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March In Cortland Shaking Off The Rust And Finding The Green

By Alex Irman

If February in Northeast Ohio feels like a marathon run in a walk-in freezer, March is the official finish line. This is the month where Cortland finally starts to breathe again, transitioning from the quiet of winter to the early stirrings of spring. While we aren't quite at the stage of hanging flower baskets on Main Street, the community begins to stir with a renewed sense of energy as the days grow longer and the sun makes more frequent appearances.

A Month of Celebrations

March 2026 is packed with reasons to celebrate, giving us a much-needed break from the late-winter gray. The festivities begin mid-month with Pi Day on March 14. For the math enthusiasts at Lakeview or anyone who simply loves a good pastry, the '3.14' date serves as the perfect excuse to visit a local bakery for a slice of apple or cherry pie. Just a few days later, the town turns green for St. Patrick's Day on March 17. You can expect to see local diners serving up corned beef specials and neighbors gathering for a bit of Irish luck before the month is through.

The most anticipated milestone arrives on March 20 with the First Day of Spring. The vernal equinox officially occurs at 2:02 AM, signaling the astronomical end of winter. Even if there is still a bit of slush on the ground or a chill in the air, the tilt of the Earth is finally in our favor, and the countdown to backyard barbecues and gardening truly begins.



PI DAY - ST. PATRICK'S DAY - FIRST DAY OF SPRING

The Awakening of Mosquito Lake

For most of the winter, Mosquito Lake State Park is a quiet, frozen expanse. In March, that rhythm shifts dramatically. You will see the last of

the ice fishermen retreating as the lake edges soften, soon replaced by early-bird hikers hitting the Turkey Run or Beaver Trail. This is famously the muddiest month of the year in Trumbull

County, so those heading to the dog park or the disc golf course should leave their white sneakers at home in favor of sturdy Muck boots.

The Great Temperature Rollercoaster

Cortland is well-known for its March identity crisis, often experiencing four seasons in a single week. It isn't uncommon to see a sunny 55-degree Monday where everyone flockes to the local ice cream windows, followed by a 22-degree Wednesday with a lake-effect dusting. By Friday, a steady, soaking rain often settles in. A seasoned local knows never to put their heavy winter coat in the attic just yet; it is best to keep it in the "maybe" pile until at least tax day.

Community Spirit and School Life

While the ground might still be crunchy, the heart of the town is warming up. Local traditions like Friday fish fries remain a staple for many families during this time of year, filling local halls and eateries with a sense of fellowship. At the same time, the Lakeview Bulldogs keep the school spirit high. Between winter sports wrapping up their post-season runs and the spring musical rehearsals hitting their stride, the high school remains a central hub of activity during these final weeks of the season.

March in Cortland isn't always pretty, it can be gray, wet and a little messy—but with the arrival of spring on the 20th, it serves as the necessary bridge to the beautiful Ohio season we have all been waiting for.

The Constant Obsession A Guide To The World's Most Famous Irrational Holiday

By Alex Irman

What is Pi Day?

At its core, Pi Day is an annual celebration of the mathematical constant

π (pi). It is observed on March 14 (3/14) because the date mirrors the first three significant digits of the number: 3.14.

While it might seem like a niche hobby for math professors, Pi Day has exploded into a global pop-culture event. It is a day where the world pauses to appreciate the elegant, invisible patterns that govern our universe—usually while eating a slice of blueberry pie.

The Mathematics Behind the Magic

π is defined as the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. Regardless of the circle's size—whether it's the size of a penny or the size of a galaxy—that ratio is always the same.

The number is "irrational," meaning it cannot be written as a simple fraction, and its decimal representation never ends and never settles into a repeating pattern. It begins: 3.1415926535...

A Brief History of the Slice

The holiday was founded in 1988 by physicist Larry Shaw at the San

Francisco Exploratorium. Shaw realized that the date March 14 provided the perfect opportunity to make math more approachable. The early celebrations were simple: staff and public members marched around one of the museum's circular spaces and then ate fruit pies.

In 2009, the U.S. House of Representatives officially recognized March 14 as National Pi Day, encouraging schools to use the day to spark interest in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math).

Why Do We Care?

Pi isn't just a classroom abstraction; it is vital for modern life. Engineers and scientists use π to calculate orbits for satellites and spacecraft, design clock pendulums and various oscillating systems, process signal data for your smartphone and GPS, and understand waves, from those in the ocean to those in the light spectrum.

How People Celebrate

The beauty of Pi Day is its

versatility. You can be as serious or as silly as you like. One of the most common traditions is **Pie Eating**, where whether savory like pizza pie or sweet like apple pie, "round" food is the menu of the day. There are also **Recitation Contests** where "Pi-athletes" compete to see who can memorize the most digits of π from memory. Some communities host a "Pi-K", which is a 3.14-mile run that is slightly longer than a 5K. Finally, there is the inevitable **Pun-demonium**, where you can expect an endless barrage of puns like "That looks infinite-ly delicious," or "I've had \$3.14\$ slices of pie."

The Ultimate Birthday

In a stroke of cosmic luck, Pi Day also happens to be the birthday of **Albert Einstein** (born March 14, 1879) and the anniversary of the passing of **Stephen Hawking** (died March 14, 2018). For the scientific community, this makes the date a sacred trifecta of genius, discovery and geometry.

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 Monday, April 6 - 7 PM

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 Monday, April 14 - 6 PM

PLANNING & ZONING
 Second Monday of each month
 Monday, April 14 - 7 PM.

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Community Events

Cortland City/Bazetta Township and Lakeview School Board meetings and schedules. See pg. 2
 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 Public Library - Check out the ongoing events on Library page.
<https://wtcpl.org/locations-hours/cortland-library/>
 Cortland Senior Center - Open Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Cortland Christian Church.
 Charity Benefit Pancake Breakfast, [1st Saturday] 9 a.m.-noon, Cortland Masonic Lodge, 3263 Everett-Hull Road (E. Main Street).
 Church Events - See the Church News and Notes on the Faith pages.
 Trumbull County Combined Health District See their website for upcoming events.

MARCH

- 14 Spaghetti Dinner / Sponsored by Opal Chapter #181 OES / Cortland Masonic Lodge, 3263 Everett Hull Road / 4-6 PM
- 14-17 St. Paddy's Day Celebration / The Local Tap & Grill, Mecca
- 17 Cortland Main Street Revitalization Monthly Meeting (Every 3rd Tuesday)
- 17 American Red Cross Blood Drive / Cortland Methodist Church / 12-5:30 pm
- 18 & 25 Cortland Community Band Rehearsals / Every Wednesday
 Lakeview Pk-8 Band Room / ALL ARE WELCOME / 7-9 pm
- 18 Cortland Methodist Church Corned Beef & Cabbage Drive-thru Dinner / 4:30-6 PM
- 21 Fund-Raiser Pancake Breakfast / Benefiting Lakeview Baseball Organization
 Cortland Masonic Lodge / 9 AM to 11:30 AM.
- 21 Senior Citizens Bash / Sponsored by National Honor Society
 Lakeview High School / 1-4 PM
- 21 Cortland United Methodist Church: God Provides A Meal / 11 am-1 pm
- 21 Karaoke Night~Unleash Your Inner Superstar / The Makers Market / 6-8 pm
- 22 Easter Egg Hunt / Johnston Fire Department - 4424 Greenville Rd NE, Farmdale,
 Hosted by Johnston's Activities Committee
- 27-28 The Geauga Home and Garden Show / Middlefield / 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- 28 Easter Egg Hunt / Journey Christian Church / 10 AM
- 28 Open Mic Night /The Makers Market ~ a place where beginners feel safe
 and seasoned performers feel appreciated / 6-8 PM
- 29 Annual Easter Egg Hunt / Trinity Lutheran Church / 1 pm-2:30 pm.
 This event is for youth of all ages and provides a safe place to hunt eggs.

APRIL

- 1 The Upton Association celebrates "America 250"
 Program about Ohio suffragist Frances Jennings Casement / 10 a.m.
- 6 The Trumbull Boat Club Meeting / Bazetta Township Hall, 3372 State 5 / 6:30 PM
- 10 Lakeview Band Boosters Fundraiser ~ A Night at the Races / Candlelite Knolls
 The doors will open at 5 PM / Dinner at 6 PM / Races will start at 7 PM
- 11 Bazetta Park Clean-up Day / Imagination Park / 9 AM
- 18 A "Snack and Paint" Event / Benefit of Trumbull Boat Club
 Bazetta Township Hall / 6 PM

Lakeview Baseball Pancake Breakfast On March 21st

The Lakeview Baseball organization will be the beneficiary of the next fund-raiser pancake breakfast at Cortland Masonic Lodge. It will be held on Saturday, March 21, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM. The public is invited. The charity breakfasts are held each month by the Masonic Lodge, which provides all of the meal supplies, and cooks the menu, so that 100% of the

breakfast income can be donated to a local charity. The "all you can eat" breakfast costs \$10.00 for adults, and \$6.00 for youth age 6 to 10, and FREE for any children age 5 and under. Included are pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, and coffee --- with take-outs available. The lodge is located at 3263 Everett-Hall Rd. in Cortland.

Business News & Notes

By Thom Foley

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Champion Tax Service/W.T. Schrader reminds you that tax day is only a month away! Have your taxes done by a professional. They have over 50 years of experience.

Cortland Lanes is starting their annual Spring League on May 1. Junior/Adults bowl Fridays at 6 PM and Senior/Adults bowl at 7:30 PM. This is a NO TAP league that lasts 8 weeks. No need to have a complete team - singles welcome.

The Birds' Nest inside Cortland Mower has a great sale going on with bird seed and suet. Check out their ad. But hurry - it only lasts as long as supplies do.

Are you still looking for the perfect daycare? Check out **Little**

Sprouts Learning Adventures next to Middlefield Bank. Word is spreading so they are filing up fast.

I switched by dogs to the Healthy Bits at **Totally Dog** and WOW! What a difference! Check out their full line of premium dog food and supplies.

Geauga Home and Garden Show Showcases the Best in Local Expertise

A celebration of home, garden and local craftsmanship returns to Amish Country. The Geauga Home and Garden Show returns this spring with its largest footprint yet, bringing together more than 120 vendors across three buildings and two locations in Middlefield.

Now in its 19th year, the annual event will take place Friday, March 27, from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Saturday, March 28, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The show will span two buildings at Heritage Marketplace and one large building at nearby Fisher Flooring, offering attendees a full weekend of inspiration for home, garden and outdoor projects.

"This year's show promises to be better than ever," said show organizer Paul Wengerd. "Utilizing three buildings across two locations allows us to offer more vendors, greater variety and a truly unforgettable experience for everyone who attends."

Three Buildings of Inspiration - Visitors can expect a wide range of exhibitors, including home improvement professionals, landscapers, builders and specialty contractors, as well as Amish Country artisans offering handmade furniture, garden décor and unique home accessories. Shoppers will also find tools, furnishings and outdoor essentials, many available with show-only pricing and promotions.

In addition to shopping and networking with local experts, attendees will have opportunities to participate in giveaways and silent auctions. Prizes include custom lawn furniture and a storage barn from Pine Craft Storage Barns, along with a variety of door prizes donated by participating vendors.

EVENT DETAILS

The Geauga Home and Garden Show will be held at the following locations:

- Heritage Marketplace, 15848 Nauvoo Road, Middlefield
- Fisher Flooring, 16286 Nauvoo Road, Middlefield, located approximately one mile east of Heritage Marketplace on the same side of the road. Admission is \$10, with children under 18 admitted free.

Explore Heritage Marketplace - While attending the show, visitors are encouraged to explore the year-round shops and attractions at Heritage Marketplace. These include Country Arts and Jewelry, the Geauga Amish History Center, Yoder's Bargains, Valley View, Heritage Trailers and Pine Craft Storage Barns, which will offer on-site construction consultations during the event.

More Than a Show - For nearly two decades, the Geauga Home and Garden Show has served as both a marketplace and a community gathering, highlighting local talent and supporting small businesses throughout northeast Ohio.

"This event is more than just a show," Wengerd said. "It's a destination that brings people together to celebrate craftsmanship, creativity and the unique character of Amish Country."

Plan Your Visit - Whether planning a renovation, seeking garden inspiration or simply enjoying a day out, organizers say the expanded 2026 show offers something for everyone.

For updates and additional information, visit theheritagemarketplace.com or follow Heritage Marketplace on Facebook.

Cabela's will be there with an archery shoot for kids! Live Vendor Demonstrations: Saturday 1 p.m.: Flagship Healthcare. For more information, contact Leanna Wengerd, 440-632-0174, leanna@pincraftstructures.com





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PAULIE

Our newest girl, Paulie, didn't come to us as a stray. She had a home. She had her person. Life doesn't go the way we plan, and Paulie was officially surrendered to our care. Paulie is a petite little powerhouse, about 40 pounds, short and compact with the most muscular little build like she's been secretly training for a bodybuilding competition. She's sturdy, strong, and absolutely adorable.

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What's "news" in the City of Cortland

Just The Facts

Which is the correct spelling, St. Patty or St. Paddy?
Find the answer at the bottom of the article.

Skunk Nuisance

The black & white animal that smells extremely unpleasant to most is in it's mating season. Be aware that the availability of shelter and food in your yard will make it more inviting to them. A few tips to reduce the skunks from moving in:

- Keep tight-fitting/locking lids on garbage cans
- Bring in all uneaten pet food & water at night
- Harvest gardens frequently and pick up any fallen fruit from trees
- Restrict use of birdseed; skunks are attracted to seed & rodents attracted to the seed

- Clear your yard of debris & brush piles & stacks of wood and rocks
Please visit our city website for more information.

Dates to Remember

- March 16th - City Council - 7 p.m.
- April 6th - City Council - 7 p.m.
- April 13th - Parks - 6 p.m.
- April 13th - Planning & Zoning - 7 p.m.
- * City Administration Offices will be closed Good Friday, April 3rd. Water/sewer payments can be placed in the secured, locked box next to the front door.

Answer

St. Paddy. According to Country Living, the name of Patrick is 'Padraig' in Gaelic or Irish. When it is shortened, it is Paddy.

Bazetta Township Park Board

The Bazetta Township Park Board meets the first Wednesday of the month at the Bazetta Township Hall at 3372 State Route 5 at 6 PM. All Bazetta residents are invited and encouraged to attend and be part of our growing community. Next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 8th at 6 PM.

Our park clean-up day will be Saturday, April 11th at 9 AM. Weather permitting we will be painting the shelters, picnic tables, etc along with major clean-up of the park grounds. We are in great need for volunteers to help us achieve this goal. Please call Mary at 330-360-7867 for further questions and to help us to beautify the Bazetta Township Imagination Park.

Grand Opening/Craft Show at the Bazetta Township Imagination Park will be on Saturday, May 2nd from 10 AM until 4 PM. There will be crafts, raffle baskets, 50/50 raffle and food trucks. Fun for all when we open the new playground. Come and join us! Any questions, please call Mary at 330-360-7867.

Lots of future fun events are being scheduled, please stay tuned.

Trumbull Boat Club

By Martha Urchek

The Trumbull Boat Club meets on the first Monday of every month at the Bazetta Township Hall, 3372 State 5 at 6:30 PM. For more information, call Bob Steiner at 330-507-7794.

A "Snack and Paint" event will be on Saturday, April 18th at 4 PM at the Bazetta Township Hall, 3372 State 5. This event will include wooden craft painting for children at a cost of \$10 each and a canvas painting for adults at a cost of \$35 each. Please call Bob Steiner at 330-507-7794 for more information.

Boat dock slips are available. Please call Bob Steiner at 330-507-7794 for more details.



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Ohio State Highway Patrol Launches New Text-To-Join Feature

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As part of a broader effort to modernize and streamline the recruitment process, this text-to-join feature allows potential applicants to connect with a recruiter, receive immediate information regarding the application process and get scheduled for an upcoming recruitment event directly on their phones.

"The Ohio State Highway Patrol is committed to finding high-quality individuals to serve the citizens of our great state," said Colonel Charles A. Jones, Patrol superintendent. "We recognize that the world is mobile, and by introducing this text-to-join feature, we are removing barriers and making it easier than ever for potential applicants to take that first step toward a rewarding career with the Patrol."

A career with the Patrol offers more than just a job; it offers a chance to make a tangible difference in your community. Key benefits and opportunities include:

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"Our training is rigorous because the standard of service we provide to Ohioans is high," Major Michael D. Kemmer, Office of Training, Recruitment and Professional Operations commander. "From the moment a cadet enters the Patrol Training Academy, we invest in their success with paid training, a focus on leadership development and a comprehensive benefits package that support both the trooper and their family."

The OSHP is currently seeking applicants for the upcoming academy class. Applicants must be between the ages of 20 and 39, have a high school diploma or GED and possess a valid driver's license.

For more information, text "joinOSHP" to 614-654-OSHP, follow us on social media or visit our recruitment webpage <https://statepatrol.ohio.gov/recruitment-and-training/recruitment>.

Travel Club Day Outings

April 16 the deluxe motor coach will depart at 8:30 am for Canton with a quick stop at Fannie Mae Chocolates. At 10:30, members will tour the Classic Car Museum before having lunch (included) at the historic Bender's Tavern. No Canton trip would be complete without a tour of the First



Ladies National Historic Site and the Saxton McKinley House. On the way home, one will treat yourself to a stop at the Milk & Honey Ice Cream Store before arriving home at 6:30 pm.

The Travel Club is open to anyone wanting to explore the world. There are no fees to belong to the club. The club travels by bus, train and air and we have cruised. Our "Bucket Trip" 2-week Great Western Adventure is scheduled for August 23 - September 5, 2026. There are 15 seats remaining on this bus vacation. For more information on this vacation call Peggy at 330-609-3971.



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Upton Association Celebrates "America 250"

By Bonnie Hood



The Upton Association celebrates "America 250" with a program about Ohio suffragist Frances Jennings Casement for their "First Wednesday" speaker series at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 1.

Mrs. Casement was from Painesville in Lake County. Her husband John was a Civil War General and was instrumental in the building of our transcontinental railroad. Because of her activism in the women's suffrage movement, Frances Casement was inducted into the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame in 2001.

Alexandra Lausin, Executive Director of the International Women's



Air & Space Museum in Cleveland, will portray Mrs. Casement. The program will be at the Harriet Taylor Upton House at 380 Mahoning Avenue in Warren. Refreshments will be available beginning 1/2 hour prior to the program.

Ohio Women Veterans: Your Voice Matters Join the Advisory Committee Today!

The Ohio Department of Veterans Services (ODVS) is currently accepting applications for two open positions on the Women Veterans Advisory Committee (WVAC). This committee plays a critical role in advising ODVS on issues impacting women veterans and supporting programs that serve their unique needs.

The WVAC provides counsel and insight to the Director of ODVS and assists with projects on behalf of women veterans when requested. Members help shape policies and initiatives that improve the lives of Ohio's women veterans.

Learn more about the committee's mission and responsibilities by emailing contactus@dvs.ohio.gov Attention: contactus@dvs.ohio.gov

Qualifications are:

- Must be a current service member or an honorably discharged veteran as defined in Ohio Revised Code 5903.01
- Must reside in Ohio

• Bring a range of backgrounds and experience to represent diverse perspectives

• Members serve two-year terms at the pleasure of the Director

Expectations are:

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• Maintain at least three-fifths attendance over two years, as required by Ohio law

• Actively participate in discussions and subcommittees

• Meetings are open to the public and conducted under the Ohio Open Meetings Act

How to Apply:

Submit the following to contactus@dvs.ohio.gov by April 6, 2026:

• Letter of Intent (summarizing your background and qualifications)

• Resume

Copy of Honorable Discharge record (DD-214 or equivalent) (PII may be removed)

TCAP Winter Crisis Program

Trumbull Community Action Program (TCAP), 611 Main Ave SW, Warren is announcing that utility bill assistance under the Winter Crisis Program **will be ending on Friday, March 31**. All appointments must be made up to this date to receive assistance. Any and all return information must be received by Wednesday, April 15, 2026 or assistance cannot be granted.

The program helps income eligible households avoid utility disconnection; restore disconnected service; establish new service; purchase fuel oil, propane, coal, kerosene, wood pellets and wood and furnace repair for homeowners only.

Call-ins Wednesday's are same day appointments ONLY! Call 330-393-2507 EXT 225 starting at 7:00 AM. You must speak to a "live" person, do not leave a voicemail. You will be then given a time to come to TCAP that day. It is 1st come, 1st serve and spots are very limited.

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday will be all face to face appointments at TCAP. The doors will be open at 7:45am. Friday will be phone appointments for those who are disabled or absolutely cannot come into the agency due to age. Clients will be called by a caseworker on their appointment date and time. Please arrive at your scheduled appointment 15 minutes prior to the appointment time. If you arrive after 15 minutes past your appointment time, you may not be seen.

Appointments can be scheduled by calling 330-951-0015. Callers must wait to receive a confirmation number to secure the appointment. Please enter your gas and electric account numbers to receive an appointment hold. For additional information you may call 330-393-2507 ext 225.

Seasonal and Self-Employment must provide 12 months income.

Valentine's Celebrations

By Jessica Popp

For Valentines Day,, Residents and Staff of Cortland Healthcare Center celebrated with a 50's Sock Hop Style Party, where they enjoyed root beer floats, Bee-Bop tunes and decorated Valentines Cards. Residents of the nursing home made Valentines for the

local Bazetta Christian Daycare Center and Staff members enjoyed decorating Valentines for our Long-term Residents. Local Entertainment and treats were also provided. Musician, Mark Millls, of "Old Man Guitar", joined us in celebration.



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Trumbull County Travel Club



By Peggy Boyd

A Valentine Girl's Day outing was celebrated by members of the club with a guided tour of the Warner Brother's Museum in New Castle, Pennsylvania. A buffet lunch and a wine taste and chocolate completed the day for all the ladies on the deluxe motor coach.

Deposits and literature were given for the "Great Western Adventure" planned for August 23 - September 5, 2026. Highlights include St. Louis, Missouri, Western Expansion Museum, Gateway Arch, Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum, Shopping in the Oklahoma Stockyards, National Cowboy Museum, Western Heritage Museum Albuquerque, NM, Historic Stops on Route 66, Sandia Peak Tramway, Acoma Pueblo "Sky City", Petrified Forest, Flagstaff, AZ, Grand Canyon, Fort Hayes, 4-Corners Monument, Prairie Ridge Buffalo Ranch & Dinner, High Plains Museum, Cathedral of the Plains, Ulysses Grant Site, Eisenhower & Truman Presidential Libraries & Museums and Casey, IL.

This is a true "Bucket List" Vacation with so many mini stops not mentioned in the Texas Panhandle. Call for details at 330-609-3971.

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Season Of Lent

We are well into the six-week Christian church season of Lent, a time often marked by 'giving-up-something for Lent.' Common forms of self-denial of which I have been aware include: chocolate, caffeine, some favorite food or beverage, a form of recreation or entertainment, and for some as with my supervisor, it was smoking when that was particularly popular. Interestingly I think, the observance often focused on something that was considered habitual, desirable, unhealthy or bad! With the celebration of Easter and Resurrection to Life-Redeemed, also came guilt-free resumption and restoration to what had been denied.

I don't think Christ went through His Season of Passion with quite that same perspective, but I believe He did trust, believe and anticipate that Resurrection and Life-Redeemed were assured for Him, and thereby, for all choosing to believe in Him. He referenced His Hope and Expectation often, one example being Matthew 17:22-23 NIV, 22 ...He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. 23 They will kill Him, and on the third day He will be

raised to Life."

I read a book years ago suggesting that instead of giving up something for Lent, try adding something to our practice of faithful living. Some suggestions included: devoting time to reading Scripture, devotions, meditation, prayer, acts of service and kindness in Christ's Name to those in need, connect with a church for worship, fellowship, study and spiritual development. Our world, geographically and for many personally, can feel increasingly like a long dark road leading to a tomb. Jesus traveled that road so that people might find Life rather than a tomb. He said in John 10:10 NIV, "I came that they may have Life and have it abundantly."

As we approach that Third Day, this year April 5, let's be encouraged to ponder within ourselves how Christ and His Resurrection can bring us to Life-Redeemed, now and ever. Come celebrate with others the addition of this Life made newly abundant in each of us as the sun rises Easter Morning at the Mosquito Lake State Park Swim Beach. "Be still, and know that I am God; - Psalm 46:10 NIV

"I came that they may have Life and have it abundantly."

~ John 10:10

Spring is Coming!

I love those guarantees in life. Brighter days are near and the sun will come out tomorrow! Now that "Shirley Temple" song will be stuck in your head! Don't burst out into song just yet! With most things, there are some uncertainties that can unnerve the calmest individuals. As I gather my thoughts, news of US and Iran are being broadcasted, my mind shifts... there's concern for the safety of my friends and family that have been deployed for this war.

This is one of those uncertainties, not knowing what tomorrow holds. As I wait for any news concerning my loved ones, there's a hope (a guarantee)

that I lean on. Worries never solved anything in my life... It just gave me a headache and stomachache! I have learned that my future cares are better off in the hands of the Almighty God. The more time I spend pouring out my concerns in prayer, He responds with a supernatural peace that guards the mind. His grace reminds me that I am not alone in the midst of this chaos. His comforting presence is made known as I reflect on His Character and Faithfulness.

The next day might have some troubles too, but I can honestly say, it will be a brighter day when God is involved!

God Bless.



Night to Shine
TIM TEBOW FOUNDATION

A Night to Shine was held at Wildare Church in partnership with Bristol Community Church on Friday, Feb. 13. Our 78 special needs guests enjoyed karaoke, prom photos, dinner and dancing. Pictured are Tyler Bauer of Cortland and Olivia Parker of Howland.

Church News & Notes

Journey Christian Church

Easter Services will be: Sunday, March 29 - 10 AM, Palm Sunday Service; Thursday, April 2 - 6 PM, Maundy Thursday, Communion Service; Friday, April 3 - 3 PM, Good Friday Service; Sunday, April 5 - 10 AM, Easter Service.

They will also have an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28 at 10 AM.

Cortland United Methodist Church

Corned beef & cabbage drive thru dinner. March 18, 4:30-6:00 pm \$15.00. corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, green beans & cookie. Please pre-order by calling 330-637-2571 by March 15. Leave a message with name, telephone number and how many dinners.

God Provides A Meal - March 21 at 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Ham, macaroni & cheese, California blend, dessert & beverage. Donations accepted but not required.

Book & Puzzle donations needed for our April book sale. Drop off on Monday or Thursday from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. Thank you for sharing so others may enjoy your items.

American Red Cross Blood Drive. March 17, 12:00-5:30 pm

The Nazarene Church

We are thinking spring, summer and beyond. We are having our yearly sales and are already accepting applications for the Oct 10th Art and Craft Show. You can contact us at The

Cortland Church of the Nazarene on Facebook.

Cortland Christian Church

Soup and Sandwich luncheon March 19 from 11 am -1 pm. Menu: Chicken Noodle Soup, Vegetable Soup, and Ham and Bean Soup. Sloppy Joes and the best Chicken Salad Sandwiches. A large variety of Pies to choose from Coffee, beverages. Order and have it delivered when you want it . Or eat in with us. Call 330-637-4611 or email-officeatccc@gmail.com Stop over and check it out. You won't be sorry.

Trinity Lutheran

Easter services - Lent midweek services Wednesdays at 5:30 pm with the final

service on March 25th. Palm Sunday Service is at 10:15 am March 29th; Maundy Thursday Service is April 2nd at 5:30 pm. Good Friday Service is April 3rd at 5:30 pm. Easter Vigil Service is April 4th at 3 pm at held at Gethsemane Lutheran Church 1110 North Salem-Warren Rd, North Jackson. Easter Sunday Service is at 10:15 am April 5th.

Fourth Annual Easter Egg Hunt: on March 29th, 2026 from 1 pm-2:30 pm. This event is for youth of all ages and provides a safe place to hunt eggs.

Our congregation invites you to join us as we dive into God's Word in our Bible Studies Sundays at 9 AM on the first, third, fourth and fifth Sundays September through May.

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Lakeview Schools Program For Student Meals

Lakeview Local Schools today announced its 2025-2026 program year policy for students unable to pay the full price of meals or milk served under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast, After-School Care Snack or Special Milk Programs. Each school office and the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party. The State of Ohio Budget for school year 2025-2026 includes funding to cover the cost of reduced meals for breakfast and lunch. This provision allows schools to provide no cost meals to reduced price meal eligible students.

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

Application forms are distributed to all homes in a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free and reduced-price benefits, households should complete an application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. A complete application is required.

Households which currently receive Special Nutrition Assistance Program Benefits (SNAP, formally known as food stamps) or Ohio Works First (OWF) funds for a child must provide the child's name, the SNAP or OWF case number and signature of an adult household member on the application. Households that do not receive SNAP or OWF funds must provide the names of all household members, the last four digits of the Social Security Number of the adult signing the application or state "none" if the adult does not have a Social Security Number, the amount and source of income received by each household member (state the monthly income) and the signature of an adult household member. If any of this information is missing, the school cannot process the application.

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

The information provided on the application is confidential and will only be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program official. To discourage the possibility of misrepresentation, the

application forms contain a statement above the space for signature certifying that all information furnished is true and correct. Applications are being made in connection with the receipt of federal funds. Schools or other officials may check the information on the application at any time during the school year. Deliberate misrepresentation of information may subject the applicant to prosecution under applicable state and federal laws.

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

Foster children are categorically eligible for free meal benefits regardless of the household's income. If a family has foster children living with them and wishes to apply for such meals or milk for them, contact the school for more information. Under the provision of the policy, Laura DePizzo, Food Service Director, will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian disagrees with the decision on the application or the result of verification, the decision may be discussed with the determining official on an informal basis. If a formal appeal is desired, the household has the right to a fair hearing. A fair hearing can be requested either orally or in writing from: Laura DePizzo, Food Service Director, 300 Hillman Drive, Cortland, Ohio 44410.

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

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Operation Christmas Child

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In 2025 a record number of shoeboxes were packed with the intention of sharing God's love with children around the world. In Trumbull and Ashtabula counties, 11,128 boxes were collected from 94 churches. The Great Lakes Region (4 states) packed 1,046,855 boxes. The United States sent 10.9 million boxes and Worldwide, 12.2 million boxes were collected and distributed to children.

Any organization wishing to participate by packing boxes in 2026 can contact Yvonne Woodworth at ymwoodworth@yahoo.com for additional information.



Please join us in welcoming the new members to Journey Christian Church. We are thankful to grow together in faith, fellowship and service. Bethany Woofter , Glenna Armstrong, Pastor Dan Squezzello, Donna Stillwagon.

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Isaiah Lantz Joins 1000 Point Club

By Michael DeToro

Years of hard work paid off for Lakeview High School senior Isaiah Lantz this season. During the Bulldogs' 50-43 win over Brooklyn High School on Friday, February 23, Lantz hit a major milestone with his 1,000th career point.

His "Welcome To The Club" moment came late in the second quarter. With just 1:53 left on the clock, the four-year starting point guard drained a corner three-pointer. The basket didn't just help the Bulldogs win the game, but it secured Lantz's place in the school record books.

Lantz is only the second boy in Lakeview history to reach the 1,000-point mark, joining Chris Muir, who hit the mark during the 2016-2017 season. Overall, he is the ninth Lakeview player to reach the goal, including seven standout players from the girls' program.

This achievement is just the latest highlight for Lantz. He has been a leader for the Bulldogs for four years, earning Northeast 8 All-Conference 1st-Team honors during his junior and senior seasons.

Photo courtesy of Chadwick Sports Photography

Class of 2026 Spotlight Bulldog

By Michael DeToro

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

This issue's Spotlight Bulldog is Leah Clark, daughter of Rebecca and Paul Clark. A lifelong Lakeview student, Leah chose to spend her junior and senior years in the Dental Assisting program at TCTC. Academically, she has been challenged in both high school and college-level courses through Youngstown State, Stark State, and Kent State Trumbull, all while ranking in the top 20% of her graduating class.

Leah's dental training has provided her with several unique opportunities over the last two years. She traveled to local preschools to teach children about proper hygiene and healthy dental habits. Additionally, she qualified for the state SkillsUSA competition in Job Skills Demonstration after a top-four finish at the regional level.

Beyond the classroom, she plays Varsity Soccer and is a member of both the National Honor Society and the National Technical Honor Society. In her spare time, she works at the Champion Dairy Queen. Next year, Leah plans to pursue a nursing degree at Kent State's Trumbull Campus.

Get to know Leah better with a quick 60-second rapid-fire interview.

- 1.) *What is something that you do exceptionally well?* I talk a lot. I'm a talker. Eye contact and communication.
- 2.) *What is your favorite part of the Lakeview Local School District?* The friendships that I have made. The friendships and bonds with the community and friends.
- 3.) *Where is your favorite place to eat in Bazetta/Cortland?* I like fast food, Taco Bell or something like that.
- 4.) *Describe your fashion style.* Lounging. I like it comfy.
- 5.) *You might catch me ...* Sleeping!! Or going outside.
- 6.) *What is something you are watching, listening to, or reading right now?* Bones. It's a forensics show.
- 7.) *What are your future aspirations?* I want to go to college, pursue working and nursing.



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The Lakeview Lady Bulldogs Are Back



After making the State final 4 last year, our team has added 7 new players. Most of the players have been able to participate in the winter indoor league at Athletics in Columbiana. The softball season will open with a doubleheader

on March 21 at Boardman taking on Boardman and Gillmore Academy. We loved how the community came together and supported us all season last year and hope we can continue to have everyone's support again this year!

Applications Open For Lakeview High School Athletic Hall Of Fame Class Of 2026



By Michael DeToro

Applications are now being accepted for the Lakeview High School Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2026. Inductees will be honored throughout the weekend of September 25-26, with a tailgate party and mixer scheduled for Friday, September 25, and the induction ceremony scheduled for Saturday, September 26, at DiLucia's Banquet & Catering Facility.

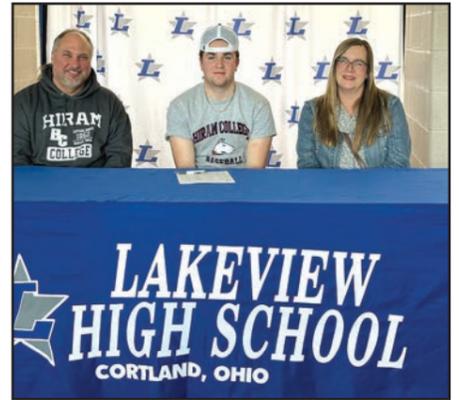
The Hall of Fame celebrates former students, coaches, teams, and community members who have made outstanding contributions to the athletic programs at Bazetta, Cortland, or Lakeview High Schools. Through this recognition, it is hoped that the tradition of the school will be enhanced, and others will be motivated to excellence.

Nomination forms are available online at lakeviewlocal.org/athletics or through the district's Facebook page. The deadline for this cycle's nominations is April 15, 2026.

For more information, please contact the Lakeview High School Athletic Department at 330-637-8821.



Lakeview High School celebrates Senior Nathan Paolucci who has signed to continue his academic and baseball careers at Hiram College. Nathan is 4-year letterwinner in both soccer and baseball, earning all NE8 2nd team in baseball. He was also an all-county performer in soccer. Academically, Nathan is a member of the National Honors Society.






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Metal Detecting Is Back!

By Bob Woofter

Fair weather means more than daffodils and tulips springing from the soil, it also means the frozen earth is releasing treasures to be discovered by those with metal detectors. Trumbull Treasure Hunters is a group of folks pursuing the fascinating hobby of metal detecting. While many of its members are local residents, the group boasts members from as far away as Stow and Hudson.

You may have seen detectorists in the field and not know what they were up to, typically walking very slowly in a field, park or lawn while holding a strange looking stick, slightly bent over and wearing headphones as though



listening to music. In reality the stick holds a small hoop close to the ground which emits electronic tones to the operator's head phones. A small control box at the top end of the stick sends signals down through the hoop and into the ground. These signals are then returned to the headphones if they have been intercepted by anything of metal such as earrings, finger rings, coins, antiques or anything made of metal.

Recently members have found, besides coins and jewelry, farm implements, antique padlocks and even firearms. Once the location has been determined the expert will unearth the object, being careful to restore the surface of the ground to normal when done.

The club offers free services to those looking for lost items and property pins. Trumbull Treasure Hunters meets the first Tuesday of every month at the Johnston Senior Center 5922 Warren Meadville Rd., Cortland, 10 AM - Noon. There is no charge to join and there are no dues. Free instruction for beginners is always offered.

Come join us for some fun and learn a new skill!

INSURANCE ANSWERS

By Mallory Novak, Associate Agent, Ruddy Insurance Group



Spring Is Here ... Time to Wake the Garage Cars

Around here, spring officially starts when the garage doors go up, and the "summer vehicles" come back to life. If it's been sitting since fall, a quick check can save you some drama. Tires are usually low, batteries don't love the cold and there's always a chance a mouse thought your engine bay was a studio apartment.

Once everything's running, don't forget about insurance. A lot of people adjust coverage while vehicles are in storage, which is great until the vehicle hits the road again. Storage coverage

and spring driving don't mix and finding that out the hard way can ruin a perfectly good sunny day.

Spring is also a good time to make sure classic or seasonal vehicles are insured for what they're actually worth, especially if you've been telling everyone how valuable it is.

Do a quick check now, then enjoy the nice weather, the back roads, and the excuse to drive "just because." Make sure the vehicle - and the coverage - are ready to roll.

The Ohio Forestry Association Foundation 2026 Memorial Scholarship Award



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The Ohio Forestry Association Foundation has announced that they are accepting applications for their Annual EB Miller Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is offered to Ohio high school graduates pursuing an education at an approved university, college, junior college, or technical university offering a forest resource curriculum.

The initial gift to the Scholarship Fund was made in memory of E.B. Miller, a third-generation sawmill man and untiring promoter of Ohio's forestry industry. In memorializing Mr. Miller with their gift to the OFAF Scholarship Fund, the founders believe

Scholarship Fund was established to offer monetary assistance toward forest resource education to exceptional individuals," said Jenna Reese, Ohio Forestry Association Foundation Executive Director.

The Deadline to apply is April 15, 2025. Selection of grant recipients will be made by the Scholarship Committee of the Ohio Forestry Association Foundation and winners will be announced in June. Visit <https://www.ohioforest.org/page/Scholarship> for more information and to apply. The OFA Foundation, Inc. is an IRS 501(c)(3) tax-exempt non-profit corporation.

SCOPE Offers A New 'Senior Friendly' List Of Area Businesses

By Mike Wilson

The 'Senior Friendly' partnership with SCOPE Senior Services offers businesses and organizations who want to advertise and connect with older adults an opportunity to feature their products and services. SCOPE will vet those who seek the designation to assist older adults in knowing which business to use or buy from.

SCOPE provides to the public a list of SCOPE 'Senior Friendly' businesses by category. Call 330-399-8846 for a copy or visit any senior citizen center.

"We have had businesses enter our centers to sell senior citizens goods and services or to promote their facilities," stated Mike Wilson AAS, Director of SCOPE Senior Services. "We are now vetting companies to assist in protecting our seniors from unscrupulous businesses. I have even been at widow's homes while contractors make presentations, so as not to allow questionable contractors to prey on our most vulnerable citizens,"

Wilson concluded.

SCOPE is the largest senior citizen organization in Trumbull County. There is no cost to the older adult to participate at any SCOPE operated Senior Citizen Center. Some of the classes and fitness programs do have small fees for the instructors.

The SCOPE sponsorship provides 'Senior Friendly' partner's access to attend events and visit SCOPE centers. This also allows for pamphlets and promotional materials to be displayed and handed out at any of the Trumbull County SCOPE Senior Citizen Centers serving some 4,000 older adults annually.

Businesses wanting to do business with older adults contact Mike Wilson at SCOPE mwilson@fcsOhio.org or 330-399-8846 ext. 206

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Costs can be incurred though copayments / coinsurance or deductibles. Coinsurance, also called a copayment, is an amount you may be required to pay as your share of the cost for services after you pay any deductibles. Coinsurance is usually a percentage or a set amount that you are responsible to pay for the service or supplies. For example, 20% of the costs of needed supplies or a \$35 set copay for a specialist visit. A Deductible is the amount you must pay for health care or prescriptions before the plan will begin to pay.

Diabetic medications and supplies are either covered under Part B or Part D of Medicare Insurance. Generally, Part B Medical Insurance, covers diabetic supplies including self-testing equipment and supplies (lancets & test strips), insulin pumps and other items such as therapeutic shoes or inserts. Also covered under Part B are the medical costs associated with screening and treating diabetes along with the conditions that diabetes can cause. Medical costs can include screenings

and bloodwork, self-management training, and nutrition therapy services. Other covered services could include foot exams and treatment, glaucoma tests, some vaccines and preventive (well care) doctor visits.

Medicare Part D, prescription drug coverage, covers medications associated with the treatment of diabetes that you received from a pharmacy and administer yourself. These could include Insulin for injection along with the syringes, needles, alcohol swabs and other supplies to administer insulin and anti-diabetic drugs to maintain blood sugar (glucose) levels. When choosing a Part D prescription drug plan or Part C Medicare Advantage plan, it is important to look at the costs of your specific medications and compare pricing on different plans as formulary tiers, deductibles and copays can vary from company to company and plan to plan within each company.

The insulin savings program that is now in effect limits the costs you can be charged for some insulins to \$35 per month. The specific insulins that fall under this program vary from plan to plan thus making the need to research options and plans important. Each plan, whether it is a Medicare Advantage plan or Stand-Alone Prescription Drug plan can choose which insulins they will cover under the savings plan. They are not required to include all insulins. For more information visit Medicare.gov or speak with your insurance agent.

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.

Cortland Street Fair News

By David Kovacs

There's something truly special that happens in Cortland when the June air finally warms up and we shake off winter. It's that exciting buzz we all feel as one of our community's favorite summer tradition approaches: the Cortland Lions Club Street Fair!

The Cortland Lion's Cub is thrilled to announce that plans are officially in high gear. This year, the fair carries a heartbeat of gratitude with the powerful theme: "Honor our Service Members." Mark your calendars for June 25, 26, and 27, as we transform our downtown into a vibrant celebration of community spirit and heartfelt tribute to those who serve.

The momentum for this year's fair is already palpable. A wave of local businesses has already stepped forward, eager to support the tradition that defines our summer. This support is the backbone of the fair, ensuring that our streets remain filled with music, laughter, and light.

Want to be part of the legacy? There is still plenty of room for you to join the team! The Cortland Lion's Club now offers various sponsorship tiers designed to fit any budget. To help make this the best fair yet, please reach out to our Street Fair Chairman, David Kovacs, at 330-282-7800 or via email at david.kovacs@cortlandlionsclub.com. Your support doesn't just fund an event; it builds a memory for every family in Cortland.

What's in Store for 2026? Even though June feels a little far off, the team is working hard behind the scenes. We're thrilled to announce that our entertainment lineup is locked in—get ready for live music that'll keep the good vibes going into the night!



Food lovers, rejoice! We're finalizing contracts with your favorite vendors, bringing classic fair treats and delicious local favorites. Plus, we're scouting ride vendors to fill the downtown with thrills, neon lights, and the kind of fun kids (and kids at heart) dream about all year.

A Message from the Chair Chairman David Kovacs and the entire Board are overwhelmed by the outpouring of support received so far. "Things are moving forward beautifully," David noted during the meeting, expressing his deep appreciation for the community's involvement.

The Cortland Street Fair is more than just a community fair; it is a homecoming. It's a place to reconnect with neighbors, celebrate our freedom, and show our service members exactly how much they mean to this town.

We can't wait to see your smiling faces!

June 25-27 will be here before we know it—let's make this summer one for the books, together!

Trumbull Art Gallery Offers Art & Clay Classes

The Trumbull Art Gallery is offering Art & Clay classes this winter and Spring. They are located at 158 North Park Avenue in Warren. Registration and payment can be made by phone or online. Call 330-395-4876 for more information. Payment must be made at time the reservation is made to ensure a seat.

Art Workshops & Classes

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Thursday, March 26, 12:00-3:30 pm, Instructor: Lynne Provance, TAG Member: \$100.00 · Non-TAG Member: \$110.00

- Parent And Child Art Classes**

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Thursday, April 16, 6:00-9:00 pm, Instructor: Sue Senvissky, TAG Member: \$25.00 · Non-TAG Member: \$30.00

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- Tuesdays - Midday Munch & Game 11:30 - 1:00 PM

A laid back lunchtime hangout where good food meets friendly competition. Grab a bite, pull up a chair, and jump into board games, card games and quick-play your favorites, perfect for a midday break.

- Wednesdays - Walkie Talkie's Walking Group 9:00 am

- Thursdays - Yoga Every other Thursday

Instructor Lindsey Snowden; (Beginner level) 10:00 AM \$15.00/ Session March 25

Special Weekly Evening Events

- Karaoke Night - March 21, 6-8 pm *Unleash Your Inner Superstar*

- Open Mic Night - March 28 - 6:00-8:00 PM

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- Cortland Main Street Revitalization Monthly Meeting March 17th (Every 3rd Tuesday)

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The Cortland area's hottest new restaurant/bar will be celebrating St. Paddy's Day for 4 full days! The Local Tap & Grill on Mosquito Lake in Mecca will host a four-day St. Patrick's celebration featuring live music, Irish food specials, green beer and the Barb Dyke "Steaks & Shamrocks" Benefit on Saturday.

The establishment is known for being family-friendly by day and "The Local After Dark" after 8 PM. They feature great beer, great food and great vibes.

Entertainment for the 4 day event includes The Fiddle Chique & The Badland Bard (Friday), Blue Siren

following Saturday's steak dinner fundraiser and Tyler Jenkins, Ruby - Mountain Soul Music, and Outlaw DJ Jesse Ames (Sunday).

On St. Patrick's Day, Tuesday, March 17 they open at 8:00 AM for Breakfast. Morning: 3 Chord Monty. Midday: Danny & The Jet. Afternoon: Frequency and at Night: Outlaw DJ Jesse Ames.

Don't miss the special bagpiper appearances at 12:00 PM and 5:00 PM. The Local will be completely transformed into green for the weekend.

So bring your family, your friends, your favorite Leprechaun and be Irish for the day. Erin Go Braugh!

Italian Food Trail Launches First Restaurant Week

By Samantha Ensminger, Trumbull County Tourism Bureau

The Italian Food Trail, powered by Trumbull County Tourism, will host its first ever Italian Food Trail Restaurant Week from March 22 through March 28, 2026, featuring special deals and promotions at Italian favorites across Trumbull County.

During Restaurant Week, participating partners will offer featured dishes and limited-time specials to encourage guests to visit multiple stops along the Trail, try new restaurants, and enjoy the comfort-food flavors Trumbull County is known for.

Confirmed participating restaurants include:

- Jimmy's Italian Specialties
- Pesa Italian Rolls
- Sunrise Inn of Warren
- Franky's Pizza & Deli
- Salvatore's Italian Grill
- Vernon's Café
- Station Square Ristorante
- CharBenay's Wine on the River
- Wedgewood Pizza Howland

Additional restaurants will be added in the weeks leading to the

event. Guests can pick up an Italian Food Trail passport at any participating restaurant, at the Trumbull County Tourism office at 321 Mahoning Avenue NW in Warren, or request one online at ItalianFoodTrail.com. The passport helps visitors keep track of their stops and learn more about each location, though the trail and passport are not ONLY a feature of the Restaurant Week but an ongoing feature throughout the county.

"The Italian Food Trail already connects people to incredible meals and stories across our communities," Marketing Manager Samantha Ensminger adds, "This new Restaurant Week is another reason to gather your friends, support local, and make a short-drive trip for dishes that feel like home."

For updated restaurant listings and details on Italian Food Trail Restaurant Week, visit the event page at TrulyTrumbull.com under Events or follow Trumbull County Tourism and Italian Food Trail on Facebook.

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Warren City Federation of Women's Clubs 2026 Scholarship

By Terri Crabbs

Warren City Federation of Women's Clubs is seeking applicants for a \$750 scholarship to be awarded in April 2026. The scholarship is designed to assist a Trumbull County woman in furthering her education in an accredited educational program. The applicant must be 24 years of age or older and a resident of Trumbull County.

The applicant must submit a written narrative describing her career goals and her plan to achieve those goals, including any financial hardship she may be facing, and how she will benefit from the scholarship. Applications are available by contacting Louise Kline, President at 330-727-8515. All applications must be returned by March 31, 2026.



Lakeview High School's NHS Hosts Senior Citizens Bash

By Aurora Sensabaugh, 11th grade LHS-NHS

Lakeview High School's National Honors Society will once again be hosting the Senior Citizens Bash, featuring many different activities and opportunities to meet new people.

This year's Senior Citizens Bash on Saturday, March 21st from 1 pm - 4 pm is for senior citizens in Cortland and neighboring communities. We will have activities, such as Bingo, Board & Card Games, Trivia, Prizes, and Dancing as well as refreshments. This will take place at Lakeview High School, 300 Hillman Drive. Guests can enter the school through the handicap accessible north auditorium doors of the building. The event is FREE but we prefer an RSVP by calling the LHS office at 330-637-4921.

Come join us at Lakeview High School for an amazing afternoon of various events and activities! There's something for everyone and we're so excited to get this event going once again. We hope to see you there!

Lakeview Football Starts New Letterman's Club

By Michael DeToro

Lakeview High School Football is excited to announce the start of the new Lakeview Football Letterman's Club. This club is open to all former Lakeview varsity football lettermen, no matter what year you played.

The goal is to bring the football family back together and keep the Bulldog tradition strong. Members will stay "in the huddle" with updates during the season, receive game recaps, and be recognized in the fall sports program.

There are two ways to join for 2026:

- White Tier (\$30): Includes seasonal e-newsletters, weekly game recaps straight to your inbox, and recognition in the fall sports program.
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Membership dues and extra donations will help support the current team's equipment, facilities, and program needs.

If you're a former Bulldog football player and want to reconnect, sign up today at: <https://forms.gle/AbrG6Af2KhTiU4S97>

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Why Beneficiary Reviews Are A Must – Not A Maybe Protect Your Legacy With Regular Updates To Your Financial Documents

When it comes to financial planning, many people assume that once they've named beneficiaries on their accounts, they're set for life. But if life changes, it may be time to change your beneficiary designations. Whether it's a retirement account, life insurance policy, or investment portfolio, regularly reviewing and updating your beneficiaries is one of the most important steps you can take to protect your legacy and ensure your wishes are honored. Explore why a simple update to beneficiaries today can prevent costly mistakes tomorrow.

What is a beneficiary designation?

Beneficiary designations are instructions that tell financial institutions who should receive your assets after you pass away. They apply to a wide range of accounts, including 401(k)s, IRAs, life insurance policies, annuities, and even bank or brokerage accounts. What many people don't realize is that these designations typically override what's written in a will or trust. That means if your beneficiary information is outdated, your assets could end up in the wrong hands, regardless of your estate plan.

When to review beneficiaries. Life doesn't stand still, and neither should your financial documents. Marriage, divorce, the birth or adoption of children or grandchildren, the death of a previously named beneficiary, or changes in financial goals and relationships are all common life events that should prompt a beneficiary review. For example, if you haven't updated your retirement account since a divorce, a quick review can help avoid unintentionally leaving a significant portion of your savings to

an ex-spouse. Failing to update your beneficiary designations can lead to assets going to unintended recipients, legal disputes among heirs, delays in asset distribution, and even tax complications for beneficiaries.

How to review beneficiaries.

Reviewing your beneficiaries doesn't have to be complicated. Start by gathering all account documents and confirming both primary and contingent beneficiaries. Make sure names, relationships, and contact details are accurate. Then, take time to ensure your designations align with your broader estate plan. It's a good idea to revisit this information annually or after any major life event. If you're unsure where to start, your financial advisor can help guide the process and ensure everything is coordinated properly.

Work with a financial advisor.

As a financial advisor, I help clients take a holistic approach to legacy planning. That includes reviewing beneficiary designations across all accounts, coordinating with estate planning professionals, identifying tax-efficient strategies for asset transfer, and facilitating family conversations around financial intentions. These steps help ensure your wishes are clearly documented, and your loved ones are protected, should the unexpected occur.

Beneficiary reviews may seem like a small detail, but they carry significant weight. Taking the time to update your designations can prevent confusion, conflict, and costly mistakes down the road. A financial advisor can help ensure your financial plan reflects your current life, your values and your legacy.

Community Event To Benefit The Lakeview Band Students

By Shari Sollberger

The Lakeview Band Boosters will be having a fundraiser, A Night at the Races, on Friday, April 10 at Candlelite Knolls, located at 2619 Hoagland Blackstub Rd, Cortland. This event is open to the entire community as we are planning for a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our students to march in Disney!

This upcoming school year will

be a very busy and exciting, but also expensive, year for our band students. Please consider spending the evening with us at the races. You will not only be supporting a great cause, but you will be able to enjoy a delicious dinner, have a chance at numerous raffle baskets and 50/50, catch up with friends and neighbors and bet on some horses. Tickets for the race are only \$20, which includes dinner. Pre-sale tickets are encouraged. You may also reserve an entire table for your group.

If you would like to be a sponsor, we have five different levels of sponsorship to choose from.

We still have some horses that need named. All help would be greatly appreciated. The doors will open at 5 PM with dinner at 6 PM and races will start at 7 PM. If you would like to help in any way, be a sponsor or reserve tickets or a table, please reach out to Shari at 330-503-5339.





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Morgan Himes Joins 1000 Point Club



Morgan Himes basketball career, at Maplewood High School, started off on a rocky road. In her freshman year the team had only six girls with one quitting almost at the end of season. With Morgan breaking her ankle, they had to end the season three weeks early, winning only three games. For their sophomore season, they had seven players, with one senior graduating. Junior year proved to be promising with undefeated standing in the NAC and District Runner Up title. Senior year has become proof of hard work and determination in every girl on the team. They were undefeated in the NAC, won Districts, won Regional Semifinal game. **Unbelievable turnaround in 4 years!** The community support has been amazing with the way everyone comes out to support the team.

Team Accomplishments

- Undefeated home opener games ALL 4 years
- 2 seasons undefeated in the NAC
- Undefeated home games in 2 seasons



Morgan's Individual Accomplishments

- School game steal record-13
- School career steal record 440+
- 1000 Points



She believes that she couldn't have done it without her two senior teammates, Lauren and Reagan Kreig, whom she has played with since 4th grade, Coach Stephanie Pykare, and all the coaches and assistant coaches over the years that have invested their time in her. Morgan is specially thankful for her teammates, who all put in many hours of hard work.

Off the court, Morgan has also been successful in soccer and track. She helped the soccer team win their first game in four seasons. Morgan has been a regional track qualifier in two seasons for team relays and 300 hurdles.

Morgan plans to attend a radiology or ultrasound program after graduation.



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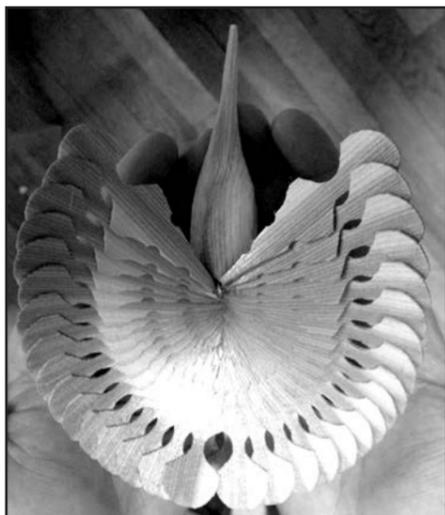
Ancient Art Form On Display At Bristol Public Library

By D'Lynn Johnson, Manager

An old Eastern European wood-carving technique is now on display at the Bristol Public Library. Artist Chandra Peterson, of Chandra's Passions, is one of only twenty people in the United States that creates unique pieces of art using Fan Carving.

Mrs. Peterson, of North Bloomfield, said fan carving began with soldiers that carved during their down time. It is folk art that she uses to create one-of-a-kind birds from a single piece of wood. She uses wet white cedar to slice feather after feather, then folds them into place; no glue or staples are used. The process for making one bird takes as long as two weeks, from receiving the block of wood to the finished piece.

This must-see display is in the library's display case on the second floor through the end of March. For more information or directions to the library, contact the circulation desk at 330-889-3651.



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The Unsinkable Molly Brown At Bristol Public Library

By D'Lynn Johnson, Manager

Join us at the Bristol Public Library on Monday, March 16th at 5:00 pm for a one-woman performance by Carol Starre-Kmiecik. She will portray the unsinkable Molly Brown from the Titanic.

Carol Starre-Kmiecik, a Cleveland actress, has been performing on stage for over 35 years. She has a bachelor's degree in Speech and Theatre Arts from Baldwin-Wallace College and studied Improvisational Theatre at Chicago's Second City for 2 years.

Carol's performances are educational and entertaining, sometimes humorous and sometimes sad, telling the life stories of courageous women that have overcome such obstacles as poverty, abuse, prejudice, and widowhood to make significant contributions to our country.

Registration, which is required due to very limited seating, begins Monday, February 23rd. Contact the circulation desk at 330-889-3651 for more information, directions or to register.

It's That "Time" At Bristol Public Library

By D'Lynn Johnson, Manager

Children's programming has resumed in March at the Bristol Public Library. Story Time, for 3, 4- and 5-year-olds will be held on Fridays at 10:00 am. Sessions go through March 27th.

Children will enjoy stories, songs, and games during each session. This is the perfect opportunity for your child to learn to interact and socialize as they make new friends as well as learn to be away from parents or caregivers.

Registration is required due to limited space. Visit the Bristol Public Library for more information and to register or contact the Circulation Desk at 330-889-3651.

LIBRARY NEWS

Cortland Library

March & April 2026 Events

All Warren-Trumbull County Public Library locations will be closed on Monday, April 20 for staff in-service training.

All events will be held at the Cortland Library, 578 Lakeview Dr.

Toddler Tales

Mondays at 10 AM, March 16, 23, 30 April 13, 27 A fun and active Storytime for toddlers ages 19 - 35 months with a parent or caregiver. Free.

Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays at 10 a.m.: March 17, 24, 31 April 14, 21, 28 Features stories, songs, and movement activities and reinforces the development of early literacy skills. For children ages 3-5 with a parent or caregiver. Free.

Midweek Mayhem

Wednesdays from 3 - 4 p.m.: March 18, 25 April 8, 15, 22, 29 Enjoy games, activities, and a small snack at a weekly hangout for teens ages 12 - 18. Free.

Murder at the Teen Idol Awards

Tues., March 17 from 4 - 6 p.m. Who will be this year's Top Teen Idol? With harsh competition, eccentric personalities, and a red carpet filled with glitter, glitz, and glam - the stakes are higher than ever! Each participant will be emailed a character after registration. Registration is required. Teens ages 12 - 18 can sign up online through the library's website calendar at www.wtcpl.org/events or call the library at (330) 638-6335. Free.

Genealogy Class: Beyond Ancestry

Thurs., March 19 at 2 p.m. Learn how to use the library's genealogy and history subscription databases and other online free sites for family history research. Register online through the library's website calendar at www.wtcpl.org/events or call the Local History & Genealogy Center at (330) 399-8807 ext. 202 to sign up for this free class at the Cortland Library.

First Chapter Book Club

Thurs., March 19, April 16 from 6 - 7 p.m. Children ages 9 - 12 can hear and discuss the first chapter of a book. Activities and games will help kids

decide if the book is one they want to finish reading on their own. Free.

Totally Tweens

Tues., March 24, April 21 from 3 - 4 p.m. Tweens ages 10 - 14 can let their creative juices flow with crafts and fun activities at the library. Free.

Friends of the Cortland Library Members Meeting

Wed., March 25 from 1 - 2 p.m. The Friends of the Cortland Library is a non-profit, volunteer group dedicated to the support and advancement of the library. Members and those interested in joining the group are invited to attend.

Science Saturday

Sat., March 28 from 3 - 4 p.m. Children ages 5 - 11 can engage in hands-on experiments and activities to explore the scientific method and a variety of science concepts. Kids should dress to get messy. Free.

Teen Advisory Board

Tues., April 14 from 3 - 4:30 p.m. Teens ages 12 - 18 who have ideas about what they'd like to see at the library, want to earn service hours, or like collaborating on creative ideas can join the Teen Advisory Board! Free.

Family LEGO Afternoon

Thurs., April 23 from 4 - 5 p.m. Practice problem-solving and engineering skills while building with the library's collection of LEGO bricks. Finished projects will remain at the library. For families with children ages 3 and older. Free.

Teen Yoga and Mindfulness

Tues., April 28 from 3 - 4 p.m. Teens ages 12 - 18 can enjoy a relaxing yoga and meditation session. Teens can bring their own mat or use one of the library's. Registration is required by April 24. Sign up online at www.wtcpl.org/events or call (330) 638-6335. Free.

Greeting Card Making Classes SCOPE Howland Senior Center

Some people say Janice O'Donnell is a Jack of all trades but a master of none. Well, that was 40 years ago. Since then, she has mastered several things. First, as a wood worker/tole painter for several years. Then she got into quilting and sewing. Jan also made dolls with machine embroidered faces. Now her passion is teaching people to make handmade greeting cards after she was first introduced to paper crafting some 15 years ago.

Jan says "Once I found out how interesting and easy it was, I decided I wanted to share this with others. I know you might say "well, I can't do that". My reply to that is visit my class and let me show you that anyone can do it. I've been teaching greeting card class at Howland John D Emanuel Senior Center for the past 7 years".

Classes are on the 2nd Thursday of every month from 10 AM until 1 PM. You will make 4 different cards in each



class. Cost is \$10 per class. Jan furnishes everything you will need to make your cards. Her ladies are so much fun as they laugh, joke and just have a good time. We ask you to please make reservations so she will have enough kits made for everyone. You can sign up by calling the John D. Emanuel Howland area senior citizen center at 330-609-7806 and leave your name and phone number.

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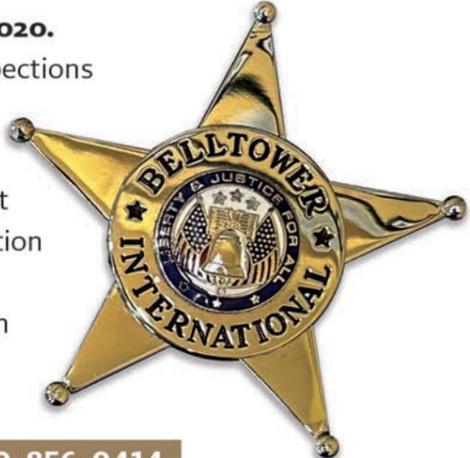
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