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Happy 4th of July!

By Sally Lane

Since 1776, Independence Day has been the highlight of summer, and this year is no different. There will still be fireworks and concerts, picnics, fun and games. What is different is US. We have had to learn a lot in the last four months. The lessons have been tough and challenging for all ages and races. We must deal with masks, social distancing, sanitizing, and questions what is "essential" and "non-essential" as part of the coronavirus issue. We must open our minds and hearts to solving racial problems.

When I write my front-page editorial for the "Cortland News," I

like it to be a light-hearted commentary about what is going on. However, this coronavirus issue has dragged on and whatever was humorous about our wearing yoga pants all day and having masks steam up our eyeglasses has worn a little thin. Most of us have enough toilet paper now. We are slightly ticked off about the price of meat and shortages of such staples as cream of chicken soup and parsley. We have had more home-cooked meals than we really want. Some casseroles have a one meal "appeal" - after that, well, the glamor is gone. We may have cleaned out our closets and garages. (I'm still working on mine). There has been a LOT of garage sales lately! The kids are now officially on summer break, but when, oh when, do the schools open

again? Will all the online schooling be enough that children have not lost progress?

However, we ARE resourceful people. Whether it is out of desperation or whatever, we have come up with solutions. For example, many people helped give the high school 2020 seniors an unforgettable graduation experience. No county fair? Well, what is it we all love about fairs? Food! The County Fair Food extravaganza has been a wonderful idea. Drive your car through the Fairgrounds, right up to the concessionaire window, order, pick up and go! Those are good solutions.

Our Cortland Lions Club has set up their French Fry stand in various town locations and serves their famous fries. Watch for signs when they will be doing that again soon. Of course, our hometown restaurants offer take out - and some are now open for dining (as of this writing). Everyone is being creative about maintaining social distancing.

The local parks are open although at the time of this writing, the Splash Pad is not open.

Cortland Mayor Deidre Petrosky posts a news item each week from City Hall and lets us know what is going on in town and around the area. My personal favorite is the notice that no permits are needed for a garage sale this year. Now, if it rains, I can postpone mine for another day.

Usually the Fourth of July is considered almost the halfway point in summer. Well, things are just getting heated up this summer. Look for notices about activities that will be resuming as Trumbull County opens up. Please keep the current racial tensions in your thoughts and prayers and have a wonderful Fourth!

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City Council, Parks and Recreation, and Planning & Zoning Commission meetings will be temporarily held via video conferencing, not in person.

CITY COUNCIL
First and Third Monday of each month
Monday, July 6, 7 p.m.
Monday, July 20, 7 p.m.

PARKS AND RECREATION
Second Monday of each month
Monday, July 13, 5:30 p.m.

CORTLAND CITY COUNCIL
Read the minutes from
Cortland City Council meetings at
www.cityofcortland.org under City
Council Minutes.

PLANNING & ZONING
Second Monday of each month
Monday, July 13, 7 p.m.

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

CORTLAND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE NOW ON TV

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

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LAKEVIEW BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

**Regular meetings the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m.
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Please contact the Cortland News if you would like your organization listed here.

Our Next Issue ... July 25, 2020

Our theme will be Summer Fun

Article Deadline by July 10 • Display Advertising Deadline is July 15
Email articles to editor@cortlandnews.net

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

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

The Cortland News wishes to present a fair and accurate news report. If you have a concern about anything published, please call our office at 330-565-2637 and leave a message for our Manager or Editor.

Death notices and obituaries will be printed in the Cortland News at the request of the family. Arrangement should be made to have information for death notices and obituaries sent directly to the Cortland News from the funeral home. Space restraints may require some editing. Publication dates for the Cortland News may prohibit an obituary from appearing prior to a funeral or memorial service.

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Community Events Event Calendar July 4 – July 25

The Cortland News is offering an abbreviated calendar due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Please check with venue before attending event in case of cancellation.

Cortland City/Bazetta Township and Lakeview School Board meetings and schedules. See pg. 2 and 6

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

JULY

- 4 **Fourth of July**
- 4 **Fireworks at Trumbull County Fairgrounds**, 9:30 p.m., 899 Everett Hull Road, Cortland.
- 5 **Summer Sunday at the Upton**, 2-4 p.m., 380 Mahoning Ave., Warren.
- 10,11 **Cortland Citywide Garage Sale.** See pg. 4
- 11 **Flea Market & Craft Show**, by Friends of Mosquito Lake Park, 9-11 a.m., 1439 Wilson-Sharpville Road, Cortland.
- 15 **Trumbull County Master Gardeners In the Garden Series, "Coral Bells (Huchera)"**, 6 p.m., Agriculture and Family Education Center, 520 W. Main St., Cortland, free. (Bring a chair).

Business News & Notes

By Thom Foley

You can pick up a list of addresses for the Citywide Garage Sale (July 10 & 11) at the following businesses: **Vasilio's, Totally Dog, Auntie V's, Cortland Mower, Centerra, Girt's Music 101 and Furniture Décor and More.** The lists will be available Thursday, July 9. If you want added to the list see the article regarding the sale for more information. Please care about your friends and neighbors and wear a mask.

Most businesses are now reopened and have safety practices in place to protect you. Some require a mask and others are requesting that you wear one. Please call ahead to see what each business is requiring. Be safe and SHOP LOCAL!!!

Have you seen the new Luxury Vinyl Plank floors at **Campbell Carpet?** What a huge selection!

The Roman Supply Co. (formerly Buckeye Bulk) is the area's best source for all your landscape material. Mulch, stones, topsoil... they have it all. And delivery is available.

Dr. Lynn Johnson & Cortland Pediatrics suggest you call now to schedule your child's back to school physical for August.

Does your home owners insurance cover you for garage sales? See **Greenwood Insurance's** ad to find the answer.

JOLLY STORE Crafts retail store has reopened. Hours are Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is located 3539 state Route 5. Online ordering

with curbside pickup is still available at jollystorecrafts.com.

Sparkle Market has all your picnic needs for the 4th of July. Be sure to check out its bakery - it is the best in Trumbull County. (I can personally attest to the donuts and, my favorite... the homemade blueberry.

Feeling any aches and pains? Check out **Action Physical Therapy** to see how they can help.

Daffron Auto Body is a full service, family-owned, body shop that has been servicing our area for 40 years. A name you can trust.

Did you know that **Elite K9 Training & Doggy Daycare** offers dog sitting and a wide range of dog training? Have a new puppy? An older dog? They can help!

Guidelight Financial Group tells us that it is the perfect time to review your retirement program and how COVID-19 may have affected it.

Vlad Pediatrics reminds you that you should schedule your child's immunizations and checkups now to avoid the rush right before school.

Mayflower-Wollam Insurance on W. Main Street has been serving the Cortland area for almost 100 years. They are in independent, family-owned business run by your friends and neighbors.

Petrosky Brothers Construction is who you want to call for all your remodeling needs. And the weather is perfect to add that addition you have been thinking of.

MetroParks announces Peddle and Paddle Contest

Trumbull County MetroParks is proud to announce the brand new Peddle and Paddle Contest for 2020. Running through October 2020 each month and for the total contest period, the participant must log all miles they have ridden and/or paddled on the Trumbull County portion of the Western Reserve Greenway and on the Mahoning River Water Trail. The peddling and paddling will each have a winner.

How to enter

Each month and for the contest period the participant must log all on the respective sheets and email or mail them to Zachary.svette@trumbullmetroparks.org or 185 E. Market St., 2nd Floor, Warren, OH 44481 by the second Friday of the month for the previous month by 2 p.m.

To be eligible all contestants must log all miles ridden and/or paddled on the Trumbull County portion of the Western Reserve Greenway and on the Mahoning River Water Trail. After the deadline the person with the most miles in the peddle and paddle categories will be awarded a prize pack from Trumbull County MetroParks. A photo of the winners will be published on its website, via social media outlets and in some cases, in publications.



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Cortland to hold citywide garage sale

Cortland will hold its first annual citywide garage sale the weekend of July 10 and 11, with July 12 optional. The event was organized by Cortland resident Jodi Clark. Mayor Petrosky has waived the need for city permits for this year. The city will be setting up temporary parking restriction signs to help with the flow of traffic.

Furniture Décor & More. The lists will be available Thursday, July 9. If you want added to the list send an email to CortlandOhGarageSale@gmail.com. Please care about your friends and neighbors and wear a mask.

You can pick up a list of addresses for the citywide garage sales at the following businesses: Vasilio's, Totally Dog, Auntie V's, Cortland Mower, Centerra, Girl's Music 101 and

Many local businesses will also be participating and holding their own "garage sale." For more information go to Cortland Citywide Garage Sale 2020 (planning group) on Facebook or email CortlandOhGarageSale@gmail.com. Residents of Cortland, Bazetta or Johnston are invited to participate.

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Cortland Lions Club selling its famous fries

The Cortland Lions Club fundraises all year long and puts most of that money back into the community with dozens of programs and events to benefit all. With its biggest fundraiser, the Cortland Street Fair, being canceled this year, they are looking for other opportunities to raise money. Most

weekends this summer you will find them setup in front of Payne Auto Body on S. High Street selling their famous Street Fair Fries along with hot dogs, pop and other treats. Arianna, Makenna and Xander Smith of Cortland took the time to help support the Lions Club and enjoy those famous fries.



Lakeview 9U baseball team wins championship

The Lakeview 9U travel baseball team beat North Central Titian's 13-8 to win the Jackson Bowen Memorial USSSA 9U State Qualifier Championship. Shown are from left, kneeling: Luke Elliott, Landon Booth, DC Costas, Mathew

Corp and Alex Yannucci. Standing: Colton Elliott, Landon Gillespie, Blake Swinning, Michael Marsco, Conor Davin and Alex Cash. Missing from photo are Tristyn Holko, MJ Nosich and Luke Beerbower.

New Pickleball League at JCC

The Jewish Community Center of Youngstown is now offering a Pickleball League, one of the first doubles leagues in the Valley. Teams from throughout the area, with all skill levels, will compete. League play guarantees 12 matches with a double elimination playoff tournament.

The league will play from 5 to 8 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays from July 20 to Sept. 27 at the JCC Outdoor Pickleball Complex, 505 Gypsy Lane, Youngstown. The cost is \$50 for JCC members and \$60 for nonmembers.



Register by Monday, July 11 online at jccyoungstown.org or contact the membership office at 330-746-3250, ext. 195. Free open play is available from 5 to 9 p.m. July 6 and 8 and from 9 a.m. to noon July 11.

Family & Community Service agencies seeking donations

SCOPE Senior Services, Someplace Safe and Veterans Haven are local agencies of Family & Community Services, Inc., which are accepting donations of needed supplies during the COVID-19 crisis.

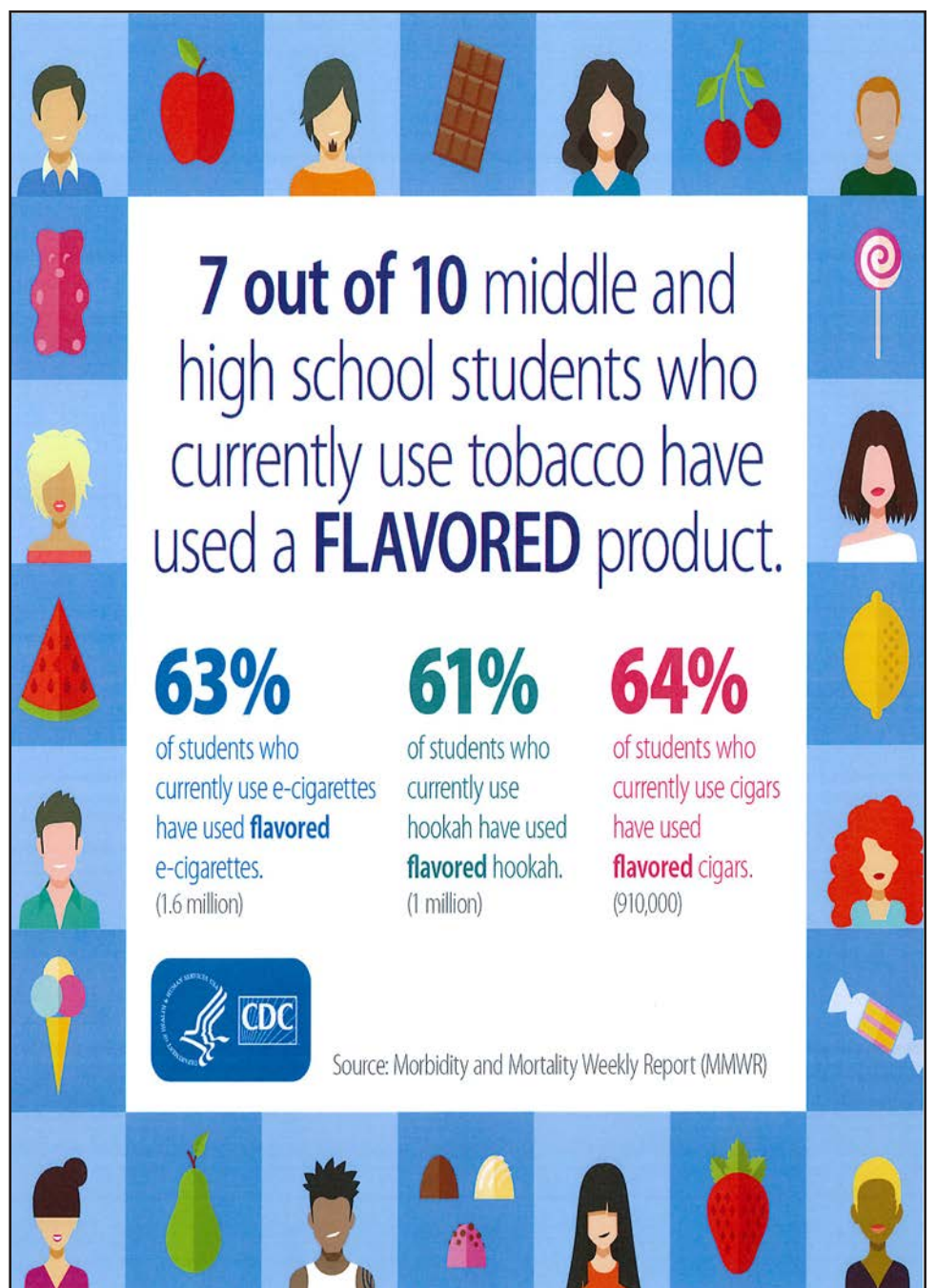
SCOPE operates a "Traveling Pantry" food truck that delivers free groceries to the elderly and disabled in Trumbull County. In addition, SCOPE is providing free paper products and cleaning supplies along with food to any homebound citizen of any age who is in need during this time.

Someplace Safe, Trumbull County's only domestic violence shelter, is in need of food and supplies to assist the families housed at its center in Warren. Veterans Haven assists homeless veterans with housing as well as support. The shelter needs

hand sanitizer, paper products, tissues, disinfecting wipes, rubber gloves, hand soap, cleaning products, canned soup, cough medicine, head thermometers, masks and bottled water.

Donations will be accepted by calling the numbers listed to coordinate donation drop-off or pick-up: SCOPE at 330-399-8846, Someplace Safe at 330-393-3003 and Veterans Haven at 330-299-7469.

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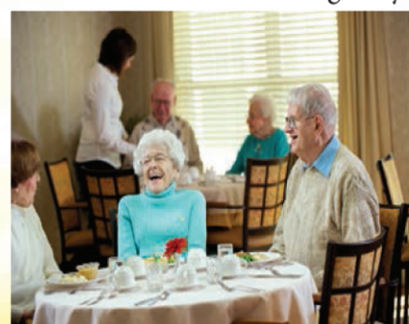
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What's "news" in the City of Cortland

By Christine Dorma, Administrative Assistant

Annual Asphalt Resurfacing
The annual street resurfacing is planned for July/August.

Mosquito Spraying
The schedule is set up for every other Wednesday, 7 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.

July 8
July 22
Aug. 5
Aug. 19
Sept. 2
Sept. 16
You can help control mosquitos by eliminating standing water. Drain anything that may hold water-- empty garbage cans, plastic pools, flowerpots and old tires.

Brush Chipping
The City of Cortland Service

Department will conduct free branch and limb pickup service along city streets through October. Brush should be placed at the curb no later than the Sunday prior to the week of collection. Only one pass per street will be made. Be sure to follow the rules that can be found on our website - cityofcortland.org

2020 Brush Chipping Schedule:

- Week of July 27
- Week of Aug. 24
- Week of Sept. 28
- Week of Oct. 26

Electric Rates

Electric Aggregate Rate for meter read dates March 2018 through July 2020 is 5.54¢ per kWh. Meter read dates for July 2020 through July 2023 will be 5.05¢ per kWh. You have to opt-out to be excluded. Energy Harbor 1-866-636-3749.

Dates to Remember

- July 6 - City Council - 7 p.m.
 - July 13 - Parks Board - 5:30 p.m.
 - July 13 - Planning & Zoning - 7 p.m.
 - July 20 - City Council - 7 p.m.
- Have a safe 4th of July!*



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Trumbull County Republican Women's Club news

Trumbull County Republican Women's Executive Board and Board of Directors met the first week of June to prepare for the upcoming 2020-2021 club year. Navigating through the challenging process of nominations without being able to meet, the club responded through emails, texts and phone messages to elect the officers of the 2020-2021 year.

Sitting in the president's chair is Gail Drushal. The first vice president is Peggy Boyd, with the second vice president Gerry Fusselman. Secretary is Karen Combs and the treasurer, Sandy Mahaffey. Membership chairman is Barbara Rosier-Tryon. She will be working on sustaining and growing the membership as it sits now at 92 members. For information on becoming

a member of the Trumbull County Republican Women's Club contact Rosier-Tryon at 330-550-1215.

The Annual Spring Card Party, which was scheduled in April 2020, is rescheduled for Oct. 23. It will be held at Cortland Christian Church from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets will be available in September.

The first member meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 3, at 11:30 a.m. The location will be announced at a later date.




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2. All staff and patients are then moved to a triage area where temperatures are taken.
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4. All equipment is disinfected immediately after use.



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WPO announces 2020-2021 season subscription campaign

The Warren Philharmonic Orchestra's 55th season subscription is now under way. The 2020-2021 season features two public concerts on Sunday, Oct. 4, 2020, and April 11, 2021, at First Presbyterian Church, 256 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren. Concerts begin at 3 p.m. under the direction of the renowned conductor Susan Davenny Wyner. Season subscribers receive a ticket to each of the two concerts as well as one free ticket to bring a friend to either concert. The flex plan allows the use of any ticket for either concert this season. Subscribers get three tickets for the price of two. Single performance tickets are available at the door. Children 12 and under are admitted free, when accompanied by an adult.

The fall performance on Oct. 4- "A Firebird's Magic!"- will feature "The Firebird Suite" by Igor Stravinsky. In addition, the orchestra will perform "Paris Symphony No. 31" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, "Pulse" (2003) by Margaret Brouwer, and "Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune" and "Fêtes" from "Nocturnes" by Claude Debussy. This performance had been scheduled

as its spring 2020 concert, but has been moved to the 2020-2021 season by the pandemic. Don't miss the magic firebird, a "faune," Mozart in Paris, and a mysterious "pulse" that captures it all!

Join Grammy Award winning guitarist Jason Vieaux and the orchestra for "Quixotic Journeys!" on April 11, 2021, to celebrate spring. Experience Shakespearian fancy from a young Mendelssohn, a miraculous symphony lost for almost 100 years, spinning suns, and a guitar that evokes lively spirits from Spanish gardens. The orchestra will perform "Overture to A Midsummer Night's Dream" by Felix Mendelssohn, "Sun Dance" (2020) by Augusta Read Thomas, "Concierto de Aranjuez for Guitar and Orchestra" by Joaquín Rodrigo, with guest soloist Jason Vieaux, Guitar, and "Symphony in C Major" by Georges Bizet.

More information about 2020-2021 season subscriptions and a form to order tickets can be obtained on the orchestra website, <http://www.warrenphilharmonic.org> or, phone the orchestra office at 330-399-3606 to receive a printed copy of the season brochure.

TCAP Summer Crisis Program underway

Trumbull Community Action Program (TCAP) announces that eligible households may qualify for one or a combination of the following: an air conditioner and/or fans (if no air conditioner or fan was received from TCAP in 2017, 2018 or 2019); a one-time payment up to a total maximum benefit of \$500 towards the electric bill from regulated utility company or up to a total maximum benefit of \$800 if the utility company is non-regulated.

Total household income must be at or below 175 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and is based on gross income over the past 30 days or past 12 months.

To apply for this program clients are required to schedule a phone appointment with Trumbull Community Action Program. Appointments can be

scheduled by calling 330-951-0015 or online at <https://capappointments.com>.

Clients need to provide the following documents: copies of their most recent energy bills. A list of all household members and proof of income for the last 30 days or 12 months for each member. Proof of disability (if applicable). Proof of citizenship for all household members. Physician documentation that cooling assistance is needed for a household member's health (if there isn't a household member over the age of 60). Assistance can also be provided if they have been diagnosed with COVID-19, have a disconnect notice, have been shut off, are trying to establish new service on their electric bill. If you have any further questions please call 330-393-2507, ext. 225.

MetroParks summer 2020 photo contest underway

Trumbull County MetroParks is announcing the summer 2020 photo contest. This contest will be for the best picture at a Trumbull County MetroParks or property. Photos will be accepted until Sept. 18, 2020 at 2 p.m. Photos can be emailed to Zachary.svette@trumbullmetroparks.org.

To be eligible for the photo contest, the email must indicate which MetroPark and the date the photo was taken. At the end of season, finalists will be chosen and sent to be judged by MetroParks Facebook fans. One photo per season will be declared the winner.

Winning photos will be published on its website, social media outlets and in some cases, in its publications. Winners will receive a Trumbull MetroParks prize pack. Trumbull MetroParks is not responsible for lost,

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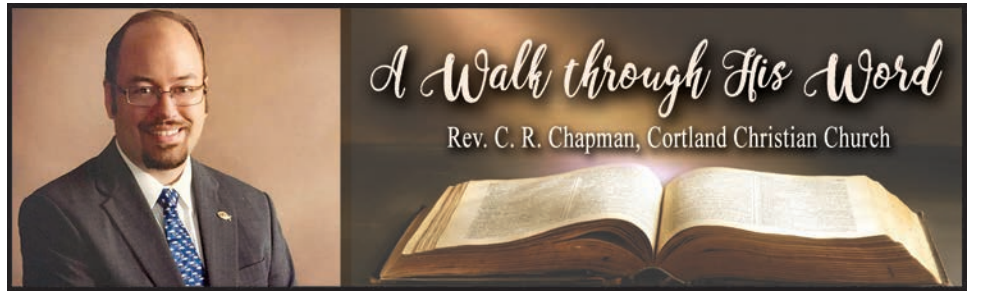
By Rev. Donald P. Barnes

Shampoo - Blow dry - Cut - Curl. So simple, "even a Caveman can do it!" Or so it appears. Gotta' tell you my friends! A couple of days ago, I witnessed a miracle in the beauty parlor. Happened just like this! My friend, Carole, is inconsolable. Great alligator tears stream down her cheeks. She's sopping tissues by the handful. Nurses, STNAs, activity staff and this chaplain work to console or redirect - all to no avail. Guess what! One twenty-minute visit with the hairdresser and Carole morphs into Miss America. She is all smiles as she rolls down the runway to cheers of her adoring fans. It's a miracle! Shampoo - Blow dry - Cut - Curl. Oh, yeah! Forgot one important thing! Dorothy! Dorothy has a "gift." She makes a difference when the clinicians fall short.

Question: What did Dorothy "bring to the table" that made a difference for Carole? Answer: Touch. Simple comforting touch: a reassuring hand on the shoulders; deft fingers shampoo and massage the scalp; teasing and patting.

Dorothy has the "touch." I can actually see Carole's upset melting away. Don't tell anyone, but the scene made me so comfortable I fell asleep in my chair.

You know, now that I think of it, touch is one of our most important functions. We touch with our words, our thoughts, with our looks, and with our hands. One hand on another can serve as a soothing balm. A hand on the arm or shoulder can transmit comfort and assurance. Two hands clasped might say: "I'm with you come thick or thin." A hand on the back of the neck says: "It's going to be OK." Oftentimes, what we do with our hands speaks louder than words. Can't help but remember how Dorothy's hands offered relief to a poor soul fraught with grief. I pray for this day. May your hands, a God-given resource, be used to bear a blessing to someone today.



'Freedom from Sin'

This month people are celebrating America's freedom. Yet, a growing number of Americans are not free, but have chosen to be slaves to sin. The Bible teaches that there are two masters in this world that a person can serve. The first master is sin. The second master is Christ. Romans 6:16 says, "Don't you know that if you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of that one you obey -either of sin leading to death or of obedience leading to righteousness?" (HCSB).

Because of the first sin of Adam all are born into sin. Psalm 51:5 says, "Indeed, I was guilty when I was born; I was sinful when my mother conceived me." Because all people are born in sin, all are slaves to the master of sin, he is Satan. Many, though, do not realize that he is their master, and Satan is fine with this. His goal is not simply to be worshipped, though he desires this. His goal is to prevent the worship of the One True God.

Yet, God loved the world even in their sinful state for He created them that He sent His One and Only Son, Jesus Christ to die in payment of the world's sin. Only God's blood could pay the price to free people from the wages of sin. "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord," (Romans 6:23). So, since Jesus the Son of God died for the world's sins does that mean that everyone will go to Heaven? No, for every person must make a decision

to accept the "gift of God" from Christ Jesus. It is like this:

A rich man has purchased all of Cortland tickets to the Scrappers. A Cortland resident went to watch the game but was refused entry because they did not have a ticket. How could this be since the rich man had bought tickets for all of Cortland? The Cortland resident failed to accept the ticket. He did not go to and pick up his ticket prior to the game.

The blood of Jesus Christ has bought the world "tickets" to Heaven, but each individual needs to pick up their ticket. And they do so by believing in Jesus Christ and obeying His teachings. One follows His teachings in obedience by not sinning because they are no longer slaves to sin. Remember Romans 16:6, if one is obedient to sin then they are a slave of sin, but if they are obedient to Christ then they are His and He is their King.

As people are celebrating America's freedom can you celebrate with them? Are you truly free? This physical life we live is short, but each person has an eternity to live... An eternity as slaves to sin suffering the wages of sin - death, death of the soul in Hell, or an eternity as subjects of God in paradise with the Son of God. "As for a man, his days are like grass - he blooms like a flower of the field; when the wind passes over it, it vanishes, and its place is no longer known." (Psalm 103:15-16).



Warren Junior League officers announced

GFWC Ohio Warren Junior League recently presented its officers for the 2020-2021 club year. They are from left: Alyssa Strickland, second vice president; Dodie Baritell, treasurer; Marylou Jarrett, president; Becky Bucco, first vice president; and Monica Olbrych, secretary.



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Strimbu Memorial Fund scholarships delivered to students' homes Lakeview graduate receives scholarship

By Jean A. Corliss

Although the 31st Annual Strimbu Bar-B-Que was cancelled this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Strimbu Memorial Fund Board of Directors awarded its annual scholarships by visiting the winners' homes and presenting the students with the scholarships and plaques commemorating the award. In addition, yard signs were displayed in the awardee's front yards.

Since its inception in 1990, the Strimbu Memorial Fund has provided over \$3.6 million in support of academic scholarships, local economic development, individuals in need and numerous charitable organizations. This year it awarded \$37,000 in scholarships to local high school students.

"The Strimbu Memorial Fund was created to perpetuate the work of the late Nick Strimbu Jr., who had a passion for leading individuals and economic development agencies in order to attract, assist and retain the industrial base of the valley," said Board President Jim Grasso. "Although we had to reschedule this year's event because of the coronavirus, the board of directors felt that it was so very important to continue our mission of assisting area students with a scholarship."

This year, the fund awarded \$2,000 scholarships to 13 local high school seniors and an additional \$10,000 scholarship to the overall winner. Leadership and self-reliance are the two most important criteria that are required to receive one of these scholarships.

The requirements were established to mirror the example that Nick Strimbu Jr. demonstrated during his lifetime. The fund's philosophy is simple: one of the most substantial ways to enhance our community's future is to help educate the young people who will be the leaders of tomorrow.

Those receiving scholarships and the sponsors that provided the funding are:

- **Badger High School** – Emma Deraway
Scholarship sponsored by Miller Livestock and Peter Allen Inn
- **Brookfield High School** – Brady Reichart
Scholarship sponsored by Kirila Family Fund
- **Farrell High School** – Melvin Hobson Jr.
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- **Greenville High School** – Lauren DiBucci
Scholarship sponsored by Chubb
- **Hickory High School** – Molly Piso
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- **Hubbard High School** – Cameron Resatar
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- **Kennedy Catholic High School** – Farrah Mancino
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- **Lakeview High School (OH)** – Douglas Gurdak
Scholarship sponsored by Toyota of Warren
- **Mathews High School** – Amanda Franko
Scholarship sponsored by Governor Insurance

• **Reynolds High School** – James Shafer
Scholarship sponsored by Reynolds Services

• **Sharon High School** – Justin Stanek
Scholarship sponsored by JCL Development

• **Sharpville High School** – Wyatt Caldwell
Scholarship sponsored by the Grandy Family

• **Warren JFK High School** – Ashley Lytle
Scholarship sponsored by HUB

• **West Middlesex High School** – Braden Hanahan
Scholarship sponsored by Primary Health Network

The overall \$10,000 scholarship winner was Justin Stanek of Sharon High School. The scholarship was

provided by Steel Dynamics.

The 31st Annual Strimbu Memorial Fund BBQ is scheduled for Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at Yankee Lake Ballroom, Brookfield.

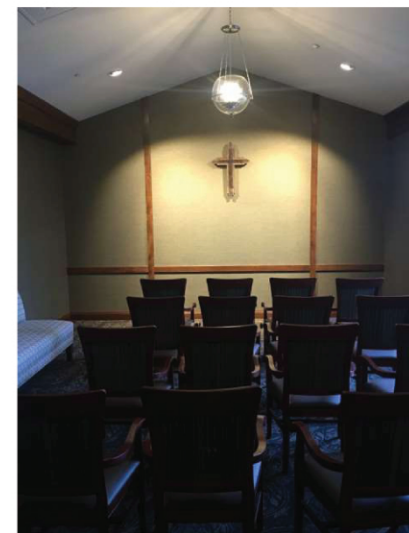


Lakeview High School graduate Douglas Gurdak



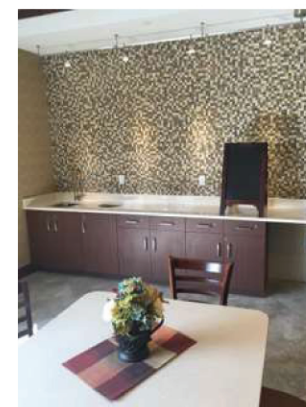
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The economic shutdown that we've endured as a nation as we attempt to combat COVID-19 has created significant challenges for small business owners. Even those that were thriving before the crisis are not immune to the effects of a sustained closure or limitation on how they operate.

If you're among the millions of American small business owners worried about being able to pay your bills - or even stay in business - during this challenging period, you're likely wondering how assistance from the U.S. government can help. Here is information on three programs that may be available to you, depending on your circumstances:

#1 - The Paycheck Protection Program

This was a major element of the fiscal stimulus act passed by Congress, designed to help small businesses. You can apply through a bank for a government loan to help keep your business operating. If the funds are used to cover payroll costs and other necessary expenses like rent and utilities, the loan may be forgiven in part or entirely. This program works best if you are still able to keep your business operating and some of your staff employed. If you've been forced to shut down completely and laid off your workforce without a clear idea of when you can be up and running again, it may prove less beneficial. Congress has added more funding for the program, but the demand for loans among businesses is strong, and to date only a finite amount of dollars are available.

#2 - Employee Retention Credit

If you have continued to pay wages to employees even through your business income declined significantly compared to last year, you may be eligible for the Employee Retention

Credit. You qualify if your business was fully or partially suspended by the government due to COVID-19 during a calendar quarter, or if your gross receipts are below 50 percent of what you earned in a comparable quarter last year. The credit equals 50 percent of qualifying wages paid up to \$10,000 per employee, beginning for wages paid after March 12, 2020 and before January 1, 2021. Be sure to consult with your tax advisor to find out if you qualify.

#3 - Social Security Tax Deferral

If cash flow is an issue, you can defer deposits of the employer's share of Social Security payroll taxes or, if you are self-employed, a portion of self-employment taxes. Deferred tax payments apply to payroll effective March 27, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020. Deposit of the 6.2% employer share of Social Security tax due can be deferred. 50% of the deferred tax payments will be due on December 31, 2021, with the remaining half due December 31, 2022. Be sure to consult with your tax advisor.

Take time to assess where you stand. Government programs can only go so far in helping to keep your business viable. Carefully assess factors such as your available resources, access to lines of credit through your lending institution, and ways to adjust your business for the environment that likely lies ahead.

It also pays to talk to your financial advisor about whether your personal financial plan needs to be adjusted to account for what may be changing circumstances for your business. This is clearly a time for review and action to keep your business and your personal financial life on track.

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Jobs available for seniors

As non-profits begin to reopen, programs such as Vantage Aging is still looking for more individuals over age 55 who would like to get paid to work through its training program. SCOPE Senior Services Centers have been providing host job sites along with other non-profits in the area for the Vantage Aging Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). This program offers paid job training and placement to low income adults age 55 and older.

Participants work up to 20 hours per week and earn the current minimum wage. Because the goal is to get people hired into unsubsidized work outside of the program, participants receive individual job search assistance and frequent check-ins from professional staff. According to the Older Americans Act Amendment of 2000 the wages do not count as income when determining eligibility for subsidized housing and/or food stamps.

The requirements to be enrolled are

55 years of age or older, unemployed and looking for a job. Participants can be assigned to non-profit community based or government agencies. Assignments are based on the current needs of the workforce and the participants skill set and interests. Common assignments include administrative, retail, food service, driving, healthcare and cleaning.

"SCOPE would like to thank Vantage Aging for conducting this training job service for seniors in Trumbull County," said Mike Wilson, SCOPE Senior Services director. "There are many benefits to participating seniors with upgrading their job skills, especially with computers all the while contributing to community service. I know that we at SCOPE are in need of drivers to deliver free groceries each week to the homebound in Trumbull County."

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Health insurance options for Ohioans during the COVID-19 Pandemic

By Jillian Froment, Director of the Ohio Department of Insurance

Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, a record number of Ohioans have lost their jobs and for a number of them that has resulted in loss of their health insurance. While other Ohioans that were uninsured may now want to sign up for health insurance. Obtaining insurance can be a stressful and confusing experience, but the Ohio Department of Insurance can help. Here are some of the health insurance options and tips on how to secure coverage. Possible health insurance options for Ohioans who had employer-provided health insurance:

Special enrollment into your spouse's plan

If you recently lost coverage and are married, consider requesting special enrollment in your spouse's group health plan. Losing coverage qualifies you (and your family) for an opportunity to enroll in many employer plans. To qualify, you must request enrollment, typically within 30 days of losing eligibility for other coverage. Check with your spouse's plan on the required timeline, as some deadlines have been extended due to COVID-19. Other special enrollment opportunities Employees who've lost coverage may be eligible for special enrollment beyond their spouse's group health plan. This includes any individual health insurance plan already available to them in the market, enrolling through the federal government's health insurance Marketplace at healthcare.gov, or COBRA plans.

Federal Marketplace

Ohioans who had health insurance coverage but lost coverage due to unemployment may qualify for special enrollment into a Marketplace plan on the federal government's health insurance exchange. During the application process, you'll find out if you are eligible for income-based savings on your monthly premiums and out-of-pocket health care costs. Your family may qualify for coverage as well. You usually have 60 days to enroll in the Marketplace from the time your employer-sponsored coverage ends. This option may not apply to people who didn't previously have health insurance.

COBRA

If you lost coverage through a job and depending on your employment situation, you may be eligible for COBRA continuation coverage. Under COBRA, a federal law, you can pay to stay on your employer's health insurance plan, after your employment ends, for about 18 months. Your dependents may be eligible for COBRA coverage too, whether or not you sign up yourself.

COBRA is typically more expensive than Marketplace coverage and enrolling in it can change your eligibility for Marketplace financial assistance. You are responsible for payment of the full COBRA premium, and sometimes an additional administrative fee. This means you could pay more than the full premium cost. Make sure to compare the Marketplace plans and COBRA plans to ensure you're signing up for the best plan for your family.

Medicaid

If you've lost your job or had a reduction in work hours, the sudden change in income might make you eligible for Medicaid. Medicaid

eligibility is based on monthly income (adults with an annual income up to 138 percent of the Federal Poverty Level), so you may qualify even if you earned too much to qualify earlier in the year. Children may be eligible for Medicaid even if their parents are not (children in households with an annual income up to 160% of the Federal Poverty Level). Visit Medicaid.ohio.gov for more information about Ohio's Medicaid program.

If you didn't have health insurance before the pandemic:

The period that consumers can generally enroll in coverage without a qualifying change, known as an open enrollment period, typically occurs in the fall. However, consumers are eligible for special enrollment periods for many different reasons, such as marriage, moving, or even a significant change to income. Ohioans can call the Ohio Department of Insurance with questions about how these specifics may apply to their situation.

Ohio Department of Insurance here to help

This is certainly a difficult period for many Ohioans and shopping for health insurance can be an overwhelming undertaking. Anyone with an insurance question or concern can contact the Ohio Department of Insurance at 1-800-686-1526 and consumer.complaint@insurance.ohio.gov.

I urge you to take your time and compare coverage along with costs to determine the plan for you and your family's unique health care needs. And, remember the Ohio Department of Insurance is here to help.

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Scholarship(s): Roger and Gloria Jones
Scholarship in Fine Arts, \$1,000
Lakeview Band Boosters, \$200
Youngstown State University Dana School of Music: Talent Scholarship, \$3,000 R
Youngstown State University Red & White, \$2,000 R

Colton Chadwick

Parents: Cullen and Michelle Chadwick
School to attend: Miami University
Scholarship(s): American Legion Post #540, \$540
Miami University Redhawk Excellence, \$8,000 R

Nate Charnas

Parents: Nancy and Craig Charnas
School to attend: Kent State University
Scholarship(s): George E. Gessner Memorial
Scholarship

Megan Cross

Parent: Sue Cross
School to attend: University of Akron
Scholarship(s) Bazetta Cortland Optimist Club, \$1,000

Bowers Insurance Scholarship, \$10,000
University of Akron Guarantee Scholarship, \$1,000 R
University of Akron Underrepresented Student Scholarship, \$2,500 R

Ian Cunningham

Parents: William and Sandra Cunningham
School to attend: University of Cincinnati
Scholarship(s): Matt Spencer Memorial
Scholarship, \$500

Caitlin Dales

Parents: Pat and Pam Dales
School to attend: Edinboro University
Scholarship(s): Cortland Lion Club, \$1,000
Edinboro Highlander Housing Scholarship, \$3,000 R
Edinboro University President Excellence Scholarship, \$3,000 R

Laura Garvin

Parent: Lisa Garvin
School to attend: Cleveland State University
Scholarship(s): Cleveland State University
Choose Ohio First STEM Scholarship, \$2,000 R

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On July 4 in 1776 The Continental Congress approved the final wording for the Declaration of Independence. July 4 is the date that appears on the Declaration although the official signing took place in August. The cities of Boston and Philadelphia launched fireworks on July 4, 1777. So how do fireworks, July 4, and a column on gardening fit together?

Because of the holiday, I thought I would do some research and see if there were any plants I could reasonably connect to the 4th of July. Low and behold, I have a list of plants including annuals, grasses, perennials and vegetables to share. This list includes

seven plants with the word "fireworks" in their name, one "bottle rocket," four with the word "firecracker," one "cherry bomb" and a 4th of July.

There is a 4th of July Hybrid Tomato. It ripens in early summer (45 days), is indeterminate, meaning it will grow and produce until killed by frost. Big enough for slicing weighing 4 ounces; it is juicy and firm. Also good for salads and toppings.

The seven plants using "fireworks" as part of their names include an allium, asters, an astilbe, an ornamental grass, a goldenrod, a clematis and a gomphrena. Gomphrenas are old-fashioned cottage garden favorites with conical, clover like blossoms. They are also called globe amaranths. Gomphrena "Fireworks" is a new cultivar that does not look like the others. The flowers are hot pink tufts with violet overtones tipped with yellow. Three to four feet tall with a spread of 12 to 24 inches, this gomphrena grows quickly with the strong stems topped with exploding bursts of one inch blooms that last into fall. A vigorous annual, it is great for cutting and drying.

Clematis "Fireworks" is an early large flowered type growing 8 to 12 feet tall. The early flowers are large, six to eight inches across. They are purple with a pink bar (wide stripe on each petal), blooming in late spring to early summer then in late summer to early fall and of course "Fireworks" is a vine. Pennisetum fountain grass "Fireworks" is an annual grass great for containers, does not re-seed and grows 3 ft. by 2 ft. It is variegated with stripes of white, green, burgundy and hot pink running the length of each blade.

Solidago "Fireworks" is a sturdy grower and a good companion plant for ornamental grasses and late blooming



perennials. In late summer the bright yellow sprays of tiny flowers resembles an exploding skyrocket on the 4th of July.

This allium got its name because the flower head is said to look like "fireworks" bursting in air. It is a May flowering bulb planted in the fall producing a pink flower. This ornamental onion grows 18 to 24 inches tall.

Then there is a pink astilbe with soft pink arching plumes, gorgeous in shade and container friendly and "Fireworks" Asters with starry blooms in white, pink, purple and shades in between. Both are perennials. Astilbe "Fireworks" blooms in June and July; asters bloom in fall.

How about a Cherry Bomb Radish first cultivated in northeastern Pennsylvania? It is bright red outside and bright white inside with a mild spicy flavor, crunchy and crisp.

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Cleveland State University Jack, Joseph & Morton Mandel Honors College, \$10,000 R
Cortland Rotary Club, \$1,000
Lakeview Bulldog Alumni Association Scholarship, \$500
Lakeview Bulldog Scholarship, \$1,000
TCESC Franklin B. Walter Scholarship, \$500

Douglas Gurdak

Parents: Robert and Nancy Gurcak
School to attend: Case Western Reserve University
Scholarship(s) 5th Annual Rev. Carl Kish Sr. High Youth Ministry Scholarship, \$1,000
Cortland Lions Club, \$1,000
Bazetta Cortland Optimist Club, \$1,000
Cortland Rotary Club, \$1,000
Lakeview Board of Education, \$500
Stimbu Memorial Scholarship, \$2,000
Case Western Reserve Univ. Scholarship, \$15,000 R

Madison Harvey

Parents: Marc and Danielle Cross
School to attend: University of Akron
Scholarship(s): University of Akron Guarantee Scholarship, \$1,000 R

Alexis Inman

Parents: Douglas and Laura Inman
School to attend: Miami University
Scholarship(s): American Legion Post #540, \$540

Alicia Jackson

Parents: Fred and Vanessa Goodlett
School to attend: Youngstown State University
Scholarship(s): Suellen Golubic Scholarship, \$500

Morgan Jankovich

Parents: Ken and Jill Jankovich
School to attend: Kent State University
Scholarship(s) Carol Callahan Snodgrass Scholarship, \$1,000
Cortland Rotary Club, \$1,000
Kent State University Academic Achievement Award, \$4,000 R
Sue Ellen Golubic Scholarship, \$500

Isabella Kakiou

Parents: James and Christina Kakiou
School to attend: Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Scholarship(s) IUP Athletic Scholarship, Soccer, \$4,200 R
IUP Sutton Scholars Program, \$4,000, R
Lakeview Athletic Boosters Club, Pat Berry Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000
St. Robert Bellarmine Church Scholarship, \$1,000
Youngstown District Soccer Coaches Scholarship, \$500

Abigail Langmeyer

Parents Paul and Heather Langmeyer
School to attend: Youngstown State University
Scholarship(s): Cortland Health Care, \$500
Bazetta Cortland Optimist Club, \$1,000
Seven Seventeen Cha-Ching Teen Scholarship, \$1,500
St. Robert Bellarmine Shurch Scholarship, \$1,000
YSU Trustee Scholarship, \$5,000 R

Josie LeLaidier

Parents: Maurice and Jessica
School to attend: Youngstown State University
Scholarship(s) Coca-Cola Honors Scholarship, \$500
Bazetta Cortland Optimist Club, \$1,000

Sarah Lynch

Parents: Tom and Debbie Lynch
School to attend: Youngstown State University
Scholarship(s) Cortland Lions Club, \$1,000
Lauren Tascoe Memorial Scholarship, \$700
Lakeview Band Boosters Scholarship, \$200
Lakeview Teachers' Association, \$250
YSU Red & White Scholarship, \$2,000 R

Olivia Mathews

Parents: Richard Mathews and Andrea Chaves
School to attend: Youngstown State University
Scholarship(s) Coca-Cola Honors Scholarship, \$500
Bazetta Cortland Optimist Club, \$1,000
YSU WCBA Alumni Scholarship, \$1000
YSU President's Scholarship, \$4,000 R

Jacob McDivitt

Parents: Ted and Denise McDivitt
School to attend: Otterbein University
Scholarship(s): Lakeview Teachers' Association, \$250

Matthew McRoberts

Parents: Michael and Alisa McRoberts
School to attend: University of Akron
Scholarship(s): Comm. Found. Ryland Robert Reel Memorial \$500,
Bazetta Cortland Optimist Club, \$1,000
Cortland Rotary Club - Technical, \$1,000
Dunbar-Spencer-Harvey Family Scholarship, \$2,000
Lakeview Athletic Boosters Club, Pat Berry Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000
The Hugh Michael O'Neil Scholarship, \$1,000
Univ. of Akron Guarantee Scholarship, \$4,000 R

Bianca Naples

Parents: Tom and Samantha Naples
School to attend: Kent State University
Scholarship(s) KSU Academic Achievement Award, \$3,000 R
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Madison Nigrin

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Lakeview Band Boosters Scholarship, \$200
Scholarship(s) YSU Red & White, \$2,000 R

Sebastian Nutter

Parents: Jason and Allison McGregor
School to attend: New Castle School of Trades
Scholarship(s) Cortland Lions Career-Technical, \$1,000

Noah Olejnik

Parents: Anatole and Rebecca Olejnik
School to attend: Youngstown State University
Scholarship(s): YSU International Access Award, \$1,000 R
Cody Betts Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000

Emily Reebel

Parents: Ronald and Diana Reebel
School to attend: University of Toledo
Scholarship(s): Lakeview Band Boosters, \$200

Elizabeth Roche

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School to attend: Cleveland State University
Scholarship(s) Lakeview Band Boosters, \$500

Isaac Russo

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School to attend: Youngstown State University
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Dylan Sarko

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John Silbaugh

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Scholarship(s): Trumbull County Tennis Association President's Scholarship, \$1,500
Lauren Tascoe Memorial Scholarship, \$400

Madison Stredney

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Austin Vogt

Parents: John and Kim Vogt
School to attend: University of Akron
Scholarship(s) Lakeview Athletic Boosters Club Pat Berry Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000
Univ. of Akron Guarantee Scholarship, \$4,500 R
Univ. of Akron Williams Honors Scholarship, \$1,000 R

Sydney Whipkey

Parents: Mike and Kelly Toth
School to attend: Ohio University
Scholarship(s): Carol Callahan Snodgrass Scholarship, \$1,000

Ryan Williams

Parents: Brian and Annette Williams
School to attend: Ohio University
Scholarship(s): American Legion Post #540, \$540

Ohio Univ. Ohio Distinction Scholarship, \$1,000 R
Ohio Univ. Ohio Pathway \$500 R
Ohio Univ. Ohio Success \$5000 R

Sidney Wolford

Parents: Traci Wolford and John Wolford
School to attend: Kent State University
Scholarship(s): American Legion Post #540, \$540
Bazetta Cortland Optimist Club, \$1,000
Lakeview Little Bulldogs Scholarship, \$250
Lt. Col. Robert Stockton Scholarship, \$200

Megan Zetterquist

Parents: Michelle Ifft and Jon Zetterquist
School to attend: Youngstown State University
Scholarship(s) Matt Spencer Memorial Scholarship, \$500
YSU Red & White, \$2,000 R

Grayson Zinni

Parents: Greg and Dawn Zinni
School to attend: Youngstown State University
Scholarship(s): YSU Red & White, \$2,000 R

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Prevent Blindness warns public about impact of firework injuries to healthy eyesight

Every year, thousands of Americans are injured due to fireworks, specifically during the 4th of July holiday period. And, according to a recent study, "Assessment of Firework-Related Ocular Injury in the US" in JAMA Ophthalmology, more than 34,000 firework-related ocular injuries were seen in U.S. emergency departments during the 19-year study period. Ocular burns were the most frequent type of eye injury from fireworks, and bottle rockets were a common firework type that disproportionately caused serious ocular injury, including ruptured globe.

Prevent Blindness urges all consumers to celebrate the holiday safely without using fireworks. Children are at higher risk for injuries from fireworks. The most recent report from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission stated that children 0 to 4 years of age had the highest estimated rate of emergency department-treated, fireworks-related injuries, while older teens, 15 to 19 years of age, had the second highest estimated rate.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many public displays of fireworks have been cancelled. For those that are still being held, Prevent Blindness warns that anyone who attends a professional display must still be cautious, as accidents and injuries may also occur due to the erratic or unpredictable nature of fireworks.

Prevent Blindness offers alternative ideas to celebrate the holiday safely:

- Decorate 4th of July treats using white frosting, blueberries and

raspberries or strawberries.

- Make paper rockets by using paper towel rolls, paint or markers, streamers and child-safe glue. Make pinwheels or wind socks with an Independence Day theme.

- Create a patriotic wreath, pasting red, white and blue stars in a circle. Hang it from a door or window.

- Paint flower pots in red, white and blue and plant new seeds or festive flowers.

- Decorate bicycles, scooters and wagons in red, white, and blue. Have a family parade.

- Hang decorative string lights and have a dance party with patriotic music.

- Design and decorate t-shirts and hats using glow in the dark paints. Add puffy paints and glitter to make them sparkle.

- After the sun goes down, wrap flashlights in colored cellophane to provide fun shades of light.

- Purchase non-toxic glow-sticks, ropes and jewelry that can safely light the night for kids.

"There are so many ways for families to celebrate Independence Day safely without using fireworks," said Jeff Todd, president and CEO of Prevent Blindness. "We urge everyone to avoid fireworks and spend the 4th of July with family and friends, instead of in the emergency room."

For more information on the dangers of fireworks, please call Prevent Blindness at 800-331-2020, or visit www.PreventBlindness.org/fireworks.

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I especially like the "Bottle Rocket" Ligularia. This is a perfectly proportioned shade loving plant, 28" by 26" and blooms in late summer. It sends mustard colored flower spires from chocolate stems over serrated foliage. This is one bold shade plant with flowers and leaves great for cutting. It also tolerate a wet site.

Now we get to the four firecracker plants. Cuphea is also known as the Firecracker plant. A great heat loving summer annual, cuphea produces fiery blooms (orange, yellow, red) all summer. The mounds are covered with nectar rich tubular flowers attractive to hummingbirds and butterflies. It is considered a good choice for first time gardeners.

Then I found two daylilies. Chicago

"Firecracker" is red and Ledgewood's "Firecracker" is deep gold with a bright red eye and red edging above a green throat. Ledgewood's "Firecracker" also reblooms.

SunSparkler sedum "Firecracker" is short, 6" by 18". It has rich plum purple foliage and grows quickly to form a dense blanket of color. The new leaves emerge with a tint of mint green for contrast and the pink flowers bloom in late summer.

I think my list has something for everyone. I enjoyed the research and as always, I learned some new things. Have a happy and safe 4th. Stay healthy.

Happy Gardening!

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



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