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By Sally Lane

grow up and have children of their own. The day

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other's Day is just not the is more sentimental and filled with a phone number they gave you upon to CEO. You find out that it is lonely same after your children remembering than it was when you your graduation. It was called Mom's at the top and the building is empty. were in the middle of making memories with your kids. Now instead of cards with hand-drawn pictures and "I love you, Mommy," your cards say the more grown-up "Mother," but the love is still

> Years ago, I wrote that becoming a new parent was a little like being an inexperienced instructor in a new flight school. You depended on the manual by which you were raised to build a curriculum for your little student. Basic subjects included "How To Sleep Through the Night," or "The Importance of Naps." You avidly read the chapters about important controls like "Potty Training," "Trying New Food," and "Handling Rivalry with New Arrivals." Along the way your recruits learned a million different ways to drive you crazy. Your sanity depended (a lot) on advice from your old flight school, which really was a little Mom and Pop business. Thank goodness there was

Hotline and the number sounded a lot like your old home number. You used

Finally, your students settled into an enjoyable flight pattern at low altitudes for several years. The recruits mastered "Riding a Bike," gave delightful performances in baseball, dance, and elementary school where they met recruits from other flight schools. They learned to eat something besides mac 'n cheese and chicken nuggets. Your rank improved to "Manager."

The ride got bumpier after that. The lessons were tougher, the grading a little harder. The recruits thought you didn't know anything. They didn't like the rules. They only wanted to fly with recruits from other schools. They wanted to fly solo before you thought they were ready. You had to help them make tough decisions.

Eventually, though, they make it to the final exams and you are promoted

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Parks and Recreation - second Monday of each month Monday, May 14, 5 p.m.

Planning & Zoning - second Monday of

each month

Monday, May 14, 7 p.m.

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Monday, May 19, 6 p.m. - Lakeview High School Media Center

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Community Events

Event Calendar April 28-May 19

Cortland City/Bazetta Township and Lakeview School Board meetings and schedules.

Lakeview Local School activities and sports schedules visit www.lakeviewlocal.org. American Red Cross blood donations, various dates. www.redcrossblood.org or 1-800-

18th Annual Antique Motorcycle Exhibit presents "The Motor," National Packard Museum, Warren, through May 20.

City of Cortland Scrap Tire Recycling, through May 4, drop-off at City Service Garage (Willow Park), 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

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

OhioCAN Blessing Bags project for homeless population, items dropped off at city hall. "Being a Victorian: Hygiene History of the 19th Century" exhibit, Sutliff Museum, second floor of Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, 444 Mahoning Ave.,

Warren, through August. *See pg. 17* **Collection of "The Original S'mores" ornaments display,** Sutliff Museum, second floor of Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, 444 Mahoning Ave., Warren, through August. See pg. 17

TNR of Warren May events, various dates. See pg. 22 World War II memorabilia at Bristol Public Library, through end of May. See pg. 17 Youngstown Nighthawks Soccer League, Cortland League schedule, visit www.facebook.com/ytownnigthhawks

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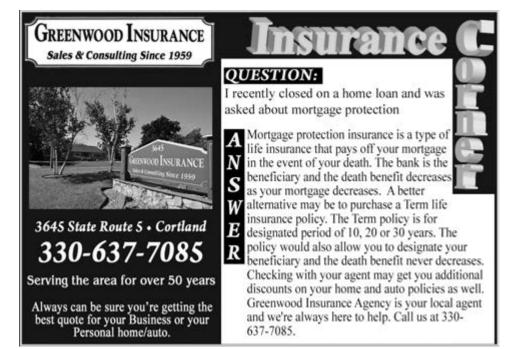
- 11th Annual Survivors of Suicide Awareness Walk, Trumbull County Courthouse Gazebo, 2-4 p.m. See pg. 22
- Family Day: Reading and Other Forms of Art, Butler Institute of American Art/ Trumbull Branch, 9350 E. Market St., Howland, ages 10 and younger, 2 p.m.
- Ladies brunch, Wayne Town Hall, corner of state Routes 193 and 322, Wayne Twp., 11 a.m. See pg. 20
- Niles Chapter of the American Sewing Guild 16th annual Spring Extravaganza Style and Creativity Show, A La Carte Catering, Canfield, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. See pg. 21
- Friends of the Warren Philharmonic Orchestra garage sale, noon to 4 p.m., 1337 Springwood Trace SE, Warren.
- Trumbull Senior Production Company annual musical revue "Clap if You're Happy," April 28, 7 p.m., April 29, 2 p.m., Champion High School.
- TOPSoccer Special Needs Soccer sign-up, Farmer Jim's Sports Complex, Cortland, 1 to 3 p.m. *See pg. 20* **Heritage Sunday**, Cortland UMC Church, 9:30 a.m.

- ODNR Divisions of Parks and Watercraft and Wildlife spring migration birding
- event, Shenango Wildlife Area along Pymatuning Creek, 8 a.m. *See pg. 8* 30-5/23 Trumbull Art Gallery "Clay Medley Beginning & Continuing Students." *See* pg. 25

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- Ohio Living Lake Vista \$5 Community Lunch, 303 N. Mecca St. (state Route 46), Cortland, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- 29th Annual Strimbu Memorial Fund Bar-b-Que, 5 p.m., Yankee Lake Ballroom,
- Brookfield, tickets at www.strimbumemorialfund.org.

 In the Garden Series: "Care of Roses," presented by Trumbull County Master Gardeners, Trumbull County Agricultural and Family Education Center, 500 W. Main St., Cortland, 6 p.m.
- Lakeview High School Band Concert, Raidel Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. See pg. 24
- Southington United Methodist Church chicken dinner, state Routes 305 and 534, 3:30-6 p.m. See pg. 8
- Ohio Star Quilter's Day Out annual event, 9:30 a.m., DiVieste Banquet Hall, 754 North River Road, Warren, tickets 330-979-1120.
- "Antiques Roadshow," sponsored by Cortland-Bazetta Historical Society, Opera House, 7 p.m. See pg. 6
- Non-denominational open church "National Day of Prayer," Cortland United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. See pg. 18
- All Saints Community Church Trash 'n Treasure Sale, May 3 and May 4, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; May 5, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- NE Ohio Lyme Foundation Lyme disease symposium, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Veteran's Memorial Performing Arts Center, Andover. https://neohiolymefoundation.
- Lakeview Schools, A Fond Farewell, Middle School 4-6 p.m., Lakeview Elementary 5-7 p.m. See pg. 26
- Ohio Living Lake Vista Matinee Movie "The Post," 303 N. Mecca St. (state Route 46), Cortland, 1:30 p.m.
- Lakeview High School Baccalaureate, St. Robert Church, Cortland, 7:30 p.m. See pg. 23 American Red Cross blood drive, Garden Brook Banquet Center, noon-6 p.m.
- "Senior Follies" sponsored by The League of Women Voters of Trumbull County, Trumbull New Theater (TNT).
- Cortview Village residents rummage sale, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Cortview Village. See pg. 10
- Badger alumni annual banquet, Garden Brook Banquet Center, 4820 state Route 5, Cortland. Registration 5 p.m. See pg. 24
- Lakeview High School Graduation, Lakeview High School Raidel Auditorium, 1 p.m. See pg. 23
- Paver deadline for Veteran's Memorial, forms can be obtained at Cortland Veterans Mem.org, Cortland City Hall, or 330-974-4355.
- Ohio Living Lake Vista free Bingo event, 303 N. Mecca St. (state Route 46), Cortland, 3-4 p.m.
- In the Garden Series: "Ephemerals," presented by Trumbull County Master 16 Gardeners, Trumbull County Agricultural and Family Education Center, 500 W. Main St., Cortland, 6 p.m.
- "Bike to Work Week," Log Cabin across from Courthouse Square, Warren, 6-9 a.m., 330-675-7807.
- **Veteran's Memorial Committee Armed Forces Day observance**, 3 p.m., Point Park, Cortland. See pg. 5
- Holburn Herb Growers Guild annual 2018 Herb & Plant Sale, Pumpkin Barn at Canfield Fairgrounds, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.



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To The Editor

Dear Valued Customers and Employees,

After 15 years, very great and wonderful years, Kelly and I have decided to sell the Lake Tavern. Something happened when I turned 65—it was time for me to consider retirement. Looking back, when Kelly and I purchased the property, it was just an old neglected building – no one was even sure when or who built it. As it turned out, it was built in 1837 by Dan and Polly Lake ... thus we named it The

It took about a year and half of remodeling before we finally opened, with a one-page menu, a small kitchen, seating for 25, parking for 20 cars, and open 6 days a week. Through the years we expanded our menu/ kitchen-won awards for our food, added to the size of the building and property, opened 7 days a week, brought in both national and local entertainment, while the number of employees grew from a handful to over 20. To the many wonderful people who have been employed by the Tavern-without whose dedication none of this, not a single thing, would have been possible, we extend our deepest and sincerest gratitude. We cannot thank everyone enough for making a vision a reality. All the help, ideas, support, and more important all the friendships we have made through these years.

We want to thank all of you that have supported us through the years and ask you to continue to support the new owner in the same way. I have no doubt that Chrissy Long, the new owner, will meet all of your expectations and more. So, let's make some new memories at The Lake Tavern, "where the best of times get better."

Sincerely, John and Kelly Palasics

Business News and Notes

By Thom Foley

The Annual Shepherd Hills Garage Sale is Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.

Cortland Mower annual ECHO DAY is Saturday, May 5. Twenty percent OFF most Echo Equipment. There will be drawings, prizes and test drives. This is a ONE DAY ONLY event so don't miss it.

Give Mom flowers from Happy Harvest Flowers & More this year. You can save 10% by ordering online. See their ad on the front page.

Did you see all of the new food items at Valley View inspired by their new

cook? It took a whole page in our paper just to show them all.

Now that taxes are over, the folks at **Shortreed Ameriprise** tell us that is the perfect time to start planning for next year's taxes and for your retirement. It's never too late to start saving.

Girt's Cortland Music 101 has NEW instrumental rentals for as low as \$19 a month. These are PREMIUM instruments and it is a "rent to buy" program that you can quit at any time! Stop in and ask for details.

Progressive Landscape does all kinds of outdoor construction. Last year they did two walk ways and a brick patio for me and it looks great! They can make your home look as good as mine.

Brookside Greenhouse is NOW OPEN! They are famous for having the absolutely biggest and best selection of baskets at the lowest prices. I got a sneak peek the other day and this year looks bigger and better than ever.

Cortland Lanes is starting their very popular 9 Pin No Tap League on May 2 through June 14. Kids at 4:30 and adults at 6:30.

Chrissy's Lake Tavern is offering their great Prime Rib Dinner all day on Mother's Day.

Have someone graduating this year? Any other special occasion? Let McKenzie Catering at Garden Brook Banquet Center do the cooking for

Vasilio's is taking reservations for Mother's Day. Reservations are recommended. And a FREE CARNATION for every Mom.

Congratulations to Cortland Playroom Preschool for ONCE AGAIN being named the BEST OF THE BEST in Trumbull County! Check out their summer programs before they fill up. And they still have some openings for the fall semester both full and part time.

Buckeye Bulk is now open. Everything you need to make your yard look great this summer. And delivery is available.

Reese Services can seal your driveway or parking lot keeping it looking like new! It is a lot cheaper to "Seal it & Save it" than to replace it.

Furniture Décor and More is getting new summer arrivals every day! Miss a day and you miss a lot.

Greenwood Insurance asked a great question about Mortgage Insurance. They had an answer that can save you a lot of money. Check out their

Armed Forces Day observance set for Saturday, May 19

The Cortland Veterans Memorial Committee is planning to conduct a special event on Saturday, May 19 at Point Park in Cortland, in observance of Armed Forces Day. The public is invited, as are all veterans and active duty military personnel. The location, Point Park, was actually dedicated as a Veterans Memorial Park in December 1999.

The observance begins at 3 p.m., with a flag raising, national anthem, music provided by Lakeview Band, followed by the announcement of the recent essay winners, and the unveiling of the Soldier's Cross, which will be the central component of the new Veteran's Memorial to be build this summer.

Armed Forces Day is observed all across America on the third Saturday of May, as a day to pay tribute to the men and women serving in the armed forces. President Harry S. Truman led the effort to establish a single holiday for citizens to come together and thank our military members for their patriotic service in support of our great country.

On Aug. 31, 1949 Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of an Armed Forces Day to replace the separate Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force days. The single day celebration stemmed from the unification of the Armed Forces under the Dept. of Defense.

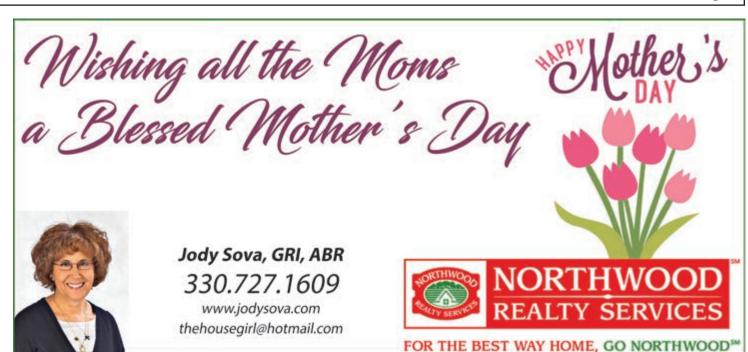
To learn more about Armed Forces Day and the history of all the service branches, visit the website afd.defense.

On Armed Forces Day last year, Saturday, May 20, 2017, the Veteran's Memorial Committee kicked-off the fund-raising effort to build the new Veteran's Memorial in Cortland. They have raised nearly \$140,000 in donations, paver orders and pledges. They are working to reach their \$165,000 goal very soon and begin construction this summer.

Anyone who wants to order an engraved paver and have it included in the initial build, needs to place their paver order by May 15. Order forms are available at Cortland City Hall or they can be printed off the website www.CortlandVeteransMem.org or by calling 330-974-4355 to have it mailed to you. Also, the order form can be clipped from this issue of the Cortland News. All paver orders and contributions are payable to "Cortland Community Foundation" and mailed to 400 N. High St., Cortland, OH 44410.

Bazetta Twp. Trustees meeting change of venue May 8

The Bazetta Twp. Trustees are moving the regular trustees meeting on May 8 from the administration building to the fire station due to the use of the administration building that day for Election Day.





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I'm thankful to the awesome staff who are so willing & ready to help keep the legacy going. Last but not least, I am thankful to the many people for believing in me & encouraging me on this new path. Thank you to my family, friends and all involved in this transition for your love and support. I know I gain strength and confidence from each of you! I'm so lucky to have such great friendships and look forward making new ones.

So, please come see me at Chrissy's Lake Tavern...like the original sign says, it is...
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Peace and love friends!

Dr. Hart's All-stars win 2018 Big Leaf Tournament and regular season



Dr. Hart's All-stars 4th grade team went undefeated to win the Big Leaf boys regular season and end of year tournament. The league consisted of 14 boys' teams from northeastern Ohio. Montgomery Hart was named MVP of the 4th grade Big Leaf League. The 4th grade team also was second in the Liberty Boosters Tournament and third in the Hubbard Boosters Tournament. The team only lost three games in its entire season.

Pictured from left are: Mackenzie Stowe, Montgomery Hart, Isabella Isenberg, Jacob Lynch and Eli Gough. Missing from photo is Evan Haun.

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Huntington Bank donates \$1,000 to Veterans Memorial



The Cortland Veterans Memorial Committee recently received a \$1,000 donation from the Huntington National Bank. Larnice Moten, Cortland branch manager, commented that Huntington Bank is proud to support the work of the committee to raise money and build a very impressive memorial in Cortland to honor all veterans. Bill Gore, committee member, thanked Huntington for its contribution, and noted that the total in donations, paver orders and pledges is now over \$137,000. He mentioned that the committee is working to raise about \$28,000 in the next few weeks and build the memorial this summer.

Pictured are Bill Gore, committee member; William Stoner, senior teller; Larnice Moten, Cortland branch manager; and Dick McClain, committee member.

'Antiques Roadshow,' Cortland style

A Cortland-style "Antiques Roadshow," sponsored by the Cortland-Bazetta Historical Society, will be held at the Opera House on May 3 at 7 p.m. to appraise some of your treasures. They will be appraised by Brian Orfin, who is an antique dealer in Niles and has visited before. Guidelines include:

1. You will be given a ticket with a

"Antiques number on it, and you will be called in e-Cortland- order."

2. Paid members may have up to two items appraised for free; others (not members) will have to pay \$5 per item for up to two items. If you join the society, you may have your items appraised for free. It's like a \$10 coupon.

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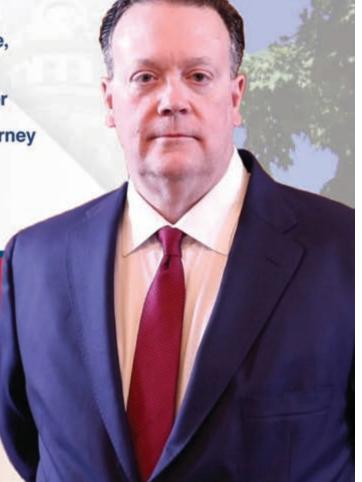
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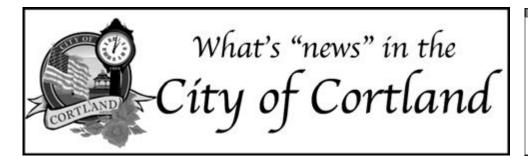


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Treasurer Josh Mandel announces launch of the City of Cortland and the Johnston Twp. checkbooks on OhioCheckbook.com

Ohio Treasurer Josh Mandel announced today the launch of the City of Cortland and the Johnston Twp. online checkbooks on OhioCheckbook.com. In December 2014, Treasurer Mandel launched OhioCheckbook.com, which sets a new national standard for government transparency and for the first time in Ohio history puts all state spending information on the internet. OhioCheckbook. com recently earned Ohio the number one government transparency ranking in the country for the second year in a row.



Ohio Treasurer's Office Director of Public Affairs Dan Risko, Cortland Mayor Jim Woofter, Council President *Deidre Petrosky, and Finance Director Patti Gibson.*

Cortland is the fourth city in Trumbull County to post its spending on OhioCheckbook.com, and Johnston Twp. is the sixth township in Trumbull County to post their spending on OhioCheckbook.

The following is a breakdown of the local government sites:

- Cortland's online checkbook includes over 800 individual transactions that represent more than \$1.2 million of total spending over Fiscal Year 2018.
- Johnston Township's online checkbook includes over 11,900 individual transactions that represent more than \$3.3 million of total spending over the past five years.

"I believe the people of Trumbull County have a right to know how their tax money is being spent, and I applaud local leaders here for partnering with my office to post the finances on OhioCheckbook.com," said Treasurer Mandel. "By posting local government spending online, we are empowering taxpayers across Ohio to hold public officials accountable."

"The City of Cortland is proud to join OhioCheckbook.com and increase transparency for our citizens," said Cortland Mayor Jim Woofter. "I am happy to lead the charge for a more open community."

"Johnston Township is proud to provide this information to our residents online," said the Johnston Twp. elected officials in a joint statement.

On April 7, 2015 Treasurer Mandel sent a letter to 18,062 local government and school officials representing 3,962 local governments throughout the state calling on them to place their checkbook level data on OhioCheckbook.com and extending an invitation to partner with his office at no cost to local governments. These local governments include cities, counties, townships, schools, library districts and other special districts.

5 stand-out Mother's Day gift ideas

(StatePoint) Need a Mother's Day gift that truly shines? Take these fun and practical ideas into consideration.

- once a month for a year, or if you're on foot spa and bath bombs for the tub. a budget, do it yourself. From laundry to dishes -- an IOU ticket to take care of the chores she would usually handle will give Mom an opportunity to take more time for herself to read a book or go out with
- 2. A classic accessory. If you're looking for something classic, give Mom an accessory that combines function and fashion, such as the Vintage Collection timepieces from Casio. Offered in a range of styles that complement fashion palates from simple and classic to retro glam, each timepiece comes equipped with an LED-lit display face, a countdown timer and a 1/10th second stopwatch. They also feature a daily alarm, hourly time signal and an auto-calendar, making them a necessity for anyone looking for fashion flare that keeps her organized, on-time and up-to-date with appointments.
- 3. Some rest and relaxation. Send Mom for a spa day, where she can select the treatments and services she wants 1. A clean house. Let Mom take a load best. Or, help her to create a spa-like off now and again. Hire a cleaning service environment at home, with face masks, a

4. A hobby. Has Mom always wanted to learn to play piano? Consider gifting portable technology to help her achieve this dream. One modestly priced option is Casio's CT-X700 portable keyboard, which features a rich sound with a powerful AiX Sound Service. Designed for casual players and beginners, it has a Lesson System that displays the proper fingering and notation, helping you learn its library of 100 built-in songs, as well as a six-track

5. Time together. Spend some quality time with Mom. Take a cooking class or comedy workshop together, or look for sip and paint options, where you learn painting skills while enjoying a glass of wine or beer. Local cafes and bars often host such events; however, you may want to check out the community center or community college for class options, too.



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In 1984, I raised my hand at the Cortland Police Department and was sworn in as a reserve police officer beginning my journey through 34 years of law enforcement. The career that has given me so much satisfaction and provided me unique experiences will end this May as I retire. Looking back I can see how much has changed in police work. More significantly, I can see how much is essentially unchanged as good police officers have certain core values that do not modify with social change or technology. Empathy, fairness and an ability to understand what role a police officer fulfills allow a young cop to build a strong foundation that will aid them throughout their career.

The technology has changed drastically since 1984 and things I learned in the academy and college that at that time seemed more science fiction than reality, are now commonplace. Ability to communicate via computers in the cruisers, mobile phones complete with video/audio capture worn as part of the uniform and radio systems that can reach across the state are all standard. Tactics, weaponry and less than lethal options have become part of a regular arsenal that has become tempered with training in de-escalation techniques and mental illness recognition. Forensics has become a normal part of an agency's bag of tricks with DNA, video surveillance technology and cellular tracking being used by patrol officers.

What has not changed is the ability of good people to dedicate to their training and approximate to become great police officers.

What has not changed is the ability of good people to dedicate to their training and experiences to become great police officers. Our community is fortunate to have people like this working every hour of every day. If you do not genuinely care about helping someone or are unwilling to go the extra distance to make a difference in someone's world -just because it is the right thing to do- no amount of money or training can instill those abilities. We see people at the worst points in their lives. We work all hours, all holidays, in any weather, in situations that make you question your own abilities and beliefs. All this- while also trying to balance a normal family and social life. This job attracts all kinds of people and I have seen many crash and burn from either their own undoing or inability to adapt to the rigorous demands of the profession.

I have been affiliated with the city of Cortland since the beginning of my career and I am satisfied knowing that I am leaving the city in a better state then when I began. This progress is more from our community growth and support than from any internal changes. I appreciate all the people that have helped me and taught me valuable lessons, not only about my job, but also about myself. As I leave, it is rewarding to know that I will be replaced by a fellow officer who is also invested in the Cortland community. Change is inevitable and essential to survive the starkness of a law enforcement career. I have no doubt my successor will continue the course of professionalism, pride and service that has become the standard for the Cortland Police Department. It has been my honor and privilege to work for the city of Cortland and I thank you for a great 34 years.

Chief Tom Andrews Cortland Police Department

ODNR to host migratory birding event at Shenango Wildlife Area on April 29

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Divisions of Parks and Watercraft and Wildlife will host a spring migration birding event on Sunday, April 29 at 8 a.m. at the Shenango Wildlife Area along Pymatuning Creek.

Participants should dress for the weather and be prepared for hiking on trails, wet areas, or in light brush. Those attending are also welcome to bring spotting scopes, binoculars and cameras. There will be a few additional binoculars for participants to use as well.

Participants should meet at the Shenango Wildlife Area parking area off of Milligan East Road. Visit wildlife.ohiodnr. gov/shenango for a map of the Shenango

Wildlife Area. For detailed directions, see the event page on the ODNR Scenic Rivers calendar at watercraft.ohiodnr. gov/srcalendar.

The Pymatuning Creek corridor is one of the Audubon Society's important bird areas in Ohio. Event participants will have a chance to observe and photograph the large variety of migratory birds including waterfowl, songbirds and warblers easily seen in this important riparian wildlife habitat near the Ohio-Pennsylvania border.

For more information, contact Matthew Smith at 330-298-9195, or visit www.wildohio.gov and watercraft. ohiodnr.gov/scenicrivers/program.

Southington UMC holding chicken dinner

The Southington United Methodist Church, state Routes 305 and 534, will be holding a chicken dinner, on Wednesday, May 2, from 3:30 to 6 p.m. The menu includes: one fourth of a chicken, scalloped potatoes, green

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



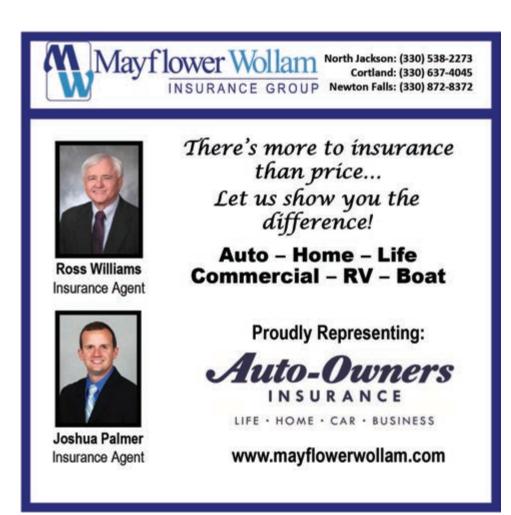
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Teens recognized by Warren Junior Women



GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League recognized 10 Trumbull Country teens for their time, service and dedication to volunteer work in the community during the league's 48th Annual WJWL Teen Volunteer Awards Banquet. Judges Esther Gartland, Ginny Pasha and Diane Szuch read over 30 submissions from area students who applied for the scholarships. The contestants are high school seniors nominated by school counselors, teachers and community service volunteer directors and leaders. The top 10 teens received a \$25 check and gift bag from the Eastwood Mall. Amanda Grexa of Badger High School earned the top teen volunteer award and \$500; Gianna Jones of Warren G. Harding High School won second place and \$300, and Celeste Harris of Warren G. Harding High School won third place and \$200.

Those attending the banquet included, seated from left, Haley Ketchum of Niles McKinley High School, Jones, Grexa, Harris, and Oliva Bevan of Hubbard High School. Standing are: WJWL President Jonnah Hetzel, Robin Forsha of Badger High School, Preston Sheets of Lakeview High School, Chairman Renee Maiorca, Donna Cherry of Warren G. Harding, Taylor DeProfio of Mineral Ridge High School, Karly Burrelli of Girard High School and Chairman Karen Margala.





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Hey, I thought it was April rain showers that brought May flowers, not snow showers. So much for that tradition. In this somewhat less than usual spring, May flowers will arrive and so will the usual springtime activities.

The OSU Master Gardeners are gearing up for its annual perennial, herb and vegetable plant and flower sale held on the Extension grounds, 520 W. Main St. Vintage garden items will also be for sale, including garden art, containers, plant stands, tools and other garden related items.

The sale is outside, under white tents Saturday morning, May 19, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Master Gardeners will be available to answer questions and just talk "plants." This year there will be a nice variety of herbs, Siberian Iris, Daylilies and ground covers, just to name a few. There are always

surprises and the dividing has just started; never know what those Master Gardeners will bring to the sale.

If you missed ordering annuals from the Four Seasons Garden Club's Spring Flower Sale, there will be hanging baskets of petunias and Boston ferns and other flowers available for sale on May 11, noon to 5 p.m. and May 12, 9 a.m. to noon at Mackenzie's Catering parking lot, 194 South High St. Cortland. Just in time for Mother's Day. Oh, the ferns are always exquisite!

Tomorrow the temperature is soaring and I have work waiting in my garden, plants to pot up for the sale. And no I will not name the varieties, come to the sale May 19.

Happy gardening!

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

Cortview Village residents having rummage sale

The residents of Cortview Village will hold a rummage sale on Friday, May 10 and Saturday, May 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Cortview Village (next to Sparkle Market). Lunch will be available for a donation.

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Republican Women's Club hear from U.S. Senate candidate



Trumbull County Republican Women's Club recently met at JD's Posthouse Restaurant for a luncheon meeting. Nominations of the 2018-2019 officers were voted on by members. President for the upcoming year will be Cathy Lukasko. Roberta Shields will remain as first vice-president as well as Gail Drushel holding her seat as second vice-president. Lori Hineman will take the position of treasurer for the club and Dorothy Davis will become the secretary in the upcoming year. Installation of these officers will be at the May 3 luncheon to be held Giorgio's in Niles.

Guest candidate speaker was Mike Gibbons running for U. S. Senate. He gave members a brief bio of his education and work experience.

Pictured is President Jean Cramer with Mike Gibbons

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Patrol reminds drivers to keep eyes, focus on the road

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month, and the Warren Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol is reminding drivers to keep their eyes and focus on the roadway while driving.

Last year, 13,997 crashes in Ohio had a reported distraction, resulting in 51 fatal crashes. From 2016 to 2017, the number of fatal crashes due to distracted drivers nearly doubled.

"Every time someone takes their eyes or their off the road - even for just a few seconds - they put their lives and the lives of others in danger," said Lt. Brian Holt, commander of the Warren Post. "Distracted driving is unsafe and irresponsible. In a split second, its consequences can be devastating."

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Sending or receiving a text message takes a driver's eyes off the road for an average of 4.6 seconds, the equivalent of driving the length of an entire football field when traveling at 55 mph.

Ohio law bans all electronic

Ohio law bans all electronic wireless communication device usage for drivers under 18. Texting while driving is illegal for all drivers as a secondary offense.

Distracted driving is any non-driving activity with the potential to distract a person from the primary task of driving and increase the risk of crashing. Distractions can be visual, taking eyes off of the road; manual, taking hands off the wheel; or cognitive, taking the mind off driving. Texting while driving is an example that results in all three types of distracted driving facts.

For more distracted driving facts please visit www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/oshp_Distracted_Driving_Bulletin_2018.pdf

Mother from page 1

They go on to take advanced courses, join the military or begin full time jobs and call their alma mater less frequently. Relationships with other flight schools make them dream of opening their own school.

When they do open their own school, you may think you can retire, but then there is a job opening you can't resist! It's called Mom's Hotline, and you are the Grand – mother! We could add Grand-father in there, too, but this is a Mother's Day story. Life is wonderful!

You look for your old flight school manual, but then you realize you already gave it to them. All through their lives, the manual that will guide them was automatically updating the one you used. It includes all the memories and lessons they experienced and will pass on to their children. It is already there, but if in doubt, support can be obtained on Mom's Hotline. That all important phone number on the front, has already updated to your phone number. There is even an email address now too! Open 24 hours a day, it says. And just in time. The phone rings. You hear, "Hi, Mom," At the end of the conversation, you both say, "I love you."

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Practical Money Matters How to save money on your next outdoor adventure

By Hugh Norton

Camping can be an inexpensive way to enjoy a vacation with your friends and family. Whether you're going swimming or boating at a nearby lake, or want to rough it on a multi-day backpacking trip, many people look forward to taking in the grand outdoors this time of year. From choosing a spot to getting your gear, here are five steps for setting off on your next

Pick a park. Avoiding a flight or multiday road trip can be a great way to cut down your travel expenses. Chances are there's something beautiful to see right in your neck of the woods. Ask your friends and nearby relatives for recommendations, and search online for reviews of local wilderness areas, hiking trails and campgrounds.

The National Park Service (NPS) is a good go-to resource. The NPS maintains an index of national parks, monuments, seashores, recreation areas and other outdoor areas across the country. There are over 400 parks on the index, and only about a quarter of them charge an entrance fee (anywhere from \$5 to \$30 for a noncommercial vehicle).

Secure your pass. If you are taking trips to national and federal recreational parks frequently, you may want to consider purchasing an America The Beautiful Annual Pass for \$80, which provides access to over 2,000 federal recreation sites, not just those that the NPS manages. A single pass covers the driver and all passengers in a personal vehicle (or up to four adults for sites that charge per person). There are also four free days at all National Park Service sites each year, although you should expect crowds if you visit on one of them, and free annual passes for active-duty military

members and their dependents.
State-managed parks are another option. As with the national park passes, a regional or state-wide annual pass could save you money in the long run if you visit these parks several times throughout the

Prepare to pitch a tent. You may have several available options when choosing where to sleep. Hotels, motels and vacation rentals may be the most comfortable, but

they come at a premium.

Camping cabins, which offer luxuries like electricity and heating or cooling, can be a good "middle ground" option. Renting an RV is another possibility, though between the rental and overnight fees it won't necessarily get you great savings. Tent camping could be your cheapest route. Even if you don't have the gear, you can likely find a new tent and inflatable mattress for as low as \$100. However, keep in mind that extremely discounted gear might not last as long compared to more expensive options. Checking reviews is crucial to finding the best gear for you and your needs.

National and state park campground overnight fees are often less expensive than privately owned campgrounds, and you can reserve a spot to lay your head on federally managed land, including within national parks and forests, online at Recreation.gov. But beware, they fill up quickly. Luckily, for those that aren't big on planning ahead, there are many

parks that offer first-come, first-served campgrounds.

With a little research, you might be surprised by how many affordable camping options are available. Some state and federal agencies, such as the National Forest Service, allow dispersed camping for free. You'll need to set up your tent away from designated campgrounds and won't have access to running water restreems or have access to running water, restrooms or trash service (please follow leave-no-trace

Buy gear that suits your needs. You've got a place to go and somewhere to sleep. Now it's time to get the gear. Here are three questions that can help

you determine if you should rent or buy gear and, if you decide to buy it, whether you should opt for budget or high-end products. Before you buy, ask yourself:

Do you already have something that will work?

How often will you use the item?

 How long do you expect it to last?

If you'll only take the occasional camping trip, a cheap tent could fit your needs just fine. If you go every weekend, however, purchasing a higher-quality tent would make more sense.

You don't need to go all out and purchase a new tent, sleeping bag, pad and backpack your first time out. Instead, you can rent the things you need online or from a nearby sporting goods store. Or better yet, ask friends and family members if you can borrow their gear.

Even if you do decide to buy high-end gear, you can save money by purchasing used products. Some are still in great condition, especially when retail stores sell returned items that were only used once or twice. You can also find a wide array of camping gear for sale on classified sites for a real bargain.

That being said, there are a few things you shouldn't skimp on. A first aid kit is a worthwhile and inexpensive purchase. Also, if you'll be in backcountry for days at a time, you may want to enroll in a wilderness first aid training course. Although courses can cost several hundred dollars, you'll learn potentially life-saving

Don't overspend on food. It may be tempting to splurge on park restaurants, but it could be more cost-effective to avoid the crowds and cook at a campsite. Check online or call a ranger to see what kind of pit setup is available and what supplies might be included. Bring a cooler for perishables and stock up on shelf-stable and easily-packable basics. As for supplies, matches or a lighter, aluminum foil, portable grate, metal tongs and a lightweight pot and pan are necessities. Planning ahead may take some extra time, but some due diligence will help you save on your outdoor will help you save on your outdoor adventure. You can still cook amazing meals, and nothing feels more like camping than cooking over a fire.

Bottom line: A camping trip can seem like a cheap getaway, but the costs can easily add up to more than you budgeted. Whether you want to travel to the Adirondacks, hike in Yosemite or embark on a local camping trip, a little planning can help to make your trip more fun and help free your mind from financial stress.



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Unexpected food and wine pairings for your spring feasts

(StatePoint) Spring is here, which means it is time to create sensational seasonal wine and food pairings to elegantly entertain family and friends.

suggest Cabernet Sauvignon as a selection well suited for the transition to warmer temperatures, as the bold, bright red and black fruit flavors with hints of spice pair easily with both hearty and

"Cabernet Sauvignon is more versatile than most believe. It can be enjoyed with different cheeses, meats, vegetables and even certain types of fish," says Molly Hill, Winemaker at Sequoia Grove Winery.

Sequoia Grove Winery's Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon.

Cabernet Sauvignon. This tempting red wine maximizes the distinct flavor characteristics of its origin, the Rutherford Bench, one of Napa Valley's most revered growing regions for Cabernet.

At your next spring dinner, try serving the Sequoia Grove 2015 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon (SRP: \$44.99), a full-bodied wine featuring notes of sweet vanilla and spice, followed by blackberry, strawberry, and berry pie aromas.

For a timeless pairing, try this recipe for Roasted Leg of Lamb. This dish balances well-seasoned lamb with the acid in citrus to create For a classic expression, consider a delicious pairing for this elegant

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According to the Standard & Poor's Global Financial Literacy Survey, only 57 percent of adults in the United States are considered financially literate. April is National Financial Literacy Month and a good time to take steps toward becoming more financially savvy so you will be subject to fewer risks and a brighter financial future. Here, attorney Ronald Burdge of Burdge Law Office Co., LPA provides an overview of credit scores and why it is important to be vigilant about maintaining credit records.

Consumers Have Credit Record Rights

Credit score basics

Unless you live in a cash-only world, being able to get credit is critical to buying almost anything. Before giving you credit, a lender will check your credit record with one or more of the three credit reporting agencies (Experian, Transunion, Equifax) that keep credit data on millions of American consumers.

Your credit history can be checked when you apply for any kind of credit - a job, insurance or even an apartment lease. Lenders can consider your credit record as long you are treated fairly and the same as others who are applying for credit. Sometimes, however, things happen that can hurt your credit. Job loss, income decline, illness or even a computer error can harm your credit record. As is common these days, identity thieves and hackers can also affect your credit score so checking on your score and your finances regularly is a good habit to develop.

Credit and the law

Federal credit protection laws exist to make sure you get a fair shake when you get credit, use credit and maintain your credit record.

The Fair Credit Reporting Act requires credit reporting agencies to keep accurate information that stays private. Basically, this law says how credit data gets reported and maintained to be sure it is accurate and used properly. If the law is violated, though, you generally must handle the issue yourself or consult an attorney for help. If you do consult an attorney, the law says you have the right to make the other side pay your attorney fees if you win your case.

Incorrect data on your credit report can negatively impact your ability to obtain credit and this law gives you the right to dispute errors with the credit reporting agency. If the errors are not fixed, you may have the right to recover compensation for the damage the errors may have caused you. Like any legal right a consumer may have, an attorney can provide assistance in prosecuting your case through the court process.

The three consumer credit reporting agencies must give you a free copy of your credit report once every 12 months if you ask for it. You also have a right to a free copy if your credit application is turned down or if you cannot get a job or insurance because of a credit report. to seek advice from a licensed attorney.

But you have to ask for a report within 60 days of receiving a turn down notice. The notice that is sent to you will give you the contact information for the credit reporting agency whose report caused your denial so that you know who to

Call the official toll-free number (877-322-8228) or go to www. annualcreditreport.com, where you can order your reports directly. Fake credit report websites do exist, so do not give out any credit card information to get your report. The official website does not ask for any credit card information.

If you are unemployed, you can get one free report a year as long as you plan to look for a job within 60 days. If you are on welfare or if your credit report is inaccurate because of fraud (including identity theft), then you are also entitled to one free copy of your credit report each year. The report you obtain should be the same as what you would receive by requesting your annual free report but this part of the law gives you the ability to obtain another report regardless of how long it has been since you requested your free annual credit report.

If your credit record contains errors or there is false information on your credit report, tell the credit agency. The agency must investigate the accuracy of your record. If the information turns out to be accurate, then you cannot remove it from your record legally. That information will only be removed from your record after an appropriate period

of time has passed. Most negative information can be put on your credit record and kept there for seven years. If a judgment is made against you, it can be reported on your credit record for seven years. Bankruptcy information is allowed to be kept on your

credit record for 10 years and criminal

records can appear on credit reports for an indefinite period of time.

Dealing with debt If you are having problems with bills, you should contact your creditor immediately in order to try to work out a payment plan that allows you to make lower payments that you can handle. Do not wait until your account is turned over to a debt collector. Debt collectors are almost always much more difficult to deal with than creditors themselves.

For more information on credit records, visit the Federal Reserve Board's website at www.federalreserve.gov or the Federal Trade Commission's website at www.ftc.gov.

This "Law You Can Use" column was vided by the Ohio State Bar Association. It was prepared by Dayton attorney Ronald L Burdge of Burdge Law Office Co., LPA.

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Roasted Leg of Lamb

Ingredients:

(Serves 10-12)

- 2 teaspoons fresh thyme leaves
- 2 teaspoons minced fresh rosemary leaves
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons orange juice
- 3 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 1 (4 to 5 pound) boneless leg of lamb, butterflied
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Squeeze of lemon
- Freshly ground black pepper

Method:

Evening Before:

• In a food storage bag, combine thyme, rosemary, garlic, onion, oil,

vinegar, orange juice and mustard. Mix well.

 Add the leg of lamb; seal the bag and turn to coat. Massage the meat through the bag for a few minutes to help the marinade set in. Put the storage bag into a large roasting pan to marinate for 24 hours in the refrigerator.

• Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

• Remove the lamb from the marinade and place in shallow roasting pan. Season with the salt, pepper and squeeze of lemon.

• Roast, uncovered, basting with the remaining marinade several times while roasting, using all the marinade

• Roast for 50 to 70 minutes or until an instant read meat thermometer registers 140 degrees F for medium rare, or 150 degrees F for medium. For food safety, cook to a minimum of 140 degrees F.

• Remove from oven, cover with foil and let stand for 15 minutes before

• Carve into slices against the grain. Serve with the sauce that forms in the bottom of the pan and a side of mixed root vegetables. Pair with a glass of Sequoia Grove Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon for a delightful meal experience.







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Miss Ohio USA Deneen Penn to compete for title of Miss USA on May 21

Deneen Penn, a graduate of Maplewood High School and Miss Ohio USA, will depart for Shreveport-Bossier, La. in just a few short weeks to compete for the title of Miss USA. The Miss Universe Organization has announced that the pageant will air live on Monday, May 21 from 8-10 p.m. on FOX Cleveland.

Actress, host and former pageant winner Vanessa Lachey and multi-Platinum recording artist and television personality Nick Lachey will take the stage together to host the competition. Vanessa was crowned Miss Teen USA in 1998 and served as a backstage correspondent for MISS USA in 2001 and as co-host of Miss Universe in 2007



Penn is a junior in college working towards her master of science in business administration alongside her bachelor of architecture. This past year, she earned her designation as a Master Beekeeper. With her entrepreneur spirit she founded Queen Bee Honey, producing and selling her all organic honey. She is passionate about supporting local business, which led to her establishing the program "The Worker Bee," where she helps young, aspiring entrepreneurs build successful companies of their own. If she wins the title of Miss USA, she would like to highlight this program to a wider audience and helping empower today's youth to have the tools they need to build tomorrow's future.



TRTA hears from media rep



WFMJ Television Community Relations and EEO Director Madonna Chism Pinkard (left) and Trumbull Retired Teachers (TRTA) President Diana Bauman, (right), presented a program at a recent TRTA meeting. Chism Pinkard presented "A Media Made Life of Surprises." The next meeting is June 12. For more information, visit trumbullrta. wixsite.com. Photo by Roselyn Gadd.







Adopt A Pet ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE



Amethyst is a 1 ½ -year-old domestic medium hair, with tiger striped markings. Her coloring is unique, so call it what you like! She has beautiful green eyes and is a mostly white underneath with black down the back of her legs. There is a mixture of black and beige on top. She was born with a shortened tail. She was just adopted with Thumbelina, but they were returned at no fault of their own. She loves to be

petted, but only when she wants to be and feels comfortable with you. If you're looking for a lap cat, this is your girl! She loves her igloo bed and to be combed. Her adoption fee is \$20.18 and includes her spay, vaccinations, FeLV/FIV testing, a microchip with registration and more.

Thumbelina joined us in November. She is an 11-year-old, black, domestic longhair. She was an owner surrender, as they could no longer properly care for her. She has always been with that family. She was just adopted with Amethyst, but they were returned at no fault of their own. She can be a shy girl but does well with other cats. It would be great to see her and Amethyst get adopted together again! Her adoption fee is \$20.18 and includes her spay, vaccinations, FeLV/FIV testing, a microchip with registration and more.

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6 other college costs (and opportunities) to consider when the financial aid letter arrives

(BPT) - The last year of high school is a whirl of activity, and it's no different when it comes to the final leg of college selection. Once the acceptance notifications arrive, it will soon be time to sit down with a different stack of mail: financial aid letters.
As you undoubtedly know, the cost of

As you undoubtedly know, the cost of college is no small investment. In the 2017-18 academic year, the average tuition and fees for four-year public colleges is \$25,620, while for private colleges, the costs are \$33,520, and public two-year colleges cost \$3,570, according to the College Board.

At the same time, the College Board reports that more than 70 percent of students receive grants to help pay for college. Hopefully, those financial letters contain some good news.

For most families, analyzing the letters is a process of uncovering the college that can offer the best education at the best value for your student. One way to get there is to parse the details of the letter itself so you understand the net cost of your student's education. Still, it's critical to look at other factors and opportunities around higher education costs. Taking a deeper look at these can help you and your student reach the best possible decision.

Deciphering free aid vs. other options: Take a close look at each line in the aid column. Key words, such as scholarships, grants and fellowships, signal no-strings money for school. Work-study and student loan packages are options that will need students to find a job or pay the money

Cost-of-living expenses: Think about those extra costs that come up over the weeks and months of any college year, such as meals, phone, transportation and laundry. Don't forget entertainment. After all, they're not going to spend all their time studying in their dorm room. Does the campus and community offer plenty of low-cost and no-cost attractions and entertainment so they can have fun with their friends without breaking the bank?

Local economy: One thing worth considering is the local economy of the first-choice school, especially if your student may want to pick up a part-time job along the way. Even better, look for local employers that are compatible with your child's career goals. An entry-level job at one of these workplaces can help make ends meet, while making your student more marketable when it's time to student more marketable when it's time to graduate.

Student achievement: Do a little digging on the success rate for students and graduates, so you have an idea on whether graduates, so you have an idea on whether
the school has a high job placement rate
after graduation. Know the school's
graduation rate, along with the average
first-year salary for graduates.

Ongoing costs: The financial aid letter
describes the student's first year. As much

as you can, do some forecasting for the next three to four years. It's especially important to understand whether awards are renewable, or if they're available only to first-year students.

Negotiation: If the college isn't coming through with enough aid to make college affordable for your student and family, don't give up. You might be able to negotiate more aid. Submit a letter and ask for a follow-up appointment. Be specific about what you are requesting, and be sure to explain if you have specific circumstances such as medical costs or a job loss that may have affected your ability

to meet the expected family contribution.

If you find the amount of financial aid provided isn't enough (including the amount offered in federal loans), families may want to research and explore private student loans as an option to cover the additional expenses. Look for competitive interest rates and flexible repayment options that match your budget. College Ave Student Loans also offers a calculator that showcases how much families can save with various loan options at www. collegeavestudentloans.com.





Book Reviews

By Jean Bolinger

The Music Shop

By Rachel Joyce

Although I always have a book to read by my chair I have not been real excited about most of them recently, excited enough to recommend them to Cortland News readers. Not even the new John Grisham book was good enough (in my opinion) to send me to the computer to write a review. "The Music Shop," however, is definitely a great read. I finished it about 15 minutes ago and could not wait to recommend it.

This is a story of a little shop in the late 80s nestled in a little alley in a part of a small English town. Neighboring shops are a bakery, a funeral home, and a tattoo parlor among others. The music shop owner is a kind man named Frank who sells only vinyl records and always seems to know the perfect record for any customer, especially one who is having problems. He is generous to a

fault and rather shy but holds steadfast to his principles of "vinyl only" as he feels there is something magical about a record that can't be duplicated in a CD.

One day a beautiful but rather mysterious young woman stops by and asks Frank to teach her about music. She is just visiting England for a bit but obviously has some emotional needs that Frank tends with his weekly music lessons. Meanwhile a developer is pushing the shop owners to sell and

eventually tragedy strikes "the shop."

The last few chapters are a whirlwind of emotions involving Ilse (the woman), Frank and the other shop owners and all of the people Frank has helped over the years. As a former owner of a little specialty shop I can relate wholly with Frank and the other characters in the story. The book is lovely and hard to put down.

Exhibit updates at the Sutliff Museum

A collection of "The Original S'mores" ornaments is now on display at the Sutliff Museum. The collection "deliciously adorable features ornaments for Christmas or every day." Each ornament shows a snowman made out of marshmallows depicting various holidays, occupations, milestones of life, and more! This exhibit is open through August.

"Being a Victorian: Hygiene History of the 19th Century" is also open to the public through August 2018. This temporary exhibit explores the hygiene habits of men and women living in the late 1800s. Part of the exhibit touches on the ways people kept themselves clean including shaving. The remaining showcases the personal accessories that men and women used on a daily basis including gloves and hats. The exhibit features items from the Sutliff Museum and Trumbull County Historical Society

The Sutliff Museum, operated by The Warren Library Association, is located on the second floor of the Warren-Trumbull County Library at 444 Mahoning Ave., Warren. Admission is free and hours of operation are from 3-6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 1-4 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Tours may be arranged at other times by calling the museum.

Warren native returns to area to manage **Tourism Bureau**



The Trumbull County Tourism Board unanimously approved the hiring of Beth Kotwis Carmichael to take over the helm of the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau when the current executive director, Stephanie L. Sferra, retires June 1. A special board meeting was held Wednesday, March 28 where the search committee presented to the full board its selection of Carmichael as its leading candidate. An official offer was made to her the next day.

Carmichael, who is currently director of project development for the St. Joseph Visitors Bureau in St Joseph, Mo., has over 20 years' experience in destination marketing and the hospitality industry. Before joining the St. Joseph

Visitors Bureau in 2008, she was executive director for both the Napa Valley Visitors Bureau in Napa, Calif. and the Jefferson City

Convention & Visitors Bureau in Jefferson City, Mo.

She has been active in a number of Missouri tourism organizations including the Missouri Association of Convention & Visitors Bureaus where she served on its board, was appointed chair of the education committee and was a member of the organization's legislative committee. Carmichael was also the recipient of the 2017 Pathfinder Award from the Missouri Division of Tourism for the Missouri Highway 36 Quilt Trail, which

À graduate of Kent State University where she earned a bachelor of arts in

Recreation - Commercial Recreation, Carmichael grew up in Warren and attended Warren G. Harding High School. Her parents still reside there.

Sferra, who also returned home to the Mahoning Valley after spending 21 years in the Washington, D.C. area to accept her current position with the bureau, announced how retirement during the support of 2016 which have the state of the state her retirement during the summer of 2016, which has allowed the Tourism Board time

to complete some major projects and to work towards a smooth management transition. Carmichael will begin work at the Bureau May 3 and will officially become the new executive director on June 4.

World War II memorabilia on display at **Bristol Library**

Now on display at the Bristol Public Library is a remarkable collection of World War II memorabilia. The collection owned by Gabriel Illes of Bristolville, is located in the display case on the second floor of the library.

Illes grew up listening to stories of the war from his father and uncles and developed an interest in history at a very young age. This interest led him to become involved with the reenactment in Conneaut and with the Able Company 116th Infantry Regiment of Bedford, Va. Gabe has only been

collecting the items for the last three

Some of the items on display, including dog tags and a comb, belonged to his father. Other pieces are exact replicas of official items he has purchased from flea markets, reenactments and on E-bay. His passion for history is the center of the display with information on the war and all the items.

The collection will be on display until the end of May. For more information or directions to the library, contact the circulation desk at 330-889-3651.



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Something to Think About

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Met an interesting lady a while back. Spotted her at a function from across the room. Appeared fragile, diminutive. She was sitting by herself along the wall – a solitary figure in a sea of people. Asked a gentleman to my left if he knew who she was. "Oh yeah," he said. "That's Elsie. One remarkable human being. She has devoted her entire life to helping others – the less fortunate among us." My friend spent the next ten minutes spelling out in real terms what "helping others" meant. Who would'a thought? I walked over and introduced myself and asked her to share her story. She was meek and humble – wasn't in the mind of boasting, but she did give me something that I have carried with me since that day. She said: "I have a song my Grandmother gave me that has served as a guiding light. I have tried my best to live up to the words." Following is the song Elsie shared. I am determined to do as she did – how about you? Might we possibly live up to the words?

If I can help somebody, as I pass along, If I can cheer somebody, with a word or song, If I can show somebody, that he's travelling wrong, Then my living shall not be in vain.

Chorus:

My living shall not be in vain, Then my living shall not be in vain If I can help somebody, as I pass along, Then my living shall not be in vain.

If I can do my duty, as a good man ought,
If I can bring back beauty, to a world up wrought,
If I can spread love's message, as the Master taught,
Then my living shall not be in vain.

Non-denominational open church 'National Day of Prayer'

Cortland United Methodist Church will open its doors for prayer on Wednesday, May 3 from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. for personal and prayer for peace in the world, safety in our schools, our families, service men and women, our government leaders and

Methodist all those around the world needing for prayer prayers.

Please plan to attend. No program. Just opportunity to sit in the pews of the church asking for God's peace or need in your life. Prayer partners will be available. Non-denominational







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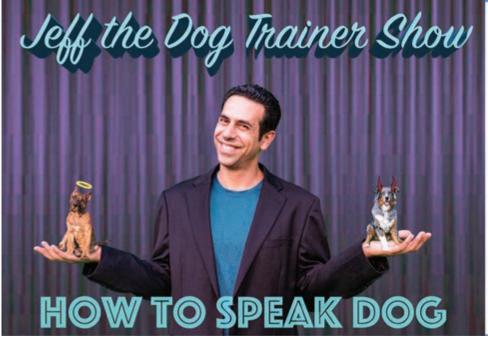


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Special needs soccer players sign-up scheduled

TOPSoccer Special Needs Soccer will be holding a sign-up for players of all ages on Saturday, April 28 and Sunday, April 29 from 1 to 3 p.m., both days at Farmer Jim's Sports Complex, Cortland.

The outreach program for Soccer (TOPSoccer) is a community-based training and team placement program for young athletes with special needs. TOPSoccer is a modified version of the game of soccer, designed to provide opportunities for special needs players of all ages to develop their physical fitness, technical skills, courage and self-esteem through the joy and excitement of playing soccer. TOPSoccer's mission is to foster the physical, mental and emotional growth and development of special needs children.

The TOPSoccer program in Northeast Ohio supports Trumbull and Mahoning counties in northeast Ohio and Mercer County in northwest Pennsylvania. Youths in wheelchairs, with assisted walking devices, with mild to severe special needs have participated. The program beginning in early August, meets once per week on Sunday afternoons for 1½ hours (with 30 minutes of skill building and 60 minutes of playing soccer) for eight weeks.

In addition to the regular TOPSoccer program, there is also a three day TOPSoccer Soccer Camp. Challenger Sports has provided British coaches who provide meaningful learning, development and physical participation opportunities for our special needs youths during this three-day soccer camp.

Although the group plays soccer, it is not a sports team. Outside of the program, many of the youths have limited opportunities to move about, run, play, and to interact with others in an organized activity. Consequently, their families have few opportunities to see them in this type of happy, fun, moving about, exciting environment that is safe and secure. The organization provides meaningful learning, development and physical participation opportunities for young special needs athletes through the game of soccer.

To learn more visit its Facebook site at www.facebook.com/topsoccerohio/for local information or the TOPSoccer website at www.topsoccer.us to learn more about TOPSoccer.

Ladies brunch in Wayne Twp.

A ladies brunch will be held on Saturday, April 28 at 11 a.m. at the Wayne Town Hall, corner of state Routes 193 and 322 in Wayne Twp. There will be a "Mrs. Noah," presentation, a humorous look at life and the ark by Sandra Zikursh. There will also be food, a Chinese auction and fellowship.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling Laurie at 440-422-3662 or Janice at 440-685-4388. The event is sponsored by Women's Missionary of the First Congregational Church of Wayne and will benefit African missions. A donation will be collected at the door. Seating is limited.





3 steps to handle market volatility as you approach retirement

Swings in the stock market can cause emotions to run high, particularly for investors who are approaching retirement. And for good reason. Recent research from Ameriprise Financial uncovered that the biggest financial setbacks American investors have experienced in their 50s through their 70s is market losses. Though most respondents - 62 percent - have fully recovered from these events, they're still afraid of potential bumps down the road¹.

If you share this anxiety as you approach retirement, remember that market volatility does not always mean you need to make changes to your portfolio. The following tips can help you prevent fear from getting the best of you:

1. Concentrate on your financial goals.

No one can say with certainty what will happen to stocks over the next week, month, year or decade. But what may be more certain is your financial goals for those timeframes. Ensure your portfolio is designed to help you achieve those goals, rather than to achieve a specific market outcome. Remember that timing the markets is rarely successful because there are so many unknown factors influencing how stocks move.

2. Keep your emotions in check.

Market corrections, dips and swings are inevitable for investors in the short term, so it's important to look beyond the daily hype and headlines. Instead, watch for broad, persistent trends that could provide opportunities or challenges for your overall financial situation. As you ponder adjustments to your portfolio, remember that while you can't control the market, you can control your reaction to it.

Reassess your portfolio according to your retirement date and risk

Two items that are more in your control are your risk tolerance and retirement date. Keep in mind that each person has an individual comfort level with taking risks. You may find that your ability to handle market swings varies over time, particularly if you've experienced volatility in the past or are planning your retirement. Big market moves or dips may be a good time to step back and evaluate your portfolio according to when you anticipate needing to generate income from your investments:

If you have a decade or more before retirement, prioritize building your investments using a diversified asset mix. Investing regularly in the market could help volatility work to your benefit, as you have more time to ride out short-term turbulence and overcome potential losses. As you refine your retirement plans, calculate how much money you need to live the lifestyle you want, while also preparing for unexpected expenses such as healthcare. Knowing how much you need to retire can help you stay confident in your financial strategy amid market uncertainty.

• If you are within a few years of retirement, you likely are more sensitive to short-term market moves. At this point, you may consider gradually adjusting your portfolio to reduce your level of risk. If you wait until retirement to adjust your investment mix, you could be surprised by untimely market volatility or a downturn. If this happens, it could leave you with less money in retirement compared to your plans, forcing you to modify your goals or lifestyle. If the market is experiencing a correction, you may want to wait for it to rebound (as it historically has) before making adjustments. Making changes immediately amid volatility could lock in possible losses.

If you are retired, be patient and maintain your diversified investment strategy. If the potential for a downturn or increased volatility makes you nervous, consider reallocating your portfolio accordingly. Keep in mind that even in retirement it may make sense to have part of your investment mix focused on growth. Today's long life expectancies mean that you need to be prepared for the likelihood that living costs, particularly healthcare, will be higher in the later

decades of your retirement.

If you have concerns about the effect of market volatility on your investments, you are not alone. If you want additional support, consider consulting a financial advisor who can review the details of your unique financial situation. Together you can determine if your portfolio is on track to reach your goals.

¹ - The Ages, Stages & Money study was created by Ameriprise Financial, Inc. and conducted online by Artemis Strategy Group December 8-21, 2017 among 3,019 U.S. adults between the ages of 30-79 with at least \$100,000 in investable assets. For further information and details about the study, including verification of data that may not be published as part of this report, please contact Ameriprise Financial or go to Ameriprise.com/ages.

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Sewing Guild plans for style and creativity show

American Sewing Guild will hold its 16th annual Spring Extravaganza Style and Creativity Show on Saturday, April 28 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at A La Carte Catering in Canfield. An elevated professional runway will be used for the show,

The Niles Chapter of the featuring three guest designers. In addition to the show, there will be a judged "Hello Doily" sewing challenge for members. Cost is \$24 for members and \$27 for nonmembers and includes lunch. For more information contact Barb at 330-550-1215.

ODA launches 2018 "Ag is Cool!" creative expression contest

The Ohio Department of Agriculture has opened 2018's "Agriculture is Cool!" Creative Expression Contest. Children enrolled in school or home schooled in Ohio during the 2017-2018 academic year have until June 5, 2018 to show their personal interpretation of why Ohio agriculture is cool for their chance to win prizes including a trip to be recognized at the Ohio State Fair.

"Ag is Cool!" entries, which can include an original video, photograph, drawing or painting, will be judged in the following age categories. One winner from each age group and category will be chosen:

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Grades 9-12: Video, Photography, **Drawing or Painting**

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Winners of the art contest will be honored by the Office of Governor Kasich and other state officials at the Ohio State Fair on July 25, 2018.

For additional information about the contest, a complete copy of the rules and entry form visit agri.ohio.gov/ AgIsCool/or call 614-752-9817.





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GPD Group Employees' Foundation announces 2018 grants

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Locally, grants were awarded to: were awarded to:

- Lakeview Local Schools, for Lakeview Middle School Library Makerspace, \$4.950
- Lakeview Local Schools, for Sphero Robots for Lakeview Local Elementary Innovators, \$2 400

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- Inspiring Minds for 2018 Inspiring Minds Summer Enrichment Program, \$5,000
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11th Annual Survivors of Suicide Awareness Walk is April 28

The 11th Annual Survivors of Suicide Awareness Walk, a walk in memory of loved ones who died by suicide, will take place on Saturday, April 28 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Trumbull County Courthouse Gazebo. Families, friends and the public are invited to attend and urged to bring photos or signs to highlight the loss of loved ones to suicide. As a part of the program, the names of those who died by suicide will be read. Names can be submitted to

The 11th Annual Survivors of cide Awareness Walk, a walk memory of loved ones who d by suicide, will take place on arday, April 28 from 2 to 4 p.m. he Trumbull County Courthouse cgrizinski@helpnetworkneo.org. Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death, and it affects all areas of a survivor's life.

The event is sponsored by Help Network of NEO, Survivors of Suicide (SOS) of Mahoning County and Survivors of Suicide of Trumbull County. For information call Help Network at 800-427-3606 or Mary at 330-307-8231 or Dan at 330-553-4635.



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TNR events in May

TNR of Warren is now booking a Saturday-Sunday spay-neuter clinic for cats only on May 5-6 to be held in Warren. The cost for the clinic is \$55 female and \$45 male for indoor pets and includes rabies shot. Outdoor only cats are \$30, which includes rabies and ear tip if not in trap, and \$25 if in a trap. Call to discuss your situation at 330-330-8166.

The group is also holding a garage sale on May 12 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Packard Park in Warren, All funds raised benefit the low-cost spay neuter programs. Donations may be dropped off May 11, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Packard Park. Please start saving your gently used items now. Please no TVs, clothing, computers, dvds or vcrs. Any questions please call 330-330-8166.

TNR of Warren presents a Designer Purse Bingo on May 20 at the Gardenbrook Banquet Center in Cortland. Doors open at 2 p.m. and games begin at 3 p.m. Admission is \$35 and includes light lunch and door prize ticket. Bring your own wine. There will also be a lottery ticket raffle, 50-50, Chinese Auction and cat quilt raffle along with a gently used designer purse sale table. All prizes are purses and will feature Michael Kors, Coach, Kate Spade and Dooney and Bourke. Help animals, win great prizes and have fun. All funds raised go to the spay-neuter programs. Call 330-330-8166 to purchase tickets or for more information or send a check to TNR, P.O. Box 2477, Warren, OH 44484. Tickets will be mailed.

Lakeview High School Class of 2018



Class Quote: "What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."—Ralph Waldo Emerson Class Flower: White Rose • Class Color: Royal Blue and White • Class Song: "Grouplove" by Tongue Tied Number in class: 150

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Class of 2018:

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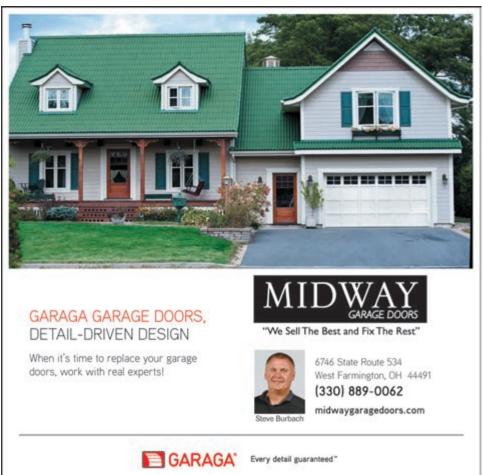
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Lakeview High School Symphonic Band receives superior rating



The Lakeview High School Symphonic Band received the highest rating, a superior, at the OMEA State Band Adjudicated Event on April 20 at North Royalton High School. The 58 symphonic band students practiced many hours, including after school, to prepare the three pieces they were required to play. The pieces were The Klaxon March by Henry Fillmore; Satiric Dances by Dello Joio, Norman; and

Rhapsodic Celebration by Robert Sheldon. They also were required to sight read a piece of music given to them at the event.

You can hear two of the pieces at the Lakeview High School band concert on May 2 at 7:30 p.m at Raidel Auditorium.

Congratulations to Band Director Nathan Sensabaugh, Assistant Band Director Miranda Gerchak and the Symphonic Band. A job well done!

Badger alumni annual banquet May 12

Badger alumni will hold its annual banquet on May 12 at Garden Brook Banquet Center, 4820 state Route 5 in Cortland. Registration will begin at 5 p.m. The cost for the reunion is \$15 per

person. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. The event will honor the classes of 1958 and 1968. To make a reservation call or text 330-647-9366. If no answer please leave a message and a call back number.



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Tour of new school inspires teachers

By Sally Lane and Thom Foley



Teachers in the Lakeview district toured the new building a few weeks ago. No, the building isn't ready for them to move in, but what the teachers pictured in their minds as they trooped through the unfinished halls and past still boxed up furnishings made them explode with excitement. Each grade has five classrooms with operable partitions between them that connect, making them larger or smaller.

Security is a major concern in these times. The entire building is environmentally

Security is a major concern in these times. The entire building is environmentally designed to help prevent anyone attempting to creep to the building. There are nearly 100 cameras inside and outside, controlled access through two sets of doors, with exterior doors locked during the school day, and much, much more.

While "WOW!" and "Amazing" were the most frequent words heard, all the teachers were quick with more expressive praise of their new "home." In fact, Lakeview Elementary teacher Melissa Kmetz covered all the bases when she commented, "Our new building redefines schooling. It creates inspiring learning environments, uses creative architectural design to guide learning, has top notch security features and even a rooftop garden. While it's one of a kind, its truest beauty lies in what it represents: the tireless efforts of an innovative superintendent, dedicated administration, educators and staff, unwavering support of a community in making their children's education a priority, and the dreams of its students. It is a visual reminder that we are not going to school to work each day, we're coming home, and there's no better place to call home."

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While teachers have taken courses and had countless seminars that extol the virtues of collaborative learning and teaching, when they return to their classrooms to use these techniques, the older buildings made it difficult to put into practice. There was simply no

room to combine classes, have a large reading corner, or a place to work with small or large groups - or even store technology. Lakeview has always been on the cutting edge with technology (Chrome technology (Chrome books, computer labs, etc.), but now these items will be easily accessible along with the room to use them.

Nicole Turco, kindergarten teacher, commented, "Everything looks absolutely amazing. Teaching kindergarten is its own element and its own level, so we (all the kindergarten teachers) are usually together.

Light that shines through the windows of the cupola illuminates the center of the new building, from the top all the way to the first floor. The elevator for the building will be located in the shaft that is pictured here. Eight feet from the first floor, the shaft will have a glass case displaying the bell from the first school in Cortland. It is inscribed and dated 1876. Superintendent Robert Wilson said that the bell has been returned to its original shiny silver. "It looks fantastic!" he exclaimed. Above that will be a huge letter "L" for Lakeview, of course.

K-campus (the kindergarten wing) is just going to be such a fun experience for these kids. Never in my teaching career did I think that this was going to become a reality. The kids are going to have common centers we can share. We can work in small groups, we can work and get the kids where they need to be at their level."

With the 2017-2018 school year ending in about two weeks, teachers in the Lakeview Elementary and Middle School are busy sorting and packing in their spare time. "They thought they would have much of the summer to do this, then they found out they had two weeks," said Lakeview Elementary principal Scott Taylor, Boyes are piling up quickly, he

weeks," said Lakeview Elementary principal Scott Taylor. Boxes are piling up quickly, he said. It promises to be a very busy summer.

The public will be able to bid a "fond farewell" to the buildings where many of them, or their children, attended school. Open houses will be May 8. The Middle School open house will be from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m., followed by an open house at the Bazetta building, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. During the open houses a slide show of pictures and memories will be shared. Please see the complete notice on page 26.

Lakeview Elementary is the former Bazetta Elementary and was built in 1929. It served as a high school for students on the west side of the township until Cortland and Bazetta merged to become Lakeview in 1956. Lakeview High School was constructed in

The Middle School was constructed in 1978 and brought together Bazetta and Cortland Elementary students starting in fifth grade (the starting and ending grade levels for the Middle School varied over the years).



Elementary Art Festival has patriotic theme

By Sally Lane

Art teacher Michael Labiento has chosen many different themes over the 16 years that he has been teaching art at Lakeview Elementary. The purpose is to expose the children to various art techniques and media as well as build an appreciation for art. Patriotism was the focus of the 16th Annual Art Festival at Lakeview Elementary this year. Over a dozen stations gave students the opportunity to explore creating art in different ways while also learning about our country. The art festival was a culminating activity for the students with the assistance of Lakeview High School teacher Jeff Piper's art students. Projects at some of the stations were "make and take" items, while a few of the larger creations will be exhibited with ones from earlier years around the building. Parents and grandparents were invited to the festival.

Stations at this festival included:

Still Life display where students take time to observe the display and draw the objects they see. Each view was slightly different as the seats were arranged in a circle around the display.

Patriotic Towers: Students used craft towers to show off their engineering skills by constructing towers that rise high into the air.

Encaustic Flag: Students used phrases from patriotic songs to form the white stripes of a flag. The red stripes and white stars were made using an encaustic technique (melted wax) to complete the flag.

Art Flag: This flag was constructed out of a variety of artists' materials, which were then glued down to create this piece.

Statue of Liberty: The shape of the head was constructed out of hundreds of little green army men that represent all the people that have served and are currently serving in our Armed Forces.

Patriotic Neighborhood: Students constructed a neighborhood using cardboard and oil pastels. Each home showed its patriotism by displaying a United States flag

United States flag.

Ned's Patriotic Head: In this texture game, students pick a card that has an image of an object. The students need to reach into his head and try to find the object on their card by using only their sense of touch.

Monoprint Flag: Students used paint dabbers to color in the flag. After they use a Q-tip to drag the paint off creating the stripes and stars, they used printmaking to print their creation.

Foil Figure: Students used a single piece of aluminum foil to construct a figure that shows its pride by holding a United States flag.

United States flag.

Bracelets: Students constructed patriotic bracelets.

Scratch Art: Students created minipatriotic celebrations using scratch art paper and a stick.

Soaring Eagle (Lines in Motion): Student created movement by using a variety of lines and textures to keep our eagle soaring.

Map: Influences by the American Artist Jasper Johns, students covered a map by dropping paint to create an abstract piece.

The school would like to thank the Lakeview Elementary School PTO for donation funds for supplies, Jeff Piper and his high school students for their assistance, and the parents who visited the festival.

Please note the "Fond Farewell" open houses May 8 at this elementary school (formerly Bazetta Elementary) and the Middle School event notice in this paper, sponsored by the Lakeview Teachers Association, Lakeview Elementary School PTO and the Lakeview Middle School PTO.







Top left picture, dressed like Uncle Sam, second graders Deanna Gruber and William Schuster welcomed parents and grandparents to the 16^{th} Annual Art Festival at Lakeview Elementary School.

Bottom left picture, students take a moment to sit and draw what they see at the Still Life Display.

Pictured right, high school junior, Frankie Merkel, holds the ladder while a student climbs up to drop a wet paint object to help make an abstract map.

TAG holding clay techniques classes

Trumbull Art Gallery is holding "Clay Medley—Beginning & Continuing Students" on Mondays and Wednesdays from April 30 to May 23. Classes are either from 1 to 3 p.m. or 6 to 8 p.m. Students will learn the fun-

damentals of clay techniques used in hand-building and on the pottery wheel. Projects will include both functional and sculptural works. The cost is \$120 and registration can be made by calling 330-395-4876.

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A fond farewell

The 2018-2019 school year will bring a new school building for our Lakeview Bulldogs in Pre-K through 8th grade. While this is an exciting time for our students, staff and community, it is also bittersweet as we say goodbye to two of the buildings that have housed our kindergarten through junior high Lakeview Bulldogs for decades. In honor of the fond memories that have been created, we are hosting a Final Fond Farewell celebration.

We are inviting all former Lakeview teachers to take part in this celebration. We will be offering a catered luncheon in the elementary school at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 8. This will be followed by dessert at the middle school at 1 p.m.

Then that evening the PTOs and the LTA will be hosting a public open house at both the Lakeview Elementary Building (formerly Bazetta Elementary) and the Lakeview Middle School. Come say goodbye one final time!

Visit the Middle School, 640

Wakefield Drive, Cortland, from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. The Elementary School open house, 2755 Bazetta Road NE, Warren, will run from 5 p.m. until 7p.m. We encourage everyone to visit both buildings.

During the open houses, we will be sharing a slide show of pictures and memories from our time at both buildings. In preparation of our event, we are asking for pictures and/or anecdotes from alumni and staff to be shared. If there are any you would like to add, please send them to lastblastls@ gmail.com.

Please RSVP for the staff luncheon by Monday, April 30 to lastblastls@ gmail.com, with the subject line: RSVP.

Thank you very much for being part of our family, and we look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Sincerely,

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From Lakeview to CEO **Sporting Kansas City promotes Jake Reid**

Former Cortland resident and Lakeview grad

By Sally Lane

This year, Lakeview High School's basketball team brought home the Division II district championship for the first time since 2001. One of the team players, Jeff Remmick remarked that "Most of us weren't even born yet the last time our school won a district championship." This season will become one of the shining memories of their high school careers, just like it is for that 2001 team ... the team that Jake Reid was on. This is a story that can be an inspiration to others.



After high school, Jake attended Grove City College, graduating with a bachelor's degree in marketing. It didn't take long for his career to take off. Reid began his career in the National Basketball Association, serving as an account executive with the New Orleans Pelicans and a sales manager with the Charlotte Hornets. He then moved to England to work for Derby County Football Club as a ticket sales manager, helping the club achieve the highest average attendance in the 2008-09 English Football Championship.

In 2010, Reid joined Sporting Kansas City in 2010 as vice president of sales to build their Major League Soccer business. He became the chief revenue officer in 2012 and president in 2016. At that time, Reid became the youngest team president in Major League Soccer, and April 4, 2018, Sporting Kansas City named him as its

"I think back to when I started, when the team was still the Wizards and the stadium at that time was a massive concrete hole in the ground," said Reid. The business has become more of a mature business, and he feels proud to be part of that growth. "You go from scrambling to get the stadium open and building a new brand," Reid is quoted in the Kansas City Business Journal. The Journal story continues, "Reid is currently involved in Sporting Kansas City's chief endeavors focusing primarily on growing the business through innovative partnerships, strategic fan development and providing the city an unparalleled entertainment experience. Other notable projects include the highly anticipated National Training and Coaching Development Center, and state-of-the-art Swope Soccer Village and Wyandotte Sporting Fields.

His passion for his job has not gone unnoticed in other parts of the sports' world. In October 2017, Reid was selected as one out of almost 600 applicants in the world to receive an award as one of the "Forty Under Forty" in London. Each year, Leaders and Aspire Academy carry out a global search to uncover the most innovative, creative and talented executives in the sport business industry. Over a nine-month process, the finest young executive talent from across the world is sought out, evaluated, recognized and then celebrated at a prestigious ceremony at the Natural History Museum in London. Jake's parents, Linda and Duncan Reid, who still live in Cortland, flew to see this award presented. Many of his mentors in

the sports were there to help celebrate with him in London



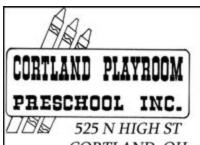
Jake Reid, fifth from left, and wife, Danielle in front, are pictured with the executives and owners of Sporting Kansas City in Los Angeles where he received "Sports Business Daily Forty Under 40" award April 22.

Most recently, Jake's parents, flew to Kansas City to take care of Jake's two sons while he and his wife, Danielle, traveled to Los Angeles to receive an award from "Sports Business Daily Forty Under 40." In the presentation at Los Angeles, it was noted: "Reid and those supporters have built one of MLS's (Major League Soccer's) strongest community

bonds and greatest stadium atmospheres, evident by the 100-plus match sellout streak entering the 2018 season."

It has been 17 years since Jacob Reid graduated from Lakeview. He always loved sports and was always a leader. Two cases of a collapsed lung ruled out a professional athlete's career. His achievements and honors have far exceeded those earlier thoughts of an athlete's career.

When asked what he might have told himself 10 years ago, he answered, "It's all about who you work with/for. Pick great people." He did.



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