OUR MISSION...

The Cortland Youth Bureau will provide our community the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of recreational and educational programs. We will strive to provide the highest quality programs and facilities that meet the needs of the diverse community we serve. It is our desire to combine a positive environment with a rewarding experience.

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OUR VISION...

We will enhance healthy and active lifestyles while connecting more people to parks, programs and youth services. We will do this through stewardship of public resources and by providing programs and spaces to fulfill unmet needs.

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Aaron Baier Cindy Eberhart Krissy Gambitta Christella Yonta Tom Steele Andrea Tobin Allison Veintimilla

JIM PARTIGIANONI SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarships are available for participants of all ages, who, for financial reasons, would otherwise be unable to participate in CYB programs. Scholarships apply only to in-house sponsored programs, not including field trips. Interested participants should fill out a scholarship application at the CYB office.

PHOTO DISCLAIMER

Registrants and participants of programs and special events automatically permit taking photos and videos of themselves and their children during CYB activities for the publication in the program brochure, website, social media, and additional promotional users as the CYB deems necessary.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION & FACILITY RESERVATIONS

All CYB program registration and facility reservations take place on-line at our website: **cortlandyb.recdesk.com**. RecDesk accepts all major credit cards and is available on any PC, tablet, or smart phone. View all facility availability calendars and reserve on-line!

PARENTS & PARTICIPANTS

Our programs are provided for the fun and enjoyment of all who participate. Parents and participants are expected to exhibit appropriate behavior at all times. It is the expectation of the CYB that participants and spectators will show respect to all participants, volunteers, and staff.

FACILITY RENTALS

Reservations must be completed for picnic facilities, buildings, and athletic fields by completing the on-line reservation form. For your outdoor event, consider one of the CYB's picnic facilities:

Yaman, Suggett & Beaudry Facilities:

- Can accommodate up to 100-150 people.
- Equipped with tables, chairs, grills, and restrooms.
- Price: \$75 for city residents, \$100 for non city residents. Security deposit of \$100 required for Beaudry & Suggett park buildings.

Dexter, Beaudry & Yaman Park Cabanas:

• Smaller shelters on a first come, first serve basis.

Reservations can be made on our website at cortlandyb.recdesk.com.

AMENITIES
2 full size basketball courts,
playground, 2 softball
fields, 1 baseball field,
picnic pavilion, Beaudry
Park building
2 tennis courts, pickleball
court, full size basketball
court, playground, softball
field, park building, picnic
pavilion
Softball field, 4 tennis
courts, half basketball court
Wickwire Pool, splash
pad, inclusive playground,
2 full basketball courts,
youth softball field, Burch
Building, Rotary Shelter
Festivals and seasonal
events are held here,
including summer park
programming
Yaman Beach, half
basketball court, skate
park, playground, picnic
pavilions, boat launch.



PROGRAM REGISTRATIONS

If you would like to participate in one of our programs please register well in advance of the registration deadline. If the program has reached the maximum enrollment, your name will be placed on a waiting list. You will be notified by phone of any openings. Register on-line at cortlandyb.recdesk.com for all programs.

GYM RESERVATIONS

Located off of Greenbush Street, this facility is available for recreational use, mainly basketball and volleyball. Reservations must be made on the CYB website by a responsible adult at least 21 years of age. Cost: \$30 per two hour time slot. A \$25 key deposit is required for all gym reservations.

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35 Port Watson Street Cortland, New York 13045

Phone

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Youth Center

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AQUATICS

WICKWIRE POOL & YAMAN BEACH

Children under the age of 8 must be accomplished by someone 18 years of age or older. If there is a child 8 years or older that is not able to act appropriately without an adult, that child will be asked to leave and may only return with adult supervision. The lifeguards at each facility have the primary responsibility of making sure those that are in the water are safe and should not be distracted for any reason that is not an emergency. There will always be a lifeguard or other staff members in the guard room area for non emergency situations.

WEATHER POLICY

Wickwire Pool, Yaman Beach, and the Splash Pad will close immediately at the sound of thunder or the sight of lightning. The facilities will remain closed for 30 minutes after the last sounds of thunder or the sight of lightning. The facility will also close in the event of heavy rain which might impede the lifeguards sight of the swimmers.

SWIM DIAPERS

Any child that is not completely potty trained must wear an approved swim diaper while swimming in our facilities. To avoid pool closures and/or the cancellation of your swimming lesson or program, please remember to have your child visit the restroom periodically throughout your swim time.



YAMAN BEACH

MAY 25 - AUGUST 18 11:00AM - 7:00PM • DAILY

WICKWIRE POOL

JUNE 22 - AUGUST 25 12:00PM - 7:00PM • DAILY

SUGGETT PARK SPLASH PAD

JUNE 1 TO LABOR DAY 10:00AM - 7:00PM • DAILY

LIFEGUARDS WANTED

Stop by the CYB office today to pick up an application or get one on our website cortlandyb.recdesk.com. Applicants must have American Red Cross lifeguard training or equivalent, and be First Aid and CPR certified.



RED CROSS LEARN TO SWIM LESSONS

The Cortland Red Cross Chapter will offer free swim lessons at Wickwire Pool from July 8 until July 26. Registration will take place on-line at cortlandyb. recdesk.com from April 1 until July 5, or until 150 youth are registered. The learn to swim participants must be ages 7-17. Lesson times vary depending on your swim level, and will be held between 9:30AM and 11:25AM. Red Cross is seeking volunteers for this program, if interested complete a volunteer application available at the CYB office.



EVENING AQUATICS AT WICKWIRE POOL

Various aquatic activities have been scheduled for June 24 through August 18 from 7:00PM to 8:00PM

- Mondays and Wednesdays: Adult Swim
- Tuesdays, Saturdays, Sundays: Pool rentals
- Thursdays: Lifeguard training
- Fridays: Family swim

ADULT SWIM AT WICKWIRE POOL

Adults are invited to come out and exercise while enjoying the refreshing pool. Lap swimming will be offered Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:00PM to 8:00PM beginning Monday, June 24 until August 16. There is a minimum of 5 participants required for this program to be offered on a consistent basis. No children under the age of 18 will be allowed in the facility during adult swimming period.

EARLY BIRD LAP SWIM

In addition to our new pool we invite early risers to participate in our 6:00AM to 8:00AM session Monday through Saturday. The fee to participate is \$40 for a season pass. All participants must register on the CYB website. Lap swim and water exercise only.

LAP SWIM LANES

Wickwire Pool will offer two lap swim only lanes during all open swim hours. The best time to avoid the crowd is at noon or after 5:00PM.

WATER POLO

Join a group of community members at Wickwire Pool for an informal game of water polo. Bring your suit and competitive spirit to the pool on Saturday mornings in July and August, 8:00AM until 9:00AM. Check our website and Facebook for exact dates.

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Facebook: Cortland Youth Bureau

for program information and updates

PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS

BEAUDRY, SUGGETT, YAMAN, DEXTER & COURT HOUSE

Playground buildings at Beaudry, Suggett, and Dexter Parks will be open Monday through Friday from June 26 through August 16. The park buildings are open to youth ages 7 through 14. Each building has a ping-pong, fooseball, and pool table. There are also various board games and craft supplies to use. Every park building is supervised by a Park Leader who prepares daily activities. Participants are free to come and go as they please throughout the day. PLEASE NOTE: children under 7 years old must be with an adult 18 years or older.



MOVIE UNDER THE STARS

Wednesday nights throughout the summer at Court House Park starting at dusk. Movie showings and dates will be posted on our website and Facebook page.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Thursday nights throughout the summer at Court House Park starting at 7:00PM. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy the music! Concert schedule will be posted on our website and Facebook page.

SUMMER ARTS & CRAFTS

Head over to the Rotary Shelter for Arts & Crafts on Monday and Thursday afternoons at 1:30PM to create tie-dye shirts, canvas paintings, pottery, and much more! Space is limited so please arrive on time. Arts and crafts will begin on July 15 and run until August 15.

ARTS, PARKS & BOOKS

The CYB and the Cortland Free Library have teamed up again to bring you a free series in Court House Park. All performances start at 10:30AM. Rain location: County Office Gym.

July 9 • Dan the Snake Man
July 16 • Mad Science
July 23 • Checkers the Inventor
July 30 • Merry-Go-Round Theatre



FIRE DEPARTMENT DEMONSTRATIONS

Come and sit in the driver's seat of one of Cortland's fire trucks! Fire department demonstrations with the CFD are as follows:

July 10 • Suggett Park
July 17 • Dexter Park
July 24 • Beaudry Park

In the event of an emergency or rain, fire demo's will be postponed and an announcement will be posted on our Facebook page.



ARTS & CRAFTS CAMP

Molly Andrejko is cooking up tons of art projects for our third Art Camp this summer! Painting on canvases, 'drawing bootcamp', fabric dying, mystical creatures, portraits, art in the kitchen, and a shaving cream slipn-slide... just to name a few! We will be walking about town for artistic inspiration and natural materials, swimming at Wickwire Pool to cool off, goofing around with games, hands-on activities, learning, and art, art! Art camp will be offered for two weeks this summer! Week 1: July 1 through July 5, with no camp on July 4. Week 2: July 8 through July 12. Both camps run 10:00AM until 3:30PM and are held at the Rotary Shelter at Suggett Park. Register on our website starting May 1 at cortlandyb.recdesk.com.



POLICE DEPARTMENT DEMONSTRATIONS

Meet McGruff the Crime Dog, K9 Lummel, and K9 Rush and take a bite out of crime! A few of their fellow officers from the CPD will also come and discuss bike rules and helmet safety.

July 11 • Beaudry Park
July 18 • Suggett Park
July 25 • Dexter Park

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SPORTS LEAGUES YOUTH & ADULT SUMMER LEAGUES

JR. HIGH BOYS SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAUE

For boys entering grades 7-8 in the fall of 2019. Team registration takes place at the CYB office April 9 to May 18. The cost is \$200 per team. Games are played on Monday nights starting June 24 until August 1 at city parks.

MEN'S POST HIGH SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAGUE

This league is for all high school graduates. Games are played on Monday and Wednesday nights at city parks. Register at the CYB office April 9 through May 18. The cost is \$350 for a city team and \$400 for a out of city team.



CATHY STAGE & TEEN SOFTBALL

The CYB softball program is part of the Cathy Stage and Cortland County softball leagues. All teams that play in the Cathy Stage and County Leagues abide by the leagues local rules and play against local townships. These leagues provide an opportunity for participants to learn the basic fundamentals, play organized games and to have fun playing softball.

Youth Softball: The CYB will field teams for 8U, 10U, and 12U divisions. Play begins in early May for the Cathy Stage League and ends in late June. 8U and 10U will practice and play games on Tuesdays and Thursdays. 12U will practice and play games on Mondays and Wednesdays. Registration begins February 4 until April 5 on-line at cortlandyb.recdesk.com.

County Teen Summer Softball: The CYB will field teams for 14U and 18U divisions. Play begins in late June and ends in early August. Register online starting May 1.

CROWN CITY LITTLE LEAGUE

Crown City Little League's opening day for the 2019 season is scheduled for Saturday, April 27. Visit the league's website at www.crowncityll.com for current news, updated team rosters, game recaps, great photographs and much more! Show your support of the league and it's nearly 275 young athletes by becoming a league sponsor or volunteering for a shift at our concession stand. Other volunteer opportunities include coaching, being a team parent and more. Paid umpiring opportunities for young adults ages 13 and over are available. Be sure to join us for our annual SUNDAY FUNDAY in June that includes a hit-a-thon, coach dunking booth, door prizes and different bounce houses. Money raised helps to offset the cost of player clinics, uniforms, new team equipment and other league operating costs.



SCOTTS PITCH, HIT & RUN

Major League Baseball has teamed up with the CYB to offer local youth the opportunity to showcase their skills. Boys and Girls ages 7-14 are welcome to participate in a baseball and softball skills competition to be held on Sunday, April 28th at the Gutchess Lumber Sports Complex. Registration begins at 12:30pm, while the competition will begin at 1:00pm. The youngsters will be rated on three fundamental skills: batting, pitching, and base running. The local champions will advance to the CNY Regional competitions. Top performers from the region become eligible to advance to the next level of competition, which will be hosted by all MLB teams. The National Finals will be held during All-Star week in Cleveland, Ohio at Progressive Field. The CHS baseball team will be facilitating this contest.



JR. TIGER BASEBALL CAMP

This two week baseball camp is held July 8-11 and July 15-18. The camp will be held at Testa Park and will run from 9:00AM until 12:00PM. Players should bring a snack each day. The CHS baseball staff along with local college and high school players will teach this camp. The camps will provide players ages 6-12 with a chance to improve their baseball skills in a relaxed, enjoyable setting. The cost for this program is \$80 for one week or \$150 for both weeks with a camp t-shirt included. Registration will begin May 1 at the CYB office. If you have any questions, contact CHS Varsity Baseball Coach Ben Albright at balbright@cortlandschools.org.

CCYSA SUMMER SOCCER LEAGUE

The Cortland County Youth Soccer Association (CCYSA) is offering an instructional/recreational league to introduce and develop soccer skills. Designed for ages 5-12, sign ups begin in early May and close early June. Teams will be formed and league play will begin mid-July. Separate boys and girls divisions are available. A scholastic division for high school aged players will be run if there are enough teams. For registration information check out the CCYSA website at ccysasoccer.org.

CC SELECT SOCCER CAMP

This soccer camp will be the favorite part of your summer! If you are entering grades 1st through 9th register by the June 10 deadline. This camp takes place between 8:30AM and 11:30AM from Thursday, June 27 until Tuesday July 2. The camp will be held at Testa Park. The cost to participate is \$80 and includes a tshirt, water bottle, and soccer ball. For more information contact Ilona Ryon at 758-4180 or email ccselectsoccer@gmail.com. Register online using tinyurl.com/ydhy6fkf.

Fall registration begins June 1 cortlandyb.recdesk.com



HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Games are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Dryden High School. League fee is \$325 per team for players in grades 8-12. Contact Andrew Pierce at Dryden Rec to register at 607-844-8888 est 229.

ULA SUMMER LEAGUE

The Upstate Lacrosse Association is one of the largest youth lacrosse leagues in the United States. The league provides an excellent opportunity for its youth to learn and develop their skills, play organized competitive games and have fun playing lacrosse with their peers. There will be a four week registration period from February 4 until March 22 on our website. The Home-Cort Youth Lacrosse Association will be fielding teams for boys and girls in each of the following grade divisions: 3rd and 4th, 5th and 6th, and 7th and 8th. Preseason practices start in early May.

ULA OPENING WEEKEND

HCYLA teams will participate in the Shane Lynch Memorial Opening Weekend in Auburn, NY. Opening Weekend will be held Friday, June 14 and Saturday, June 15. Home-Cort teams will play two games on the same day. For more information on Opening Weekend visit upstatelaxassociation.org.

CORTLAND YOUTH FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING

Our 2019 youth football and cheerleading programs will participate in the Route 81 travel league. The travel football league has divisions for flag (grades K-2), junior (grades 3 & 4), and senior (grades 5 & 6) and requires registration to be held on our website starting June 1. Cheerleading has divisions for junior (grades 3 & 4) and senior (grades 5 & 6). Practice sessions will begin in mid August at Suggett Park. Games will be held weekends in September and October at various sites in CNY. Check our website and Facebook page for registration details in early May.

LITTLE STICKS LACROSSE

HCYLA will sponsor a youth lacrosse program targeting boys in 1st and 2nd grades as of June 1, 2019. The instructional program will introduce players to the basic fundamentals of the game. There will be a major emphasis on having fun and playing lacrosse with their peers. Players must provide their own sticks and mouthpieces. Players are also encouraged to purchase their own equipment. The HCYLA will provide helmets, gloves, and shoulder pads while supplies last. Practices will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 18 to July 25 from 6:00PM to 7:00PM. Register at our website from April 1 until June 9.

SLU BASKETBALL ACADEMY

The SLU Basketball Academy runs from July 28 to August 18. Our staff includes AAU coaches, strength and conditioning coaches, and former college and high school athletes. The Academy will provide boys and girls grades 5th - 10th with a chance to work and improve their basketball skills and fundamentals. The cost for the Academy is \$50.00 per child and includes a camp shirt and an award ceremony at the end of camp. Registration will begin June 1st at the CYB. If you have any questions contact Coach Tariq Macklin or Josh Wright at slubballacademy@gmail.com.

YOUTH & FAMILY SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

SUMMER DRAMA PROGRAM

The summer drama program is designed to offer students of all ages the chance to take part in a theatrical production with many opportunities for acting, singing, dancing, technical work and leadership roles. Audition packets and sign up will be available at the CYB office the week of June 3. The fee is \$20 per show, with a maximum of \$60 per family per show. Elementary and middle school fees are due at the time of auditions. Rehearsals and production locations will be announced at auditions.

COMMON GROUND COMMUNITY GARDEN

The City of Cortland Common Ground Community Garden is offering local residents a chance to sign up for a garden plot. Gardening season plots will be available starting May 2019, but individuals and families are encouraged to register starting in March. Fees for the garden plot range from \$16 to \$32, depending on the size. Residents who wish to secure a garden plot can find more information about rules and expectations on our website.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The CYB and the Easter Bunny will host this year's Egg Hunt at Suggett Park on Saturday, April 13 at 10:00AM. Any youth up to and including 10 are welcome to join the hunt. Suggett Park will be split into sections for children of different age groups. There will be a grand prize egg in each section for a new scooter or bike! Visit the Easter Bunny, have your face painted, and enjoy the pony rides. This event is co-sponsored by the YMCA and CAPCO. Raindate: Sunday, April 14 at 2:00PM. Check our Facebook page for a map of the age groups and where to go.

FISHING DERBY

Come out and enjoy an exciting, fun-filled day outdoors and get hooked on fishing! Youngsters 15 and younger are invited to test their fishing skills and win valuable prizes at the annual fishing derby sponsored by the Izaak Walton League, and the Cortland Youth Bureau. Stop out to Durkee Pond on Route 11 in Homer on Saturday, June 1 from 8:30AM until 11:00AM. Participants can register on site throughout the derby. There will be three divisions: 8 and under, 11 and under, and 15 and under and prizes will be awarded to the longest fish in each division.



YOUTH FIRE EXPO

This year we are changing up Fire Camp and opening the day up to families! The Youth Fire Expo will be held on Saturday, July 20 at Suggett Park. This will not be a camp setting, but a community day where everyone can participate and have fun. Learn how to hook a hose up to a hydrant, rise above the pine trees in the ladder truck, and sit in the drivers seat of a fire engine! Although registration is not required, the first 200 kids to register on-line will receive a t-shirt. The Youth Fire Expo will run from 9:00AM until 3:00PM at Suggett Park. Registration opens June 1. Children must be accompanied by an adult. The Fire Department is not responsible for supervision of attendees in any form.

YOUTH CENTER

PROGRAMS, FIELD TRIPS & MORE!

The Youth Services division of the CYB promotes positive youth development by providing recreational, cultural, and educational opportunities for teens and preteens. Staff members also offer informal counseling and referrals to other service agencies in the community. Overall, the multi-faceted program encourages kids to engage in productive behaviors, establish healthy beliefs, and maintain clear standards for themselves and their peers. This holistic approach to youth development helps our young people build the assets they need to carry them into adulthood.

A special Thank You to the New York State Office of Children & Family Services for helping sponsor the Youth Services Division.

The Youth Center is located in downtown Cortland at 35 Port Watson Street. The Youth Center offers a huge variety of programs and events for young people including field trips, game tournaments, tutoring, guest speakers, music lessons, artwork, craft projects, cooking classes, free dinners, job search assistance, volunteer opportunities, and more! The facility itself is equipped with pool, ping pong, and foosball tables; a full kitchen; music room with guitars, amps, and a full drum kit; a sound stage and DJ booth; and closets full of board games and craft supplies. There are always responsible, caring staff members on the premises to play games with you, help with your homework, or connect you with other service agencies if you need them.

AGE REQUIREMENTS

The Youth Center welcomes 11 and 12 year olds or those in 5th and 6th grades to attend from 3:00PM until 6:00PM. Those age 13-18 or in the 7th through 12th grades are welcome to attend the Youth Center during all open hours.

YOUTH CENTER HOURS

Monday through Thursday: 3:00PM to 8:00PM Fridays: 3:00PM to 9:00PM 1st & 3rd Saturday: 7:00PM to 10:00PM

All other Saturday's: 1:00PM to 5:00PM

HERE FOR EVERYONE

All of the Youth Center programs and activities can accommodate individuals with special needs. Staff members are prepared to offer extra assistance if needed. On field trips, every effort will be made to include all youths in activities, and open spots can be added to accommodate a trained professional assistant or caseworker. Parents should feel free to discuss their child's needs with Youth Center staff members.

YOUTH CENTER OPPORTUNITIES

Our staff work hard to ensure that we offer something for everyone at the Youth Center. Many of the ideas for our programs come from teens and their parents. If you have an idea of a program or event that you would like to see offered in Cortland please share it with us. We strive to offer relevant and exciting programming for all youth in our community.

YOUTH CENTER KITCHEN

If you like to cook (or if you just like to eat), then stop by the Youth Center on weeknights around dinner time. Two or three times a week, we cook up a full dinner for all to enjoy. The meals are always free. Kids are welcome to help with the cooking under the supervision of staff. We also offer periodic cooking classes and theme nights, so keep your eye on the calendar.

cortlandyb.recdesk.com for the monthly calendar of events and weekly dinner schedule

SPRING BREAK FIELD TRIPS

During the week of April 15th – April 19th, the Youth Center will take three day-long field trips: On the 15th, to the Seneca Park Zoo in Rochester; on the 17th, to the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown; and on the 19th, to the Corning Museum of Glass. The trips are open to kids age 13 to 18, or in 7th through 12th grade. The fee for each trip will be \$10.00 per person and lunch will be provided. Registration forms will be available at the Youth Center by April 1st.

VOLUNTEER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Kids who do community service or help with tasks at the Youth Center can turn their time into money not cash, but discounts on the Centers field trip and program fees. For every hour a youth spends volunteering, the Center will take \$4.00 off the price of a field trip or program. Kids can use their service credits immediately or save them up for later use. Credits earned and used are recorded in a logbook. For those interested in earning credits around town, a handy guide is available which lists the contact information for local agencies and businesses in need of volunteers.

YOUTH INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Youth Center offers a paid 4-month internship program to kids 14 and older. The position involves field-trip planning, in-house programming, event coordination, clerical tasks, and general assistance with daily operational chores. Everyone who applies will be interviewed (applicants 17 and under must have their working papers). The next internship session will begin in November, 2019. Applications will be available at the Youth Center in early October.

Facebook: Cortland Youth Center

CORTLAND PROM CLOSET

Prom season is just around the corner! The CYB Youth Center will be continuing our very successful prom dress collection and donation efforts. Gowns are available for students with a valid high school ID. Community members interested in donating formal wear or accessories can drop items off during regular business hours at the CYB main office or the CYB Youth Center. We thank all who has contributed to this program in the past and who are thinking about contributing in the future. To donate to the program or to setup an appointment to select a dress for an upcoming semi-formal or formal event contact the CYB office.

MUSIC LESSONS

Would you like to learn to play the guitar, bass, or drums? Two professional musicians, Sean Tuohy and Sloane Treat provide weekly half-hour lessons in the fully equipped music room. Reduced rates are available for students that are income eligible. Donations of working stereo equipment and instruments are welcome, as well as monetary contributions for student scholarships. The band room is available upon request for youth bands to rehearse.

MUSIC MATTERS

The Cortland Youth Center has started a program to loan out musical instruments for a 3-month period for FREE. We currently have guitars, amps and electric keyboards. This program allows each student to not only learn the instrument but also decide if he/she would like to pursue playing it before actually purchasing one!

YOUTH CENTER GARDEN

Our Youth Center garden is located at Beaudry Park. Through this program, kids and staff work hard from spring to fall participating in seed planting, plant transfer, garden maintenance, and using the produce we grow in our kitchen program at The Teen Center. There is always plenty to do and if interested in helping contact the Youth Center.

GIRLS CIRCLE

This program will begin in the spring and is a program geared toward girls ages 9-18. Girls Circle focuses on creating a safe place for girls to express themselves in regards to the world around them and how they feel about it. Creating successful and meaningful relationships is also a main goal of the program. Sessions will meet weekly. Activities will be based on various topics and snacks will be provided.

CHICKEN BBQ'S

Many of our program and field-trip expenses are paid for with chicken BBQ fundraisers, held right here in the CYB parking lot on certain Saturday mornings in the spring and early summer. The chicken is usually done and ready to purchase by 10:30am, and we keep cooking until it's gone. Health Dept. guidelines are strictly followed at our BBQs, and the price is always right. Dates to be announced. The Youth Center kids and staff thank the community for all the years of supporting our chicken BBQ fundraisers.

YOUTH CENTER SUMMER FIELD TRIPS

All registration for summer field trips begins on June 3 at the Youth Center or CYB office. Permission slips and fees are due at the time of registration, and all trip fees are cash only. Youth must be 13-18 years old to participate. All trips depart and return to the Youth Center at the designated times below. For questions about Youth Center field trips contact the Youth Center or CYB office.

ENCHANTED FOREST WATER SAFARI

Join us for a day at one of New York's best water parks! The cost includes admission to the park and dinner on the way home (participants should plan on packing or buying lunch). Changing rooms and lockers are available at the park (lockers require a small fee, not included in the trip fee).

DATE: Wednesday, July 10

COST: \$25.00 **DEPART:** 8:00AM **RETURN:** 10:00PM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 3

THE WILD CENTER MUSEUM

The Wild Center in Tupper Lake is a combination of museum and zoo. It offers live animal encounters with native New York State wildlife, indoor and outdoor exhibits, and workshops conducted by professional naturalists. The cost includes admission, lunch, and dinner.

DATE: Wednesday, July 31

COST: \$30.00 **DEPART:** 7:30AM **RETURN:** 10:00PM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 24

SEABREEZE

Join us for a fun filled day at Seabreeze. Come and dare to try the REVOLUTION 360! Please make sure to bring a bag lunch or money to purchase lunch at the park, dinner is included. Lockers available for a small fee.

DATE: Wednesday, August 7

COST: \$35.00 **DEPART:** 9:00AM **RETURN:** 9:00PM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 31

DARIEN LAKE

Experience a day of fun as we venture to Darien Lake. Enjoy rides such as The Ride of Steel and Blast Off. Be sure to bring a bag lunch or money to purchase food, dinner is included. Lockers available for a small fee.

DATE: Wednesday, July 17

COST: \$35.00 **DEPART:** 8:00AM **RETURN:** 10:00PM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 10

DORNEY PARK

Visit one of the Northeast's best amusement parks: Dorney Park and Wildwater Kingdom in Allentown, PA. The cost includes admission to the park and dinner on the way home (participants should plan on packing or buying lunch).

DATE: Wednesday, July 24

COST: \$35.00 **DEPART:** 8:00AM **RETURN:** 11:00PM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 17

LIBERTY ISLAND, ELLIS ISLAND & THE STATUE OF LIBERTY

Experience the rich history of our country by taking the same steps as immigrants from the past. Tour the grounds of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, as well as view the NYC skyline from Liberty State Park. Be sure to bring a bag lunch or money to purchase food, dinner is included.

DATE: Wednesday, August 14

COST: \$35.00 **DEPART:** 7:00AM **RETURN:** 10:00PM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: August 7

YWCA: HOLIDAYS IN THE SUN

Join us July 1st - August 23rd for "Holidays In The Sun" at the YWCA. We will be planning, creating and participating in activities, crafts, cooking, games and celebrations each week around the big and exciting holidays of our favorite months! We will bring back the Christmas spirit in July, and deck out in Halloween costumes in August! Don't miss us this summer when we re-live the best days of the years with all your favorite counselors and summer friends! Camp opens at 6:30am and runs till 6:00pm Monday through Friday. Fridays are our field trip days where we travel to the Rosemond Gifford Zoo, Camp Casowasco, Skate Estate, NY State Parks and more! Snacks & lunch provided and campers will swim daily! Space is limited with two sites available. First come, first serve. Enrollment will open early April. For more information, please contact Janice Meyer at 753-9651. See you this Summer!

PORCHFEST

PorchFest Cortland will be held Sunday, August 18 from 12:00PM to 6:00PM in the Van Hoesen Street



neighborhood. Enjoy live music, dance, storytelling, and family activities. Freewill donations benefit the Cortland Youth Bureau Music Program and Suggett Park improvements. For more information, visit the PorchFest Cortland Facebook page.

ELM TREE JR. GOLF LEAGUE

This season the Elm Tree Golf Course will be offering 3 Junior Golf Leagues for golfers 18 and younger of all skill levels. The "Tiger Woods" league is for experienced golfers or golfers who are members of their high teams. The Woods league will meet on Monday's at 8 AM. The "Phil Mickelson" league is for golfer's age 11-16 who are looking to learn the basics of golf, including the golf swing, putting, and chipping. The Mickelson league will meet on Monday's from 8AM-11AM. Both Leagues run for 6 weeks starting July 1st and ending August 5th and cost \$60 per participant. The "Jack Nicklaus" league is for kids ages 6 -10 learning the basics of golf. Each child must be accompanied by an adult over the age of 21 who will help with the instructional process. The Nicklaus league meets for 4 weeks starting on July 15 and ending on August 5th and cost \$30 per child. Applications can be found at http://elmtreegolfcourse. com/junior-golf.



CATCHTHECRUSH AT GUTCHESS LUMBER SPORTS COMPLEX

Opening Day: Saturday, June 8 • Kids day at Gutchess: games, giveaways, and on field meet and greet with the players!

HOME GAME SCHEDULE

June 8 vs. MAN (DH) at 3:00PM June 10 vs. ROM at 6:00PM June 14 vs. SHE at 6:00PM June 15 vs. ROM at 3:00PM June 16 vs. SSP at 3:00PM June 18 vs. SSC at 6:00PM June 19 vs. OLE (DH) at 3:00PM June 23 vs. SSC at 3:00PM June 27 vs. ROM at 6:00PM July 1 vs. SSC at 6:00PM July 2 vs. SSP at 6:00PM July 4 vs. SSC at 6:00PM July 11 vs. SSP at 6:00PM July 12 vs. SHE at 6:00PM July 15 vs. SSP at 6:00PM July 16 vs. SSC at 6:00PM July 18 vs. ROM at 6:00PM July 21 vs. SHE at 3:00PM

LUNCH BUNCH PROGRAM

Lunch is served daily at Suggett, Randall, and Dexter Parks throughout the summer. No cost or enrollment required, open to all children 18 and under.

CORTLAND SKATE PARK

Our outdoor skate park facility is located at Yaman Park. Skateboards, inline skates, and 20 inch bikes are allowed in the park. Helmets are required to use the facility. The skate park is skate at your own risk and open from dawk to dusk. The skate park will close due to any unsafe weather, surface conditions and maintenance.