

ISPICE IS NEW IN CORTLAND, BUT HAS BEEN IN BUSINESS OVER 30 YEARS!

In the history of Cortland, we have seen many companies come and go. In taking over the Marietta building, iSpice is the biggest thing to hit Cortland in 50 years! A worldwide company that is headquartered in Montreal, iSpice has plants in Alabama, New Jersey, and now Cortland.

Josh is the General Manager while Budd is in charge of Environmental, Health, and Security. Worldwide, iSpice has 650 employees; currently Cortland has 47, but is presently hiring 350 more. The millions of pounds of spices that transfer through Cortland are sourced from 14 countries; iSpice is truly a farm to table as it blend, packages, and ships the products. The four major segments of iSpice are: industrial, retail, food service, and e-commerce. Budd explained the many product lines that they carry are on their website, and that they have internet sales that ship right to a customer's house.

Josh detailed their business plan, how they buy in advance from overseas farmers before the seed is in the ground. As a company they build to inventory and not to orders. They have over 200 skus, and have many products in local grocery stores under several names.

We thank Budd and Josh for taking the time to explain iSpice to us, and for their growing impact in the Cortland business community.

As Cortland County Undersheriff, Budd Rigg was our Speaker on January 18, 2023. He is the first individual to be our Speaker twice in a year representing two different organizations.

And did a fine damn job with them both!





President. **Don Richards**

Front Desk. Patrick Clune, Jim Anderson

Thought for the Day. Mark Hahn

Guests. Budd Rigg, Josh Calistra, Noah Bech, Ariel Corl

Happy Birthday. Mark Hahn, Regina Grantham Happy Rotary Anniversary. Jami Bistocchi

Raffle. Mark Hahn
Attendance. 27 + 1 Zoom



Today is the second announcement for the membership of **Ariel Corl**, her orientation will be after the meeting.

Steve Cinquanti let everyone know that each member will get a ballot by email this morning to vote for the **Board of Directors**. The eight leading vote getters will be announced, and four of them will be elected next week.

Dianne Higgins told us that the Holiday Baskets at **Loaves and Fishes** is set up on December 15. Presently she and Mike Shafer have 9 members and 4 of the Interact Club members helping out.

Conrad Janke showed us how we can get fresh air, exercise, and the satisfaction of helping others while participating in the **Salvation Army Dollar Drop** on December 16. We are also aiding our fellow Rotarian **Major Corinne Hayes**; as of press time all the slots are filled. Thank you everyone!



Glenn Reisweber gave a hug and tech love for the work of **Steve** Cinquanti;

Conrad Janke donated for our Speakers and for the ease that **Ariel Corl** made Christmas shopping this year;

Mike Shafer is happy for **Ariel** joining our Club, for seeing **Richalle Cicioni** being at our meeting, and for the three guys he drives past every Wednesday.

Corinne Hayes is grateful that our Club is benefitting the Salvation Army with the **Dollar Drop**, and loves the Christmas decorations at the Center for the Arts.

Noah Bech had a great trip to New York City last weekend and thanked us for passing the hat for his spending money;

Ed Finkbeiner relayed that he is joyous for **Ariel** joining our Club, and for his outdoor bowling game—skittles;

Don Richards flicked a fiver for our speakers, , **Ariel**, advertising dollars, **Holiday Food Baskets**, and the **Salvation Army Dollar Drop**.



December 15 we will put together and donate Holiday Food Baskets at Grace Episcopal Church. Dianne Higgins and Mike Shafer are the facilitators for this project.

Fresh air! Exercise! Help out our community!

On December 16 we will be working the Salvation Army Dollar Drop at Speedway on Tompkins St. and Bailey Place on Main St. and Groton Ave.; Cindy Stoker will be holding the Drop at the Living History Center. Corinne Hayes and Conrad Janke are coordinating this event.

Salvation Army Kettle Drive

On a cold and windy day, Service was Above Self!



Help those this holiday season who help us!

Cortland Breakfast Rotary Club's Ride for Rotary June 3rd 2023

Motorcycles, Classic Vehicles, Bicycles, Runners, Walkers, etc.

For guestions call Don Richards Office 607-749-7770, Cell 607-745-7779

This year we have paired with the

Cortland NY Law Enforcement Agencies, Homer Center For the Arts & The CNY Living History Center, to bring

awareness and help raise funds for their programs!

Registration at 10:00am. Sponsors of the Ride for Rotary at the \$300.00 level have their names listed on T-shirts, all

advertising and formal announcements. Also includes two participants to the day's event. Lunch is included after the ride. Registration on the back of this flyer.>

All Participants meet at the CNY Living History Center 4386 US-11 Cortland, NY 13045. @ 10:00 am. Thank You 2023 Sponsors!

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THE OWNER OF COMMON GROUNDS, DANA WINANT, WAS OUR SPEAKER ON MAY 31, 2023.





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