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Mondays Off?

By Heather Sensabaugh

If you're like most employees in the United States, Mondays are not your favorite day of the week. Studies have shown that employee

stress levels are highest on Mondays and productivity is lowest. Several countries are currently trying out a four-day workweek, including Iceland, Japan, France and Sweden, among others, and finding them to be beneficial in many ways. Some companies are eliminating Mondays, and some are eliminating Fridays, but Monday gets my vote!

Until 1908, workers in our country worked 6 days per week, and averaged 60 hours of work per week. It wasn't until the 1920's that companies began giving employees Saturdays off so that Jewish workers could celebrate their Sabbath, and in 1940, a 40-hour workweek was made into law, requiring employers to pay overtime for any hours past 40. This is likely part of the reason we have longer life spans now. Some states have proposed legislation to switch from 40 to 32-hour work

weeks, including California, New York, Maryland, Pennsylvania. One such bill is titled H.R. 4728, or the Thirty-Two Hour Workweek Act.

Companies that have implemented 4-day workweeks have reported benefits like decreased energy bills, improved productivity from employees, and increased revenue. They have also reported a sharp reduction in time off requests and a huge decrease in employee turnover. Time off is a powerful incentive, and the prospect of an additional day off can motivate employees to work smarter, not harder. Employees enjoy better physical and mental health when working 32-hour work weeks. Shorter work weeks lead to less burnout, less stress, less fatigue, and improved mental and physical health, as well as improved morale at work. An extra day off decreases employee risk of diabetes, cardiovascular disease and

depression. A four-day workweek allows better work/home life balance and has been shown to improve and strengthen marriage bonds and family relationships.

An adult's attention span averages about 30 minutes and therefore we need breaks throughout the day. Often employees take breaks in unproductive ways such as scrolling through social media, checking personal email, gossiping, daydreaming, etc. Workplace meetings take up around 30 hours of time per month and are often a place where employees share complaints and gripes, lowering morale. The phrase, "This could have been an email" is gaining momentum in the workplace and beginning to change managerial minds about the necessity of in person meetings.

Happy Labor Day!

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Our theme will be Autumn

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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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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.

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SEPTEMBER

- 4 Labor Day
- 6 "Time for S'more AWANA" / Calvary Bible Church / 6:30 pm / See pg 9
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Totally Dog Pet Photo Contest Vote Early and Vote Often

The Totally Back-to-School Photo Contest is underway! You can still submit a picture of your pet with their name, owner name and phone number. Submit it in person or email too totallydogproducts@gmail.com. Any type of pet is permitted but the deadline to submit a pic is September 5th. One entry per pet. They will number and

post your picture in the store and on Facebook.

Voting begins Sept 5 and voting can only be done in the store. No purchase is necessary. One vote per day. However you can additional votes for each \$5 in store purchase. Voting will continue the entire month of September and the winner will be announced October 2.

Ohio Living Lake Vista Rehabilitation Spotlight

In every season of life, short-term rehabilitation can play a key role in recovery from an injury, medical procedure, or health condition. Whether it's rehabbing after knee, hip or shoulder surgery, recovering from a stroke, or other situations where therapy is necessary, the Rehab Center at Ohio Living Lake Vista can help.

"Our experienced and licensed rehabilitation team offers physical, occupational, respiratory and speech therapy services which are personally tailored toward each patient," said Julie Lariccia, hospital transitional care liaison at Ohio Living Lake Vista. "The rehab team is extraordinary and comprised of nursing staff, therapists, case manager and social worker, to provide holistic, high-quality care and lasting results."

Ohio Living Lake Vista's Rehab Center assists with things like restoring balance, improving functional mobility, pain management techniques, cardiovascular rehab, addressing neuromuscular deficits, lymphedema management, maintaining skin integrity, patient and caregiver education, and

reducing the risk of falling. Rehab suites are all private and include a standard-sized bed, walk-in shower, flatscreen TV, dresser, closet, emergency call light system, individualized heating/cooling and Wi-Fi access. Guests receive 24-hour nursing care and security, dining and catering services, professional beauty/barber shop, personalized transportation, physician services, podiatry services, pharmacy service, ancillary supplies and access to all the campus's amenities and programming. "For someone to qualify for short-term rehab services at Ohio Living Lake Vista, they typically have had a prior hospital stay," explained Lariccia. "We usually receive a head's up from the hospital prior to the procedure so we can connect with the patient's insurance company and prepare for their arrival. Both Medicare and managed health care plans typically provide full coverage for up to 20 days of a rehab stay, with additional days incurring co-pays."

For more information about the Ohio Living Lake Vista Rehab Center, Julie can be reached at 330-638-2420 ext. 1061.



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Spring Scrap Drive Proceeds Donated To Cortland's Park And Recreation Board

By Ralph McCord

At the regular meeting of the Cortland Parks and Recreation Board on August 14th a check was presented to Mayor Dee Dee Petrosky and David Christner Board Chairman. This check, in the amount of \$1009.78, represents the proceeds of the Spring Scrap Drive held by NEO Junk and the Cortland Lions Club benefiting Safety City.

Thank you to all who donated scrap metal in support of this drive. Ryan Stan of NEO Junk and the Cortland Lions Club will also be having a Fall Scrap Drive with the date to be announced. Please start accumulating your metal scrap for this worthy cause.

We are waiting for the City and Republic Services to define a date for this year's City wide cleanup day as our Scrap Drive is usually held one week before. Watch for an update in the September 23rd Edition of the Cortland News and on Everything Cortland Facebook Page.

Bazetta Fire Dept. Welcomes Two New Members

By Rob Wasser, BFD

Recently the Bazetta Fire Department officially welcomed a new firefighter and promoted another firefighter to the position of Captain.

Firefighter/Paramedic, Bill Brewer is a seasoned veteran of fire and EMS and Captain Brad Hall is also a veteran of fire and EMS. Both will serve our community, residents and department with respect and the professionalism that remains paramount for our township.

Congratulations to you both on your well-deserved positions.

Captain Brad Hall gets pinned by his wife as Chief Rink watches.

Firefighter Bill Brewer gets pinned as Chief Rink observes.



Basil Jarrett-Cortland Lions Club member, Ryan Stan owner of NEO Junk and a Parks and Recreation Board member, Mayor Dee Dee Petrosky and David Christner-Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Board.

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Bazetta Fire Dept. Celebrates 75 Years



By Rob Wasser, BFD

We are very excited to announce that our 75th anniversary will be celebrated on October 1st, 2023! The day will begin by hosting a breakfast for all past members (volunteer & career) at Dilucia's Banquet & Catering Facility (2610 Elm Rd NE, Warren) at 10 a.m.. Then all former members and the public are cordially invited to attend an open house at the fire station from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

During the open house refreshments will be provided. Additionally, current firefighters will be on hand to answer questions and provide tours of the station and review equipment.

We politely request that any former members attending the breakfast RSVP by September 8th. You can RSVP by calling the fire station (330-637-4136), message us on Facebook or by sending an email to trink@bazettatwp.org.

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Jo Marie's School Of Dance And Gymnastic Celebrates Fifty Years

By Anna Rider

In September 1973, Jo Marie Ferradino opened the doors to a brand-new school in Warren, welcoming young people into tap, ballet, jazz, and acrobatics classes. Years later, the very same Jo Marie's School of Dance lives on in Cortland and in the hearts of countless members of our community. This year marks the fiftieth anniversary of a school that has touched the lives of many.

The school's founder has come a long way. Ferradino's record boasts certification from the Dance Masters of Ohio, Dance Masters of America, and The Cecchetti Council of America for Classical Ballet. She is also a graduate of The Dance Teachers Training College. Her school has come a long way too, now complete with a Ninja Room and gymnastics facility providing training on bars, balance beam, and vault, along with classes in basic to advanced floor skills. But make no mistake, the school teaches much more than the art of dance, spreading a message of love and kindness and helping young people to grow and achieve great things.

While the Ninja Room is certainly impressive, it isn't the only feature of the school that is new-- so are some of the faces! In 2021, Jo Marie retired following a long and fulfilling career but not before ensuring her business was left in good hands. And she found them in her successor, Aeron Koprivnak, who purchased the studio along with partner Joe DiLallo.

Now the head of the studio, Aeron was once a dance parent struggling to find a studio with everything she wanted--until she came across Jo Marie's School of Dance. As their daughter joined the school at only three years old, both Aeron and her husband Mike were already familiar with the ins and outs of the school. They were also deeply determined to honor Jo Marie's experience and traditions. "We wanted to continue the studio for our daughter and our families and friends and the people we met here," Aeron tells us.

"I was confident when passing on the torch to new owners Aeron and Joe, that they would succeed," Jo Marie recalls. "It has been an uplifting experience to see them flourish as they conquer their goals and achievements." And Jo Marie's confidence certainly wasn't misplaced.

Under Aeron's leadership and Jo Marie's name and mentorship, the

studio has continued to thrive. "We couldn't see changing the name," Aeron explains. "Fifty years of helping shape these young humans is the culture this studio has implemented since day one when Jo Marie herself decided this was her life goal."

They also couldn't see changing the location. "Why fix something that isn't broken?" Aeron adds. "People know this place; it feels comfortable."

The studio's transformation from a one woman show to a group of devoted instructors and close-knit friends is certainly impressive. And it's easy to see the source of this growth: dedication, passion, and good community.

"Jo Marie set the foundation for this business 50 years ago and has made a huge impact on the families here in the community," says Aeron. "My goal is to carry on the same traditions and family values that the community, students, and families have grown to trust and love."

Perhaps the most visible evidence of the dance school's positive impact is found in these families. This year marks seventeen-year-old Clover Wagner's sixteenth year as a member of the studio. Clover followed in the footsteps of their mother Brandie, one of Jo Marie's first students. "It has been an honor to be a legacy at Jo Marie's," Clover tells us. "All the teachers at Jo Marie's have treated me like family. For the last sixteen years they have handled me like I was their own. I love it here. They're my family."

Brandie and Clover are only two of the many hearts that Jo Marie and her studio have touched. "There are so many heartwarming memories of teaching the children and mentoring teachers as well as the enjoyment of all the activities we participated in," says Jo Marie. And her successor couldn't agree more. "We are a family here and it's not just a business," Aeron declares. "We truly care about our students and the success they achieve--in life, with school and at class here. Celebrating fifty years this year is something that I have to say is truly amazing and I'm beyond grateful to be a part of. Cheers to fifty more!"

"Kudos, Congratulations, and Happy Fiftieth," says the school's founder. "It is most satisfying to see the legacy upheld and it lives on; 'to be kind, loving, and always do your best.'"



Brandie Wagner, Jo Marie Ferradino, Aeron Koprivnak



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Farmers Market & Vendors Show At Lake Vista

There will be a Farmers Market and Vendor Show along with an Independent Living Open House on Sept 20 at Lake Vista near the Pond area. There will be produce, baked goods, crafts, and more! The excitement starts at 10:00 AM and runs until 1:30PM/ Lake Vista is located at 303 N. Mecca in Cortland.

Cortland Rotary Club Launches Membership Drive

The Cortland Rotary Club is launching an exciting membership drive to foster community engagement and social impact. They are pleased to announce the launch of an engaging and dynamic membership drive aimed at expanding its vibrant community. Rotary International, a global network of leaders dedicated to humanitarian service, has been a driving force behind countless local and international projects that address pressing social issues, promote education, and provide essential resources to underserved communities.

The Cortland Rotary Club embodies these values and is excited to welcome new members who share the desire to create lasting change. Interested individuals are invited to attend a Cortland Rotary Club breakfast meeting

to learn more about the organization's values, mission, and ongoing projects. These sessions will provide a unique opportunity to meet current members, ask questions and gain insights into the incredible impact that Rotary has on local and global communities. A one-time courtesy breakfast will be offered to a prospective member.

They meet every Tuesday morning from 7:30 AM to 8:30 AM at the Ohio Living Lake Vista Club House, 303 N. Mecca Street in Cortland.

For more information, please visit the Rotary Club of Cortland website at: <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3552> or find us on Facebook under Cortland Rotary Club. Or contact Club President, Dan Schultz, 330-719-5792, danschultz@hotmail.com



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Trumbull County Democratic Party Hosting Volunteer Meeting

The Trumbull County Democratic Party will be hosting an all-volunteers party on Thursday, September 7 at 5:30 PM. The event will be held at the TC Democratic headquarters located at 36 Youngstown Rd. SE in Niles, in the Pinetree Plaza. Please use the rear parking lot entrance.

This is to thank the many, many volunteers who worked so hard to defeat Issue One! You participated in a huge voter outreach and rallied, wrote postcards, texted, canvassed, distributed signs and buttons, talked with neighbors, family and friends, got the word out at events, stood out at the polls on election day and were poll workers on election day.

Everyone is welcome.



Trumbull County Republican Women's Club

Trumbull County Republican Women's Club held their Organizational meeting for the 2023-2024 CY. Their 1st meeting will be on Thurs., Sept. 7th with guest speaker, Madonna Chism Pinkard, Community Relations Director for WFMJ. Please contact Cathy at 330.448.2227 for more information or reservations.



Front row: Cathy Lukasko, JoAnne Szczyglowski, Judie Shortreed; Back row: Carol Jochman, Katie Tingler, Lori Hineman, Lynda Chos, Barb Rosier-Tryon.



SWCD Milkweed Collection Supports Monarch Butterflies

The Mahoning County Soil & Water Conservation District will collect milkweed seed pods from Sept. 1 through November as part of a statewide effort to reverse the decline of monarch butterflies.

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources attributes the rapid decline of the butterflies to the disappearance of milkweed, the only host plant for monarch caterpillars, a news release states.

"Milkweed is required for the life cycle of the monarch butterfly. Monarchs lay their eggs exclusively on milkweed because monarch larvae and monarch caterpillars' sole food source is the milkweed leaf," said Kathleen Vrable-Bryan, district administrator at the Mahoning County SWCD.

"So these milkweed seed collections could be crucial in the success of the monarchs and, by extension, agriculture in the Mahoning Valley," she said.

Seed pods collected by the SWCD and others will assist in the planting of milkweed throughout the state to support the monarchs.

Pods need to be dry, gray or brown (not green) in color to be picked and should be stored in a cool, dry area until they can be delivered to the SWCD office at 850 Industrial Road. Visitors are asked to place milkweed in the bucket at the building's entrance. They should be stored in a paper bag and labeled with the date of collection and the county in which they were collected. Pods can be dropped off from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call the SWCD office at 330-740-7995.

Cortland Rotary Thanks Sponsors

Even though we had to cancel this year's Color Run, The Cortland Rotary wants to thank the many generous sponsors. All these wonderful contributors declined a refund and are excited that the monies will be used to benefit Lakeview students and residents in the Bazetta/Cortland community. Cortland Rotary President, Dan Schultz and Color Run Co-Chairs, Beth Harris and Barb Hummel are acknowledging the generous contributions of many local businesses and residents.

The mission of Rotary is Service Above Self, and the listed contributors have helped to support that goal by donating funds to the Cortland Rotary Color Run.

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City Of Cortland Curbside Brush Pickup Policy - 2023

The City of Cortland Service Department will conduct branch and limb pick up service along city streets starting in April and continuing through October. Pick-up for the entire city is the week of the 4th Monday of each month. There will be one pick-up per month per household. The service day may vary during the collection week due to weather and workload. As noted below, branches should be placed at the curb no later than the Sunday prior to collection week to ensure removal. One pass will be made on each street.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Branches and limbs need to be placed at the curb no later than the Sunday before the scheduled collection week.
- One pass will be made on each street.
- Only branches and limbs will be picked up (trimmed/pruned and

- root-free).
- Branches and limbs must be no longer than 6' in length and can be up to 4" in diameter.
- The city will pick up a single brush pile no larger than 6' x 8' per household.
- Do not combine piles with your neighbors.
- Branches and limbs must be stacked in a straight pile with cut ends facing the street.
- No firewood, large logs or complete trees will be picked up.
- If you have any questions, please call the Administration Building at (330) 637-3011.

2023 Brush Chipping Schedule

- Week of September 25th
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Trumbull County's Largest Raffle-Auction To Help Cortland Mom Battle Breast Cancer

By Kelli Weir

Trumbull County's largest raffle-auction returns on Sept. 30 to the Trumbull County Fairgrounds to help a Cortland breast cancer survivor. The 13th Annual War Against Breast Cancer Raffle-Auction will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will also feature a Cow Patty Bingo contest, costumed princesses and superheroes, live music, food trucks, sweet treats, archery contests and an onsite mobile mammography van. Admission and parking are free.

The raffle-auction will boast hundreds of donated items, including: Steak for a year from Texas Roadhouse, \$300 in Meijer gift cards, a six-hour guided walleye fishing experience on Lake Erie with DNA Sport Fishing, a free Panera Bread pastry every month for a year, tickets to concerts, comedy shows, family fun parks, wine festivals and sporting events, a flat-screen TV, scratch-off Lottery ticket bundles, hunting gear, toys for all ages and gift cards to many popular restaurants.

General item tickets are 2 for \$1. Tickets for items valued at \$100 or more are \$1 each and tickets for items valued at \$300 or more are \$5 each. Winners do not need to be present for the 4:15 p.m. drawing.

The Cow Patty Bingo winner will receive up to \$500 in cash and a Texas Roadhouse - Niles Butcher's Basket. Only 300 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at <https://tinyurl.com/CowPattyBingoTickets> until Sept. 29, or at the Sept. 30 event up until the bingo's 1:30 p.m. start time.

The event, which is sponsored by Texas Roadhouse - Niles, the Mullee Family/Boss Babes LLC, Curtis Layer Design/Build, Shaker Painting and Howland Hope Chest in partnership with the Trumbull County Fair Board, will help breast cancer survivor Jenifer Harris with her lost wages and out-of-pocket medical expenses.

Jenifer, a mother of five children with three teenagers still at home, was diagnosed in August 2022 with Stage I breast cancer. The 1992 Maplewood High School graduate who works as a phlebotomist has undergone two surgeries, chemotherapy, radiation and two hospital stays, which have cost the family hundreds of dollars in out-of-pocket expenses.

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A Labor FOR Love

As Labor Day arrives this year on September 4th, we typically see many people taking that extra day off from work so they can enjoy one last camping trip or day off relaxing. This holiday is a federal holiday that is celebrated on the first Monday in September to honor and recognize the American labor movement and the work of laborers to the development and achievements of the United States.

Those that have labored and worked hard have paved the way for us to enjoy the things we have today in this country. When we as individuals work hard, we too can have personal rewards for our earlier labors.

In the Bible, we see a similar story happen where Jacob labors for seven long years for Laban. Jacob was going to work for Laban and he said "I will work for you for seven years in exchange for your younger daughter Rachel to become my wife."

Genesis 29:20 tells us that Jacob then

served seven years for Rachel, which seemed like a few days to him because of his love for her. Laban however, gave Jacob his eldest daughter Leah instead of Rachel, and Jacob was not pleased with this at all. Laban said that it is not our practice to marry off the younger before the firstborn. He then told Jacob he will allow him to also marry Rachel in exchange for another seven years of labor. Jacob served another seven years fulfilling the agreement to work fourteen years in total for Laban's daughters, which both became his wives.

How committed are you and I to work for and labor to achieve our goals? Jacob was very committed to the end goal, which he received. I encourage you to stay faithful in the work you are called to do, laboring to achieve the desires of our hearts as well. Then you can sit and enjoy the benefits of all your hard work at the end of the day.

As we head into fall, few things catch our community attention like the return of students to school and fall sports. As a parent, I've come to truly value a fall sport that doesn't get near as much attention - cross country.

I completely understand if you aren't a cross country parent, it's a sport that is easy to ignore. Many cross country courses aren't built for spectators to be able to watch the entire race.. I'm not a runner, running isn't my thing, I feel too old and far too heavy for even the thought of running. Still, I've been a cross country parent for 8 years between the two boys I have helped raise. And there is something amazing that happens on a cross-country course that I rarely see in any other sport in the same way.

It is encouragement. While cross country is run competitively between school teams and between individual athletes, at the same time every athlete is rooting for every athlete and spectators are cheering everyone. Don't get me wrong, people cheer a little harder for the athletes they are directly connected to through varied relationships. Yet I have stood and watched while spectators will stand on the sidelines cheering even the very last runners while they approach the finish line, running, walking, or even limping. The fact that those athletes took to the course and have come near the end is worth every bit of encouragement that can be offered. Athletes will frequently return to the course to cheer on other athletes, even from rival schools. All in the name of encouragement. They know the journey and it's worth celebrating someone on a similar journey.

As a person of faith, the reason I love that atmosphere in cross country is because it reminds me so much of the Christian life. We are called to be encouragers, to build others up in love

and faith. When we learn to recognize the image of God in one another, no matter how smudged or broken it might appear, we recognize that we are all people sharing similar journeys and its worth giving others every bit of grace and hope we can offer. It doesn't matter whether someone is the first-place runner or the last, there are people every day putting in their best efforts in life and they are worthy of all the love that Christ gives, all the encouragement we can offer.

More than that, it doesn't matter whether they are on the same team or not. Amid all the things in the world that want to divide us, we could all use the type of encouragement that sees value in every one of us, that sees something worth celebrating in every person.

Honestly, I can only begin to imagine what our world and our communities would be like if we were all rooting for one another, during things that might make us different, we continue to build together in love.

Go ahead and imagine it for a moment. Feels like the Kingdom of God to me.

Let me offer these words of encouragement as I step aside from the keyboard. You are worthy of love. God sees something amazing in you. Wherever you are, whatever journey you are on, I love you and I know God loves you so much more.

Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste Management District Hours

The Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste Management District (SWMD) would like to announce hours of operation at the Trumbull Collection Facility, 5138 Enterprise Drive, Warren, Ohio. Hours have been adjusted because we opened a second collection facility in Geauga County in 2022.

Collection of household hazardous waste (HHW) began on Wednesday, April 26, at the Trumbull Collection Facility. Trumbull accepts household hazardous waste (HHW), electronics and appliances for free disposal.


The Trumbull facility hours: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

- Tuesdays: Electronics and Appliances ONLY
- Wednesdays: HHW, Electronics and Appliances.
- Special Waste Saturdays: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm HHW, Electronics and Appliances accepted May 6, June 3, August 5, September 9 and October 14, 2023.

For a list of items we accept, please visit our website at www.gottagreen.org. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at (330) 675-2673 or 800-707-2673. Residents of Geauga and Trumbull Counties only.



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Jewish Community Center Offering Meals

By Olivia Miller

The Jewish Community Center of Youngstown and Jewish Family & Community Services are offering meals to those 60 and older through the Trumbull County Title III program.

Participants must meet nutritional guidelines, be homebound, and be unable to prepare their own meals. A brief over-the-phone assessment is required to be approved for the program. Call 330-884-6386 for more information.

JFCS is also accepting new mental health counseling clients. Licensed, experienced professionals provide in office or in home therapy for individuals, groups, families, and children to help with mental health challenges and life

transitions. For more information call 330-746-7929.

Jewish Family & Community Services meets the social service needs of the community through diverse programs and services including guardianships, counseling, senior outreach, and home delivered meals. For more information visit jewishyoungstown.org/jfcs.

Through the JMeals program, JFCS and JCC, both agencies of the Youngstown Area Jewish Federation, provide a critical service for those in need in northern Columbiana, Mahoning, and Trumbull Counties who meet eligibility requirements. For more information visit jewishyoungstown.org/jmeals.

Church News & Notes

Calvary Bible Church - It's Time for S'more AWANA! When: Weds, Sept. 6th, 2023; Ages: 3 yrs - 6th grade / Trek: 7th - 12th; Time: 6:15 to 8:00 PM; 4747 Warren Rd NE, Cortland. It's going to be a fun night for AWANA clubbers with a Campfire and S'MORES! Wear tennis shoes & dress for the outdoors!

Sunday, September 17th is our Annual Missions Conference at Calvary Bible Church. We will have our Missionary from the Middle East with us. Morning Worship Service 9:30 AM; Sunday School & Q&A at 11 AM. Come and hear what God is doing in & through the lives of His servants across the globe.

Wildare Church's Family Board Game Night September 15 @ 6:00 p. m. at the church. All ages welcome!

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church - Trinity Rally Day and 80th Anniversary Celebration. Dear friends of Trinity and members of our community, this year our congregation of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is celebrating our 80th Anniversary. You and your family are invited to join us for our celebration on September 17th. On this day we will have our Rally day for Sunday School at 9 am, service will be at 10:15

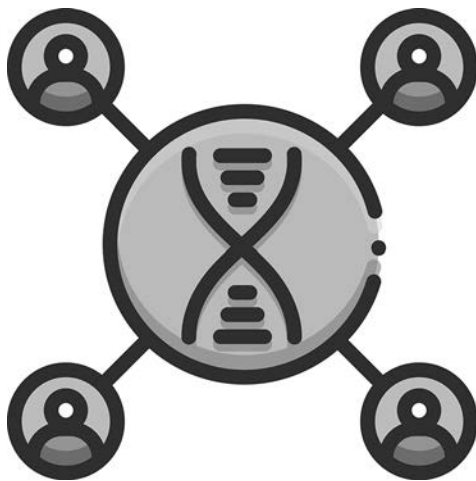
am with Pastor Kenneth Kelly as our special preacher for the day. He is a son of our congregation, and served faithfully as vacancy Pastor at Trinity, is our Emeritus Pastor, and was chosen because of his long-term connection to Trinity. We will be remembering all who served Trinity in Pastoral Ministry and remembering the great gift of our musicians.

You are invited to join us for lunch after service. If anyone has pictures or memories to share please contact Pastor Wacker. Please RSVP to pastortrinitywarren@gmail.com or call/text 330-647-6402

Cortland United Methodist Church - "Church Attic Sale", Friday Sept. 22, 9 AM- 6 PM and Saturday, Sept 23, 9AM- 2 PM. 155 N. High St. We have been cleaning the church rooms and member's homes for the past several months and have discovered lots of long forgotten treasures and good junk that we will offer for a donation to God's work. Come pick-out what you want and "Contribute as God guides you." Lots of good stuff. Toys, games, books, craft materials, furnishings, kids chairs, appliances, Christmas trees and decor, Something for everyone. All must go! Proceeds go to shared.

Trumbull County Genealogical Society

The Trumbull County Genealogical Society will be meeting at 10:00 am on Tuesday, September 12 in the Grant Room of the Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, 444 Mahoning Avenue, N.W., Warren. Please note change of venue! Keith Bowers will talk with us about how to share your DNA matches. All meetings are free for all ages and open to the public. Please join us at <https://www.facebook.com/trumbullcountyohiogenealogy> and www.trumbullgenealogy.com for up-to-date information.



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Lakeview School News

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From the Desk of the Superintendent

By Velina Jo Taylor, Lakeview Superintendent

Happy Labor Day! For many, this holiday signifies the end of summer, but for those of us in schools, it represents a new beginning. As we welcomed students and staff back to school in late August, we knew the cool fall days were just around the corner.

Open House nights have been held, and we have introduced new staff as well as people who have taken on new positions within the district. Additionally, the district welcomed eighth grade students to the high school building as part of our cost savings measures. Despite

the changes and modifications made in many areas, we are all enthusiastic about the coming year.

Everyone has returned to school facilities that have been deep cleaned and are looking great both inside and out. And we have welcomed the drivers, secretaries, support staff, cafeteria workers, nurses, counselors, teachers, students, and administrators who are all ready to set out on new learning adventures.

It's a great time to be a Bulldog! *Together – We Are Lakeview.*

Marching Bulldogs Dial Up A 90's Show

By Heather Sensabaugh

Marching Band is in full swing, and this year they are putting on a magnificent show with songs from the era of Grunge, the 1990's! Songs they're playing this year include Creep, Smells Like Teen Spirit and Zombie among others. They have had two successful band shows, one at LaBrae and one at Howland so far this year. The Lakeview Band Night was on Monday, August 28th. They will also be performing at the Jackson Band Festival on September 23rd, as well as the Buckeye Invitational at Ohio State on October 14th. The Marching Band plays at all Football Games as well!

The band attended Band Camp at Hiram College again this summer, marched in the Street Fair Parade in July and went to Kennywood where they marched in the first Fall Fantasy Parade of the year on August 5th. They were the best band there (I may be a bit biased, as my daughter is enjoying her first year as a Marching Bulldog!).

Our Marching Bulldogs are hardworking students and a source of great pride for our community. They should be very proud of continuing the Tradition of Excellence!

Lakeview Levy Committee Craft Show

The Lakeview Levy Committee will host a craft show on Saturday, September 23 at the Bazetta Cortland Optimist Club from 10 AM - 4 PM. There will be craft vendors, food trucks, music and fun for everyone!

Want to learn more about the upcoming levy? Follow them on Facebook "Lakeview Levy Committee-Lakeview Local Schools". They wish to thank their community partners, The Bazetta Cortland Optimist Club and Fuji Lee.



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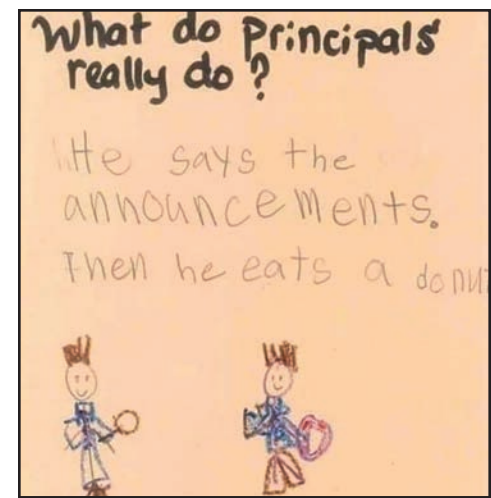
Penalty Kick Shootout Returns

The very popular Penalty Kick Shootout fundraiser for the girls & boys soccer programs at Lakeview returns September 23. The same format is in place where players and community members will be able to shoot on the varsity goalies to test their skills.

There will be food trucks, games and prizes for the participants in the shootout. This will take place at Lakeview High School from 1-3 pm on September 23rd. For more information contact Nick Facciolo at nicholas.facciolo@lakeviewlocal.org



First year Lakeview High Head Football Coach, Derrick Bush, attended the August 22nd Cortland Rotary Club meeting. Coach Bush briefed the club about his coaching philosophy and his expectations for this year's Lakeview Bulldogs football team. Congratulations to Coach Bush and the team on the season opener victory. Pictured L-R are Coach Bush and Rotary Club President Dan Schultz.



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Mark Thomas Ford thanks everyone that came out to the Bronco Round Up on August 19. They had great weather and a great turnout for their first ever show with over 40 Broncos that stopped by. The band Against The Wind and food from Ocean Breeze Concessions was also a hit!! Watch for another special car show in the future.

Thank you



News From Bazetta Christian Childcare And Preschool

Bazetta Christian Childcare and Preschool is an environment for learning and enjoying creative play. Our lead teachers are highly certified in Childhood Development and continue professional development hours through OCCRA (Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association).

This summer our infants, toddlers, preschool, pre-K, and school-agers learned Sign Language using our large screen smart board viewing videos and reinforced using sign language throughout the day.

Mindfulness activities such as animal yoga, and simple movements to music helped develop the children's ability to focus their attention and stay in the present.

The summer program ended with



Spirit Week: Monday- Pajama Day
Tuesday- Beach Day
Wednesday- Wacky Hair/Clothes Day
Thursday- Camp Day
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On Saturday, September 9th, the breakfast will benefit the Warren Chapter of DeMolay, a Masonic boys organization. Then on Saturday, September 23, the breakfast proceeds will be donated to the "Mustang Care Program" which sends food home for low income families, in the Matthews School District, to feed their kids in the evenings and on weekends. Without this program, the only meals that some kids would get, is at school. Their only funding is from donations.

The "all you can eat" breakfasts feature pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice, and coffee served from 9 am to Noon at the Masonic Lodge located at 3263 Everett-Hull Rd. (E. Main St., just over Rt. 11).

The cost is \$8 for adults and \$6 for youth age 6 to 12. Any youth age 5 and under are FREE, and take-outs are available.



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New to Investing? Here's What You Need to Know

Understanding the basics of investing is an essential first step toward building a strong financial foundation, but many people don't know where to get started. Here are five concepts that can be helpful for new investors to grasp:

1. If you are young, time is on your side. Building wealth through investing is not about getting rich quickly. Rather, it's about taking advantage of what works best for your circumstances. If you have recently entered the workforce, your biggest advantage is time. Earnings generated in your portfolio, even if modest in the beginning, can compound over time. The more time you give your money to grow, the greater the potential for growth over the long haul.

2. Be prepared for market swings. Any variable investment you choose – such as stocks, bonds or real estate – is subject to fluctuation. History shows that markets move up and down over time. Be prepared to see your portfolio suffer losses at various points throughout your investing life. Historically, markets have recovered from negative periods (although in some circumstances, individual investments such as a specific stock can suffer losses and never recover). Try to maintain a long-term view with your investments by not reacting to day-to-day events.

3. Find your comfort level in the markets. Markets are unpredictable, so it's important that you're intentional about the level of risk you're willing to accept. If you have a lower risk tolerance, you can choose investments that are less susceptible to fluctuations but be sure to consider the effects of inflation eating into your rate of return. On the other hand, if you have a higher risk tolerance and you can stomach watching your portfolio fluctuate more widely in value, you may want to pursue investments that offer potentially higher returns. But remember, there are no guarantees. The key is to find a level of risk you can live with over the long-term and invest accordingly.

4. Spread your wealth through asset allocation. Asset allocation is the process of spreading your investment dollars across several categories of investments. The mix of categories, or asset classes, you own is an important factor in your overall portfolio performance. In other words, how you divide your money between stocks, bonds, cash, cash alternatives, mutual funds, and other asset classes will determine the outcome, and hopefully return, you realize.

As you select your investments, consider dividing your money among asset classes that respond differently to market forces. This investment concept, called diversification, can help you minimize the effect of market swings. If your investments in one class are performing poorly, investments in another class may be performing better. Ideally, gains in one class can help offset losses in another, which can help minimize the overall impact of volatility on your portfolio.

5. Make your long-term financial security a priority. It can be challenging to focus on the long-term when you have other pressing financial obligations, such as paying off student loans or building an emergency fund. However, if you can allocate a small portion of your budget to your future goals, you may ease your financial burden down the road. Consider investing a percentage of each paycheck into a workplace retirement plan or an individual retirement account (IRA). You'll become accustomed to living within the rest of your paycheck while the amount you have earmarked for retirement is given time to grow. If your company offers a match on those savings, be sure to take advantage of it. A successful investor maximizes gain and minimizes loss. Though there can be no guarantee that any investment strategy will be effective, and all investing involves risk, these basic principles can help you strategically build your nest egg over time.

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By Jennifer J. Slywczak

6 Key Tax Questions for 2023

It's a good idea to also familiarize yourself with pertinent amounts that may have changed for 2023 and consider options for this year.

Not all tax figures are adjusted for inflation. And even if they are, during times of low inflation the changes may be slight. When inflation is higher, as it currently is, the changes are generally more substantial. In addition, some tax amounts can change only with new tax legislation.

Here are the answers to six commonly asked questions about 2023 tax-related figures:

1. How much can I contribute to an IRA for 2023? If you're eligible, you can contribute up to \$6,500 for 2023 to a traditional or Roth IRA (up from \$6,000 for 2022). If you're age 50 or older, you can make another \$1,000 "catch-up" contribution.

2. I have a 401(k) plan through my job. How much can I contribute to it? For 2023, you can contribute up to \$22,500 to a 401(k) or 403(b) plan. You can make an additional \$7,500 catch-up contribution if you're age 50 or older. (These figures for 2022 were \$20,500 and \$6,500, respectively).

3. I sometimes hire a babysitter and a cleaning person. Do I have to withhold and pay FICA tax on the amounts I pay them? The threshold for when a domestic employer must withhold and pay FICA for babysitters, house cleaners and other domestic employees has increased to \$2,600 for 2023 (up from \$2,400).

4. How much do I have to earn in 2023 before I can stop paying Social Security tax on my salary? The Social Security tax wage base is \$160,200 for 2023, up from \$147,000 for 2022. That means that you don't owe Social Security tax on amounts earned above that. (You must pay Medicare tax on all amounts that you earn.)

5. On my last income tax return, my itemized deductions didn't exceed

my standard deduction. What's my standard deduction for 2023? If the total amount of your itemized deductions (such as charitable gifts and mortgage interest) is less than your applicable standard deduction amount, itemizing won't save you taxes. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act eliminated the tax benefit of itemizing for many people by increasing the standard deduction and reducing or eliminating various itemized deductions. For 2023, the standard deduction amount is \$27,700 for married couples filing jointly (up from \$25,900 for 2022). For single filers, the amount is \$13,850 (up from \$12,950), and, for heads of households, it's \$20,800 (up from \$19,400).

6. How much can I give to one person without having to file a gift tax return for 2023? The annual gift tax exclusion for 2023 is \$17,000 (up from \$16,000 in 2022). This amount is adjusted only in \$1,000 increments, so it typically increases only every few years.

These are only some of the tax figures that may apply to you. For more information about your tax picture, or if you have questions, don't hesitate to contact us.

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Low-Cost Rabies Vaccine Clinic at Tails of Hope

By Soraya Hejazi

This year marks the World Health Organization's (WHO) 17th World Rabies Day. World Rabies Day was established by the Global Alliance for Rabies Control (GARC) and takes place every September 28. This year's theme 'Rabies: All For 1, One Health For All' serves to highlight the need for collaboration, the importance of equality, and strengthening overall health systems by ensuring that One Health is not for a select few but is rather something that should be available to everyone.

Rabies is a zoonotic disease,

which means it can be passed from animal to human (or from humans to animals). Rabies has a 100% fatality rate. According to the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Rabies is endemic on several continents, and it is estimated that every year around 60,000 people in the world die from it, 40% of them children. Dog Rabies is the cause of 98% of human Rabies worldwide. The elimination of human Rabies transmitted by dogs - and the elimination of Rabies in our pets - is possible with commitment to sustained Rabies vaccinations, the progress of many countries in the region of the Americas in this achievement is proof of this.

In honor of World Rabies Day, and in alignment with the belief that essential, life-saving vaccines should be made available and affordable to everyone, Tails of Hope is holding a low-cost Rabies Vaccine Clinic for cats and dogs. Rabies Vaccines will be made available for only \$10 and will be administered by appointment only on Tuesday, September 26. Call 724-346-4673.





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Bazetta Christian Church History

We at Bazetta Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, had an amazing Spirit-filled service at the Trumbull County fair! The service opened the first of three celebratory services in honor of our 175th Church Anniversary! The service was held beside our original Church building, "the little white Church" in the fairgrounds. There were tears in our eyes as the old Church bell rang at the start of the service!

On August 20, we celebrated our second of a three-part Church service outdoors, with our congregation, visitors and our former Clergy, and a former Youth director! This culminated with a covered dish luncheon and was a great day! It was heartwarming to reminisce together.



Looking back at our Church's humble beginnings, we are one of the oldest Churches in Trumbull County!

The history of Bazetta Christian Church began when a group of people gathered by Calvin Smith at a local schoolhouse on a cold November 30, 1848. He gave the gospel invitation, and after two weeks of meetings the Bazetta Community Church was organized with thirty-five members.

The first Church building was built on the southeast corner of Everett Hull and Hoagland Blackstub roads. Our church had two doors, one for men, and one for women and children! Many notable men spoke at this pulpit, one of which was the 20th President of the United States, James A Garfield!

In 1893, the Church building was moved across the road to the northwest corner, at the present location, and over the next 130 years several additions, improvements, and name changes were made.

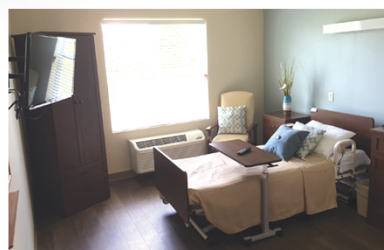
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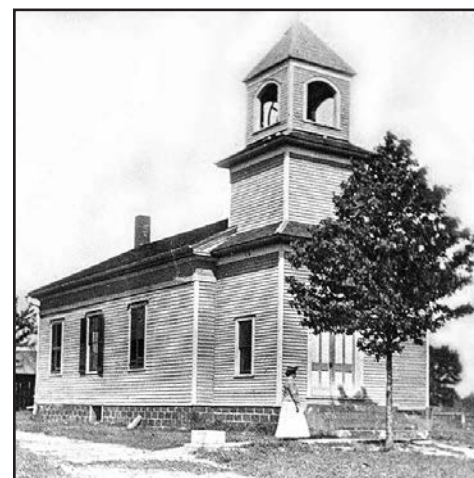
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Another option is the healthcare marketplace or exchange that was created through the Affordable Care Act. These plans are commonly referred to as Obamacare Insurance Plans. Insurance companies that offer these plans are required to follow guidelines set by the government. They are "guaranteed issue" and "guaranteed renewable" to anyone that applies during the Open Enrollment Period that runs November 1 - December 15 each year.

There are also Special Enrollment Periods available to anyone who experiences specific changes in their personal circumstances throughout the year, such as losing employer coverage. While rates, deductibles, out of pocket costs and benefits are set by the insurance company and vary from plan to plan as well as company to company, there is no underwriting, and you cannot be denied coverage or charged a higher premium for a pre-existing condition. The only factors that are allowed to be considered to determine the premium are county of residence, age, gender, and tobacco use.

These plans are specific to geographical area. They are not a good option if you are eligible for Medicare, Medicaid or other State Assistance programs or if you have an offer of employer insurance. There can be income tax consequences if you enroll in a marketplace plan and are later found to be eligible for other coverage.

ACA Marketplace plans are categorized into different levels of coverage Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum. For the most part, bronze plans will have higher deductibles and out-of-pocket costs with a lower premium while the platinum plans will have lower deductible and out-of-pocket costs but a higher premium. The silver and gold plans fall in between. There are also "Catastrophe" plans, however they are only available to someone under age 30 or individuals 30 and over who qualify for a hardship or affordability exemption.

Part of the ACA legislation provided for a Premium Tax Credit to

help individuals pay for a portion of the premium cost. This credit is based on your annual household income as filed on your income tax return at the end of the year. It is important to estimate income as closely as possible to avoid having to repay part of the credit. For example: marketplace plans that start in 2023, will have premium tax credits based on the income you estimate you will make in 2023. When you file your 2023 tax return in 2024 there will be a form that will need to be completed showing the cost of the insurance and the credit towards that premium throughout the year. You will receive a 1095-A showing the information needed to complete the tax return. If income is underestimated, you will be responsible for returning a portion of the premium credit as part of your tax return and possibly subject to a penalty depending on the amount of the difference.

Likewise, if income is overestimated and you should have received more of a credit towards your premium those funds will be credited to you on the tax return. Information on these plans can be found at healthcare.gov or through a local insurance agent that is familiar with these types of plans and has completed the training required to assist with the enrollment process.

Short-term plans are another option that is available. These plans typically range between 182 and 364 days in length. They can usually be cancelled at any time, therefore if you are looking for coverage to get through a short period of time until other coverage starts, these may be a good option. The premiums, deductibles, copays, and other out-of-pocket expenses will vary depending on the plan and the individual insurance company. Depending on the coverage you are looking for and your specific situation regarding income and health, they may have lower premiums. These plans are subject to underwriting and are not guaranteed to renew. They may or may not cover prescriptions and oftentimes do not cover preexisting conditions. At the end of the policy period a new application needs to be submitted and approved to continue coverage.

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

437th MP Bn 15th Reunion Scheduled

The 437th Military Police Battalion 15th Reunion is scheduled for Noon to 6 pm, Saturday, September 16 at the VFW Post 4192 Pavilion, 3889 Main St. (S.R. 46) Mineral Ridge, Ohio 44440.

The 437th Military Police Battalion, comprised of the 437th MP Bn Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, the 135th MP Company, the 323rd MP Co, the 324th MP Co and the 838th MP Co was disbanded in 1990 due to National Guard structure changes. Prior to the disbandment, the 437th HHD and 838th MP Co were based at the former Christy Armory on Victoria Road in Austintown Ohio; the 135th MP Co was based in Brookpark, Ohio; the 323rd MP Co was based in Toledo, Ohio and the 324th was based in Middletown, Ohio. Two years after the battalion disbanded, a small committee was formed and the first 437th MP Bn Reunion was held, 13 reunions have been held since with the 437th MP Bn 15th Reunion planned for this September.

The 437th MP Bn Reunion Committee is inviting former members of the 437th MP Bn (437th HHD, 135th MP Co, 323rd MP Co, 324th MP Co and 838th MP Co) who served prior to the unit's 1990 disbandment to attend the reunion.

The cost to attend the reunion is a \$5.00 Donation per adult. The Reunion Committee will supply main dishes, pop, water, and condiments. Guests



are asked to bring a covered dish with serving utensils or a dessert with serving utensils. Those interested in attending the reunion are asked to RSVP by September 1.

For more information about the '437th MP Bn 15th Reunion' or to have an invitation mailed to a former member, please contact: John (Jack) DeMain at 330-793-5649 or Randy Stowell at 330-372-9475.

The 437th MP Bn was reactivated by the Ohio National Guard prior to 2013 and is now based in Columbus, Ohio with its subordinate units spread across the state. The 437th MP Bn Reunion Committee is not affiliated with the current 437th MP Bn, the current battalion's subordinate units, the Ohio National Guard or the Ohio Adjutant General's Department.



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By Thom Foley

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Eleanor Rolls Out Of The Summer

By Cait Morgan

One thing that always announces the end of summer is the Canfield Fair. If you love to people-watch, this is the place to do it. Sometimes you see a little more than you are prepared for, but one should always expect the unexpected.

My mother, Eleanor, loved horse races, especially harness races. And she loved the fair. So every year I would drive her out and try to keep track of her for however many hours it took to make her happy, and always on a day when the harness races were running. Eleanor was the master of the unexpected quick turn into a building or tent with no warning, and suddenly I would be walking alone. Spent a lot of time backtracking to find her before she could sign up for something or, worse yet, sign ME up for something. And she always had to have a hot sausage sandwich and at least a few lemon shakes. But once the races started, that's where she would be - and usually winning.

One year when she was almost 80, she wanted to see the night races. This seemed OK as it would be cooler for her. She had to sit mid-way up the grandstand and would not allow anyone to place her bets for her. Every race she would go down to the trackside betting window, place her bet and come back up. Every. Single. Race.

Picture it: It was the next to the last race. My cousin was in one of the box seats serving as a medic for the evening. Eleanor headed down the steps but she stumbled and went head over kneecaps down those cement steps. A few people

hollered, I got up and screamed for my cousin as I was trying to get down the steps myself. I saw him turn around and recognize the human tumbleweed coming his way. He grabbed his gear bag as he stepped into the aisle to block her fall, but she had already fallen 15 steps or more. She was yelling for me. I got to her and what does she say?

"Here!! Go place my bet!" as my cousin and his partner put pressure on her head and knee - both bleeding quite badly. I did as she asked. She wouldn't let them carry her down to the gurney until the race was run. She won. I had to go collect her money. They lied and told her it was the last race, so she agreed to leave. But when they went to put her in the ambulance, she refused to go. She wanted her hot sausage sandwich. It was almost 11 PM, most stands were closed. I finally found one that was just about to close. I begged the woman to make one more as my 'elderly mother' wanted one so badly.

As the woman was making it she said "You know it's been quite a day. And I just heard that some old woman fell down the grandstand and won't leave until she gets a sandwich! Can you imagine?". I mumbled something and returned to the ambulance.

And, as I followed the ambulance to Northside Hospital I could see Eleanor, totally against medical advice, lying on the gurney with the back propped up happily munching away on her sandwich.

That was literally how she rolled.



Pawsitivity

Part 2: Pet Ownership: Money

Hello Cortland and Bazetta! Just in time for labor day, this article discusses the financial cost of pet ownership. Because what better way is there to spend your hard-earned dollars than on pet food, supplies, and vet bills?

In the last issue, we covered the time and energy that goes into being a pet parent. Pet ownership is not a right - it's a privilege. And there's certainly a lot to consider about whether or not that privilege is something you can embark on responsibly!

Money. What you pay for a pet isn't the only cost to consider. Adoption fees vary but most are reasonable considering everything that's typically included by the shelter. Long story short: If you have to get your pet up-to-date on vaccinations, microchipped, and spayed/neutered yourself, it's going to cost you. We adopted our first kitten for \$90 from New Lease on Life in 2019 (fully neutered, vaccinated, and microchipped). We found a stray kitten in Cortland in 2021 and paid \$435 to get her spayed, vaccinated, and microchipped!

These are some of the costs to consider for pet ownership involving dogs and cats:

- Food: Not all pet food is equal! Choose quality pet food that's a good fit for your pet. Always check the ingredients - the cheapest pet foods are often full of low-quality, low-nutrition

ingredients that can lead to poor health in the long run!

- Supplies: You may incur one-time costs such as a dog crate, collar, leashes, litter boxes, cat trees and scratchers, etc., as well as ongoing costs like kitty litter, treats, toys, and licensing costs (Ohio requires dogs over 3 months old to be licensed for a fee).

- Veterinary Services: Your pet will need annual check-ups and will need to visit a vet if they have an accident or become ill. This is very expensive and is becoming significantly more costly with every passing year. Your pet may need medication (some conditions require ongoing prescriptions) and the cost for treatments can be steep!
- Prevention for Heartworm/Flea/Tick/Other Parasites: even if your pet is indoor-only, they can still get some of these parasites! Talk to your vet about the best prevention options.

This is not an all-inclusive list - some situational costs are not included here such as grooming expenses, training classes, the services of a pet behavioralist, etc. if you should need those services.

Next article, I'll discuss the emotional capacity pet owners invest in their pets! Until next time - be paw-sitive, Cortland & Bazetta! Email Hello.Pawsitivity@gmail.com with comments/questions.



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SCOPE News

Sally Yurtin conducts the exercise class at the Cortland Senior Center Mondays and Wednesdays at 10 am.

Chuckie Love, who is a professional cornhole player, recently donated boards and bags to the Cortland Center. Cornhole is played every Wednesday at Noon. SCOPE's Cortland Senior Citizen Center is located at the Cortland Christian Church, 153 Grove St.



The Cortland Rotary Club welcomed its newest member David Gilbert recently. He was inducted into the club at a recent meeting that Club President Dan Schultz, presided over.

Information about becoming a member of Cortland Rotary can be found at <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/3552/sitepage/b-about-our-club-br/rotary-club-of-cortland> Pictured L-R are David Gilbert and Dan Schultz.



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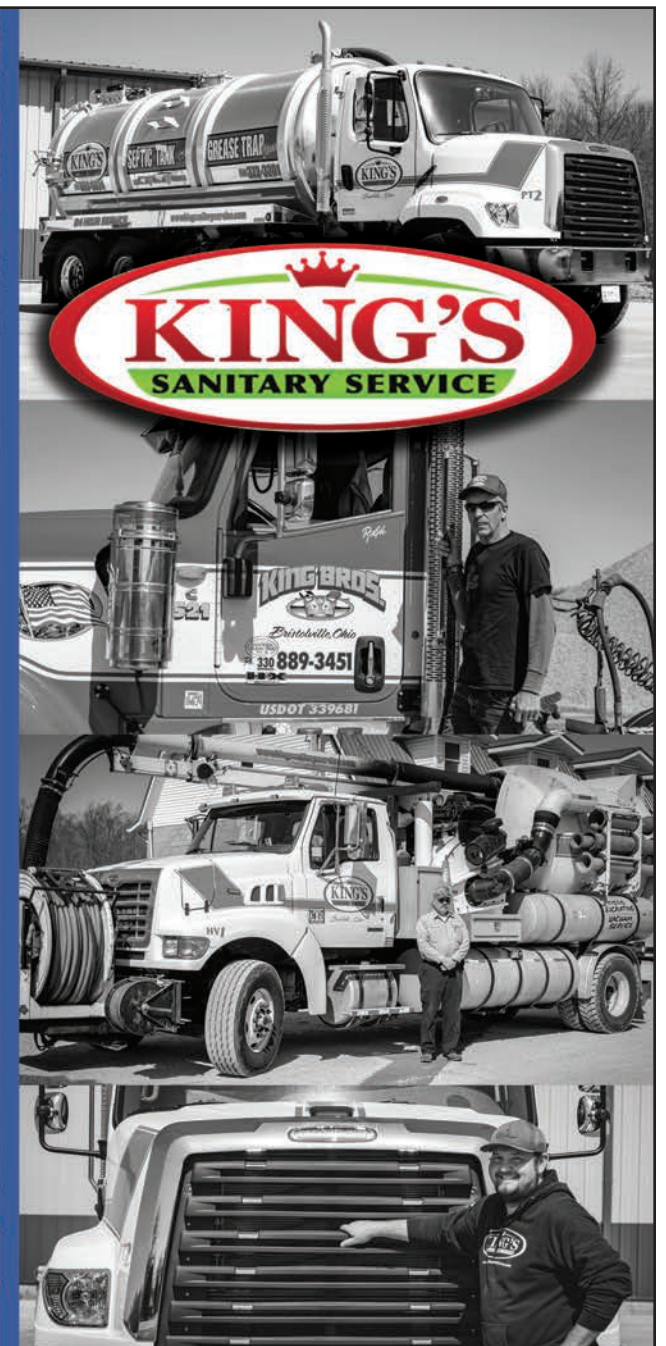
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Friendsgiving Event Held At Art Outreach Gallery

Members of GFWC Ohio Junior Cyberlinks Club hosted a Friendsgiving event for the Art Outreach Gallery at Eastwood Mall. Members assisted in preparing the gallery for upcoming shows and provided desserts for the gallery board members and other volunteers. In addition, a monetary donation was presented to the gallery.



Esther Gartland, Linda Raschilla, Stephanie Furano, and Pam Vines.



White Butterfly

By Robert Adkins

*Quick, look at that crazy white butterfly,
Erratic as can be, as he flies erratically by.
I saw one in Florida buzz me by the pool,
Never flies in a straight line, crazy fool.*

*Some call it the Cabbage Fly,
Hard to believe, small white dots on wings.
Female has slight auburn edging,
Male has black edging*

*Common throughout the world,
Forever, they have swirled.
They have seen wars and famine,
Erratic flying with fluttering wings, hard to imagine.*

*Well, time to close the story for the white little thing,
Writing its story makes the poet just sing,
Ohio or Florida it flies into the poets heart,
Hard to believe, we will never part.*



Cortland Library Events for Fall 2023

FOR CHILDREN

Toddler Tales - Mondays at 10 a.m.: Sept. 11 – 25; Oct. 2, 16, 23; Nov. 6 – 27; Storytime for toddlers ages 19 – 35 months old with a parent or caregiver.

Preschool Storytime - Tuesdays at 10 a.m.: Sept. 12 – 26; Oct. 3 – 24; Nov. 7 – 28; Preschool Storytime features stories, songs, and movement activities and reinforces the development of early literacy skills. For children ages 3 – 5 with a caregiver

Family Storytime - All at 6 PM, Thurs., Sept. 28, Thurs., Oct. 26, Thurs., Nov. 30. Come as a family to enjoy stories and activities for big kids, little kids and the young at heart. For families with children ages 3 – 8.

SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAMS

Creative @ Cortland 2 – 3:30 p.m on Sat., Sept. 30, Oct. 28, Nov. 18. Ready to use your imagination? Kids in grades K – 4 can stop by the library to try activities that will let them explore their creative sides. A drop-in event.

TWEEN PROGRAMS

Totally Tweens Tuesdays, 3-4 PM Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28. Tweens can let their creative juices flow with crafts and activities at the library. For tweens in grades 5 – 8.

FOR TEENS - Unless noted, all events are for teens in grades 7–12.

Midweek Mayhem Every Wednesday at 3 p.m.: Sept. 6 – Dec. 13 (Not on Nov. 22). Check out our weekly teen hangout! Enjoy games, activities, and a small snack.

Teen Advisory Board Tuesdays 3-4:30 PM Sept 5, Oct 3, Nov 7. Do you have ideas about what you'd like to see at the library? Want to earn service hours? Do you like collaborating on creative ideas? Come be a part of the Teen Advisory Board! Applications are available in the library at the Teen Desk or the Checkout Desk. Registration is requested.

Strategy Games Thurs., Sept. 14 at 3 p.m. Challenge your mind with a variety of strategy games including chess, Pandemic, Qwirkle, and more! Registration is requested by Sept. 12.

Hogwarts Party Tues., Sept. 19 at 4 p.m. Show off your house pride at our Hogwarts party! Enjoy chocolate frogs, butterbeer, games, a photo station,

giveaways, and more! Costumes are encouraged but not required. Registration is required by Sept. 12.

STEM: Ozobots Tues., Oct. 10 at 4 p.m. Use Ozobots to learn the basic concepts of coding. We will be practicing both paper and tablet coding for the Ozobot robots.

Masquerade Murder Mystery Mon., Oct. 23 at 4 p.m. In a town where corruption and scandal run rampant, you find a ticket to the mayor's masquerade ball mysteriously in your mailbox. When things go awry, can you stay alive and find out who the killer is before it's too late? You will be assigned a character at registration. Registration is required by Oct. 19.

Write Here, Write Now Thurs., Nov. 9 at 3 p.m. Get that creative spark flowing with some quick writes to various prompts; if you would like, you can choose to share your work with other participants.

Puzzle It Out Tues., Nov. 14 at 4 p.m. Test your problem-solving skills with puzzles and riddles!

FOR ADULTS

Book Discussion Thurs., Oct. 5 at 6 p.m. Join in our discussion of Kent State: Four Dead in Ohio by Derf Backderf. This is a Trumbull County Reads 2023 book selection.

Online Book Discussion via Zoom Thurs., Oct. 12 at 2 p.m. Join in our online discussion of Kent State: Four Dead in Ohio by Derf Backderf. To register and receive the link to join the discussion via Zoom, call the Cortland Library at (330) 638- 6335.

Open Mic Night! Mon., Oct. 16 at 6 p.m. Open Mic Nights are a place for local poets, authors, musicians, or artists to share their work with the community. We look forward to enjoying a variety of talents at our library Open Mic Night! For ages 16+.

A Visit to Two National Parks and the Hoover Dam Mon., Nov. 6 at 1 p.m. Trumbull County Soil and Water Conservation District Administrator, Watershed Coordinator Amy Reeher will discuss her recent tour of Grand Canyon National Park and Death Valley National Park. Reeher will show highlights from her visit as well as her stop at the Hoover Dam.



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Overwatch League Offered At JCC

The Jewish Community Center of Youngstown is offering an Overwatch League for ages 14 and older from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays from Sept. 5 through Oct. 24, at the JCC, 505 Gypsy Lane.

Teams of five will compete in this eight-week internal Overwatch league. The top two teams will be eligible for prizes. The cost is \$35 for JCC members and \$45 for nonmembers. Registration is required by Sept. 1. Visit jccyoungstown.org/esports to register.



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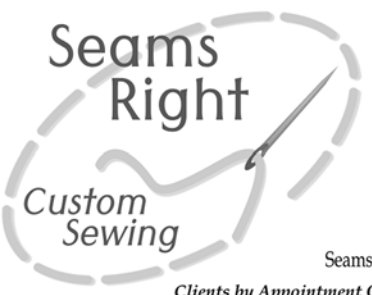
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