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## May is National Foster Care Month

Submitted by Brigitte Coles

May is National Foster Care Month and Richland County Children Services (RCCS) believes that every child deserves a loving home.

There are over 423,000 children and youth in foster care across the country, and many have been facing increased isolation over the past year.

It is more critical than ever for our communities to work together in identifying the right mix of supports to establish meaningful connections for children and youth in care.

This year, National Foster Care Month focuses on how to strengthen these connections and the role of family and youth engagement at every stage. We should ensure all families and youth have meaningful involvement.

Strengthening families and focusing on their well-being is the key to building strong communities. Whether it's promoting a collaborative relationship between birth parents and foster caregivers or providing parents with the right combination of supportive services to enable reunification, keeping families together is the primary goal in a successful child welfare system.

The goal of RCCS is always reunification. RCCS has on average 100 children in custody with close to 60 foster homes. Out of the 100 children, 30 percent of them are teenagers. Families are needed for all age children, but especially for older youth.

Foster care involves the temporary care of children ages newborn to age 18, all races, sibling groups, various religions, and children with special needs.

RCCS encourages all individuals to invest in the lives of children and to provide them with unconditional love, support, guidance, and every available resource to ensure their health and well-being.

RCCS believes every child needs a permanent home. Many of our foster parents adopt the children who are placed with them. Others help children prepare for placement with an adoptive family or relative.

Those interested in becoming a foster parent can contact Joetta McCruter-Polk at 614-264-6176 or 419-774-4100 or visit richlandcountychildrenservices.org.

## Senior Spring Extravaganza planned for Monday, May 24

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. will hold a Senior Spring Extravaganza on Monday, May 24, at 10 am at the Richland County Fairgrounds in Mansfield. This event, hosted by the Area Agency on Aging, is held in recognition of Older Americans Month, and offers guests entertainment, refreshments, information regarding aging issues, and a chance to win door prizes.

The agency wants to bring our communities back together again with the theme being "Communities of Strength." This will be a drive-thru festival. Tickets are free and must be presented the day of the event. Tickets are limited. Call 567-247-6487 for tickets.

Senior citizens will enjoy the event from their cars. Sponsors will be set up outside along a driving route through the fairgrounds. Attendees will then park and, from their cars enjoy live entertainment from local singing group, EKG; weather permitting. There will also be door prizes, BINGO, and a free lunch for everyone attending.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information call 567-247-6487.



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**RICHHISTORY WEEKEND** was held May 1 and 2 at South Park in Mansfield. This year's events included several outdoor walking tours, a kayaking tour, DMI's popular Hidden History Tour, gold panning, outdoor cooking and back door preview tours at the new North Central Ohio Industrial Museum. Helping at the event were Tom Pappas, Kathleen Addlesperger, Barb Lung, Mehl Young, Rich Grano, Denny Spangler, Les Whited and Bill Hale. The group is standing on the porch of the newly completed cabin.

## Madison has busy meeting agenda

The Madison Local School District School Board of Education met Wednesday, April 28, in the Madison Middle School Auditoria.

Board president Tim Wigton called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors included middle school principal Jonathan Muro with the middle school Academic Challenge Team and Genius Project Group; athletic director Doug Rickert with the wrestling state qualifiers and Mrs. Norma Rickert, high school principal Sean Conway and superintendent Rob Peterson.

Reports were given for Legislative, Athletic Board of Controls, Student Representative's Comments, Facilities Report, Student Achievement, Board Policy Report and Superintendent's Update.

Nicole Cox of Madison South Elementary Principal gave a presentation.

A donation of scrap steel was accepted from Blevins Fabrication for the Career Tech and Adult Career Center welding technology programs. A donation of 1,631 pounds of A36 ¼" to ½" thickness of scrap plate steel was accepted from Michael Byrne Manufacturing for the Career Tech and Adult Career Center welding technology programs.

A donation of 500 pounds of scrap plate steel was accepted from Adena Corporation for the Career Tech and Adult Career Center welding technology programs.

Resignations were accepted from Elizabeth Hicks, seventh grade cheer advisor, effective May 26; Kristen Agee, eighth grade cheer advisor, effective May 26; Derek Fisher, ½ assistant varsity football coach and ½ equipment manager, fall, effective April 22; and Adolph Hathaway, assistant varsity football coach, effective April 23.

Alisha Lawrence was approved as a substitute teacher on an "on call" basis, as needed for the 2020-'21 school year.

Continuing contracts were approved for Michael Anderson, Elizabeth Armstrong, Derek Boyd, Jolene

Edwards, Emily Hager, Elizabeth Hicks, Chad Metzger, Sara Miller, John O'Bryant and Eric Wellman, effective with the 2021-'22 school year.

Resignations were accepted from Emily Pauly, preK teacher MECLC, effective April 1; Harrison Floyd, middle school custodian, April 20; and Jessica Foltz, bus driver, April 19.

Jennifer Nester, middle school building aide, will retire Aug. 1 and William McClain, head bus mechanic, will retire June 30.

Mark Christy was hired as a custodian, effective April 19.

Also hired were Amy Ryan, preK teacher, MECLC, March 26; Emily Hall, assistant teacher, MECLC, March 25; Bob Neal, temporary general summer help, effective mid-April; James Miller, summer mower, effective mid-April; and David Adams, custodian, middle school, April 19.

The baseball concession stand will be officially named the "William and Norma Rickert Family Concession Stand" in honor of the many years of voluntary service by Mr. and Mrs. Rickert.

The board approved the Memorandum of Understanding to the contract between the Madison Local School District Board of Education and the Madison Local Education Association dated March 26, 2021, whereas the parties desire to memorialize the verbal agreement made between superintendent Robert Peterson and MLEA President Michael Leeper at the beginning of the 2020-'21 school year concerning the kindergarten position at Mifflin Elementary held by Erin Schulz prior to her going on approved leave.

The board also approved the Memorandum of Understanding to the Contract between the Madison Local School District Board of Education and the Madison Local Education Association dated April 12, 2021, whereas

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**ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL** students are concentrating on planting in biology class. Students plant spring vegetables and flowers as an introduction to learn about biogeochemical cycles for the ecology unit. Students will take home the plants before school is out for transplanting and eating at home.



**ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL** students in Mr. Slaughter's Sports History class finished their baseball unit by playing some whiffle ball.

## Holy Trinity Farmer's Market to return

The Holy Trinity Farmers' Market will return for its 12th season on May 25. The market will once again be held each Tuesday from 3-6 pm, in the west parking lot of the church located on the corner of Cook Rd. and Lexington Ave.

The market producers are passionate about what they do and work hard to bring a fresh, delicious product to the market, whether it is a wide variety of seasonal produce, breads and baked goods, maple syrup, jam, jelly, herbs, tea, chicken, vegetable plants or more.

Many of the producers have participated in the market for several years and a few have been with it from the start. They love to talk about their food and welcome questions and comments.

The market follows the Ohio Dept. of Agriculture's Food Safety Divisions requirements for "Cottage Foods". Baked goods and other Cottage food production items must be properly labeled.

For more information contact Cindy at 419-709-4468 or [holytrinityfarmersmarket@yahoo.com](mailto:holytrinityfarmersmarket@yahoo.com).



Growing up in the 90s, the *Mortal Kombat* franchise was everywhere. It started as a video game franchise which still continues today with the newest entry being released for the PS4 in the last couple years. The new film release called *Mortal Kombat* is streaming until the end of May on HBO Max and also is in theaters.

Lewis Tan plays an MMA fighter named Cole Young. Cole has a family and after they are attacked by Sub Zero (Joe Taslim) he is recruited by other fighters such as Sonya Blade, Jax and Liu Kang as they all team up to defeat Sub Zero. Josh Lawson also plays Kano who brings a great deal of comic relief to the film.

This new release is the third film in this franchise, *Mortal Kombat* and *Mortal Kombat: Annihilation* were released in 1995 and 1997. This is certainly a better film than those two and it's nice to see an R rating as the video games were known for their violence, though this movie is

still pretty tame even by the standard of its source material.

The actors are well cast in their roles and this movie is definitely opening up to be a franchise as the ending pretty much tells what is on the way for the next film. As a movie, *Mortal Kombat* is not bad. The action/fighting sequences are fun but the script is pretty cringe inducing. The action scenes are all few and far between though with this movie setting up something more, it's not a big complaint.

If you are a fan of the video games or action movies in general with some brutality, definitely check out *Mortal Kombat* even though it is quite flawed in certain areas though it is nice to see these characters again.

Look for The Entertainment Examiner's video posts on YouTube.



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**KIM MESSERSMITH**, Joyce Vanatter and Kevin Wappner helped during the RichHistory Weekend held in South Park, Mansfield on May 1 and 2.



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**KATHLEEN ADDLESERGER** shows off the pie she baked in the fireplace on Sunday, May 2, as she took part in the RichHistory Weekend held in South Park.

**•Madison board has busy meeting agenda**

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the parties agree to conduct the reduction in force (RIF) as proposed in regards to the fourth grade positions at Eastview Elementary.

Approval was given to the second read-

ing of new/revised board policies.

The board then went into executive session.

The next regular board of education meeting will be Wednesday, May 26, 2021 Madison Middle School Auditoria.

**News Briefs**

Ridgeway Church of God, 1380 Park Avenue East (Madison Township), will host a drive-thru spaghetti dinner on Friday, May 7, from 4:30-6 pm. The menu will be limited to spaghetti, salad and bread. Those participating will drive-thru and give their order, and it will be brought to the car. Cost is a freewill donation. All proceeds will benefit the church. For information call 419-589-5385.

A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, May 29 and 30.

Acceptable items include steel and aluminum cans, crushed milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom, cardboard, all papers included with the newspaper but no other magazines or paper. Please remove caps from bottles and rinse all containers well.

Those who need help with winter heating bills can apply for HEAP. Applications are available by calling the Area Agency at 419-524-4144 or 800-860-5799 Monday-Friday 9 am to 5 pm.

Anyone age 18 and older may apply for this assistance. Those 60 and over can get assistance with filling out the application. All heating types are eligible for energy assistance programs - electric, wood, coal, natural gas, propane and kerosene.

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2010 Park Avenue West, Ontario, serves a drive-thru

breakfast on the second Saturday of the month from 9-10:30 am.

The Ontario 4th of July Festival is scheduled for Saturday, July 3. The Miss Ontario Pageant will be held June 26.

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. has announced the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFM-NP) for Richland, Knox and Seneca counties. This program helps provide income eligible seniors with access to locally grown fruits and vegetables.

Participants will receive \$50 worth of coupons through the growing season to use at participating farmers' markets and stands. Applications may be submitted or downloaded online at [aaa5ohio.org/sfmnp](http://aaa5ohio.org/sfmnp). An individual may also call 567-247-7101 Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm to request an application by mail.

The Autism Awareness Walk-a-thon Garage Sale is now collecting items for the sale. Items can be donated by calling Debbie at 419-589-8762. Please no clothing. The date of the sale will be announced at a later date. Autism merchandise will be available as well as a 50/50. For more information visit Facebook: Autism Awareness Walk-a-thon.

To submit a news brief item, email information to [news@tribune-courier.com](mailto:news@tribune-courier.com). Deadlines are noon Mondays

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# Memorial Arrangements

## Robert L. "Bob" Wolfe

Robert L. "Bob" Wolfe, of Ontario/Mansfield, passed away on Friday, April 16, 2021, at the age of 92 from natural causes. His wife, Ann (Schira) Wolfe, preceded him in death in 2013.

Bob was born on May 28, 1928, in Findlay, Ohio, to Russell and Mary Ellen (Roseberry) Wolfe. He was raised in Upper Sandusky, Ohio, where he was a USHS graduate in 1946. He had an outstanding athletic career in football (1945 - undefeated NOL champions; 1st team All-NOL), basketball (1st-team All-NOL), and track and field (placing third in the state 880-yard run with a time that was the 4th fastest scholastic time in the nation his senior year). He was a graduate of Heidelberg College prior to launching a 35-year career in high school teaching (mathematics) and coaching.



Bob began his teaching and coaching career at Harpster (1950-'53), followed by Bucyrus (1953-'61), and Ontario (1961-'85). He coached several sports, but his specialty was track and field. His teams won 4 consecutive NOL championships at Bucyrus and 10 consecutive JAC championships at Ontario. His summers were spent painting houses with the rowdy Shelby paint crew. After his teaching career ended, he served as the Ontario Zoning Inspector.

Bob and Ann raised four children and numerous pets at their home on Park Avenue West. Yearly automobile vacations during summer break were the norm — Expo 67, New England, and the most memorable being a 1968 trip to California. In their retirement years, Bob and Ann enjoyed their home and boat on Lake Erie - a favorite spot for the grandchildren. In his spare time, he enjoyed playing Bridge, doing puzzles, pursuing genealogy, and avidly following Ontario High School and OSU sports. Bob was

also active in the Ontario United Methodist Church, where he was a member since 1961.

Bob is survived by daughter, Deborah Langford of Northfield; son, Dan (Diane) of Ontario; daughter, Diana of Columbus; and daughter, Molly of Columbus. Grand- and step-grandchildren are: Rachel (Ryan) Boyle of Carlsbad, CA; Josh Langford of San Francisco, CA; Ben Langford of Columbus; Kristi Wolfe (Eilil Yuvarajan) of League City, TX; Julie (Joel) Baker of Portland, OR; Cory (Kelly) Baumberger of Apex, NC; and Ben (Caitlin) Baumberger of Apex, NC. He is also survived by 11 great- and step-great grandchildren (with one more on the way); special friend, Shirley Wright; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to wife, Ann, he was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Laurel Jane Webb; brothers, Fenton, Russ, and William "Billy". He was the 'last man standing' of an all-star cast of aunts and uncles.

Dad was remembered and his memory celebrated with visitation hours from 10 am to 12 pm Friday, April 23, 2021, at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, Ontario, followed by a funeral service conducted by Pastor Christine Bell at 12 pm, also at the church.

Contributions in his memory to the Ontario UMC would be appreciated. A livestream of the service may be viewed on the Ontario Shaum Facebook page. The family will observe a private service at Mansfield Memorial Park.

The Wolfe family would like to thank the staff at Primrose Retirement Community of Mansfield, Kingston of Ashland Rehabilitation Center, and Kindred Hospice Care for the love and care provided to Bob during his last years. The Ontario Home of Wappner Funeral Directors is honored to serve the family.

Words of comfort may be expressed to the family at [www.wappner.com](http://www.wappner.com)



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL students celebrated Spirit Week with a day dedicated to "Country vs. City Slickers." Some students dressing for the special day who also helped to decorate for the prom were Brooklyn Blaising, Ava Ruhe, Alexis Johnson and Lukas Hopton.

## Kingwood 5K returns June 12

The Kingwood 5K Run and Walk will be held Saturday, June 12 with the race start at 9 am. The chip-timed 5K is held on the long-standing traditional date of the second Saturday in June.

Registration is \$25 and can be completed online at [ohioraceday.com](http://ohioraceday.com) or by mail to Doug Heestand, 431 Edgewood Rd., Mansfield, OH 44907. Questions may be sent to [heest97@hotmail.com](mailto:heest97@hotmail.com). To be guaranteed an official race shirt, registration is due by June 1. No walk-up registration will be accepted on race day.

The typical race format may be altered

due to COVID-19 precautions. Winners will be announced on social media instead of an awards ceremony. Awards will still be presented in a new format to overall female, overall male, and for age groups ranging from nine years and under, to 70 years and older. Race participants receive free admission to the Gardens for the day.

The Garden Gateway visitor center opens at 7:45 am for check in. The race begins on Linden Rd. and follows sections of the B&O Bike Trail and Kingwood's grounds. The 5K benefits Kingwood's horticultural and educational departments.

## Ontario High School will host golf fundraiser for football team

Ontario High School will host the 2021 Football Golf Outing as a fundraiser for the Ontario Warrior Football Program.

The event will be held at Twin Lakes Golf Course on Saturday, June 12.

The shotgun start is at 9 am with check-in at 7:30 am.

Cost is \$260 per team and includes golf, cart and meal. This is a four-person scramble and there will be hole and raffle

prizes. Sponsorships are available at \$50 for a family and \$100 for a company.

Registration is available at [Ontarioschools.org](http://Ontarioschools.org). Click on "Parent" and then click "Sports Connect."

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### **Hillside First Church of God**

2369 Bowman Rd., Mansfield • Pastor Glenn M. Phillips  
Sunday Worship 10 am • Wednesdays 6 pm  
[hillsidefcg@hotmail.com](mailto:hillsidefcg@hotmail.com)

### **St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church**

1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield • 419-589-2114  
Father Matthew Frisbee  
Saturday Worship, 4 pm and Sunday Worship 11 am  
Tuesday Worship 5:30 pm and Friday Worship 9 am  
Faith Instruction & Bible Study on Sunday Mornings  
[www.mansfieldstmarys.org](http://www.mansfieldstmarys.org)

### **Mayflower Congregational Church**

548 North McElroy Rd. • 419-589-6612  
Pastor Rev. Dr. Rich Rader  
9:15 am Sunday School • 10:30 am Sunday Worship  
Wednesday Bible Study 11 am  
[www.mansfieldmayflower.com](http://www.mansfieldmayflower.com)

### **Lexington Presbyterian Church**

35 West Church St., Lexington • 419-884-1330  
Reverend James Randas  
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### **Risen Savior Lutheran Church**

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### **Ontario United Methodist Church**

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### **All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church**

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# Lifestyle Inspiration



## Sweedish Meatballs

This sauce is the perfect addition to your ice cream, or try it in your next cocktail. You are going to love all these refreshing flavors. It takes a bit of work but it will make enough to last for a while. Store it in a canning jar for a quick topping for whatever you might think of!

### For the Meatballs:

- 3 lbs Ground Beef
- 1 lb ground pork
- 1 1/2 cups unseasoned bread crumbs
- 1 egg
- 1 cup finely chopped onions
- 3 T dark brown sugar
- 1 t freshly ground nutmeg
- 1/2 t allspice
- 4 t salt
- 2 leaves fresh chopped sage
- 2 sprigs thyme
- 1-2 T fresh chopped parsley
- 1/2 cup heavy cream

### For the Gravy

- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 of a large onion left together
- 1/2 t ground ginger
- 1 t nutmeg
- 3 cups chicken broth
- 6 T butter
- 6-8 T flour

### Added to gravy after removed from heat:

- 1 cup sour cream or 1/2sour cream and 1/2greek yogurt
- 2 T chopped parsley
- 1 T lemon juice
- 1 cup sautéed mushrooms and sprinkle on top in 3T butter

### Instructions

Mix all the ingredients for the meatballs together. Should yield 100 "ping pong" sized meatballs. Add milk to saucepan along with ginger, nutmeg, 1/2 onion in one piece, (if you are using cloves, stick them in the onion), sage and thyme.

Simmer until onion becomes almost soft. Remove from heat and strain, return liquid to the pan and add butter. Simmer until butter is melted, then while stirring, continue to add flour to make a roux. Cook the roux over low heat stirring continually until light golden brown. Add a Tbsp. of white wine and while stirring add enough broth to desired consistency. 1 cup sautéed mushrooms (in 3T butter) and sprinkle on top.



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**Day Trippin with Damon**  
Honey Run Falls, located in Howard, OH, is a 25-foot high waterfall. This park, named for the stream, Honey Run, that cascades over the waterfall, is open to the public 365 days a year. Visitors can hike from the waterfall to the Kokosing River. Along the walk, visitors can view blackhand sandstone cliffs and boulders.



## By Mátiece Thomas

In past articles, I have shared with you about the importance of nutrition and hydration. Today I want to share with you the importance of movement. To get a good workout you don't have to do a crazy workout or commit to an hour workout.

Did you know walking for 30 minutes a day can increase your cardiovascular fitness, reduce your body fat and boost muscle power and endurance? Walking also helps with mental health. So next time when you want to get in a workout, grab a friend, lace up your shoes and go burn some calories. I know my walks with my best friend is as much a therapy session as exercise. If you are walking every day, remember to switch up your route every couple days to keep your muscles guessing.

Yoga is another one of my favorite low impact workouts. You do not have to hold a crazy pretzel pose to get amazing results! I love introducing ladies to this amazing tool for their fitness tool box.

If you are new to the practice of yoga, be sure to take a beginners class. Also, let the yoga instructor know if you need

modifications.

Yoga improves your flexibility, balance and strength. It also increases your energy and can brighten your mood. When your body is hurting, it usually stems from tight muscles or joints. Yoga and/or stretching can help relieve that pain. If not practicing yoga, you should stretch every day. Did you know 30 minutes of yoga can help diabetics lower their glucose levels? It's true!

As a personal trainer and yoga instructor, I love that by simply walking and practicing yoga (or stretching) 30 minutes a day, can bring so many health benefits. These are low impact and great for beginners and mature clients. Not to mention they are two things you can do as you age to stay healthy and fit, unlike some hardcore training.

My challenge for you this week is to lace up your shoes or grab a yoga mat and start incorporating these two activities in your week. Add this to good hydration and healthy nutrition! I hope you are enjoying these building blocks to a healthier you!

Follow me at Instagram-5ptsfitness\_trainergirl for nutrition and workout tips.



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**JUNIOR ELI SACKMAN** and his date junior **Oliver Champion** stopped by the Richland Rural Life Center Rib BBQ on Saturday, May 1, before attending the Madison Comprehensive High School Prom. Both attend Madison.



**RYLEE NIGH AND BROOKLYN BLAISING** dressed for Ontario High School's Spirit Week "Safari Day."



**MADISON MIDDLE SCHOOL** March 2021 R.A.M.S. (Respectful, Accountable, Motivated, Successful) Students of the Month are fifth grade, Angel Montanez, Landon Stone and Leah Wallrabenstein; sixth grade, Kylie Carroll, Lucas Davidson, Ellie Powell and Lincoln Shepherd; seventh grade, Jamelyn Mays, Jada Neal, Nathan Riggle and Bryce Speelman; and eighth grade, Madison Crank, Mason Jacobus, Cameron Kuhn and Emma Stankovich.

## Mother's Day donation can honor loved ones

The Women's Fund of the Richland County Foundation is offering people a way to honor special women in their lives with a Mother's Day gift to benefit women and girls in this community.

Donors can make a gift to honor a special woman or in memory of a loved one. Donations will support the Women's Fund's grant-making.

To make a Mother's Day gift write a check to the Richland County Foundation and note the Women's Fund on the memo line. Mail checks to 181 South Main St., Mansfield, OH 44902.

The Women's Fund was formed in 1996 to promote philanthropy among women to provide funding to programs and projects that empower women and girls to achieve their full potential.

The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501c3, was established in 1945 as a way for individuals to pool and invest their gifts for the long-term good of Richland County and its residents.

The Foundation helps people in Richland County give back to their community by investing their gifts for charity wisely so that grants can be made to improve the quality of life for all the county's citizens. Working together with donors, the Foundation meets important needs today and plans for a strong future.

## RPS Walk for Life will be held June 12

Richland Pregnancy Services will host its annual Walk for Life on Saturday, June 12, at Mansfield's historic North Lake Park, and the start of the Richland B & O Bike Trail, at 270 Westbrook Ave., in Mansfield.

The Walk for Life is a family-friendly event that supports Richland Pregnancy Services in offering free pregnancy testing, limited ultrasound, STD testing, abstinence education, parenting classes, mentoring, material support and more.

By registering at [www.friendsofrichlandpregnancy.com/events/walkforlife](http://www.friendsofrichlandpregnancy.com/events/walkforlife), participants will receive access to their very own website that will allow them to raise funds for Richland Pregnancy Services by asking friends and family to sponsor them as they walk. Walkers will be eligible to win prizes from local businesses and state-wide attractions and entered into prize drawings the day of the event.

Walkers who register by May 28 and raise funds for RPS will receive a free Walk for Life t-shirt.

Last year's walk transitioned to a virtual event due to the Covid-19 pandemic. This year's event will be back to in-person. Richland Pregnancy Services aims to raise \$20,000 at this year's Walk for Life. For more information, call 419-522-8863, ext. 203 or email [amy@richlandpregnancy.com](mailto:amy@richlandpregnancy.com).



**ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL'S** Spirit Week included "Dress Like A Teacher" Day. Among those students dressed as a teacher were Jaslyn Lopez, Olivia Gongwer and Abi Perez.



**A WING EATING CONTEST** was held at Ontario High School as a part of Spirit Week festivities. Among those enjoying wings were (top photo) Magnus Hartz and (bottom photo) Laprina Young, Nate Hayes-Poole, Donovan Ditmars, Robby Mangan and Peyton Dzugan.



# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



By Kenn Spencer

Soccer tournaments start next week. Good luck Warriors in the AYSA soccer tournament. A special thank you goes to Dominic Irwin for helping with our soccer program this season. Our biddy Warrior program has 90 kids, all five years old and below and full of energy.

A parents meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 5, at the baseball pavilion/Marshall Park. Tomahawk baseball registration is still going strong at [www.oysports.com](http://www.oysports.com). OYS tomahawk programs are for individuals with physical and intellectual challenges. Any individual with a physical or intellectual challenge may participate. Please call 419-566-8072 for more information.

We want to welcome our newest baseball/softball umpires. This week 10 young student athletes finished the requirements to be an OYS Umpire this summer. Thank you to Joe Sansalone for heading up this class.

Ladies and gentlemen start your imagination! Get ready for our first ever OYS Land Regatta. OYS is excited to bring a new and exciting event to our area. The soap box derby-style race will take place the first part of July. The race location will be on the corner of Dunlap Dr. and Shelby-Ontario Rd. This will not be the fastest sport on four wheels, but as far as crazy fun goes, we are ready for a soapbox derby show that will entertain everyone. Get a team, get a vehicle and get a plan! Follow OYS on Facebook for more information.

OYS Soccer Boot Camp is live. This is for those are looking for an opportunity for a child to expand his/her love of soccer, have fun, form friendships and improve soccer skills. It is five full days of soccer located at Marshall Park where kids have tons of fun. They play games, get tons of touches on the soccer ball, and compete for medals and awards. This is the areas' largest soccer camp, and we are excited to meet new players and welcome back returning players! Last year, soccer boot camp sold out, so register now to ensure your camper's spot!

OYS will be hosting a golf clinic this summer for all our biddy golfers. We are in the final stages of working out the details, we can tell you it will be sometime in July and Oaktree Golf course has agreed to host this event. Details on this clinic will be posted on Facebook and our website.

- When registering, do not create an account unless you have not registered in the past – please use your password and login from previous seasons.

- Follow us on Facebook. Sign-ups are posted regularly.

- Watch the *Tribune-Courier* each week for updates.

- Sign up on WMFD OYS text to your cell where we text sign up information on a regular basis.

- Create an account on [www.oysports.com](http://www.oysports.com). Once registered, log-in 24/7 and see what sports are available for your athlete.

## Ontario tennis competes at MOAC tournament

The MOAC League Tennis Tournament was held April 29 and May 1. Galion High School took the tournament as champions with 27 points. Ontario took second with 19 points.

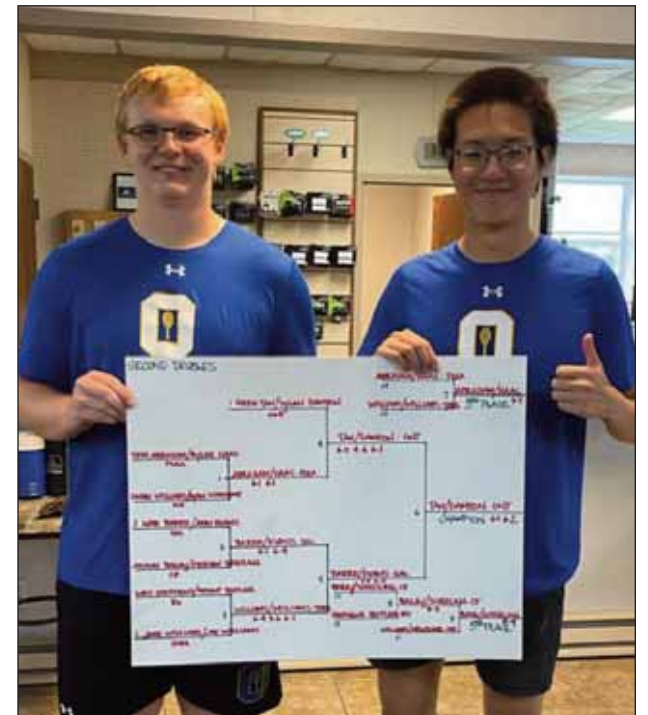
Third and fourth place ended in a tie between Marion Pleasant and Clear Fork, each having a total of 16 points. Fifth place went to Shelby with 14, sixth place was

River Valley with 12 and seventh was Marion Harding with 6 points.

Ontario player Eli lost in the first and then lost in the back draw first round. He was 0-2. Lance of OHS lost in the first round. He won his first cancellation round and then lost the second. Alex won his first two rounds and lost in the finals. He was second.



Brooker and Keller



Damron and Tan

## Ontario coaching positions filled by Turnbaugh, Mergel

Pending board approval on Tuesday, May 11, Wes Turnbaugh has accepted the vacant head wrestling coaching position at Ontario.

“Wes Turnbaugh is one the most influential figures in Ontario wrestling history and we feel his impact will be immediate,” said Jeff Fisher, Ontario Athletic Director. “While his accomplishments are many on the mat and in the business world, he is humble, measured, and altruistic. We are excited (Wes) is ready to take the driver’s seat inside the wrestling room and look forward to supporting his vision for the program.”

Also pending board approval on May 11, Tim Mergel will be named the next boys varsity basketball coach.

“Tim’s varsity coaching experience, competitive energy, and strong conviction for the success of his basketball athletes were attractive attributes that permeated throughout the hiring process,” said Fisher. “We are excited for Coach Mergel’s opportunity to lead inside the OHS hallways and the O-Rena.”

Mergel replaces Hall of Fame coach Joe Balogh who is retiring after an illustrious 36 years of teaching and coaching at Ontario High School.

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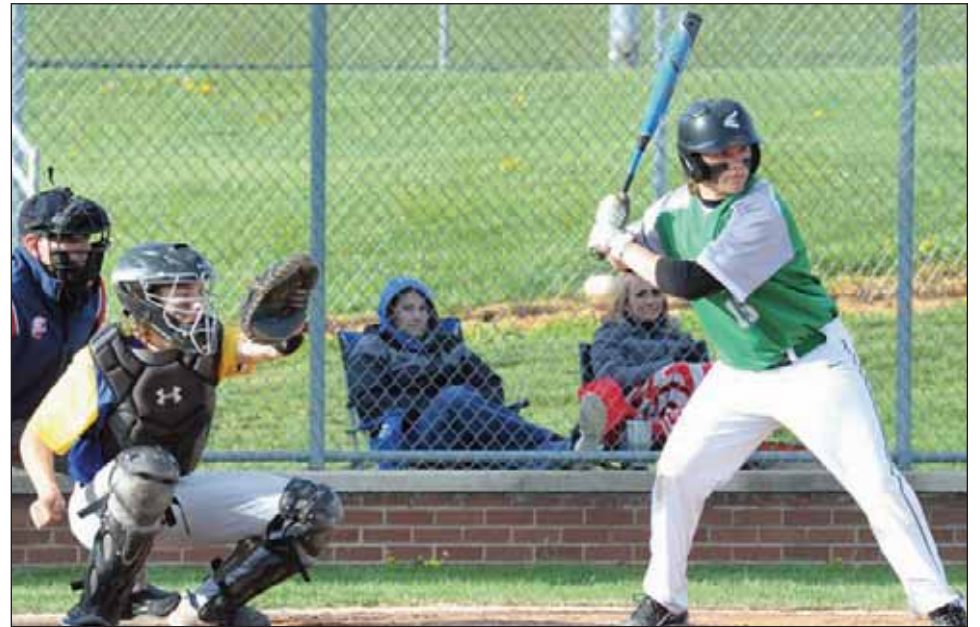
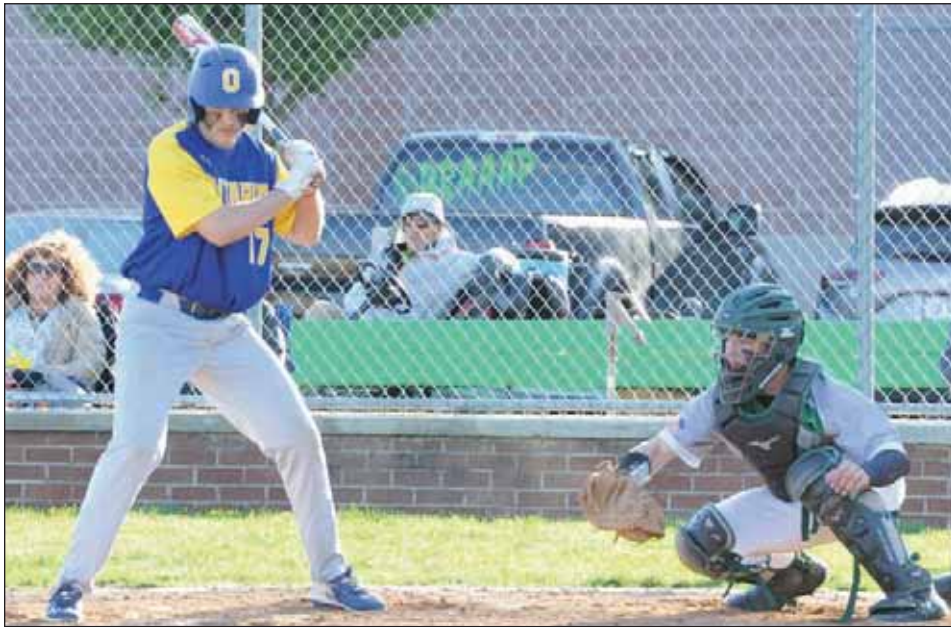
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# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



Photos by Jeff Hoffer

**ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL** traveled to Clear Fork for a conference baseball game on April 30 at the American Legion Field. The Warriors took home the win 11-5.



Photos by Alison Bolen

**ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL'S** track team continues its season this month. Team members have been busy improving as they compete in their events at each meet.



**Ontario High School Varsity Softball Team**





T-C Staff/Bud Motter

**KARLA ARMAND** of Woodville Rd. casts her ballot at the Mission Point Church on Cook Rd. on Election Day May 4.



**ONTARIO MIDDLE SCHOOL'S** Mrs. Sorensen was chosen as May MVP by April MVP Mr. Ridenour. Ridenour said, "She is an incredibly deserving staff member that is a truly dedicated and committed member of the OMS staff. She has made an impact on the lives of many students over the years, inside and outside of the classroom." He said, "Mrs. Sorensen deeply cares about her students and their success. She is able to make connections with students, understand their situations, and always provide guidance, feedback, and support to lead them in the right direction. As a colleague, her advice has helped improve my practice and teaching. Her experience and advice has helped me throughout my teaching career."

## As warmer weather approaches RPH reminds parents that children should never be left in cars

It was confirmed on April 30, that a North Carolina five-month-old baby lost her life after being left alone in a hot car Sunday, April 25. This was the first hot car death of the year.

Though it is too late for this little girl, we need to double our efforts to focus on education and awareness regarding the dangers of hot cars.

"After more than 20 years of public education, the number of children dying in hot cars has gotten worse, not better," stated Janette Fennell, president of Kids and Cars Safety. "The years 2018 and 2019 were the worst in history with a total of over 100 children that died in hot cars nationwide," she continued. 883 children have died due to Pediatric Vehicular Heatstroke since 1998.

Nobody believes that a hot car tragedy is going to happen to them or their family until it does. Richland Public Health joins many national child and car safety organizations in encouraging parents to adopt several simple habits to protect their children, even if they believe this could never happen to them.

### Look Before You Lock Safety Checklist

- Make sure your child is never left alone in a car:
- Place the child's diaper bag or item in the front passenger seat as a visual cue that the child is with you.
- Make it a habit of opening the back door every time you park to ensure no one is left behind. To enforce this habit, place an item that you can't start your day without in the back seat (employee badge, laptop, phone, handbag, etc.)
- Ask your childcare provider to call you right away if your child hasn't arrived as scheduled.
- Clearly announce and confirm who is getting each child out of the vehicle. Miscommunication can lead to thinking someone else removed the child.
- Make sure children cannot get into a parked car:
- Keep vehicles locked at all times, especially in the garage or driveway. Ask neighbors and visitors to do the same.
- Never leave car keys within reach of children.

- Use childproofing knob covers and door alarms to prevent children from exiting your home unnoticed.

- Teach children to honk the horn or turn on hazard lights if they become stuck inside a car.

- If a child is missing, immediately check the inside, floorboards, and trunk of all vehicles in the area carefully, even if they're locked.

### If You See a Child or Pet Alone in a Vehicle

- Every year on average, 38 children die in hot cars. KidsAndCars.org is calling on the public to be prepared to take action to save a life. If you see a child alone in a car; get involved.

#### Here's What You Should Do:

- Don't wait for the driver to return. Call 911 right away. The 911 operator can help give you instructions on how to care for the child or pet.

- If the child or pet is not responsive or is in distress, immediately:

- Get them out of the car by any means necessary\*

- Move them to a cooler environment (somewhere with AC or shade if AC is not available)

- Remove child's clothing to let the heat dissipate from their skin

- Dampen them with cool water or wet rags, immerse in cool water (not in an ice bath).

- If the child or pet is responsive and not in distress:

- Stay with them until help arrives

- Ask someone else if they can locate the driver. You might suggest they ask security of a store manager to page them.

#### Warning Signs of Heatstroke:

- Hot, flush or red

- Slow, weak pulse or strong, rapid pulse

- Lethargy, confusion or strange behavior

- Nausea

- No sweating

It's never okay to leave a child alone in a car, even for a few minutes and even if the car is running.



Photo by Jeff Hoffer

**A GOOSE** taking residence at the Ontario Walmart has been provided with a shelter as she prepares for the arrival of her babies.



Photo by Sue Hoffer

## Local food growers and producers sought for inclusion on list

Now, more than ever, buying locally grown and produced food is vital to our community. With the events of 2020 impacting some food availability, a list is being assembled of where consumers may purchase food grown and produced in Richland County. The goal is to connect local food producers to consumers. Consumers may develop a better understanding of where their food comes from, how it is produced and get to know the people who have a passion for offering fresh food.

"Connecting local food producers with local businesses

is a great thing for all," said Erica Thomas, Director, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District. "It keeps the money local while getting fresh, locally grown produce into more local businesses like restaurants, hospitals, nursing homes, schools, etc. It makes sense to support the growers in our community and sustain them through these difficult times."

Local food growers and producers are invited to complete a brief form to be added to the list. The form may be found by clicking on the link at

<https://forms.gle/pGCJt6ePypFYUiXb7>. To see who is currently on the list, please visit <https://bit.ly/3b23tcC>. The list will continue to be updated as new options are added.

This effort is supported by: Destination Mansfield-Richland County, North End Community Improvement Collaborative, OSU Extension - Richland County, Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development, Richland County Farm Bureau, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District. For more information contact Theresa at 419-747-8685 or [Theresa@richlandswcd.net](mailto:Theresa@richlandswcd.net).

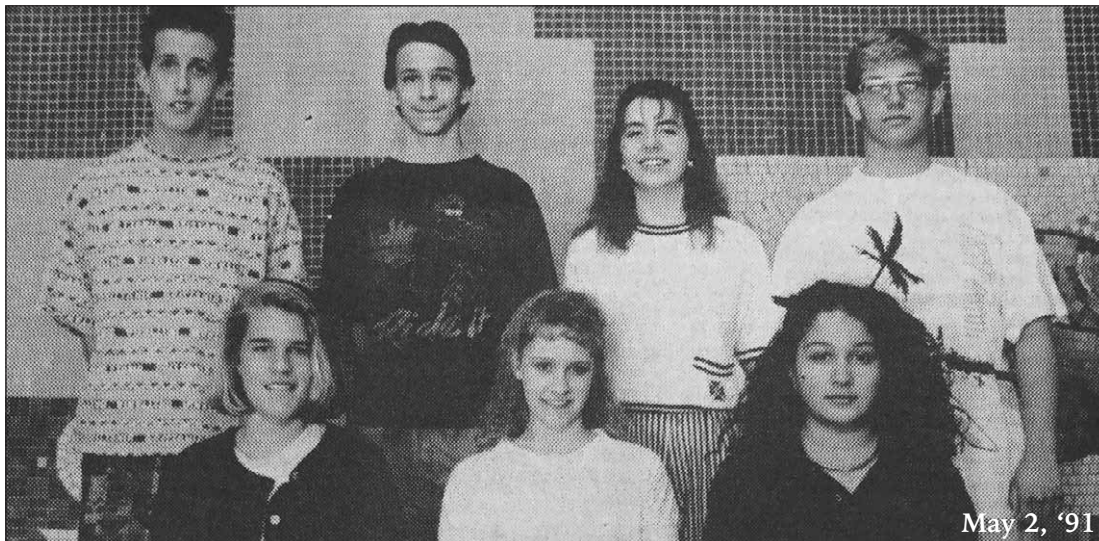


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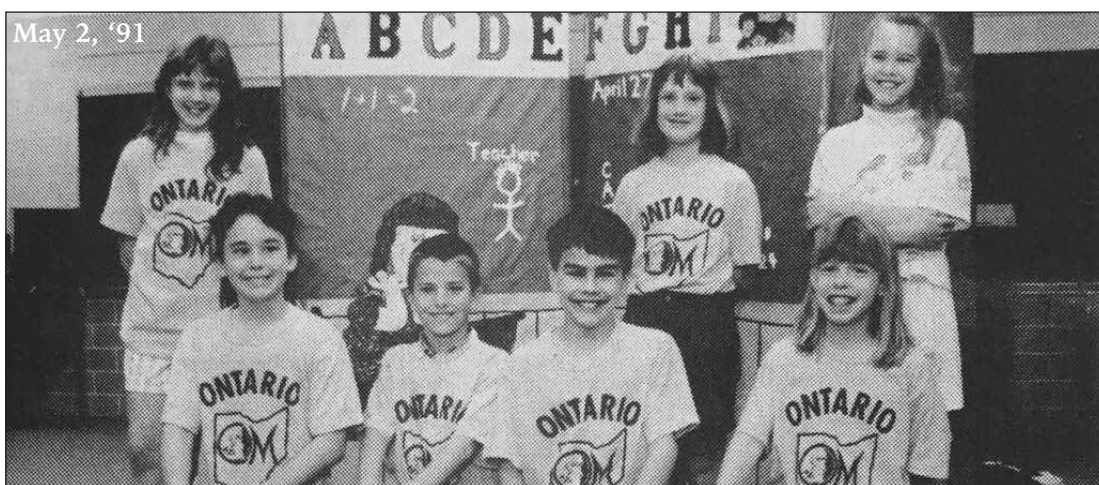
**GOAT, KIDS GET ACQUAINTED** — Retiring Madison South Elementary School teacher Sally Bushman looks on in the background as several of her students take turns bottle-feeding "Barney," a one-month-old La Mancha dairy goat from Bushman's farm. Bringing animals to school is nothing new to Bushman, who has taught in the Madison system for 32 years. She says the animals help her first grade students learn about mammals and also teach them the responsibilities that come with feeding and caring for an animal. Youngsters pictured in the photo are (from the left) Jacob Besenti, Precious Welsh, Hollie Jaranowski and Nicholas Contrascere. The other students at Madison South also have a chance to see Bushman's baby animals during their stay at school. Asked about plans for her retirement, Sally Bushman told the Tribune she just plans to relax and spend more time with her animals.



May 2, '91

**PLACE SEVENTH IN STATE** — The Ontario High School Odyssey of the Mind team placed seventh at state OM competition held at Ohio Wesleyan University last Saturday, April 27. Mark Roseberry is the coach of the team whose members are (front) Jane Patterson, Brooke Evans, Nassim Behi, (back) Rich Bakir, Keith Konya, Brigette Burnell and Todd Carroll. The team competed in Division III in the problem-solving category "Pompeii." After placing first in local competition the team went on to score the most points possible — 350 out of 350 — at regional OM competition. That win advanced the team to last Saturday's state contest.

May 2, '91



**COMPETE IN STATE** — The Stingel Elementary Odyssey of the Mind Division I team traveled to Ohio Wesleyan University last Saturday to compete in state Odyssey of the Mind Competition. The team did the problem "Transformation" and its members are (front) Nikki Ashmore, Matt Crider, Matt Wilkinson, Laure Smith, (back) Becky Collins, Kristy Wilson and Angie Moore. Coach for this year's team, which won first place in local and first place in regional competition, is Judy Feick.

May 3, '84



**"THE GIGO EFFECT"** — This musical will be performed by the third grade classes at Stingel Elementary School. The spring program will be about computers and computer technology. Cast members include (back row, left to right) Jennifer Freer, Brigette Burnell, Shannon Howard, Josh Taylor and J.R. Myers. In the front row, left to right, is Cliff Bernhardt, Ryan McKinley and Jereby Heuberger.

May 2, '63



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Members of the cast of the Stingel Elementary School musical, "Showboat", to be presented Friday, May 5, are, left to right, Christine Habraken, Norma White, Diane Wagner, Gary Schindler, Joan Gilger, and Colleen Zeurcher.



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## LEGAL ADVERTISING

### LEGAL NOTICE

The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their special meeting held on April 21, 2021.

The complete text of this Ordinance may be viewed and copies obtained at the Office of the Clerk of Council, Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio, during regular business hours.

ORDINANCE NO. 21-12 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ESTABLISHED REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF ALL CITY PARKS, REPEALING ORDINANCE 18-04.

Cathy VanAuker  
Clerk of Council  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
4-29, 5-6 '21 (22L)

### LEGAL NOTICE

The Springfield Township, Richland County, Ohio, invites

asphalt contractors to bid the Township's road work for 2021. Sealed bids will be accepted until 6:30 pm on May 17, 2021, at the Trustee's Office, 3700 Park Avenue West, Ontario, Ohio 44903, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the Fiscal Officer.

Improvements with "Chip & Seal" will be according to specifications available at the Trustees' Office between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, beginning April 29, 2021. Specifications can also be downloaded from [www.springfieldtwprc.org](http://www.springfieldtwprc.org). The Road Foreman will be available to answer questions at 419-529-2565.

All bids must be accompanied by a personal tax statement in accordance with state law and Ohio Workers Compensation and prevailing wage rate. Each bid will include a 10% bid bond as required by R.C. 153.54. Bids shall be clearly marked "2021 Road Improvement."

The Springfield Township Trustees reserve the right to reject any and all bids. All materials and equipment must meet state standards. The Trustees reserve the right to add or delete roads to stay within budget. The completion date is September 17, 2021.

Anita Kochheiser  
Springfield Township  
Fiscal Officer  
Ontario, Ohio  
4-29, 5-6 '21 (46L)

PROBATE COURT OF RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Katrina Christine Butler to Katrina Christine Roberts CASE NO. 20219045.

### NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF NAME

Applicant hereby gives notice to all interested persons that the applicant has filed an Application For Change of Name in the Probate Court of Richland County, Ohio, requesting the change of name of Katrina Christine Butler to Katrina Christine Roberts.

The hearing on the application

will be held on the 2nd day of June, 2021, at 9:30 o'clock am in the Probate Court of Richland County, located at 50 Park Avenue East, Second Floor, Mansfield, Ohio.

Katrina Butler  
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# May is National Bike Month and Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

As the weather warms up so does the urge to get back outside and hit the road (or trail) on a bicycle or a motorcycle. That's why May is a National event for both modes of transportation.

May is National Bike Month as well as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month. Richland Public Health encourages all Richland County residents to get out and ride a bike for healthy exercise. In addition to the popular B&O Bike Trail, take advantage of the marked Mansfield Bike Loop.

Don't have a bicycle? You can check one out at the Mansfield-Richland County Public Libraries in Butler and Lexington. All you need is a library card (bikes provided by Richland Public Health). Here are some quick safety tips for bike users and drivers.

### Safety Tips for Riders:

- Protect your head. Always wear a helmet
- Make sure your bike is road-ready
- Bike Riders Be Visible: wear bright or florescent colors
- Motorcycle Riders Gear Up: wear proper protection including boots and eye-wear

•Use signals (hand or turn signals) to indicate your intentions to other road users

•Check for traffic: 70% of car-bike crashes occur at driveways or intersections

•Obey the rules of the road (traffic laws)

•Bicyclists should avoid riding at night or in low light conditions

### Safety Tips for Drivers:

•Protect your life: Always wear a seat belt

•Be especially cautious around young bike users

•Remember that bike users are entitled to the full lane Slow down and stay behind until safe to pass

•When passing a bike or motorcycle rider, give a three-foot safety cushion

•Look twice for other road users, especially at intersections

As a bonus, bike riding is a recommended outdoor activity you can do without a mask (although Richland Public Health suggests all riders wear a helmet).

For information visit <https://richland-health.org/bike-month>.



**STUDENTS IN** Mrs. Sorensen's and Miss Jensen's eighth grade literature class at Ontario Middle School dressed up as either a Greaser or Soc. After taking a look into the 1960s by watching video footage of programs, newscasts and listening to '60s music, students began reading the novel *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton. They finished the novel in class on Friday and had the opportunity to dress up as either a Soc or a Greaser, the two main "gangs" in the book. *Close proximity for photo only.*

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## KCCC's JROTC finishes third overall in Raider Competition

Knox County Career Center's JROTC finished third overall in the Raider Competition that was held at Wayne High School in Dayton, OH recently.

The Raider Competition has a variety of events including a 2.5 mile relay run, heavy vehicle rope pull, tire flip, heavy object carry, equipment obstacle course, and rope bridge crossing.

The highlight of the day, according to Lt Col Chris Salvucci, was the rope bridge crossing. Students are required to cross a 60-foot simulated river with nothing more than 120-foot of rope for the team, 14-foot sections of rope for each team member, and mountain climbing carabiners.

"This competition was a great opportunity this year when many other student

activities are being cancelled. We learned a lot, passed corporate knowledge from seniors to underclassmen, and we are already looking forward to next year," commented Lt Col Salvucci.

Lt Col Salvucci added, "We are optimistic we can close the gap between ourselves and the elite teams from around the state and around the country."

## RC Foundation meeting is May 19

The Richland County Foundation will conduct its annual meeting via a webinar at 12 pm on Wednesday, May 19.

To obtain a Zoom link to the meeting go to the events tab on the website [richlandcountyfoundation.org](http://richlandcountyfoundation.org). It also will be broadcast on the Foundation's Facebook page.

Chair Julie McCready and President Brady Groves will review the foundation's work in 2020 and the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, new board members will be elected.

The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501c3, was established in 1945 as a way for individuals to pool and invest their gifts for the long-term good of Richland County and its residents.

The foundation helps people give back to their community by investing their gifts for charity wisely so that grants can be made to improve the quality of life for all the county's citizens.

## ONTARIO RECREATION DEPARTMENT

By Heather Hendrix

It is time to register for Summer Recreation Camp! It will be held June 7-10 and June 14-17.

The City of Ontario Recreation Department is once again having its summer recreation camp! Our camp offers kids the chance to participate in a variety of activities — from arts and crafts and science fun to football, soccer, outdoor games and dance. All students who have completed kindergarten through fifth grade this spring that attend Ontario schools or live in the Ontario School District are welcome to participate. The camp runs from 9 am to noon each day (Monday-Thursday) at the middle school for two weeks.

Each week of Summer Recreation is registered separately. Students may register for one or both weeks and do not have to select the same classes for both weeks, except for the Build a Book class. Ontario Rec hires Ontario High School students and adults to supervise and lead the classes. It is a lot of fun for everyone involved!

This year there will be a \$35 non-refundable application fee for each child per week. The total fee is \$70 if a child attends both weeks. For families with three or more children, the fee is \$85 a week or \$170 for two weeks for three or more.

Due to Covid-19, masks will be required. Pre-screening check-in will also be required. LEGOs will not be offered this year. Spots will be limited, so make sure you register today Online registration only at <https://ontarioohio.org/recreation-department>. Look for the Summer Rec. Camp link. The deadline to register is May 7.

For more information call 419-529-2588 ext. 3202 or email [recreationdept@ontarioohio.org](mailto:recreationdept@ontarioohio.org)

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We will be offering swim lessons after the Summer Rec. program for children who have completed kindergarten through fifth grade this spring. There will be two sessions offered. One session will be from 12:15-1:15 pm and the other from 1:30-2:30 pm. It will run for two weeks.

The cost of the lessons will be \$50 for eight days of lessons. Class size is limited, so make sure you register early. The 12:15 pm time slot is already full.

Masks required unless in the pool and only one spectator per person may stay to observe swim lessons.

Register at <https://ontarioohio.org/recreation-department>. Look for the swim lesson link. Deadline to register is May 7.

The City of Ontario Rec. Dept. is offering a new lifeguarding class. Registration is now open to non-Ontario students.

The New Lifeguard class will be held May 27, from noon to 3 pm, May 28, from 9 am to 4 pm, and June 1, from 9 am to 4 pm. All classes will be held at Ontario High School. Students will need to come to class prepared to swim each day. Participants must be 15 years old, be able to retrieve a brick from 7 ft. of water, tread water for two minutes and swim 500 yards without stopping.

This year participants will be doing a lot of work ahead of the class time (approx. 9 hours). Pre-class work is required and must be completed by May 27. More information will be sent once registered.

Also, COVID 19 guidelines will be followed, and you must always have a mask on except in the water. Cost is \$150 for non-Ontario students. Deadline to register is May 1. To register, go to <https://ontarioohio.org/recreation-department>. Look for the lifeguarding link.

For more information on any of these events, contact our recreation director at [recreationdept@ontarioohio.org](mailto:recreationdept@ontarioohio.org) or call 419-529-2588 ext. 3202.

## John supports House budget bill

The Ohio House of Representative passed House Bill 110, the House's version of Ohio's two-year budget plan. State Representative Marilyn John (R-Richland County) voted in support of the bill. Among various aspects, the bill establishes the Fair School Funding Plan and provides a two percent income tax cut to Ohioans.

"House Bill 110 is a balance budget that introduces several imperative measures to Ohioans," said John. "A priority of mine is the 2 percent income tax cut that will allow hard-working Ohioans to keep more of their hard-earned funds in their own pockets. I am also proud to support the creation of the Fair School Funding Plan to ensure Ohio school children are receiving the best education possible."

House Bill 110 creates the Fair School Funding Plan, a fair plan to all of Ohio's public schools. The Fair School Funding Plan is the result of more than three years of work by educators and policymakers with a formula that is predictable, sustainable and transparent.

The legislation also includes a two percent income tax rate cut across the board, which will reduce taxes and withholding amounts by approximately \$380 million over the course of the biennium. Coupled with recently passed legislation conforming Ohio's tax code to federal law, the House has provided nearly \$500 million in personal income tax cuts this biennium. The bill also establishes greater government oversight and accountability to ensure that state resources are being spent reasonably and used in a manner consistent with the intent of the General Assembly.

Additionally, the bill support jobs and Ohio's economy through targeted investments to support job retention and creation, workforce training and economic

development efforts. It allocates \$200 million for the House's broadband expansion package, House Bill 2, which John supported earlier this year. It also creates a 13-member joint legislative committee to study career pathways and workforce training.

The bill supports law enforcement, firefighters and public safety by funding a series of initiatives to support those who protect and serve Ohioans every day. Some of these initiatives include the following:

- \$26 million for Recovery Ohio Law Enforcement to support anti-narcotics efforts

- \$24 million for safety grants for schools

- \$15 million for a one-year police training pilot program to assist law enforcement agencies with training costs

- \$10 million for grants to small fire departments for equipment and training

- \$10 million for grants to state and local law enforcement agencies to implement or enhance body-worn camera programs

House Bill 110 also appropriates \$155 million in grants for industries negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, including newly formed businesses. Grants from this funding will be available in the fiscal year beginning July 1. The grants include the following:

- \$100 million for bars and restaurants

- \$25 million for the lodging industry

- \$20 million for indoor and outdoor entertainment venues

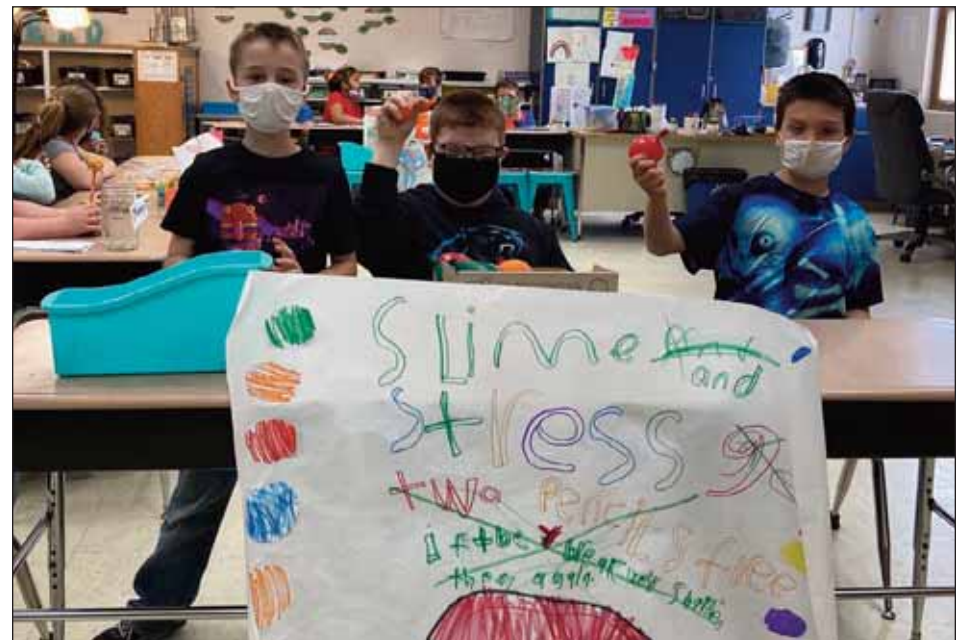
- \$10 million for new businesses

The above are highlights of the very complex bill. More information on House Bill 110 can be found at <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-110>. The bill now heads to the Senate for consideration.



# Ontario Stingel Market Day

Mrs. VanCura's third grade class at Ontario Stingel ended the social studies unit on economics by having a market day. Students created their own businesses by making their own products to sell while also being consumers to other businesses within the class.



## 2021 Community Events

Summer Concerts at **MARSHALL PARK BAND SHELL**

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- June 10th - Concert in The Park**  
(America to Me - Americana)
- June 24th - Concert in The Park**  
(80805 Classic - Rock)
- July 8th - Concert in The Park**  
(The Return - Progressive Classic Rock)
- July 22nd - Concert in The Park**  
(Red Bull Jets - Rock)
- August 12th - Concert in The Park**  
(Sweet Seats - Seattle Tribute)
- August 26th - Concert in The Park**  
(Departure - Journey Tribute)
- September 9th - Concert in The Park**  
(Going Home - Country/American)
- September 23rd - Concert in The Park**  
(Jazz in the Park)



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## Clinics available

Richland Public Health will have a first-dose Moderna COVID-19 vaccination clinic this week on Friday, May 7. Call the 614-881-1882 number to schedule. Walk-ins are also welcome between 9-11 am and 1-3:30 p.m. The clinic is in the Corley Room, with entrance through the lower back parking lot.

There will be a mass COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the Richland County Fairgrounds on Saturday, May 8, from 1-5 pm. This drive-thru clinic will be using the one-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccines. Register through <https://gettheshot.coronavirus.ohio.gov/> or call 1-833-427-5634.

## Hymnsing returns

The month of May will be the first Hymnsing date for the year. The first night will be Friday, May 7, at 7 pm at New Liberty Church on Lexington Ave., Lexington.

Singers will gather and call out numbers from the hymnal and everyone will join in a sing-along lifting voices in song together. This is a free event and all are welcome.

Those who love the hymns can come along and join in. Social distancing standards are in place.

New Liberty Church and Mansfield Area Community Hymnsing both have pages on Facebook where schedules and information about events can be found.

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