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SPRING IS APPROACHING

BE ALERT FOR VIOLENT WEATHER

A TORNADO WATCH is issued by the National Weather Service to alert people that

Weather conditions in their area are favorable for tornadoes to form. People should be alert to weather conditions and announcements. Weather information is available from local television stations and local radio stations. Watch the sky and listen for the tornado siren.

DO NOT CALL THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OR FIRE DEPARTMENT TO OBTAIN WEATHER INFORMATION.

The National Weather Service issues a TORNADO WARNING when a tornado has actually been sighted or is indicated by radar. **TAKE SHELTER IMMEDIATELY!**

The Town of Cortland's Tornado Siren is tested at 10:00 am on the first Tuesday of each Month. On-duty Cortland Police Officers activate the Tornado Siren when the National Weather Service announces a TORNADO WARNING for the DeKalb County area or there has been a confirmed report of rotating clouds in the area. No "All Clear" siren is sounded.

The Town of Cortland does not have a community shelter.

Pre-plan with your family where you will go and what you will do in the event of a Tornado Warning!

TORNADO SAFETY

What You Can Do Before The Storm:

Develop a plan for you and your family for home, work, and school and when outdoors. Have frequent drills.

Know the area in which you live, and keep a highway map nearby to follow storm movement from weather bulletins.

Have a NOAA Weather Radio with a warning alarm tone and battery back-up to receive weather warnings.

Listen to local radio or watch local television for weather information. If planning to be outdoors, listen to the latest weather forecasts and take necessary action if threatening weather develops.

IF A WARNING IS ISSUED OR IF THREATENING WEATHER APPROACHES:

Move quickly indoors to a pre-designated shelter, such as a basement in a structurally sound building. If shelter underground is not available, move to an interior room or hallway of a structurally sound building and get under a sturdy piece of furniture. Stay away from windows. Do not use a vehicle for shelter. Do not try to outrun a tornado in your vehicle. Mobile homes, even tied down, offer little protection from tornadoes and should be abandoned.

Occasionally, tornadoes develop so rapidly that advance warning is not possible. Remain alert for signs of an approaching tornado. Flying debris from tornadoes cause most deaths and injuries.

For more information on Tornadoes and how you can create a Family Disaster Plan, contact the NOAA's National Weather Services at www.nws.noaa.gov

DATES TO REMEMBER**March**

- 7 Planning Commission meeting
- 14 Town Board meeting
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 28 Town Board meeting

April

- 1 April Fool's Day
- 4 Planning Commission meeting
- 5 Election Day
- 11 Town Board meeting
- 22 Good Friday
- 24 Easter Sunday
- 25 Town Board meeting

March 7, 1933- First Monopoly Game invented.

April 25, 1901-First License Plate

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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 Deputy Clerk at deputyclerk@cortlandil.org.

2011 Annual "Garage Sales, Etc"

Friday, April 29 & Saturday, April 30 8:00-5:00

Here we are once again....Spring cleaning! Last year we were able to donate over \$280 to the Senior Center. They were able to purchase Bingo cards for the visually challenged as well as a few other things to help out the Seniors. A great big thank you goes out to all our past participants. This is a big weekend for Cortland. Any new ideas or suggestions? PLAN AHEAD!

For organizations: Great fundraiser for a bake sale, food booth or 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 card to possible future customers right in your home town (i.e. Tupperware, Avon, Pampered Chef, cleaning/repair services, woodworking, etc).

NEW this year: For the out-of town residents and other interested the Lions Club will be offering inside space to rent at the Lions Den. You can sign up with them and get a 8x10 block of space for \$10. Spaces are limited, therefore, it will be first come first serve. To contact the Lions Club to rent one of their spaces email www.cortlandlions.com.

Contact Donna (815) 756-4851 if interested in having a sale (other than Lions) 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. The cost is \$7.00. Please have all sales turned in by April 20. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and thanks to all businesses & individuals who helped out last year. We're looking forward to working with you again.

LIONS CLUB ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Cortland Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt is
Saturday, April 23, at 11 a.m. at Cortland Community Park
for more information contact the Lions Club at www.cortlandlions.com

CORTLAND COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9-9
Friday & Saturday 9-5
website: www.cortlandlibrary.com

Regular Cortland Library Programs**Lap Sit Caregiver & Baby Playtime with Miss Laura**

Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Family Story Times with Miss Terri,

Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Preschool Story Times

Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Coming Special Events!**Dr. Suess Story and Craft Time**

March 2, 4-5:30 p.m.

Girl Scout Cookie Sale

March 12, 10-noon

Adult Internet & Computer Lessons with Miss Laura

March 17, 4-5 p.m.

St. Patrick's Day Story and Craft

March 17, 4-5 p.m.

Low Income Energy Assistance

April 1, 10-11 p.m.

Must be income eligible to apply

During National Library Week, April 10-16

Enter our special drawing by signing up for your first Cortland Community Library card or updating your current card with your cell phone number or email address. Bring in a donation of canned food to erase your 2011 overdue fines! This does not include payments for lost items. Donations will go to local food pantry.

Town's Water System Receives Award

Cortland's water system was recently recognized by the Illinois Department of Public Health for maintaining successful compliance in 2010 for twelve consecutive months with the State of Illinois Flouridation Law.

This is the second consecutive year that Cortland's water system has been recognized for complying with the law. Most water systems in the state cannot meet the rigorous monthly testing requirements needed to satisfy the Department of Public Health standards. Community water fluoridation is a highly effective disease prevention program. "Due to the expertise and diligence of water operators, such as Joel Summerhill, Cortland's licensed water operator, who maintain the correct level of fluoride in the public drinking water supply do more for preventive oral health of the community than the combined efforts of all oral health professionals," according to the Department of Public Health.

Thanks to Joel and Al in the Water Department for achieving this award, again, and for making our public drinking water supply safe!

APRIL 5, 2011



There are 3 Town Trustee positions open and 5 candidates.

Your vote counts!

For information regarding the Town Sales Tax Referendum please read included information.

Due to budget constraints the Town will not be holding its Annual Spring Clean-up. Dumpsters will not be available.

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.

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.

FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR SEYLLER

Hello,

Now that January and February are behind us we start to see signs of spring coming. The February (Ground Hog Day) blizzard will not be forgotten soon. I would like to thank everyone for their co-operation during this snow event. Nearly everyone observed the parking ban which made snow removal much more efficient for our snow plow staff. I was very proud of the job that our Operation and Maintenance Department and Police Department, along with other town staff, performed during and after this storm.

Inside this issue is an explanation of the tax referendum question that you will be considering on the April 5th ballot. I'd like to encourage everyone to read this information. I also encourage everyone to get to know and learn more about the candidates running for Town Trustee. Please take the time and exercise your right to vote.

I am looking forward to many community events this year, starting with garage sales weekend in April. Plans are underway for movie nights, Summer Fest, parade and festival, Lions Club Turkey Trot and community suppers.

Think Spring!

Bob



DOUGH BROTHERS PIZZERIA EXPANDS

Mayor Bob Seyller, along with the owners of the newly expanded Dough Brothers Pizzeria, located at 20-22 W. Benson Avenue opened Thursday, February 24 with a ribbon cutting to celebrate the expansion of their restaurant take-Out business. The expansion of a dining room, which seats approximately 30 people also serve beer and wine.

Be sure to stop by and check out Dough Brothers Pizzeria expanding menu and new hours.

The Town Board, Mayor, Clerk and Town Staff all wish Dough Brothers Pizzeria the best of luck in their new business venture.

