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2010 Annual "Garage Sales, Etc"

Friday, April 30 & Saturday, May 1

8:00 am until 5:00 pm

Last year was our biggest turn out ever with over 100 sales and we were able to donate over \$200 to the Cortland Library. Big thanks goes out to all our past participants. This is a big weekend for Cortland. Any new ideas or suggestions?

For organizations, great fundraiser (bake sale, food booth, kids activities) call for ideas. **PLAN AHEAD!**

For in-home businesses, great way to open up your home/garage for discounts, offering sales, or giving out business cards to possible future customers right in your home town (i.e. Tupperware, Avon, Pampered Chef, cleaning/repair services, woodworking, etc).

For the out-of-town residents, space can be set-aside for all who are interested.

Contact **Donna (815) 756-4851** if interested in having a sale so that you can be added to the map. Do not wait until the last minute to sign up. **PLAN AHEAD!** Designing, organizing, & printing maps takes a lot of time. Even those "MAYBE's" need to sign up. Cost is \$7.00. Thanks to all businesses & individuals who helped out last year, we are looking forward to working with you again. Thank you for your cooperation in advance. Suggestions are highly recommended!

Let's clean out those closets & garages!

Remember.....Someone's trash is someone else's treasure!



Mayor Robert Seyller and Mrs. Susan Dockus

SUSAN DOCKUS HONORED AT TOWN BOARD MEETING AND RECEPTION

Retired Treasurer, Susan Dockus was honored on January 25 at the Town Board meeting. Mayor Seyller presented Mrs. Dockus with a plaque thanking her for 25 years of service to the Town.

Many town officials, associates, co-workers, friends and town residents attended a cake and coffee reception on January 27 honoring Mrs. Dockus.

DATES TO REMEMBER

March

- 1 Planning Commission meeting
- 8 Town Board meeting
- 14 Turn clocks ahead
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
Free community meal
- 20 First day of spring
- 22 Town Board meeting

April

- 1 April Fool's Day
- 2 Good Friday
- 4 Easter Sunday
- 5 Planning Commission meeting
- 12 Town Board meeting
- 21 Free community meal
- 22 Earth Day
- 26 Town Board meeting

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You may reach any Trustee by email by using their first initial and last name @cortlandil.org.

For information regarding articles for this newsletter you may email the

Cortland Elementary PTA

Upcoming dates:

- March 3 Market Day 4:30-5:30
- March 11 Family Fitness 6:00-7:00
- March 12 Fun Fair 5:30-8:30
- March 15 PTA meeting 7:00
- March 15 Book Fair
- April 1 Family Fitness 6:00-7:00
- April 7 Market Day 4:30-5:30
- April 7 Spring Pictures
- April 8 Science Night 6:30-8:00
- April 15 Family Fitness 6:00-7:00
- April 19 PTA Meeting 7:00

On March 12th from 5:30-8:30 Cortland Elementary School will be holding its annual Fun Fair. Please join us for an evening of fun, food and games! There will be a silent auction, drawings, cake walk, games and food. We will need volunteers to make this evening a success so please consider donating some of your time. For information or questions please contact Wendy Kriese at 748-2683.



SENIOR SERVICES COMING TO CORTLAND

Senior Services Center of Family Service Agency is coming to Cortland with socialization and activities for seniors. These will include card and board games, a mild exercise program, health screenings, and special speaker presentations.

The Cortland Lions Club Shelter House, 70 South Llanos is the ideal location with easy access, ample parking, and plenty of space. The activities will be held twice weekly, programming will be Tuesday and Friday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. An Opening Day event is scheduled for Wednesday, March 10th.

A "kick-off" luncheon, jointly hosted by Family Service Agency and Voluntary Action Center, will be held, free of charge, on Wednesday, March 10th at the Shelter House at noon. There is no membership fee and all programs offered are free.

The Senior Services Center is funded through private donations and grants obtained from the DeKalb County Senior Tax Levy provisions.

Please contact Mary Overbey at 815-758-4718 for additional information.

RADIO TIME

TUNE INTO WLBK AM (1360) OR ONLINE (1360WLBK.COM) THE LAST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT APPROXIMATELY 8:40 A.M. TO HEAR THE MAYOR DISCUSSING INFORMATION CONCERNING CORTLAND AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES.



CORTLAND COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9-9

Friday & Saturday 9-5

website: www.cortlandlibrary.com

Preschool Story Hours: Wednesday & Thursday mornings at 10

Elementary School Stories: Tuesday evenings at 7

Winter Reading is sponsored by Dough Brothers Pizzeria. Kids, ask in the library for detail & keep reading!

Coming Soon

Saturday, March 6, from 1-4: Dr. Seuss Celebration/stories, crafts, cupcakes and prizes

Mom & Me lap sit programs for babies

Homebound delivery service. Can't get to the library? Let the library come to you!

If you are interested or if you have questions call the library at 815-756-7274 and talk to Heather.

Save the Date

Cortland Library Summer Fun at the Park is Saturday, July 24.

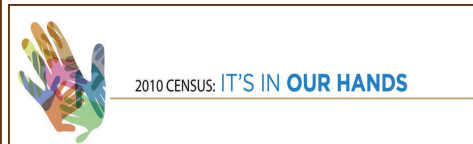
SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL REMINDER

The owner or occupant of each lot or part of a lot, improved or unimproved, to which the general public is invited shall remove all snow and ice which may have fallen or accumulated upon the sidewalk in front of the premises which he owns or occupies not later than twelve o'clock (12:00) noon of the day after the same has ceased to fall or accumulate. Provided, that when ice has so formed upon any sidewalk that it cannot be removed, then the owner or occupant shall keep the same effectively sprinkled with sand, salt or other suitable substance in such manner as to prevent the ice from being dangerous, until such time as it can be removed, and then it shall be promptly removed. (Town code 7-1-8)



Community Meal

Come get to know your neighbors. Join us for a free community meal on March 17, April 21 and May 19 at the Cortland Lions Shelter (Cortland Community Park). Serving from 5:30-7:00 PM. Meals are donated by Cortland UM Church, Cortland Lions Club, Sam's Restaurant, Dough Brothers Pizza and NIU.



2010 Census

Census forms will be mailed to households starting March 15, 2010. By answering 10 simple questions you can help improve your schools, hospitals, job training programs, public transportation and much more. Take time to make a difference by completing and returning your form. The

Town is asking for your individual cooperation in helping us attain a 100% mail-back rate. The accuracy of our population count determines our revenue apportionment for the next 10 years.

Town Board Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Meetings start at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. Agendas for all meetings are typically available on the Friday before. To view agendas go to www.cortlandil.org.

SPRING CLEAN

The Town of Cortland, with the assistance of its Police Department and Operations & Maintenance Department, is providing large waste containers for a week of spring clean-up activities. We would like to encourage Cortland residents to take advantage of this opportunity to dispose of household trash and accumulated "junk"! These containers will be placed at the Town of Cortland Maintenance Garage located at 54 Mary Aldis Lane (east side of bldg.) and at the Cortland Fire Station located at 30 West North Avenue and will be available from **Monday, May 3, until Sunday, May 9.**

These dumpsters may NOT be used for the disposal of yard waste, large appliances, or tires, paint or other hazardous materials. Check our website at cortlandil.org for information on used oil collections and electronics collection.

Typically, DeKalb County hosts two recycling events. For these events check the following link; recycling/collection events http://www.dekalbcounty.org/Health/recycle_events.html



LIONS CLUB EASTER EGG HUNT

The Cortland Lions Club is sponsoring the annual Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 3, at 1 p.m.
Cortland Community Park
70 S. Llanos St.

The children will be divided into age groups for the hunt. Look for a Lion member for directions.

For questions, call Tracy Burne at 815-909-0218

THE WATER DEPARTMENT WILL BE FLUSHING HYDRANTS ON APRIL 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMENDATION

The Town of Cortland Water/Wastewater Department has been commended by the Illinois Department of Public Health for maintaining perfect fluoride compliance in 2009 in accordance with the state of Illinois Fluoridation Law. Community Water Fluoridation is a highly effective disease prevention program. Water operators who maintain the correct level of fluoride in the drinking water, do more for the preventive oral health of the community than the combined efforts of all oral health professionals. The IDPH acknowledges the expertise and diligence of the Cortland Water/Wastewater Department personnel with this award.



Your personal contribution to cleaner water

For information and a "how to manual" visit the Town's website at www.cortlandil.org

Cortland's Own; American Heroes

In honor of your commitment we salute you and your families and recognize your bravery as you faithfully serve our country! We thank you for your selfless sacrifice in defending our freedom.

Private First Class Derek Armstrong United States Army

Son of Rick and Debbie Armstrong



Sergeant Adam Doden United States Marines Corps

Son of Gary and Lorraine Doden

Private Zachary Hallahan United States Marine Corps

Son of Beth Ellington

Private James Read United States Army

Son of Jim and Janet Read

Sergeant Christopher J. Reiter United States Air Force

Son of Randy and Jeanne Reiter

Master Sergeant James Kochel Army National Guard

Husband of Diane Kochel

The Town of Cortland would like to honor its soldiers by acknowledging their selfless sacrifice in defense of our country! If you have a family member in the military we would like to hear from you. We would like to post their names, rank, and branch of service in the Cortland Newsletter. Let's give them the recognition and praise they deserve.

Please call Linda Clark, (815)756-1336 with your information.

Hello,

Spring is coming but the recent snows remind us that we live in Illinois. I want to thank everyone for their patience during the winter snow season. Just a quick reminder, residents are required to clear sidewalks in front of your property after a snow event to make it safer for school children and others who use the sidewalks.

I am very excited about DeKalb County Senior Services expanding its service to Cortland. The "kick off" luncheon will be held on Wednesday, March 10 at 12 p.m. at the Cortland Community Park Lions Shelter house, hosted jointly by Family Service Agency and Voluntary Action Center. Regularly scheduled lunches and activities will be held twice weekly, programming will be on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Trans Vac will provide transportation to persons in need. Call (815)758-6641 to make arrangements. Those wanting transportation need to call 5 days prior to the March 10 opening. If you plan to have a meal, for any scheduled day, please RSVP by 10 a.m. the day before you plan to attend by calling (815)758-4718, including the "kick off" luncheon on March 10. I hope to see you at the "kick off" luncheon.

The FREE community meal that is sponsored in part by the Cortland United Methodist Church has been very well received. I appreciate all the hard work and effort in creating and supporting this event. If you have not been to one, mark your calendar and plan on attending, it's a great way to meet your neighbors. Upcoming dates are listed in this newsletter and the Town's website.

The town was chosen by the Illinois Lincoln Highway Coalition as a site for an interpretive mural on Lincoln Highway (State Route 38). Stay tuned for more information on the location and unveiling of the mural.

I hope you and your loved ones have a safe and happy Easter. Till then, think Spring!

Mayor Bob



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