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27TH ANNUAL PARADE



Congratulations to the Parade & Festival Committee for all your hard work! Sunday, October 12, was a beautiful sunny fall day for the 27th Annual Parade. Just when you thought the parade was done, it kept coming. We had a wonderful turnout of marching bands, floats, local businesses, local politicians, police cars, fire engines and many wagging tails. Parade watchers, old and young, standing street side had a wonderful time as this parade had something for everyone.



NOVEMBER 4, 2008
POLLS ARE OPEN FROM 6:00 A.M. UNTIL 7:00 P.M.

Cortland Town Officials

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You may email the Mayor at mayor@cortlandil.org, Trustees can be emailed by using their first initial and last name @cortlandil.org, the Town Clerk at townclerk@cortlandil.org, and Deputy Clerk at deputyclerk@cortlandil.org. Please check our website at www.cortlandil.org for individual and department heads' email addresses.



THE TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED NOVEMBER 11 FOR VETERAN'S DAY, NOVEMBER 27 & 28 FOR THANKSGIVING AND DECEMBER 24 & 25 FOR CHRISTMAS



LIGHT POLE BANNERS

You've probably noticed the banners hanging on light poles throughout the town. The banner project was a fundraiser for the Parade & Festival Committee. Banners were sold to local businesses with \$25.00 from each banner sold going to the Parade & Festival Committee. The Mayor and staff were very excited about having this project completed before parade time.

Disaster Assistance

Homeowners, renters and businesses owners, if you sustained losses or damage during the September 13-14 flooding you may be eligible for disaster aid.

Call: 1-800-621-FEMA (3362)

Or apply online: www.fema.gov

Deadline for applications is December 2



**VETERAN'S DAY IS NOVEMBER 11
THANK YOU TO ALL VETERANS
WHO HAVE SERVED AND ARE
SERVING NOW.**



Cortland Elementary PTA Info and Events

Come join us for breakfast and reindeer games. Santa is hosting his annual breakfast at Cortland Elementary. Bring your family on Saturday, December 13, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Market Day order sheets are available at the school and library, or you can call Erica at 815-748-3167.

Help support our ongoing fundraisers by dropping off box top labels, Campbell's labels, used inkjet cartridges and aluminum cans at the school.

You can help your PTA by becoming a member. Contact Kathy at 815-909-0221.

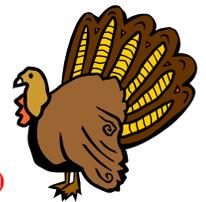
Upcoming Events:

Nov. 3-6	8:30 - 4:00	Book Fair
Nov. 5	5:30 - 6:30	Family Reading Night
Nov. 14		RIF Distribution
Nov. 17	7:00	PTA meeting
Dec. 10	5:00-6:00	Market Day pick-up
Dec. 13	8:30-11:00	Breakfast with Santa

Dates to Remember...

November

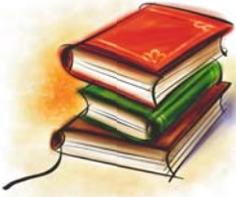
- 2 Daylight Savings Time ends
- 3 Planning Commission meeting
- 4 Election Day
- 10 Town Board meeting
- 11 Veteran's Day (Town Hall closed)
- 24 Town Board meeting
- 27 Happy Thanksgiving (Town Hall closed)



December

- 1 Planning Commission meeting
- 8 Town Board meeting
- 22 Town Board meeting
- 24 Christmas Eve (Town Hall closed)
- 25 Christmas Day (Town Hall closed)





LIBRARY NEWS

Cortland Library has broken 2000! We now have over 2000 DVD movies for our patrons to enjoy. Limit 5 per patron per checkout. Come in and browse for a cozy "movie night" at home on these cool fall evenings.

You may visit us online at www.cortlandlibrary.com. We have a new look, new features and a link to our card catalog (Prairie Cat), with over 8 million titles to share. Check it out and borrow some soon.

Preschool Story Times:
Mondays at 1:00 a.m.
Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Evening Story Time:
Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.



Mother Goose & Her Friends
An Interactive Childrens' Program Featuring Rhyme, Puppetry, and the Magic of Story Telling!
www.
mothergooseandherfriends.com

Holiday Closings

Veteran's Day - November 11
Thanksgiving - November 27 and 28

Christmas - December 24 and 25
New Year's - December 31 and January 1, 2009

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR CORTLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Just as the sun came out on October 8, Mayor Bob Seyller and Trustee Chuck Lanning along with numerous other elected officials joined with members of the Board of Education, district administrators, and teachers, parents and students from Cortland for a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Cortland Elementary School. The elementary school is on schedule to open in fall of 2009.



Cortland Trustee Chuck Lanning and Mayor Bob Seyller



From left, Dr. Jim Briscoe, Superintendent of Schools; Jim Mitchell, Board Member; Michael Lord, Board Member; Fred Davis, Board Member; Bob Seyller, Mayor of Cortland; Mike Verbic, President, Board of Education; Tia Robinson, Board Member; Andy Small, Board Member; Gary Gustafson, Construction Liaison; and Kim Lyle, Principal, Cortland Elementary



Dear Cortland Residents,

I would like to welcome our new residents to Cortland. Most of our summer and fall projects are coming to an end as we prepare for winter. I'd like to thank all the people that participated in this year's Parade & Festival and helped make it a successful event.

I have been hearing a lot of misinformation and stories about our town that are simply untrue. I would like to do a special edition of the newsletter to answer your questions or concerns related to issues in Cortland, but I need your help. Please e-mail, write, or call me with your most pressing concerns or questions by November 14, and I will do my best to address as many of these issues as I can. Now is your time to let me know what's on your mind, so that this special edition can cover what is most important to the residents of Cortland rather than what I may **think** you want to know.

My wife Diane and I would like to wish all of you a very safe and joyous holiday season.

Bob

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS AND STAFF



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