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29TH ANNUAL CORTLAND PARADE & FESTIVAL

The Cortland Parade and Festival packed in the fun as hundreds of residents and friends lined the streets on a beautiful mid-October day to watch the 29th annual parade. After the parade, watchers and participants made their way to Cortland Community Park for a day of fun, food and visiting with friends and neighbors. Please visit the Town's website at www.cortlandil.org for pictures of parade and festival.



We Serve

CORTLAND LIONS CLUB FIRST ANNUAL TURKEY TROT

The Cortland Lions Club and Kishwaukee YMCA present the first ever 5K race in Cortland on Saturday, November 13 at 7:00 a.m. to benefit the restoration of the Lions Den which is used by the community, the Cub Scouts, the Senior Services Center and other Community organizations. To register for the race go www.signmeup.com/71367 registration cost is \$20 or \$25 for same day registration. The first 200 registrants receive a t-shirt and goodie bag. You may email or call Chris Fowler at cortlandlion@yahoo.com or 815-549-1205 if you have any questions. Registration forms are also available at the Town Hall.

CORTLAND FREE COMMUNITY MEAL

A FREE community meal is sponsored in part by the Cortland United Methodist Church on the following Wednesdays: November 17, and December 15. Serving from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Cortland Community Park Lions Den, 70 S. Llanos Street. Supported by the Cortland Lions Club, Sam's Family Restaurant, Dough Brothers Pizza and NIU. Everyone is invited. More information is available on the Cortland United Methodist Church website at cortlandumc.com.

DATES TO REMEMBER**November**

- 1 Planning Commission meeting
- 7 Daylight Savings
(Turn clocks back)
- 11 Veteran's Day
(Town Hall closed)
- 22 Town Board meeting
- 25 Thanksgiving
(Town Hall closed)
- 26 Day after Thanksgiving
(Town Hall closed)

December

- 6 Planning Commission meeting
- 13 Town Board meeting
- 24 Christmas Eve
(Town Hall closed)
- 27 Town Board meeting
(Town Hall closed)

HAPPY NEW YEAR!**January**

- 3 Town Hall closed

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For information regarding articles for this newsletter you may email the Deputy Clerk at deputyclerk@cortlandil.org.

THANK YOU TO THE CORTLAND FESTIVAL & PARADE COMMITTEE
AND TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED MAKE THE PARADE
AND FESTIVAL DAY A GREAT SUCCESS!

DSATS Trail Users Survey Now On-line

The DeKalb-Sycamore Area Transportation Study (DSATS) is currently conducting an on-line survey to develop an understanding of how area residents use the region's recreation trails. Cortland residents are encouraged to participate in the survey. It will take only a few moments of your time to complete the short survey but will provide useful information that will benefit communities in the County planning for trail improvements. You can access the survey at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/>

April 5, Consolidated Election Petitions Available

The Town of Cortland has 3 4-year term Trustee positions open for the April 5, 2011 Consolidated Election. Candidate Petitions are available from the Town Clerk's Office at the Town Hall, 59 S. Somonauk Rd., Cortland, during regular business hours. Petitions must be returned to Clerk's Office, during regular business hours, between December 13 and until 5 p.m. on December 20, 2010.

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

The Library will be closed on the following :

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| November 25 | Thanksgiving Day |
| December 24 | Christmas Eve |
| December 25 | Christmas Day |
| January 1, 2011 | New Year's Day |

Preparing for the hectic holidays? Come checkout our magazines (especially Taste of Home) for recipes, crafts, and decorating ideas. Only the newest cookbooks and crafting books are on display up front. Dozens more are in the back room, shelved in our non-fiction section.

Your Cortland Community Library card is easy to use at neighboring libraries. Simply bring it along and browse their collections. Their materials may be returned to Cortland Library, if that is more convenient.

Long drives to family events ahead? Fill that time with fun. Come check out our collection of books on CD to entertain you while commuting. We have an audiobook section for adults and another for children/teens.

If you are stuck at home due to injury or long-term illness, please call the library for home delivery of materials to brighten your day. Ask for Heather, Monday through Friday.

**CORTLAND ELEMENTARY
PTA NEWS**

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| Nov. 1-5 | Book Fair |
| Nov. 2 | Family Reading Night at Book Fair |
| Nov. 9 | PTA Meeting 7-8 P.M. |
| Nov. 18 | Fall Festival |
| Nov. 19 | Picture Retake Day |

If you have not already joined the PTA, please consider doing so. We can always use more help throughout the year at all of our events. The PTA provides funds to our school, teachers, classrooms, and students. We help fund playground equipment, field trips, assemblies, PE equipment, book distributions, classroom equipment, and much, much more! Other ways to contribute to the PTA include Box Tops, Campbell's Soup Labels, Target Visa, and aluminum recycling. Please help as much as you can so we can give our students a great school year! For more information and December events, please visit the PTA website at <http://moss.dist428.org/schools/cortland/pta/Pages/default.aspx>



Cortland Chief of Police Retires

Mayor Seyller presented Chief Russell Stokes with a plaque at the September 27 Town Board meeting commemorating his years of dedicated service to the Town of Cortland and his devotion to the police department. The Mayor, Town Trustees, Town Clerk and staff wish him the best of luck in his retirement.

**Sergeant Dennis Medema
Appointed Cortland Chief of Police.**

Sergeant Dennis Medema was appointed Cortland's new Chief of Police at the September 27 Town Board meeting. Sergeant Medema has been with the Cortland Police Department since May of 2003. Congratulations and best wishes to Chief Medema.

DELAINE MULLIS OUTSTANDING CITIZENSHIP AWARD



The Annual DeLaine Mullis Outstanding Citizenship Award for 2010 was presented at the Town Board meeting October 25, 2010 to all past and present members of the Cortland Community Fireman's Association to acknowledge the heroism, sacrifices and dedication of all the men and women who

volunteer their time to serve and protect the residents of our community.

In the world we live in, it's not an easy task to find such wonderful people who volunteer to unselfishly risk their lives for the safety of others. Since 1947 the Association's continued efforts to update and modernize its training and equipment to be less dependent on other departments and to keep our residents safe has not gone unnoticed or unappreciated.

Please visit the Town's website for more information on the DeLaine Mullis Outstanding Citizenship Award and more pictures of the presentation.

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.

Hello,

It's been a great summer and fall is here, which also means winter is coming soon. The Town does not pick up leaves so please do not rake leaves into the street. The street paving and sidewalk improvements are coming to an end for this year. The final lift of asphalt in the Robinson Farm, New Hope Park and Chestnut Grove subdivisions should be completed by November.

Our Operations & Maintenance Department is getting ready for snow. Please remember there is no parking after 2 inches of snow on any street in Town so plan your winter parking arrangements now. Check our website at cortlandil.org Departments/Operations & Maintenance for further information and instruction as they become available. The better you prepare now the smoother and more efficient the plowing can be done. I ask for your cooperation and patience in the upcoming snow season. Remember: shoveling the sidewalk is the homeowners responsibility and very important if you have a school bus pick-up route near your house. For information on leaves, snow removal and other Town Codes, please check the Town Code on the Town's website at www.cortlandil.org. Click on Town Code and you can type a word in the search field to find the reference you are looking for.

I want to thank the Cortland Festival and Parade Committee for its dedication and commitment putting together such wonderful events. It's a tough task to undertake when times are good, but times are tough, donations are down and families just don't have the money they used to. They did an excellent job in providing the free Movie Nights, Summer Fest and the Festival and Parade. It was a fun and affordable way to spend time with family and meet new friends.

I want to wish each of you a wonderful holiday season.

Mayor Bob Seyller



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HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE MAYOR, TRUSTEES, TOWN CLERK AND TOWN STAFF