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Painesville City Council

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Painesville City Council is excited to share ongoing economic development projects that continue to move forward despite these difficult times in the era of Covid-19.

Signature Health's Painesville Medical Center, a new \$6 million health care facility, is currently under construction at 54 S State Street. The new medical center will offer much needed services in our community. We are encouraged by the commitment of Signature Health to our City and we look forward to working with them closely when it's time to open their doors to the public.

The Chase Bank building on Painesville Square is another property receiving some TLC. The bank building is has been awarded an Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit from the Ohio Development Services Agency. A local developer plans to renovate the building to include a student housing portion for Lake Erie College graduate students among other uses. The project will also bring back some historic nature to the Square and we look forward to seeing it progress over the coming year.

Finally, throughout the pandemic the City did have new businesses open including La Casita Restaurant and Grocery, Local Flavors Shoppe, American Live Edge, Little Fingers and Little Toes Childcare, Painesville Dental Group's new offices, Marine Manufacturing, Olga's Dress Shop and Smoothie King. Please help support these local businesses and our local economy. I have full confidence that we can get through this together.

Paul Hach
Council President
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Winter Tips to Keep You Safe from PCFD

Winter can be a particularly dangerous time of year when it comes to public health and safety. Here are some tips from the Painesville City Fire Department to make you winter ready:

1. Use space heaters with caution and keep heaters away from curtains, drapes and other objects within 3 feet of the unit. DO NOT use power strips or extension cords with electric heaters as they can melt and cause a fire. Make sure you have adequate ventilation if using a kerosene heater and never add fuel to a kerosene heater indoors. Also make sure you are using the correct fuel in your kerosene heater as gasoline can cause a violent explosion.

2. If the power goes out and you choose to run a generator, DO NOT run a generator indoors in an enclosed area (like a garage, carport, etc). This can cause a buildup of exhaust and create a carbon monoxide hazard. Run your generator away from your home, where there is plenty of fresh air.

3. Have a working carbon monoxide detector in your home. Carbon monoxide is a silent killer and anything that burns fuel can make carbon monoxide. This includes gas stoves, gas water heaters, gas or oil furnaces and fireplaces.

4. If you think you have Covid-19, and you are able,

please meet our EMS personnel outside your home. This limits our exposure to your home and your family's exposure to our EMS personnel. We understand that often because of medical issues, you may not be able to come outside. Please let the 9-1-1 dispatcher know this and meet us outside only if you are able to.

Parking Bans

All residents and visitors are reminded to move vehicles off the street during heavy snowfall to allow for plowing. Whenever there is a snow fall of two inches or more within a 24 hour time period, an emergency snow ban takes effect and parking is prohibited on the street.

Painesville Utility Shut-offs Resume March 1st

Painesville Electric and Water customers are advised that utility shut-off for non-payment will resume again starting on March 1, 2021.

Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, the City of Painesville suspended disconnection of utility services due to non-payment to align with best practices around the State of Ohio. As of March 1, we will resume termination of services for non-payment.

If you need financial assistance to pay your utility bill, there are

options available:

- Call Lifeline, Inc at 2-1-1 to be connected to a list of Lake County assistance agencies. There are multiple funding sources dedicated to helping those who need utility help in the winter months and during the Covid-19 pandemic. Lifeline can help walk you through what you may qualify for.

- If you are not eligible for funding assistance or are unable to pay the past-due balance on your bill, you can contact our Utilities Billing office to make

suitable payment arrangement/plan to bring your account current. We are willing to work with you if a realistic payment plan is in place, however, we urge customers to contact our offices as soon as possible to make these arrangements. Our business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at 440-392-5797.

If you cannot meet an established payment plan or simply do not pay your past-due status in full, your utilities will be shut off beginning March 1.

Council Passes Amendment to Allow Business Parks

Painesville City Council passed an amendment to zoning ordinances at the January 4 council meeting to allow for mixed-use commercial and industrial business parks. The goal is to create more development opportunities by creating a business park development, which allows businesses with light industrial use, research and development activities, offices

and/or commercial features to have a campus like atmosphere.

"There are a few undeveloped larger commercially zoned properties within the city that the property owners have expressed a desire for a mixed-use development," said Lynn White, City Planner. "The intent is to grow community wealth, build stronger anchor businesses and

influence a better quality of life for those who live, work, play, visit and learn within the City of Painesville."

This amendment change will affect two large properties in city limits: a parcel of land between Richmond Street and Richmond Road near Grand River and land on Shamrock Boulevard near State Route 44.

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Lake County Title Bureau Open by Appointment Only on Saturdays

Effective Monday, January 25, 2021, the two branches of the Lake County Title Bureau will be open to the public by appointment only on Saturdays between the hours of 8AM and 11:45AM.

The first Saturday available for appointments will be Saturday,

January 30, 2021. Appointments are being accepted at this time.

Effective Monday, February 1, 2021, the Lake County Title offices will be accepting appointments for assisting in the renewal and issuance of new passports Monday through Friday between the hours of 8AM and 11:30AM. We will

begin scheduling appointments for passport services on Monday, January 25, 2021.

Commissioner guidelines for entering the county building should be followed while accessing title services. Please observe distancing in all areas. Title services can still be procured via mail and our secure

drop boxes at both locations.

“Due to the increased demand from the public and due to the challenges working families face with finding time during the week to stop by the offices, I am happy to announce that we will be reopening the title offices on Saturdays. This will offer an

additional option for the public to handle their titling issues in person quickly and efficiently. I am also happy to announce the reopening of passport services, as we are all looking forward to traveling again for both business and pleasure.” – Faith Andrews, Lake County Clerk of Common Pleas Court

Reminder: Always Stop for School Buses

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According to the National Safety Council, approximately 26 students are killed and 9,000 are injured each year in incidents involving school buses. Keeping

alert, knowing traffic laws and watching out for children can help keep our community safe.

- Never pass a school bus with flashing lights. In the state of Ohio you must stop when driving from

either direction (does not apply to multiple-lane or highways) until the children are safely off the street and the school bus lights stop flashing.

- You must stop for a school bus in both directions on a two-lane

road or two-lane-with-a-turning-lane road (which are most roads in Painesville). Motorists can receive up to a \$500 fine and possible suspended license for up to a year for failure to stop.

- Be aware of children entering or exiting the bus. A majority of school bus related accidents occur when children are crossing

the street.

- Maintain a safe distance from the school bus. School buses make frequent stops, including at all railroad crossings. Maintain at least a 2-3 second distance from the bus at all times and be mindful that school buses drive at a slower speed than regular traffic. Do not pass a school bus unless the driver signals you to do so.

- Put away your cell phone! Don't drive distracted!

Senior Mobile Food Pantry Available for Residents 60+

Laketran, RSVP, Lifeline, Lake County Council on Aging and several other community partners are excited to announce a new program for Lake County seniors called the Lake County Mobile Food Pantry.

The program is open to Lake County seniors, aged 60 or older, and provides fresh produce at two locations in Lake County each week for pick-up. Eligible seniors may receive a box of fresh produce once a month at the pick-up location.

March.

To reserve your pick-up, call 2-1-1 or 440-205-8111.

- Tuesday, 1/12, 2/9, 3/9 @ 10:00 a.m. – Eastlake Transit Center, 35300 Vine Street

- Thursday, 1/14, 2/11, 3/11 @ 10:00 a.m. – Wickliffe Senior Center, 900 Worden Road

- Tuesday, 1/19, 2/16, 3/16 @ 10:00 a.m. – Madison Senior Center, 2938 Hubbard Road

- Thursday, 1/21, 2/18, 3/18 @

10:00 a.m. – Perry Senior Center, 2800 Perry Park Road

- Tuesday, 1/26, 2/23, 3/23 @ 10:00 a.m. – Painesville Central YMCA, 933 Mentor Ave

- Thursday, 1/28, 2/25, 3/25 @ 10:00 a.m. – Concord Community Center, 7671 Auburn Road

- Tuesday, 2/2, 3/2, 3/30 @ 10:00 a.m. – Lakeland Community College, 7700 Clocktower Drive

- Thursday, 2/4, 3/4 @ 10:00 a.m. – Mentor Park-n-Ride, 8650 Market Street

Lock It or Lose It

Unfortunately, a wave of vehicle break-ins has hit Lake County hard the last few months and the Painesville Police Department is urging everyone to be smart and safe. Prevention can go a long way:

- Always keep valuables out of sight or in the trunk

- Never leave valuables in unattended vehicles

- Always lock your vehicle, even in your driveway

- Lock your home and keep your garage door closed

- Call in any suspicious activity and be a good neighbor by looking out for each other

The program began January 12 and will run through the end of

Make a Plan for Winter Storms

Make a Plan for Winter Storms Painesville is no stranger to severe winter weather. Whether it's a lake effect snow dump or an ice storm, being prepared for an emergency can ease your worry and potentially save your life.

Severe storms mean you could lose electricity and heat for several hours, so take time to create an emergency plan for severe winter weather. Here are some tips from FEMA:

- Stay indoors and off the roads. If you must drive, keep emergency supplies in your car

- Close off rooms in your home to consolidate and retain heat

- Dress in layers and use blankets to help keep warm

- Never use a generator, camp stove, charcoal grill or gasoline/propane heater indoors, as these items can start accidental fires, cause electric shock and/or cause deadly carbon monoxide poisoning

- Never heat a home with a cooktop or oven

- Monitor local news and alerts for additional emergency information and instructions

Remember to only call 9-1-1 if you have an actual emergency during a winter storm. Report power outages to Painesville Electric by calling 440-392-5954 and follow the City's social media pages (@CityofPainesville) for updates.

Smart Meter Installs Continue for Painesville Electric Customers

Painesville Electric's Smart Meter installs continue into the month of February. This advanced technology will provide more accurate timely data to the customer and provides two-way communication for improved efficiencies, distribution automation and improved power quality and reliability.

It takes approximately five

minutes or less to replace a typical electric meter. In order to do the work safely, your electric service will be turned off during this time. As long as the meter technician can access your meter outdoors, you do not need to be present. We will leave a door hanger notifying you that the work has been completed. If we are unable to access the meter, we will leave

another door hanger providing you information on how to reschedule.

For any questions or concerns regarding our new smart meters, please contact Painesville Electric at 440-392-3452 or 440-392-5954. More information regarding smart meters can be found at www.painesville.com/smartmeters.

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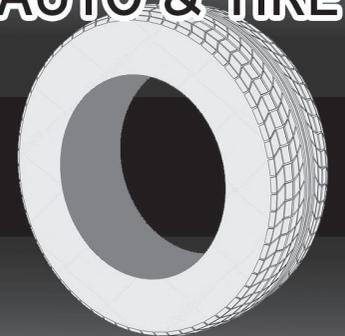
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High School Students Take Advantage of CCP Program to Save Thousands on College Education

Students in grades 7-12 have the opportunity to earn free college credit from Lakeland Community College while earning high school credits for the same classes by enrolling in the College Credit Plus (CCP) program.

The CCP program is free for high school students and they do

not pay for tuition or textbooks. They can complete classes on their high school campus or at Lakeland, earning high school and college credit at the same time. Many students take the first few semesters of a four-year degree while still in high school, saving thousands of dollars on a college

education!

Students who wish to begin focusing on an information technology & computer science or health care program, can start on a dedicated pathway within the CCP program.

Upon high school graduation, CCP students can continue to

complete an associate degree or certificate at Lakeland or transfer directly to any Ohio four-year college, including four-year partner programs available through Lakeland's Holden University Center.

Admission into the program is open to students who have clearly demonstrated the ability to handle college-level coursework. Successful CCP students typically have good self-management skills, excellent class attendance and no disciplinary problems.

• High school students must declare their intent to participate by May 1. Visit lakelandcc.edu/ccp for more information.

• Students must meet college-ready scores on a state identified assessment exam. Test prep resources are at lakelandcc.edu/web/about/test-prep.

Interested students should check with their high schools for details. Those ready to start may apply at lakelandcc.edu/apply.

Watch the video at <http://lakelandcc.edu/web/about/info-sessions-ccp>.

Cemeteries Annual Spring Clean-Up

Spring clean-up will begin March 1 at both Evergreen and Riverside Cemeteries in Painesville. All decorations will be removed and discarded by cemetery personnel as part of the staff's thorough cleaning of the grounds.

If there is a decoration on a grave

site which you do not want thrown away, please remove it by March 1. And decorations placed on grave site for Easter and/or Mother's Day, will be removed five days after the holidays.

Decoration may be placed back one week before Memorial Day.

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Intent to participate must be declared by May 1. Visit lakelandcc.edu/ccp for more information.

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Bankruptcy 101:

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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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Laketrans Retrofits Dial-a-Ride Bus to Serve as Mobile Food Pantry

A new Mobile Food Pantry will be visiting communities throughout Lake County each week to provide fresh produce to seniors in need of food.

A retrofitted Laketrans Dial-a-Ride bus, re-branded as the Lake County Mobile Food Pantry

with vehicle graphics donated by Avery Dennison, will visit two locations each week on Tuesdays and Thursdays to distribute 60 boxes of fresh produce to senior participants.

Lake County seniors, 60 years and older, may register for one

pick-up per month by calling Lifeline at 2-1-1 or Lake County Council on Aging at 440-205-8111.

Offering a completely contactless pick up process, Laketrans employees and volunteers from RSVP of Lake

County will place groceries in the trunk of seniors' cars as they arrive. Volunteers are equipped with PPE to ensure all participants' safety.

Similar to Laketrans' produce pick-up program organized last summer with Lake County Commissioners Senior Services, RSVP of Lake County, Council on Aging and Lifeline, the agencies worked together to secure food donations from the Greater Cleveland Food Bank and each play a role in taking reservations, sorting donations and distributing the food.

The Greater Cleveland Food Bank donations are purchased through the Ohio Association of Food Banks or supplied by the USDA funded Farm to Families Food Box program that purchases farm surplus and distributes it to those in need during the pandemic.

Each month, 480 households

will receive over 14,000 pounds of fresh, healthy produce.

"Food assistance remains a top need among seniors during the coronavirus pandemic and while there are 40 food pantries throughout Lake County, this program is unique because it provides fresh produce," shared Laketrans CEO Ben Capelle. "We're excited to be able to repurpose a bus to meet this community need. We have donations secured through March, but anticipate the program will continue with the support of the Cleveland Food Bank."

Locations and dates for the Lake County Mobile Food Pantry are:

- Eastlake Transit Center at Captains Stadium, 35300 Vine St.: Feb. 9 and March 9 at 10 a.m.

- Wickliffe Senior Center, 900 Worden St.: Feb. 11 and March 11 at 10 a.m.

- Madison Senior Center, 2938 Hubbard Rd.: Feb. 16 and March 16 at 10 a.m.

- Perry Senior Center, 2800 Perry Park Rd.: Feb. 18 and March 18 at 10 a.m.

- Lake County Central YMCA, 933 Mentor Ave.: Feb. 23 and March 23 at 10 a.m.

- Concord Community Center, 7671 Auburn Rd.: Feb. 25 and March 25 at 10 a.m.

- Lakeland Community College, 7700 Clocktower Dr.: Feb. 2, March 2 and March 30 at 10 a.m.

- Mentor Park-n-Ride, 8650 Market St.: Feb. 4 and March 4 at 10 a.m.

Future distribution dates are listed at www.laketrans.com.



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FEBRUARY DATES:

FEBRUARY 2 | 10 A.M. | LAKELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE | 7700 CLOCKTOWER DR.

FEBRUARY 4 | 10:00 A.M. | MENTOR PARK-N-RIDE | 8650 MARKET ST.

FEB. 9 | 10 A.M. | EASTLAKE TRANSIT CENTER | 35300 VINE ST./CAPTAINS STADIUM

FEBRUARY 11 | 10 A.M. | WICKLIFFE SENIOR CENTER | 900 WORDEN RD.

FEBRUARY 16 | 10 A.M. | MADISON SENIOR CENTER | 2938 HUBBARD RD.

FEBRUARY 18 | 10 A.M. | PERRY SENIOR CENTER | 2800 PERRY PARK RD.

FEBRUARY 23 | 10 A.M. | CENTRAL YMCA | 933 MENTOR AVE.

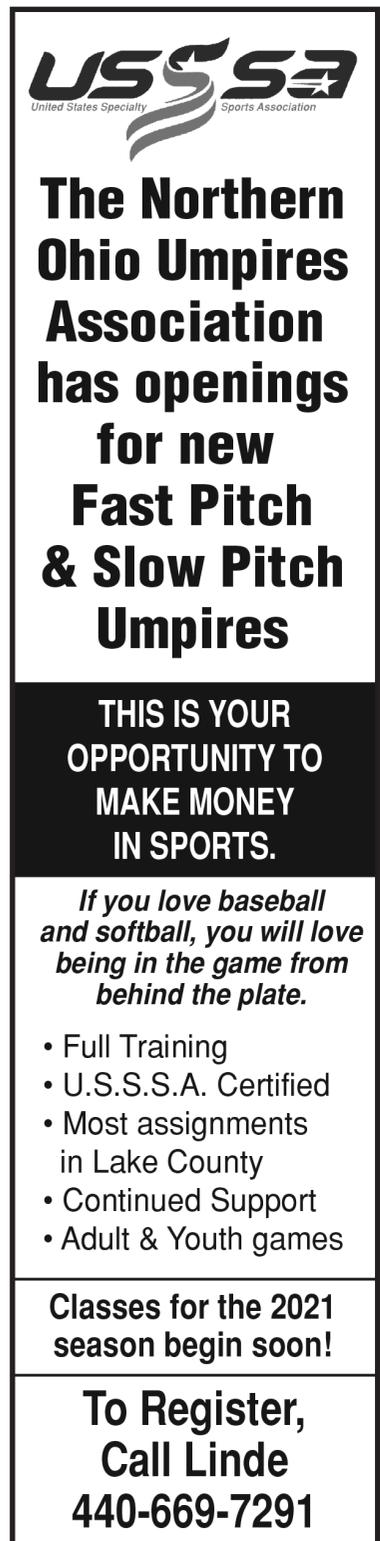
FEBRUARY 25 | 10 A.M. | CONCORD COMMUNITY CENTER | 7671 AUBURN RD.

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Puppy Socialization During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Socialization means introducing a pup to new situations and making them safe, positive, confidence-building experiences.

Many pet owners believed that getting a puppy during the pandemic would be ideal timing. The family is working from home and everyone has lots of time to spend with the puppy. Sounds great, right?

The home, however, is only part of a puppy's world. There are experiences that a puppy needs to have when being out and about: New and different sounds such as vehicles, construction equipment, and sirens; Meeting other non-family animals and lots of new people; Walking over, around and through different surfaces and objects. This exposure to different sounds, people, animals and objects will help build a pup's

confidence.

Experts believe that the period for socialization ends at approximately 20 weeks of age. In today's world of social distancing

City Skate Center

Check out the winter schedule at City Skate Center in Painesville!

We are booking reservations for winter birthday parties, call for available times.

We offer beginner group lessons and private lessons are available for all ages call for scheduling and times. Speed Team practice will resume on Saturday and Sunday morning 10- 12pm and Wednesday 6-8 pm.

As the weather turns cold and your looking to stay in shape don't overlook this sport Roller

and limited mobility there are still options for socializing your pup. Group puppy classes can help introduce your pet to the outside world while maintaining a safe

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.

environment for all involved. Puppy-only playgroups by trainers can also facilitate the socialization process. Do your puppy a favor and help him/her to grow up to be

a confident, well-adjusted pet.

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FRIDAY	7:00-10:00pm	OPEN SKATE	\$7 Admission
SATURDAY	10:00am-12:00pm	BEGINNER SPEED PRACTICE	\$5 Admission
	12:15-1:00pm	LEARN TO SKATE CLASS	\$10 Admission Includes skate rental and 1-4pm family skate
	1:00-4:00pm	FAMILY FUN SKATE <i>Parents skate free w/paid child admission</i>	\$6 Admission
SUNDAY	7:00-10:00pm	OPEN SKATE <i>Buy one admission get one free</i>	\$7 Admission
	10:00am-12:00pm	CSC SPEED TEAM PRACTICE	\$5 Admission
	1:00-4:00pm	FAMILY FUN SKATE <i>Parents skate free w/paid child admission</i>	\$6 Admission

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Lake County Genealogical Society Meeting - February 25th

The Lake County Genealogical Society (LCGS) meeting will be held on February 25 from 10:00 am to noon.

Our meetings are typically held on the last Thursday of the month. The LCGS has been meeting on Zoom due to Covid-19. Please

join us to hear our speaker Cari Taplin talk about "Organizing Your Research: Making Molehills out of Mountains."

Visit our website at www.lcgsohio.org and email us for an invitation to the Zoom presentation. You can also go to our web site to

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Irruptive Birds are in Audubon's Sights

Certain bird species are spending this winter in Northeast Ohio in especially high numbers. Blackbrook Audubon Society encourages everyone to connect with these rare visitors and record them, as well as resident birds, for the Great Backyard Bird Count February 12-15.

Common Redpolls and Evening Grosbeaks have flown here from Canadian latitudes. They are part of a group known as irruptive species. Both of these finches visit feeders and are easy to spot. Participants in the GBBC are invited to count all bird species and individuals for at least 15 minutes on one or more days that weekend, regardless of age or birding skill level. Instructions, apps and bird ID tips are available at www.birdcount.org.

Blackbrook Audubon lists popular birding spots and links on the resources page of their website, blackbrookaudubon.org. Follow Blackbrook's Facebook page for current sightings. Contribute to this international count by adding the irruptive species to your list before they head back north and before the annual spring migration begins. Blackbrook wants participants to bird safely following the current Covid-19 guidelines.

Whether counters record birds at their feeder, in a park, or any other location, submitting these numbers will enhance the snapshot of bird distribution and abundance. This will help scientists answer questions on migration patterns, spread of diseases and the effects of weather and climate change. When the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and National Audubon Society launched GBBC in 1998, they created the first online citizen-science project to collect data on wild birds and display the results in near real-time. Birds Canada joined the effort in 2009. Birds observed locally can be compared to other reports in the region with maps on the project website during and after the count.

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Applied directly to the customer's utility or bulk fuel bill, the benefit can help manage heating costs. Ohioans can visit www.energyhelp.ohio.gov to

apply online, download a copy of the application or find contact information for a local Energy Assistance Provider (EAP). The Lake County Council on Aging is able to assist individuals over the phone to complete their application for HEAP benefits. If preferred, an individual can drop off their application and verifications using the agency's securedropbox for an Information & Assistance Specialist to review the application to ensure it is complete and submit on the individual's behalf.

When applying, individuals need to have copies of the following documents:

- Most recent utility bills.
- A list of all household members (including birth dates and Social Security numbers).
- Proof of income for the past 30 days for all household members (12 months for certain income types).
- Proof of U.S. citizenship or legal residency for all household members.
- Proof of disability (if applicable).

HEAP benefits are applied to an individual's energy bill after January 1st. Applications for the HEAP program must be received by May 31, 2021.

This is not an emergency program. Low-income households that have been disconnected (or have a pending disconnection notice), need to establish new service, need to pay to transfer service, have 25% (or less) of bulk fuel supply remaining, or have a household member who was diagnosed with COVID-19 in 2020 may

also be eligible for the HEAP Winter Crisis Program, which started on November 1, 2020. If you need immediate assistance with your energy bills, please contact your local EAP. A list of providers can be found at www.energyhelp.ohio.gov.

Applications for the HEAP Winter Crisis Program must be received by March 31, 2021. For more information on HEAP, visit www.energyhelp.ohio.gov or call (800) 282-0880. Hearing-impaired customers can dial 711 for assistance.

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Audubon Shares Threats to Birds in Columbia

Cleveland-area photographer and author Steve Cagan will introduce Blackbrook Audubon guests to the Colombian Pacific coast rain forest area of El Chocó in a virtual program Tuesday, February 16 at 7:00 p.m. He will describe the biodiversity of this natural treasure and the harm caused by mechanized gold mining and indiscriminate logging. His photographs also reveal how traditional human cultures are threatened by the

violence of the Colombian civil conflict and criminal gangs. Cagan will share how he contributes to community resistance to these threats with his camera.

Anyone interested in hearing the presentation must register on the event page of blackbrookaudubon.org. A link will be sent to each registrant's email address.

While the program starts at 7:00 p.m., Trevor Wearstler,

the host and president of Blackbrook, will allow people into the meeting about 6:30 to familiarize themselves with the software features or to chat with other attendees.

As a local chapter of National Audubon Society, Blackbrook Audubon covers Ashtabula, Geauga and Lake Counties. For more information, email blackbrookaud@aol.com. Follow Blackbrook Audubon Society on Facebook for updates.

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for qualified children younger than 5, according to WIC's guidelines, which are equal to 185% of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services poverty income guidelines.

Visit www.lcghd.org/WIC to see if you qualify. The WIC application is available under "WIC" on the Ohio Department of Health website, www.odh.ohio.gov.

Lake-Geauga WIC are following

all COVID-19 guidelines per the Ohio Department of Health. WIC has five locations in Lake and Geauga counties.

Please contact the closest clinic for more information:

- WIC Painesville- 440-350-2552
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- WIC Madison - 440-428-2003
- WIC Huntsburg- 440-636-5331
- WIC Middlefield- 440-251-6522.

Burroughs Nature Club Hosting Free, Virtual Programs

Burroughs Nature Club was founded in 1916 and named after John Burroughs (1837-1921), the famous Hudson River Valley author whose popular books inspired many a turn-of-the-century naturalist.

The Burroughs Nature Club of Willoughby was founded by outstanding Cleveland area men (scientists, scholars, naturalists, and photographers) who shared a common love of hiking, wildlife watching, and other investigations of the natural world. They also enjoyed a good hike together in the "wilds" of Lake County. Their Burroughs Nature Club remains one of the oldest such nature clubs in the nation.

As we celebrate our 105th

year in 2020-2021, Burroughs Nature Club continues to extend an invitation to all who share a common interest in the study and enjoyment of nature and the conservation of natural resources.

The club will host free, virtual programs on Friday, February 19 and March 19, via Zoom, both beginning at 7:00 pm.

The February meeting is titled: "Good Plants Gone Bad: An Overview of Invasive Plants in Ohio," presented by Jennifer Windus, President, Ohio Invasive Plants Council.

The March program, presented by Denise Ellsworth, concerns "Pollinators in Your Ohio Backyard" -why pollinators matter, who they are,

and how to protect them."

One in every three bites of food we take can be traced back to animal pollinators. Who are these vital creatures, what exactly do they do, and how are they threatened across the globe? This program emphasizes the identification and role of bees as vital pollinators and highlights steps we can all take to help pollinators.

Denise is the Program Director of Pollinator Education, Department of Education/Entomology, The Ohio State University.

To register to attend either of these programs via Zoom or for further information, please email secretary@burroughsnatureclub.org.

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BASIC PACKAGE

\$132 - \$154

- Federal Return
- State Return
- City Return
- E- file
- Direct Deposit
- Kids Return \$69 (Federal, State, City) with parents return

EARNED INCOME

CREDIT PACKAGE

EIC

\$198 - \$210

- Federal Return
- State Return
- City Return
- All EIC Forms (usually 5-6 extra forms)
- E- file
- Direct Deposit

SOLE PROPRIETOR

PACKAGE

\$198 - \$246

Schedule C, Self Employment/ Gig Workers

- Federal Return
 - State Return
 - City Return
 - E- file
 - Direct Deposit
- EACH ADDITIONAL SCHEDULE C \$48.00

Returns start off at \$88.00 - Additional Schedules \$22.00 Each

RENTAL PROPERTY

PACKAGE

Schedule E

\$198 - \$246

- Rental Property
 - Federal Return
 - State Return
 - City Return
 - E- file
 - Direct Deposit
- EXTRA RENTAL PROPERTY \$48.00 EACH

BUSINESS OWNERS

PACKAGE

\$288 - \$488

- S-Corps, C-Corps, Partnerships
Non Profits, Multi-Member LLC's
- Federal Return
 - State Return
 - City Return
- * BRING US YOUR QUICKBOOKS BALANCE SHEET, INCOME & EXPENSE SHEET
* W-2's and 1099's at Reasonable Fees
* Year End Bookkeeping at Reasonable Fees

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S-Corporations - 1120S

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Partnerships - 1065

Multi-Member LLC's

Rental Properties - Sch. E

Sole Proprietors - Sch. C

Non-Profits

Fiduciary Returns - 1041

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