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The Importance of Graduation

By Jim Woofter

Graduation is a momentous occasion that marks the end of one chapter in a student's life and the beginning of another. It is a time of celebration, reflection and gratitude. For students, graduation is a time to reflect on their hard

work and accomplishments. It is a time to celebrate their achievements with family and friends. And it is a time to look ahead to the future with excitement and anticipation.

For society, graduation is an important milestone that signifies the investment in education is paying off. Graduates are more likely to be employed, earn higher wages and contribute more to the economy. They are also more likely to be healthy, civically engaged and law-abiding citizens.

There are many reasons why graduation is so important.

First, it is a time of great accomplishment. Students have spent years working hard to achieve their goals. They have studied for exams, completed assignments and participated in extracurricular activities. Graduation is a time to celebrate all their hard work.

Second, graduation is a time of transition. Students are leaving behind one chapter of their lives and entering another. They are moving from the structured environment of school to the

more independent world of work or college. Graduation is a time to prepare for this transition and to set goals for the future.

Third, graduation is a time of hope. Graduates are looking ahead to the future with excitement and anticipation. They are eager to start their new careers, pursue their passions and make a difference in the world. Graduation is a time to dream big and to believe in the possibilities that lie ahead.

Here are some additional benefits of graduation:

- Increased earning potential: Graduates earn significantly more money than those who do not graduate from high school or college.
- Improved job opportunities: Graduates are more likely to be employed and to have better job opportunities than those who do not graduate.
- Better health: Graduates are more likely to be healthy and to live longer than those who do not graduate.
- Greater civic engagement:

Graduates are more likely to be involved in their communities and to vote.

- Reduced crime rates: Graduates are less likely to commit crimes than those who do not graduate.

Graduation is a major milestone in a person's life. It is a time to celebrate hard work, accomplishment and hope. It is a time to look back on the past with gratitude and to look ahead to the future with excitement. From The Cortland News we'd like to wish a hearty congratulations to all our local graduates. Go forward and make a difference!

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Our theme will be *Summertime Fun*

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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

Cortland City/Bazetta Township and Lakeview School Board meetings and schedules. See pg. 2 & 5

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

Youngstown Nighthawks Soccer League, Cortland League Schedule-
www.facebook.com/ytownnighthawks

Charity Pancake Breakfast, [1st Saturday] 9 a.m.-noon, Cortland Masonic Lodge, 3263 Everett-Hull Road (E. Main Street). See pg. 9

MAY

- 20 Trinity Lutheran Spring Hymn
- 20 Lakeview Athletic Club Golf Outing
- 22 Brush pickup this week
- 24 Registration for Summer Fun Days / Jo Marie's Dance, Gymnastics and Ninja Warrior / 80 Erie St. Cortland / 5-7 pm
- 26, 27, 28 Mitch & Cindy's Bluegrass Jamboree / Trumbull Co. Fairgrounds
- 29 Memorial Day Service and Flyover / Veterans Memorial located at Point Park / 11 am
- 31 City of Cortland and Heritage Ohio, Public Meeting / RE developing a plan to revitalize the downtown area / Opera House / 6 pm
- 31 Cortland Food Truck Night / W Main St. / 5-8 pm
- 31 Last day to register for 4th Annual Citywide Garage Sale

JUNE

- 3 Charity Pancake Breakfast / Cortland Masonic Lodge / 9-12
- 3 18th Annual Safety Day / By the Bazetta Twp Police and Fire Departments Trumbull County Fairgrounds / 10 am - 2 pm
- 9-11 Citywide Garage Sale

Business News & Notes

By Thom Foley

Cortland Playroom is so busy that they need to hire another teacher. If you are qualified contact them soon. They tell us that they have a few openings for the Fall. Also they are filling up fast for their summer program.

Cortland's favorite place to buy flowers and plants, Brookside Greenhouse, is fully stocked with thousands of plants and those beautiful full hanging baskets they are famous for. But you better hurry!

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Registration is Wednesday May 24 from 5-7 pm at the studio, 80 Erie St. Cortland. Call Aeron Koprivnak 216-906-4220 with questions. Follow us on Facebook.

Mitch & Cindy's Bluegrass Next Week

Next week, May 26, 27 & 28 is the Bluegrass Jamboree at the Trumbull County Fairgrounds. Lots of family fun with food vendors, kid's activities, door prizes, 50-50 Raffles, live Bluegrass Karaoke, Musical Workshops, South 79 Reunion and much more.

Gates open Friday morning and music starts Friday at 6 pm. Advance Sale Savings 3 day ticket \$50 at the Gate \$60. Daily admission Friday \$25, Saturday \$35 and Sunday \$15. For more information go to www.mitchandcindybluegrass.com or call 330-770-9511 or 330-770-9515.



Food Truck Nights Return To Downtown

The first Cortland Food Truck Night will be returning Wednesday, May 31, from 5-8 pm, on W. Main Street in Cortland. There will be approximately 6-7 total food vendors and music by Matt Skeen!

Stop by to grab your mid-week dinner and enjoy delicious food, great music, relaxing atmosphere, and community engagement! Local small businesses on W. Main Street will also be open so be sure to stroll down the road and check them out!

Future Cortland Food Truck Nights will be held on the last Wednesday of each month so be sure to plan to join us! We look forward to having different food selections and music over the coming months!

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- Lions Club Street Fair Chairman Basil Jarrett
- Queens Contest & Little Miss Cortland Pageant, Dawn Wiland

TONIGHT'S ENTERTAINMENT

- Main Stage – Michael Smith
- Beer Tent – Kat Fitzgerald
- Hot Dog Eating Contest (Community Tent on N Bank St)

FRIDAY - JUNE 23, BEGINS 8 PM

- Main Stage – Broken Reins
- Beer Tent – French Blue
- COMMUNITY TENT
- 5-8 PM Trumbull Co. Schools Robotics Teams
- 7 PM at Just Pizzelles – Ice Cream Sandwich Contest

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

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Missing from the photo is G. Hurlbert

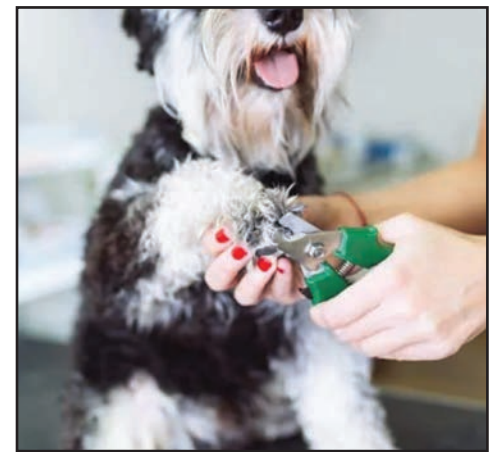
Recently, Members of the Cortland Rotary Club worked to prep flags for the “Main Street America” program. Cortland and Bazetta residents are encouraged to take part in this program.

More information is available on the Cortland Rotary facebook page or their website:
<https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3552>



Totally Dog Adds Dog Groomer

Totally Dog is proud to announce that they have added a groomer to their services. “Tidy Trims Dog Grooming” is now open. The entrance is behind the store off Lattin St. They are now taking appointments and offering nail trims for only \$7 with your first visit. Phone 330-795-1988 to schedule your appointment.



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Congratulations 2023 Graduates! You Did It!

Thank You

Beverly Roush Hoagland has submitted her resignation from the Civil Service Commission. She has served since January 1997. We would like to thank Beverly for her 26 years of outstanding service on the Commission and her dedication to our community!

Best Wishes On Your Retirement, Mr. Taylor! Scott Taylor, principal of Lakeview Elementary School, will be retiring at the end of the school year. Scott came to Lakeview in 2005 following a tenure as an elementary principal in the Berkshire Local School District, and he taught in the Dayton area prior to that. He will have been an educator for 34 years.

He started here as the principal of Cortland Elementary, moved to Bazetta Elementary when Cortland closed, and then went to Lakeview Elementary School when that building opened for the 2017-18 school year. He considers being part of the effort to pass the bond issue for the new building and the design and construction of the new building to be his greatest accomplishment in his tenure.

The majority of the current elementary teachers were hired by Scott, he is proud of the people he has brought to Lakeview over the years. Scott and his family were residents of the district until he and his wife, Diane, sold their home last year and downsized. Both of his children are Lakeview graduates.

Scott and his wife recently purchased a home in Murrells Inlet, South Carolina where they will reside after he retires this spring. Scott plans to continue working part-time, he has been hired as an adjunct professor at Coastal Carolina University where he will supervise student teachers during their pre-service experience.

Thank you, Scott, for your years of service to the Lakeview Local School District and to our community. We wish you well in your retirement!

Memorial Day Program

The Cortland Veterans Memorial Committee along with the American Legion Post 540 of Cortland will have the Cortland Memorial Day observance on Monday, May 29th at 11 am. The public is invited to the Veterans Memorial at Point Park and should bring a folding chair. There will be an Air Force flyover as the program begins. We are hoping for good weather.

Zoning Permits

If you have an outside project scheduled, please know that you may need a zoning permit from the City of Cortland before your project begins. Visit our website for all zoning applications or call 330-637-4637 with any questions. Zoning permits are required for the following: new home, home addition, garage, shed, pool,

deck, porch, patio, fence & sign. There is no permit required for - driveways, or shingle and/or siding replacement. If your project is not listed above, please call the city and we will advise you if need a permit.

In addition to a zoning permit, please visit the Trumbull County Building Department website at buildinginspection.co.trumbull.oh.us or call them at 330-675-2467 for a list of permits they require.

2022 Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)

The City's annual Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report is now available. The Ohio EPA requires the city to make available to all water consumers by July 1st of every year, the results of the previous year's testing. The CCR is mailed in the water bills and can also be accessed on our city website. The City of Cortland receives its drinking water from seven wells. Four of these wells are in Willow Park, two wells are on the property behind City Hall, and the 7th well is off of Bradley Brownlee Road. Our water comes from a limestone aquifer which is approximately 300 feet deep. The only treatment the city performs is fluoridation and chlorination.

Brush Pickup

Brush pickup will be the week of May 22nd this month. This free service is the 4th Monday of each month, April through October. Our chipper cannot handle branches more than 4" in diameter and our truck will only make one pass per street. Please see our website for full rules and regulations of this policy. cityofcortland.org

Mosquito Spraying

Mosquito spraying is performed to control and reduce the number of mosquitoes that can spread viruses. The schedule has been set for every other Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. to midnight, weather permitting. For effective mosquito control, it must not be raining, the winds need to be between 5 to 10 miles per hour and the temperature above 50 degrees. If the proper conditions are not present, the spraying will be cancelled and a make-up date will be for the following evening. The next spray is scheduled for May 24th.

Main Street America

Have you seen the American Flags waving in front yards around town? This is the Cortland Rotary Club's largest fundraiser. They will put a flag in your yard for the American Holidays and it is only \$40 per year. Line our streets with the Red, White & Blue! Please go to their website to sign up and show your support.

Green and Gold Congressional Aide Program

Congressman Joyce's office has been selected to host a position with the Wounded Warrior Program (aka Green & Gold Congressional Aide Program). This program was established to create employment opportunities for veterans

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within the House of Representatives. The two-year position will provide veterans with experience and exposure to broaden career opportunities. The position is limited to veterans desiring to serve as a paid Congressional Aide. For this program, a veteran has to meet certain requirements including: an Honorably discharge; Released from active duty within the last six years; Pay grades at or below E-5/O-3/W-2; Veterans promoted to the pay grades of E-6/O-4/W-3 withing 6 months of separation from active duty are eligible, granted they meet ALL other eligibility requirements. Veterans who are in receipt of a 20-year or Temporary Early Retirement (TERA) retirement are not eligible for the program. Waivers will not be granted. To learn more about the position, please visit the below links.
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<https://www.usajobs.gov/job/720017000>

Dates to Remember
 May 29 - City Offices will be closed on Monday, in observance of Memorial Day.
 June 5 - City Council meeting - 7 p.m.
 June 12 - Parks meeting - 5:30 p.m.
 June 12 - Planning & Zoning - 7 p.m.

Answer: D. Yes, But.....
 I know what you're saying there is always a but! However, the answer to the question is a bit more complex than a simple, yes. Let's start with some background. Prior to the new law in Ohio, it was legal to purchase fireworks, if you transported them out of the state to set them off. This all changed as of July 1, 2022.

From that point on it is legal to discharge 1.4G consumer fireworks in Ohio on certain days UNLESS the relevant political subdivision has chosen to ban their use. Please take note that there are limitations on dates and times.

- July 3, 4, and 5, and the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday immediately before and after July 4th (4 p.m.-11 p.m.)
- Labor Day weekend (4 p.m.-11 p.m.) [1st Monday of September and the Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding that Monday]
- Diwali (4 p.m.-11 p.m.)
- New Year's Eve (4 p.m.-11:59 p.m.)
- New Year's Day (12 a.m.-1 a.m.; 4 p.m.-11 p.m.)
- Chinese New Year (4 p.m.-11 p.m.)
- Cinco de Mayo (4 p.m.-11 p.m.)
- Memorial Day weekend (4 p.m.-11 p.m.) [last Monday is May and the Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding that Monday]
- Juneteenth (4 p.m.-11 p.m.) [June 19]

Therefore, it is only permissible on the dates and during the times listed. All other discharge of fireworks is still prohibited. It is also limited to 1.4G consumer grade fireworks. In order to set off 1.3G grade explosives you must be licensed and insured to do so, and all displays must have prior approval of the fire and police departments. More information about the consumer grade fireworks and safety tips can be found at: https://com.ohio.gov/static/documents/FireworksLaw_Consumer.pdf#

Please Save the Date
 A community meeting will take place at the Cortland Opera House on Wednesday, May 31 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. The City of Cortland will be hosting a Downtown Assessment Resource Team (DART) from Heritage Ohio. The purpose of the assessment is to identify the downtown's major challenges, opportunities, and needs among other items. Your participation and involvement are necessary for success. More information to come!

Rabies Surveillance
 The Trumbull County Combined Health District has amplified their rabies surveillance activities. The USDA Wildlife Services and Animal and Plant Health inspection Services will conduct a TVR (trap-vaccinate-release) program in Mahoning County from April to July. If you observe a raccoon acting strangely, you can call (330)675-2489 or email sara.margrey@odh.ohio.gov

Scope Receives Healthpath Ohio Grant

By Mike Wilson, S.C.O.P.E. Senior Services Director
 S.C.O.P.E. Senior Services is a recipient of the HealthPath Foundation of Ohio's 2023 Community Connectors grant of \$8,000. The grant will support S.C.O.P.E.'s Travelling Pantry Food Truck project which delivers free groceries to homebound and shut in

seniors throughout Trumbull County. The HealthPath grant judges were very happy since the traveling pantry delivers in the food desert areas of Warren as well as to rural Trumbull County. Food deserts are designated by the USDA as areas where there is no close access to grocery stores or fresh produce or meats.

S.C.O.P.E. Senior Services which stands for 'Senior Citizens Opportunity for Personal Endeavors', is a program of Family and Community Services Inc. and operates the food truck with community partners, the Warren Salvation Army, Vantage Aging, and Second Harvest Food Bank and serves around 370 individuals monthly with free grocery deliveries.

If any senior is interested in wanting more information about the "Travelling Pantry" free groceries project please call SCOPE at 330-399-8846 or email mwilson@fcsOhio.org

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Lakeview School News

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Class of 2023 Spotlight Bulldog

By Michael DeToro, Asst Principal, LHS

This tri-weekly installment will spotlight an outstanding graduating senior at Lakeview High School. Each showcased student will be someone who represents their family, Lakeview Schools, and most importantly, our Bazetta/Cortland community with integrity, commitment, and loyalty.

This issue's Spotlight Bulldog is Sydney Peterson. Sydney is the daughter of Roger and Michele Peterson and Sydney has attended school with the Lakeview Local School District her entire career. A natural-born leader, Sydney is the president of the Class of 2023 and she is a valedictorian candidate this spring. Sydney takes a mixture of high school courses and courses through Youngstown State University and Eastern Gateway Community College. On the athletics side of things, Sydney is a varsity letter winner on the cross country and track and field teams. Wanting to pursue a career in medicine, Sydney plans to attend Miami University next fall to study Chemistry. Her ultimate goal is to attend medical school to become an optometrist.

- Get to know Sydney better with a quick 60-second rapid-fire interview.
- 1.) What is something that you do exceptionally well? - Study!
 - 2.) What is your favorite part of the Lakeview Local School District? - The environment and the students.
 - 3.) Where is your favorite place to eat in Bazetta/Cortland? - Chipotle
 - 4.) Where is your favorite place to hang out in Bazetta/Cortland? - My house
 - 5.) You might catch me ... - Sleeping
 - 6.) What are your future aspirations? - To do well in college and become an optometrist.



Lakeview High School 2023 Graduates



Lakeview High School's 2023 Senior class will graduate tomorrow afternoon at 1 PM at Raidel Auditorium. Baccalaureate was held Wednesday, May 17 at St. Robert's Church. The Class Motto is "Dream as if you'll live forever; live as if you'll die tomorrow". The Class colors are Royal Blue and Silver, the flower is Blue Delphiniums and the song is "Feel this Moment" by Pitbull and Christina Aguilera.

There are 11 Valedictorians: Sydney Peterson, Caroline Roche, Margaret Pavlansky, Kylie Schwartz, Aylah Purdum, Reign Paucar, Edgar Paucar, Alexis Garcia, Zachary Haley, Rocco Ferraro and Madison Bayus.

Members of the class are: Justin Arcuri, Ethan Baker, Charles Bates, Madison Bayus, Taylor Bell, Kylie Bettcher, Nicholas Bott, Alissa Brewer, Cayden Buhala, Michael Burns, Alexis Busefink, Braeden Candor, James

Canzonetta, Tyler Capan, Samantha Capps, Gianna Caruso, Ella Chadwick, Daylen Chapman, Dylan Coburn, Kaydence Coen, Jackson Damratoski, Han Dang, Cierra Davis, Lindsay Dean, Aydin DiBell, Keaton Draa, Nathaniel Driscoll, Victoria Elser, Justin Emrick, Lola English, Eliza Farr, McKayla Fenstermaker, Rocco Ferraro, Brandon Fisher, McKenzie Fox, Gavin Franks, Alexis Garcia, Connor Gardner, Erica Giesey, Julianna Gomez, Caden Guesman, Dino Haidaris, Zachary Haley, Anastasia Hall, Sophia Hawkins, Justin Herrick, John Hershberger, Dominic Holbrook, Dawn Hughes, DinaMarie Johnson, Patricia Johnston, Avery Jones, Austin Krupa, Gino Lazzari, Ronald Levak, Mason Littleton, Tara Lytle, Xavier Madorma, Epaminondas Makroglou, Stefanos Makroglou, Antonio Malone, Caitlin Mark, Madeline Mathews, McKenzie McFall, Haley

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Cortland Hires 1st Full Time Female Fire Fighter

Contributed by Chief David Rea, CFD & Sophia Minor

If you follow our Facebook or City Council meetings, then you should be aware of our new hires. This month we would like to introduce you to one of our newest full-time employees but feel that it is best done in her own words.

Hello, my name is Sophia Minor, and I would like to take a minute to introduce myself. I am a 22-year-old Firefighter/Paramedic, recently hired fulltime at the Cortland City Fire Department. Let me go back and start from the beginning.

I was born in Warren, Ohio, and have lived in the small town of Kinsman my entire life with my parents and 3 sisters. Growing up, I enjoyed outdoor activities, especially running and biking. I also enjoyed playing guitar and spending time with my friends and family. I was homeschooled and graduated from Abeka Academy in 2018. I started working at my first job, Pitmark Services Inc. in Kinsman, after finishing high school. Here I sorted and assembled different products for customers such as Kraftmaid.

The following year, I learned that my local fire department needed volunteers, so I decided to join. I enrolled in University Hospitals Geneva EMT program in fall of 2019. This provided me with book knowledge but limited experience. By December of 2020, I finished my initial firefighter at MCCCTC in Mahoning County and began working part-time at Johnston Fire Department and Cortland Fire Department. These jobs helped to provide experience and confidence as a new first responder. I finished my professional level firefighter certification in spring of 2021. At this time, I also found out that I had been accepted into University Hospitals Geauga Paramedic program. I spent the next year obtaining my Paramedic Certification while continuing to work part-time for several departments. In the summer of 2022, I completed the Paramedic course and was even the class Salutatorian!

I applied for a full-time position with the City of Cortland in January 2023. On February 7th, I interviewed and was offered the full-time position, which I gladly accepted. This made me the first career female firefighter to work for the city. I currently work a 24-hour shift, with 48 hours off in between. I remain busy by continuing to work



Mayor Petrosky swearing in Fire Fighter Sophia Minor

part-time at Johnston and Champion during my off time, while also trying to maintain a social life. One of my future goals is to go back to school and get a degree. I believe furthering my education in the Fire and EMS fields will help me become the most capable responder that I can be. I am grateful for all the opportunities that I have received over the past few years. I am even more grateful for the support from my family and coworkers. I will always strive to not only become better, but to make the citizens of the communities that I serve proud. Sophia Minor

Now that you have met her, the next time you see her at an event the department is participating in please feel free to say Hello. Welcome Sophia and may you have a long and rewarding career with the city.

Yours in Service, Chief David Rea

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SCOPE's Chef Geoff's Cooking Club meets the first Thursday of each month at Cortland Community Church at 10:30 am.

From the Desk of the Superintendent

By Velina J. Taylor

Lakeview High School Commencement on May 21 has a class of 116 students who have completed all requirements from the State of Ohio to earn a diploma. This group of graduates has been awarded at least \$70,000 in LOCAL scholarships which speaks to this community's core commitment to education and supporting our children whenever possible. This commitment is a hallmark of a small town—we look out for our kids and do whatever we can to support them on their journey through life.

Speaking of journeys, Lakeview's Elementary Principal, Scott Taylor is about to 'graduate' himself. After 18 years serving our students and staff, Mr. Taylor plans to retire to the sunny South Carolina shore. He started his career as an intermediate grade teacher and worked in that capacity for 12 years. He then transitioned to a principal's position in Burton, Ohio. After four years at Burton, Mr. Taylor applied for an elementary principal position in Lakeview Schools. He was officially hired by the Board on July 7, 2005, and the rest is history.

Mr. Taylor and his wife Diane moved to Cortland, raised their two children, Drew and Brooke who eventually graduated from Lakeview and went on to earn college degrees.

A quick estimate of the number of individual Lakeview students who have had Mr. Taylor as their principal comes in at an impressive 2,340. Educators touch lives, and we thank Mr. Taylor for all he has done over the years to encourage and support our children—what a legacy of caring and compassion. You will be missed, Mr. Taylor. We thank you for your service to our children, their families, and our community.

Together—We are Lakeview.

Trumbull County MetroParks Board

At a recent Board meeting the Trumbull County MetroParks Board approved a new mission, vision and core values for the Park District. This was discussed at a retreat on April 22, 2023, that was lead by Sarah Lowry. The new Mission statement is:

The mission of the Trumbull County MetroParks is to promote health, recreation, conservation, and economic development for residents and visitors by developing, preserving, and managing park properties.

Excuse Our Mess!

The City of Cortland currently has two simultaneous paving projects. Shelly & Sands is currently completing Mecca St (St Rt 46) Resurfacing & Intersection Improvement Upgrades. The area has been ground and has an intermediate course of asphalt on it. The finish course of asphalt is tentatively planned to be paved May 20, 2023, weather permitting.

Shelly and Sands is also doing our Annual Asphalt Resurfacing for 2022 - Erie St, Pearl St, Gates St, Market St, Orchard Ln, Tessa Pl, Maple Ave. (Orchard Ln to S Colonial Dr), Denman Ave, Elm Cr, Kean Dr, and Sunset Dr. We delayed paving to see if the pricing would come down, which it did!

In June, the city will be crack sealing for about two (2) weeks. This process also helps to extend the life of the asphalt.

There will be a break in paving until late summer/fall, when we begin our 2023 Annual Asphalt Resurfacing project - Dennis Dr, Diamond Way (Fowler St to Gemwae Dr), Stahl Ave, Viets Dr, and Winter Ln.

The City Service Department evaluates our roadways yearly. We do have a maintenance plan, where main thoroughfares are paved every 10-12 years. Lesser traveled roads will be paved every 10-15 years or more. We try to pave the city in one or two sections to get the best price. Market conditions and the price of asphalt may cause the schedule to vary.

The city is very proud of the high level of maintenance we provide to our residents and businesses in a cost-effective manner.

Editor's Note: Just one more reason why this is the best place in the world to live!

City Of Cortland Plans For Downtown Revitalization

The City of Cortland, with the help of Heritage Ohio, is developing a plan to revitalize the downtown area. Heritage Ohio, an extension of the Main Street USA program, will send a Downtown Assessment Resource Team (DART) on Wednesday, May 31 and Thursday, June 1, 2023, to assist with this program. The team will consist of downtown revitalization experts from around the state who will tour the downtown and meet with community stakeholders to answer questions. Downtown issues will be identified and addressed throughout the course of the visit. Community members will gain a greater

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CONGRATS CLASS OF 2023

Lakeview Alumna Alexandra Bell Interns With LA-Based Publisher

Alexandra Bell, a Lakeview grad and Point Park University creative writing major, is featured in a student success Q&A on the University website (link below). Alexandra's story highlights her Point Park experience and recent internship with Ken Sherman & Associates, a Los Angeles-based literary agency.

"Point Park is the perfect place to experiment with fun projects and career-building," she said. "For anyone looking to be seen and heard in an environment where creativity is cultivated, Point Park is for you."

Read more about Alexandra in the story linked below:

<https://www.pointpark.edu/news-arts-sciences/alexandra-bell-24>



Local Teens Set State And National Powerlifting Records

By Deanna Shrum

Lakeview Middle School 8th grader student Ben Meadows, 14, won the National record for heaviest deadlift in the 75/165 (weight) 13-15 (age) class on Saturday, April 22 at the USPA Drug Tested 216 Take Over powerlifting competition in Cleveland.



Ben successfully lifted 567.7 lbs. beating his own state deadlift record of 474 lbs. set last year. Ben finished in first place in his age and weight class at Saturday's competition.

Ben's National record deadlift beats the current world record of 563 lbs. placing him first in the world, but he will have to compete in an upcoming National competition to make the World Record official.

Saturday's powerlifting meet was only his second time competing. He is the son of Deanna Meadows-Shrum and Nick Shrum of Cortland.

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Chris Johns, 15, of Howland took second place. His parents are Mindy Knepper and James Carpenter of Howland and Mathew and Jessica Johns of Warren.

Linnea Kovac, 14, also an 8th grade student at Lakeview Middle School, won the State record for heaviest squat for the 75/165 13-15 class, successfully completing a 275.6 lbs. squat. She took

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Pawsitivity

Spay/Neuter Your Pets, Part 1

Hello, it's Pawsitivity! I've recently heard some stories of pet owners experiencing surprise litter of kittens or puppies from their pets. Because of this, I've decided to focus this issue on one crucial aspect of responsible pet ownership - spaying and neutering your pets!

What is spay/neuter? Spay/neuter is a sterilization surgery performed on an animal to prevent them from reproducing. In male cats and dogs, the neuter surgery involves removing the testes. In female cats and dogs, spay surgery removes the ovaries or both the ovaries and uterus. The surgery is performed under anesthesia and pain management injections/medications are typically provided for recovery. We sometimes refer to a pet that has been spayed or neutered as "fixed."

Why is it important? Spay/neuter is important because it's the most effective way to combat the immense overpopulation problem. It's estimated that over 1.5 million perfectly healthy, adoptable pets are euthanized in U.S. animal shelters each year.

While we can raise the demand for adoption by ensuring pet ownership is affordable, encourage people to adopt rather than buy from a breeder, and support legislation that gives renters the right to keep a pet in their home, this can't close the gap on the number of pets that need homes versus the number of people who can adopt them.

Cats and dogs have frequent, large litters. Each year, female cats can have 2-3 litters of kittens with an average of 4-6 kittens per litter. Kittens can get pregnant at just 4 months old! Therefore, it's estimated that 2 cats (an unaltered male and female) and their litters can produce around 4,948 kittens born in just 7 years!

Female dogs can usually have 2 litters of puppies each year, with an average litter size of 6-10 puppies. Puppies can become pregnant at just 4-6 months old. This means that in just 7 years, 2 dogs (an unaltered male and

female) and their litters can become 508 puppies born!

These crazy numbers are why it's so important to spay/neuter cats and dogs to prevent them from contributing to the overpopulation problem!

Next issue, we'll continue the spay/neuter conversation with some tips on how to tell if your pet is already fixed and if not, some guidance on scheduling them for the procedure. Until then, be paw-sitive, Cortland & Bazetta!

Email: Hello.Pawsitivity@gmail.com with comments/questions.

Don't Forget to Read at Bristol Public Library

The Bristol Public Library announces that registration for its Summer Reading Programs is underway. The programs will begin June 1st and continue through June 29th. Children ages three through five will be encouraged to "Donut Read Alone" while youth that have just completed kindergarten through twelfth grades will "Donut Stop Reading."

Participants will earn prize drawing tickets by reading and attending library programs. Each time a participant checks out, reads, and returns books from the library's collection they will have a chance to pick a "donut" from the donut box and earn prize drawing tickets. Five library programs are offered and bonus prize drawing tickets will be awarded for attending. Prizes this year include an Amazon Kindle Fire, donut shaped blanket and pillow

sets, mini donut makers and many more donut themed items.

The weekly programs begin with Free Friday and then continue with Make It Mondays. Join us on National Donut Day, Friday, June 2nd between 10:00 am - 12:00 pm for a free donut. Registered participants will each receive one donut and bonus prize drawing tickets, while supplies lasts.

The Weekly Prize Drawing will once again be held this summer. Earn one weekly prize drawing ticket each time you visit the library Monday through Friday (one ticket per person, per day). Weekly Prize Winner will be notified the following Monday.

Registration is required for all programs. For more information or to register, please contact the Bristol Public Library's Circulation Desk at 330-889-3651.

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Powerlifting Records

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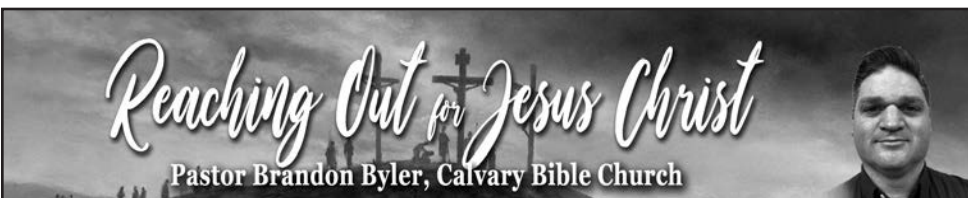
first place in her age and weight class. It was her first time competing. Her parents are Amanda and Tony Kovac of Cortland.



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Making A Name for Yourself

When I graduated from high school, someone gave me a bookmark that had a Bible verse on it that I have never forgotten. It was a blue bookmark with a paisley design for a border and Proverbs 22:1 was scripted in fancy lettering: "A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, loving favor rather than silver and gold." I received trinkets, devotional books, and cards of congratulations, but it was the bookmark that stuck with me.

As we think about this years' graduates, we should recognize that different people will take different paths. My wife and I had different approaches to our futures after high school, and yet we arrived at a happy place. Though paths are different, we must remember that God has given us a "North Star" for guidance in the Bible.

Whether you are already enrolled in a university, trade school, apprenticeship or are putting all your options on slips of paper, putting them in a bowl, and randomly pulling one out to pursue, the truth of Proverbs 22:1 can be pursued. Choosing to have good character dependent on life choices, not

career choices.

Life choices involve sacrifices, and sacrifices are part of character making. It's not if we sacrifice, but the kind of sacrifice made. When we're torn between taking on another shift when we need the money or keeping a promise to a friend, a sacrifice is being made. Some people want to be famous or powerful or rich, but they don't think of the sacrifices that come with these responsibilities. There's nothing inherently wrong with anything listed, but there is a wrong way to get there, a wrong way to stay there.

If we have to sacrifice our character to achieve our dreams, the Bible says it's not worth the damage done to our souls or the souls of others.

I tell graduates to dream big and pursue their dreams but never at the expense of good morals or character. God is a big God, and we should honor Him with big dreams. But we trust Him in our pursuit of our dreams. If our dream costs us our character, it's too high a cost. But if it doesn't, I pray you achieve that dream; we need more dreamers, not less, for our world to be great.

Passing the Test

Graduation is what children strive for through the days of school. To be promoted from one grade level to the next until finally arriving on graduation day. Many of us have been at this point in our lives, graduating from school, to soon realize we are entering a new stage of life. Students have passed many tests in order to graduate from school, but the lessons and tests of life are just beginning. Are you ready to pass these tests? Many people feel ill-equipped to do so if not prepared. Scripture and wise counsel can prove to be of great value to help each of us when faced with these many things' life can throw at us.

The Bible shows us in Proverbs chapter 1 the door of understanding, how to know wisdom and instruction, to give prudence to the naive and to the youth knowledge and discretion. It also says that fools despise wisdom and instruction.

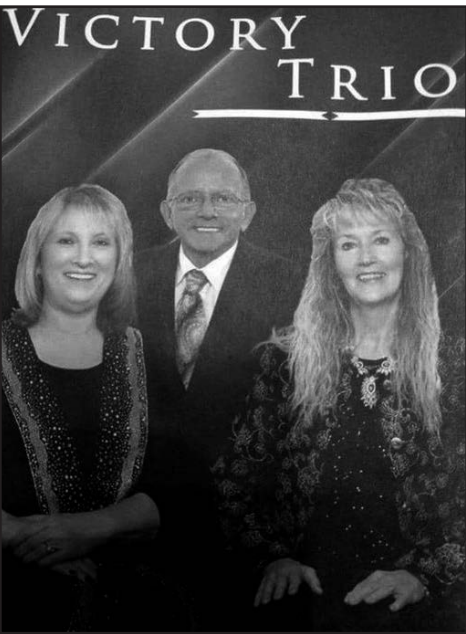
The starting point to these things is having a fear or reverence of the Lord, this is where the beginning of knowledge can be found. When you know Him as Lord and Savior of your

life, He will always be there to help give you the guidance, discernment and wisdom you need to pass the future tests of life and graduate on to the next trial and test you may face.

Going through school, you had trained teachers to help prepare you for graduation day and hopefully life beyond school. They did not let anyone teach you, they had to be professionals that graduated from higher levels of schooling and taught themselves how to teach.

Through life, you don't want just anyone giving you advice and counsel either. That person may have no clue what they are talking about! Proverbs 19 shows us that we are to listen to wise counsel and accept instruction, so that we may be wise the rest of our days. Counsel of the Lord and godly wise people will always be better than just anyone. Start with the Lord, seek wise counsel to help you continue passing the future tests of life and you will not only graduate from school soon, but you will graduate life.

Living Life...God's Way



Cortland Church of the Nazarene invites the community to a free concert with Victory Trio, on June 18 at 10:45 am. A covered dish lunch afterward will be provided.

All Aboard For LOAF VBS

By Theresa Hutton

Hello to our community! The L.O.A.F (Lakeview Outreach And Fellowship), which currently is comprised of seven local churches, are once again coming together in sponsoring this year's Vacation Bible School week. The themed program will be Rocky Railways. The kids will learn five different bible stories teaching how Jesus's power pulls us through life in the valleys to the mountain tops.

Expected faith discoveries through scriptural storytelling, games, crafts and snacks will all be a part of the Rocky Railway VBS adventures.

Vacation Bible School will take place at Cortland United Methodist Church. Located at 155 North High Street, Cortland. Beginning Monday, June 19th through Friday, June 23, from 9 am - noon. The pre-registration weekly cost is \$5.00 per child or \$10.00 for the

household. Cost at the door will be \$7.00 per child for the week. Children going into pre-kindergarten up through 7th grade are welcome. Please pre-register at http://www.cortlandchristianchurch.com/loaf_vbs or call 330-637-4611 for more information. All aboard, sign your children up today!

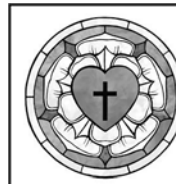


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Join the Bazetta Township Police and Fire Departments at the Trumbull County Fairgrounds for the 18th Annual Safety Day. The event will be Saturday, June 3, 10 AM - 2 PM.

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Church News and Notes

Wildare United Methodist Church
Family Board Game Night for all ages - Friday, May 26 @ 6:00 pm.
Youth Fellowship - every Sunday evening 4-6:00 pm. Join us for lots of fun with basketball, Minute-to-Win it games, bowling, escape rooms and more. For more information contact Barb @ wildarebw@gmail.com
STEM/Bible Story Night - Wednesday Evenings 6-8 pm for grades 2nd - 6th. The address for all

events is 7211 North Park Ave (corner of North Park & Bristol-Champion Townline Rd.)
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran
May 20th from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm we are having our Spring Hymn Sing around a campfire with a cookout. All are invited to join us for this evening of fun and fellowship.
This year our VBS will be June 19 - 23 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Dinner is provided. Our theme is "Mission God

Possible". Come join us for this mystery VBS and become agents of faith. We encourage the whole family to join us each night and we look forward to seeing you there. To RSVP call George at 330-223-4165.
Friend and Community Sunday: service will be July 16 at 10:15 am with a picnic to follow. We invite everyone from the surrounding communities to join us for this event. We look forward to meeting you.

Our 80th Anniversary Celebration service will on September 17 at 10:15 am. With Sunday School Rally day at 9 am and meal to follow service. If you have connection to Trinity or stories to tell or pictures to share, we would love to hear from you; RSVP to call/text Pastor Wacker at 330-647-6402 or email: pastortrinitywarren@gmail.com
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Flyover Marks Cortland Memorial Day Program

The Cortland Veterans Memorial Committee and the American Legion Post 540 of Cortland have announced that the Cortland Memorial Day observance will be held on Monday, May 29th at 11 AM, at the Veterans Memorial located in Point Park, which is in front of Cortland Mower.

Ian McAleer, chairman of the committee, emphasized that the public is invited and everyone should bring a folding chair. The staff at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station (YARS) has been very involved in planning the special program honoring the veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice in serving our country.

Highlighting the program will be an Air Force flyover scheduled for 11 AM, just as the program begins. Senior Master Sgt. Bob Barko, Jr. the Superintendent and Community/Legislative/Media

Engagement Section Chief has been instrumental in the planning and the arrangements for the event.

The opening ceremony will include the flag raising by the YARS Honor Guard and Boy Scouts and then the National Anthem and flyover. The speaker will be Major Nathanael Okhuysen, an active duty Air Force Staff Judge Advocate and a new resident of Cortland. The emcee will be Cortland resident William Gore, a Vietnam Veteran and a member of the Veterans Memorial Committee.

On behalf of the committee, Ian McAleer expressed their thanks to the Four Seasons Garden Club of Cortland for donating the new flags hanging on the back fence at the memorial. He also recognized the Cortland City service department staff for their continued maintenance work at the memorial site.

Last Chance To Register For 4th Annual Citywide Garage Sale

The 4th Annual Citywide Garage Sale is scheduled for June 9, 10 & 11. REGISTRATION ENDS MAY 31 and includes garage sale permit, address on our sale list, advertisement in Tribune and on our interactive map. If you live in Cortland you are required to have a permit.

To streamline the process we have arranged to get the permits from the city. They will be emailed to you if you register online and mailed to you if you register by mail. Any locations outside of the City of Cortland MUST get your own permit, if required. However, we are asking for \$5 to cover the advertising and to be listed on our map and list.

There are three options for when you can have your sale:

- 2 Days, June 9, 10 Fri-Sat, \$10.00
- 3 days, June 9, 10, 11, Fri-Sat-Sun, \$12.50
- 3 days, June 8, 9, 10 Thurs Fri Sat, \$12.50

The City Ordinance prohibits more

than 3 days per sale.

There are three ways to register:

- On Facebook go to Facebook.com/groups/44410garagesale There will be a digital link to register and pay.
- You can mail the following information to PO BOX 424 Cortland, OH 44410. Name, email address, phone, address of sale, dates of your sale. Include a check made out to Jodi Clark for the proper amount and a self-addressed stamped envelope. Your permit will be mailed back to you.
- Email your name, phone, address of sale, dates of your sale. You will still need to send a check to PO Box 424, Cortland, OH 44410 made out to Jodi Clark.

Maps will also be mailed to several businesses and they can print them out. However, we are encouraging everyone to use the interactive map on Google. For more information email Cortlandohgaragesale@gmail.com or call Jodi Clark at 330-883-2101.

Masonic Lodge Plans Fund-Raiser Breakfast

A fund-raiser pancake breakfast will be held on Saturday, June 3rd, from 9:00 am to Noon at the Cortland Masonic Lodge located at 3263 Everett-Hull Road (E. Main St.) in Cortland. The breakfast will help support the three Masonic Youth groups: DeMolay, Rainbow for Girls, and Jobs Daughters. The "all you can eat" Charity Family Breakfasts are held each month by the Cortland Masonic Lodge, and 100% of the proceeds are donated to a local

charity. The public is invited, and representatives will be present from the youth organizations to answer questions about their projects and activities.

The breakfast cost is \$8.00 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. Bring the whole family and enjoy breakfast together, with take-outs available.



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5 Financial Considerations When Moving to a New State

Deciding whether to move to a different state comes with many considerations. Top of mind might be factors like the weather, job market conditions, and education systems. Finances likely come into play, as well. Here are five key considerations to take into account as you evaluate your options:

#1 - Recognize cost-of-living factors

Living expenses vary from one place to the next. Moving across state lines means your housing costs are likely to change. Commuting expenses are another consideration, as well as expected monthly payments for services like utilities and internet connections. Health insurance costs may also differ depending on where you live. Make sure you are prepared for your new financial realities - whether they'll ultimately help or hurt your bottom line.

#2 - Understand your moving expenses

If you're moving for a new job, some employers will cover moving costs, but if that isn't the case, it's important to estimate what your out-of-pocket expenses will be. If you have few personal belongings, costs can be minimal. But, if you are moving a whole household, you'll need to rent a moving van or hire a professional service. Moving costs can add up quickly, so make sure you include them as you build out your budget.

#3 - Become familiar with tax laws in your new state

State income tax rates vary dramatically across the U.S.. Some states have higher sales taxes, while others offer sales tax exemptions on items like food and clothing. This is another "living cost" consideration as you assess how your bottom line may be affected by a move out of state.

#4 - Consider the impact on your investments

Investment income such as dividends or capital gains may be taxed differently in your new home state versus the state from where you are moving from. Make sure you are aware of the potential impact and determine if it might be beneficial to make changes to your portfolio. In addition, if tax-exempt municipal bonds from your

current home state are part of your portfolio, be aware that you will lose the state tax exemption benefit if you change your state of residency.

#5 - Review your estate plan

Laws affecting estate plans vary by state. You'll likely need to update your wills, trusts, and any other key estate-related documents such as health care and financial power-of-attorney documents. Consider your decision to move across state boundaries a perfect opportunity to conduct a thorough review of your estate plan.

#6 - Work with a professional

If you have a relationship with a financial advisor, it makes sense to discuss the financial ramifications of your move with him or her. Keep in mind that they will need to be licensed in the state where you intend to move if you plan to keep working together. If that's not feasible, you may need to seek advice from an advisor with the right credentials to serve your needs. Start the process as soon as you can to ensure a smooth transition of your finances as you settle into your new living situation.

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Revitalization

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understanding of the basic tenets of downtown revitalization. A plan will be created and delivered to the community with specific recommendations to address all the concerns and lay out a clear path for downtown revitalization success.

The City of Cortland is asking all residents and community supporters to consider attending the community presentation and visioning session to be held on Wednesday, May 31, from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. This community event will be held at the Cortland Opera House located at 152 Park Ave., Cortland, OH 44410.

Thanks to the continued support of city businesses, attendees will be entered into a raffle for door prizes.

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**Cortland Lions Club
 Street Fair Parade
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If you would like to be a participant and/or a Sponsor in this year's Annual Cortland Lions Club Street Fair Parade, Saturday June 24th starting at 6 pm, please register by Saturday June 3rd. To request a Registration Form, a Sponsor Form or if you have questions and need further information please email cortlandstreetfairparade@gmail.com. The Registration Form needs to be returned by the Deadline to Enter Saturday June 3.

Parade line up details will be sent out on Tuesday, June 20th.

We are requesting a limit of (1) truck/car or (1) truck and trailer per application to keep it fair for all the participants. We DO NOT charge an entry fee for the Parade, however, to offset costs, we are offering sponsorship opportunities. The cost is \$50.00. If you would like to include additional vehicles-the cost is \$50.00 per additional vehicle. Make checks payable to the Lions Club Street Fair. Your Sponsorship will include a Parade Sponsor sign to hang on the front of the vehicle, you will be placed at the front of the Parade, your name will appear on a banner to lead the parade, recognition on social media as a Parade Sponsor, recognition by the Parade Emcee and lastly recognition in the Cortland News.

We encourage all participants to be festive as this year's theme is- Beach Party Parade. All float entrees will be judged on overall presentation, creativity and enthusiasm. Cash prizes will be given to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.

**Cortland Lions Club
 Street Fair Queens
 Contest**

Would your daughter like an opportunity of being the 70th Cortland Street Fair Queen? It's hard to believe for 70 years we have been crowning a Cortland Street Fair Queen. The very first Queen in 1953 was a local resident, Mary Jo Hall Johnson who unfortunately passed away in 2022.

Some, but not all the requirements to be a contestant are:

- be a resident of and live within the Cortland mailing address
- be a Sophomore, Junior or Senior status when the application is turned in.
- This would include any young lady involved in Open Enrollment, home schooling or a young lady that attends an area high school such as Lakeview, Maplewood or Matthews.

- There is a mandatory meeting for all Candidates on Saturday June 3rd at the Lions Club Pavilion, 197 W Main St. Cortland at 1 pm

- All Contestants must participate in our Parade during the evening of Saturday June 24th.

If you would like to enter our Queen's Contest please contact our Queen Contest Chairman- Dawna Wiland who can be reached by phone 330-219-9852 or by email drwiland@aol.com for complete details, requirements and an application.

Special Thanks to Jo Marie's School of Dance and Gymnastics Center for graciously purchasing all the Tiara's for both the Miss Cortland Street Fair Queen and the Little Miss Cortland pageants.

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**Cortland Lions Club
 Street Fair Update**

Due to situations beyond our control, the Ride Company we had chosen cannot provide rides at this year's Cortland Lions Club Annual Street Fair. The State of Ohio passed a law named Tyler's Law or House Bill 189. Tyler's Law was named after Tyler Jarrell who was thrown from a ride at the Ohio State Fair and passed away due to injuries. All Rides operating in Ohio must be in compliance with this law. To be in compliance- each ride must be inspected by a Registered Professional Engineer and if required make necessary repairs, then the Ride must be State Inspected and then the State of Ohio will license the ride. There is a cost for each of these steps, which has dramatically increased the associated costs of bringing in Rides. The Ride company we chose estimated this extra costs to be in excess of \$9,500.

The Cortland Lions Club Street Fair-Ride Safety committee will be in compliance with all applicable laws. Your safety is paramount. Therefore these are the reasons we are unable to have rides at this year's event. Our Street Fair Board is seeking out alternative entertainment opportunities to enhance the Cortland Lions Club Annual Street Fair.

**Street Fair Little Miss
 Cortland Contest**

We are continuing our tradition of having a Little Miss Cortland Contest at our annual Street Fair. All contestants must have a Cortland mailing address and be between the ages of 7 to 11 years old when the application is turned in. All contestants are responsible for wearing semi-formal attire for the contest that reflects their personality and wear comfortable shoes.

There is an application fee and pictures will be taken at a mandatory Saturday June 3rd meeting at noon-at the Cortland Lions Club Pavilion, 197 W Main St in Cortland. Please come dressed for a group picture as pictures will be used for advertising.

We would like to express our Thanks to Jo Marie's School of Dance and Gymnastics Center for graciously purchasing Tiara's for both the Little Miss Cortland and the Miss Cortland Street Fair Queen Pageants.

For further details please contact Dawna Wiland at 330-219-9852 or email drwiland@aol.com. Applications must be made by June 3rd, so don't miss entering your daughter who could be crowned Little Miss Cortland.

Lakeview Track Teams Compete In Conference Meet



Both the Boys and Girls track teams did very well in the conference championship in Poland recently. Zac Haley was the Conference champion in 1600 and 3200 meter runs.

For a complete list of all the event's results go <https://oh.milesplit.com/meets/508639-northeast-8-conference-track-and-field-championship-2023/results#.ZFutuPvMIoo>



Zac Haley



Cortland Four Season Club Visits Kindergarten

By Barbara McClain

Spring is here and it is time to start planting. Cortland's Four Seasons Garden Club is busy inspiring young minds. The club recently spent a morning with the kindergarten class at Lakeview school, planting sunflowers.

They started by reading to the students about growing plants. The children then got Styrofoam cups and put their names on them. Next, they filled the cups with dirt. Then they used straws to punch 3 holes in the dirt, and they placed a sunflower seed in each hole. After they covered the seeds with dirt, the cup was sprayed with a little water. After the children were finished, they were taught about what the seeds would look like, in the soil, and how they would change as they grew. As their program was completed, each student was given a sticker with a picture of a sunflower, and they were able to take their cup home, to watch it grow.



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American Legion Post 540 102nd Anniversary

By Colonel Bob Mangold, US Army, Retired

American Legion Post 540, the Cortland, Bazetta, Mecca Post celebrated its 102nd Anniversary on March 12, 2023. The Post was named in honor of Raymond L. Johnson, who grew up in Greene, Ohio. In May 1917, he enlisted in the Ohio National Guard and joined the famous Ohio 37th Infantry Division that deployed to France. He was wounded in the Argonne battle, passed away in France, and was interred in the Greene, Ohio cemetery with full military honors.

Very early Post 540 meetings were held on a rotational basis around the area. Most were held in the Cortland Town Hall, but many took place in Mecca, Bazetta, North Bloomfield and Bristolville in private homes. Over the years several different buildings were owned on Main and South High Streets. The Post now meets every 4th Tuesday of the month, at 6 pm, in the Optimist Club building in Bazetta.

The Post participates in Veterans and Memorial Day programs in local schools and provides the Last Salute at about 75 veterans funerals each year. Scholarships are provided annually to eight Lakeview graduating seniors. Substantial donations are made to Bazetta/Cortland fire, police and rescue squads for needed equipment not in the budget. Each year veterans' graves at 4 area cemeteries are decorated with US flags for Memorial Day. And the list goes on.



Several years ago, while placing flags on graves at Hillside Cemetery for Memorial Day, I broke through a wall of bushes surrounding the flagpole. At the base of the pole I found a long forgotten stone memorial with a brass plate. Two artillery shell casings with flaking paint flanked the stone. On the stone and flagpole was inscribed "Donated by Post 540 in Memory of Technical Sergeant Lavern A. Weir. Tech 5". Weir grew up on Bazetta Road and deployed to the Philippine Islands in October 1941 with the 192nd Tank Battalion. The battalion was on Bataan when all US forces surrendered on 9 April 1942. Tech 5 Weir along with 60 to 80,000 US military and Filipinos were force marched 65 miles to Camp O'Donnell as part of the infamous Bataan Death March. He passed away while imprisoned in May 1942 with his remains being returned to Cortland in 1948. He and his wife Gladys are buried in Hillside cemetery. With a lot of help from Bazetta Township and Post 540 members the memorial and grounds around it were restored.

Quite a hero we almost forgot about.

Our mission is to support veterans, their families and our communities. We are quite proud of how we carry out that mission.

Hoo Ah!



Brian Hudzik, Katie Cretella, Dan Schultz, Cortland Rotary president-elect.

The Cortland Rotary Club Thanks Katie Cretella, director of clinical services at Trumbull Mental Health and Recovery Board, for her remarks about suicide prevention. Thank you to Brian Hudzik, U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs, for his remarks about assisting our veterans with suicide prevention. Cortland Rotary supports the valuable work that they both do!



Cortland Rotary Club President Pat Leper (Left) presented Gris Hurlbert, Cortland Rotarian, his Paul Harris Fellow pin, level 3, at the May 2 meeting. Paul Harris Fellow pins are presented to Rotarians that support the Rotary Foundation. Gris, thank you for supporting the Rotary Foundation.

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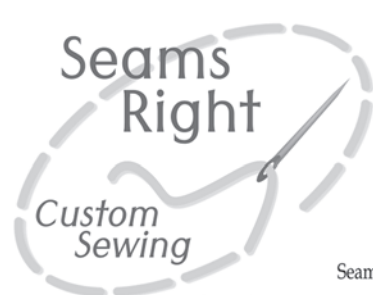


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