



Peace is everybody's business

By Clyde and Jean Bolinger

September 21 is the International Day of Peace declared many years ago by the United Nations. It is

hoped that on at least one day of the year people will lay down their arms and begin the path to peace.

Ten years ago we initiated an annual Peace Celebration. With extensive cooperation from the Lakeview Schools, Mayor Moll, the LOAF churches, Boy Scouts, service clubs, and others, we gathered at the high school then had a "Peace March" to Point Park. When we returned to the school we were enlightened by a representative of the International Institute of Peace in Washington, D.C. about some of the efforts being made in conflict resolution around the world. He stayed until the next day to visit some of the social studies classes at the high school and interact with students.

Other peace celebrations followed in Cortland and they included the presentation of short plays about See **Peace** on page 17

2018 Cortland Oktoberfest

By Daynelle Sanner

The Love Life Foundation, Cortland Lions Club and Cortland Oktoberfest Committee are very excited to announce the second annual Cortland Oktoberfest community event, taking place on Saturday, Oct. 6 and Sunday, Oct. 7 in Cortland. This two day family oriented festival will be sure to provide entertainment for all ages.

Our activities will include an arts and crafts show, Chili Cook-Off, 5K/10K Trail Run/Walk, family games and activities, kid's crafts, Chinese auction, music, food, entertainment and much more!

The Cortland Oktoberfest will kick off the festivities with the MOE-Mentum 5K/10K Trail Run/Walk event beginning at 9 a.m. Runners will compete for awards in various age groups. The new scenic trail will lead both, runners and walkers through wooded pathways in Cortland. So, get those shoes ready and let's build our MOE-mentum for this friendly challenge.

Another area of interest for all to enjoy will be a juried arts and crafts show. This event will take place on Saturday, Oct. 6 and Sunday, Oct. 7; Saturday and Sunday, both days 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The arts and crafts show is a great opportunity for both crafters and artists to showcase their unique and handcrafted talent. With a variety of vendors, this could be your opportunity to find that one of a kind handcrafted piece you have always been searching for! The Cortland Oktoberfest Committee is still accepting vendor applications, so if you have a unique art or craft, let us know.

Art Alley will have family activities and entertainment for all age groups both days. Each \$10 wristband purchased will include various arts and craft stations



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Meetings

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 Tuesday, Sept. 4, 7 p.m.
 Monday, Sept. 17, 7 p.m.

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

Parks and Recreation - second Monday of each month
 Monday, Sept. 10, 5 p.m.

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

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

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

Cortland City Council Meetings are now on TV

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

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Meetings are held at the Township Administration Building unless noted

Lakeview Board of Education Meetings

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

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Our theme will be Fall

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

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

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Community Events

Event Calendar September 1-September 22

Cortland City/Bazetta Township and Lakeview School Board meetings and schedules. *See pg. 2 and 7*
 Lakeview Local School activities and sports schedules visit www.lakeviewlocal.org.
 American Red Cross blood donations, various dates. www.redcrossblood.org or 1-800-733-2767.
 Cortland Branch Library events. *See pg. 20*
 Johnston Senior Center offers hot meals Monday through Friday at noon.
 Trumbull Art Guild Classes, Warren, various dates. *See pg. 20*
 OhioCAN Blessing Bags project for homeless population, items dropped off at city hall.
 Free guided tours of Geauga County's buildings and grounds on Saturdays, through Oct. 27 by Geauga County Historical Society.
 Youngstown Nighthawks Soccer League, Cortland League schedule, visit www.facebook.com/ytownnighthawks

SEPT.

- 1 "Race Thru the Past," sponsored by the Trumbull County Historical Society, 303 Monroe St. NW, Warren, 2-4 p.m. *See pg. 11*
- 3 Labor Day
- 3 City offices closed.
- 4 The Guardian Angels of Trumbull County volunteer program meeting, 5 p.m., Shepherd of the Valley, 4100 North River Road, Warren. *See pg. 10*
- 5 In the Garden Series "Stink Bugs," TC Agricultural & Family Education Center, 520 W. Main St., Cortland, 6 p.m.
- 5 Southington United Methodist Church chicken dinner, 3:30-6 p.m., state Routes 305 and 534. *See pg. 22*
- 7 Country Porch Winery fund raising event for Shriners Hospitals for Children, 4-8 p.m. *See pg. 4*
- 7 Food & Agriculture Committee documentary, "The Story Quilter's Threads" by Carl E. Feather. *See pg. 7*
- 8 Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention 6th Annual Rally for Recovery, Eastwood Field, Niles, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. *See pg. 22*
- 8 Ross Griffin Memorial Bash fund raiser, 12-5 p.m., SLOAS Airfield, 4059 North River Road, Howland. *See pg. 11*
- 13-15 All Saints Community Church Trash 'n Treasure Sale, Sept. 13 and Sept. 14, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sept. 15, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 4530 state Route 46, Cortland. *See pg. 22*
- 14 Lakeview PreK-8 School Dedication, 5 p.m., open house until 7 p.m. *See pg. 15*
- 15 Lakeview PreK-8 School community open house, 10 a.m.-noon *See pg. 15*
- 15 Lounging by the Lake outdoor concert, Lobster Fest & Clambake, 80s Proof Band, Mosquito Lake Marina, 1439 state Route 305, Cortland, 5-8 p.m.
- 15 USA Dance Youngstown Warren Chapter #2015's National Ballroom Week Show at the Eastwood Mall, noon-4 p.m.
- 16 Out-Spokin' Wheelmen 45th annual NEOC invitational bicycle ride, Trumbull County fairgrounds, Everett-Hull Road. *See pg. 21*
- 19 In the Garden Series "Growing Houseplants," TC Agricultural & Family Education Center, 520 W. Main St., Cortland, 2-6 p.m.
- 19 Southington UMC rummage sale and bake sale, state Route 305, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. *See pg. 8*
- 20 The History of the Ravenna Arsenal, Johnston Senior Center, 5922 Warren Road, Cortland, 10:30 a.m. *See pg. 6*
- 22 Blessing of the Dogs, Cortland United Methodist Church, in cooperation with the Friends of the Dog Park at Mosquito Lake, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Mosquito Lake Dog Park. *See pg. 22*



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Trumbull Commissioners approve economic development contract with Chamber

Trumbull County Commissioners approved a new 12-month, \$23,000 contract with the Youngstown/Warren Regional Chamber to continue its multi-faceted economic development efforts in the county.

The Chamber oversees the retention and expansion of local business and attraction of new business throughout the Valley, providing a broad range of proven economic development services by assisting companies in identifying suitable properties, securing project incentives, obtaining strategic information and much more.

Sarah Boyarko, the Chamber's senior vice president of Economic Development, said, "In 2017 and year-to-date in 2018, the Regional Chamber managed 13 Trumbull County projects totaling \$97,593,414 of private company investment and the creation of 217 new jobs, with an estimated annual payroll of more than \$9,166,504. In addition, the investment resulted in 862 retained jobs."

"The Regional Chamber represents the county well through its economic development services, used to support local business expansions and the attraction of new investment to Trumbull County," Dan Polivka, president of the Board of Commissioners, noted.

The Chamber is currently managing 30 pending projects throughout the Valley—totaling approximately \$2,224,307,700—that are expected to be announced within the next 12 to 24 months. "Much of this pending investment is targeted for Trumbull County, and we look forward to future announcements about local growth, as well as bringing several new companies to our market," said Boyarko.

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On Sept. 7 from 4 to 8 p.m. Country Porch Winery will hold a fund raising event for Shriners Hospitals for Children. It will be a family night event with raffle baskets, great food, family fun and children's games. All profits will go to the hospital. Shriners Hospitals provides the best care for children in its specialty areas of orthopaedics, burn care, spinal cord injury, and cleft lip and palate, regardless of a family's ability to pay.

The event is in honor of co-owner Sheila Fisher's father, Richard "Dick" Fisher who passed away recently. Dick was a man who put family first and loved his children and grandchildren more than anything else in the world. Come out and help support a good cause while having a fun family night at one of the area's hidden gems.

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Barrel33 – more than wine

By Sally Lane



Inspiration, experience and a love of wine and great foods is serving Brian Fry well as the owner of Barrel33 in Howland. Previously called "Winestyles," which he said was a great wine shop, knew that it could be so much more, and when the opportunity to purchase the business arose, he was ready.

For more than 10 years Brian has traveled coast to coast in the United States and around the world in search of great wine and food. He worked for five years as a Fine Wine Specialist for two distributors. Then, he launched the Valley Vino Wine Club in 2009 to bring members together for great evenings of food and wine. Brian was also the wine director for The Youngstown Club and Avalon Golf and Country Club. In 2015 he became a Master Sommelier and is a consulting sommelier for several local clubs and restaurants.

After purchasing Barrel33, Brian doubled the space of the building to accommodate a new restaurant and full-service bar. Besides wine, Barrel33 features local and regional

foods combined with great craft beers and spirits from all over the world. Gift baskets filled with your choice of beverages, accessories, chocolates and gourmet food are available, as well as custom orders, pre-made baskets, small group wine tastings or handcrafted gifts.

A monthly schedule of events at Barrel33 is posted in the shop and on flyers. There is a brunch every Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Mondays have a special of \$5 burgers; Tuesday evenings 6 to 9 p.m. feature Jazz Night with the Dave Kana Trio. There are special tastings on Thursday, and bands on Friday and Saturday. Check barrel33.us on Facebook for more information.

Barrel33 is open seven days a week. Hours Monday through Thursday are 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to midnight. Brunch every Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Be sure to read Brian's monthly wine and beer features in the Vindicator. On vindy.com you can also read it. The name of the column is "The Humble Beginnings."

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Chrissy's Lake Tavern recently installed a new sign as part of its major remodeling project. The sign shows the new logo, which incorporates the history of the Tavern along with the new changes. It allows electronic display messaging to let those passing by to know of the daily specials. When all of the updating is finished, entertainment and events will return along with the expanded menu. Shown with the sign are owner Chrissy Long and her son Brian Long.



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The Cortland Veterans Memorial committee recently received a \$1,500 donation from Cortland Bank. Ian McAleer expressed their appreciation for the contribution and mentioned that the Cortland Bank donation is very timely, in that the construction is already underway and the committee is close to achieving its fund raising goal of \$165,000.

Pictured from left are: Bob Woofter, committee member; James Gasior, president of Cortland Bank; Ian McAleer, committee chairman; and Julianna Begalla, marketing coordinator at Cortland Bank.

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By Thom Foley

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JoMarie's School of Dance & Gymnastics is taking registrations for both the fall dance classes and their extremely popular NINJA WARRIOR program. If you don't know about it you need to call them. Your kids will have fun exercising and beg to do it more often.

Brookside Greenhouse will re-open Sept. 4 with tons of mums! Tri-Color Mums, 9" Mums, Patio Mums and Mum hangers. Get locally grown quality products at a great price.

Vlad Pediatrics reminds you that school is back in session - PLEASE drive carefully. Does all this rain have you worried about flooding? See **Greenwood Insurance's** ad for how to protect yourself.

Did you know that on Tuesdays kids eat FREE at **Beef 'O' Brady's**? Check out their ad for more information.

Centerra reminds you to save the dates for their Annual Customer Appreciation Day, Sept. 13-14-15. There will be lots of prizes and specials, including free food on Saturday!

Auntie V's Pizzeria has a money saving coupon in this issue. Save some money and have a great pizza.

Cortland Lanes still has openings in all its leagues. Don't have a team? No problem...they have one for you. And the kids' leagues don't start until school does, so sign them up Sept. 6, 7 or 8.

Cortland Mower is bringing ECHO DAY back! Save the date - Sept. 29. You can save 20% OFF select ECHO products. It was a big hit last spring, so be sure you don't miss it this time.

School is back and so is MUSIC! **Girt's Music 101** has a rental program like nobody else has - and so affordable! Check it out.

Miss Rebecca Enlow, who is a part-time private music instructor at **Girt's Cortland Music 101** has just announced her position as Adjunct Faculty at the prestigious Dana School of Music/ Youngstown State University, where she will be instructor for Music Theory classes. Rebecca is still accepting new private students at Music 101.


Jeannette's School of Dance still has a few opening for most of their classes. But call today - they fill up fast!

The history of the Ravenna Arsenal

The Johnston Senior Center is excited to announce that author Ralph Pfungsten will be returning for a third time to present "The History of the Ravenna Arsenal." This program will be on Thursday, Sept. 20 at 10:30 a.m. Pfungsten will discuss the Ravenna Arsenal and the mysteries behind it.

"The History of the Ravenna Arsenal" includes comprehensive history of the Ravenna Arsenal

inception to its present uses. The book features more than 900 photographs and drawings and will be available for purchase. Registration is required to attend this event since space is limited. Call the Johnston Senior Center at 330-924-0412 to make a reservation. There will be refreshments available. The Johnston Senior Center is located at 5922 Warren Road, Cortland. Call the center with any questions.



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What's "news" in the City of Cortland

By Christine Dorma, administrative assistant

Fall Clean-up

This year's Fall Clean-up is scheduled for Oct. 4 and 5. Items will be collected with your regular garbage pick-up that week. This service is provided for residential customers of Republic Services that live in the city of Cortland as part of the contract with Republic.

Cortland has **cardboard only** recycling bins located at Willow Park.

Curbside Brush Chipping

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

The week of Sept. 24 will be the next brush chipping pick-up date. Only one pass per street will be made. We appreciate your cooperation in following these rules.

2018 Mosquito Spraying

The last date scheduled for mosquito spraying in 2018 is Wednesday, Sept. 5 between the hours of 7 p.m. and midnight.

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

Dates to Remember

Sept. 3 - City offices will be closed in observance of Labor Day. Trash collection will operate on a one day delay.

Sept. 4 - Council Meeting - 7 p.m.

Sept. 10 - Parks Meeting - 5 p.m.

Sept. 10 - Planning & Zoning Meeting 7 p.m.

Sept. 17 - Council Meeting - 7 p.m.

Happy Labor Day!

TNR plans for designer purse bingo

Tickets are now on sale for TNR of Warren's Designer Purse Bingo that gets underway Sunday, Oct. 7 at Gardenbrook Banquet Center in Cortland. Do you love Coach, Michael Kors, Dooney and Bourke or Kate Spade? Do you love bingo? All 20 game prizes are designer purses—no wallets. Every fifth game will be a special with more valuable purses as prizes. There will also be a gently used purse sale table, plus a Chinese auction, a lottery ticket raffle, a 50/50 drawing and door prizes.

Doors open at 2 p.m., with games starting at 3 p.m. Admission is \$35 or \$40 at the door, if not already sold out and includes one bingo sheet of three cards for each game, a chance on a door prize and food including a vegetable tray, fruit tray, mini-pizzas, chicken

fingers and cookie trays, plus coffee, punch and water.

Spaces are limited, so reserve your seat today. All seats must be purchased in advance with a credit or debit card or through the mail. To purchase with a credit or debit card call 330-330-8166 to pay over the phone. You can also pay by PayPal; just click the donate button on www.tnrofwarren.org. Be sure to put your address in the notes so the tickets can be mailed. To pay by mail send a check or money order to TNR of Warren, P.O. Box 2477, Warren, OH 44484 and put bingo in the memo section.

Additional bingo sheets may be purchased. No one under 18 is admitted. All proceeds benefit TNR of Warren Spay Neuter Programs. For more information call 330 330 8166.

Food and Agriculture Committee to show 'The Story of Quilter's Threads'

The Ashtabula County Barn Quilt Trail takes a trip across Ohio's largest county, taking in working farms, orchards, wineries, historical sites and private property. Each quilt has a story as well as the barn that hosts it. Launched in early 2014, the Barn Quilt Trail is a growing tourism attraction. It makes a great companion to the covered bridges for which Ashtabula County is known. In fact, three of the 100 barn quilts in Ashtabula County are on covered bridges.

On July, 2017, Trumbull County also established a Barn Quilt Trail with

the installation of Barn Quilt No. 1, an Ohio Star, on the carport of Harold W. and Betty Babb, 8843 Turner Mullen Road, Kinsman.

Harold and Betty Babb will provide an overview of the barn quilt trail at the first FAC meeting of the 2018-2019 season on Friday, Sept. 7. They will be showing the documentary, "The Story Quilter's Threads" by Carl E. Feather, as part of their presentation. The ladies and gentlemen of the church serve breakfast by 8 a.m. Cost for the all-you-can-eat pancakes and sausage is \$6.

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Local author publishes third book

Was guest speaker at historical society in August

By Sally Lane

The Cortland Bazetta Historical Society recently invited Cortland author Joe Pasquarella to their August meeting to speak about his latest book, "The Ghosts of Alexandrapol: The Armenian Genocide." His presentation included maps and family stories about this time in history.

Pasquarelli's passion is history, and this book is an account of his genealogical research about his grandparents. Khanamir and Khatrun Michaelian were surviving victims of the Armenian genocide as children. His great-grandmother, Yettar Michaelian was killed in 1915 during this horrific brutality. While the main characters are fictionalized somewhat for the sake of the story, the historical events and backdrops are based on solid facts and evidence. "I didn't want to write a history book but wanted to write about how the actual events affected a real family, so I told the story through a great grandson's voice." Pasquarella has recently given talks about his book and the Armenian genocide, to Armenian societies in northeast Ohio.

Pasquarella's book is available through Amazon.com. Pictured are Sally Lane and Cortland author Joe Pasquarella.



Gazebo dedicated at Lake Vista

By Sally Lane



Through the generous contributions of residents, staff and community members, a beautiful gazebo was built in the courtyard of the skilled nursing area at Ohio Living Lake Vista. Members of each of those groups who raised the \$7,000 for the structure gathered with residents Aug. 15, to dedicate and celebrate this addition.

Opening the celebration was Susan Berny, director of Gift Planning, Ohio Living Foundation, and Lake Vista Chaplain, Mary Ann Bromley who offered a prayer. A participant in the dedication ceremony, Carol Caronite, Elder Care Committee member of the Trumbull County Master Gardeners, gave a tribute. "In the last several years, the Trumbull County Master Gardeners' Elder Care Committee has added flowers and a fairy garden to this courtyard. We are proud to be able to be able to enhance this area and offer

shade and relaxation to the residents," she said.

Cortland Mayor Jim Woofter praised the presence of Lake Vista in Cortland, "We are proud to have such a beautiful facility in our town, helping Cortland becoming named the number one place for retirees, as well as the safest small town in Ohio."

Thanking a lengthy list of donors who made the gazebo possible was executive director of Ohio Living Lake Vista, Lori Ference.

Cutting the ribbon to honor the event were, pictured left, Carol Caronite, Jim Woofter and Lori Ference.

As a not-for-profit organization, Ohio Living Lake Vista relies on its friends for the charitable support necessary to construct campus enhancements. "We are thrilled to dedicate this gazebo," concluded Berny.

Rummage/bake sale at Southington UMC

Southington UMC will hold a rummage sale and bake sale on Wednesday, Sept. 19 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Bag Day will be Thursday, Sept. 20 from 9 until 11 a.m. Lunch may be purchased on Wednesday only and consists of soup, sandwiches, pie and beverage. Take out is available on Wednesday by calling 330-898-2156. The church is located on state Route 305, near state Route 534.

Jo Marie's Dance Competition Team finishes season at VIP National Competition

Students from Jo Marie's School of Dance and Gymnastics Center recently competed in the VIP National Talent Competition in Sandusky. Their teachers, Jo Marie Ferradino and Fawn Jerryson were delighted with their outstanding performances.



The team also competed in three regional competitions. They have won many first place trophies, first place high score over all, and Judge's Choice Awards as well as numerous honors and acknowledgements such as: Entertainment Award, Specialty Award for Quality and Excellence in the categories of Lyrical, Tap, and Hip Hop, Dancer's Dream Award, New York All Star Dancer, Hollywood Invitational, and Costume Award. The routines were:

- CONFIDENT - Brianna Bishop, Malena Crosby, Julianna Gomez, Brianna Huscroft, Mallory Kurtz, Caitlin Mark, Chloe Wagner
- PRAYING - Brittany Arcuri
- GLORIOUS - Lindsey Stevens
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- HUMBLE AND KIND - Chloe Wagner
- GET LOW - Alivia Upshire
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- MY IMMORTAL - Rosa DiGiacobbe
- EVERYBODY DANCE NOW - Layla Alakash, Brianna Bishop, Malena Crosby, Julianna Gomez, Brianna Huscroft, Chloe Wagner

Christmas in Cortland

By Carole Wiley

We have had a very warm summer and many will welcome the cool temperatures of the fall. But this is the time of year when the Cortland Community Band and Lakeview Outreach and Fellowship (LOAF) look even farther into the future. Yes! Plans are underway for Christmas in Cortland - our community Christmas concert held at Lakeview High School. The date is Monday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. and again we will be looking for new singers to join the choir. The only requirement is that you like to sing. Look for more information soon.

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Trumbull County Travel Club August outing

The "Back of the Bus Girls" recently celebrated at the last stop on the August Longhorn outing, posing for a photo at the Harry London candy store. This was the last day trip of the 2018 schedule of the trip's itinerary. Thirty-eight members traveled to Barnesville, Ohio, to tour a 5,000 acre ranch where the largest herd of longhorn cattle roam freely about the ranch. Included was a luncheon buffet, a historic tour of The John and Annie Glenn's Museum in New Concord, with a stop at the Shear's Potato Chip Outlet and the Harry London candy store.



October will see the group traveling to the Boston area along with Cape Cod and southern New England. Planned for Oct. 8 through 13, this will be the final trip for the club for the 2018 calendar year. Plans for the 2019 year are being formulated for a three or four day trip in the spring to visit Holland, Mich. during the Tulip Festival. A fall trip to South Dakota will be on the list for a vacation on the 2019 itinerary, as well.

Standing from left are Kathy Allen, Peggy Terna, Karen Jackson and Merial Price. Front row are Marion Malone, Marilyn Kegarise and Gloria Hruby.

Come and see how rewarding volunteering can be!

The Guardian Angels of Trumbull County, a volunteer program of the Trumbull County Probate Court, is looking for new volunteers. The trained angel volunteers reach out as friends to seniors who may need a friendly phone call, a visit in a nursing home or a visit

at home. Angels are also involved in planning special events for seniors. The next meeting will be on Sept. 4 at 5 p.m. at Shepherd of the Valley, 4100 North River Road, Warren. For further information contact 330-675-2521 or go to www.trumbullprobate.org.



By Brandon Rice
School Resource Officer

With school starting for Lakeview Schools on Sept. 4 we want to remind everyone on some school safety tips. Please be aware and use extra caution if you are dropping or picking up children from the high school or new K-8 building. Pay attention to other vehicle traffic as well as pedestrian traffic near the schools to help avoid any accidents. Also, remember the school zone speed limits of 20 mph during the restricted hours. Traffic patterns at the new Lakeview K-8 building will be new for everyone so please pay extra attention to markings or signage to help alleviate any issues with pick up or drop offs. Parents are asked to remind their children if they see something or hear something in the schools to say something to a teacher, administrator, or one of our school resource officers.

Lakeview Schools and the Cortland Police Dept. have entered into an agreement that added a second school resource officer (SRO) to the district. This agreement will allow an officer to be in each building without having to cover all of the districts buildings by themselves. Officer Brandon Rice will be assigned to the schools along with Officer Smith, who has been our school resource officer for a number of years. Officer Rice has been with Cortland PD since 2003 and has been one of the department instructors. In August, Officer Rice completed a 40 hour school resource officer class in Columbus hosted by the Ohio School Resource Officer Association that covered topics including safety, school legal issues

and working with the schools and children. If you see Officer Rice in the schools or on the road feel free to ask him any questions you'd like. The goal of school resource officers is three fold. We must be Law Enforcement Officers first as well as being teachers and counselors. Officer Smith has done a great job of accomplishing that and with the addition of our second school resource officer our relationship with the community and schools will continue to grow. Our goal as school resource officers is to help the students, staff, and parents feel safe and create a safe and comfortable learning environment for our children as well as being an additional resource for the community and school district. Due to recent events in the past several years across the country school resource officers have been the topic of conversations and we are fortunate that the Lakeview School District and Cortland PD have had program in place for years.

If anyone has any questions or concerns for CPD or would like to know more about our SRO program feel free to contact us. SRO Smith can be reached at jsmith@cityofcortland.org and SRO Rice can be reached at brice@cityofcortland.org. Should you need to speak with either, you can call the office at 330-638-1000. Remember to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates and weekly blotters.

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



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Trumbull County Tourism Bureau presents the Italian Food Trail

Are you ready to take your taste buds on a culinary adventure? The Trumbull County Tourism Bureau is proud to announce the launch of the Italian Food Trail.

The Trumbull County Italian Food Trail offers some of the most delicious Italian dishes you will ever taste. Beth Carmichael, executive director of the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau, said "We are thrilled to showcase the rich Italian culture we have in our area to a wider audience through this new Trail. However, the sites are not only restaurants but also includes many other great Italian food experiences."

The Trail encompasses over 35 locations in this 25-mile by 25-mile county and will highlight a specialty at each of the listed sites. Some of the highlighted foods will be traditional regional food experiences like Italian Wedding Soup, greens (escarole) with Hungarian peppers, and Brier Hill pizza along with a newer take on Italian food like pizzaburgers, white pizza and pepperoni rolls that have been served for decades in the area.

Most of the highlighted dishes didn't start in restaurants but were rooted in the traditions of the many Italian families who settled in the region in the late 1800s during the coal and steel boom. Amber Beall, museum director at the McKinley Birthplace Museum and Mahoning Valley cuisine researcher tells us, "Over one hundred plus years past the earliest Italian settlements, we have many third and fourth generation Italian-Americans still eating similarly to their ancestors. Some use recipes handwritten on old scraps of paper while others have the ingredients memorized, feeling and tasting their way to the proper ratios." The legacy these Italian families left us still has a powerful presence in Trumbull County and is shown through their culinary expertise.

For more information about the Italian Food Trail visit www.ItalianFoodTrail.com or contact Beth Carmichael Trumbull County Tourism Bureau at 330-675-3081 or via email beth@exploretumbullcounty.com.

'Race Thru the Past' with Trumbull County Historical Society's newest event

Trumbull County Historical Society is excited to announce a brand new event and a fresh way for the community to explore its fascinating local history. "Race Thru the Past," a scavenger hunt in the style of "The Amazing Race," will be held on Saturday, Sept. 1 from 2-4 p.m. Its family friendly and open to the public.

Teams of two-to-however many can safely fit in a vehicle can compete for the trophy. Each team will receive an envelope containing six clues about various places, times and stories from Trumbull County's past and will have two hours to drive around Trumbull County and take pictures of the correct answers. The race will start at the Trumbull County Historical Society

on 303 Monroe St. NW, Warren. The final clue will be the location of the after party, where pizza and other refreshments will be provided.

TCHS encourages families, friends, businesses and local organizations to register teams, either by replying to the Facebook event, calling 330-394-4653, or emailing rita@trumbullcountyhistory.org. Participants need not be local history experts, and staff and volunteers will be on hand to provide guidance. The event is meant to be, above all else, fun.

Cost is only \$5 per person and includes food. Children under 6 are free.

May the best team win!

Community members create Ross Griffin Memorial Foundation and plan fund raising event

Members of the local community have announced the formation of the Ross Griffin Memorial Foundation. Ross Griffin, a graduate of Howland High School, was a senior at Ohio University and lost his life to suicide at just 22 years of age in February of this year.

"The community has come together in an effort to create triumph over tragedy with this foundation," said Steve Lewis, an organizer of the event and foundation. "Its dual purpose is to provide funding to local students that seek higher education opportunities within the state of Ohio and to provide much needed funding for help centers that focus on troubled youth that may be a danger to themselves or their community," he said.

In addition to general donations, the new foundation has introduced a new event known as the "Ross Griffin Memorial Bash." The event is being

held from noon to 5 p.m. on Sept. 8 at the SLOAS Airfield, 4059 North River Road in Howland. It will feature a three-hour raffle with prizes awarded every five minutes such as cars, money and other superior prizes totaling over \$150,000. Winners need not be present. Tickets are \$100.

Please visit the website www.RossGriffinMemorialBash.com to purchase tickets and to obtain more information. Organizers of the event hope to make this an annual fund raiser.


Oktoberfest returns to Warren

The third annual Oktoberfest on the Square will be held Saturday, Sept. 29 from 6-11 p.m. in downtown Warren. This year's event, hosted by Trumbull County Historical Society, will feature more food and drink options than ever before, expanded family activities, and returning favorites such as music and dancing, a grape stomping competition, strudel baking competition and more.

Take part in this traditional celebration and enjoy German food and craft beer for only \$25 when you purchase a pre-sale ticket before Sept. 16. This event is family friendly and children under 12 years old are free.

Volunteers are still needed to help with the registration table, food and beer tents and merchandise sales. All volunteers receive one free ticket to Oktoberfest. For more information, to purchase pre-sale tickets, or to volunteer, call Trumbull County Historical Society at 330-394-4653 or visit www.trumbullcountyhistory.org.

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Boy Scouts thank those who donated

Boy Scout Troop 50, chartered by Bazetta Christian Church, recently held a fund raising car wash at the Cortland Burger King. The scouts and scouters all had a lot of fun, and the event was a great success. They would like to thank everyone who stopped by to donate and get their car washed. They also thank its sponsors: Burger King, Walmart, O'Reilly's, Jack Gibson Construction and Handyman Hardware. The troop feels truly blessed to live in such a generous community.



The definition of a garden by the Miriam Webster Dictionary is a: a plot of ground where herbs, fruits or vegetables are cultivated; b: a rich well-cultivated region; c: a container (such as a window box) planted with a variety of small plants. Wikipedia defines a garden as a planned space, usually outdoors, set aside for the display, cultivation and enjoyment of plants and other forms of nature.

It then follows that a definition of gardening is the tending, growing and cultivating of plants, especially as a hobby. Gardening tends to be labor intensive, which separates it from farming and forestry. Because I garden, I appreciate the time, labor and love other gardeners invest in these plots of ground or containers, and I am always ready and willing to go visit a garden.

One way to go garden visiting is to go on a Garden Walk. Not all garden walks are alike, and that is a good thing! Another way to visit is to go on a House and Garden Tour. These are different from a garden walk. I like to think that the buildings and the gardens have their own unique story to tell. In July, John and I bought tickets for a Home and Garden Tour, and then later in the month went on a Garden Walk, both in New York State.

The Chautauqua Institution is a site of great natural beauty with historical and architectural significance. It was designated a National Landmark on June 30, 1989. There are over 200 public gardens, green space and parks located throughout the Chautauqua grounds. This popular self-guided walking tour showcases quaint cottages, well-tended gardens and tree lined streets.

The Chautauqua Bird, Tree and Garden Club was founded in 1913, and the club sponsored the first house tour in 1954. The biennial tour ticket sale proceeds continue to support the Club's many beautification projects, nature walks, lectures and conservation and education programs all free to the public. There were 14 homes, the newly refurbished Arboretum, and three special private gardens open for the tour. The tour hours were 12 to 5 p.m. Docent guided tours of public gardens started at

9 a.m. for the early birds.

It was a beautiful day, and the blue hydrangeas were perfect! So were the white Annabells. This is hydrangea heaven. Ferns, hostas, mountain laurel, rhododendrons, garden art and garden benches were prolific in the gardens. Containers filled with annuals, water features, butterfly gardens, bat gardens, Japanese styled gardens, and even a Brides garden were featured. The newly restored Arboretum was established in 1915 and features a birdbath donated by Thomas and Mina Edison. Today, all the plants and trees are identified with plant markers. A wonderful house and garden tour, close to home, too. Take I 90 east to the Westfield exit, south to Chautauqua Institute.

And then there is Garden Walk Buffalo, America's largest garden tour. Always the last weekend of July, Garden Walk Buffalo started with 29 gardens in 1995. There are now 360+ gardens open for viewing, identified with yellow banners letting walkers know the garden location is a front, back or side. Garden walk maps are available at designated locations or online. The streets with participants are listed alphabetically, then the addresses, and a short description of the gardens.

Buffalo has neighborhoods with names, Historic West Village, Symphony Circle & Kleinhans Community, Fargo Estate Neighborhood, Allentown, The Cottage District, Columbus Park/Prospect Hill and Elmwood Village. The map was color coordinated to the neighborhoods. There were five continuous loops; hop on, hop off shuttles, no charge. Tour guides on the shuttles pointed out areas of historical interest and points of architectural interest.

Most participating gardens are private, but community gardens, corporate gardens and religious institutions are also included. Buffalo Garden Walk is noncompetitive, there is no prior judging of the gardens. The mission is to create more vibrant and beautiful communities by sharing their gardens. Billed as an urban garden walk, it certainly was. I so enjoyed all of it, like the tree lined city streets. Most yards had no grass, too shady; just shrubs and plants. Friendly gardeners were ready to talk about their gardens and how long they have lived in the city.

The Chautauqua gardens had lush blue hydrangeas, Buffalo gardens had fragrant lilies and Oregon grape hollies and the best climbing hydrangeas I have seen in a long time! The Buffalo gardens also had some really great OLD metal fencing, and old pavers and old slate sidewalks. Great gardens, I want to go back, and I am thoroughly impressed with a city that kept the trees and green spaces. Didn't even think about snow.

The next Chautauqua House and Garden Tour is 2020. Garden Walk Buffalo is the last weekend of July and it is free.

Happy Gardening!

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

Special early goose hunt sign-up at Mosquito Lake State Park

Local hunters have an opportunity to assist in reducing the goose population at Mosquito Lake State Park during early open goose season this year. A total of nine blinds are available on a first-come, first-served basis by signing up on the sheet posted on the park office door, beginning Tuesday, Sept. 4.

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#	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	CLASS	#	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	CLASS	#	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	CLASS
1	Noah Olejnik*	QB/DB	6'1	180	11	24	Gabe Senkowitz*	RB/LB	6'1	180	11	64	Austin Jones*	OL/DL	5'9	230	12
2	Liam Boivin*	WR/DB	6'0	170	11	26	Elijah McMurdy*	RB/DB	5'11	170	11	65	Sebastian Nutter	OL/DL	5'11	235	11
3	Jacob Chapman*	RB/DB	5'11	160	12	28	Nick Hedrick	WR/DB	5'8	160	12	70	Brenden Mizner	OL/DL	5'6	190	9
4	Grayson Zinni	WR/DB	5'7	140	11	32	Jarred Maderitz	WR/DB	5'10	150	11	71	Dylan Gibson*	OL/DL	5'10	180	12
5	Dakota Whitt*	RB/LB	5'11	180	12	33	Brendon Kilpatrick	WR/LB	6'2	200	10	72	Austin Washington	OL/DL	5'6	205	11
7	Andrew Oakes*	WR/DB	5'10	165	12	35	Corey Lilley	WR/DB	5'9	130	9	73	Mike Altier	OL/DL	5'7	230	12
10	Isaac Russo*	RB/LB	5'10	180	11	51	Ethan Toot	OL/DL	5'11	170	11	74	Brady Mocella	OL/DL	5'11	175	9
11	Matt McRoberts	WR/DB	6'2	170	11	52	Kyle Roberts	OL/DL	6'2	220	10	75	James Rea	OL/DL	6'0	275	11
12	Gavin Mauger	WR/DB	6'0	150	9	53	Landon Maderitz	OL/DL	5'10	180	9	76	Scott Wilcox Jr **	OL/DL	6'2	265	12
13	Isaiah Munno	QB/DB	5'10	155	9	54	Gage Caron	OL/LB	5'10	205	10	81	Brandon Sims	WR/LB	6'0	145	10
14	Stephen Pavlansky	QB/LB	5'11	165	10	55	Austin Evans	OL/DL	6'0	225	10	84	Matt Palumbo	WR/DB	5'11	150	11
15	Jake Wilms	QB/LB	5'10	170	9	56	Evan Davies	OL/DL	5'6	130	9	85	Ethan Smith	WR/DB	5'10	130	10
20	Tony Crish**	RB/LB	6'0	200	12	57	Austin Cole	OL/DL	5'8	225	9	87	Eli Boivin	WR/DB	5'8	150	9
22	Carter Hull	RB/LB	6'1	160	10	58	Ethan Estlack*	OL/DL	6'2	225	12	88	Tyler Wilcox	WR/LB	6'1	160	9
23	Nate Fox	WR/DB	5'10	135	9	62	Ben Stirling	OL/DL	5'9	220	9						

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- 8/31 7 p.m. @ Liberty
- 9/7 7 p.m. vs. LaBrae HS
- 9/14 7 p.m. vs. Hubbard
- 9/21 7 p.m. @ Niles McKinley
- 9/28 7 p.m. @ Jefferson Area Jr/Sr HS
- 10/5 7 p.m. vs. Edgewood HS **Homecoming
- 10/12 7 p.m. vs. Poland Seminary ** Sr. Night
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Lakeview Local Schools public release for National School Lunch and Breakfast Program-SY 2018-2019

Lakeview Local Schools has announced its 2018-2019 program year policy for **free and reduced price meals** for students unable to pay the full price of meals or milk served under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast, After School Care Snack or Special Milk Program. Each school office and the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines will be used for determining eligibility. Children from families whose annual income is at or below the Federal Guidelines are eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk if the school participates in the Special Milk Program.

Application forms are being distributed to all homes in a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free and reduced-price benefits, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. A complete application is required. Households that currently receive Special Nutrition Assistance Program Benefits (SNAP, formally known as food stamps) or Ohio Works First (OWF) funds for a child must provide the child's name, the SNAP or OWF case number and signature of an adult household member on the application. Households that do not receive SNAP or OWF funds must provide the names of all household members, the last four digits of the Social Security Number of the adult signing the application or state "none" if the adult does not have a Social Security Number, the amount and source of income received by each household member, (state the monthly income) and the signature of an adult household member. If any of this information is missing, the school cannot process the application.

FREE HEALTH CARE: Families with children eligible for school meals may be eligible for free health care coverage through Medicaid and/or Ohio's Healthy Start & Healthy Families programs. These programs include coverage for doctor visits, immunizations, physicals, prescriptions, dental, vision, mental health, substance abuse and more. Please call 1-800-324-8680 for more information or to request an application. Information can also be found on the web at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ohp/consumers/familychild.stm>. Anyone who has an Ohio Medicaid card is already receiving these services.

The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program official. To discourage the possibility of misrepresentation, the application forms contain a statement above the space for signature certifying that all information furnished is true and correct. Applications are being made in connection with the receipt of federal funds. Schools or other officials may check the information on the application at any time during the school year. Deliberate misrepresentation of information may subject the applicant to prosecution under applicable state and federal laws.

Households will be notified of the approval or denial of benefits.

Foster children are categorically eligible for free meal benefits regardless of the household's income. If a family has foster children living with them and wishes to apply for such meals or milk for them, contact the school for more information.

Under the provision of the policy, Adam Hale, Chef Resident Director will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian disagrees with the decision on the application or the result of verification, the decision may be discussed with the determining official on an informal basis. If a formal appeal is desired, the household has the right to a fair hearing. A fair hearing can be requested either orally or in writing from:

Robert Wilson, Superintendent
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The policy contains an outline of the hearing procedure.

Households may apply for benefits any time during the school year. If a household is not currently eligible and if the household size increases or income decreases because of unemployment or other reasons, the family should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of the family eligible for free or reduced-price benefits if the family income falls at or below the levels shown above.

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Retired teachers take a tour into the future

By Sally Lane

As 30-some retired Lakeview teachers climbed into a school bus, the air was filled with excitement. Not only were they happy to see former co-workers, but they were on their way to tour the new Pre-K to 8 building on Wakefield Drive.



When the group arrived, principals Scott Taylor (Elementary section) and Ashley Handrych (Middle School section) were the tour guides, along with Superintendent Robert Wilson who added more information along the way. "Each section of the school has a different color," explained Wilson. Safety and security are top priorities at the new building. There are two offices at the front and center of the building. Visitors are buzzed into a first section, then buzzed through the office. Cameras in all sections monitor movement.

Several of the retired teachers along with community members and current teachers took part in the initial planning for this new school. Over the years when these former teachers were in the classrooms, they had attended countless classes and seminars, and provided research and statistics on what worked in classrooms, and how teaching and learning could be improved. Over the years, elementary teachers made reading corners in their classrooms, learning stations wherever they would fit, and developed grade-wide learning units and displays - all in early 20th century classrooms that worked against such collaboration.

More than one teacher exclaimed that the new school, with its open classrooms and common areas was "everything we always wanted and needed." The seats are made especially for students. No hard, uncomfortable chairs and desks. The seats and tables can be easily moved to allow students to work together or separately. There are stools that allow movement without bothering others - they can rock...or not... jiggle, or wiggle. There are tables and benches in the common areas like those in a restaurant that provide room for three or four students to work on projects together. Carpeting is large squares that can be changed when needed. The playground is fully padded for safety, with plenty of room for the younger children to run and play. Technology connects the entire school.

The return trip to the high school in the big yellow bus was even noisier as the teachers talked about the new school. As we headed toward our cars, more than one teacher remarked that this tour felt like a "Magic School Bus Trip to the Future" - a favorite elementary school book series. However, we all were busy texting and snapping photos with our cell phones, and realized the future is NOW.

The community is invited to the official dedication of this school on Sept. 14 at 5 p.m., followed by an open house until 7 p.m. Another community open house is 10 a.m. to noon, Sept. 15.

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multiple inflatables, climbing wall, family games and activities, minnow racing, photography contest, chalk on the walk, street entertainment and more.

On Saturday from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Cortland Lions Club Building (194 West Main St., Cortland) the Tangled Up In Brew event will be underway. This part of the Cortland Oktoberfest will be for the 21 years of age and over crowd. We will bring the Tangled Up In Brew event onto Main Street, Cortland, with live entertainment by Good Brother Earl. There will be a variety of domestic, craft beer and food options. Come and get Tangled Up with us and enjoy great music, games, brew and more! Tickets will be sold at the door for \$10 per person, which includes a Tangled Up In Brew sponsor cup (while supplies last) and a free beer ticket; no pre-sale. Sunday brew sales will be available.

Also on Sunday, the Cortland Oktoberfest Chili Cook-Off will take place down Main Street of Cortland. This friendly, high-spirited, cooking competition will be fun for all ages. We are looking for the best tasting chili around. Are you ready for a challenge?

On the main stage of the two-day event, we will bring talented musicians and entertainment for all to watch, listen and enjoy. Simply Ed Mancuso will take the stage for both days as our emcee. Don't miss a great performance by Dennis Drummond (Season 13 contestant from The Voice) on Saturday, from noon to 1:30 p.m. Following Dennis's performance, we will have our own singing contest where we invite participants to take the stage and perform. Pre-registration is required. An Oktoberfest wouldn't be an Oktoberfest without some Polka. Join us on Sunday and see what we have in store!

A special thank you to the following sponsors of Cortland Oktoberfest; we appreciate your kindness and generosity to help make this event a success! "Love Life Sponsor"-The Mint Dental Team, Dr. Dennis Benton, DDS; Cortland Bank; The Center For Progressive Dentistry; "Gold Sponsor"-Klingemier's Sparkle Market; "Tangled Up In Brew Sponsor"-Horvat Concrete, Inc.; "Entertainment Sponsor"-Real Living Brokers Realty Group; "Logistics Sponsor"-Sunburst Environmental Services; "Graphic Design Sponsor"-Tracy Omerzo Design.

To register for the Chili Cook-Off competition and MOE-Mentum 5K/10K Trail Run/Walk event, please visit the Cortland Oktoberfest website at www.cortlandoktoberfest.com. If you're interested in volunteer opportunities, we have various options available. Be sure to follow us on Facebook at Cortland Oktoberfest or Instagram at #Cortlandoktoberfest for detailed event announcements. If you would like additional information or have questions, please feel free to email the Cortland Oktoberfest Committee at cortlandoktoberfest@gmail.com.



Pictured left, 2018 Cortland Oktoberfest Love Life Sponsor - The Mint Dental Group, Dennis Benton DDS. From left: Christina Benton, Cortland Oktoberfest co-chair; Daynelle Sanner, Love Life Foundation and Cortland Oktoberfest chair; Dennis Benton DDS; Basil Jarrett, Cortland Oktoberfest Committee member; Jim Gorse, Cortland Oktoberfest Committee member.

Pictured top right, 2018 Cortland Oktoberfest Love Life Sponsor - Cortland Bank. From left: Christina Benton, Cortland Oktoberfest co-chair; Daynelle Sanner, Love Life Foundation and Cortland Oktoberfest chair; Julianna Begalla, AVP/Marketing & Communications officer; Bill Hallet, Cortland Lions Club member.

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Special hunting lottery for raccoon hunt at Mosquito Lake State Park

Local hunters have an opportunity to assist in reducing the raccoon population at Mosquito Lake State Park during open raccoon season this year. A total of two participants will be drawn on Oct. 22.

A concentration of the raccoon population in the park has negatively impacted the campground and increased complaints by park visitors.

Interested applicants must mail a postcard with their name, address and phone number to Mosquito Lake State

Park at 1439 state Route 305, Cortland, OH 44410. All entries must be postmarked by Oct. 17.

Entries will be drawn on Oct. 22 at the park office. All hunting details will be shared with the hunting entrants. All entrants may not have any previous wildlife violations and must hold a current hunting license.

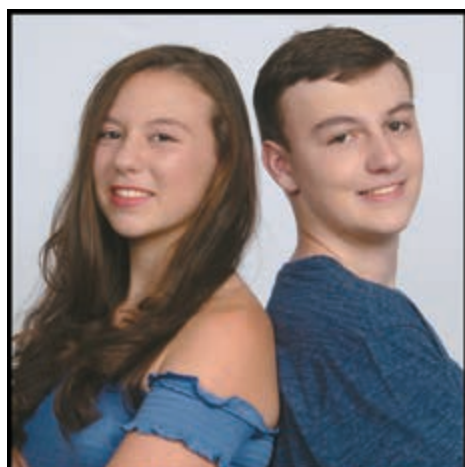
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peace, the Lakeview Madrigal choir, essay contests, poster contests, food, games, and crafts. We even formed a small community choir to sing "Let There Be Peace on Earth" on the front porch of City Hall.

Mayor Franklin of Warren became interested in the Peace Celebration idea so for several years members of the larger Trumbull County community gathered at the Warren Amphitheater. Guest speakers, new essay contests, and music by the Harding Madrigals were some of the highlights. Two years ago we celebrated Peace at Prince of Peace Church in Cortland and last year gathered scores of volunteers to package 30,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger.

We have tried to lay the groundwork for the idea of "peace" as a worthy goal to be celebrated every day including September 21. Indeed peace is everybody's business. We hope you will make it your business each and every day. Peace can only be a reality when there is justice, equality and a universal concern for the welfare of others. Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with us.



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West Nile Virus confirmed in Ohio horses

Diseases spread by mosquitoes are preventable in horses with proper vaccination

The Ohio Dept. of Agriculture recently confirmed the first positive cases of West Nile Virus (WNV) in Ohio horses for 2018. Two cases in Northeast Ohio have been confirmed and the animals had not been vaccinated. The spread of WNV in horses is preventable with proper vaccination and horse owners are urged to ensure their animal's vaccine and boosters are up to date.

West Nile Virus is transmitted to horses via bites from infected mosquitoes. Clinical signs for WNV include flu-like symptoms, where the horse seems mildly anorexic and depressed. Changes in mentality, drowsiness, driving or pushing forward (often without control) and asymmetrical weakness may be observed. Mortality rate from WNV can be as high as 30-40 percent in horses. Infection with WNV does not always lead to signs of illness in people or

animals. WNV is endemic in the United States and Ohio has reported positive cases in horses each of the last few years. There were 14 confirmed cases of WNV in Ohio in 2017.

"My message to horse owners is simple: vaccinate your animals and you can protect against West Nile Virus," said State Veterinarian Dr. Tony Forshey. "Vaccines are a proven and effective prevention tool and I encourage all owners to talk to their veterinarian to learn how they can easily keep their animals healthy."

In addition to vaccinations, horse owners should work to reduce the mosquito population and eliminate possible breeding areas. Recommendations include: removing stagnant water sources; keeping animals inside during the bugs' feeding times, which are typically early in the morning and evening; and using mosquito repellents.



4 tips for combining finances with your partner

As a relationship grows, working toward goals together may become more of a financial priority. If you're ready to move to the next phase financially, consider the following tips:

1. Communicate early and often. When it comes to relationships, you've probably heard the advice that communication is key. This adage holds true when combining finances as well. Be transparent about your spending habits, goals and feelings about money from the start. Whether you decide to establish joint financial accounts or keep them separate, keeping your partner informed can help you both work better as a team.

2. Choose your insurance coverage. Insurance policies can provide a layer of protection over your finances and may help you feel more confident about your ability to handle unexpected events. Make it a priority to review your individual life, disability, health, car and home insurance policies before deciding what coverage you would like as a couple. If either of you receive benefits through an employer, pay attention to the qualifying events and dates for when you can change your elections.

3. Update the beneficiaries and will. Thinking about what happens if one of you passes away may not be romantic, but it is an important step to protecting your loved ones financially. Discuss with your partner how you'd like assets to be divided and consider formalizing your wishes in a will. Also, update beneficiaries on your financial accounts (e.g. checking, saving and retirement accounts) and assets if necessary. This is especially important if you were previously married and your former spouse is listed as a beneficiary. In the same vein, if you want your partner to share ownership in any vehicle or property you own update the titles accordingly.

4. Set goals together. Now that you're earning, spending and saving to support your life together, why not formalize the dreams you share for your future? Set aside time to discuss your short- and long-term goals, such as buying a house, pursuing higher education or retiring early. Communicating your top priorities can help you reach compromise and avoid possible financial disputes.

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Oc "TURBO" fest fund raiser for new Lakeview band uniforms

The 2nd Annual Oc "Turbo" fest Lakeview Marching Band uniform fund raiser will take place Sunday, Sept. 30 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Lakeview High School. "This annual car show with a Halloween theme is used to help raise funds for badly needed new band uniforms," said Bambi Betts, owner of Killerwaxx Lucky 13 and the show's organizer and main sponsor. "There will be so much going on that day. Fun for the whole family! We have treats for the kids and something for everyone."

There will be concessions, a Chinese auction, 50/50 raffle, product vendors, door prizes, goody bags and dash plaques. Registration is \$10, plus a few bags of candy for the kids to trick or treat. There are unusually large and diverse award categories including a new award - "The Mayor's Choice."

Besides Killerwaxx Lucky 13, many area businesses have joined in to help sponsor the show. Business sponsors include Girt's Cortland Music 101, Storm Service Solutions, Mosquito Creek Storage, Gutters Plus, G & C Construction, Tiger Wraps, Protect & Shred and Todd Hufstetler.

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St. John's planning annual fest

Saint John the Baptist Orthodox Church in Warren will host its second annual St. John's Fest on Saturday, Sept. 29. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Come and enjoy ethnic foods and homemade sausage, a bake sale, live entertainment, Orthodox vendors, church tours and games for kids. St. John's is located at 2220 Reeves Road NE in Warren. See the parish website: www.stjohnswarren.com for more information or call 330-372-3895.

Is credit monitoring enough to keep your identity safe?

By Hugh Norton

Identity theft can be a time-consuming and costly hassle, but there are measures you can take to protect your personal information and avoid the headache. One tool that can help is credit monitoring. But what exactly does credit monitoring do? And more importantly, is it enough to keep you safe?

What is credit monitoring? There are three primary national consumer credit bureaus, and you may have a credit report with more than one. Although the reports are often similar, they're not necessarily identical because some financial institutions only report data to one or two of the bureaus, and some don't report data to any of them.

At their simplest, credit monitoring services will look for potentially suspicious changes in your credit reports based on your prior activity and send you an alert if they detect an issue. These could include a new hard inquiry (when you apply for credit and a creditor checks your report) or a new account. Either could be an indication that someone is using your information to fraudulently open financial accounts.

They may also alert you to new public records, such as a bankruptcy, and to changes to the personal information section, such as a new name or address on your report.

Credit monitoring services can range in price and function. You can find the basic monitoring and alert services for free. However, they may only monitor one or two of your credit reports, so you could have to sign up for several to get full coverage.

Services that have a monthly or annual subscription fee may monitor your credit reports from all three bureaus. More robust identity monitoring services include additional features, such as fraud resolution assistance, reimbursements for lost funds or expenses related to identity theft and scanning the internet for your personal information. They may alert you if your info is used to open financial accounts that aren't generally on the major three consumer credit reports, such as a bank account or payday loan.

An alert may be too late, but it can still be helpful. Credit monitoring services are reactive by nature. If you're alerted that someone has tried to use (or successfully used) your personal information, then in a sense it's too late - you're already a victim of identity theft.

However, being able to react right away can help limit the damage because you can contact the companies to have the fraudulent accounts shut down. Additionally, there are steps you can take to help minimize your risk of identity theft.

Ways to protect yourself before something happens. Unless you decide to live off the financial grid, you may not be able to completely protect yourself from large data breaches. But here are a few things you can do to help keep your personal information secure:

- Don't carry your Social Security card in your wallet, and only carry other documents with sensitive information (such as a Medicare card) when you know you'll need them.
- Generally, don't share your personal information if you receive an incoming call, even if the person claims to be from your bank or a government agency. Instead, tell the caller you will call them back and use the entity's actual number (which can usually be found on a bill, statement of account or website) to do so.
- Learn how to safely and properly dispose of computers, mobile phones and other electronics that may have your personal information on them.
- Place fraud alerts or credit freezes on your reports to make it more difficult for someone else to open an account in your name.
- Before throwing it out, shred or cut up material that has personal information, including old bank statements, credit cards and insurance forms.
- Install antivirus software on your computer and keep it up to date.
- Avoid logging into financial accounts while using public Wi-Fi networks, including those at cafes or airports.
- Set and regularly update your password for your phone and computer.
- Use different, long passwords for your online accounts.

The Federal Trade Commission also has helpful articles and resources that you can explore to learn more about identity theft prevention and recovery.

Bottom line: At a minimum, having some form of free credit monitoring or making a practice of regularly checking your credit reports for suspicious changes could help you avoid major problems down the road. If you're concerned about identity theft, taking steps to secure your personal information and paying for a service that includes resolution assistance and reimbursements could be a good idea.



Taxpayers with children, other dependents should check their withholding soon

The Internal Revenue Service urges taxpayers with children and other dependents to use the withholding calculator at IRS.gov to do a "paycheck checkup." Changes made by the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act will affect 2018 returns that taxpayers will file in 2019.

The law expanded and made significant changes to the Child Tax Credit. It also suspended the deduction for personal exemptions. Parents and caregivers should do a "paycheck checkup" to determine how these changes could affect their 2018 tax situation.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act:

- Raises the Child Tax Credit from \$1,000 to \$2,000.
- Offers the Additional Child Tax Credit for certain individuals who cannot receive the full amount of the Child Tax Credit. The Additional Child Tax Credit is up to \$1,400 of the Child Tax Credit and is refundable for each qualifying child. A refundable credit may give taxpayers a refund even if they don't owe any tax.
- Changes phase-outs for the Child Tax Credit and the Additional Child Tax Credit. These credits now begin to phase out at \$400,000 for couples and \$200,000 for singles, compared with 2017 amounts of \$110,000 for couples and \$75,000 for singles.
- Adds a new credit. Dependents who can't be claimed for the Child Tax Credit may still qualify taxpayers for the Credit for Other Dependents. This is a credit of up to \$500 per qualifying person. The phase-out amounts of the Child Tax Credit apply to this credit.

For more information about these credits, visit Steps to Take Now to Get a Jump on Next Year's Taxes on IRS.gov or give us a call at Integrated Accounting and Tax Solutions, 330-638-2727.

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FOR CHILDREN

Preschool Storytime

Mondays at 6 p.m.: Sept. 10-Oct. 1

Tuesdays at 11 a.m.: Sept. 11 - Oct. 16

Preschool Storytime features stories and a craft related to a weekly theme and reinforces the development of early literacy skills. For children ages 3 - 5.

Toddler Tales

Wednesdays at 11 a.m.: Sept. 12-Oct. 10

Storytime for toddlers 19 - 35 months old with a parent or caregiver. Registration is required.

LEGO Club

Drop-in Saturdays between 1 - 2:30 p.m.: Sept. 15; Oct. 13

Let your imagination run wild and create with our collection of LEGO building bricks. All structures will remain at the library. For children in grades K - 6.

FOR TEENS

Teen Advisory Board

Tuesday at 3 p.m.: Sept. 4

Want to help your fellow teens and make the library a better place? Have a great idea for a teen event? Do you like pizza? Come to a Teen Advisory Board meeting for all this and more! For teens in grades 7-12.

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Yoga for Beginners

Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

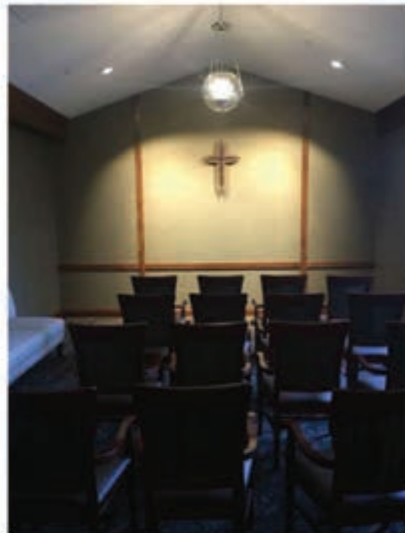
This beginner-friendly gentle yoga class is for ages 16+. The class will be led by Cortland resident Stephanie Perrine, certified yoga instructor. September is National Yoga Month! Class size is limited. Registration is required.

Scams and Fraud

Tuesday, Sept. 18 at 11 a.m.

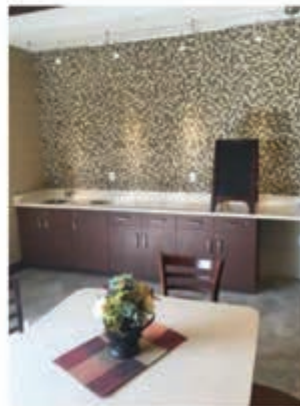
Learn about actions that you can take to help protect against identity theft, financial scams, and investment fraud. Melissa Ames, vice president of Better Business Bureau Services in Youngstown, will share timely tips focusing on recent scams and fraud targeting local residents. A Cortland police officer will also be on hand to answer your questions about local scams.

Armstrong Memory Care Assisted Living



Trumbull County's only memory care assisted living, **Windsor House at Armstrong Memory Care Assisted Living**, is Now Open. Located off Mahoning Ave. and Champion Ave., residents will enjoy the privacy of their own apartment, daily recreational and social activities, 3 fresh meals, assistance with activities of daily living, companionship of staff members and other residents, a secured outdoor courtyard and much more.

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Oils with Gary Taneri

What should I paint? and Why should I paint it?

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7 p.m.-9 p.m.

For more information or to register call the TAG at 330-395-4876.

Something to think about

Rev. Donald P. Barnes

"Ouuuch!!!"

"Sure would be nice if that brush on the point didn't obscure our view of the lake." I'm reading Lorra's mind. Hoisting myself out my easy chair, I grab my axe and pruning shears and head for the point. I'm swinging and chopping, making good headway, when it "hit" me: "Ouuuch!!! Unbeknownst to me, a family of yellow jackets has built a new home in the soft soil of the point and apparently I'm standing in their living room. One second I'm swinging and chopping, the next I'm running for my life, swatting at yellow jackets as I "make tracks" to the camper. I confess I didn't get out of there unscathed. The little rascals got me on both hands and my left foot. I'm still scratching the welts.

I'm a big believer in life lessons. The ordinary and mundane of the day can provide valuable insights if we are attentive students. And so I ask you, what might the moral of the story be? Select the response that you think best suits the circumstance: 1) Don't wade

into a thicket unless you know what's hiding in the bushes; 2) If your wife "hands" you a verbal "honey-do list," pretend like your sleeping; or 3) If she wants a better view - tell her to move her chair. All kidding aside, even the best-laid plans can run into unforeseen obstacles. Persistence and tenacity are the keys to every successful venture.

Consider the following observation gleaned from the Book of Lists 1980:

During a Monday night football game between the Chicago Bears and the New York Giants, one of the announcers observed that Walter Payton, the Bears running back, had accumulated over nine miles in career rushing yardage. The other announcer remarked, "Yeah, and that's with somebody knocking him down every 4.6 yards!" Walter Payton, the most successful running back ever, knows that everyone - even the very best - gets knocked down. The key to success is to get up and run again just as hard.

With that being said, my friends - get at it, stick to it, and be blessed.

Our desks have gone to Panama

Future shipments being planned

By Jean Bolinger

Lakeview and Champion desks (and other school equipment such as chairs and teacher desks) have been cleaned, packed and sent to Panama along with boxes of books, school supplies, teaching supplies, athletic equipment and bicycles. The Department of Defense contracted with a courier to move the supplies to a port in Virginia and from there your donations will travel to a number of schools in Panama. A government group called New Horizons builds schools and clinics in Central American countries using reservists who are doing their annual two week training there. With this shipment almost 8,000 desks have now been saved by CHOW and repurposed in schools in 14 different countries. New Horizons has a Facebook page that notes CHOW as a partner: <https://www.facebook.com/southcomppc/>. Com/south refers to the U.S. Southern command and compcc refers to public-private cooperation.

CHOW is now working on securing desks for a group called Agape, Honduras. They already have some, acquired 134 from Liberty Schools a couple of weeks ago, and hope to get more from Lakeview Elementary School when the auction for that building takes place. They are still looking for athletic equipment (soccer, baseball, basketball) to accompany that shipment as well as a

New Horizons project in Guatemala in 2019. As long as desks and volunteers are available CHOW will continue providing desks and supplies to schools in several different Central American countries.

The most amazing thing about CHOW is that it is a very small organization of volunteers who work tirelessly to secure desks, store them then move them for shipment. These same volunteers also sort all the donated school supplies, teacher supplies, books and sports equipment. Every item that is shipped has to be listed on a manifest and there is a great deal of red tape involved in getting the donations to their final destination.

The volunteers of CHOW deserve a big "thank you." If you would care to support the group financially send your donation to CHOW c/o Bazetta Christian Church at 4131 Bazetta Road, Cortland, OH 44410. If you can donate time occasionally or have athletic equipment to give, call Becky Costas at 330-637-0219.

Watch for bikes... the kind you pedal

On Sunday, Sept. 16, the Youngstown area cycling club, the "Out-Spokin' Wheelmen" will hold its 45th annual NEOC invitational bicycle ride. NEOC (NEE-awk) stands for Northeast Ohio Century and if riders follow all of the loop circuits around the Cortland and Bazetta areas they could travel over 100 miles by the end of the day. Last year some 200 riders participated.

The event begins at and circulates back to the Trumbull County fairgrounds on Everett-Hull Road. Motorists are advised to watch for cyclists especially on state Routes 46, 88, 87 and 305, and

along Hoagland-Blackstub, North Park, Ridge and Warren-Meadville roads.

The event draws riders from northeast Ohio and western Pennsylvania and most will be highly visible in their colorful cycling outfits. The club reminds drivers that under Ohio law a bicycle is considered a vehicle and has a legal right to access public roads and now by law, a motorist must give at least three feet of clearance when passing a bicycle.

More information about NEOC and the club is on the website www.outspokinwheelmen.com.

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Cortland UMC sponsoring 'Blessing of the Dogs'

By Bertha Cyphert

The Cortland United Methodist Church, in cooperation with the Friends of the Dog Park at Mosquito Lake, will hold a "Blessing of the Dogs" on Saturday, Sept. 22 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. If you have never been to the dog park please make it a point to come. You will be amazed at all this group and the state park have done. It's the largest dog park in Ohio with five acres and was built in 2009. It is divided into two areas, with one for small dogs and one for large dogs. The Blessing of Dogs will take place in the upper end of the large dog park area.

The dogs have their own beach to swim in, and a bath area where they can bathe after having fun. Approximately 500 dogs per week use the park and they use approximately 20,000 refuse bags a year. The park is run by volunteers. The state cuts the grass and provides maintenance. They offer many experiences and classes. Check with park officer just inside Mosquito Lake Park for more information.


Besides this event, the park will be having a Dog Halloween Party on Oct. 7 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Keep these two events on your calendar: Saturday, Sept. 22, Blessing of the Dogs, 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.; and Saturday, Oct. 7, Dogs Halloween Party, 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

See you there!

Southington UMC holding chicken dinner

The Southington United Methodist Church, state Routes 305 and 534, will be holding a chicken dinner, on Wednesday, Sept. 5, 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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'Labor Day'

By Rev. C. R. Chapman, Cortland Christian Church

The celebration of Labor Day greets us in the month of September. It is a time for recognizing the achievements of the American worker and all the contributions that they have made towards the well-being of this great land. There are many monuments that are dedicated to those who labor in this country, but in the end, it is all in vain.

The psalmist of Psalm 127 says, "Unless the LORD builds a house, its builders labor over it in vain; unless the LORD watches over a city, the watchman stays alert in vain. In vain you get up early and stay up late, working hard to have enough food..." (Ps. 127:1-2a, HCSB). In inspired words that reflect Ecclesiastes, this psalm embraces the teaching that apart from the Lord all things are futile. What is it that we are laboring for, especially knowing that one day this earth and the things of this world will pass away? We labor for something that does not pass away. A place where rust and moth do not corrupt. We labor for the Kingdom of God.

We labor on this earth not for self-gain, a weekly pay check, but rather we labor to bring glory to God's name. "Whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him," (Col. 3:17). We labor not for the things of this world, which are fleeting and short lived, but we labor to bring glory to God. We store our treasure not in the bank where thieves can steal it, but in the Kingdom of God through our conduct and obedience, through our faith and devotion, through the exercising of the fruits of the Spirit in our everyday life, through Christ shining through us into the lives of others.

It is true that when we labor for ourselves, we labor in vain, but it is also true that when we labor for God the result of our labor is everlasting to everlasting. "Therefore, my dear brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord's work, knowing that your labor in the Lord is not in vain," (1 Cor. 15:58). When we work as though we were laboring unto the Lord we put away a great treasure in Heaven. Do not work for yourself, but work for God. Do not work for a boss but make God your boss, and if you please God then you will also please those here on earth who really matter. Let me leave you with an excerpt from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s speech entitled "What is Your Life's Blueprint."

"And when you discover what you will be in your life, set out to do it as if God Almighty called you at this particular moment in history to do it. Don't just set out to do a good job. Set out to do such a good job that the living, the dead or the unborn couldn't do it any better.

If it falls your lot to be a street sweeper, sweep streets like Michelangelo painted pictures, sweep streets like Beethoven composed music, sweep streets like Leontyne Price sings before the Metropolitan Opera. Sweep streets like Shakespeare wrote poetry. Sweep streets so well that all the hosts of heaven and earth will have to pause and say: Here lived a great street sweeper who swept his job well. If you can't be a pine at the top of the hill, be a shrub in the valley. Be the best little shrub on the side of the hill.

Be a bush if you can't be a tree. If you can't be a highway, just be a trail. If you can't be a sun, be a star. For it isn't by size that you win or fail. Be the best of whatever you are."

ASAP Rally for Recovery is Sept. 8 at Eastwood Field

The Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP) 6th Annual Rally for Recovery at the Eastwood Field in Niles, will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8. A one mile Recovery Walk is scheduled at 1 p.m. Walker registration opens at 10 a.m. Awards will be presented to the largest family, agency and recovery house walk teams.

"September is National Recovery Month and the rally is a great way for families to celebrate recovery," said Lauren Thorp, project director of ASAP. "We will have free lunch, educational materials and games for kids."

The Rally for Recovery event will feature Rock & Recovery music from the Summit FM, educational materials about recovery from drug and alcohol abuse, corn hole and other games, a selfie

booth, Chinese auction, an "Addiction Memorial" and free lunch. Kids can play in the Fun Zone and meet Scrappy and Batman.

The event is being sponsored by Mercy Health Foundation Mahoning Valley, Alkermes and the Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board.

ASAP, a project of the Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board, is a coalition that engages in strategic partnerships to solve our community's substance abuse problems. ASAP membership is free and open to the public. Anyone interested in becoming involved in ASAP or to request more information, call 330-675-2765, ext. 119 or visit www.trumbullmhrb.org.

All Saints to hold Trash 'n Treasure Sale

All Saints Community Church is holding a Trash 'n Treasure Sale on Thursday, Sept. 13 and Friday, Sept. 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the church, 4530 state Route 46, Cortland. Food will also be available. Donations are being accepted on Sept. 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the church.

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