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COUNCIL'S CORNER



Painesville City Council

Front Row: Lori DiNallo, Paul Hach, Tom Fitzgerald
Back Row: Nick Augustine, Christine Shoop, Katie Jenkins and Jim Fodor

Through the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act), Painesville leaders have been given a unique opportunity to make strategic investments in our community through federal funds. Council's overriding goal is to secure financial stability in our community and provide more services to help our residents.

While a focus on economic growth allows for the return of future dollars, we must also be certain that we strategize to cover any temporary operating shortfalls, invest in long-lived assets, enhance reserves and address inequities. As such, we have, and will continue, to meet with a variety of community groups as well as local, state and federal leaders to share our economic development plans and consider local partners as we continue to explore and leverage grant dollars. Thus far we are receiving a good deal of positive feedback which is energizing.

Economic growth increases tax revenues and employs more workers. Increased revenue in our general fund will support police, fire, parks and other departments that are vital for our community. As always, I encourage you to get involved and share your thoughts, opinions and ideas. For more information on ARPA funding, go to www.gfoa.org/american-rescue-plan-spending-guiding-principles.

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Fall Fest 'Express' is October 16

Due to the rising Covid-19 cases among the younger population, we have decided to slightly alter our much loved annual Fall Fest. Join us on Saturday, October 16 from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. in Kiwanis Recreation Park for Fall Fest Express, a fall fun drive-thru experience.

Rec Park will be full of spooky decorations as you drive your way around the pond collecting candy and goodies from different stations. The first 500 kids receive a free pumpkin and decorating kit. Be sure to wear your costumes to get in on the fun! This is a free event and open to the community.

Painesville Community Clean Up Day - Oct. 9th

Painesville's annual Community Clean Up Day is on Saturday, October 9. Volunteer to pick up litter throughout the community or use the day to clean out your own house, yard or garage.

Volunteer opportunities will be held 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for any individuals, families or organizations that would like to

help pick up litter and remove weeds on the roadsides, parks and other common areas. Trash bags, gloves and a free t-shirt will be provided. To register, visit www.painesville.com/cleanup.

You can also participate in Clean Up Day from the comfort of your own home! Clean out the garage, organize the house, spruce up the yard, paint the

fence, clean the gutters or help your elderly neighbor. Trash pick-up will be on your regular pick-up day, however, the city will have extra dumpsters for bulk waste available on October 9 only. Check www.painesville.com/cleanup for dumpster location in your ward. Take advantage of free dumpsters! But please remember, no tires, construction material or hazardous waste.

Painesville's Senior Walking Program

Painesville's Senior Walking Program is back!

Free to all senior citizens, join the walking group Monday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Lake Erie College's Jerome T. Osborne Athletic and Wellness Center (on the corner of Gillett Street and Walnut Ave).

Please note that masks must be worn at all times indoor the

college facility including while walking. Seniors may use the indoor walking track but are discouraged from using the exercise equipment for students. Never walk alone! Always have a walking buddy or have a least two people on the track. For more information, please reach out to the Painesville Recreation office at 440-392-5912.

Free Smoke Detector Program

On Saturday, October 9 from 10:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m., the Painesville City Fire Department in partnership with the American Red Cross and HOLA will be providing and installing free smoke detectors to Painesville residences. This is the first event in a series of cooperative efforts between PCFD and the Red

Cross to make sure everyone has a working smoke detector.

HOLA is working with the Painesville Hispanic community to set up installation visits for this event. Anyone who would like to have a smoke detector installed can contact the Painesville City Fire Department directly at 440-392-5848 to schedule a visit.

Trick or Treat Safety Reminders

The City of Painesville recognizes Trick or Treat every year on October 31 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The event is rain (snow) or shine. Only for extreme weather circumstances would Trick or Treat be rescheduled. Porch light on to participate.

Trick or Treat Safety Reminders:

- Always use crosswalks to cross the street and look both ways before stepping in the roadway. Use sidewalks, not the street, to travel from house to house.
- Never assume a vehicle can

see you! Motorists should be extra cautious while traveling.

• Adults should always accompany young children. Remember to stay with your designated group and use flashlights or glow sticks for better visibility.

• Never enter a stranger's home, even if they seem friendly, and only visit homes that are well lit.

• Be aware of lit candles and jack-o-lanterns with open flames.

• Check your child's candy before eating.

• Be sure to have a wickedly good time!

Save the Dates: Painesville's Holiday Events

The holiday season is right around the corner! Be sure to save these special dates to get in on all the local fun for the season:

• **Thursday, November 18 – Holiday Shop & Stroll** from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. in downtown Painesville. Join our local business owners as they feature their holiday products and services. Drink and food specials all night long!

• **Friday, November 10 – Spirit of the Season & Tree Lighting** from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. in Painesville Square. Join our Recreation Department for the arrival of Santa in the park, with arts and crafts, horse drawn carriages and more!

• **Weekends in December – Santa in the Square** is back. Visit Santa's workshop in the Square. Santa's mailbox is also available 24/7 before the big day.

Fall Yard Waste Reminders

As a fall reminder, Republic Services collects yard waste and leaves from residential units weekly starting October 1 through December 15. Yard waste and leaves must be containerized, bagged or tied into bundles that do not exceed four feet in length and four inches in diameter with limbs and branches.

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New City Salt Dome Nearing Completion

If you have gone past the Painesville Electric Plant on Richmond Street recently, you may have noticed the construction of the new city salt dome. The new salt dome will house all the road

salt utilized for city roadways by the Public Works department. It is centrally located in town for easy access for plow drivers to load their trucks and be back on the road quickly. The new location

and direction of the facility also provides the ideal protection from wind, rain, snow and sun. The new salt dome is considered a cost effective storage solution that is also environmentally friendly

and complies with all Ohio EPA and storm water regulations.

The previous salt shed located on the Public Works complex on Storrs Street was originally constructed and completed in 1988 and was deemed beyond repair this past Spring by

engineers. The Public Works team have worked diligently over the past few months to complete the project in time for the quickly approaching winter season.

Shop Local This Sweetest Day

This year's Sweetest Day is on Saturday, October 16.

Don't forget to shop local small businesses for treats and gifts for your sweetie!

Lake County Genealogical Society Meeting - October 28th

The Lake County Genealogical Society (LCGS) meeting will be held on October 28 from 10:00 am to approximately noon. The LCGS has been meeting on Zoom due to COVID-19. Please join us for a short business meeting followed by our speaker, LaDonna Garner, on "Don't Forget Their House! Researching the Homes of our Ancestors."

LaDonna Garner, M.A., is a consultant focused on historical preservation and genealogical research in and outside Southeast Missouri. She lectures often on both subjects at conferences and as an instructor for the Continued

Education Program at St. Louis Community College. Researching her family history for over 30 years, she is passionate about recording historic minority communities and cemeteries, genealogy education, client

assistance, and consultations in archival documents, protecting our history and natural landscapes through historic preservation, and cemetery restoration.

Visit our web site at www.lcgsOhio.org to find the email address so you can contact us for an invitation to our Zoom Meeting. You can also go to our web site to learn more about us. If you do not have a computer, you can join the Zoom meeting from your phone; so call Bonnie or Cynthia to get the phone number for the meeting.

If you have any questions, call Bonnie at 440-428-3783 or Cynthia at 440-951-0914.

Please join us to learn how to research and organize your findings on your ancestors, find your "Roots", and create your own Family Tree. You can also join our genealogy group and meet new people and get help from other members besides from listening to the speakers.

Holiday Raffle

Friends of Morley Library will be holding a holiday raffle beginning October 20 and ending at noon on Saturday, October 23.

Prizes including three sets of tickets to A Christmas Carol for a family of four, five different bikes with helmets, Amazon Kindle, Cuisinart air fryer, two Fitbits, Radio Flyer Wagon with zoo tickets, and many more gift baskets and certificates.

The Raffle Drawing will take place on October 23 in the afternoon. Due to Covid restrictions, the drawing will be closed to the public, but winners will be notified by phone or email.

Friends of Morley Library Bookshop Reopens

The Friends of Morley Library are pleased to announce the reopening of the Book Shop.

The Bookshop, which is located in the lower level of Morley Library will be open every Tuesday from 11:30 am to 2:30, Wednesday 10:00 am-2:00 pm, Thursday 3:00-6:00 pm. You will find a variety of books, CD's, DVD's and puzzles. If you miss the Bookshop opening, you can stop by the Lobby sales, which is open during the Morley Library hours.

Both locations have a red self-service payment box for your convenience.

Fall Family Storytimes

Stories & Songs | Mondays, 10:30-11am thru Oct 25

Come join us in the Storyroom on the second floor of the library for fun with some of our favorite stories shared through songs, movement, picture books, puppets and flannelboards. We'll dance, sing and shake our sillies out! This storytime is focused on developing early literacy skills and small motor control. Registration required at www.morleylibrary.org or by calling (440) 352-3383. Please indicate the total number of participants (children and adults) who will be attending the program. Masks will be required for ages 2+.

participants in order to maintain safe social distancing. Masks will be required for ages 2+.

Family Fun Storytime | Saturdays, 10:30-11am thru Oct 30

Join Morley Library children's staff each week for stories, activities, songs and more! This is a drop-in program that will be held outside in the Morley Library parking lot as weather permits. Masks are optional. Please check the Morley Library Facebook page for cancellations and updates.

Storytime Fun | Wednesdays, 10:30-11am thru Nov 17

Join Morley Library children's services staff for songs, activities, stories and more! This is a drop-in program with a limit of 15

Morley Library is located at 184 Phelps St., Painesville, OH 44077. All events are free and open to the public. Registration not required unless indicated. More information & registration available at www.morleylibrary.org or by calling (440) 352-3383.

Do You Have a Therapy Dog?

Therapy Dogs play an important role in the community. They participate in reading programs, visit hospitals and nursing homes and give companionship and comfort to the people that they meet.

Digging Dogs Training Center in Painesville Twp. is offering a Therapy Dog Workshop and Test beginning Saturday October 2nd at 11:20am. The workshop is one hour per week for four weeks. The Therapy Dogs International test will be given on the last day

of the workshop.

We will review and practice all of the Therapy Dogs International (TDI) test items as well as cover visit protocol and characteristics of a good Therapy Dog. Dogs should have prior obedience training at a canine good citizen level or equivalent.

There is a fee for the workshop/test and advance registration is required for all attendees. For more information visit www.diggingdogs.biz or call (440) 255-3500.

Fall Clean Up at the Cemeteries

Fall clean up at Evergreen and Riverside Cemeteries runs October 1 through November 15. Any decorations not removed by October 1 will be discarded by cemetery personnel.

Halloween decorations will be permitted five days prior to

October 31 and must be removed five days after.

Winter decorations may be placed beginning November 15. Artificial decorations are allowed during winter months only and must be removed by March 1 for the spring clean-up.

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Aid and Attendance Benefit: A Little Known Veterans Resource

While it is not as well-known as many other military benefits, the VA Aid and Attendance benefit provides much needed assistance to individuals who require the regular care of another

person to help with bathing, meal preparation, dressing, medication monitoring and other activities of daily living. This tax-free benefit is provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and may be

available to Veterans and their surviving spouses who live in assisted living communities, residential care homes and those receiving personal in-home care.

To qualify, a Veteran must have served at least 90 days of consecutive active-duty service. He or she must have been discharged with any type of discharge other than a dishonorable discharge. They must also have served one day of active duty during wartime to be eligible for this benefit. Also eligible are Reservist or National Guard Veterans activated during wartime for 90 days and surviving spouses of Veterans if married at the time of their Veteran's death.

Eligible Veterans must be age 65 or older or totally disabled or a resident or patient in a skilled nursing facility due to loss of mental or physical abilities or getting Social Security Disability Insurance or Supplemental Security Income. For a surviving spouse, there is no age requirement.

As of July 1, 2021, the maximum Aid and Attendance Benefits are as follows:

- Veteran: up to \$1936/month.
- Surviving spouse: up to \$1244/month
- Married veteran: up to \$2295/month
- Married veteran couple: up to \$3071/month

Proof of the need for assistance with activities of daily living is required. Certain income qualifications also apply, however most unreimbursed expenses such as insurance premiums, the cost of assisted living, nursing home, or in-home care can help reduce the counted income. Other qualifications may apply but each case is decided on the facts of the individual's circumstances.

For more information or help applying for benefits, please contact the Veterans Service Commission in your county. In Lake County, Ohio, the phone number is 440-350-2904 or 1-800-899-5253. You can also visit their

website at www.lakecountyohio.gov/veteran-services/.

If you have questions concerning insurance, including Medicare Advantage Plans, Medicare Supplements, or other health insurance, please contact me at 440-255-5700 or Lmutsko@mutskoinsurance.com. I look forward to helping you.

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If your looking to stay in shape don't overlook this sport, roller skating. Roller skating is for all ages and is one of the most fun and easy activities that the whole family can enjoy together. Roller skating is recognized and recommended

by the American Heart Association (AMA) as an aerobic fitness sport.

One hour of skating per week can burn 600 calories, 30 minutes of skating produces a heart rate of at least 148 beats per minutes, roller skating works most muscle groups including: glutes, quads, abs, calves, arms and causes 50% less stress to joints than running.

If you are looking to stay in shape, get in shape or just wanting to have some good family fun come join us at the City Skate Center 63 West Walnut Ave, Painesville, Ohio 440-352-2002.

Painesville City Sidewalk Program

In 2018 City Council passed the Painesville City Sidewalk Program, a two phase infrastructure improvement plan aimed at improving walkability in the community.

During Phase 1 (2018-ongoing), city staff replaced damaged sidewalk slabs that fell under city responsibility and removed any trees in the tree lawn that were deemed hazardous to sidewalks or infrastructure.

Phase 2 (2020-ongoing), has property owners replacing sidewalk slabs that fall under their responsibility and any trees in the tree lawn that may be deemed hazardous to those sidewalks. As a result, the city applied for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) through the Lake

County Commissioners Office and was awarded \$50,000 to fund the Disadvantaged Sidewalk Assistance Program for low to moderate income Painesville residents. Please visit www.painesville.com/sidewalks for more information.

Last year, the residents of Ward 2 received a letter stating that the trees marked in the tree lawn would be removed and the sidewalks that were marked the City's responsibility would be replaced. The Engineering Department is still compiling data for the resident responsible sidewalk violation. All individualized letters for those who still need to replace sidewalks in Ward 2 will be sent out by October 31, 2022.

Bankruptcy 101:

The Miracle of Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy is the most affordable, fastest working, constitutionally backed legal mechanism available for Americans in financial trouble. Most importantly, bankruptcy offers powerful protections to people that cannot be had in any other way. Some of those protections are as follows:

1.) Protection of Assets: Once a bankruptcy is filed the Court protects many assets from being taken. It also prevents garnishment of wages. In almost all cases we are able to keep a person in their home, keep their cars, and all of their personal belongings to name just a few of the benefits.

2.) Protection from Creditors: Once your bankruptcy is filed, you receive a legal protection called an Automatic Stay. This "stay" prevents creditors and debt collectors from making contact with or trying to collect money from you. The automatic stay will stop foreclosure, lawsuits, wage garnishments, vehicle repossession, utility shut off, license suspensions for uninsured accident damage to another motor vehicle and more.

3.) Discharge of Debt: Upon

completion of the bankruptcy your debt is eliminated and does not ever have to be paid back.

4.) Time to catch up on Payment: In many cases bankruptcy filers get a chance to catch up on payments that are overdue on your home, car, or other assets.

5.) Re-build Your Credit: Bankruptcy clears up and resolves your debt, judgments, delinquencies, foreclosure and other bad marks on your credit rating and gives you a "fresh slate" upon which to re-build your credit. It also prevents creditors from coming after you years down the line for debts that are labeled "write offs" or "charge offs" by the bank on your credit report but that, unknown to most, are still collectible.

6.) It Works Fast: We are able to stop creditor harassment, lawsuits, foreclosures, garnishments, repossessions and a whole lot of other problems FAST with bankruptcy. Bankruptcy is not like applying for a bank loan. It moves fast. The protections discussed can be used the same day we file. Some of these protections like stopping harassing phone calls are available immediately upon giving us money down for

representation.

Bankruptcy is about having peace of mind and relief now but it is also about financial planning for the future. It is about re-establishing credit, keeping the lion's share of your property and resolving all of your current debt and bad marks on your record so that you will be in good financial standing in a few years. It is about a fresh start in life. Everyone deserves a fresh start.

Even though a bankruptcy is technically public record, the fact that you are filing bankruptcy will only be known by a few people who you probably will never even come in contact with- let alone know. It is not published in the local

newspapers. The truth is that no one really cares whether you file bankruptcy anyway. They are too concerned with their own problems.

I have often stated that bankruptcy is an act of love to yourself and your family. You do not need to live in fear of debt collectors, lawsuits, losing your home or any of the other dreaded consequences of financial problems. You do not have to deal with the unbearable anxiety of financial stress. We cannot cure your cancer but we can cure your debt problems. We can help

you regain your peace of mind. It is important to remind yourself that financial problems are temporary. They come and they go. Your health is permanent. Do not allow yourself to lose your permanent health over your temporary financial problems.

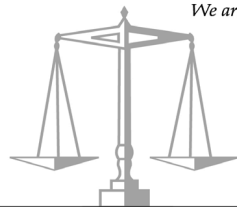
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Lake Humane Society Expands Cpl Joshua Harmon Pets to Vets Program

Lake Humane Society has expanded the Cpl Joshua Harmon Pets to Vets program by partnering with Veteran Canine Connection, a local nonprofit organization that connects

Veterans with companion dogs. Dog trainers, who use positive reinforcement methods, will help choose a shelter dog from Lake Humane Society that is a good fit for the Veterans they are working with. The dog will be adopted to the Veteran and then go through a 5-week training program. Not only is the training program beneficial to the Veteran, the likelihood of a dog being returned to Lake Humane Society for behavioral reasons will be extremely low.

Veteran Canine Connection will pay the adoption fee, supply 1-year of flea, tick and heartworm medications, provide veterinary care for the first year of the adoption and conduct the training at no cost to the Veteran.

"We are so excited to begin our partnership with Lake Humane Society. They are the first shelter to offer us a real commitment to help us to find the right dogs for our Veteran applicants. With their help, we hope to expand our presence in greater Cleveland and the surrounding communities. Together we will have the opportunity to meet the needs of our great Veterans by connecting

them with shelter animals and ultimately enhance the lives of both the Veterans and their dogs.", said Joan Tiefel, Director of Veteran Canine Connection.

The Cpl Joshua Harmon Pets to Vets program is part of a compassionate mission to protect animals and build connections between pets and people through advocacy and education. Cpl Joshua Harmon was a U.S. Army Soldier assigned to the 25th Light Infantry Division (nicknamed Tropic Lightning), 35th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Battalion. He served as a Combat Medic attached to the Scouts Sniper Platoon and received the Army Medal of Commendation of Valor for performing extraordinary life-saving measures. Additionally, Cpl Harmon was awarded the Combat Medical Badge and is a Bronze Star recipient.

Joshua was deployed to Kirkuk, Iraq on August 5, 2006, serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. When returning from a mission on August 22, 2007, Joshua, along with thirteen fellow soldiers, lost their lives when their UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter crashed in Multaka, outside of Kirkuk.

Joshua was a Class of 2005, Mentor High School graduate and a devoted husband to the love of his life Kristin (Rathjen) Harmon. The Pets to Vets program was named after Joshua because of his lifelong love of animals.

"This partnership is a win-win for everyone. Our shelter dogs will find loving homes and Veterans will have a new companion animal that shows them unconditional love. We know that pets help alleviate loneliness, bring comfort and reduce anxiety. We are proud to be working with Veteran Canine Connection and excited to enhance the Cpl Joshua Harmon Pets to Vets program", said Lori Caszatt, Interim Executive Director at Lake Humane Society.

For more information on adopting a dog through Veteran Canine Connection, please visit veterancanineconnection.com, call 330-348-4000 or email joan@veterancanineconnection.com.

To learn more about the Cpl Joshua Harmon Pets to Vets program, please visit lakehumane.org



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Singer, actress, and director Sandy Peck will provide music of recording and movie star Doris Day, from her early years as a big band singer, through her films from the studio era of Hollywood and beyond.

She will be accompanied by Alex Ulle at the piano.

All programs begin at 11:00 a.m. at The Fine Arts Association, 38660 Mentor Avenue, Willoughby followed by the luncheon at noon in the lobby. Covid protocols will be respected.

The menu is baked Kentucky hot brown sliced turkey breast, layered with tomato, bacon, cheese sauce on a puff pastry foundation and green beans. Dessert is a pumpkin roll.

The cost is \$15 a member; \$18 non-member; \$10 for program only (which can be purchased at the door). All tickets payable by check or cash.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE PROGRAM LUNCHEON. Email: anthonyjanem@yahoo.com or phone: 440-579-5020 by noon November 5, 2021.

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and asthma symptoms. Although rare, certain Aspergillus species release aflatoxins that are carcinogenic.

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Lake County Genealogical Society Meeting - October 28th

The Lake County Genealogical Society (LCGS) meeting will be held on October 28 from 10:00 am to approximately noon. The LCGS has been meeting on Zoom due to COVID-19. Please join us for a short business meeting followed by our speaker, LaDonna Garner, on "Don't Forget Their House! Researching the Homes of our Ancestors."

LaDonna Garner, M.A., is a consultant focused on historical preservation and genealogical research in and outside Southeast Missouri. She lectures often on both subjects at conferences and as an instructor for the Continued Education Program at St. Louis

Community College. Researching her family history for over 30 years, she is passionate about recording historic minority communities and cemeteries, genealogy education, client assistance, and consultations in archival documents, protecting our history and natural landscapes through historic preservation, and cemetery restoration.

Visit our web site at www.lcgsohio.org to find the email address so you can contact us for an invitation to our Zoom Meeting. You can also go to our web site to learn more about us. If

you do not have a computer, you can join the Zoom meeting from your phone; so call Bonnie or Cynthia to get the phone number for the meeting.

If you have any questions, call Bonnie at 440-428-3783 or Cynthia at 440-951-0914.

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AEP - Annual Election Period

The annual election period for Medicare is coming up October 15th through December 7th. This period also called Medicare open enrollment is a time for Medicare enrollees to review & reevaluate their current coverage and makes changes if necessary for the upcoming year. Changes made during this period become effective January 1st.

Prior to AEP the Medicare beneficiary enrolled in a Medicare Advantage or Part D prescription drug plan will receive an annual notice of change or ANOC. This notice details changes in their plan for the next calendar year.

During this period, a beneficiary can switch from one Medicare

Advantage plan to another, switch from Medicare Advantage to Original Medicare, switch from Original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage plan, enroll in a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan, switch to another Part D plan or drop Part D coverage.

Open enrollment does not apply to medigap or supplemental plans.

If you have questions on the annual enrollment period AEP or need additional information you can contact Jackie Greene from Group Benefit Associates at 440-266-0333 extension 3 or by email at jackiegreene@gbaoh.com. She is local at 8518 Mentor Ave. Suite E2 in Mentor, Ohio.

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The World is Changing. Here's What to Do

The shortage of handymen and remodelers is real. Well the good ones we should say.

Times have changed for Monthly Upkeep- Painesville's favorite handyman. "We have been able to grow significantly through the pandemic," explains owner Spensir Chappell.

Monthly Upkeep has been seeing many new customers calling to fix work recently done by under skilled and incompetent contractors like never before. Here's what they are recommending, waiting

Efficiency Smart's Electric Monitor Program

Is your monthly electric usage high but you can't figure out why? Thanks to Painesville Electric's partnership with Efficiency Smart, any Painesville Electric customer can borrow a plug-in electric monitor for free and see how much energy each of your household products are actually using.

It's a very simple process: request an electric monitor, Efficiency Smart sends one via USPS within a few days with a return label included, mail it back when you're done!

It's amazing how everyday appliances, like the extra old fridge in your garage or that old dehumidifier in your basement, may be using a ton of energy without your knowledge.

Request an Electric Monitor free of charge at www.energysmart.org/electric-usage-monitor.

for a reputable contractor is a significantly better option than choosing one out of desperation. Waiting may be required, but Monthly Upkeep Handyman Service will do the project right the first time. "It's really sad seeing these customers left high and dry by some service providers," says owner Spensir Chappell. Coming into the situation to help customers makes Monthly Upkeep look like the

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Laketran is Helping Residents Vote with a Free Ride

Laketran strongly believes transportation should not be a barrier to vote and will continue their Vote & Ride program for the fall general election allowing residents to ride the bus free to vote.

Lake County residents can take Laketran's Local Routes or schedule

a door-to-door Dial-a-Ride starting October 5 to vote early at the Lake County Board of Elections or to their polling location on Election Day, Tuesday, November 2.

"At Laketran, we believe every resident should have access to vote and we know that we are uniquely

positioned to help get people to the polls," shared Laketran CEO Ben Capelle. "Exercising your right to vote is one of the most important roles an individual can play in their community and Laketran wants to make sure that is possible for everyone."

Early voting begins Tuesday, October 5 and includes the Saturday, Sunday, and Monday before Election Day at the Lake County Board of Elections.

Polling locations in Lake County are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on November 2.

Residents who prefer to take Laketran's Local Routes 1-9 simply need to inform their bus driver when they board that they are going to vote or just voted and the trip will be free. To vote early, Laketran Routes 1, 4, 5, and 9 directly serve the downtown Painesville Transfer Center adjacent to the Board of Elections at 105 Main Street, Ste 107.

Dial-a-Ride, Laketran's door-to-door service for seniors and people with disabilities, will also provide rides to early voting or polling locations at no charge and requires a reservation 1 to 12 business days in advance. To schedule a Dial-

a-Ride reservation, call Laketran Customer Service at 440-354-6100.

Residents can also ride Laketran free to bring their absentee ballots to the Lake County Board of Elections.

"The Board of Elections applauds Laketran's decision to offer free rides to the polling locations on Election Day. Many Lake County residents rely on their services to help get them to and from doctors' appointments or their employers. We view the voting process as something just as vital to the everyday lives of our residents, so we are pleased Laketran is continuing with this program," remarked Lake County Board of Elections Director, Ross McDonald.

For early voting times or to find your voting location, contact the Lake County Board of Elections at 440-350-2700 or visit their website at <https://www.lakecountyohio.gov/lakeelections/>.

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ending dates. All items are pick up only at this point and pick up will be on the days that the shop is open. Prepayment is required for the winning bids of the online auctions.

Eventually we will open up the auctions to other sellers with terms set forth. Selective consignments will be accepted for the auctions. We have several estate items that will be included in the auctions as well as box lots items

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Audubon Hosts a Galapagos Getaway

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They will take you 600 miles off the coast of Ecuador to the place where Darwin's theories were born and help you experience giant tortoises, prehistoric-looking iguanas, and other species found nowhere else on earth. The range of the Galapagos Penguin extends just beyond the equator, making this

penguin the only one to live in the northern hemisphere.

Participants can attend the program in person or register on the event page of blackbrookaudubon.org to receive a link to view the program live online. Refreshments will not be served at the in-person program.

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Students who plan to start college in fall of 2022 can begin to fill out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) beginning, Friday, Oct. 1, 2021. Applying early has its benefits as early applicants typically have a better chance to qualify for more grants. There are many forms of financial aid available – both state and federal – as well as scholarships. Regardless of which form of aid

the student wishes to receive, all are processed using the information provided by students and their parents in the FAFSA.

Once the FAFSA form is filled out, many students and their parents may still not be clear about the next steps. Because financial aid paperwork and jargon can be confusing, Lakeland offers "Verification + (Plus)," a service for enrolled students that provides one-on-one attention from a

staff member who will steer the student through the process to finalize and determine eligibility for financial aid.

For questions about financial aid, call 440-525-7070 or email

finaid@lakelandcc.edu. Please note: to add Lakeland as a college of choice in the FAFSA form, enter school code 006804.

Prospective students can visit campus or attend an information session. See details at lakelandcc.edu/visit.

The fall 2022 admissions

application is currently open at lakelandcc.edu/apply. For a limited time, the \$15 application fee is being waived.

Financial aid resources, videos and a list of available scholarships are available at lakelandcc.edu/web/about/financial-aid-departments.

Mark Your Calendars: 35th Annual Beary Merry Christmas Show December 1st & 2nd

It's holiday shopping time at the Thirty Fifth Annual Beary Merry Christmas Show Handcrafted Market on Wednesday, December 1 and Thursday, December 2 at the Normandy Party Center in Wickliffe.

This craft extravaganza showcases over fifty talented artisans from Ohio and Pennsylvania, displaying unique holiday gifts for your shopping pleasure. We will again feature a Deluxe Chinese Raffle Extravaganza to benefit Susan G. Komen for the Cure Northeast Affiliate. This will include over 50 baskets for all members of the family including a spa package from John Roberts, variety of dinners, sports items, toys, family fun and more. Delicious lunch and dinners catered by Normandy Party Center will be available for purchase. Hourly door prize gift certificates will be provided by John Roberts Hair Studio and Spa of Mayfield, Solon and Chagrin Falls. Admission is \$3.00

and make a child happy this Christmas. Please support this "beary" worthwhile cause.

- Chinese Raffle to benefit Susan G. Komen for the Cure, Northeast Affiliate
- Delicious Refreshments, Nightly Entertainment and Hourly Door Prizes
- Bring a toy to support Asa's Angels and help our local families in need this Christmas

We will feature a variety of crafts for your shopping pleasure, including Repurposed Furniture, Jewelry, Artwork, Christmas Decor, Creative Signs, Fabric Creations, Custom Embroidery, Children's Accessories, Bread Dough Creations, Candles, Dip Mixes, Pottery, Personalized Ornaments, Ceramics, Maple Syrup and Honey, Sauces and Rubs, Wood Items, Bath and Body Items, Hand Knit Items, Chocolates, Homemade Pastries, CLE Items, Shadow Boxes, Upcycled Decor and more!

Thirty Fifth Annual Beary Merry Christmas Show Handcrafted Market

Wednesday, December 1 and Thursday, December 2
11 am to 9 pm

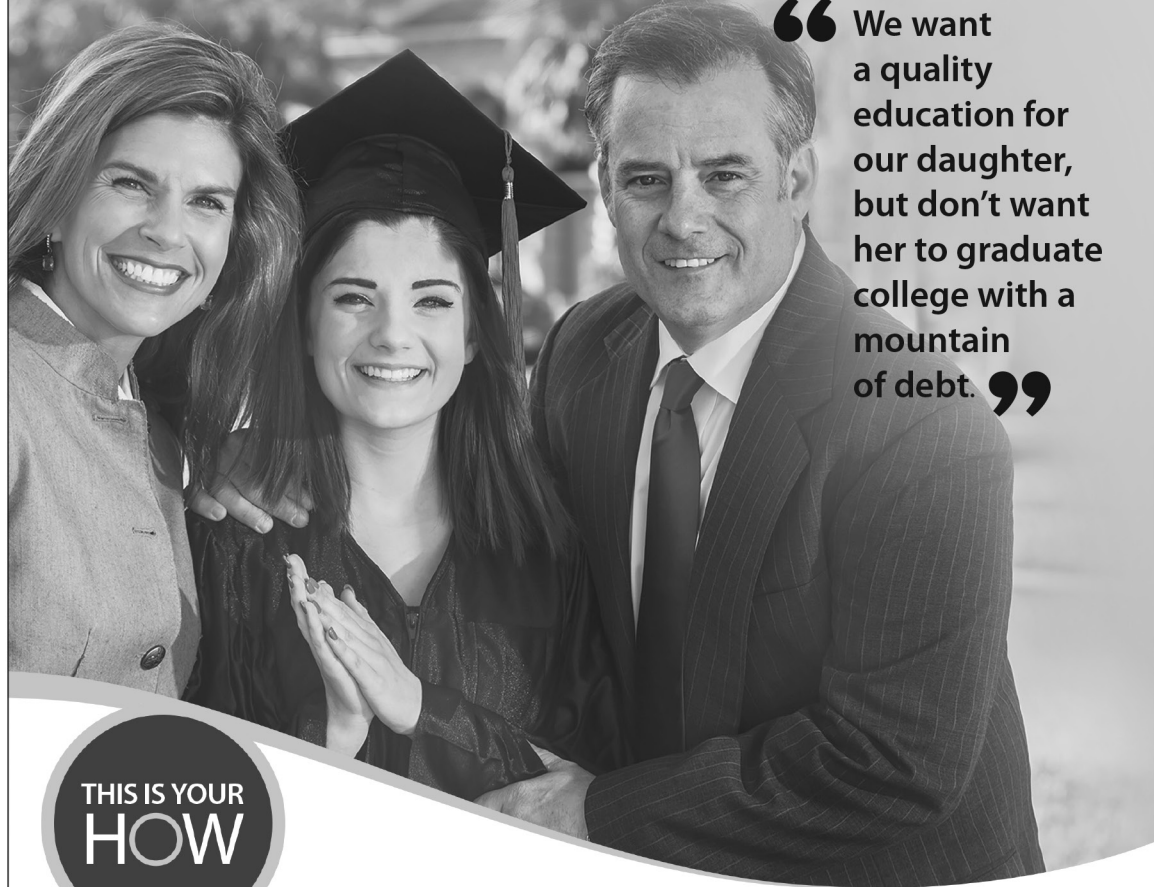
Normandy Party Center
30310 Palisades Parkway
off Euclid Avenue in Wickliffe
Admission \$3.00

Mark your calendars! This is one holiday market you do not want to miss!

If you have questions, please contact Denise McPherson at (216) 481-9229 or bearymerry@roadrunner.com.

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