently have a student enrolled in Lakeview Schools, login to your OneView account and simply select "Enroll New Student."

If you do not have a child enrolled in Lakeview Schools, you will need to start your registration from home, using a PC or other device connected to the Internet. You will start by going to www.lakeviewlocal.org and clicking on forms and links. Then click on electronic registration (under the enrollment heading).

There will be an open lab on Wednesday, April 12 from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 2 p.m., where you may use the school district's computer lab to register a child, if you do not have access to a device connected to the Internet to complete the enrollment forms. All parents/guardians should plan to bring required documentation

on any of the two days. Regardless of where the enrollment forms are completed, you must bring in the required documentation on the dates listed above.

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- Parent/guardian photo identification

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KSU TRUMBULL THEATRE'S 'THE INCREASED DIFFICULTY OF CONCENTRATION' OPENS

Kent State Trumbull Theatre presents "The Increased Difficulty of Concentration" on March 17-19 and 24-26. Written by Václav Havel and directed by Eric S. Kildow, Kent State Trumbull assistant professor and Theatre director, this classic farce done in 30 scenes with no chronological sequence concerns a doctor of philosophy who has a wife, a mistress, and a secretary whose beautiful legs make it difficult for him to concentrate while she is taking dictation. Dr. Hummel tries to make sense of his life while juggling demands upon his time: from his abstract philosophical musings, to his women, to the strange pseudo-scientific investigation of self,

embodied in a strange machine called PazuK.

All Friday and Saturday performances begin at 8 p.m. The curtain raises at 3 p.m. on Sundays. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$8 for non-Kent State students and senior citizens, and \$6 for children ages 12 and under. All Kent State students are admitted free of charge with current student ID. Tickets are on sale now. Reserve tickets at the Kent State Trumbull Theatre Box Office at 330-675-8887 or email trumbullboxoffice@kent.edu.

Kent State Trumbull Theatre is located on the Kent State University at Trumbull campus, 4314 Mahoning Ave. N.W. in Warren.

MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO PLANS SKATING PARTY

The Lakeview Middle School PTO is sponsoring a skating party on Thursday, March 23 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Cortland Roller Rink. Admission is \$3. Skate rental is extra or you can bring your own skates. The theme this month is "Lakeview Spirit Night." Show your school spirit by wearing Lakeview shirts or Lakeview colors. Let's fill the skating rink with blue and white! The session is open to the public. Everyone

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4131 Bazetta Road, Cortland
330-637-6312
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www.Bazettachristianchurch.net
Sunday Worship Early: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Afresh: 11:15 a.m.

Calvary Bible Church
4747 Warren Rd. (St. Rt. 5), Cortland
330-638-3710
www.MyCalvaryBibleChurch.org
Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: Once a month Gospel
Wednesday Evening: 6:30 p.m. (for all ages)

Cornerstone Baptist Church
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Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Adult Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.
Thursday Evenings: 6:30 p.m.

Cortland Christian Church
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