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Women and Our Town's History

By Sally Lane

There are literally thousands of quotes that celebrate women. "Never underestimate the power of a woman" is the one that speaks to me. It was the slogan of the Ladies' Home Journal coined in 1941, five years before the "baby-boomer" generation began. Since then, there have been many variations on that quote, adding more detail to the original, as in "...power of a woman's intuition" or "... power of this woman" and countless more. The women's liberation movement was at a fever pitch from my late teens to early 20's. Equality for women has been a long struggle as times change.

Stories about women in our Cortland/Bazetta history illustrate

the strength our foremothers had that helped to build the foundation of the equality issue and a strong Cortland - although those women didn't realize it at the time. They were too busy takin' care of business.

The War of 1812 interrupted the growth of Bazetta. Local historian and author Tom Kachur wrote: "All the men who were capable of bearing arms were summoned to protect their country. The men were called at a most inopportune time, just when the oat crop was ready to be harvested." The women knew that every grain must be harvested to survive in this frontier. Even though they had a lot of their own work to do, this was a crisis, and called for immediate action. "So, they took to the fields, put their very small children in care of the older children, and with sickle, rake and pitchfork, harvested the crop." When the men returned, they found the crop harvested, and that other farm work had suffered very little. [Historical Collections of Bazetta, Cortland, Ohio, 1983, by Thomas Kachur.]

In the winter of 1826, one of the men who participated in the War of 1812, William Davis, became very ill and was disabled for the rest of his life. He and his wife, Ann Luce Davis were the parents of 15 children and were major landowners in Bazetta township. At the time of William's disability, they were in considerable debt. Ann, who was strong-willed and healthy, and her children took over and managed to free the farm from debt. William died in 1861, and Ann died in 1882. They are buried in Hillside Cemetery, which was

formerly part of the Davis orchard.

All through the years there have been many women in Cortland and Bazetta who should be celebrated. While men get credit for being leaders in the church, schools and businesses - that's probably why it's called HIStory - they have always been supported by women. Without women behind the scenes little could have been accomplished. Church night suppers, bake sales, making socks for soldiers, rolling bandages during the Civil War and WWI, raising chickens, gardening, canning, taking care of the children... the list gets longer. Like the saying goes: A women's work is never done.

Over the next 100 years, women continued their quiet but important influence in the Cortland area. Career choices were limited to teaching, office work or telephone operator. Bessie Marvin, born 1875 was a piano teacher for 55 years. She never married and lived in the house next to Imagination Station. She did brag that she could plow a field with a team of four horses.

In the 1970's, Cortland's population started to boom. What has that got to do with Women's History? Well, that meant many more families wanting to live here. A Middle School was built. The high school and elementary schools had additions. More teachers were hired, many of them women. Cortland Playroom Daycare was founded by Gloria Zanin and continues today as a Pre-School under Sue Zickefoose.

As Cortland grew, the area around the township grew which led to new stores along Elm Rd and at the mall,

causing some of the smaller stores in downtown Cortland to move or close. Population was up, but shopping in town was down. It was women to the rescue!

Jean Durst, who owned and operated True Value Hardware with her husband Harlan until they retired, opened Country in the City, a craft, handmade furniture, country interior design shop. Other specialty shops followed: Country Hearts, CarriageHouseBears, QuiltersFancy, Patti's Baby Consignment, the Opera House and several others. Some of the owners were Sauni Shafer, June Karovic, Betty Kerner, Patti Keller and Cindy Oravec. Soon bus tours scheduled time in Cortland, and the town was labeled "quaint." Since then, other businesses, like Coopers and Just Pizzelles have joined the Specialty Shops organization while some have closed. Patti Keller established Furniture Decor & More, while the baby consignment shop closed, and Cindy Oravecs' shop has moved to South High Street. Instead of bus tours, there is the Gingerbread Walk and other events downtown.

However, the downtown retains its "quaintness" with seasonal decorations and trimmings throughout the year, started by Flo Hutton and helped by Mary Markovich. The town also needs to recognize the work almost year-round by Flo and Mary and the others in her group that keep our town decorated with flags and flowers.

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Monday, March 14, 6 p.m.

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Our Next Issue ... March 19, 2022

Our theme will be *Spring*

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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.

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Community Events

Event Calendar February 27 – March 19

Cortland City/Bazetta Township and Lakeview School Board meetings and schedules. See pg. 2 & 11

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.

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

Cortland Senior Center - Open Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Cortland Christian Church.

MARCH

- 1, 8, 15 **Preschool Storytime** at Cortland Library, Tuesdays 11 AM
- 2, 9, 16 **Bible Study** Cortland Christian Church / 6 PM
- 3, 10, 17, 24 **"An Introduction to Christianity"** / Cortland Trinity Baptist
- 5 **Charity Breakfast** / Masonic Lodge benefitting Cub Scout Pack 4025
- 5 **Intro to Beekeeping** / Cortland Library / 1 PM
- 6 **Evening Journey - Chili Night** / Journey Christian Church / 5 PM
- 7, 14 **Toddler Tales** / Cortland Library / 11 AM
- 12 **Game Night, Pizza, & Movie** / Journey Christian Church / 5 PM
- 12 **LEGO Club** / Cortland Library / 2 PM
- 12 **LES - Online Kindergarten Registration**

A Letter to the Community From Chrissy's Lake Tavern

To my Lake Tavern Family, Friends and Community,

I want to thank you for the many years of love and support you have blessed me with. None truer and more meaningful than after the tragic events of this past week. It is with a mournful heart that I sit and try to compose myself and this message. I am thankful that no one was hurt in the fire and this didn't happen to someone's home, as much as I felt that the Tavern was HOME!

I am blessed to have such an amazing staff, my kids! Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they try to move forward. Their work lives and families have been turned upside down. My hope is that they can find stability and happiness with their

future employment.

As of now, there are no answers as to why or how the fire occurred. I can only hope that God blesses me with enough tomorrows that we can renew and rebuild, if possible. I can't promise a time frame. I just know there will never be a place as special as The Lake Tavern for so many! I feel that in my heart as well. But my hope is that we will be able to come together once again and share time, memories and smiles.

To my kiddos, the staff ... I LOVE you darlins! Thank you all again for the outpouring of love and support! So, in my crazy closing words ... more to come! God Bless and be well my friends!

Chrissy

Business News & Notes

By Thom Foley

Cortland Trinity Baptist Church, Rev. Dan Barker is hosting a FREE one hour discussion each Thursday, "An Introduction to Christianity". Noon at the Library.

Cortland Playroom and Preschool is taking registration for the 2022-2023. Hurry they fill up fast and they are the elite preschool in the area. Celebrating 35 years of education our children.

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Have you met Jordan Myers at The Village Barber Shop yet? Nice guy and great haircuts - at really affordable prices!

Lia Borio Endovidualeats Calendar

My name is Lia Borio and I am here to discuss Endometriosis for Endometriosis awareness month this March. I was officially diagnosed in July 2020. Since then, I've had multiple surgeries and medical interventions. Endometriosis is a chronic systemic hormone dependent inflammatory disease that affects 1 in 10 people worldwide. It can take years to properly diagnose due to poor funding, lack of understanding & skilled surgeons. It has been found in women, men, and fetuses. This disease goes way beyond the pelvis and affects the metabolism of liver and fat cells with genetic traits and it metastasizes like a cancer. It has been found on every organ in the body and there is no cure. Symptoms can be minimal to absolutely debilitating. Some have found management of painful symptoms by decreasing inflammation through diet and lifestyle changes.

After my last surgery I started my own anti-inflammatory diet and created an Instagram page called Endovidualeats. I've been posting my daily gluten and dairy free meals on there. Due to its increasing popularity I decided I wanted to give back this year and use my content for fundraising. I have made a 2023 calendar with my recipes to combat inflammation and a portion of the proceeds will be going to Extrapelvicnotrare.org a non-profit organization whose focus is to redefine the definition of endometriosis as a disease with body-wide lesion potential and capacity to disrupt systemic homeostasis.

Diet is something we can all do to decrease inflammation, not just with endometriosis. Chronic inflammation plays a role in several health conditions like Alzheimer's, arthritis, heart disease, diabetes, Crohn's, asthma, kidney disease, even weight gain. Certain foods



are associated with either increasing or decreasing our inflammatory response.

If you are interested in purchasing a calendar please go to www.endovidualeats.com or follow me on Instagram. I want to give a special thanks to Tom Ferguson at Boardman Minuteman Press for printing the calendars and to Berrys Natural Food Market for always providing me with healthy food options.



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Dr. Lindsey Donates High Powered Microscope to LHS

Dr. Dale Lindsey's Cortland Family Eye Care donated a \$5,000 slit lamp and table to the Lakeview High School science department. Dr. Lindsey said "I am happy to be able to donate this piece of medical equipment to the High School. My children are graduates of LHS we feel it is important to give back to our community."

A slit lamp is a microscope with a bright light used during an eye exam. It gives your eye doctor a closer look at the different structures in the front of the eye and inside the eye. It's a key tool in determining the health of your eyes and detecting eye disease.

Mrs. Maureen Bucko, Chair of the Science Department at LHS said "This will be a wonderful tool for our students to learn about the eye and how

it interacts with the body's anatomy."

The school will use the instrument in biology, anatomy and other science course.



Dr. Dale Lindsey and Ms. Maureen Bucko

ON COURSE

Navigating your Insurance Needs

Presented by Jill Freeman,
Ann M Wiley Insurance Services



What Are the Different Parts of Medicare Insurance?

Medicare is health insurance for people 65 and older, those that have been receiving Social Security or Railroad Disability for 24 months and those with End-Stage Renal Disease. There are different parts to Medicare insurance that cover specific services.

Medicare Part A covers inpatient services such as hospitalization, skilled nursing facilities, hospice, and some home health care. For most people, Part A has no cost if you or your spouse worked and paid into Medicare for enough time. You can pick up Part A at age 65 even if you are still working and covered under employer insurance. If you do not qualify for premium free Part A, you can buy the coverage for a monthly premium if you also choose to enroll in Part B and pay that premium.

Medicare Part B is medical insurance that covers most outpatient services such as doctors, tests, lab services, preventative services, ambulance services, and medical supplies. In specific circumstances Part B will also cover some prescription drugs including injections and infusions that you cannot administer to yourself and are received under the supervision of a doctor or other trained personnel. Part B of Medicare insurance has a monthly premium based on income. Most people will pay \$170.10 per month this year however, those with low income and limited resources may qualify for reduced premiums and those with a higher household income may pay an extra charge referred to as the income related monthly adjustment amount or IRMAA.

Medicare Part D is prescription drug coverage including many shots and vaccines. Part D is not included with Medicare Parts A&B and requires a separate Prescription Drug Plan or policy. You are not required to pick up

separate drug coverage, however if you do not have coverage within 63 days of starting Medicare or losing credible employer coverage, there will be a penalty imposed on the premium when you do apply for coverage.

While Medicare Insurance covers many things there are co-pays and costs that the individual is responsible for when seeking care. These costs can add up quickly, therefore most people will pick up either Medicare Supplement Insurance or a Medicare Advantage Plan (Part C) to fill in the gaps. These plans include Parts A and B of Medicare and may include Part D prescription drug coverage and other ancillary benefits. Typically, Advantage plan premiums are lower or no cost but have copays for services. Medicare Supplement Insurance plans work as a secondary insurance to original Medicare Insurance and help to cover the costs that Medicare does not. Medicare Advantage plans may include prescription coverage, Medicare Supplement plans do not. Therefore, a separate plan would need to be purchased to avoid future penalties.

There are several different options available when applying for Medicare Insurance and choosing the plan that works best for your specific situation. It can be confusing and overwhelming. Most local agents are available to explain your options and help you navigate through the process of setting up your insurance at no charge. When you choose a local agent over the agent you may call on the "800" number, they are also available to help after you have received coverage and answers any questions you may have.

Jill Freeman is a licensed insurance agent with Ann M Wiley Insurance Services, located at 3470 Warren Meadville Rd, Cortland. She can be reached at 234-244-4014 or JFreeman.WileyInsurance@gmail.com



Adopt A Pet

Grace is a special lady we have here at AWL. She has a calcium deficiency so she has to be on a special diet, but, don't let that put you off. Grace is a beautiful 5yr old and has been with us since August of 2021 and during her time here we have learned a lot about her. She is a shy gal that will seek you out for affection and love but she is also independent sometimes just enjoys your company. She would do best in an only pet home as she is more on the reserved side. Grace is a sweet girl whose ready to find her FUR-ever home, could it be yours? Come on down to AWL and find out!



Wonka is a one of a kind dog! He loves long walks and looking good while he struts his stuff so bath time is his jam. Wonka loves to learn and knows a few tricks like sit and down and is eager to learn more. He's the kind of guy who is excited about life and loves to tell you all about it but don't let his energy fool you, Wonka also loves relax with his people for his all-time favorite belly and ear rub sessions. He has been hanging out at the shelter since September of 2021 so if this cool guy has caught your eye and you want to know more please call AWL at 330-539-5300 and ask about Wonka!

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The "all you can eat" Breakfasts are held each month by the Cortland Masonic Lodge, and 100% of the proceeds are donated to a local charity or a needy individual.

The breakfast cost is \$7.00 for adults, and \$6.00 for youth age 6 to 10, and FREE for any children age 5 and under. Included are pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, and coffee.

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Women and Our Town's History... *continued from front page*

Now that we have passed the one-hundred-year mark of women voting, it is no surprise that women are becoming more involved in leadership roles. In Cortland, we are proud to celebrate the women who have embraced leadership roles.

For the first time in Lakeview School's history, we have a woman superintendent, Velina Jo Taylor, who is proving to be a good, capable leader for our school system. We also have Ms. Ashley Handrych, Middle School Principal along with several women as program directors.

Our town has had three women mayors, Sandra Roscoe and Melissa Long were the first two, and our present mayor is Deidre Petrosky. She was part of Cortland City Council for 21 years. This is her third year as mayor. She brings a double bachelor's degree in Public Administration and Political Science as well as a law degree.

More than half of the businesses in the Cortland News advertising network are owned, co-owned or managed by women. They are insurance companies, financial advisors, a music store, a doctor, restaurants and pizza shops, dance instructors, realtor and more. You will be amazed at the variety of women entrepreneurs that are in Cortland. It makes one proud to call Cortland and Bazetta home. A proud past, and an even brighter present and future.

Lions Club Sets Street Fair Dates

By Ralph McCord

The Cortland Lions Club came off our winter break and resumed our regular meetings on Wednesday-February 16th. At this meeting our Cortland Lions Club Street Fair Chairman, Basil Jarrett, announced the tentative dates for the 2022 Cortland Street Fair. The tentative dates will be July 21-22-23. He said the reason the dates are tentative is he must secure a couple approvals for these dates. Ride Contracts will be signed in the very near future.

We also welcomed into membership Patrick McFall. Patrick, a local resident, is interested in serving in his community. If you have ever considered serving in your community, consider joining the Cortland Lions Club. You do not have to be a Cortland Resident to join as we have members from Warren, Howland and other surrounding communities. We invite you to attend one of our meetings to check us out. Meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of each month, starting at 6:30 PM in our Lions Memorial Pavilion located at 197 W Main St-across from Farmers/Cortland Bank.

In April we will be celebrating the start of our 83rd year of service to the Cortland Area. Come and be a part of an organization of men and women serving in our community. For questions or information please call 330-219-4879.

Trumbull County Historical Village Project

By Jeffrey Ford

As many of you know, I have been working on various projects over the past few years for the Historical Village at the Trumbull County Fairgrounds. It is that time of year again for me to start brainstorming to see what can be done to improve the village this year. Attendance at the fair last year reached just shy of 45,000 people! This is a perfect time for the different historical societies to display their memorabilia and information. Over the years, I have reached out looking for any buildings with historic value in Trumbull County that could be donated and moved to the fairgrounds for the village. I have had no luck so far. This means we will not be able to add to the village regarding true historic buildings. With this in mind, my idea is to have a structure built and use it as a building that would have existed way back when. I am currently corresponding with a company that is very interested in assisting with this idea. They are going to contact me again soon for further discussion. My thought is to have a saloon/tavern built in the village. It can be made to look old

and contain saloon/tavern items that would have been seen back in the early days in Trumbull County. If any of your cities or townships had any saloons or taverns, are there any pictures of such and any memorabilia?

I am looking for ideas to make this a success for the upcoming fair. I will say, that building an exact replica of a building will not be able to be done as our funds will not allow this to be accomplished. I have a few items so far that would be perfect for the saloon/tavern but will need to look for more. One item needed is an old player piano. A few of the other items I may be able to locate at local thrift shops. I look forward to hearing back from you, your ideas, pictures and any items you may have to donate if it is possible. Contact jeffreyford911@outlook.com

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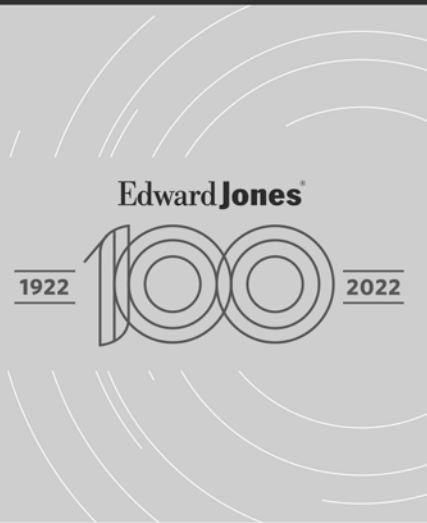
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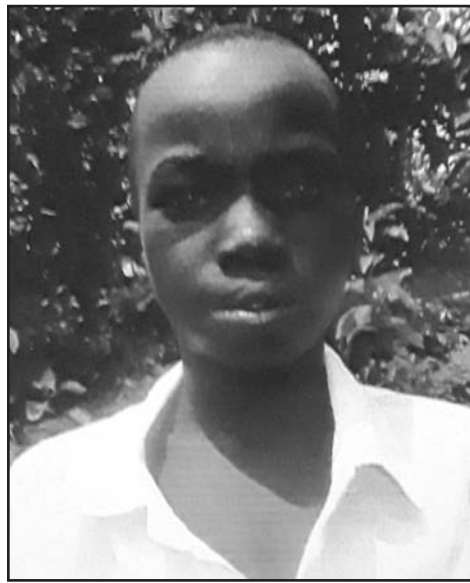
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On Super Bowl weekend the United Methodist men met for the annual Super Bowl Sub Sale which has supported World Vision since the 1970's. The group made and sold 6 dozen sandwiches in support of a young man, Ceasar Olwa, who we have sponsored since 2012. The money earned goes for food, education and medical services in a poorer area of Uganda.

Our next project will be a Drive-Thru Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner on March 19. Look for the Curbside Pantry to resume after Easter. Later the



Ceasar Olwa from Uganda

plans include a book sale in early May and a "take it - return it curbside book box." For more info call 330-637-2571



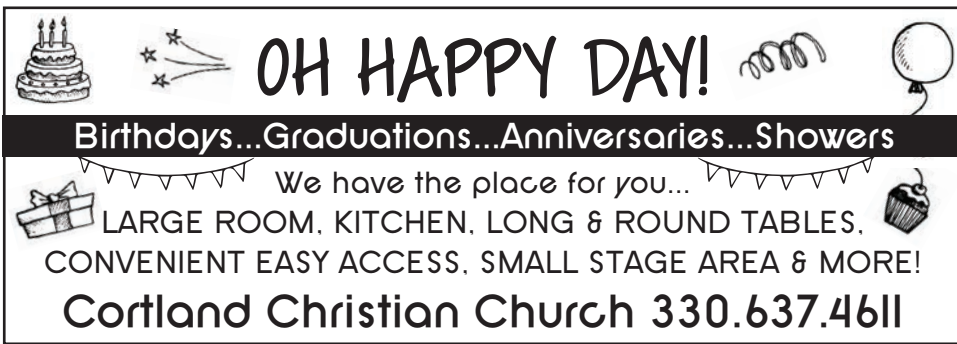
Foundations of Faith
 Rev. Joan Purnell ~ Cortland United Methodist Church

When our granddaughter Scarlett was two-years old she called all birds chickens. Her parents have no idea why she thought that all birds were chickens, but regardless of whether she was looking at a cardinal or blue jay or sparrow, it was a chicken. While I don't remember ever calling all birds chickens, one of my earliest memories is watching the chickens in my great-grandparents yard. By nature, chickens are social birds, who live in flocks. Hens fiercely guard their chicks, leading them to food and water. Also, when necessary, a hen broods the chicks to keep them warm. To brood, for a hen, is to cover her chicks with her wings.

One of my favorite images from scripture is that of a hen gathering her chicks under her wings. Jesus said, "How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings..." (Luke 13:34). This image of a mother hen

sheltering her chicks is one of several scripture references that describe God with feminine images. Others include a protective mother eagle (Deut 32:10-11), a fierce mother bear (Hosea 13:8), a mother giving birth (Isaiah 42:14) and feeding her child (Isaiah 49:15). These images offer us a more expansive, diverse image of the Divine. These images help us to relate to the reality that all persons are created in the image of God.

Regardless of your gender or any other cultural differences, may the image of a mother hen sheltering her chicks and the other mothers with their young assure you of the warmth and safety God provides. Whatever your circumstances, may God be your comforting, protective shelter. "How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings" (Psalm 36:7).



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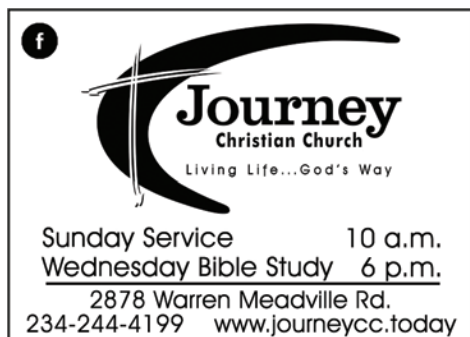
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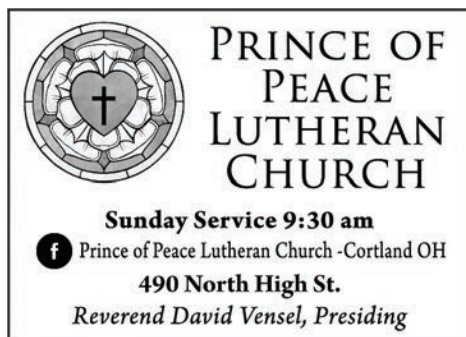


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- Saturday March 12, 2022 at 5:00

Game Night, Pizza, and a Movie. Bring your favorite game, have some pizza and enjoy the movie

- Sunday, March 20, 2022 6:00-7:00 Night of Worship. An hour of special music and congregational singing.
- Saturday March 26, 2022 8:00 AM, Men's Breakfast at Perkins Elm Rd.

Cortland United Methodist Corned Beef 'n Cabbage Dinner

The Cortland United Methodist Men invite you to preorder for the Drive-Thru Corned Beef n Cabbage Dinner. The Drive-Thru Dinner is March 19th with pick-up from 4:30 pm - 6 pm at 155 North High Street. Each dinner costs \$11.00 and includes corned beef, cabbage, green beans, potatoes, bread and dessert. Dinners are available by Preorder Only. The deadline to order is Monday, March 13th by calling 330-637-2571.

Watercolor Workshop at JCC of Youngstown

The Paul and Yetta Gluck School of Visual Arts at the Jewish Community Center of Youngstown will hold a watercolor workshop from 6 to 7:30 p.m. March 9 at the JCC, 505 Gypsy Lane. Beginner and intermediate painters will use watercolor techniques to create a painting inspired by spring. The cost is \$20 for JCC members and \$25 for nonmembers. Visit jccyoungstown.org/visualarts to register by March 4.

Chili Cook-off at Prince of Peace

As in the past, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is planning a chili cook-off to be held 6:00 PM Saturday, March 12 at the church. Church members will make various, versions of chili and there will be a vote to determine the winner. Admission is free although donations will be accepted for Outreach purposes. All are welcomed till the chili runs out!

Lakeview School News

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NE8 Conference Championship

The 7th grade girls basketball team defeated Hubbard 24-20 on February 17 to win the NE8 Conference Championship.



Leah C., Sammi O., Allie W., Marley B., Selah B., Ella C., Izzy O., Linea K., Annaliese D., Anna H., Paige S., Sophie I., Coach Zetterquist

LMS Prep Bowl Team Ties for Third in County Competition

On Saturday, February 12, 2022 seven Lakeview Middle School students tested their knowledge against students from 19 other Trumbull County schools in the 7th & 8th Grade Prep Bowl competition. Held at Lordstown High School, the LMS Bulldogs advanced through the competition, making it to the semi-final round before being beat by eventual winner, Howland.



The team finishes tied for third in the county competition. Tyler H., Zane J., Leo R., Elijah V., Hudson L., Jester S., and Trudi H.

From the Desk of the Superintendent

By Velina Jo Taylor

As we near the end of February, preparations for the next school year have begun. Administrators are double checking enrollment numbers and making plans for course offerings, class schedules, and educational programs. Class sizes and staffing will be checked and double checked to ensure balance and equity. For those families who are interested in open enrollment, preliminary paperwork and requests are available, with a caveat that some grade levels are not open due to the numbers of students already enrolled.

As our days begin to lengthen and the snows of January and February start to melt, we thrill with the anticipation of spring and all the additional activities that will be available to our students. Unlike in the spring of 2020 and 2021, we are once again looking forward to welcoming back field trips and excursions for our students as they broaden their understanding of the community in which they live. The return of these educational experiences will doubtless be met with much enthusiasm on the part of students and staff.

March 2022 will mark the anniversary of two complete years that COVID and its various effects have complicated and restricted our lives. With a better understanding of how to manage day to day interactions without putting anyone at unnecessary risk, we are hopeful that the worst is finally behind us. This sense that we have turned an important corner in the pandemic that has been such a focus of attention and the knowledge that spring is just around the corner fills us with hope and joy. Thanks to everyone's cooperation, we have forged a path forward and see there are better days ahead. Together...we are Lakeview.



Congratulations to the 8th grade boys' basketball team who defeated Poland February 16th, 43-28, to win the NE8 Conference Championship! Great season Bulldogs!

Front: Jacob L., Brandon T., Jacob S., Preston L., Isaiah L., Back: Will K., Hayden F., Preston P., Anthony L., Matthew L., Hayden N., Brandon P. Photo courtesy of The Larson Family



The 8th grade girls from LMS defeated South Range 32-12 to win the NE8 Conference Championship on February 17.

Front: Annabelle H., Maria G., Kalyssa W., Nora L., Delaney G., Back: Makenna D., Isabella I., Mackenzie S., Aya C., Coach Lewis



Annual Band Spaghetti Dinner

Lakeview High School Bands hosted their annual Spaghetti Dinner event on Friday, January 28 in the high school cafeteria. Members of the LHS jazz, ensembles, and alumni bands performed for the crowd for about two and a half hours. All money raised from the event supports the band.



LES Pawsitive Students



Jan. 31 - Feb. 4: Ava L., Ada E., Henry D., Macey J., Ella T., Joel M., Luca D., Colton G., Ava D., Benjamin J., Bryson W., Cooper A., Carter M., Sawyer T., Blessing M., Shayne B., Ava S., and Mia S.

Editor's Note: There are two pictures for this group, not everyone was there both days, but between the two photos everyone is accounted for. Thus, some students inadvertently had their pictures taken twice.



Feb. 7-11: Kylie P., Lexis F., Addyson P., Giada R., Michael B., Crosby C., Henry K., Alexis P., and Colton G.



Feb. 14-17: Olivia D., Jacey C., Roan G., Vanessa H., Elle R., Blake B., and Ronan J.

LHS Boys Bowling Team Wins Fourth Consecutive NE8 Championship



Congratulations to the Lakeview High School Boys Bowling Team for winning the NE8 Conference for the fourth year in a row. Team members include (from L to R): Cooper Schiavone, Sebastian Ruddy, Charles Pawlosky, Brian Thomas, Cade Cratsley, and Colin Oaks. Several members also received conference awards including Cooper Schivone (2nd Team All Conference), Sebastian Ruddy (1st Team All Conference) and Charles Pawlosky (1st Team All Conference & Conference Player of the Year). Congratulations team!

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LHS Football and Baseball Players Prove Why Cortland/Bazetta is the Best to Live

By Thom Foley

It is easy to say that Cortland Bazetta is the best place in the world to live. But when members of our community step up and prove it, well that just makes the argument stronger. And when it is the young people in our community that do something extraordinary, we all need to step up and thank them.

During the recent snow day earlier this month the boys, I mean THE YOUNG MEN, of the LHS Baseball & Football teams took a challenge from Coach Bellino and Coach Carson to do something for the community that supports their opportunity to play their sports. "Give up your day off from school and go shovel people's driveways" was the challenge from the two extraordinary coaches.

And the young men did just that! No one knows how many drives they shoveled. Nobody counted. Because

it was about doing something for somebody else - not about personal glory.

Here is what the Coaches said:

Coach Bellino said: Coach Carson and I saw the potential of a snow day and an opportunity early that week to do something like this. We've preached the importance of school and community relationships to our boys. They understand and are so grateful to the ongoing support that the community gives to us, that they want to show their gratitude. There are still so many good people out there, including the boys who decided to use their snow day helping out the community. I'm so proud to be their coach, and I believe these kinds of things are so much bigger than the game itself."

Coach Carson echoed those words: "Building that relationship with the community is something that is really important to us and is mutually beneficial. There is a lot more to high school sports than the product the community sees on the field, we are trying to expose the boys to lessons in life that they can take with them once they graduate. The community does so much to support our programs and we believe it's so important to give back. One thing that I try to teach my guys is take care of the little things and make everyone around them better and this was an opportunity to do that."

Coach Bellino closed with "I really wanted to emphasize how much this says about our boys and the community. As coaches we obviously want to expose these boys to these types of experiences. But we had to barely ask these kids to do this. They were so excited to be able to do this for their community and it says so much about their character. Again, I don't know if I can emphasize it anymore, but this is about a group of great young men, coming together to make a difference in their beautiful community."

The future of Cortland/Bazetta looks bright with these young men and with these inspiring coaches leading them.

On behalf of the entire community - THANK YOU!!



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Vaping: Serious Consequences On Our Health

By Lakeview students: Olivia Commins, Eva Reebel, Jaycob Whitmore

Vaping and smoking and Covid 19 risks in youth

As our youth continues to vape it likens their chance of smoking and using other drugs in the future. It makes sense that someone who started vaping young would engage in smoking in their adulthood because according to Megan Hull from The Recovery Village, "Each JUUL cartridge contains as much nicotine as one pack of 20 cigarettes." This is just one type of vaping device that our youth abuse. In all the other devices the levels of nicotine or flavored liquid varies. It has been said that this high use of nicotine and other vaping products leads to negative effects on brain development, the cardiovascular system, and could potentially lead to cancer developing. These negative risks are close to the health risks of smoking, yet our youth and adults are still in the belief that vaping is significantly healthier than smoking. Researchers at Stanford University have even recently published a study that shows that adolescents who use vaping devices are five to seven times more likely to become infected by the corona virus than people who do not vape. Even with these mere facts and studies performed, young adults and teenagers still abuse vaping products.

How does nicotine work on our brains?

Nicotine takes a toll on your whole body, including your brain. The younger you start vaping, the worse effects it will have on your health. Teenagers get the worst of the side effects, for example nicotine affects brain development which leads to an increased risk for a lifelong nicotine addiction due to lack of impulse control. According to Megan Hull from The Recovery Village, "Nicotine affects brain receptors for the neurotransmitter acetylcholine (ACh). The result of nicotine use is that the brain thinks it has too much ACh and reduces its production of ACh. ACh is crucial for processes ranging from muscle movement to memory formation. Nicotine also has potent effects on the dopamine system, which regulates the "reward pathway," causing chemical changes in the brain that reinforce the "need" for more nicotine." Because the teen brain develops so rapidly, nicotine addiction can occur very quickly. Almost "90%" of adults using nicotine started as a teen. This is because when nicotine wears off, the brain craves more, meaning that it becomes a continuous cycle. To the brain, nicotine appears as natural brain chemicals. Big tobacco is very smart with their advertising and getting teens to vape.

Here are some things to look for in our community.

In our community at several gas stations and local smoke shops, posters like these everywhere encourage teens and adults to start vaping. In these advertisements vaping and tobacco industries make vaping look cool and harmless when it is most definitely not. Flavored disposable vape devices have also been prominent in the US. Many of the companies claim that their products aren't marketed towards children and teens, yet they are making tempting, fruity flavors that could appeal to younger audiences. The FDA cracked down on JUUL's flavors back in 2019, however, there are still many vape companies that are selling more flavors

that could give children and teens the wrong idea.

Impact of vaping with student athletes' health.

Vaping is extremely harmful to all adolescents but can be more detrimental for student athletes. For some athletes, they train for countless hours each week when vaping is added into the equation, it causes severe issues on the athletes health. The nicotine that is contained in vaping products has the potential to increase heart rate and blood pressure. Nicotine can also shrink the arteries that exist around the heart which tightens blood flow and causes the heart to work harder. Not only does vaping affect your heart but it affects the functions of other organs such as your lungs during exercise and increases an athlete's risk of injury. Many athletes are not aware of this negative impact and still continue on with this harmful idea that vaping is not bad for you and is healthier than smoking when it is not. Beasley Allen Law Firm talked about a young promising hockey player who's athletic career was ruined because of vaping in an article from USA TODAY. To go into detail, Beasley Allen Law Firm states, "He was easily winded on the ice but couldn't stop using the vaping device due to his addiction. Tests revealed he was suffering from restrictive lung disease. His lungs could no longer fully expand. People close to him described a significant and even violent shift in his personality." Vaping probably seemed cool to him as it is conveyed by his surroundings but he was soon to learn that it would bring the end to his athletic career. This is happening with athletes everywhere and although it seems untrue, it could happen to any student athlete and ruin more athletic careers as we know it.

Impact of vaping with vocal cords and singing

Vaping has a multitude of harmful effects for all individuals who partake in its addiction. Although vaping has always been seen as a safer alternative to smoking, when considering the lungs of a singer, it is a different story. According to a study done by Gemma Saunders, "studies have found that vaping, both with or without nicotine, can cause inflammation of the lungs... the base liquids and flavorings that are added to e-liquids also contain potentially toxic chemicals, which can irritate the respiratory system and cause inflammation. Any irritation to the vocal cords can affect your voice because it can cause sore throats, change the sound of your voice, and limit your range and pitch." Continuing to harm your lungs and not taking proper care of them affects your ability to follow breath control and exercise, a proper breathing technique during vocals. Although e-cigarettes do not produce smoke, they emit a type of stage smoke called propylene glycol that inflames and dehydrates the vocal cords and irritates your respiratory tract just as smoking would. The smoke that is emitted from e-cigarettes also dries out the mucus in the throat which is required for the vocal cords to function properly. There are still many long-term effects of vaping that are unknown and the risks and side effects are not worth damaging your health.

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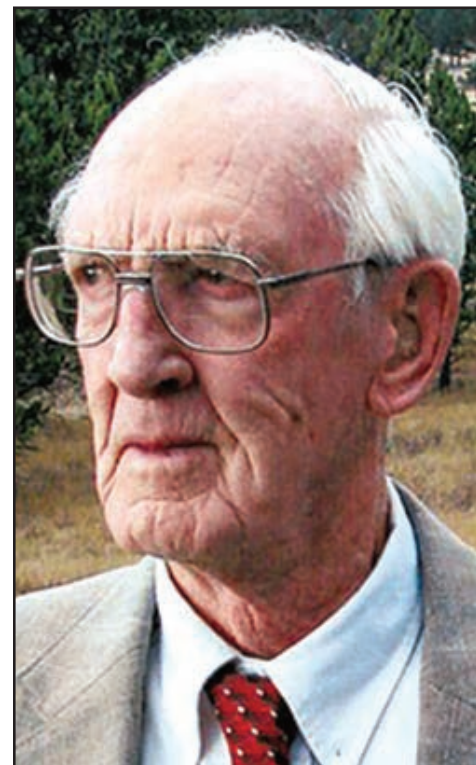
Walter Hocking Richards died Monday, Jan. 17, 2022, in Loveland, Colo. He was born Dec. 7, 1914, and lived to be 107 years old. Mr. Richards was happy to celebrate that birthday with his four children and their spouses in the Estes Park house that he and his wife, Jeanne, built in 1972. They moved to Estes Park, Colo., full time in 1982, after he retired.

Walt was born on the dining room table in Cortland, to his parents Oliver Mark and Gertrude Hocking Richards. He graduated from high school in that village and from the Western Reserve Academy, thereafter. He then graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry from Oberlin College.

Walt met Jeanne Lesser in college, and they married in 1938. After college, he joined his father to help manage the Richards Milling Company in Cortland, rising to become president. Walt and Jeanne moved to Elyria, in 1963, where he became the business manager of the Elyria Methodist Home, now Wesleyan Village. From there, Walt was recruited for a position in Boulder, Colo., where he was the administrator of the Frasier Meadows Manor and the executive director of the Rocky Mountain Methodist Homes Inc. He was the first lay administrator for these two Methodist institutions.

Walt was always active in his church and in community affairs. In Ohio, he was the 1957 Chairman of the Trumbull County Society for Crippled Children, administering the Easter Seals campaign. He was the air raid warden for Cortland during World War II.

He was a longtime member of the Rotary Club and the Boy Scouts of America. He and Jeanne hosted an exchange student from Germany from 1953 to 1954. They considered her their fifth child, and that friendship has



endured to this time. He was an avid photographer and volunteer darkroom photographer for Rocky Mountain National Park. His photos graced the bulletin covers each Sunday for several years for the Presbyterian Community Presbyterian Church. Walt published by email his Walt's Picture of the Day, and sent it daily to a large mailing list. He enjoyed singing in choirs, played piano and trombone, was active in the Estes Park genealogical society and the senior citizens center and volunteered at the Estes Park Rodeo.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jeanne, and subsequently, by Barbara George. He and Jeanne had four children; 10 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at a later time. Messages for his family can be directed to www.allnuttestespark.com.

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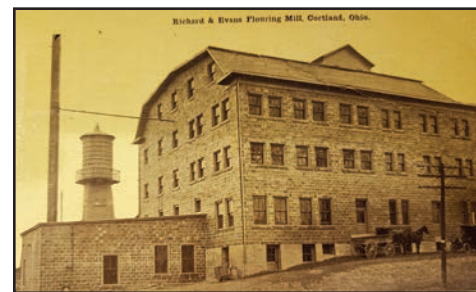
Warren Junior Women's League Recognizes Past Presidents

GFWC Ohio Warren Junior Women's League recently recognized their past presidents and honored them for their contributions to the club and the community.



Back Row: Sharon Drummond, Karen Margala, Esther Gartland, Sandy Saluga and Jennifer Wyndham.
Front row: Melissa Reed, Marylou Jarrett, Fran Cunningham & current president Sue Smith.

Richards Milling



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Shout Out! - We would like to extend our gratitude to the residents who shared their appreciation of our City workers! We received numerous "Thank You's" for keeping our streets well plowed! The Service Department worked MANY overtime hours to help our residents leave their homes more easily. Thank you again!



Kindergarten Registration - Lakeview Local School district's enrollment is now open. Register for the 2022-23 school year online at lakeviewlocal.org.

The Cortland Scope Senior Center is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is located at the Cortland Christian Church at 153 Grove.

Utility Aggregate Rates - If you need help understanding aggregate rates, please call City Hall at 330-637-3916, or visit Constellation (Dominion) and Energy Harbor websites.

City Council Meetings are available on YouTube.

Spring Clean-Up This year's Spring Clean-up is scheduled for April 28th and April 29th.

Dates to Remember:
 March 7th - City Council meeting - 7 p.m.
 March 14th - Parks meeting - 5:30 p.m.
 March 14th - Planning & Zoning meeting - 7 p.m.
 March 21st - City Council meeting - 7 p.m.

Bazetta Fire Department Conducts Ice Rescue Training



John Massett (in the water) & Austin Gebhardt, both of Champion FD; Rob Wasser (on the right), Bazetta FD

As we enter the hazardous winter season, BFD has been conducting ice rescue training as part of our annual training. This type of training is very specific and designed to educate rescuers how to safely perform and prepare for retrieving victims from the ice surface and extremely cold water.

This year as in years prior, our department worked with other departments to enhance our existing relationship of mutual aid and train together so rescuers from each department are familiar with the same techniques and procedures. This year Bazetta and Champion Fire Departments had ice rescue training at Lake Ann near the KSU Trumbull Campus. Together our personnel received a power point and lecture program that covered a multitude of nomenclature, procedures, policies and awareness for ice rescue. We then traveled to Lake Ann where all personnel were taught to identify hazards, re-familiarize ourselves with specific equipment and then performed several simulated practical rescues from the icy water.

Many of these types of ice rescue emergencies occur at Mosquito Creek Reservoir. BFD has rescued numerous victims from the icy waters of this reservoir, many of which could have avoided those situations had they been more aware and prepared for such an event.

Bazetta PD presents ResQDisc to ACE Rangers



Chief Christopher Herlinger and Park Ranger Jamison Conley, Natural Resource Specialist US Army Corps of Engineers Mosquito Creek Lake Pittsburgh District

The Bazetta Township Police Department presented a Res Q Disc water rescue device to the Army Corp of Engineers. These devices were a community project sponsored and donated by LOAF and the American Legion Post 540 in Cortland. Now local ACOE rangers can have the same devices carried in all Bazetta and Cortland Police cruisers. This is another way the police department and local organizations help each other give back to the communities they serve.

\$15,000 Sponsorship from Wollam Chevrolet/Chevy All-Stars Kicks Off Cortland Safety City Project

Wollam Chevrolet and the Chevy All-Stars gave \$15,000.00 to help sponsor the building of a Safety City in Cortland. This generous sponsorship was celebrated at a check presentation ceremony at the Cortland City Council meeting on Monday, February 7th.

This sponsorship officially launched the City of Cortland Parks and Recreation Board's efforts to raise additional funds to construct the attraction at Pearl Park.



Board member Cara DeToro said "Police Chief David Morris brought the idea to us, and we all loved it. We are so appreciative of Wollam Chevrolet and

the Chevy All-Stars for this generous donation. In addition, the Cortland Masonic Lodge donated \$1000, and the Construction Technology program at the Trumbull Career and Technical Center is building and donating small buildings to represent businesses and landmarks. This is truly going to be a community project. We are hopeful that other businesses, organizations and citizens will step up and help us reach our goal of \$45,000 for the children."

A Safety City is an interactive, educational space with corresponding curriculum programs designed to teach children a variety of everyday safety topics and life skills that they can practice in a miniature, real-world setting. These topics can include but are not limited to bike safety, traffic safety, bus safety, pedestrian safety, water safety, stranger danger, home safety, food safety/poison prevention, recognizing community helpers (police, fire, EMT, schools, etc.) and creating positive relationships with them and



each other. The Safety City can be used as an additional 'play' space for children when it is not being utilized for specific educational purposes coordinated by local community agencies. It can also serve as a place to host special community events geared towards younger residents.

The Cortland Parks and Recreation Board goal to raise \$45,000 to complete the project includes funds for paving/resurfacing, paint, fencing, equipment, electrical, storage, seating, curriculum needs and on-going maintenance once the city is up and running.

Sponsorship and donation information can be found on the City of Cortland website: cityofcortland.org

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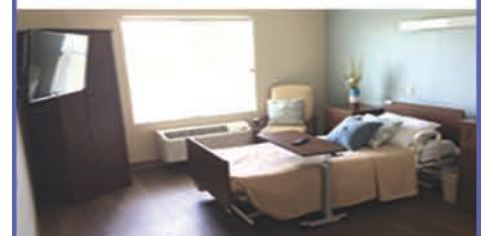
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The Internal Revenue Service reminds taxpayers to protect their personal and financial information throughout the year and watch out for IRS impersonation scams, along with other schemes, that try to trick people out of their hard-earned money.

These schemes can involve text message scams, e-mail schemes and phone scams. This tax season, the IRS also warns people to watch out for signs of potential unemployment fraud.

"With filing season underway, this is a prime period for identity thieves to hit people with realistic-looking emails and texts about their tax returns and refunds," said IRS Commissioner Chuck Rettig. "Watching out for these common scams can keep people from becoming victims of identity theft and protect their sensitive personal information that can be used to file tax returns and steal refunds."

Text message scams

Last year, there was an uptick in text messages that impersonated the IRS. These scams are sent to taxpayers' smartphones and have referenced COVID-19 and/or "stimulus payments." These messages often contain bogus links claiming to be IRS websites or other online tools. Other than IRS Secure Access, the IRS does not use text messages to discuss personal tax issues, such as those involving bills or refunds. The IRS also will not send taxpayers messages via social media platforms.

Unemployment fraud

As a new tax season begins, the IRS reminds workers to watch out for claims of unemployment or other benefit payments for which they never applied. States have experienced a surge in fraudulent unemployment claims filed by organized crime rings using stolen identities. Criminals are using these stolen identities to fraudulently collect benefits.

Because unemployment benefits are taxable income, states issue Form 1099-G, Certain Government Payments, to recipients and to the IRS to report the amount of taxable compensation received and any withholding. Any worker receiving a fraudulent or inaccurate 1099-G should report it to the issuing state agency and request a corrected Form 1099-G.

Individuals may be victims of unemployment identity theft if they received:

- Mail from a government agency about an unemployment claim or payment for which they did not file. This includes unexpected payments or debit cards and could be from any state.

- An IRS Form 1099-G reflecting unemployment benefits they weren't expecting or didn't receive. Box 1 on this form may show unemployment benefits they did not receive or an amount that exceeds their records for benefits they did receive. A notice from their employer indicating the employer received a request for information about an unemployment claim.

Help for victims of ID theft

Unfortunately, scams and schemes can often lead to identity theft. While identity theft can have many consequences, the IRS focuses on tax-related identity theft. This occurs when someone uses an individual's stolen Social Security number to file a tax return claiming a fraudulent refund. Taxpayers may be unaware of this activity until they e-file a tax return and discover that a return has already been filed using their SSN.

If a taxpayer learns their SSN has been compromised, or they know or suspect they are a victim of tax-related identity theft, the IRS recommends these additional steps:

- Individuals should respond immediately to any IRS notice; call the number provided.

- Taxpayers should complete IRS Form 14039 if an e-file tax return rejects because of a duplicate filing or they are instructed to do so by the IRS. Individuals can use a fillable form at IRS.gov, then print and attach the form to their paper return.

- Victims of tax-related identity theft should continue to pay their taxes and file their tax return, even if they must do so by paper.

- Taxpayers who previously contacted the IRS about tax-related identity theft and did not have a resolution should call for specialized assistance at 1-800-908-4490.

More information is available at: IRS.gov/identitytheft or the Federal Trade Commission's identitytheft.gov.

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LES Students Celebrate 100 Days of School

January 27th marked the 100th day of school for students at Lakeview! To celebrate the triple-digit milestone, many classes spent the day participating in activities involving the number one hundred. Kindergarteners celebrated the day by making, and wearing, special crowns. They also worked to stack 100 cups, counted various objects, and wrote about what they would do when they turned 100 years old! In second grade, Miss Prezioso's students tried to stump each other by hiding the numbers one, zero, and zero in a picture. Students presented their creations while their peers had to guess what they disguised the 100 as. Our younger students had a fun day incorporating all things one hundred into their daily lessons.



Kindergarten students Zoe R. and Esmond M. stack 100 cups as part of their 100th Day of School activities.

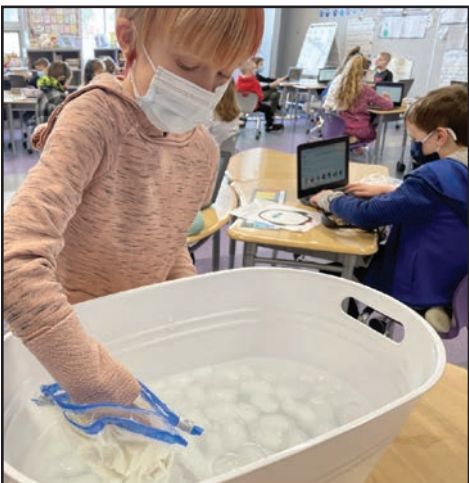


Kindergarten students Adaline G. & Giada R. share that they're going to take naps and bake cookies when they turn 100 years old.

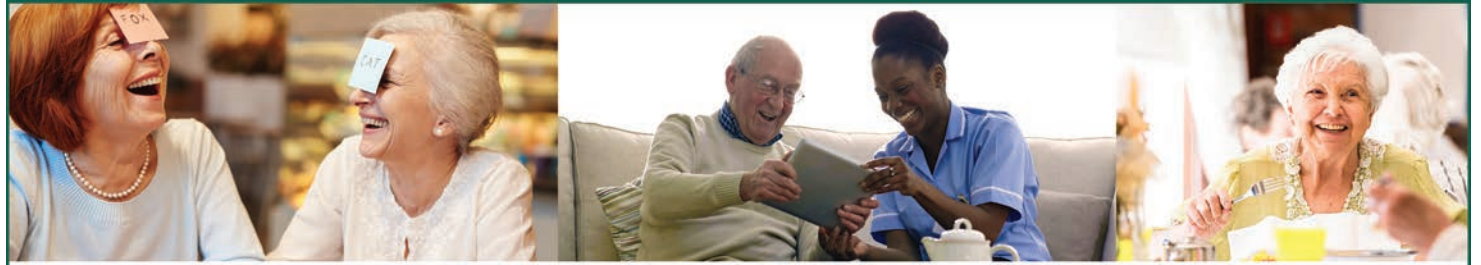
Students Learn About Animal Adaptations in the Arctic

Lakeview Elementary second graders are studying animals and how they adapt to their various environments. In their lessons on arctic animals, students learned that polar

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Charlie S. submerges her 'blubber'-covered hand into a bucket of ice water. The experiment demonstrated how blubber keeps polar bears warm in arctic waters.



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LMS Students Participate in Ohio Wesleyan Honors Band

Eight Lakeview Middle School students represented the district as part of the Ohio Wesleyan Honors Band during the weekend of February 12, 2022. Each student participant was nominated by band directors Mr. Husosky and Mr. Sensabaugh. Students arrived on the campus of Ohio Wesleyan University on the morning of Friday, February 11, and rehearsed all day with

their conductor, Melissa Grimes, from Olentangy Middle School.

On Saturday, students began their day with a masterclass with the music faculty from Ohio Wesleyan University, followed by a rehearsal and their final performance that afternoon in Gray Chapel. These Lakeview students were a part of a 95-member honors band comprised of 7th and 8th grade students



Benton B., & Julianna A.; (back L to R): Zachary C., Brayden S., Rory S., Olivia KP., Marley B., & Logan H.



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from across Ohio. LMS participants and their instrumentation include 7th graders Julianna A. (clarinet), Marley B. (baritone sax), Benton B. (alto sax), Zachary C. (trumpet), David E. (trombone), Logan H. (tenor sax), Aurora S. (french horn), and Braden S. (trumpet); and 8th grader Olivia K. (flute). Congratulations on your selection to the honors band and for representing Lakeview with pride!



LMS Students Advance to Regionals in Power of the Pen Contest



Jester S., Rory S., and Chelsea W.

Lakeview Middle School seventh graders Jester S., Rory S., and Chelsea W. recently competed in the Power of the Pen district competition. We are proud to share that all three scored high enough on their narratives to advance to the regional portion of the competition!

Power of the Pen is an interscholastic writing competition that serves as a means of strengthening academic achievement among students at the middle school level. Middle school students across the state of Ohio compete in the contest, which features a district, regional, and state competition. In the district portion of the competition, students participate in three rounds of writing.

In each round, participants have forty minutes to craft their response to an open-ended prompt. In round three of the district competition, Rory placed Best of Round, meaning she wrote the best piece out of all 92 seventh grade writers participating! Excellent job everyone! Good luck at Regionals!



Are You Talking Yourself Out of Saving for Retirement? Here's How to Break the Habit

Saving for retirement can be an abstract concept. It's something we all know we should do, but the farther away we are from it, the easier it is to delay making it a priority - especially when we have other financial commitments nearer on the horizon. If you find you are talking yourself out of saving for retirement, consider reframing your thinking. A shift in perspective may be what you need to get on the right track.

Here are some common excuses people give for not saving for retirement - and how you can overcome them.

"Retirement is a long way off." It's easy to get wrapped up in your current financial obligations, telling yourself that you'll prioritize your retirement next year. However, like many worthy aspirations, building a retirement nest egg takes time and discipline. If your golden years seem far away, remind yourself of the power of saving early. Time allows you to tackle your retirement goals in smaller increments with the potential for compounded growth. Retirement will likely come faster than you think, and you'll thank yourself later for planning ahead.

"I'll prioritize retirement after paying for my child's education." With the rising costs of college, it's understandable if you want to help your child obtain a quality education. However, although it may feel like you're letting your children down if you don't make paying for their tuition your top financial goal, saving for retirement should take priority. If your retirement savings come up short, you won't have the ability to apply for scholarships, grants, or financial aid to help bridge the gap like your child might for college.

"I can't afford to save." If this phrase comes to mind, give your self-talk a flip. Instead, think "I can't afford not to save". Setting aside even a small amount of money each month can make

a big difference, as your assets can grow with the benefit of compounding. If you are able, consider increasing your monthly contribution to continue to build your nest egg.

"My family will help me." Perhaps you're expecting a generous inheritance or hoping that your adult kids will provide a financial cushion if you experience unexpected expenses later in life. Wishful thinking is not a strategy. Regardless of who you believe may come to your aid, it's best to take your financial security into your own hands. Life is full of uncertainties that could impact the bank accounts for both you and your family members. Knowing your future is under financial control can give you and your family peace of mind.

Don't let these common mantras and negative self-talk undermine your retirement. With a consistent and well-informed approach to saving and investing, you'll be in a much better position to retire with confidence. Consider working with a financial advisor to create a plan for your future. Together you can determine your savings targets and explore a wide range of strategies to meet your financial goals. It's time to talk yourself back into retirement.



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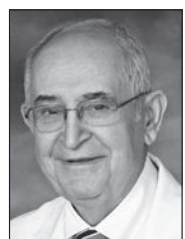
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Cortland Library Events & News

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Digital eBooks, eAudiobooks, movies, and more electronic resources are available 24/7 through the library website at www.WTCPL.org. Call the library at (330) 638-6335 for more information about library services or resources.

Library will provide an introduction to beekeeping. Presenter John Moss and his family are hobbyist beekeepers and have a business named Wicked Sweet Honeybees. John currently manages nine colonies and is headed into his fifth season of beekeeping. He has been a trustee for the Trumbull County Beekeepers Association for the past 3 years and has presented the club's annual Beginning Beekeeping class the last two years. No registration necessary for this event.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Preschool Storytime, Tuesdays 11 a.m.: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

This free weekly program for children ages 3 to 5 includes stories, songs, and movement activities to help reinforce the development of early literacy skills. No registration necessary.

Intro to Beekeeping, Sat., March 5 at 1 p.m.

Thinking about getting into beekeeping but don't know where to start? This free event at the Cortland



Toddler Tales, Mondays at 11 a.m.: March 7, 14, 21, 28

This free weekly Storytime is specially for toddlers ages 19 to 35 months old with a parent or caregiver. No registration necessary.

LEGO Club, Sat., March 12 between 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Children can let their imaginations soar and create with the library's collection of LEGO building bricks. All structures will remain at the library. For children ages 5 - 12. No registration necessary for this free program.

Trumbull County Federation of Women's Clubs Accepting Scholarship Applicants

The Trumbull County Federation of Women's Clubs is seeking applicants for three \$1,000 scholarships to be awarded to qualified high school students. The scholarship is based on the applicant's financial need, character, and academic achievements with a grade point average of 2.5 or greater. The recipients will apply or enroll, or will have been accepted to an accredited university, college, junior college, or technical/vocational school for the purpose of furthering their education.

Applications are available through all Trumbull County Schools high school guidance counselors or by contacting Terri Crabbs, Scholarship Chair at 330-637-3845 or tcrabbs@aol.com. All applications must be received by May 1, 2022.

Vaping...

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What is My Life, My Quit?

My Life, My Quit is a free and confidential program developed by National Jewish Health for adolescents who seek help to quit all forms of tobacco, including vaping. When a teen decides to enroll, according to National Jewish Health, they receive "five, one-on-one coaching sessions usually scheduled every 7-10 days... self-help and educational materials designed for teens, with input from teens. Additional support by phone, by text message or by online chat." This program advocates for better health for our youth and gives teenagers who struggle with tobacco abuse the tools they need to quit and better themselves. If you are under the age of eighteen this is a great outlet to help in your effort to quit vaping.

Steward Opens Specialty Care Surgery Office

Steward's Trumbull Regional Medical Center opened their new specialty care surgery office at Steward Health Center Elm Road. Dr. Pablo Giuseppucci, who is head of the robotic surgery program will be the primary physician.

The office is part of TRMC's expansion that started in 2021 and is designed to provide the highest quality health care to the area, including Cortland. In November TRMC expanded its robotic surgery services to the Cortland area.

"It's about a \$75,000 investment that we have made in insuring that we are elevating the services that we bring to the area," said Krista McFadden, President of Trumbull Regional Medical Center. "I think the goal of Steward has always been to bring high quality care to the region and the patients that we serve in Ohio and Pennsylvania."

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"Our prescription of narcotics has decreased 95%," Dr. Giuseppucci said. "We are only giving few and that is if needed. Most of the time we don't prescribe any narcotics anymore."

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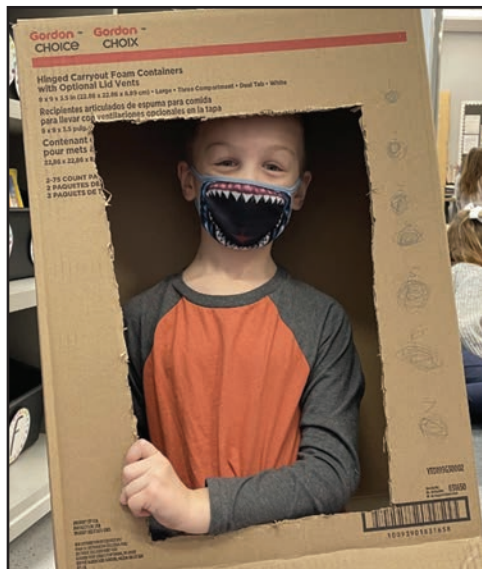
On February 2nd Lakeview Elementary School students traded their traditional classroom learning experience for a day of unstructured play. Under the watchful eye of teachers, students in grades kindergarten through fourth grade spent all, or a part of their day, playing. Students were able to bring in a toy or game to play with and share with their classmates. The catch, no electronic devices were allowed or used.

First grade teacher Mrs. Dana Petrunia allowed her class to spend the entire day playing. Students brought in toys and games, but the most popular 'toy' seemed to be the cardboard boxes that students stacked or created forts with. Petrunia says this is one of her favorite days of the year, adding lessons learned during unstructured play can't always be taught in a traditional classroom lesson. "Children, when they play, they learn so much and show what they're learning when they're playing," Petrunia says. "They also learn so many social skills, turn taking, conflict resolution, all of those great things they can learn together."

The Global School Play Day began in 2015 as a grassroots effort to raise awareness about the necessity of unstructured play for children. The movement followed a TEDx lecture by psychology researcher Peter Gray. He is known for his work on the interaction between education and play, and argues that today's kids do not grow up playing and this has negatively impacted them in many ways, particularly in the educational settings. This year's Global School Play Day was expected to have more than one million participants from over 75 countries.

This is the second time Lakeview Elementary School has participated in the event. Teachers and administrators say this kind of peer-led interaction is vital in helping students develop critical social-emotional skills. "Unstructured play helps students build creativity and outside the box thinking, and that's what

students are going to need to be able to do once they walk outside of our doors someday as adults," says LES Principal Mr. Scott Taylor. "We know the last year has been extremely difficult and this is a chance to let children be children."



1st grader Michael D. turns a cardboard box into a television.



1st graders Roan G. (left), Vada C. (center), and Lillian B. (right) play a fishing game.



2nd graders Bear B. (left), Bryce W. (center), and Kingston H. (right) work together to build a Jenga tower.

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Competition Team Prepares



Jo Marie's Competition team is preparing to start up their competition season. This weekend the team had competition spirit day to rehearse the routines before performing them on stage! The team will be competing in three local regional competition's and finishing their season with a national competition in Sandusky Ohio.

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bears have multiple layers of blubber under their skin. The blubber is what keeps them warm in the cold water. To help students better understand, 2nd grade teacher Mrs. Yannucci conducted an experiment. First, students first put their bare hand into a tub of ice water. Then, they put their dry hand into a baggie of blubber (Crisco) and submerged that hand into the ice water. All of the students said they could not feel how cold the water was when their hand was in the blubber. The experiment gave students an excellent understanding of just how the blubber works.

Students have also learned that a penguins' feathers are waxy, thus making them waterproof. To demonstrate this concept, Mrs. Yannucci sprayed pictures students

colored with water. Students then watched as the water beaded up in places where there was crayon (the wax kept it dry) and soaked through the paper in places where there was no crayon. It was a great way for students to see how the make up of a penguins' feathers keeps them dry!



Jordan S. watches as water sprayed on his colored penguin sheet bead up, while uncolored parts of the paper get wet. The experiment demonstrated how wax feathers keep penguins dry in the arctic.



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Sisters, Eva and Alayna exchanging carnations.



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