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Regovich

Mayor/Safety Director

the coronavirus took over. I

remember thinking this would

be a really long year. Here we

are in December and dealing

with the same fears and issues as

when it began. As a city, we have

had to make many decisions to

keep our employees and citizens

safe. We have had to change

the way we live our lives--how

we work, play, communicate,

shop, and every other way we

live our daily lives. It has been a challenging year, to say the least.

I am thankful that things have

not been worse. I am thankful

for family and friends, and I am

thankful that this year is coming

to a close. I can only hope for a

better 2021, but we know there

is no guarantee. Please stay safe.

should have started curbside leaf

pickup as long as the weather

holds out. We try to time the

pick-up with when Mother

Nature will drop most leaves from the trees. This year it

seems they started a few weeks

earlier than the previous couple Continued at right

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Willowick Recreation Department: News & N By Julie Kless with your phone number to 3011. we will be giving pri Mayor's Report

Recreation Director

I would like to announce two great programs that we will be offering in December. First, our "Santa's Give Away" for ages 12 and under on Tuesday, December 22, from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at Manry Parking Lot. Please call 440-516-3011 by December 19 to register your child(ren) for Santa's drive-thru Give-Away and receive a Goody-bag from Santa containing crafts, and supplies to have an enjoyable holiday. Also, check out our Virtual Guessing Game that will be available under the Recreation Page on the City website, beginning Dec.7 thru Dec. 20. E-mail your answers

jkless@cityofwillowick.com with the subject line of "Christmas Guessing Game. Winners will be notified and may pick up their prize during our Santa's Give-Away Program on December 22 6:30pm to 8:00pm at Manry Park.

Our Santa's on the phone program is for all Willowick children between 3 years of age and second grade. Forms are available on our website, and must be submitted no later than 4:00 pm on Friday December 11th. Just imagine your child's excitement when they receive a personal phone call from Santa on December 14th, if you have any questions please call the Recreation Department @ 516-

This year we are making a change to our Holiday House Lighting Contest. We would like to "LIGHT UP WILLOWICK" for the Holidays! During these challenging times, we are encouraging all residents to light up their homes and neighborhoods with holiday lights and displays for all of Willowick to enjoy. By coming together and lighting up our community, we are hoping to provide our families a fun opportunity to drive throughout our City to enjoy the lights and embrace the spirt of the Holidays, throughout the month of December. Make sure to submit your favorite houses, e-mail ilkless@cityofwillowick.com, as

we will be giving prizes to the top 3 favorites received by Dec. 21st (only one vote per family). Let's LIGHT UP WILLOWICK for the HOLIDAYS!

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Our Willowick Youth basketball is taking on line sign-ups for all divisions. We will not be taking payment at this time. As of now, we will be looking to start the season mid- Jan.

Please feel free to contact me at anytime with any questions or concerns you may have at jkless@cityofwillowick.com and visit us on our city's website at cityofwillowick.com. Have a safe and Happy Holiday!

"Things work out best for those who make the best of how things work out" – John Wooden

Upcoming Virtual Library Programs for Families As I write this article, I receive the link! Visit the Events for practicing with during the class. reflect back to March when

During the month of December 2020, the following free programs will be offered VIRTUALLY at the Willoughby-Eastlake Public Library. Registration is required. For a complete schedule of events or to register for one of our upcoming programs, visit www.we247.org.

All programs are via Zoom or YouTube. You must register to

Mayor

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of years. It helps to bag the leaves in the appropriate bags as they start to fall. We will begin on Monday, November 30. Once we have gone through the city one time and gotten the bulk of them, residents will still be able to bag leaves and yard waste for pickup by Kimble until the last full week of December. It can be difficult to prepare our equipment, and manpower is sometimes a challenge due to the Thanksgiving holiday and staff members who need to use vacation days at the end of the year. This is a task that uses almost all available manpower, and it is tough on

Calendar at www.we247.org or call your library to register.

iPhone & iPad Tips & Tricks Apple software expert Chris Woodman will reveal the hidden features that most iPhone & iPad users don't know exist. This will be a virtual class through Zoom and you will need use two devices 1) for attending the Zoom meeting and 2)

our aging equipment. We try to

plan all this as well as get our

trucks and equipment ready for

the winter plowing season. When

raking leaves, please do not have

anything but leaves in the pile.

We have had many limbs, logs,

and other debris that people put

in the piles, and it causes major

damage to the equipment. If there

is debris in the leaf pile, it may

not get picked up. We will keep

the website and the Community

Announcements line updated as

We will again be having the

Hometown Heroes veteran banner

program this year. Banners are

hung from Memorial Day in

we move through the city.

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 6:30 pm

Special Video Concert with Musician and Author Jim Gill

Jim Gill's songs and musical books are often share during story times at Willoughby-Eastlake Library. Jim calls his creations "music play." They are musical games that inspire children and the adults that love

May through Veterans Day in November. Applications may be submitted from January 1 – March 31, 2021 and are available on the city's website or at City Hall.

Please check the city website regarding Council meetings. We will continue to meet virtually for the safety of the public as long as we can do so. We will keep you updated when live meetings will resume. If you would like to participate in our virtual meetings, you can login via Webex on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 7:30 PM. The login information can be found on the City Council page of the city's web site.

and care for them to join in the fun by actively singing, clapping and dancing along. Jim will be creating a special video concert exclusively for the library, filled with opportunities for everyone to sing, play and read along.

Thursday, Dec. 3, 6:30 pm

Holiday Craft Corner

Learn how to use cookie cutters to make your own salt dough ornaments.

Friday, December 4, 10 am

Saturday with Santa

Sant Clause himself is visiting via Zoom, along with his special helper and favorite reindeer Rudolph! Stories, songs, dancing and more. Children will have an opportunity to tell Santa what they want for Christmas and each child will be able to get a picture with Santa.

Saturday, December 5, 12 pm Poinsettias and Christmas <u>Cacti</u>

Master Gardener Susan Cowling will teach you how to buy holiday plants and get them to rebloom.

Saturday, December 5, 3 pm Crossing Animal New *Continued on page* 7

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City of Willowick Council Reports



Charlie Malta Ward 3 Councilman

Dear Wonderful Residents of Willowick,

Leaf Pickup: Leaf pickup begins Nov. 30th & will be completed by December 14th.The Leaf pickup will begin in Ward 1 & head west until our Service Department gets it done. Daily updates on the pickup schedule will be on our home page. Leaves should be raked to the tree lawn and not the street.We do not need the leaves in our sewers.

Hearts & Hammers Leaf Pickup: To say the least, Hearts & Hammers can use your help.We have some 35 resident lawns in Willowick need help. We will be leaf raking the next two Saturdays, if you can help call Natalie Antosh @ 440-364-4663 or myself @ 440-943-0222 we start @ 9:00am. A great way to get service hours if you are a high school student.

Ward III Resident Jordan Shininge: Congratulations Jordan winning, the Kuhar Music Scholarship. Great job playing the piano.

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Natalie Antosh Ward 2 Councilwoman

Hi Evervone. The city will begin leaf pick up on November 30th. Pickup starts in section 1, which is on the east side of the city and will post each day on the city website, which sections they will be in. Please make sure your leaves are not falling into the street when you place them onto your tree lawn. Kimble is still picking up yard waste and bags of leaves until the last week of December. Also if you have a storm sewer grate in front of your home please make sure leaves are not blocking the grate. If you do not feel comfortable going into your street to clean the leaves from the grate, call the service department and they will

send someone. Now that the temperature is getting colder and winter will soon be here, please look out for your neighbors and help each other. If you have a senior or a neighbor that is unable to go outside, ask them if you can move the trash can to the curb, clean the snow off their front steps for the mailperson or in the event emergency personnel must access the home. If you have a snow blower, take a few minutes to clean heavy snow from their apron. If you are going to the store, ask them if they need anything. If there are storms that come through, check in on them to make sure they are ok and have power and heat.

I am sad to announce that Willowick Hearts & Hammers will not be having their fundraiser in January 2021. With the unknown of the pandemic we felt it was best to not have the fundraiser. We would not be able to have this organization, if it was not for the people who support and donate through out the year. Thank you so much from the bottom of our hearts. Your support means so much to the volunteers and the residents we help. As of right now

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Mike Vanni Ward 1 Councilman

The City will begin leaf pickup starting with the east side and moving west on Monday, November 30th. Just like last year, we will be going through the City one time and will provide daily updates on the website as well as the Community Announcements option when calling our main line at 440-585-3700. Kimble will continue to pick-up yard waste until December 31st.

I hope everyone has a safe Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

Please do not hesitate to call me with any questions or concerns at 440-346-3227.

Michael Vanni - Ward 1



David Phares Ward 3 Councilman

Now that the leaves have begun to fall, a couple dates are important to keep in mind. City leaf pickup begins November 30th through December 14th. There will only be one pass through the city. You can find the leaf pickup map on the City website under DEPARTMENTS and SERVICE. Kimble will continue to pick up yard waste through December 30th.

At the November 3rd Council meeting, Mayor Regovich swore in Willowick's new Fire Chief, Joseph Tennyson. Chief Tennyson has been with the Willowick Fire Department since 2003 and has *Continued on page 7*

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<u>Voting:</u> Thank You all for voting. It is our civic duty, but even more every one of your votes counts.

Happy Thanksgiving, God Bless, Charlie Malta cmalta@cityofwillowick.com

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we are looking forward to when we can plan our fundraiser for January 2022.

Have a happy and save holiday! Thank you for being a resident of our great city of Willowick! NAntosh@CityOfWillowick.com 440-364-4663





Lakeland Waives Application Fee for New Students this Spring

is waiving its \$15 application fee for those who apply for admission and wish to take classes in the spring semester. Spring registration is now open and classes begin Jan. 16, 2021. "With so much uncertainty

Lakeland Community College right now, we want the community to know that they can count on us," said Dr. Morris Beverage Jr., Lakeland president. "Lakeland has provided college access in Lake County and the surrounding areas for more than 50 years. In times like these,

you can be certain that we'll continue to provide high-quality, educational opportunities in high demand fields.

With many having budgets squeezed, future students are encouraged to fill out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal



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Student Aid) to be eligible for help with money for college. Lakeland may be added as a college of choice on the FAFSA form with the school's code 006804. Many Lakeland scholarships are awarded using the information on a student's FAFSA.

Because of the pandemic, students may also be eligible for CARES Act Emergency Grant funding toward unforeseen emergency expenses. Many have received money to use for technology, groceries, child

or health care needs. More information is available at lakelandcc.edu/web/about/caresact.

Military veterans are especially encouraged to contact the veteran's office for information about applying GI education benefits. They can get help with questions about filling out, and completing, Veterans Affairs forms and receive assistance with advance registration each semester.

General information about applying, financial aid and degree and certificate programs is available at lakelandcc.edu.

Stolen Packages - The Last Thing 2020 Needs

Let's talk about how Willowick residents are preparing and protecting their homes.

Willowick is a safe city that we all love, but we can never be too careful.

Tis the season for joy and cheer, but with that comes desperation, car break-ins and stolen packages.

We are here to help and do our part at a discount to keep everyone in Willowick safe.

Smart doorbells are the new wave in home protection and smart home improvements.

We find many homeowners have bought these and are immensely intimidated by the installs, with good reason. The installs of the doorbells

come with a variety of different

challenges though.

This is where we, the experts, can help.

We are offering \$99 dollar installs of your smart doorbell (Usually \$225.)

You buy your favorite smart doorbell and have it ready for us. The most popular are Ring, Nest, and Simplisafe.

All above brands make great quality products and we are familiar with all.

Before we arrive please make sure you have strong wifi and a current old school working doorbell.

We have availability to do 10 at this price so this will be a first come first serve deal.

Call/Text us at 440-363-6400.





Bankruptcy 101

Peace of Mind in Tough Financial Times.

Do you not want to get out of bed because you are distressed over your financial situation and the only peace you feel like you have is when you are asleep?

When you do get up you just want the day to end so that you can do something in the evening that will take your mind off of your sense of impending doomeven if it is just going back to sleep. Some of you might not be able to sleep at all because of the worry. There is also the person that wakes up in the middle of the night with anxiety over finances

and then is unable to go back to sleep.

Are you afraid to go to the mailbox because you know there will be bills that you cannot pay? And then what are you going to do. Is it a high point for you when you open the mailbox and there are no bills?

Is your mind running away with negativity and fear over vour financial situation? Are you confused, angry, resentful, and afraid because you have always been able to pay your bills and you just cannot figure out how you ever got to this low point in life?

Do negative thoughts and fears

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During these times at home, we have an opportunity to read and grow in our faith. Mosack's

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over your financial situation dominate your mind throughout the day?

If this sounds like you I have some good then news for you. This is it: FINANCIAL TROUBLES ARE TEMPORARY. You can recover financially and prosper no matter how far down you may think you have fallen. I personally know hundreds of people who have. All of it has to do with how you approach the problem. We have used bankruptcy to help thousands of people get back on their feet. If your home is in foreclosure, do not worry, we can help you keep a roof over your head. If you are being sued we can stop the lawsuit. If you are being garnished we can stop the garnishment. If your license is suspended because you caused uninsured property damage, we can help you get it back. If you are being harassed non stop by bill collectors we can make them go away. These are only a few of the ways we can use bankruptcy to help financially distressed

individuals get back on their feet and regain their peace of mind.

The problem is that most people look at filing bankruptcy as a bad ending rather than a new good beginning. Filing bankruptcy is, in fact, a fresh start in life. A rebirth. At some point, everybody knows when they are at the financial point of no return. If you have gotten to that point where you know in your heart that there is not enough income to pay the bills then you should act now. Waiting to file bankruptcy when you are at this point is just prolonging your agony for no real reason. It is unnecessarily jeopardizing your physical and mental well being and that of your family. Worst of all, you are wasting the precious days of what should be a new life in which you are happy, joyous and free.

The process is very easy. We can start these cases for as little as three hundred dollars down and immediately stop the debt collectors from harassing you. The rest of the fee is put into an affordable payment plan. Basically, all you have to do is come to the office for a free initial consultation in which we evaluate your case to identify the issues that are specific to you. We then work with you to gather the information, put together the paperwork, file it with the court, go to court with you (usually, only one time) and you get a "discharge" which means your debt is wiped out. We help people regain their peace of mind this way every day- All day long.

Finally, do not worry what other people might think. No one is going to know unless you tell them. You would be surprised if you knew how many of your acquaintances have already taken this step. Bankruptcy is extremely common these days. The main point is you are a good person with a fixable problem. Bankruptcy is not a moral issue. It is financial planning for Peace of Mind and prosperity in the worst times since the great depression.

Robert C. Biales





Laketran Highlights Safety Protocols - Ensuring Public Transit **Remains a Safe & Reliable Option During the COVID-19 Pandemic**

As COVID-19 case numbers continue to rise in Ohio, Laketran is joining with the Ohio Public Transit Association (OPTA) and transit systems across the state to launch the Ride Easy Ohio campaign.

campaign

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highlights

transportation as a safe and viable option, even in the midst of the pandemic. Best practices include wearing facial coverings, practicing social distancing, cleaning and sanitizing vehicles and facilities, practicing safe

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safety initiatives to uphold public hygiene, and employee selfmonitoring.

> "We want people to know that public transit is a safe place to be. As far as we know, there have been no cases transmitted onboard our buses to date and in a recent survey of our busiest route, 98 percent of our customers said they felt safe riding Laketran," shared Laketran CEO Ben Capelle.

> 'Keeping public transit safe is a mutual commitment between us and our riders. We provide free masks and hand sanitizer on-board, limit our seating to six

feet apart and continue to sanitize transit vehicles daily and our buses daily. We ask that our riders self-monitor, practice safe hygiene and please don't take transit if you are sick."

Laketran has also joined the American Public Transportation Association's Health and Safety Commitments Program and pledged to meet national standards alongside over 175 transit systems nationwide.

Laketran is committed to five safety protocols

• Following public health guidelines from official sources

Cleaning and disinfecting

Mentor Monitor

Eastlake Gazette

Painesville Pride

Willoughby Times

Willowick Courier

requiring face coverings and other protections

• Practicing social distancing by monitoring passenger loads and capacities

• Keeping passengers informed and empowered to choose the safest ways to travel and pay their fare

• Putting health first by requiring riders and employees to avoid public transit if they have been exposed to COVID-19 or feel ill

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, including during the Ohio Department of Health's Stay-at-Home order, Laketran has continued to operate as an essential service, providing trips to work, medical appointments and shopping.

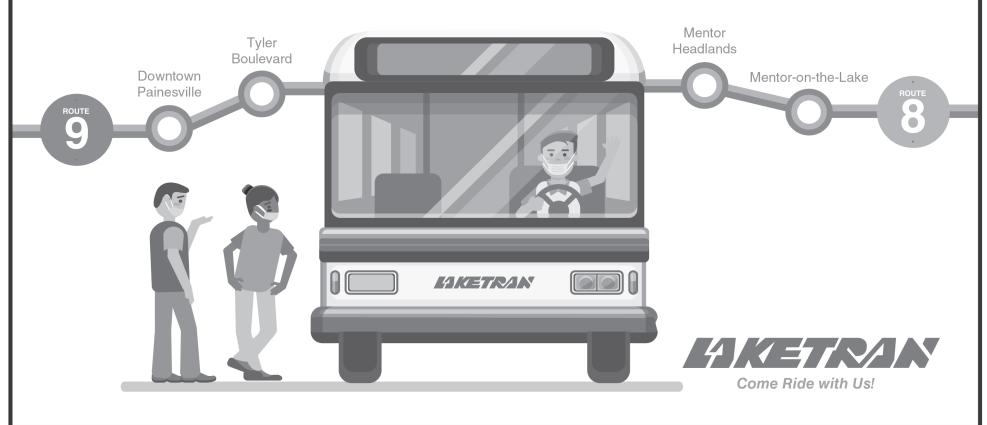
Laketran's commitment to safety has always been a top priority, and now more than ever, Laketran wants customers to be assured every precaution possible is being taken to make your ride safe.

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Who Says That You Can't Have Fun This Holiday Season?

It will be necessary to make changes to our holiday plans this year and limit family gatherings as we all work together to overcome this Covid-19 pandemic. But we can still have some of the same joy and experiences as in previous years.

Perhaps there are special decorations and serving pieces that have been family favorites throughout the years, but belong to a home you cannot visit this year.

Come into Antiques & Uniques to find the same or similar pieces that will make the holidays more

familiar and comforting...... even if there is a store-bought rotisserie chicken on this year's turkey platter!

We are taking safety precautions at A&U to help you to have a safe shopping experience. We hear comments all the time from customers about how clean our store is, how helpful and friendly everyone is, and how they feel comfortable and safe coming in to shop. Here are some of the things we have in place:

Face coverings are required,
Social distancing (including 10 ft dealer spaces off of our 5 ft

aisles, giving plenty of separation from other shoppers),

3. High ceilings and a large volume of air, that is processed by six roof-top air handling units, with upgraded air filters,

4. Frequent sanitizing of surfaces, etc.

You can come into Antiques & Uniques to find that special, one-of-a-kind gift that will mean so much in this crazy year! We also have Gift Cards available for purchase. A gift card will give the person an opportunity to enjoy "the thrill of the hunt" for that special "something" at A&U. If you would like to purchase a Gift Card over the phone, call A&U at 440-944-0133 and we will mail it out to you.

Asa's Angels is in our Community Spotlight space again this year. Ordinarily, they are requesting gifts of toys and clothing for the children's gifts. This year is a little different. We cannot accept gifts due to the Covid limitations, but A&U is a drop-off site for donations by credit card, cash, check, or gift card. Asa's Angels will use these donations to buy the gifts they need for the kids on Santa's list. Please bring in your contribution to this worthwhile cause. Even in this difficult year, let's help kids to have a Merry Christmas.

All our best Holiday Wishes to you from our family-of-dealers at Antiques & Uniques! 30200 Euclid Ave, Wickliffe. (In the plaza with Gabe's, one mile west of SOM Center Rd (Rt.91). Open Wed thru Sat 10:00 to 6:00 and Sun 12:00 to 6:00.

Special evening shopping hours on Thursday, Dec. 3 – 10:00 to 9:00 pm.

MEET YOUR LOCAL FIREPLACE DEALER!

If you are wondering how to avoid the high cost of heating your home this winter, then take a ride to American Home & Energy Products in Painesville Township, across the street from the Lake County Fairgrounds.

You will find the owner there, Chris Bedrick, and his staff, ready and able to give you the best information about quality heating products that will save you money (and worries) about keeping warm in your home during the cold NE Ohio winter season.

Chris said, "We are a full service store dedicated to customer service.

We educate our customers on the heating products and work with them to determine the best solution for their particular situation. Then we are able to sell them a high efficiency unit, install the unit and service it afterwards. We also offer our customers pellet fuel, firewood and a complete hearth shop featuring all the products having to do with a fireplace!"

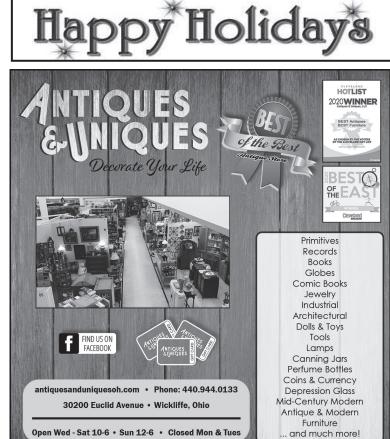
Chris says that American Home is all about green energy and proves that with high efficiency Regency wood, gas and pellet products including fireplaces, inserts and stoves. They have burning displays in the store to demonstrate the incredible heat, beautiful ambiance and easy to use heating products. You can see for yourself how great the units look, as well as how much heat you can expect, by coming in and experiencing the working products.

American Home & Energy is located at 1270 Mentor Avenue



(Rt 20) in Painesville Township, across from the Lake County Fairgrounds. Store hours are Monday through Friday 9am to 5:30 pm, Saturday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. The store is closed on Sunday.

Call 440-358-5858 or visit the website at American-Home-Online.com for more information.





Keep, Change, or Update Your Marketplace Plan

Time is running out for those with 2020 ACA Marketplace health insurance to renew, change, or update their plans for 2021. The Marketplace Open Enrollment Period ends Tuesday, December 15, 2020.

If you have a Marketplace plan, you should have already received two letters: one from your current insurance company and one from the Marketplace. Together they explain:

- Your 2021 coverage status

- Which plan (if any) you will be enrolled in or matched with if you do not act by December 15,

- Any changes in your coverage and financial help

- Directions if you need to send the Marketplace any documents

If you have not received your insurance letter, contact your insurance company. If you have not received your Marketplace letter, contact the Marketplace Call Center.

No matter what plan you choose to enroll in, we urge you to update your Marketplace application your expected income with and household information and compare your current plan to

what is available for 2021.

We encourage you to do this comparison because new affordable plans may be available this year. Plans and prices change every year. Your situation may have changed too. You may find 2021 plans with coverage and features that better meet your needs, especially if you have had or expect income or household changes.

By updating your application, you are helping to make sure your 2021 financial help will be correct. Financial help is based on your expected income for 2021

(not 2020). If you do not update your income and household information, you could wind up paying more than you need to. If you do not renew or enroll in a plan by December 15, 2020, you may be automatically enrolled in the same or a similar plan, so you are covered on January 1, 2021.

If you need assistance, please set up an appointment with me by calling 440-255-5700 or emailing me at Lmutsko@ mutskoinsurance.com. Appointments fill up fast so please do not wait until the last minute to call.

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For more information, visit www.mutskoinsurance.com.

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Horizons for Teens/Tweens

Do you play Animal Crossing New Horizons on your Switch? Sign up for this event to play from home and help us make the Willoughby Library's island superior. Who knows, there might be mazes to figure out or wheels to spin. Participants will receive a DODO code the day of the program at the email you signed up with. Ages 11-18.

Saturday, Dec. 5, 11 am-1 pm Wednesday, Dec. 16, 6-8 pm Make and Take Art Club Kits

for Teens/Tweens

Each month we will have a different activity kit for you to pick up and complete at home. Instructions and supplies will be included in each kit. Please sign up for each activity separately. Ages 11-18. Art Club kits will be available for you to pick up at the Teen desk or curbside at the Willoughby Library.

Monday, December 7, 11 am **Ghosts of Christmas Past**

Whitney Stalnaker of the Western Reserve Historical Society will lead us on an adventure as we explore the folklore and stories of

STEVE KOMARJANSKI

ghosts that helped shape the 19th century holidays in Cleveland.

Monday, December 7, 6:30 pm Happy Hanukkah

Get ready for Hanukkah with stories, fun facts and much more! This is a special event for the entire family.

Tuesday, December 8, 6:30 pm Between the Lines: Author **Rick Porrello**

Join author Rick Porrello for a virtual discussion of his latest book. Bombs, Bullets & Bribes: The True Story of Notorious Jewish Mobster Alex Shondor Birns.

Wednesday, Dec. 9, 6:30 pm Zoom LEGO Club Join us on Zoom to discuss the amazing LEGO creations you have

been working on. The Wednesday before the program, Miss Sarah will send you a video about what the theme is and an example of something she has been working on, as well as the Zoom link for the next day. At 2 pm on Saturday, you'll be able to join a Zoom call and show off your amazing creation. Be sure to have a name for the creation and a little story that explains it. All ages!

Saturday, December 12, 2 pm Home Gingerbread Take Houses

Come to the Willowick Library the week of December 14th to get a take home gingerbread kit. Take your kit home, build it and share pictures of your creations. Kits available while supplies last. Grades 6-12. Ages 12-18.

Family Christmas Stories with Miss Julie

Miss Julie will read favorite classic Christmas stories and then have a discussion about treasured family traditions.

Monday, Dec. 14, 6:30 pm Holiday Film Discussion

Join our new online group as we discuss a new film each month. To kick things off, we will be having a round table discussion to ask, "What is Your Favorite Holiday Movie?"

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Phares

Continued from page 2 been a Lieutenant since 2014. He has also been with the Eastlake Fire

Department since 2005. He brings a lot of invaluable experience to this very important position.

Operation S.C.R.A.M. (Security Camera Registry and Mapping) is still available for homeowners and businesses who have security cameras and would like to register them with the Police Department. Help make our community safer go to the city website under 'Police' 'Departments', and

Homeschool Thursdays Children ages 6-12 will enjoy a variety of fun educational virtual programs! Thursday, December 17, 2 pm

Kwanzaa Celebration

Join us as we celebrate African American culture and pride! This is a special event for the entire family. Thursday, Dec. 17, 6:30 pm

Basement Writers

Write with us in our creative writing group on Zoom. Bring your writing and ideas to share. All writing welcome. Fun and positive feedback provided. Grades 7-12. Ages 13-18.

Tuesday, Dec. 22, 6:30-8:30 pm Virtual Rose Parade **<u>Celebration</u>**

In a salute to the New Year's Day Tournament of Roses" parade, we invite you to join our celebration! Patrons are encouraged to share stories and photos of their gardens as we create our own version of this annual tradition.

Tuesday, Dec. 29, 6:30 pm Noon Year's Eve Celebration

Join Miss Sarah and Miss Sarah and ring in 2021! Take and Make Kits with New Year's Eve essentials will be available (noise makers, 2021 glasses and a craft). We'll be watching the ball drop and celebrating the end of 2020! Thursday, December 31, 11 am

'Security Camera Registration' and sign up today.

50 years ago in Willowick At the December 21, 1970 Council Meeting, Mayor Foley commented on the Sunday opening of stores at Shoregate. Uncle Bill's was quite busy at the appliance end of the store but the rest was just hit and miss. He emphasized that this Sunday opening was a one-time thing and that citations will be issued for any store found open on Sunday at Shoregate from this point on.



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Sometimes a little outside help can make all the difference in the world.

Do you have any questions or concerns about your loved ones? Give us a call and let's talk about it! We can be the answer!

Gift Buying tips....for people with Alzheimer's ~Pictures of family to help with memories

~Music can help with anxiety and bring comfort

~Headphones block out noises that may frighten them -Cozy blankets, sweaters or

clothing can provide comfort and warmth

HOT TIP... Winter is Coming

~Check in on your family & elderly neighbors

~Clear their drivewav &walkway to prevents falls

~Pick up groceries for them if you're going out so they don't have to

~Don't forget to change the furnace filter

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Automobile Thefts are on the Rise...What You Can Do to Protect Yourself

Over the past several months, there has been a dramatic increase in automobile thefts throughout the Greater Cleveland area. Theft rings have been targeting neighborhoods by traveling in a transport vehicle and then canvassing the area for unlocked

cars. In addition to the car and any valuables inside, they also look for garage door openers left inside vehicles to gain access to garages for additional vehicles or other valuables.

The common thread in all of these thefts is that they target

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unlocked vehicles and these incidents occur overnight.

Although Lake County is a very safe community to live in, we all should stay alert and take steps to protect ourselves and our property.

Here are a few simple tips: Lock Your Car Doors

The easiest thing you can do is lock your car door. Automobile theft is a crime of opportunity. If a thief finds that your car has been secured, they will likely move along to an easier target.

Don't Leave Your Keys in Your Car

Leaving keys and key fobs in your car not only make it easier to steal, but also provides an opportunity for thieves to access your home and other vehicles. Never leave your keys in your

Secure Your Valuables

Bring your valuables inside with you. If you leave them in your car, then place them out of view so that they don't make attractive targets.

Lock Your Garage Entry Door

Thieves that gain access to your car can gain easy access to your garage and your home by utilizing your garage door opener. Be sure to lock the garage entrance to your home. While you're at it, also make sure all of your first-floor entry doors and windows are secured.

Law enforcement agencies across the region are working together break these rings – and they're making progress. In the meantime, let's do what we can to discourage this type of activity in our community by remaining aware and by locking our vehicles.



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DIVORCE 101:

The Beginning or the End

A substantial part of my law practice involves divorce and child custody litigation. I always find it sad to see people who once lit up each others life uncomfortable to sit in the same room. People who once laughed and loved and built a family together and are now unable to even speak to one another. To me, it is like seeing a wild animal in a television documentary that loses its life innocently or driving by the remains of a dog that has been run over. It is not a part of my personal world yet it touches my heart with a very heavy sadness. We are conditioned as humans to associate the end of relationships and life as negative. I think it is partly because people fear change. When a situation changes the future appears uncertain; but the future is always uncertain. It is our illusion that it is not.

The real question is if there is really any difference between the beginning or the end other than one's perspective. Every beginning is the end of something and every end is the beginning of something. So which one is divorce? It's whatever the person going through it decides. So why does it matter what we think? It hurts. I'm angry. I hate. I'm alone. I'm afraid. I didn't do anything. It's not fair. He's evil. She's a He's a drunk. She won't stop using drugs. I hate my

(fill in the blank) life. What is the GD point. The point is when do you want to KNOW peace. Know as in "feel" as in "not to be in a constant state of turmoil and suffering." That is the whole point of this periodic 24 hour trek down the road of existence.

People do things that hurt other people. This is a fact of life. In this regard, if you believe in Karma things will work out. If you believe in justice they won't. If you believe that the system or the court will fix it-you will be disappointed. That is why negotiation and compromise between the divorcing parties is ALWAYS the best and least expensive way to resolve these situations. That is the process of dissolution and we will talk about that in another article. If you believe in revenge- you and your children will be hurt seriously. This is a guarantee. Your anguish will not be felt or considered by the object of your anger. That is a metaphysical reality. He or she is not thinking about you or the kids when their with the new squeeze in Aruba. They are not wallowing in remorse. Not then anyway. Trust me on this one.

Good and bad are equally useless concepts when it comes to evaluation of a person, place, situation or thing. I got the job (the girl, the guy, the promotion, the last one, the only one- fill in the blank.) You didn't. It is a "good" day for me. It is a "bad" day for you. The mouse ate the

spider who ate the fly. Their all hungry. They all want to survive. Which one is good? Which one is bad? It's the same with people. All reality is based upon perception.

I practice family law because I believe that divorce is the beginning of freedom AND the end of pain. To get to the point of seeking divorce either one or both people are usually in substantial pain. The purpose of an effective divorce attorney is to dissolve the marriage as painlessly, quickly and inexpensively as possible. It is also to help the client to learn how to develop tools (such as establishing credit, learning a vocation or career, obtaining child care and developing parenting skills) so that they will be able to live independently and successfully after the divorce is final. Some clients have been put down or abused for so long that they need to develop a sense of self worth and emotional and psychological stability and self confidence before they will know peace. The divorce attorney should be willing to assist these clients in finding affordable appropriate professional and providers to help them achieve this. In many cases, the children need the same professional help. Sometimes the parties in a divorce become so embittered toward each other that they act in ways which are detrimental to the best interests of their children. Mostly, they have no idea that they may be causing unnecessary distress to their children. The attorney should be willing to help the parent identify and correct this type of behavior. He or she should be willing (even though it may invite hostility on the part of the client) to instruct the parent how to act appropriately and in the best interest of the children throughout the divorce process. In cases involving children the protection and fostering of their emotional and psychological development must be the primary focus. These are the ways by which an effective divorce attorney helps the client and the children to know peace.

Divorce is essentially a new beginning of life and the end of pain. The divorce attorney is the guide that moves the client down the path that leads to knowing peace of mind through independence and self sufficiency. The attorney is the mother bear who keeps the cubs safe and prepares them for life on their own.

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