

# **TOWN OF CORTLAND**

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# **Cortland Summer Fest at Cortland Community Park**

Friday, August 10, 2012, 6:00 p.m. - Midnight Shooter 7:00-11:00 Saturday, August 11, 2012, Noon - Midnight Hit Man, 1:00-3:00 Wired, 3:30-5:30 Menagerie, 6:00-8:00 Back Country Roads, 8:30-11:30

Beverage Garden will be open on both days.

Saturday entertainment includes free kids games and activities hosted by the Cortland Library, a car show presented by Cruizin' Wheels, silent auction, 50/50 raffle and more!!!

# **Cortland Community Garden**

DeKalb County Community Garden project is coming to Cortland. A Community Garden is a cooperative garden project allowing families to grow and harvest fruits and vegetables for themselves and to share. All citizens interested in being part of this wonderful project are encouraged to attend an informational meeting at Cortland Community Park , 70 S. Llanos, on May 15 at 7:00 p.m.
You don't have to know a lot about gardening to be part of this effort. Information will be added to the Town's website as it becomes available, or you can call Danny Kenny at 815-793-0950.

# **Cortland Has Partnered with WaterSense** ®

WaterSense is a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) program. By becoming a partner, the Town is demonstrating environmental leadership. Together we are helping residents to use water resources more efficiently to preserve them for future generations and reduce future water and wastewater infrastructure costs. Please visit our website at cortlandil.org for more information, along with helpful hints in conserving water.

# It's Very Important to Keep Your Grass Clippings Out of the Street

When mowing your yard, make certain that you do not blow grass clippings into the street. When mowing, make the first few passes with the lawnmower blowing the grass clippings into the lawn, NOT the street. If there are grass clippings on the street or sidewalk, use a broom or leaf blower to blow them back into the lawn. Do not use a hose to wash them into the street or storm drains. Grass clippings that are blown into the street eventually enter the street storm drain and may form blockages in the storm sewers and increase maintenance costs to the Town. DATES TO DEMEMBED

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DATES TO REMEMBER	<u>CORTLAND TOWN OFFICIALS</u>	
May7Planning Commission meeting13Mother's Day14Town Board meeting21Town Board meeting28Memorial Day (Town Hall closed)SurveyJune4Planning Commission meeting11Town Board meeting17Father's Day20First Day of Summer25Town Board meeting	Mayor Robert K. Seyller Office (815)756-9041 Home (815)758-0649 Mayor@cortlandil.org Town Administrator Walter Magdziarz Office (815)756-9041 Townadministrator@cortlandil.org <u>TRUSTE</u> Sandra Barzso (847)224-4351 Doug Corson (630)452-6775 Susan Dockus (815)758-4306 You may reach any Trustee by email by name @cortlandil.org. For informatic ter you may email the Deputy Clerk at	Chuck Lanning (815)739-1673 Mike Siewierski (815)754-5815 Brad Stone (815)756-1025 v using their first initial and last on regarding articles for this newslet-

## **SPRING/SUMMER REMINDERS!**

## Vehicle Parking

Please be mindful of where you park your vehicles in the driveway. It is unlawful to obstruct a public sidewalk with your parked car. Moms and dads pushing strollers and our senior residents appreciate your consideration.

## **Dog Walking**

If you want to walk your dog, please remember that dogs and cats must be leashed when they're not in their yard, and you have to clean up after your dog.

# Garbage Pick-up

# Ord. 2012-09 4-1-5: Refuse Restrictions:

**A**. Schedule for Placement of Waste and Recyclables: All waste containers, recyclable containers, or yard waste bundles shall be placed for pick-up by the property owner's waste contractor, or other licensed waste handler, no earlier than 6:00 p.m. on the day before the scheduled pick-up day and shall be removed by midnight of the day in which the pick-up is made.

**B**. Refuse Subject to Blowing and Run-off: It shall be unlawful to cause or permit the accumulation of any waste, dust, ashes, recyclables, or yard waste, in such a manner that the same can be scattered by the wind or carried into the storm water drainage system.

**C**. Hazardous Waste: It shall be unlawful to dispose of any hazardous waste within the Town except in conformance with state and federal environmental laws and requirements.

**D**. Penalty: Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be assessed a penalty not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). Any person who fails to pay the requisite penalty within seven (7) calendar days shall be assessed a double penalty thereafter with the violator to be prosecuted fourteen (14) calendar days after the original violation if the penalty remains unpaid.

# CORTLAND TOWN OFFICIALS

#### **CORTLAND COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS**

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9-9 Friday & Saturday 9-5 website: www.cortlandlibrary.com Follow us on Facebook (815)756-7274

#### <u>eBooks</u>

Download ebooks or audiobooks for FREE using your Cortland Library card. Information is on the library's website under the OMNI link. One-on-one assistance is available at the library.

#### **Children's Programs**

Elementary Age Storytime, Tuesdays at 7 pm Preschool Storytime, Wednesday & Thursdays at 10 am



First Grade & Up Story & Craft, Thursdays at 4 pm. Pre-registration is required, please contact the library.

## This summer, Reading is SO Delicious at the library! Here are some June dates to remember:

Monday, June 4th: first day to sign-up for summer reading Monday, June 11th: the first day to begin claiming prizes Tuesday, June 26th at 7pm: Rob Erdmann performance at the Lion's Shelter.

Check with the library for details on all the ways we will be celebrating how delicious reading can be!

Town Clerk Cheryl Aldis has started collecting articles, pictures, and memorabilia for the Town's sesquicentennial (150 year celebration) in 2015, so please contact her at 815-756-3030 with any contributions or information you would like to



**CONGRATULATIONS !** 

Mayor Seyller recognizes Christian Maurer of Cortland at the Town Board meeting on April 23, 2012, for his promotion to the rank of Eagle Scout.

#### 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 SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES.

#### Cortland Elementary PTA Info and Events Upcoming Dates

May 2	Market Day pick up 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.
May 2	Science Night 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
May 3	Family Fitness 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
May 7	PTA Dinner and Meeting 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
May 17	Family Fitness 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
May 19	4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Karen Mack Memorial Walk
-	10:00 a.m.
May 30	Market Day pick up 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Please join us, Saturday, May 19th, for our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Karen Mack Memorial Walk for Ovarian Cancer. The walk will start promptly at 10:00 a.m. Please bring your family and friends to help support a very worthwhile cause. For more information or registration forms call Dawn McAllister or Terri Pardridge at Cortland School. Proceeds will benefit the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance.

Thank you for all your support this year. Have a great summer!

**Cortland PTA** 



### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Water/Wastewater Superintendent Joel Summerhill and staff for receiving the 2012 Watercon

Perfect Fluoridation Award. This was the fourth consecutive year this award has been presented to the Town.

#### SPRING CLEAN-UP

Dumpsters will be available behind the Cortland Fire Department for one week starting Monday, May 7 through Sunday, May 13. These dumpsters are NOT be used for the disposal of yard waste, large appliances, tires, paint or other hazardous materials. Check our website at cortlandil.org for information on used oil collections and electronics

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,

What an amazing Spring we are having. If this is your first newsletter I would like to welcome you to our Town.

I hope everyone has time to meet their neighbors and maybe make some new friends during the garage sale weekend. This is a very busy time in Town, so please use caution when trying to get around. We are also planning our "Spring Clean Up" where the Town provides dumpsters (see newsletter article); please use these dumpsters responsibly. This is a great time to clean up around your home and get rid of the stuff that just builds up. We are continuing to work on a few problem properties and hope to have them in compliance soon. It is really important that everyone keep the streets clear of grass clippings and that you clean up after your dogs.

We have many community events coming up. The Parade and Festival Committee is busy planning Summerfest in August and the Parade and Festival in October. I'm very excited about plans that are underway to have a community garden in Cortland. I'm hoping to see many of you at the community garden informational meeting at 7:00 p.m. on May 15 at Cortland Community Park. I'd also like to remind everyone of the free community meal at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16, at Cortland Community Park Lions Club Den. This is a great chance to meet people and share a meal together.

I hope you are enjoying the outdoors, and please remember to be courteous to your neighbors.

**Mayor Bob** 



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