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THE BELL that hung in the steeple of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church on Central Avenue from 1952 to 2018 was dedicated Saturday, Oct. 2, in South Park, Mansfield. The bell weighs close to 500 pounds. Karl Lahm and his wife remember when the bell was casted in Germany. Lahm said the parishioners held bake sales in the early 1950s to help fund the bell. The church was the home of hundreds of German speaking refugees. Lahm said the bell came from the Glockengiesserei bell foundry in Erding Germany. The monument has engraving on all four sides and was assembled at Longstreth Memorials in Galion and then brought to Mansfield. The ceremony was held during American Heritage Days at South Park. See more photos on page 17.

Absentee voting underway

Absentee/early voting commenced Tuesday, Oct. 5, by mail and in person at the Richland County Board of Elections, 1495 W. Longview Ave., in the lower level classroom.

If voting at the elections office, the closest entrance is in the back of the Longview Center by the "Vote Here" sign and flag. Those who enter through the front entrance must take the stairs or elevator down to the lower level.

Those who have requested absentee ballots by mail will now begin receiving their ballots. Absentee applications to print to vote by mail are available at vote.richlandcountyoh.gov or by calling the office at 419-774-5530 to have a request form mailed.

Early in-person voting is available Tuesday, Oct. 5 through Friday, Oct. 8, 8 am to 5 pm; Tuesday, Oct. 12 through Friday, Oct. 15, 8 am to 5 pm (Monday, Oct. 11, is Columbus Day and the office will not be open for early voting); Monday, Oct. 18, through Friday, Oct. 22, 8 am to 5 pm; Monday, Oct. 25 through Friday, Oct. 29, 8 am to 7 pm; Saturday, Oct. 30, 8 am to 4 pm; Sunday, Oct. 31, 1-5 pm; and Monday, Nov. 1, 8 am to 2 pm.

After 2 pm on Nov. 1, voters must vote at their polling place on Election Day Nov. 2. Please note that due to social distancing requirements, the line may seem longer than it actually is, both at early voting and at the polling places on Election Day.

Masks will be available for anyone who needs one. Sanitizer will be available for use upon entering and exiting the early voting room. An air purifier is installed in the early voting room, and the voting equipment will be sanitized after use.

Disposable styluses will be given to voters to sign their name on the Electronic Poll Books and for use on the touchscreen voting unit. Screen guard barriers will separate the workers from the voters.

Voters will enter the room through one door and exit through the other to help with the traffic flow. As a reminder, voters should not wear campaign apparel or engage in political discussions at the early voting site or at the polls on Election Day.

To view a ballot visit Voter View at <https://richland.oh-vote.org/VoterView/RegistrarSearch.do> and enter first and last name and date of birth. Click on the precinct number and a sample ballot will display.

Coalition, businesses increase access to safe drug disposal

The Richland County Youth Substance Use Coalition (RCYSUC) has three different committees working together to reduce youth substance use in Mansfield. One of those committees is the Prescription Drug Misuse Prevention Committee. This committee educates on the risks of prescription drug misuse, encourages the safe use/storage of medications, and provides free resources to dispose of unused/expired medications.

The committee has collaborated with local businesses and organizations to distribute free Deterra medication disposal pouches.

"If you don't want to wait until prescription drug take back day or take your medications to a prescription drug drop box, try using a Deterra pouch from the safety of your own home," said Gulpinder Deol, Health Educator at Richland Public Health.

"Deterra pouches are environmentally friendly and can be thrown in the trash after you use them. Whatever you do, I would encourage people to use one of the three methods above. Flushing medications down the sink/toilet or throwing medications in the trash are not safe ways to dispose of them," Deol added.

Free Deterra medication disposal pouches are available at Richland Public Health, 555 Lexington Ave., Mansfield, 419-774-4754; Community Action for Capable Youth (CACY), 1495 W Longview Ave #104, Mansfield, 419-774-5683; North End Community Improvement Collaborative (NECIC), 134 N. Main St., Mansfield, 419-522-1611; Mansfield YMCA, 750 Scholl Rd., Mansfield, 419-522-3511; Shelby YMCA, 111 W. Smiley Rd., Shelby, 419-347-1312; Third Street Family Health Services (all nine locations), <http://thirdstreetfamily.org/>; Mansfield/Richland County Public

Library (all nine locations), www.mrcpl.org/visit/locations/; Starfish, <https://www.facebook.com/starfishrichland>, 419-512-6877; Area Agency on Aging, 2131 Park Avenue West, Ontario, 419-524-4144; Towne Pharmacy, 283 Cline Ave., Mansfield, 419-756-6032; Hursh Drugs, 90 N. Diamond St., Mansfield, 419-524-0521; and Black Belt Pro Fitness, 1099 W 4th St., Ontario.

Prescription drug drop boxes are located in Richland County at:

•Genoa Pharmacy @ Catalyst, 741 Scholl Rd., Mansfield, 567-307-4600, M-F 8 am to 5 pm (Friday between 3-5 pm must call), prescription drugs, over the counter medicines, vitamins, sharps, cans, liquids

•Meijer Pharmacy, 1355 N Lexington-Springmill Rd., Ontario, 419-747-8310, M, W, F, Sat., 9 am to 9 pm; Tu., Th., 7 am to 9 pm; Sun. 10 am to 6 pm, prescription drugs, over the counter medicines, pet medicines, thermometers, cans, inhalers, needles, lotions, liquids, hydrogen peroxide, iodine-containing medicines

•Avita Ontario Hospital, 715 Richland Mall, Ontario, 567-307-7557, 24 hours, prescription drugs, prescription ointments, vitamins, prescription patches, pet medications, over the counter medicines, needles, inhalers, thermometers, cans, lotions, liquids, hydrogen peroxide

•Bucyrus Hospital, 629 N. Sandusky Ave., Bucyrus, 419-562-4677, 24 hours, prescription drugs, prescription ointments, vitamins, prescription patches, pet medications, over the counter medicines, needles, inhalers, thermometers, cans, lotions, liquids, hydrogen peroxide

•CVS Pharmacy, 1049 W. 4th St Mansfield, 419-529-6001, M-F 8 am to 9 pm, Sat. 9 am to 6 pm, Sun. 10 am to 5 pm. (Continued on Page 4)

Senior Citizen Prom planned for Oct. 21

The First Annual Senior Citizen Prom will be held at Ontario Middle School Commons, 447 Shelby Ontario Rd., Ontario, on Thursday, Oct. 21, from 5-7:30 pm.

The event is a free semi-formal dance for senior citizens of the City of Ontario and surrounding areas (ages 65 and up).

The event will include a live band, dancing, snacks/desserts, games and a photo booth.

Please RSVP by Oct. 13, to the City of Ontario Recreation Department at 419-529-2588 ext. 3202 or email recreation-dept@ontarioohio.org. (Please include the number of people attending and their first and last name).

The event is sponsored by the City of Ontario Recreation Department, Ontario Middle School, EZE Party Rental and VFW 7651.

Ohio Bird Sanctuary hosting fall festival

The Ohio Bird Sanctuary, 3774 Orweiler Rd., Mansfield, will host a Fall Family Festival Saturday, October 16, from 10 am to 4 pm. There will be an open house of the new Treehouse Classroom.

Activities include Birds of Prey Presentations at 11 am and 2 pm, free ad-

mission to the bird area, face painting, kid's crafts and activities, food and drinks, campfire cooking and candle making.

Admission is \$15 per car for members and \$25 per car for non-members.

For more information call 419-884-4295 or visit www.ohiobirdsanctuary.com

As The Tribune-Courier celebrates 60 Years we would like to thank our readers, advertisers and supporters!

General Motors came to town

By Bob Carter

In 1955, new industry came to town. With it came new prosperity. General Motors started building a new plant in Ontario. It was to be the strongest industrial building ever erected in Richland County.

Heavy steel construction went up quickly employing hundreds of workers. A rail siding and yard were part of the huge stamping plant's ability to transport materials. There were many onlookers watching all this unbelievable site.

The GM plant closed in 2010 and after attempts to sell or lease the huge building unwise Ontario elected leaders, for unknown reasons, agreed to have the plant

torn down. Millions of dollars worth of steel, copper and metal went away and little went to Ontario. Then there was nothing left but a huge eye sore. It remained that way for years until Ontario took over ownership in 2018.

Now, at long last part of the property houses a new industry. A rapidly growing Next Generation Films, founded in Lexington by Dave Frecka, has expanded to the point that it has used up all available land in the Lexington Industrial Park and thus will give new life to Ontario with space available for even more expansion.

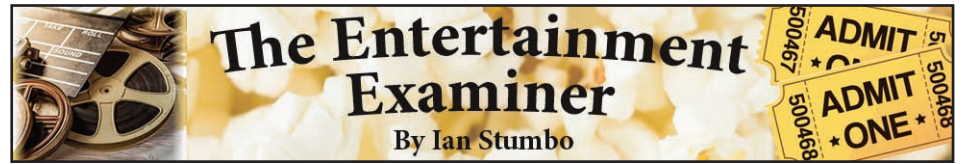
With a merger with another plastic film company, the new growing industry will be named Charter Next Generation Films.



NO CONCRETE floors had yet been poured when these photos were made by Jeff Sprang in 1956.



ALMOST ALL STEEL had been erected, which shows the beginning of outside brick work and siding



The Entertainment Examiner

By Ian Stumbo

Venom: Let There Be Carnage reunites Tom Hardy's Eddie Brock character with that symbiote alien creature that has attached itself to him. This is the sequel to 2018's *Venom* and is not quite as good as the original though the story is more consistent and the special effects are a step in the right direction.

The movie opens with Brock investigating a series of murders that were committed by a killer named Cletus Kasady (Woody Harrelson). Kasady wants to get out of prison and be reunited with his love named Shriek (Naomie Harris). Seeing the movie will definitely show the audience why she has earned this name. After an assault breaks out between Kasady and Brock, Kasady gets his own evil symbiote named Carnage attached to him and the two alien creatures must duke it out to a roaring finish.

This entry in the series almost feels like a horror comedy. The *Venom* creature is scary to look at but he gets involved with Brock's day to day life and makes

humorous comments including trying to reunite Eddie with his ex, played by Michelle Williams. The special effects and action scenes are top notch as always and Woody Harrelson seems to be having a ball playing this super crazy character and he does it well.

Venom: Let There be Carnage is a little hampered down by its 90 minute runtime. The movie moves at a really fast pace and that leaves a few things unresolved and not explored as much as they could be. These are enjoyable action movies but a little bit of the character *Venom* can go a long way in terms of the wisecracking dialogue. There is some good material here but just not quite enough to recommend it.

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



Preparing for the next health emergency

By Senator Sherrod Brown

The pandemic has revealed gaping holes and vulnerabilities in our supply chains – perhaps none more critical than our medical supply chain.

Right now, the United States is dependent on other countries for a range of pharmaceutical products, including what are known as active pharmaceutical ingredients that are essential to making lifesaving generic prescription drugs.

Generic drugs make up 90 percent of all prescriptions filled in the United States, and about 87 percent of active pharmaceutical ingredients used in those drugs are made overseas.

That's why I'm introducing the bipartisan Promoting Readiness and Ensuring Proper Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient Reserves of Essential Medicines Act – better known as the PREPARE Act – with Republican Senator Bill Cassidy from Louisiana. It would create an emergency, domestic supply of key ingredients used in essential generic medicines.

This bill would require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to maintain a list of essential generic medicines, and to build out a domestic supply of the critical ingredients needed to manufacture them.

It would create a new position at HHS, the Director of the Strategic Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients Reserve, specifically tasked with assembling and overseeing that stockpile.

It would also put a priority on domestic manufacturing of these ingredients, so we can build a more resilient supply chain here in the U.S.

There is no reason we should be relying on countries like China or India for nearly 90 percent of these critical pharmaceutical ingredients, when we have talented scientists and manufacturers here in the U.S., including here in Ohio.

Places like Xellia Pharmaceuticals in Bedford, Ohio are producing these drugs right here in the United States. They're supporting this bill, along with manufacturers around the country, because they know it could not only mean more business when assembling this reserve, but it would also help build out domestic capacity for the entire system of production, storage, and conversion into finished drugs.

We need to learn the lessons of COVID-19, and make sure we are better prepared for future health emergencies, so we can keep Americans safe and healthy.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

October 8 — Cheryl Fink, Ontario

FREE Birthday Listing: Email news@tribune-courier.com to submit a name for the birthday list.

News Briefs

Schmidt Security Pro, 241 Mansfield Industrial Parkway, Mansfield, will host a blood drive on Thursday, Oct. 21, from 10 am to 4 pm. Truckin' Trav will be available for lunch. Call 419-526-4747 to schedule an appointment.

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The Madison South Pumpkin Glow will be held Thursday, Oct. 14, from 5:30-7 pm. Community leaders will judge the students' carved pumpkin submissions.

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Avenue Church, 1756 Park Avenue West Ontario, will host a Trunk or Treat on Sunday, Oct. 31, from 5-7 pm in the front parking lot.

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Lexington's Second Annual Halloween Walk (along the bike trail) will be held Saturday, Oct. 23, from 11 am to 6 pm.

The event will feature trick-or-treat, live music and food trucks. The walk will be from Heartland Church to the recycle bins.

A costume contest will be held at the senior depot center at 2 pm. Rutabaga and beet decorating will be available for \$5. For information call Cathy at 419-775-6625.

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Ontario Local Schools Board of Education will meet Tuesday, Oct. 12, at 7 pm in the Ontario High School Library.

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The Ontario City Planning Commission will meet Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 5 pm to

discuss, as a public meeting, a variance for Vernon Barnhill's lot width and minimum square footage, variance for Dominick Strassel for minimum front setback, variance for Shuree Eldridge for a corner lot fence minimum setback and a variance for Dave Farrow for a corner lot minimum setback.

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A beef goulash dinner will be held Saturday, Oct. 16, from 4-6:30 pm at Mayflower Congregational Church, 548 N. McElroy Rd., Madison area.

The dinner will also include cole slaw, bread and pie. Cost is \$8 for the meal of \$5 for just beef goulash. The dinner will offer both dine-in and take-out.

For information call 419-589-6612 or visit mansfieldmayflower.com

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The Richland County Democratic Party will host a candidate luncheon Oct. 6, at the McCartney/Reid Building, 16 S. Park St. Mansfield. Sam Dunn, candidate for Mansfield City Council at Large, will be the guest speaker. Lunch begins at 11:30 am and Dunn will speak at noon. Social distancing guidelines will be observed and masks are required.

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Risen Savior Lutheran Church, 1685 Lexington Ave., will host an open house for the community on Oct. 9, from 11 am to 2 pm.

All are invited to stop by the church for a free caramel apple, pumpkin decorating for the kids and a free gift. Tours can be taken of the newly remodeled church. Along with this event the church will be supporting the community with a winter clothing drive. Community members can bring a donation like boots, coats, gloves, hats, and backpacks that will be shared with the children in our local school districts.

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Ridgeway Church of God, 1380 Park Avenue East, Madison Township, will host a spaghetti dinner on Friday, Oct. 8, from 4:30-6:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

Drive-thru ordering will be available. The menu will include spaghetti, bread, salad, dessert and beverage. Cost is a freewill donation. All proceeds will benefit the church. For more information call 419-589-5385.

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Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 9943, 806 Grace St., Madison area, is participating in essay scholarship competitions. Patriot's Pen is open to 6th-8th grade students. The theme is "How Can I Be A Good American."

Voice of Democracy is open to 9th-12th grade students and the theme is "America: Where Do We Go From Here?" Young American Creative Patriotic Art is open to 9th-12th grade.

Applications and rules are available at VFW Post 9943, 806 Grace St. Mansfield. Deadline to enter is Oct. 31.

Contact Beth Baldrige at 419-545-2297

for more information or visit youthscholarshio@vfw.org.

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Help is needed to harvest the produce and clean up Liberty Garden in Mansfield. A great amount of food is being taken to the Catholic Charities Food Pantry for distribution throughout the community, especially greens, tomatoes and peppers. More than 500 pounds have been harvested so far this summer. Still to be harvested are squash, greens, onions, beets, corn and pumpkins.

October work dates (from 5:30-7:30 pm) are Oct. 9, 16, 21, 25 and 30.

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A support program for grandparents raising grandchildren and foster families raising children will be hosted by Ontario Local Schools and Ontario United Methodist Church on Thursday, Oct. 14, from 6-7:30 pm, at Ontario UMC, 3540 Park Avenue West, Ontario.

A light dinner will be served and kids will be offered their own breakout session.

The event is hosted by Cathleen Johnson, Substance Abuse Coordinator/Counselor, Ontario Local Schools and Jim Shaum and Pastor Chris Bell of Ontario UMC.

RSVP the number of family members attending to ontariomethodist@gmail.com or call the church at 419-529-4345.

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To submit a news brief item, email information to news@tribune-courier.com. Deadlines are noon Mondays. Birthdays, weddings and anniversaries can also be sent, there is no charge for publishing.

Fairlawn Aesthetic MD offering specials

By Traci Little

Have you been considering Botox or Dysport? With the holidays right around the corner, now is the perfect time to give it a try! Patients like Botox and Dysport because it is safe and effective. It provides a natural and refreshed look that people love! This simple procedure helps prevent permanent wrinkles and eases that angry look.

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Patricia Ann Gross, 90, Mansfield, September 26, 2021
 Sharon Dummit-Wolf, 78, Mansfield, September 25, 2021
 Hors Karl Schlumberg, 94, Mansfield, September 21, 2021
 Paul Hungerford, 59, Ashland, September 26, 2021
 Barbara Ann June, 76, Mansfield, September 24, 2021
 David Thomas Keiser, 80, Lucas, September 28, 2021
 Ronnie Brock, 64, Mansfield, September 22, 2021
 Robert L. Davidson, 79, Shelby, September 30, 2021
 Bernice "Betty" Elizabeth Hill, 87, Ontario, September 28, 2021
 Jerry Thomas Sr., 63, Mansfield, September 21, 2021
 Sandra Jeanne Moherman, 85, Ashland, September 28, 2021
 Ronald Darrel Adley, 74, Mansfield, September 24, 2021
 Mike Knecht, 67, Mansfield, September 26, 2021
 Linda M. Workman Alexander, 64, Mansfield, September 22, 2021
 James Gordon Strickler Jr., 58, Mansfield, September 28, 2021
 Delbert L. Sims Jr., 82, Ontario, September 30, 2021
 Hazel June Kittelberger, 83, Mansfield, September 26, 2021
 Robert W. Weidner, 93, Ontario, October 2, 2021
 Martha L. Johnson, 93, Mansfield, October 2, 2021

View Full Obituaries and Funeral Arrangements at
www.wappner.com

Safe drug disposal access increased

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pm, prescription drugs, over the counter medicines, liquid medicines under 4oz. in a zip lock bag, needles, cans, inhalers, iodine or mercury containing medicines

•Walmart Pharmacy, 2485 Possum Run Rd., Mansfield, 419-756-7177, M, Wed.-Sat. 9 am to 7 pm; Tu. 6 am to 7 pm; Sun. 10 am to 6 pm, prescription drugs, over the counter medications, liquid medications in original bottle with lid, needles, cans, inhalers, iodine or mercury containing medicines, hydrogen peroxide

•First Call 211, 36 W. 3rd St., Mansfield, 419-522-4636, M-F 9 am to 4 pm, prescription drugs, prescription ointments, vitamins, prescription patches, pet medications, over the counter medicines, needles,

inhalers, thermometers, cans, lotions, liquids, hydrogen peroxide

If other businesses and organizations would like to get involved and help distribute Deterra pouches, contact Gulpinder Deol at 419-774-4754 or email gdeol@richlandhealth.org.

RCYSUC is always looking for new members, community partners, and especially youth to join and get involved. Call 419-774-4754 or visit the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/RCYSUC> to learn more

The Coalition's work is funded through a Drug-Free Communities grant which is administered by the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy and is managed by Richland Public Health.



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT hosted a pancake breakfast on Oct. 2, at 2480 Possum Run Rd. Breakfast included pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, coffee, milk and orange juice. Admission was by donation. Proceeds raised continue assisting the department and the community. Beth Bartlett, Jerry Kochheiser and Ron Henry helped to serve over 300 breakfasts during the morning fund raiser. See more photos on Page 19.

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 10 am Sunday School
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Hillside First Church of God

2369 Bowman Rd., Mansfield • Pastor Glenn M. Phillips
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hillsidefcg@hotmail.com

St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church

1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield • 419-589-2114
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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

Lexington Presbyterian Church

35 West Church St., Lexington • 419-884-1330
 Reverend James Randas
 10:30 am Sunday Worship

Risen Savior Lutheran Church

1685 Lexington Ave., Mansfield • 419-775-1175
 Pastor Brad Wright • risensaviormansfield.com
 9 am Sunday Family Bible Time • 10 am Sunday Worship

Ontario United Methodist Church

3540 Park Avenue West, Ontario • 419-529-4345
 Rev. Christine Bell
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 Bible Study: Please check the website for current schedule
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Apple Pie Fest features free popcorn, apple cider

Photos and Article by Traci Little

Locust trees have a unique beauty all their own. The honey bees love the blooms that come each May and their delightfully scented white blossoms. This is how the name Locust Corners was born.

Enjoy the quiet countryside and rural setting of Locust Corners Bulk Food & Deli. Less than six miles from Interstate 71 and only a mile from State Route 13 makes getting here convenient.

You will find tasty, practical food items that you can feed your family and friends with. Purchase a variety of flour, sugar, and spices that should be more than enough to fit your baking needs. Treat yourself to the full-service deli where you will find an assortment of meats and cheeses. Grab a fresh sandwich with your favorite bread, meat, cheese and condiments.

Discover beautiful, in season produce, locally grown with love. Baked goods such as bread, cinnamon rolls, and pies are sure to catch your eye (or sweet tooth).

Shelves are lined with yummy snacks, customer favorite candies, and specialty items.

Don't forget to grab a free cup of coffee and play a game of checkers as you catch up with your friends and family.

You won't want to miss the Apple Pie Fest Oct. 7-9 where you can get a free apple pie with your purchase of \$45 or more. Free popcorn and apple cider will be served as well. Featured items include pumpkin snickerdoodle bread and warm apple dumplings with a scoop of vanilla ice cream.

Locust Corners Bulk Food & Deli is located at 6917 Ankneytown Road, Bellville. Hours are Monday-Friday from 9 am to 5:30 pm and Saturday from 9 am to 3 pm. The staff is friendly and cheerful and will make the time to answer any questions you may have! Please call 419-886-3300 for more information or visit their website at www.locustcorners.com. Wesley and Lois Good welcome you to Locust Corners Bulk Food & Deli.



Currens celebrate 50th

Bob and Kim Currens celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Oct. 2.

They were married in Mansfield on Oct. 2, 1971, at Main Street United Methodist Church.

Cards can be sent to Bob and Kim at 2681 Walker Lake RD, Mansfield, OH, 44903.

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 Reserve Champion Chickens, Sophia Liberti, Park National Bank
 Grand Champion Ducks, Wyatt McConkie, Park National Bank
 Reserve Champion Ducks, Monae Leedy, Park National Bank
 Grand Champion Turkey, Makayla Spoerr, Complete Tree Solutions
 Reserve Champion Turkey, Makenzie Spoerr, Carter Farms
 Grand Champion Rabbits, Linzy Weyhmeller, Larry Weyhmeller's co-workers at Ariel Corp
 Reserve Champion Rabbits, Kendall Windsor, Dave Taylor, CPA
 Grand Champion Goat, Madison Boyer, Liberty Lawn Care
 Reserve Champion Goat, Kaleb Thomas, Honey Creek Western Wear
 Grand Champion Lamb, Dawson Staley, Park National Bank
 Reserve Champion Lamb, Shelby Bays, Liberty Lawn Care
 Grand Champion Hog, Morgan Cook, Seiler & Craig Surveying
 Reserve Champion Hog, Silas McGhee, McGhee Technical Water
 Grand Champion Beef Feeder, Chloe Lohr, Clear Fork Buyers Club
 Reserve Champion Beef Feeder, Hunter Lohr, Boyd Brothers
 Grand Champion Beef Steer, Jake Barrett, Robert Whitney

Richland Gives registration open

Richland Gives registration for Richland County based nonprofit organizations is open through Oct. 31. It is free, but nonprofit organizations must register each year.

This is the seventh year for Richland Gives which is hosted by the Richland County Foundation. Since its inception in 2015, Richland Gives has raised \$1,435,869. Thanks to the generosity of donors at the foundation, \$100,000 in incentives will be awarded as grants to participating organizations, beyond what they raise from online donations.

Richland Gives is designed to encourage people to contribute to local nonprofits

they care about through a single giving website. The foundation hosts the day to build capacity, grow philanthropy and make the community stronger. Each organization will have an individualized web page to promote their cause. The success of the event will depend on our collective enthusiasm and implementation.

Leading up to the event the Foundation provides an online toolkit, webinars, mass media and social media coverage to make it easier for nonprofit organizations to participate. The donation period is from Nov. 15, at 7 am through Nov. 30, at 7 pm.

Visit richlandgives.org to donate.



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oakhillcottage.org



Out with the Old, In With the New — Lexington High School

Photo by Brandon Chambers

Haunted Trail returns to Marshall Park

The Ontario Recreation Department, along with school and community organizations, is planning to host its third annual Haunted Hollow trail this fall in Marshall Park on Saturday, Oct. 30.

From 5–6:30 pm the event will host a kid/family friendly trail and 7:30–9:30 pm will be a scarier trail for older kids and adults.

The event will be located at the trail in Marshall Park, next to the dog park on

Dunlap Dr., Ontario.

Cost is \$5, ages 5–17; and \$10, Ages 18 and older.

This trail is a community event and fundraiser for school organizations and The Ontario Recreation Department. It will be run by high school and middle school volunteers and community members.

A portion of the proceeds will be given to non-profit organizations that participate.

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THE ONTARIO RECREATION DEPARTMENT sponsored the Honkin' Haulin' Hands-On Truck event at Marshall Park on Sunday, Oct. 3. Vehicles included construction equipment, school buses, a fire truck, a garbage truck and an ambulance, among others.



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL BIOLOGY teacher Mr. Nikiforow led students from his classes and the Science Club on the annual leaf walk around the school grounds, identifying and discussing the trees and their attributes.

Liberty Park site of trick-or-treat drive thru

The City of Mansfield Parks and Recreation Department is organizing a Drive Thru Trick or Treat from 1-3 pm on Sunday, Oct. 31, at Liberty Park, Grace St., Madison area. as cars drive through the park. Community partners will stand along the route and pass out candy and other items. Organizations and businesses interested in helping pass out candy can email asin-gleton@ci.mansfield.oh.us or mansfieldci-typarks@gmail.com. The drive-thru will be along the upper part of Liberty Park. Nyte Flyte Entertainment will play spooky, fun music

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Thank you, Paul Gleisinger

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Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

FAITH KUHN was pleasantly surprised when she opened her box revealing the balloons announcing her reign as Madison Comprehensive High School Homecoming Queen. Madison played Marion Harding at StarTek Stadium. Her parents Wesley and Sondra Kuhn were also on the field during the ceremony.



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

MADISON HOMECOMING Queen Faith Kuhn and King Jeffery Whisler celebrate at the homecoming game. The crowning of the queen took place at halftime while the king was announced earlier at a school assembly. Faith is the daughter of Wesley and Sondra Kuhn. She plans to attend Shawnee State University to play volleyball and major in Early Childhood Education. Faith would like to thank God, her friends and her coaches for supporting her. Jeffery Whisler is the son of Christina Clever and Levi Swanger. He is a four-year member of the soccer team and a member of skillUSA. He would like to thank his skate Group, Snow Trails' co-workers, the soccer team, and the Madison community for always being there for him and supporting him. He would also like to thank his little brothers, Lucas and "Bear" for being the best brothers.



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

MADISON SENIOR Isaac Brooks (3) looks for some help as he picks up a first down late in the first period of the Madison vs. Marion Harding varsity football game played on the StarTek turf at Madison. The Rams dropped their homecoming game to the Presidents 57-14.



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

ONTARIO FRESHMAN Lena Creed (12) saves a serve during a varsity game against the Madison Lady Rams in the Madison Middle School Gym. Madison won in four sets.



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

MADISON'S ALLYSON WIGTON (10) returns a serve during the Madison Lady Rams Volleyball game against the Ontario Warriors.



Ontario High School Girls Golf Team

Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



THE ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1971 FOOTBALL TEAM was recognized at the Ontario vs. Shelby football game on Sept. 10 between the first and second quarter. Most of the team and previous coaches attended. T-C Staff/Bud Motter

Clear Fork Neon Band Show October 1 • Photos by Jeff Hoffer



MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN'S Mirielle Trumpower placed first in the middle school girls race at Fredericktown on Sept. 28. She had a time of 12:29.54 for the two-mile course. She was followed by Audrey Wolford of Crestview (12:39.17) and Camryn Baker of Utica (12:39.75). T-C Staff/Jenna Wolford



MADISON'S FAITH KUTH (8) returns a serve during the Madison Rams vs. the Mt. Vernon Yellow Jackets volleyball game at Madison. The Rams won in five sets. T-C Staff/Bud Motter



MADISON RAMS Allyson Wigton (10) and Kayla Putney (18) defend against Mt. Vernon. It took the Lady Rams five sets to post another team victory as they played the Mt. Vernon Yellow Jackets at Madison Middle School. Madison won the first two sets (25-22 and 28-26) while Mt. Vernon won the next two (25-12 and 25-23). Madison took the final set 15-11. T-C Staff/Bud Motter



Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

Ontario vs Clear Fork Football • Colts Win 45-7 • October 1 • Photos by Jeff Hoffer



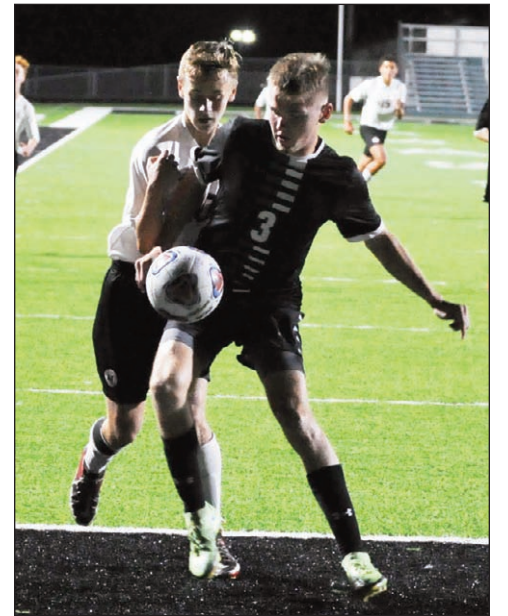
Clear Fork High School seniors Leah Argenio and Deven Freeman were crowned as Homecoming queen and king. They are pictured with their parents.

Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Mt. Vernon • Sept. 25 • Colt Loss 1-4 • Photos by Jeff Hoffer



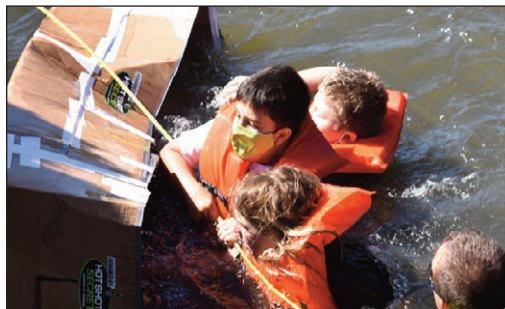
Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Marion Harding • Sept. 28 • Colt Win 6-0 • Photos by Jeff Hoffer



Ontario High School JV Golf Team

ONTARIO MIDDLE SCHOOL CARDBOARD BOAT LAUNCH

Mr. Doug Basham and Mr. Brock Spurling took 75 Ontario Middle School sixth grade students to Highland Elementary to launch 27 boats made of cardboard. Working in teams of three, students were allowed to use cardboard and duct tape to construct their floating vessel. The event was sponsored by "Hot Shots," and participants received a bag of stickers and a t-shirt.



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for **SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE**

Hello, my name is Don Daugherty, and I am running for Springfield Township Trustee. I have been a resident of Springfield Township for 30 years and married to my wife, Darlene, for 43 years. Together, we have two daughters and three grandchildren. As a small business owner for 34 years, I plan to use my experience, knowledge and leadership skills to provide Springfield Township citizens with the essential services they deserve. I currently am employed by the fire department and have served as a fire fighter, EMT and mechanic. All of these roles have given me an understanding of operating a fire department that can provide top-notch fire and rescue services to the citizens they protect. Because community service is important to me, I have also served on the Richland County Fair Board as well as the Springfield Zoning Committee for many years. I want to see a new level of openness, integrity and pride for our citizens. I'm asking for your vote on November 2 and will work hard with the other two trustees to make a difference in our community! I would love to be given the opportunity to lead this Township with the highest level of integrity that the residents deserve!

— Don Daugherty



Don Daugherty



Terry Thompson

My name is Terry Thompson, and I am running for Springfield Township Trustee. Born and raised in Richland County, my wife of 38 years, Kay, and I built a home in 1991 in Springfield Township where we continue to live. Our two sons graduated from Ontario schools and attended classes at the Ohio State University, Mansfield Campus. As an employee of Republic Services for over 30 years, I have spent the last 40 years in service of cities, villages and townships across 57 Ohio counties and have attended hundreds of Council and Trustees meetings, directing and assisting them in navigating municipal contracts and how the Ohio Revised Code could be used to benefit Ohio citizens. Should I be fortunate enough to receive your vote, I would work hard with the other two trustees to direct and support Springfield Township in a variety of issues focused on providing a safer and more efficient Township for all of us. I am graciously asking for your vote on Tuesday, November 2, for Springfield Township Trustee.

— Terry Thompson

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OSU-M Theatre chooses comedy for mainstage production

The Ohio State University at Mansfield continues to welcome audiences to campus for its fall theatre performances. *Too Much Light Makes The Baby Go Blind* is this fall's mainstage performance.

Written by Greg Allen, the production, is an ensemble experiment in presenting 30 plays in 60 minutes. Produced by arrangements with Playscripts, Inc., it's a mix of audience call-out, improv, sketch comedy and selective madness. Each two-minute play is performed in random order by audience request. An onstage 60-minute timer keeps everyone honest.

Performances will be held Friday, Oct. 8, at 7:30 pm; Saturday, Oct. 9, at 7:30 pm; Sunday, Oct. 10, at 2:30 pm; and Monday, Oct. 11, at 7:30 pm.

Performances will take place outdoors in front of Founders Auditorium. Some seating will be provided, but guests are welcome to bring lawn chairs and blankets. In the event of inclement weather, the performance will move indoors. The show runs one hour with no intermission.

To purchase tickets or for more information, including accessibility accommodations, call the box office at 419-755-4045 or visit mansfield.osu.edu/theatre.

Ontario High School Hawaiian Beach Day



Front, Persephone Fry and Kayle Seever; middle, Emma Drexel and Julia O'Blisk; and back, Emily Cacchio, Giana Camarata and Skylar Ambrose



Chandler Spognardi and Macy Mangan



SEPTEMBER CITIZENS OF THE MONTH from Eastview Elementary School are front, Ryleigh Holmes, James Ross, Lincoln Bays, Braiden Sigler, Scarlet Kindinger and Ava Lewis; and back, Gerald Mountz, Erin Johnson, Mackenzie Wiggins, Peyton Hager, Ri'khi Evege and Kaprice Mascazine. Not pictured is Gavin Bishop.

Representative John encourages businesses to complete jobs survey

State Representative Marilyn John (R-Richland County) encourages local businesses to participate in this year's In-Demand Jobs Survey to provide feedback on the state's In-Demand Jobs List, which helps drive state and federal investments in our workforce.

To encourage continued business growth in the Buckeye State it is particularly important that educators, training providers, and workforce professionals know the future hiring needs of employers.

"Economic growth is something our state should always be looking to achieve and I encourage every business, small or large, in my district to participate in the survey to help business growth in the Buckeye State," said John.

All registered Ohio businesses are eligible to participate in the survey. The survey is available through October 8th and can be completed at TopJobs.Ohio.gov/Survey.

In order to complete the survey, have the business FEIN (Federal Employer Identification Number). This number is located on previous tax returns from your business. As a reminder, only employers that pay into Ohio's unemployment insurance system can complete the survey.

Email workforce@owt.ohio.gov or contact Marilyn John at rep02@ohiohouse.gov or 614-466-5802 with questions or feedback on the survey.

Hospice of North Central Ohio announces new staff

Hospice of North Central has announced additions to the organization.

Tori Frech is joining the organization as an accountant. She comes with five years of experience in finance. Her most recent role was as an accountant at Avita. Prior accounting roles include working with Mid-Ohio Pipeline, Banks and Associates and Whitcomb and Hess. She received her bachelor's degree in accounting from DeVry University.

Noah Gangi is joining as a Hospice Community Liaison (Ashland/Richland). He has over 15 years of experience in healthcare marketing from working at University Hospital Samaritan Medical Center. He received his bachelor's degree from The Ohio State University and his Master of Fine Arts in Media Design from Full Sail University.

Leti Lesseuer is joining as a RN. She currently works full-time as an RN Case Manager with Ohioans. Her experience includes acute care, long term acute care, ICU and cardiac.



MRS. WELCH'S students at Ontario High School observed spinach leaves producing oxygen during a photosynthesis lab in biology.

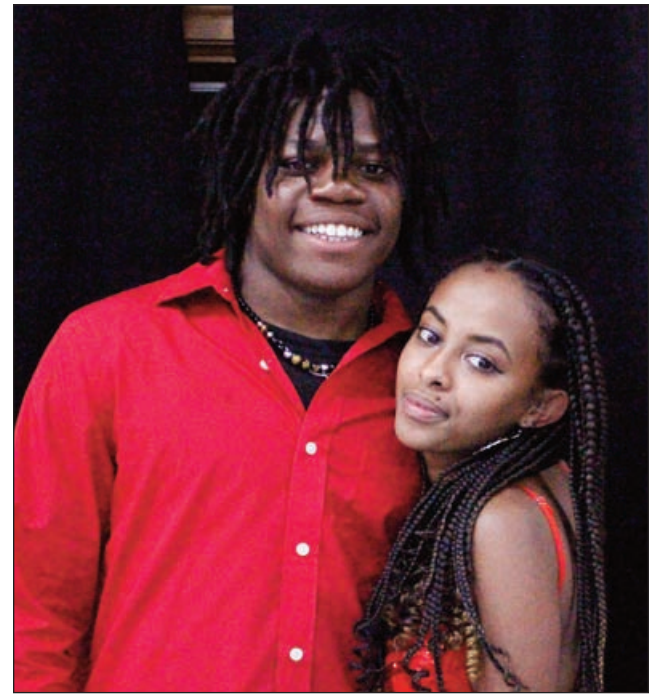
Ontario will host College Information Night Oct. 7

Ontario High School will host a College Information Night on Thursday, Oct. 7, from 6-7:30 pm, in the Ontario High School Library.

Speakers will include Kayla Smith, admissions counselor, OSU-Mansfield, on the college application process; and Amanda Sheets, director of admissions, NCSC, on certificates, associate degrees, transfer options for common occupations.

Pam Stimpert, former financial aid office at Ashland University, will speak on the FAFSA process and Sue Homan, assistant director of admissions, Ashland University, will speak on CCP, applying to college, the transfer process and the articulation agreements AU has with OSU and NCSC.

Ontario High School Homecoming 2021



American Red Cross schedules local bloodmobiles for remainder of October

The American Red Cross has scheduled bloodmobiles for:
Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1-7 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario
Friday, Oct. 8, 8 am to 2 pm, Pioneer Career & Tech Center, 27 Ryan Rd., Shelby
Wednesday, Oct. 13, 1-7 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario; and 8 am to 1 pm; and 8

am to 1 pm, Shelby High School, 1 Whippet Way, Shelby
Saturday, Oct. 17, 11 am to 4 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario
Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1-7 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario; and 2-7 pm, Planktown Country Market, 1921 Free Rd., Shiloh
Thursday, Oct. 21, 10 am to 4 pm, Schmidt Security Pro, 241 Mansfield Industrial Parkway, Mansfield

Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1-6 pm, 1 Crossroads Ontario Campus, 636 S. Lexington-Springmill Rd., Ontario; and 1-7 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario
Donors can make an appointment to give blood or platelets by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

PATRICK COMPTON AND RYAN RYDER work together to make Mickey Mouse shaped pancakes during the Washington Township Fire Department's annual pancake breakfast.



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

THE SAFETY VEHICLES sit ready to be pushed into service if needed during the Washington Township Fire Department pancake breakfast.

“Assassins” opens at Theatre 166

When it opens at the Ren's new black box space, Theatre 166 on Oct. 8, Stephen Sondheim's controversial musical, *Assassins*, is likely to shock, disturb or even terrify its audiences. This unusual piece is about the nine assassins or would-be assassins.

The 90-minute performance profiles John Wilkes Booth, (who shot Lincoln), Charles Guiteau, (who killed James Garfield), Leon Czolgosz, (William McKinley's killer), Lee Harvey Oswald, (Kennedy's assassin), as well as forgotten figures who didn't succeed in their missions, such as Sarah Jane Moore and Lynette “Squeaky” Fromme, (Gerald Ford), John Hinkley, (Reagan), Giuseppe Zangara, (FDR), and Sam Byck, (Richard Nixon.)

Borrowing on musical themes from America's past, (ragtime, patriotic marches, folk ballads), this one-act “revue-sical” tells the story of the American Dream gone wrong and culminates with its most harrowing scene, as John Wilkes Booth and the other assassins visit Lee Harvey Oswald just moments before he fires his rifle at John Kennedy.

The overriding theme of *Assassins* is summed up in the opening (and closing) number, “Everybody's Got the Right to be Happy,” which analyzes what can happen when the government is blamed for standing in the way of a disaffected citizen's pursuit of happiness.

Assassins will premiere at Theatre 166, 166 Park Avenue Wes, Mansfield, on Oct.

8, at 8 pm with additional performances Oct. 9, 15 and 16 at 8 pm and Oct. 10 and 17 at 2:30 pm.

Directed by Renaissance Artist Director, Michael Thomas, with musical direction by Lori Turner, *Assassins* features a surrealist set by local artist and frequent Renaissance designer, Jason Kaufman, technical direction and sound design by Aaron Nicolas, lighting design by Nik Demers, original choreography by Caroline Grace Williams, and period costumes created by Linda Turske.

The cast includes Ryan Shreve as John Wilkes Booth, Scott Smith as Giuseppe Zangara, Beau Roberts as Sam Byke, Jacob Poiner as John Hinkley, Lori Turner as Emma Goldman, Joe Trolan as William McKinley, George Swarn as David Herold, with Caroline Grace Williams, Leah Gesouras, Christopher Hartman and Zakari Ramos. Other guest actors, from all over Ohio, include Jacob Sustersic as Leon Czolgosz, Emily Bare as Lynette “Squeaky” Fromme, Stephanie Hayslip as Sarah Jane Moore, Niko Carter as the Proprietor and Antonio Brown as the Balladeer/Lee Harvey Oswald. Director Thomas makes a cameo appearance in the role of Garfield assassin, Charles Guiteau.

Due to the nature of the space, capacity at Theatre 166 is limited 100 seats. To reserve tickets in advance visit <https://bit.ly/AssassinsPR>

Visit rentickets.org to check out other events.

Poll workers needed for Nov. 2

The Richland County Board of Elections needs additional poll workers for the Nov. 2, 2021 General Election. The board has scheduled a class for new Precinct Election Officials (Poll Workers) for Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 6 pm at the Longview Center, 1495 W. Longview Avenue in the Upper Level Classroom. Those who enter through the front entrance from the main front parking area, the classroom will be to the right, past the elevators.

The class will consist of an overview of the electoral process and should last approximately 2 ½ hours. A brief presentation will be included to demonstrate how to set up the voting equipment. Attendees will receive \$25 with their first check for working the polls and attending this class.

Additionally, the new workers are required to attend a Station Training Class in this same classroom, which will offer hands-on experience for each facet of the voting process. Persons who attend will be compensated \$15 with their check for working the polls, issued after the election. The class times and dates will be distributed at the New Poll Worker Class.

Most new pollworkers are considered substitute pollworkers. They will be as-

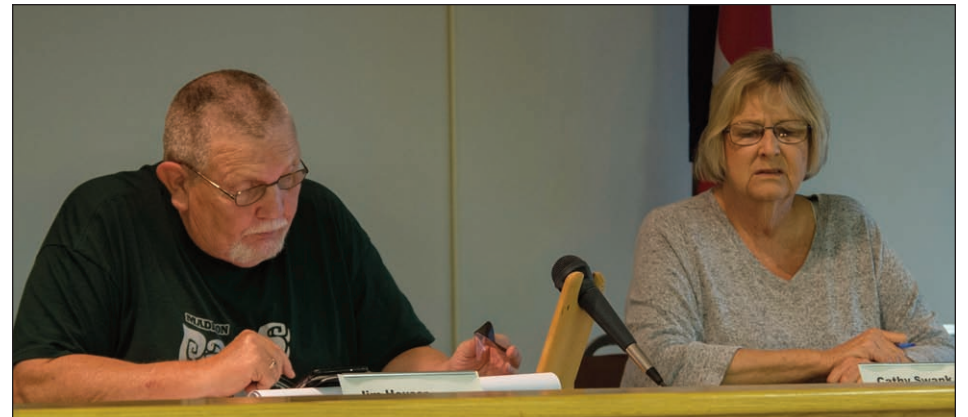
signed in case of a vacancy in a precinct polling place. Workers are placed as near as possible to their home area, but sometimes it's necessary to ask them to travel to another part of the county.

Each polling precinct is staffed by one Precinct Election Official - Presiding Judge (PEO-PJ), who is considered to be the lead poll worker, one Precinct Election Official - Presiding Assistant (PEO-PA) who must accompany the PJ back to the office with the equipment and ballots after the polls close, and two Precinct Election Officials-Clerks (PEO-Clerk).

Vote centers, which are polling places with more than one precinct, will also have a VLM (Voting Location Manager) to oversee the entire location. Usually the more experienced workers are assigned as a VLM or PJ. An equal number of poll workers from each party must be assigned to each precinct.

VLM's are paid \$175, Presiding Judges \$165, Presiding Assistants \$140 and Clerks \$130, plus their training compensation. No taxes, social security, or other deductions are taken out of these checks.

Call 419-774-5530 to sign up for the class or for more information.



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MADISON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES Jim Houser and Cathy Swank listen to trustee Dan Fletcher read a letter from Adam Gove, county engineer, about work to be done for the township. The letter read, “Due to timing, I don't think I would recommend a completion date of this year. If the township advertises next week, the bid opening would be the third week of October. This means a contract would most likely not be completed (approved, signed) before the second week of November. This would not be a recommended time frame. I would recommend to bid the project this year, but put a completion date of next June. This may cause some higher prices because contractors do not yet know what their costs will be for the year, but could possibly allow a contractor to complete some of the work this year if the weather holds. Another option would wait until February to bid the project, You could still use a completion date of June if you wanted the project done early.” Fletcher also received prices that were bid for Mifflin Township. Three companies bid: Sarver with \$69.79 per ton, Kokosing \$81.35 per ton and and Shelly & Sands with a price of \$75.50 per ton. After much discussion the trustees voted to wait until February.

Flu shots available through RPH

Richland Public Health flu vaccines are available by appointment through Richland Public Health Clinic. Call 419-774-4700 to schedule flu shots.

Everyone from age six months and up can get an annual flu shot. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends getting a flu shot in October.

Influenza is a contagious disease that spreads around the United States every year, usually between October and May. Flu is caused by influenza viruses, and is spread mainly by coughing, sneezing, and close contact. Anyone can get the flu. Flu strikes suddenly and can last several days.

Symptoms vary by age, but can include: fever/chills, sore throat, muscle aches, fatigue, cough, headache, and runny or stuffy nose.

Flu is more dangerous for some people. Infants and young children, people 65 years of age and older, pregnant women, and people with certain health conditions or a weakened immune system are at greatest risk.

For additional information about influenza visit www.cdc.gov/flu/ or talk with a pediatrician or family physician. For special home-bound services, call 419-774-4540.

Free program Oct. 7 will discuss warning signs of Alzheimer's Disease

Continuing in its vision of a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia® through free care and support, the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio will offer the educational program, "10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's" in Fredericktown on Oct. 7.

The free program will focus on the symptoms caused by Alzheimer's and other dementias including memory difficulties, and thinking and behavior problems that interfere with daily living. It will also teach attendees how to recognize common signs of the disease; how to approach someone about memory concerns; the importance of early detection and benefits of a diagnosis; possible tests and assessments for the diagnostic process, and Alzheimer's Association resources.

The program will be held at Fredericktown United Methodist Church, 123 Columbus Rd., in Fredericktown, on Thursday, Oct. 7, from 6:30-7:30 pm. Pre-registration is required. Individuals can register by calling the Alzheimer's 24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900.

All programs and events and resources are provided free by the Alzheimer's Association and can be found online at the Community Resource Finder (communityresourcefinder.org).

As the program is an in-person event, the Alzheimer's Association is following the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations that all participants wear a mask in public indoor settings regardless of vaccination status. Participants are asked to provide their own masks or hand sanitizer. All volunteers and staff delivering in-person programs are all fully vaccinated.

Alzheimer's is a progressive and fatal brain disease that kills nerve cells and tissues in the brain, affecting an individual's ability to remember, think and plan.

During the pandemic, the Alzheimer's Association has continued to offer education programs, personalized care consultations and support groups to families impacted by the disease. It is estimated that Alzheimer's and dementia deaths have increased 16% during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Alzheimer's disease is currently ranked as the sixth leading cause of death in the United States. But according to the National Institute on Aging, recent estimates indicate Alzheimer's disease may rank third, just behind heart disease and cancer, as a cause of death for older people. Individuals can reach the Alzheimer's Association through its 24/7 helpline at 800-272-3900.



THE MADISON PRESCHOOL STAFF was recently awarded a renewed five-star quality rating through Step Up To Quality. The preschool staff, led by preschool coordinator, Jen Eckenwiler, was visited by a licensing specialist who interviewed preschool teachers with regards to academic program standards, health and safety regulations and more. The five-star rating is good for three years. Step Up To Quality is a five-star quality rating and improvement system administered by the Ohio Department of Education and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. SUTQ recognizes and promotes learning and development programs that meet quality program standards that exceed preschool licensing and school age child care licensing health and safety regulations. Step Up to Quality program standards are based on national research identifying standards, which lead to improved outcomes for children. The preschool staff includes Jen Eckenwiler, preschool coordinator; Amanda Argo, intervention specialist; Lori Camillo, intervention specialist; Barb Dwyer, intervention specialist; Jenny Phillips, intervention specialist; educational aides Rosie Eberts, Kelly Schroeder, Bonny Sechler, Kim Swank and Heather Wendland; Abbey Carneal, speech/language pathologist; and Jessica Lebold, school psychologist.



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL students in Mrs. Rhodes's Interior Design class have been learning about the elements and principles of design. They worked in groups to design a bedroom that stemmed from one specific color scheme.

Students on dean's list at Columbus State

Local students have been named to the Summer Semester Dean's List at Columbus State Community College. To be named to the list, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and be enrolled for six or more credit hours.

On the list are Michael Cochenour, construction management and Trinity Murray, health sciences, both of Lexington; and Laura Garrison, health sciences and Sheyann Honeycutt, social work and human services, both of Mansfield.

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BETH WULFF is kept busy with her needle point during the festival.



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ELI JOHNSON, Jeremy Moore, Roger Moore, Peggy Dolinger, Mathew Bottomley and Scott Richardson helped at the American Heritage Days.



VANE SCOTT presents a session on the Flags of the United States.



JEREMY SNYDER is kept busy making flint points for arrows.



JACK JOHNSON, Anthony Seal and Julie Rossington offered just one of many places visitors could stop and ask questions and see a demonstration.



BEN HUFFMAN works the new Blacksmith Forge



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LOOKING BACK: This Week in Tribune-Courier History



Oct. 7, '82

Photo by Carol Fraifogl
ONTARIO MIDDLE SCHOOL'S boys' cross country team finished first in the Galion Invitational and fourth in the prestigious Ontario Invitational recently. Members of the team are (front) Mark Olson, Toby Fraifogl, Terry Barre, Erin Nieder and Stacy Mullins; (middle) Mike Keith, Jason Goth, Scott Foss, Scott McCall, Mike Callahan and Tim Smail; (back) Coach Jerry Lang, Mike Burton and Jeff Fletcher.



Oct. 7, '82

Photo by Carol Fraifogl
THE GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM at Ontario Middle School took first place in the Galion Invitational and third at the Ontario Invitational. Members of the team are (front) Kim Webber, Jennifer Anderson and Laurie Yarman; (back) Melanie Ludwig, Allison Herrold, Amy Cooper, Jenny Brown, Dawn Boetcher and Coach Jerry Lang.



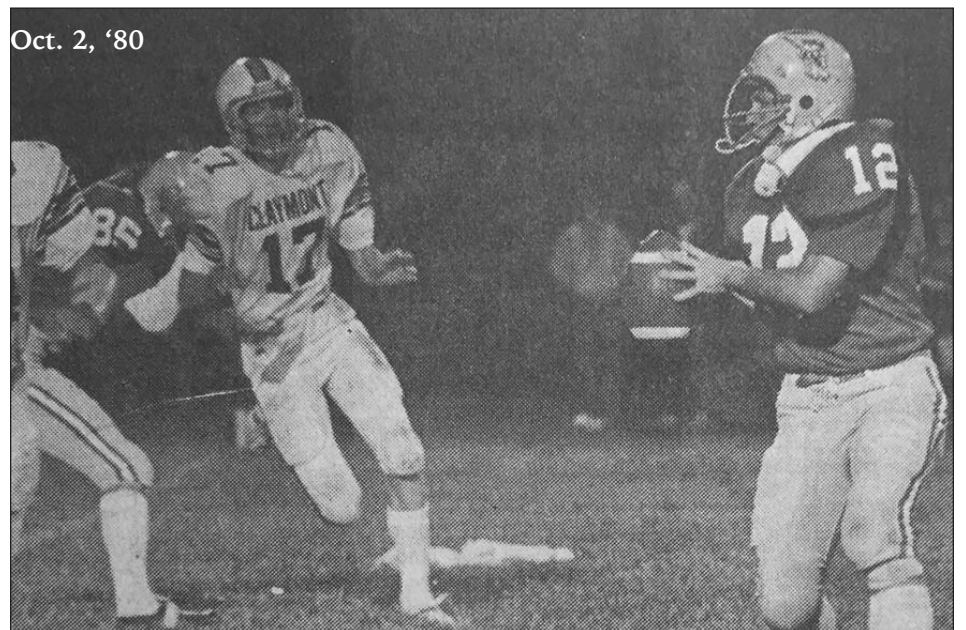
Oct. 9, '80

Photo by Betty Stumbo
MUSIC STUDENTS of Mrs. William Brown of Ontario show their certificates they won in the piano guild auditions held Sept. 28 at First Church of God in Mansfield. In front are Kerri Otterbacher, Donna Fritchen, Staci Schnittke and Terri Otterbacher. In back are Brian Zimmerman, Joni Stuckert and Marlise Wilson.



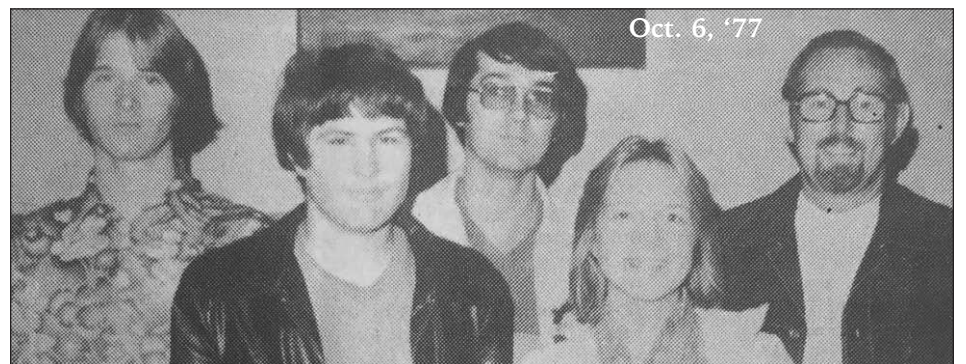
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MUSIC STUDENTS of Mrs. William Brown of Ontario show their certificates they won in the piano guild auditions held Sept. 28 at First Church of God in Mansfield. In front are Denise Ross and Whitney Franta. In back are Joy Standridge, Jeanie Patterson and Karen Ditty.



Oct. 2, '80

Photo by Marc Stumbo
LEXINGTON'S GARY GAUSE (12) sets up to pass behind excellent blocking from his offensive line. Moving in to harru Gause is Claymont's Matt O'Hara (17). Blocking for Gause is Lexington tight end Glenn Ford (85). Lexington lost to the Mustangs for the second year in a row by a 20-12 score.



Oct. 6, '77

ATTENDING the 12th annual Youth and Science Conference held on the Ohio State University campus in Columbus were these four Lexington students and their teacher. From the left are Ralph Cowan, Jon Quick, Tom Smith, Annette Laughlin and teacher Roger Craig.

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LEGAL ADVERTISING

CLEAR FORK SNOWPLOW NEEDED

Interested parties wanting to provide a quote for snow removal and spreading of salt for the Clear Fork Valley Local Schools for the 2021-22 winter season should download instructions and quote form from the district webpage, located under Announcements in the Quicklinks at the bottom of the Home Page or by accessing at https://cfcolts.org/?page_id=1665. Questions should be directed to Mr. Kevin Carr, 419-886-4805 or 419-886-3855 ext. 21. Deadline for quotes will be Oct. 08, 2021 at 9:00 AM.

Bradd Stevens, Treasurer
Clear Fork Board of Education
Bellville, OH

POLICE OFFICER POSITION

The City of Ontario, Division of Police is currently hiring for the position of full-time Police Officer. The selection process will utilize a Lateral Entry hiring process to establish an eligibility list for hire. The selection process will begin with the screening of applicants to ensure they have met the minimum qualifications through the Civil Service Board. Applicants will then continue in the process and will undergo a scored interview(s). The Minimum qualifications to apply are:

1. Candidates must be a commissioned Ohio Peace Officer with at least one year of full-time experience as a Peace Officer.
2. Candidates must also be at

least 21 years of age; have a High School Diploma or GED; and must possess a valid Ohio Driver's License.

3. Candidates must have at a minimum of 12 years of service left before becoming eligible to retire through an Ohio Retirement Pension Plan.

Prior to appointment, candidates must submit and successfully pass a background investigation, truth verification test, drug screen, a physical and psychological examination. The current starting salary range for this position is \$49,129 to \$62,566 with extra income possibilities of overtime and paid details. The City of Ontario offers a gratuitous benefit package. Lateral Transfers will start one step lower than their current pay step, if currently employed as a full-time law enforcement officer and will be brought to their current pay step after 6 months. More information at www.ontpd.com.

Application packets may be obtained at the Ontario Police Communications Center located at 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, OH 44906 or online at www.ontpd.com beginning 09/24/21 at 8:00 a.m. Applications must be submitted in person no later than 10/25/21 at 8:00 a.m. at the Ontario Police Communications Center and may include a cover letter, resume, educational background, and specific training documentation relating to employment as a police officer.

Cathy VanAuker
Clerk of Council
City of Ontario, Ohio
(T-C 10-7 '21) 71L

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 September 20, 2021.

The complete text of these Ordinances 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 13 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF CITY SERVICES TO AN AREA OF SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO (PROPOSED TO BE ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF ONTARIO), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 09/20/2021

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 14 - RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE ANNEXATION OF A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND KNOWN AS THE ROE/VENTRE/YARMAN ANNEXATION IN SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO, TO THE CITY OF ONTARIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 09/20/2021

Cathy VanAuker
Clerk of Council
City of Ontario, Ohio
(T-C 9-30, 10-7 '21) 38L

LEGAL NOTICE

In the Matter of the Adoption of Nicholas Harrison Nagel, Case Number: 20215064. Richland County Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division.

Joshua Grider whose last known address is unknown, is hereby notified that on the 2nd day of September, 2021, a petition was filed in the Court of Common Pleas, Probate

Division, Richland County, Ohio, 50 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, OH, 44902, being case No: 20215064, for the adoption of Nicholas James Shaum and alleging that your consent as parent of said child is not necessary because you have failed without justifiable cause to provide more than de minimis contact with minor or to provide for maintenance and support of said minor as required by law or judicial decree for a period of at least one year immediately preceding the filing of the adoption petition of placement of the minor in the home of the petitioner and the consent hearing will be had on the 10th day of November, 2021, at 11:00 o'clock AM the Final Best Interest Hearing will be held the 15th day of December, 2021, at 10:00 o'clock AM before the Judge of said Court at 50 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, Ohio 44902.

If you wish to contest the adoption, you must file an objection to the petition within fourteen days after the proof of service of notice of the filing of the petition and of the time and place of hearing is given to you. If you wish to contest the adoption, you must also appear at the hearing as set out above.

A final decree of adoption may be entered if you fail to timely file an objections and/or appear at the hearing.

Kelly L. Badnell, Judge
Court of Common Pleas
Probate Division,
Richland County, Ohio

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Deer-vehicle collisions shown to increase in fall

Ohio drivers beware, the risk of colliding with deer increases in October, according to officials at the Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) and the Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP). The increased risk is partly due to the fact that October through December is peak deer mating season in the Buckeye state, so deer are on the move looking for potential mates.

According to OSHP, 17,688 deer-vehicle (D-V) crashes were reported statewide last year, a decrease of 1,687 from 2019. Not all D-V crashes are reported so the crash numbers are probably much higher. Three deaths and 857 injuries were caused recorded in 2020. Of the injuries, 55 were listed as serious injury to the vehicle occupants.

Richland County was second among Ohio's 88 counties for D-V crashes. The four counties with the highest number of reported crashes in 2020 were Stark (533), Richland (449), Hancock (441) and Williams (411). All of the crashes resulted in some damage to the vehicle.

"If there's a 'Deer Crossing' sign, pay attention," said Reed Richmond, Health Educator at Richland Public Health and an instructor in the AARP senior driver refresher classes. "Those signs are there because they are areas well known for high, and active, wildlife populations. Use extreme caution, especially during these fall months and especially at dawn (5-8 am) and at dusk (6-9 pm)."

"If you see one deer beside the road, slow down," Richmond says. "Deer typically travel in groups, so the appearance of one approaching or crossing a road or a highway often indicates others' presence nearby. Since the deer don't know any better, don't think of it as deer crossing the road; think of it as the road crossing the forest."

According to OSHP D-V crash data, November is the peak month for such collisions, representing 23% of Ohio's D-V crashes. Richland County had just 18 D-V crashes in September of 2020 but that number jumped to 61 in October, 102 in November and 52 in December.

Should a collision appear imminent, OSHP authorities urge drivers not to swerve. Colliding with a deer is generally less hazardous than veering into opposing traffic or losing control and running off the road.

If you hit a deer in your path, you will not be ticketed. However, if you have a crash after swerving to avoid a deer, you may be cited for failure to control.

After dark, use high beams when there's no opposing traffic. High beams illuminate the eyes of deer on or near a roadway and provide greater motorist reaction time. But don't rely solely on high beams to deter collisions.

Wear your seat belt: As required by state law and drive at a safe, sensible speed for conditions. Deer are unpredictable and can dart out into traffic on busy highways.

Don't rely on deer avoidance devices. Deer whistles and special reflectors that are marketed to scare deer away are not proven to reduce collisions, and may lull drivers into a false sense of security.

After a collision with a deer, move the vehicle to a safe place: Preferably off the road and turn on your hazard lights. Contact law enforcement for medical and traffic control assistance, if needed.

Use your phone and take pictures of everything including injured animals, vehicle damage, other property damage and injuries sustained. Obtain contact info on witnesses. Don't touch an injured animal, it may scare them and cause additional chance of injury.

Check for fluid leaks, tire damage, broken lights, heavy damage to the hood or front end, etc. If in doubt, call for a tow truck. Report the D-V collision to a local law enforcement agency such as OSHP, within 24 hours.

Those who want to pick up a deer they killed in a collision, may take possession of the deer by law as long as the collision is reported to a game protector or other law enforcement within 24 hours. The protector or officer will then investigate and issue a certificate. It is illegal to take a deer carcass without reporting it.

Contact your company or insurance agent if you plan to file a comprehensive claim.

OSU-M Maple day on October 9 features free breakfast

The Ohio State University at Mansfield will participate in the 2021 International Fall into Maple Tour from 10 am to 6 pm on Saturday, Oct. 9.

Taking place on the Mansfield campus, the event features a free pancake breakfast, tours of the maple woods and the opportunity to purchase Ohio State Mansfield maple syrup, all while listening to the Ohio State vs. Maryland football game.

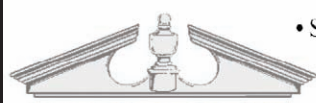
The event begins with a free pancake breakfast from 10

am to noon, next to the maple woods in parking lot #8. This will serve as a tailgate breakfast for the game that starts at noon.

The maple wood tours continue throughout the day and give visitors the chance to meet the Ohio State maple team, tour the research sugarbush and see new maple educational materials.

For more information visit the website at u.osu.edu/ohiomaple.

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October is Safe Sleep and SIDS Awareness Month

October is Safe Sleep and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) Awareness Month and Richland County Children Services (RCCS), is working to educate parents and caregivers about how to keep infant children safe while sleeping.

According to the CDC, sudden unexpected infant death (SUID) is a term used to describe the sudden and unexpected death of a baby less than 1 year old in which the cause was not obvious before investigation. These deaths often happen during sleep or in the baby's sleep area. Sudden unexpected infant deaths include SIDS, accidental suffocation in a sleeping environment, and other deaths from unknown causes.

Each year in the United States, nearly 3,500 infants die in unsafe sleep environments. Every week in Ohio 3 babies die a day in unsafe sleep environments.

A Safe Sleep environment can help reduce the risks of SIDS and other sleep related causes of infant death, like suffocation. RCCS recommends following the ABC's of Safe Sleep:

- Alone – The safest way for babies to sleep is alone in their own bed and not sharing a bed or co-sleeping with their parents, other children, or animals. There should be

no pillows, blankets, toys, clothing, sleep positioners, bumper pads, or other items in the baby's sleep area.

- Back – Babies should always be placed to sleep on their backs every time they are put to sleep! This is important for naps, nighttime sleep, sleep after feedings, and when other caregivers are putting the baby to sleep. A baby who normally sleeps on its back but is then placed on its stomach to sleep is at an especially high risk of SIDS.

- Crib – Babies should be placed to sleep on a firm, flat sleep surface, such as a mattress in a safety-approved crib. The mattress should only have a fitted sheet on it. Babies should never sleep in adult beds, on couches, or anywhere that is not a safety-approved crib or bassinet.

Sleep-related deaths are preventable and RCCS is offering parents and caregivers the information they need to keep their babies safe.

For more information and weekly updates visit www.richlandcountychildrenservices.com and <https://www.facebook.com/RichlandCountyChildrenServices> Call the Richland County Children Services 24-hour child abuse hotline at 419-774-4100 to report child abuse and neglect.



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FIREFIGHTER ZAC ARNOLD and firefighter Tim Hall of Madison Township stand ready to provide services at the Madison football game.

Mechanics Bank employees promoted

Mechanics Bank has announced the following promotions:

Amanda Boyce has been promoted to Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. She joined Mechanics in 2019 as a Private Banker and later served as a Human Resources Specialist. She is currently the Assistant Human Resources Manager.

Marc Contrascere has been promoted to Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. He joined Mechanics in 2020 and serves as the Facilities Manager.

Abigail Dillinger has been promoted to Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. She joined Mechanics in 2016 as a Customer Service Representative and later served as a Customer Service Specialist prior to her current role of Investment Services Sales Assistant. She holds an Associate degree from North Central State College.

Rebecca Dlesk has been promoted to Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. She joined Mechanics in 2017 as a Customer Service Representative and later served as a Customer Service Specialist (CSS) and Senior CSS prior to her current position as the Assistant Branch Manager of the Shelby office.

Kent Hall has been promoted to Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. He joined Mechanics in 2016 as a Customer Service Specialist (CSS) prior to his current position of Senior CSS.

Chelsea Strouse has been promoted to Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. She joined Mechanics in 2016 as a Customer Service Representative prior to her current position of Customer Service Specialist. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Mount Vernon Nazarene University.

Michael Ward has been promoted to Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. He joined Mechanics in 2016 as a Customer Service Representative (CSR) and later served as a Senior CSR prior to his current position of Trust Support Specialist. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Ashland University.

Olivia Weimer has been promoted to Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. She joined Mechanics in 2019 as a Customer Service Representative and currently serves as an Information Security Specialist.

Mechanics Bank is Richland County's only independent, community bank with nine locations in Richland County.



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THE RICHLAND COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, with Jodie Perry officiating, welcomed and helped dedicate the newly renovated Buckeye Community School in Mansfield with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Tuesday, Sept. 21. Perry and Pete Bartkowiak of New Leaf Organization, were the principle speakers at the ceremony which was live streamed on the Chamber's Facebook page. Buckeye Community School is a drop out prevention, credit recovery public high school for students up to the age of 22. The school is located at 1404 Park Avenue West, Mansfield, just east of Home Rd. One of the unique features at Buckeye is that enrolling students stay with the same instructor through graduation.

Special meeting scheduled to replace council member

Due to the resignation of Michelle Webb, City of Ontario Second Ward Council Member, a meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 14, in accordance with ORC 731.43 to name her replacement.

This appointment term ends Dec. 31, 2023. Councilwoman Webb resigned effective Sept. 3, 2021.

This meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. at the K. E. McCartney Memorial Building at 16 S. Park St., Mansfield.

The meeting is open to the public, but only the Democratic Central Committee persons within the City of Ontario may vote on this appointment.

Fall Hike for Health is set for October 16

Richland Public Health's "Fall Hike for Health" is Saturday, Oct. 16, at Malabar Farm State Park and Gorman Nature Center in Mansfield. The fall hikes are in their 20th year at Malabar Farm State Park and sixth year at Gorman Nature Center after taking a year away due to COVID restrictions.

Enjoy the beauty of Ohio's fall colors at both locations with hikes through the woods from 9 am to noon. Hikes are self-guided with suggested start times by 11 am.

Hikes are on easy trails so everyone in the family can participate. Hikes starting at either Malabar Farm State Park (4050 Bromfield Rd.) and Gorman Nature Center (2295 Lexington Avenue) generally last a half hour to one hour. Adults must accompany children on hikes. Dogs are permitted but must be on a leash.

A special guided hike called "Murder and Mayhem Up Ferguson Way" will be held at 10 am, leaving from the Visitor's Center. Guide Nelson Shogren describes it this way: "Take a guided tour on the old Ferguson Road at Malabar Farm to see how a lovesick daughter, Louis Bromfield, and Hollywood each made this a road of murder and mayhem all within one-half mile. The under-3-mile hike will also include a stop at Ferguson Falls." It's a perfect pre-Halloween hiking adventure.

All hikers are encouraged to check in at the visitor's center at Malabar Farm before starting their hikes. You will find maps of the walking trails as well as snacks and bottled water for before or after your hike. Gorman Nature Center's main building may be closed that day, but the trails are open and well-marked.

Hiking is promoted as a healthy form of exercise by Richland Public Health. Since the Oct. 16 hike will be held rain or shine, participants are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather. Sturdy hiking boots are recommended as the trail conditions may be somewhat slippery. For more information call 419-774-4761.

Lions pancake day returns

The Ontario Lions Pancake Day will be held Saturday, Nov. 6, from 6:30 am to noon at Ontario High School.

Tickets are \$5 and children six and under eat free. For advance tickets, contact an Ontario Lions member.

Door prizes will be donated by local businesses. Winners do not need to be present to win.