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## Richland County Veteran Service Commission hosts veterans benefits luncheon in Ontario

Photos and Article By Traci Little

The Richland County Veteran Service Commission held a free lunch at The Golden Corral in Ontario on Wednesday, Oct. 13. Ken Estep and Josh Hurrell were the presenters.

I was honored to sit with ninety-two-year-old Charlie Augustine and his wife Wanda of Mansfield. Charlie was drafted into the Vietnam war in 1952. He was separated from his dear wife for a long, homesick year apart. They would write letters back and forth to keep the communication going.

Wanda delivered their child while Charlie was overseas serving. She stayed with her mother while he was away, staying busy with a newborn baby, and she got a job in town. When I asked Wanda if she had any letters of correspondence saved from those years long ago, her response made me giggle. Wanda stated, "No, I don't have any letters. We got into a huge fight, and I burned all his letters! I was so mad at him, and I don't even remember what the fight was about."

Charlie and Wanda will celebrate 70 years of marriage on May 30 of next year. When asked what the secret to a long-lasting marriage is, they said "a whole lot of patience!" What Charlie remembers most about his year in Vietnam is learning how to make a bed properly and driving a massive tractor trailer down the Autobahn in Germany delivering food to the troops.

Richland County Veterans Service Commission's mission is to provide a courteous, professional service to their eligible veterans and families. Their role is to assist them with the applications to any federal, state and local benefits to which they may be eligible for under law and in accordance with established policies and procedures. To find out more about what the office provides, visit <https://www.richlandcountyvets.org/service-department/>

One of the members shared how she went to a national convention and heard horror stories about the way their local offices are run. She teared up saying, "Here in Richland County, we have one of the best Veterans Service Commission offices nationwide!" The biggest takeaway from this benefits lunch was that



**KEN ESTEP** speaks during The Richland County Veteran Service Commission lunch at The Golden Corral in Ontario on Oct. 13

veterans who have been denied claims in the past should not give up! Those in need of assistance should visit the Richland County Veterans Service Commission right away. The commission has five service officers, certified and trained by the Ohio Department of Veterans Services available to help. Ohio is the only state that provides such comprehensive support and services to its veterans, active-duty personnel and their dependents. The commission is located at 597 Park Avenue East, Madison area. For information call 419-774-5822.

Lorie Fourhman also presented and talked about the Richland Veteran Mentor Program. This program was birthed from the desire to avoid the red tape involved with interacting with the court system. Richland Veteran Mentor Program has been formed to help someone save their own life. This elite, one-on-one mentoring program is one of a kind. Trained volunteers work side-by-side with these once proud members of our society.

"Leave no one behind", is their duty then, and just as importantly, now. At RVMP they are honored to heed this great calling. Those who would like to join to help others by telling their story and those who know of any transitioning veteran in need, in or out of the criminal justice system, can contact RVMP directly at 419-524-0733 ext. 233. They are located at 2 Smith Ave., Mansfield.

There is a beautiful section of Mansfield Cemetery created to honor our veterans. Veterans Honor Grounds of Mansfield Cemetery will hold a special service next year. On Memorial day, 2022, there will be a special dedication ceremony at 2 pm. There were 125 veterans that didn't have headstones. Over the past three years, the Veterans Service Commission has worked tirelessly to get these headstones put in. \$86,000 went towards this important effort. They've also worked on getting another 23 rows of footers placed.

During World War I, American ground troops were transported to the battle front on French trains with boxcars stenciled with 40/8, which denoted their capacity to hold either 40 men or eight horses. This was chosen as the symbolic representation of the 40 et 8 Club of Mansfield.

The 29-foot wooden boxcar was built on a 1952 bus chassis. In 1974, the boxcar was refitted with an International V-8 gas engine and automatic gearbox.

In August 2021, the 40 et 8 boxcar left Mansfield, headed to the Motts Military Museum in Groveport. Several members of the 40 et 8 gathered at Kuhn Brothers Inc. and coordinated the trip.

The life-size red boxcar is best known for its appearance at parades and other patriotic events. The boxcar made its final public appearance in late July at the Shiloh Ox Roast.

About a dozen members remain in the local outfit. To be a member, a person must be an honorably discharged U.S. Armed Forces veteran, or be serving in an active, reserve or National Guard component.

Pat James-Hasser, the Chef de Gare of Voiture 20, created a more feasible one-day bus tour for Veterans who felt they couldn't make the longer three-day trip that Richland County Honor Bus does. On Sept. 23, they had their first trip together. These honored veterans had a

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Photo provided by Pat James-Hasser

**THE 40 ET 8 CLUB OF MANSFIELD** donated its boxcar to the Motts Military Museum in Groveport this past August. The boxcar was a well-known piece in many local parades.

## Ontario board approves land purchase on PAW

The Ontario Local Schools Board of Education met Tuesday, Oct. 12.

OHS Warrior Leadership Committee members Elie Maurer, Jaslyn Ly and Alejandro Carriazal Ramos gave a presentation on the group's accomplishments and future plans. Mr. Ream, assistant superintendent, then gave an update on curriculum, instruction and assessments.

The board approved the purchase of two lots located at 3588 Park Avenue West for \$35,000.

Employment was granted for extracurricular/supplemental personnel for the 2021-'22 school year. Positions went to Nick Miller, head middle school wrestling coach, \$2,993; Matt Dille, volunteer high school wrestling coach, \$0; Paul Webb, boys varsity assistant coach, \$3,120; Audrey Stormont, volunteer eighth grade girls basketball coach, \$0; and Keith Wright, volunteer high school swim coach, \$0.

A resignation was accepted from Kellie Ritchey, middle school Academic Challenge advisor, effective Sept. 25.

A substitute pay rate increase went into effect Monday, Sept. 20. Contracted employee/sub out of class increased from \$11 to \$13 and sub/secretary/aide/cook increased from \$10 to \$12.

Tara Sanders was approved as a permanent substitute bus driver effective Monday, Sept. 27, through the remainder of the 2021-'22 school year at \$11,388.42 (no paid holidays or inservice days, no benefits).

Stipend payments were approved for board members for their participation at OSBA Capital Conference, Nov. 7-9, 2021.

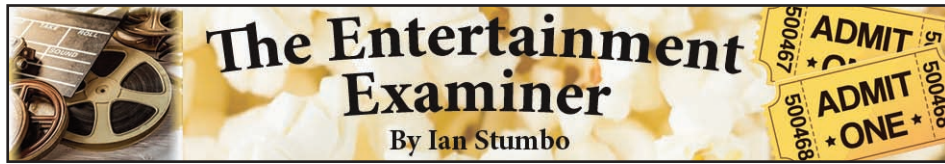
Payment stipends went to Jodi Cooper-Wentz, \$1,000, coordinating a fall staff book study and \$1,000 for coordinating a spring staff book study (both from Federal Grant Funds); and Brendan Cain, \$1,000 for OMS Esports Club (general fund).

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**Charlie and Wanda Augustine**





## The Entertainment Examiner

By Ian Stumbo

*Halloween Kills* is the second movie in this new Halloween trilogy that is taking place directly after John Carpenter's 1978 original film and discards everything that has come after. This movie essentially opens where the 2018 reimagining left off.

Laurie Strode (Jamie Lee Curtis) thought she killed Michael Myers in her house that is burning to the ground. As she is driven to the hospital and has major surgery, Myers survives the fire and starts a series of brutal killings along the way. The young boy that Jamie used to babysit named Tommy Doyle (Anthony Michael Hall) brings the town of Haddonfield together to face this unstoppable killer once and for all.



movie are much more brutal than the others as this version of Michael is much more relentless than the silent killer he has been portrayed as before.

The movie also brings back familiar faces including the original Sheriff Brackett (Charles Cyphers) and the young girl Laurie used to babysit named Lindsey (Kyle Richards). The movie is a good entry but not as good as the 2018 film and there is too much time used to tell the story of a town with a mob mentality instead of moving Laurie's story forward, though she does spend the entire film in the hospital.

*Halloween Kills* is not awful by any means and has some memorable scenes but feels more like a middle of the pack installment compared to others in this long running, and still very profitable, horror franchise.

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



The Halloween films are a personal favorite of mine but like any film series this one has its share of hits and misses. The 2018 installment was quite good with some nice call backs to other films and a terrific performance by Curtis. This middle installment (the trilogy will end with *Halloween Ends* sometime in the next year or two) does a decent job of setting events up for a final showdown between Laurie and Michael. The kills in this

## Richland Gives registration open

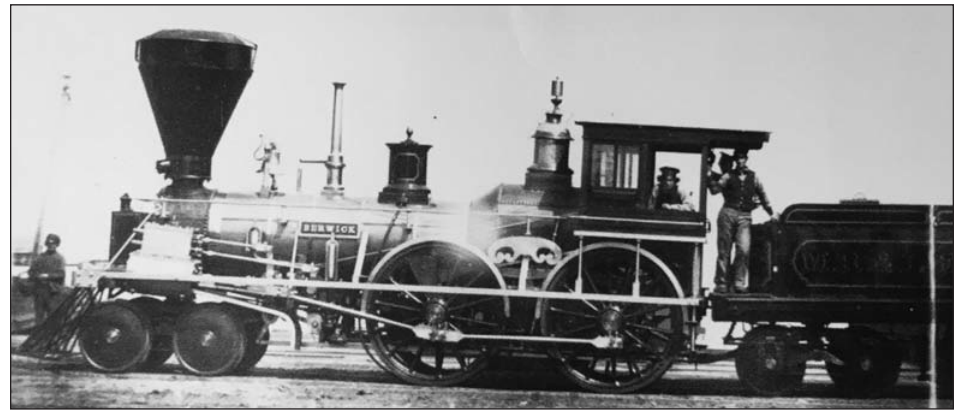
Richland Gives registration for Richland County based nonprofit organizations is open through Oct. 31. It is free; however, nonprofit organizations must register each year. This is the seventh year for Richland Gives which is hosted by the Richland County Foundation. Since its inception in 2015, Richland 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

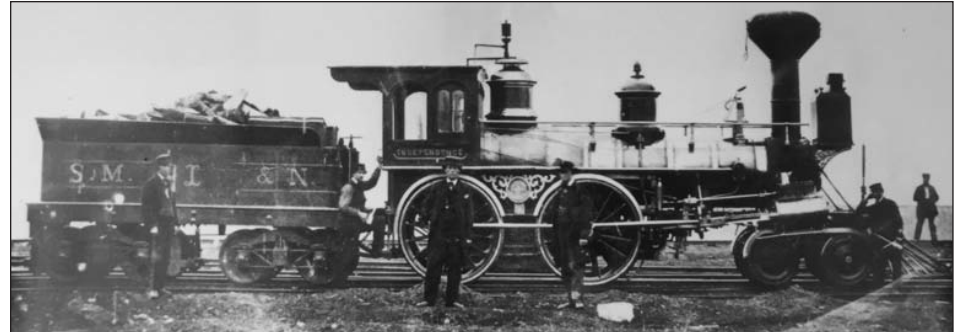
make the community stronger. Each organization will have an individualized web page to promote their cause. The success of the event will depend on our collective enthusiasm and implementation.

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.

For more information or to donate go to [richlandgives.org](http://richlandgives.org). The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization, 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 RODGERS** engine "Berwick" was named after the crossroad village Berwick in Seneca County.



**ONE OF FIVE SM&N** locomotives bought in 1851, the Independence was named after what is now Butler. The engine Lexington was of similar design.

## When Locomotives Wore Names

By Bob Carter

In the early years of the Sandusky, Mansfield, Newark Railroad there was a shortage of locomotives. Trains and freight on the line had greatly increased by the 1851 merger of the Sandusky Mansfield & Newark Railroad and the Columbus & Lake Erie Railroad, which led to a huge problem.

The Columbus at Lake Erie did not have a single locomotive or car. With the increase of 116 miles of track, even more locomotives, passenger and freight cars were needed. In 1851 the line purchased seven new engines from Rodgers, Ketchum and Grosvenor in Baltimore, Maryland. These new engines cost \$15,384 each.

Each locomotive was given a name after a town along the line. The new engines were all of a 4-4-0 wheel arrangement (4 driving wheels and 4 front guiding truck wheels) and were named as follows: Plymouth, Lexington, Independence (Butler) Utica, Frederick, Shelby and Sandusky.

Two years later the SM&N bought two more "heavy" 30-ton engines with a 4-6-0 wheel arrangement for \$22,100 each. They were named the Mohican and Hocking.

A rail line was extended south of Newark to coal fields. The line then owned seventeen locomotives. But this was not enough to save the loosing railroad. The line was built on a 5' 4" gauge (distance between the rails) instead of the 4' 9" "Ohio" gauge.

A very expensive conversion was made to their rails (116 miles) and every locomotive and car was rebuilt to match the gauge of all other rail lines. But soon many of their cars were loaded with freight and sent off to distant cities.

They suddenly had a severe shortage of cars on their own rail line. This led to the heavily in debt line to be leased to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad in 1869.

The SM&N always bought their locomotives from Rodgers, Ketchum & Grosvenor who made good for the time engines.

At Sandusky, the Mad River and Lake Erie Railroad (from Sandusky thru Marion to near Cincinnati) also used a Sandusky terminal. They also bought Rodgers engines but each line added their own build requirements. The MR&LE gave their engines names, not numbers.

## Art workshop to be held at Richland Academy

A collage workshop is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 6 from 10 am to 3 pm at Richland Academy. The workshop is for those ages 16 and older and will be taught by certified art therapist and instructor Jacy Warrick.

Students will walk through the process of creating a collage from start to finish, including preparation and sealing of the final piece. Creation of a collage involves the application of various materials, including paints, different types of paper, cloth, stamps, beads and other materials

to a surface to create an image.

There will be an hour break for lunch from 12-1 pm. This workshop is open to adults of all ages and abilities.

"This workshop is meant to inspire creativity and establish an outlet for self-expression for adults," says Marianne Cooper, Executive Director at Richland Academy. "Part of our mission is to bring arts education to students of all ages and backgrounds."

To register call 419-522-8224 or visit [www.richlandacademy.com](http://www.richlandacademy.com)

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**APPLE HILL ORCHARDS**, 1175 Lexington-Ontario Rd., Mansfield, is open seven days a week and offers an abundance of items. Along with their famous apple donuts and other baked goods, the orchard offers local raw honey, fresh pressed apple cider, jams and jellies, apple butter, pumpkins, apples, soups, spices, muffin and pancake mixes, maple and other syrups, granola, popcorn and snacks, candy, coffee, meat, cheese, pickles and local seasonal produce including tomatoes, peppers, zucchini, onions, garlic and squash. Home items include soaps, Crossroads Candles, home decor, baskets from Africa, jewelry and cook books. Among their more unique selections are strawberry butter, bacon jam and hot pepper butter. A menu including a variety of lattes and hot drinks are also available. During the fall, Apple Hill also offers wagon rides on the weekends from 11 am to 4 pm and a pumpkin patch is available for picking. For more information call 419-884-1500 or visit [www.applehillorchards.com](http://www.applehillorchards.com).

# News Briefs

Impact Church 160 Woodruff Rd., Mansfield will host a trunk or treat event on Monday, Oct. 25, from 5:30-7:30 pm.

There will be inflatables, a fire pit, games and food.

For information call 419-886-9964 or visit [www.impactwc.com](http://www.impactwc.com). The church is located off of Rt. 13 near Bellville.



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.



A Meet the Candidates Night for the Madison Board of Education will be held Wednesday, Oct. 27 immediately following the board of education meeting in the middle school auditoria.

This year, there are four candidates Mary Kotterman, Adam Porter, Amy Walker and Tim Wigton, vying for three board seats. Each candidate will answer questions posed by Madison High School students. These questions have been created by Madison students and community members. Those who have a question for the candidates can submit to Kim Boehm at [KBoehm@madisonrams.net](mailto:KBoehm@madisonrams.net) for consideration.



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.



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.



The Richland County Democratic Party will host a candidate luncheon Oct. 20, at the McCartney/Reid Building, 16 S. Park St. Mansfield. Aurelio Diaz, candidate for Mansfield City Council 5th Ward will be the guest speaker. Lunch begins at 11:30 am, Mr. Diaz will speak at noon. Social distancing guidelines will be observed and masks are required.



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](mailto:youthscholarshio@vfw.org).



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.



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.

The drive-thru will be along the upper part of Liberty Park. Nyte Flyte Entertainment will play spooky, fun music 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 [asingleton@ci.mansfield.oh.us](mailto:asingleton@ci.mansfield.oh.us) or [mansfieldcityparks@gmail.com](mailto:mansfieldcityparks@gmail.com).



Ridgeway Church of God, 1380 Park Avenue East, Madison Township, will host a Trunk or Treat event on Sunday, Oct. 31, from 3-4 pm. From 3-3:20, there will be treats in the parking lot and from 3:20-4 pm there will be an obstacle course, cider and more.

In the event of rain, all activities will be moved indoors. Please stay home if you are sick, have a fever are coughing etc. For more information call 419-589-5385.



Help is needed to harvest the produce and clean up Liberty Garden in Mansfield. A great amount of food is being taken to

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## Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

October 11-17

Lawrence Burman Adams, 88, Mansfield, October 11, 2021  
 Kathy Ann Dumm, 59, Mansfield, October 11, 2021  
 Terri Michelle Whaley, 64, Mansfield, October 10, 2021  
 Lavata Clayborn, 85, Mansfield, October 3, 2021  
 Russel D. Rinto, 71, Mansfield, October 9, 2021  
 Rachel Marie Stump, 19, Mansfield, October 12, 2021  
 Joseph M. Strickland, 43, Mansfield, October 10, 2021  
 Sally Jo Blakeman, 69, New Boston, October 12, 2021  
 Stephen B. Kiser, 64, Crestline, October 12, 2021  
 Willis "Rick" Cyrus, 70, Mansfield, October 13, 2021  
 Kathy Jan Ross, 64, Mansfield, October 14, 2021  
 Portia A. Bowman, 88, Mansfield, October 14, 2021  
 Blake Austin Hess, 21, Mansfield, October 11, 2021  
 Jack Carlton Oberlin Sr., 92, Mansfield, October 14, 2021  
 Olive Nina Horton, 79, Mansfield, October 16, 2021  
 Bertha Alene Perry, 91, Mansfield, October 16, 2021

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[www.wappner.com](http://www.wappner.com)



Photo by Brandon Chambers

## Pumpkin Glow continues at Kingwood

Kingwood Center Gardens will once again be aglow with the lights of jack-o'-lanterns this fall at the Great Pumpkin Glow. Now entering its ninth year, the glow is back for two weekends in October.

The event is open from 5-10 pm on Saturdays and 5-9 pm on Sundays, Oct. 16-17 and 23-24.

Timed tickets to this all-weather event are available at [kingwoodcenter.org](http://kingwoodcenter.org) for \$10 or \$8 for members. Children six and younger are admitted free.

With the addition of Kingwood's new Garden Gateway visitor center and garden features, visitors can stroll Kingwood's 47 acres decked with displays of glowing pumpkins as they enjoy live music, local food trucks, Greenhouse Glow, Lil' Carvers Carnival, fall market, a Scarecrow Row

walking path and more.

Parking is at nearby Mansfield Senior High School parking lots with event entry through the Linden Rd. gate only. Attendees should plan on arriving at least 15 minutes prior to their ticket time to allow for walking to the admission gate. Limited shuttles will be available for handicap parking. Kingwood will be open 5-10 pm during Pumpkin Glow and will close on Mondays, Oct. 18 and 25.

In the days prior to the glow, guests can carve pumpkins on site at a community pumpkin carving, Oct. 14-15 and 21-22, noon to 6 pm. Participants can carve pumpkins that will become part of the lit pumpkin pathway. Carvers receive free admission to the gardens and all materials are provided.

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# Church Directory

### **Bunkerhill Baptist Church**

3340 St. Rt. 97, Butler • 567-430-9002  
 Pastor Thomas Crank  
 11 am Sunday Worship  
 10 am Sunday School  
 Bible Study 7 pm Wednesdays

### **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  
 10:30 am Sunday Worship

### **Risen Savior Lutheran Church**

1685 Lexington Ave., Mansfield • 419-775-1175  
 Pastor Brad Wright • [risensaviormansfield.com](http://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  
 Sunday Worship 10:15 am  
 Bible Study: Please check the website for current schedule  
[ontarioumc.com](http://ontarioumc.com)

### **St. Paul Mansfield Lutheran - ELCA**

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 2010 Park Avenue West • 419-529-4351  
 Pastor Jonathan Stuftt  
 Sunday Worship 9 am  
[www.stpaulmansfield.org](http://www.stpaulmansfield.org)

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

25 Church St., Bellville  
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## •Commission hosts luncheon

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blast reliving their military memories with others that understood their language and thoughts. They exchanged stories, ate some good food and had some great laughs together.

Their first stop was at the National Veterans Memorial and Museum. Our Vietnam Era Veterans were recognized and pinned for their service. Afterwards, they went on to Motts Military Museum. At this museum, they cover pre-Revolutionary War through current day. They have the largest collection of 9/11 vehicles. Voiture 20 knew that by giving the boxcar to this museum that it would be well loved and appreciated.

Lunch was catered at the museum. Sponsors were American Legion Post 535, Bellville Ohio; Voiture 20 40 et 8, Jared Mansfield NSDAR and John Mackintosh Chapter of the National Society Colonial

Dames XVII.

In 2022, a trip is planned to the National Museum of the Air Force in Dayton. Contact Pat James-Hasser by email at pj\_herbs@yahoo.com or by phone 419-688-1543 for more information. Donations are welcome towards the next trip.



## •Ontario board approves land purchase

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The resignation of Judy Schnug, guidance secretary, was approved, effective Dec. 31, 2021. Schnug will perform consultation services, as needed, to the new guidance secretary at \$25 per hour, effective Jan. 1, 2022 to May 31, 2022. The board also approve the revised job description for the guidance secretary.

Donations were accepted from Directions Credit Union, Ontario Branch to Stingel Elementary, \$700; State Farm Insurance, football, \$500; State Farm Insurance, band, \$500; State Farm Insurance, weight room, \$500; State Farm Insurance, Substance Abuse Program, \$250; State Farm Insurance, cross country, \$250; and VFW of Ohio Charities, jazz band, \$750.

Richland County Retired Teachers' Association presented a \$150 grant for Kelli Eddleblute.

A Commercial Card Resolution will authorize a Master Card provided by The Huntington National Bank.

The board approved revised bylaw and

now board policies including participation at board meetings, evaluation of principals and other administrators, weapons, the College Credit Plus Program, eligibility of resident/nonresident students, educational opportunity for military children, attendance, student mental health and suicide prevention, student hazing, Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports and Limited Use of Restraint and Seclusion, cost principles and spending federal funds, Disposition of real property/personal property, bonding, property inventory, student records, school safety, student abuse and neglect, transportation and nonroutine use of school buses.

Facility requests were approved and the board reviewed and discussed COVID-19 protocols. No changes were made to the current protocols.

The board also discussed May 2022 levy options.

The next regular board meeting will be held Tuesday, Nov. 9, at 7 pm in the Ontario High School Library.

## Haunted Trail returning to Ontario

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 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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**MARK GATTON**  
**JEFFERSON TWP. TRUSTEE**

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- Township roads have never been better or safer (with more work to be done)
- We have an excellent road crew and fire service leadership; in part, because of diligent hiring practices
- We consistently have successful audits
- Perpetual year end fund balance carryover
- Good working relationships with county officials and neighboring boards of trustees
- Timely responses to township concerns/problems
- I am a courteous, effective servant to anyone seeking my help
- Over 19 years of experience as one of your Jefferson Township Trustees
- Much of the above would not be possible without other conscientious trustees, fiscal officers, road crews and fire/EMS leadership and volunteers, both past and present

**"I have a sincere willingness to continue serving Jefferson Township. I have always appreciated your past support and respectfully ask for your vote."**

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Re-Elect **PAUL GLEISINGER**  
for Springfield Township Trustee

Over the last four years as an incumbent Springfield Township Trustee, we have an estimated cost savings of \$1,081,838.50. This includes health care costs, covid relief, grants and agreements with local hospitals and other townships. Please honor me with your vote on **Nov. 2, 2021**, so that I may continue as a good steward of your tax dollars.

—Thank you, Paul Gleisinger  
See my Facebook page: Paul Gleisinger for Springfield Township Trustee



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## Understanding why it's important for residents to go to the polls on Nov. 2

By Traci Little

As voters prepare for the Nov. 2 election, many nearby townships will have trustee elections on their ballot. Although this information was provided by Springfield Township, the responsibilities expressed in this article are reflected in trustee positions around the state.

### What Do Trustees Do?

Do you know what your local trustees do for you? Like many, you may be unaware of what they do and the important role they play in your community.

Boards of township trustees are composed of three elected trustees and one fiscal officer responsible for governing the day-to-day management of the township. They are elected to four-year terms commencing on Jan. 1 following the November election.

Trustees are responsible for:

- Roads: Provide and maintain township roads including paving, repairs, snow removal and weed control.
- Fire Protection: Township fire departments can be staffed with full-time, part-time, or volunteer firefighters, or a combination of all three.
- Cemeteries: Managing cemeteries and their plots.
- Parks and Recreation: Establishing and operating parks, keeping them up to date, clean and managed.
- Zoning: Regulating the use of land and buildings and controlling the development

of their own territory

•Personnel: Township trustees can appoint and hire employees and execute the duties and functions of the township, providing for wages and benefits.

Now that you know all of the important decisions these men and women make on your behalf, it is important that you make your vote count! As a taxpayer of your township, YOU CHOOSE who you think is most fit to make all of these important decisions.

Do your research and elect individuals that are willing to be servant leaders, honest, and humble enough to listen to your concerns.

The roads you drive on, the fire fighters and EMS that show up to your loved one's front door, and the parks your grandchildren play their sports on, all need careful attention to. Making important financial decisions and investing into these areas takes discernment and a vision for the future of a township.

Voters will make their decisions heard on Nov. 2. It is vital that everyone make their vote count. In the title Trustee, is the word "trust."

Not only are good leaders trustworthy, but a great leader inspires trust in those below them. Words and actions must always match up, or there will be a breakdown in the chain of command.

Make it a priority on Nov. 2 to vote for your next trustees!



Photos by Traci Little

**DON DAUGHERTY AND TERRY THOMPSON**, two candidates running for Springfield Township Trustees, talked with residents at The Cove in Ontario on Oct. 16. They met a young firefighter named Tegan (right photo) who lit up the room with his smile. Daugherty and Thompson will be at The Cove again on Oct. 30, from 8-10 am and 1-3 pm to meet with residents of the township. Food and refreshments will be provided, paid for by the Springfield Township Professional Fire Fighters L-3849. The Cove Coffee Shop & Pizza Company is located at 325 Shelby-Ontario Rd.

## Foundation sets up a Gift of Grain Fund, awards \$1,475,213 in grants

The Richland County Foundation Board of Trustees approved setting up a new fund and \$1,475,213 in grants to area nonprofit organizations during its October meeting.

A Gift of Grain Fund was established by the Board to accept donations from area farmers, and it provided an initial \$15,000 to seed the fund. Farmers looking to minimize their tax liability and contribute to their community can donate crops to the Foundation at a local elevator.

The foundation will work in partnership with local farmers to award grants to agriculture related nonprofit organizations such as 4H and FFA. Farmers should consult with their tax advisor to determine whether a donation of commodities is appropriate to their tax situation.

For details on how to make a Gift of Grain, go to [richlandcountyfoundation.org](http://richlandcountyfoundation.org) and click on the "Giving" tab.

The board awarded a grant to partially fund a senior housing complex planned by the Area Agency on Aging District 5. The funds used for this grant were the Community Fund and the Gorman Fund.

The Ritter's Run project on Ohio St. in Mansfield is a ranch-style apartment complex designed to serve low-income adults ages 55 and older. The handicap accessible development will include support services, affordable rent, utilities, appliances, and off-street parking.

The board approved a grant from a donor-advised fund to Catholic Charities for two of its programs; the 3E program, Empower, Encourage and Engage, and Adult Advocacy Services.

The 3E program assists individuals to overcome barriers to employment. Adult Advocacy Services provides guardianship services to older adults who have been deemed incompetent, have a diagnosed incapacity, and do not have family

members to advocate on their behalf to protect them against abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

The Board of Trustees approved additional grants from donor advised funds to meet emerging needs to the following organizations:

American Red Cross, Area Agency on Aging District 5, Backcountry Concerts, Inc., Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, Crestview Local School District, City of Mansfield, Forgotten Felines of Richland County, Friends of the Richland County Park District, Heaven's Gait Therapeutic Riding, Humane Society of Richland County, Idea Works, Kingwood Center Gardens, Little Buckeye Children's Museum, Lucas Community Center, Madison Adult Education, Madison Local School District, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Mansfield Area Y, Mansfield Art Center, Mansfield City Schools, Mary McLeod Bethune Intervention and Enrichment Center, Mid-Ohio Civic Opera, Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center, Monroe Township, North End Community Improvement Collaborative, Ohio Bird Sanctuary, Ohio Genealogical Society, Ohio State University-Mansfield, Pioneer Career and Technology Center, Plymouth Area Historical Society, Project One, Raemelon Therapeutic Equestrian Center, Reinhardt University, Renaissance Performing Arts, Resurrection Parish, Richland Academy of the Arts, Richland County Soil and Water Conservation District, St. Peter's Parish and School, Shelby YMCA, Soldiers and Sailors Museum, Village of Bellville and Waleska United Methodist Church.

The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization, 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.

 **Endorsed by Fire Fighters**

**for SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE**



**Don Daugherty**



**Terry Thompson**

**Come Meet the Candidates at The Cove!**



**October 30**

**8:00-10:00 a.m. & 1:00-3:00 p.m.**



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# ONTARIO LOCAL SCHOOLS MENU

## BREAKFAST

- Monday: Apple cinnamon muffin, fruit juice
- Tuesday: Whole grain mini pancakes, fruit juice
- Wednesday: Cream cheese filled bagel, fruit juice
- Thursday: Whole grain cinni mini roll, fruit juice
- Friday: Two whole grain pop tarts, fruit juice

## LUNCH WEEK OF OCTOBER 25

- Monday: Cheeseburger, potato rounds, pickles, peaches
- Tuesday: Chicken patty sandwich, green beans, pears, cookie bar
- Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, broccoli with cheese, apple cinnamon loaf, applesauce
- Thursday: Sloppy joe, sweet potato rounds, mixed fruit, granola bar
- Friday: Pepperoni pizza calzone, black beans, string cheese, orange sherbet

## LUNCH WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1

- Monday: Corn dog, baked beans, potato chips, peaches and pears mix
- Tuesday: Bosco sticks with marinara sauce, carrot sticks, sidekick juice, Goldfish Grahams
- Wednesday: Chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes with gravy, roll with butter, applesauce
- Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, romaine salad, bread sticks, pears
- Friday: Taco salad, green beans, pineapple, cookie

## LUNCH WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8

- Monday: Chicken/cheese quesadilla, cheese sauce cup, black beans, strawberries
- Tuesday: Shredded chicken sandwich, cucumber slices, mandarin oranges, pudding cup
- Wednesday: French toast sticks, sausage links, hash brown, orange juice
- Thursday: Tomato soup, toasted cheese sandwich, pickle, peaches
- Friday: Pepperoni pizza, romaine salad, apple crisp, ice cream cup

## LUNCH WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15

- Monday: Beef bean burrito, pretzel bites with cheese, broccoli, pears
- Tuesday: Submarine sandwich, cauliflower, corn chips, spiced apples
- Wednesday: Hot dog/coney, sweet potato fries, fruit juice, Jello cup
- Thursday: Turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed fruit, pumpkin dream pie
- Friday: Chicken finger wrap, lettuce and cheese, black beans, fruit cup

## LUNCH WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22

- Monday: Fish sandwich, cole slaw, potato chips, pineapple
  - Tuesday: Pepperoni pizza, buttered corn, applesauce, fruit snack
  - Wednesday-Friday: No School
- Breakfast & Lunch served with choice of milk.*



**McElROY ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST**, 297 N. McElroy Rd., Madison area, held its "The Fifth Quarter" on Friday, Oct. 15. The Fifth Quarter is held after every Madison High School home football game and welcomes all middle school and high school students, regardless of school, to provide them with a safe and fun place to hang out after Friday night high school ballgames. Students enjoy free food, video games on the big screen, indoor and outdoor games, fire pit, entertainment by local DJ, DJ REC and prizes are given out from local businesses. Madison, Lexington, Pioneer and Shelby students were in attendance at the most recent event.

## Fall Decor Photo of the Week



Located at a home in Bellville

## Ontario to provide leaf pick-up

The City of Ontario is offering fall leaf pick-up service beginning Monday, Oct. 25 and ending on, or about, Friday, Nov. 19, weather permitting.

There will not be a set schedule. The city will try to make a second round, but this is not guaranteed, so leaves should be placed at the edge of the roadway (not in the roadway) as soon as possible.

This service is for leaf pick-up only. Pick-up service for sticks, tree limbs, or other yard debris is provided in the spring. For more information call Jeff Wilson at 419-529-2495.

The City of Ontario Recreation Department Presents

# ONTARIO'S HAUNTED HOLLOW

## Saturday, Oct. 30

**Family Friendly Trail**  
5–6:30 pm (all ages)

**Scary Trail**  
7:30–9:30 pm (older kids & adults)

Located at The Trail In Marshall Park  
Next to the Dog Park on Dunlap Dr., Ontario

**COST: \$5, Ages 5–17**  
**\$10, Ages 18+**

*Please Note: 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.*





**THE FUN CENTER CHORDSMEN** Men's acapella Chorus presented "The Gospel Truth" on Saturday, Oct. 16, Ontario, 636 S. Lexington-Springmill Rd., Ontario. The free concert performance included many well-known upbeat and smooth gospel songs including "No More Sorrow" and "I'm Feeling Fine" as well as "Amen" and "Ride the Chariot" featuring soloist Trevor Garrabrant (pictured). Front line director is Trevor Garrabrant and associate director is Jim Frye. For information on the chords men visit <https://funcenterchordsmen.com> or call 419-565-5145.

## Richland County continues absentee voting

Absentee/early voting has commenced 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.

Early in-person voting is available 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/RegistrantSearch.do> and enter first and last name and date of birth. Click on the precinct number and a sample ballot will display.

### LETTER TO THE RESIDENTS OF ONTARIO & SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

I am writing this letter to encourage you, the tax payer, to retain the two trustees up for re-election in Springfield Township.

Trustee chair **Paul Gleisinger**, trustee **Brad Orewiler**, our fiscal officer and Fire Chief Matt Carey have continually impressed me with their plans and implementation to not only better serve the residents of the township, but also save hundreds of thousands of our dollars in the process.

This continues to happen because they all share a common passion of truly putting the residents they serve first in their decisions. I really look forward to seeing future plans from this group moving forward.

I do have strong concerns that a "small group" is not only endorsing but also financing the other candidates campaigns. I am also concerned that they may have ulterior motives that are not in the best interest of us taxpayers, and certainly do not have the full support of all fire department personnel.

Ontario and Springfield residents have always generously supported our fire department. Currently, our average full-time personnel cost the citizens over \$100,000 each for their salaries and benefits and include attractive work schedules which all combines to make it a desirable career choice.

Attracting and retaining part-time firefighters/EMTs is an integral part of staffing and results in tremendous savings for tax payers.

Most Ohio townships operate this way and should be strongly encouraged and supported by our full-time people and township residents.

In closing, this township and its people have held a special place in my heart for nearly 45 years. I was proud to serve as a trustee for 16 years and have worked with these four individuals personally. I am pleased with their integrity and concern for the residents of the township.

Please join me in re-electing **Paul Gleisinger** and **Brad Orewiler** as Springfield Township Trustees so they can continue to improve Springfield Township.

Sincerely, Bob Currens

Endorsement Letter Paid for by Bob Currens

## LBCM earns RUBY Award for marketing excellence in 2020

Little Buckeye Children's Museum (LBCM) recently received recognition for achievement in marketing and advertising at the Ohio Travel Association's RUBY Awards presentation, held Oct. 7 at Cherry Valley Hotel in Newark.

LBCM received first place RUBY awards in their budget category for their 2020 Richland Gives Digital Campaign and their 2020 Richland Gives Promotional Video, as well as second place Certificates of Excellence for their 2020 Annual Report, 2020 Membership Print Advertisement, 2020 Reopening Plan Digital Campaign, and for their Imagination Stations in the "Spirit of Community" category.

Accepting the awards were Fred Boll, Executive Director; Suzanna Roemer, Museum Manager; and Shawnda Schneider, Operations Manager. Little Buckeye Children's Museum was also a finalist in three additional categories.

Richland County's Kingwood Center Gardens and Destination Mansfield-Richland County were also recognized at the conference.

The Ohio Travel Association's RUBY Awards recognize excellence in Ohio's hospitality and tourism industry for efforts in advertising, marketing and public relations. In this year's competition, the Recognizing Uncommon Brilliance Yearly (RUBY) Awards had 177 entries in 17 categories.

The awards, sponsored by *Ohio Magazine*, were presented during the Ohio Conference on Tourism, the state's largest conference for tourism industry professionals.

Nine marketing professionals representing academia, consulting firms and ad agencies judged each entry on the basis of concept, results and creativity.

"The competition this year was fierce," said Melinda Huntley, Ohio Travel Association executive director. "Despite the hardships created by the pandemic, these professionals produced some amazing campaigns and projects that resulted in increased sales for businesses in their communities."

The Ohio Travel Association is a nonprofit trade association representing travel and tourism-related businesses throughout the state. For more information on OTA, visit [www.ohiotravel.org](http://www.ohiotravel.org)

## Volunteer doctors, RNs, NPs, LPNs needed

Richland County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) under the Richland County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) is seeking doctors, N.P.s, RNs and LPNS.

Because of the COVID pandemic, we are in need of more volunteers. Assistance will be needed to do COVID testing and/or post vaccination monitoring.

Volunteering is based on "as time permits." Individuals who are retired but still hold current credentials can also volunteer. There are also some needs on Saturdays, not just during week days.

The agency established a schedule to meet the needs of the organizations that are being helped.

Volunteers will need to register on [richlandccc.org](http://richlandccc.org) under the MRC tab if not already signed up on this program. Volunteers will also need to get a picture ID through the Richland County MRC at the EMA, once registered on [richlandccc.org](http://richlandccc.org) and forms are completed on the site.

Those who had previously registered to be a part of the MRC but have not been contacted over the past two years and are still interested in helping, should also register.

For more information call the EMA office at 419-774-5686, leave name and phone number and a convenient time for someone with the MRC to return a call.



# Army National Guard at Madison Comprehensive High School

The Army National Guard visited Madison Comprehensive High School on Friday, Oct. 15, to teach team building with various activities. Career Tech students from Auto Tech, Business, Carpentry, CBI, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, CyberSecurity, Early Childhood Education, Electricity, Health Technologies, Precision Machining and Welding worked together to experience true leadership opportunities.

Activities and challenges included pull ups, running with a water jug and balancing on wooden beams and moving them as a group. These activities promote cooperative and communication skills. The overall goal is to help students learn to problem solve and work together with their peers. Among the team building rotations was a station where students learned about the Army National Guard and the different career and educational opportunities available to them, should they decide to enlist. Leading the event were SSG Jeremy Wright, SFC Steve Newman and SGT Tyler Weaver.



Photos by Traci Little

Sandwiches  
Meat & Cheese

Baking Supplies  
Snacks & Candy



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Are you a history lover? We need you to join our guild of volunteer tour guides to share the history of Oak Hill with people from all over. Come to the Cottage any Sunday in October at 2pm to find out more.

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Guided Tours Sundays 2pm - 5pm

April through December

Adults \$5 Children \$1

For weekday or Saturday Tours, visit the website to request a tour time. Larger groups and buses

call 419 524 1765

[oakhillcottage.org](http://oakhillcottage.org)



# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

## Ontario High School Cross Country at Marion Harding High School • October 16



**THE ONTARIO MIDDLE SCHOOL EIGHTH GRADE VOLLEYBALL TEAM** became Mid Ohio Athletic Conference (MOAC) champs last Saturday when they defeated Highland in the championship game 4-0. The team won with a 7-1 record. Volleyball team members are Morgan Pearson, Joie Simmering, Annie Weaver, Emma Fagan, Maddy Roseberry, Paradise Jeru, Journey Ross, Gracy Miller, Brinlee Kreger and Sarah Wharton. Also pictured is coach Carrie Uhler.



**THE LEXINGTON** eighth grade volleyball team was the OCC Volleyball Tournament Champion as they went undefeated this season with an 18-0 record. Team members are Ava B., Kate Y., Tatum S., Bella T., Ktra B., Natalie L., Kylie T., Kylee M., Maggie N., Myah M. and Coach Michelle Smith.

### RE-ELECT **Brad Orewiler** Springfield Township Trustee

Hello, I'm Brad Orewiler. I have been your Springfield Township Trustee for the past 8 years. I am the third generation in my family to have the honor to serve our community as a trustee. I have over 31 years of management experience and worked road construction and drainage. I personally managed operations of a 5 million dollar company for 6 years. Our family supports the military with my son in Special Forces. I have been a Springfield Township resident for 60 years and I have worked for the Richland County Board of Elections for 5 years. The past 8 years as your trustee, I have worked to keep within our township budget, obtained grants, made sure training was kept up to date in the fire department, made equipment purchases/repairs, worked with the surrounding townships and handled residence problems and concerns. I have worked to save our taxpayers over \$445,000.00 in the past 8 years. I maintain my CDL license in case there is a "BIG" snowstorm and the road crew would need help clearing the roads. Every decision I make for the township is with the citizens in mind! Please honor me with your vote on **November 2, 2021** so I can continue to serve you with the integrity and honesty that you deserve. Thank you for your consideration!



— Brad Orewiler

Paid for by Brad Orewiler



# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



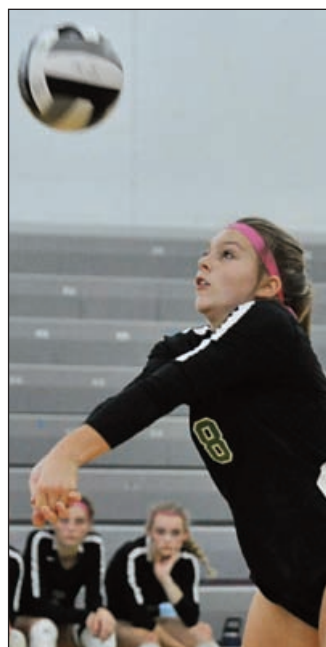
**MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN** was named the OCSAA Jr High volleyball State Champs. The team won the State OCSAA tournament against Mars Hill Academy at New Christian Academy on Saturday, Oct. 16. The score was 25-17 in the first set and 26-24 in the second set. Team members are front, head coach Becca Young, McKenzie Webb, Stephanie Baughman, Elise Hoover, Michelle Hope, Maddi Hockman, Sydney Wilson, assistant coach Miranda Clemens (with baby Raelyn); and back, assistant coach Abby Hillman, Taylor Clary, Cassidy Nelson, Chelsea Ward, Bella Rayburn, Adelle Cramer and Bailee Nelson.

## Clear Fork vs. Highland Oct. 12 • Colts Win 8-1 • Jeff Hoffer



**THE LADY LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY** team won its 13th consecutive OCC Title. Results were 2nd, Emma W., 1st Team OCC; 3rd, Elyana W., 1st Team OCC; 4th, Karis H., 1st Team OCC; 10th, Kenley M., 2nd Team OCC; 14th, Maddie H., 2nd Team OCC; 16th, Natalie H., Honorable Mention OCC; and 17th, Anna B., Honorable Mention OCC. Coach of the Year is Denise Benson.

## Clear Fork Volleyball vs. West Holmes • October 14 • Photos by Jeff Hoffer





# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



**THE ONTARIO CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS** ran their final meet of the season at the Mid Ohio Athletic Conference (MOAC) this past weekend. Both teams came home with a first place trophy. Xavier Trent grabbed the runner-up position to lead the boys. Xander Chitwood placed fourth overall. Also scoring were Ashton Drozda, Caden Meyers and Emerson Jovani. Paxton So and Timo Winningham ran their personal best of the season. Rylan Baker, Nick Huml, and Griffin Samuels also finished the race strongly to help the team. Grace Them led the girl's team with a first place individual finish. Kenzie Goodlin placed eighth overall. Also scoring were Grace North, Sophia Ellis, and Eliana Fittane. Lily Secrist, Zanna Bolen, Maddie Saltzgiver, Phoebe Planter, Tatum Mottayaw, Brianca Clark, Alexia SESCO all ran well to help the Lady Warriors earn the victory. The team would like to thank Myah Lynch for all the support she gave this season by constantly timing them during practices and meets.

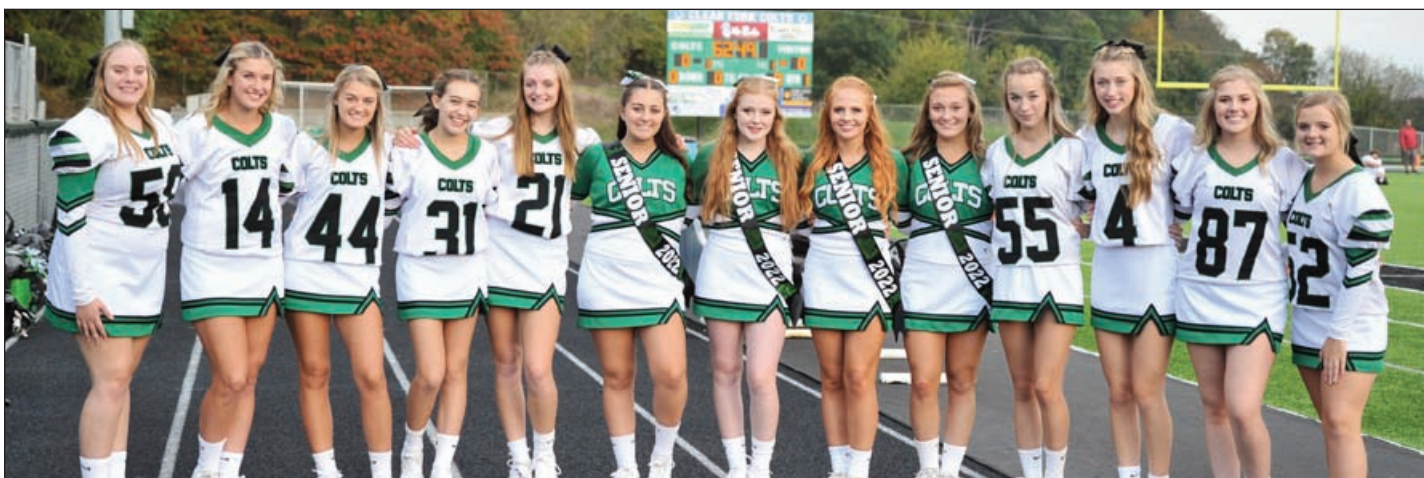
## Clear Fork Boys Soccer Sectional Semi-Finals vs Vermilion • Oct. 18 Colts Win 1-0 • Photos by Jeff Hoffer





# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

Clear Fork Football vs Marion • Seniors Night • Oct. 15 • 21-23 Loss • Photos by Jeff Hoffer





# LOOKING BACK: This Week in Tribune-Courier History

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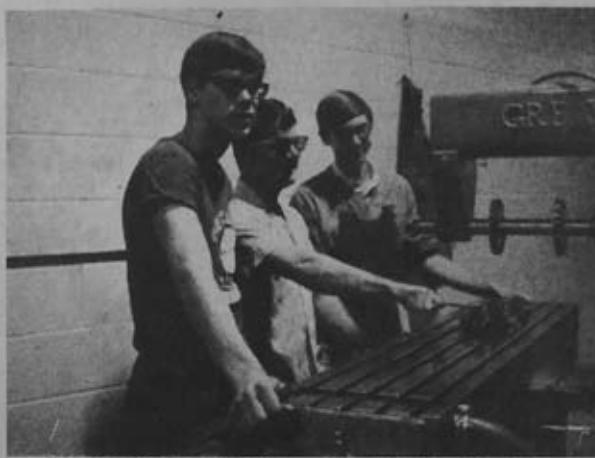
**COSMETOLOGY** – JoAnn Geiger and Cindy Nichols, Ontario.



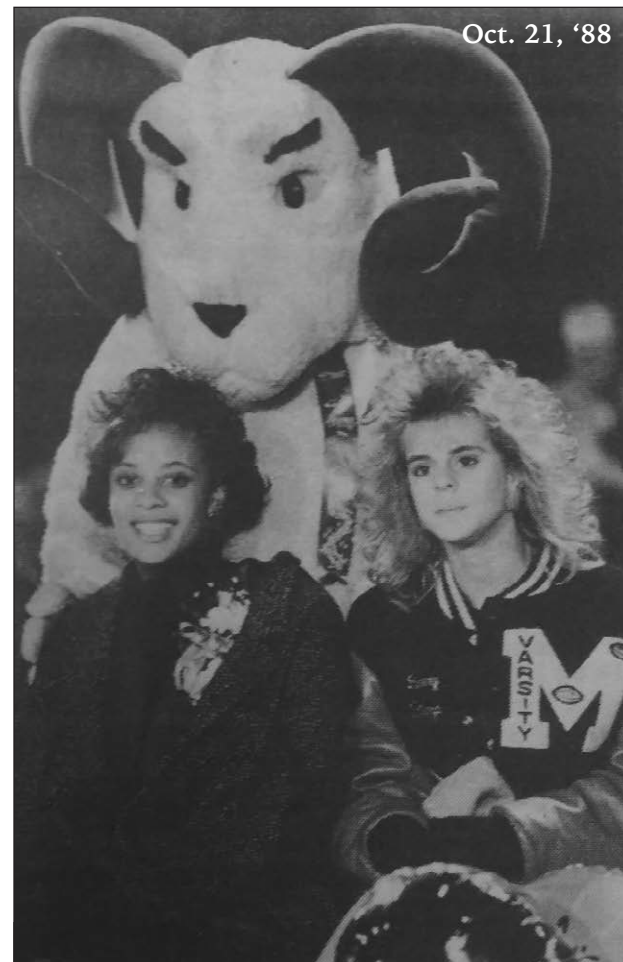
**AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS** – Henry Mahn, Ontario.



**DATA PROCESSING** – Karen Hayes and Randy Gentile, Ontario; Sandy Johnson, Dale Streib and Linda Holda, Lexington.



**MACHINE TRADES** – Wendell Hardin, Ontario; James Myers and Tom Harrod, Lexington.



Oct. 21, '88

**HOMECOMING AT RAM FIELD** – Missy Calland, Madison's mascot, took a moment to join members of the 1988 Homecoming court during Friday night's game with the Mansfield Senior High Tygers. With Missy are Queen Yvette Scott (left) and Wendy Backensto.

## Pioneer School in full swing

Pioneer Joint Vocational School in Shelby is once again in full operation beginning its third year. Pioneer is operating at full capacity with a total of more than seven hundred students. The students come from ten adjoining school districts. Many Ontario and Lexington students are taking advantage of the fine facilities and training for a vocation.

Pioneer students enjoy the intergration of the ten schools within one school. They spend three hours each school day in their lab session. This gives each student an

opportunity to become better acquainted with students covering a vast area. The Pioneer student is still a member of his or her home school graduating class. The graduate earns two diplomas; one of recognition of his achievement at Pioneer and his home school graduation diploma. The motto of Pioneer is truly fulfilled, "For every graduate a saleable skill."

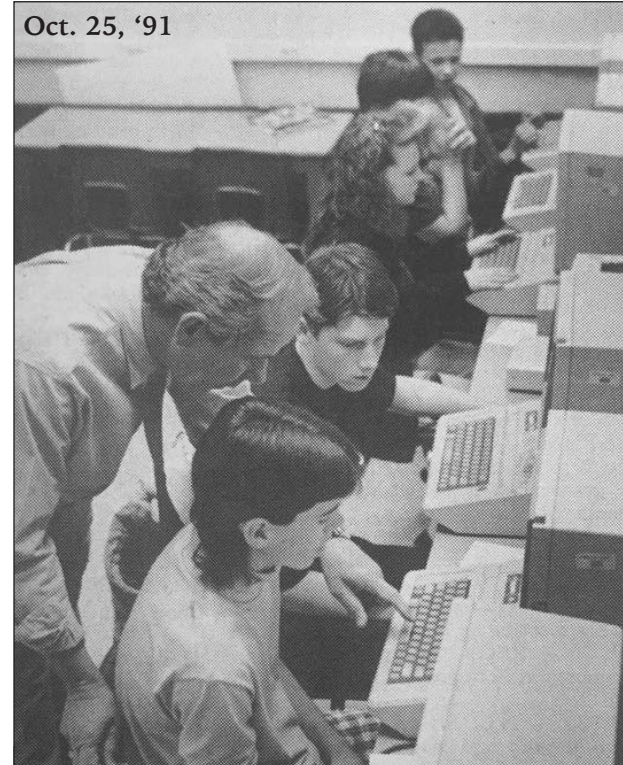
Pioneer is planning an open house Sunday, Oct. 18, from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Many lab areas will have students demonstrating the fine facilities available. Everyone is welcome.



Oct. 21, '88

**APPLESEED 77'S CHICAGO TITLE SOCCER TEAM** — Front, Jeff Hutchinson, Jayson Stone, Zeb Jungeberg, Jeremy Gadd, Rylan Beer, Todd Evans, Joe Dutka and Michael Valentine. Second row, Coach Ray Herr, Jeff Hetler, Scott Kanz, Scott Stone, Brian Roberts, Zac Huff, Steven Herr, Shawn Eagleston, Matt Smith and Coach Jack Huff. Not present for the photo, Coach Gary Stone.

Oct. 25, '91



**NEW COMPUTER LAB** — Eighth grade teacher Don Thomas helps Mike Ewers and Tim Weese work the computers in the new computer lab recently opened at Madison Junior High School. The lab was installed with the help of the school's parent organization and no cost for the computers or work on the lab was incurred by the school district.

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## Classifieds

### LEGAL ADVERTISING

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Madison Township Trustees will hold a public hearing Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2021, at 7:00 pm to be held at the Madison Township Hall, 817 Expressview Dr., rear entrance. The requested hearing is as follows:

Application #04-21 Parcel #0250908913000 and #0250908901001, 234 Malajora Rd., zoned B-3, to include listed parcels that are now R-3.

Madison Twp. Zoning Officer  
Mansfield, OH 44905  
10-21 '21(16L)

### OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE

1,000 sq. ft. office space located in the front portion of 347 Allen Dr., Ontario. Rental will have own private restroom, front and side entrance. Room is a large open area. \$1410/mo and includes utilities except phone/Internet. Email [tribune@tribune-courier.com](mailto:tribune@tribune-courier.com) to schedule a viewing or phone call.

## Shred-It event is Nov. 13

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. is hosting a Shred-It event in the parking lot of Hawkins Corner on Saturday, Nov. 13, from 10 am to 1 pm. This event is free and open to the public. Bring papers you need to be destroyed, and they will be shredded on-site.

For more information call Karen at 567-247-6487.

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc., located at 2131 Park Avenue West in Ontario, provides leadership, collaboration, coordination and services to older adults, people with disabilities, their caregivers & resource networks that support individual choice, independence and dignity.

## OSU-M Campus Visit Days are Oct. 22 and Nov. 19

Campus Visit Days are scheduled at The Ohio State University at Mansfield.

Located at 1760 University Dr. in Mansfield, Campus Visit Days include a campus tour, overview of the Mansfield campus, information about course offerings, admissions requirements, scholarship opportunities and financial aid. Taking place in Riedl Hall, Campus Visit Days begin at 9 am on both Friday, Oct. 22 and Nov. 19.

"Ohio State Mansfield is a great start for students who plan to finish their degrees at The Ohio State University in Columbus," said Jennifer Fry, director of enrollment services. "Students can start any of the university's 200+ majors and complete 12 bachelor's degrees on campus."

Register at [mansfield.osu.edu/visit](http://mansfield.osu.edu/visit). For information email [mansfieldaskabuckeye@osu.edu](mailto:mansfieldaskabuckeye@osu.edu) or call 419-755-4300. Virtual visit opportunities are also available.

## Kilburne will guest conduct Mansfield Symphony concerts

Acclaimed conductor Katherine Kilburn is no stranger to Mansfield's professional orchestra — her husband, Octavio Más-Arocas, is the music director of the Mansfield Symphony — but she doesn't often get to enjoy its performances from the podium, as she will when she takes the stage at the symphony's Family Pops concert this month.

Dr. Kilburn, a well-respected musician, conductor, and educator in her own right, will guest conduct the Mansfield Symphony for its live "Operation Bridge Building" education concerts on Oct. 21 and 22, as well as lead the orchestra at the Pops concert on Oct. 23. Currently, Maestra Kilburn is serving as Assistant Director of Orchestras for the Michigan State University College of Music, previously having led orchestral programs at Cornell University and Kent State University.

As a recipient of the Thelma A. Robinson Conducting Award, Dr. Kilburn has been Assistant Conductor of the National Repertory Orchestra, the El Paso Opera, the Hot Springs Music Festival, the Bowling Green State University Philharmonia, and the St. Louis Symphony Chorus, as well as Conductor of the Interlochen Arts Academy Wind Ensemble and numerous others. Ms. Kilburn assisted Sir Simon Rattle for performances of Peter Grimes at the Salzburg Easter Festival, and toured with world-renowned clarinetists David Shifrin and Alexander Fiterstein. A champion of new music, she has conducted numerous world and USA-premieres, conducted at Lincoln Center in New York City, and has been involved in several premiere recordings including some on the Naxos American Classics/Milken Archive label.

"I am thrilled to be returning to conduct the Mansfield Symphony Orchestra for what promises to be an exhilarating Halloween Pops Concert with all time favorites like E.T. and the Sound of Music," said Dr. Kilburn. "It's always great to come back to this wonderful city full of charm and culture, and to be a part of bringing live music to this vibrant and appreciative community."

The Family Pops concert will feature the winner of the symphony's 2020 "Mash-Up" singing contest, Audrey Lee-Strohm, who currently teaches voice and piano at Richland Academy of the Arts and is a 2016 graduate of Bowling Green University with majors in Film Production and Vocal Music, as well as a former singer with the Ohio Light Opera.

Also on the program are popular pieces such as "Skyfall" from James Bond, "I Dreamed a Dream" from Les Misérables, and other favorites. Starting at 7 pm all are welcome to enjoy an "Instrument Petting Zoo" presented by Metronome Music in the lobby of the Renaissance Theatre prior to the start of the concert.

For tickets to the Mansfield Symphony Family Pops concert, visit <https://bit.ly/MSFamilyPops> or call the box office at 419-522-2726 ext. 200.

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ONTARIO MIDDLE SCHOOL sixth, seventh and eighth grade students are busy working with watercolor, yarn and colored pencils to create unique and meaningful work. The artwork adds color and pizzazz to the commons area.

## Richland SWCD planning celebration

The public is invited to celebrate conservation in Richland County at the Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) Annual Celebration. The celebration will be held on Thursday, Nov. 4, at the Richland County Longview Center, 1495 W. Longview Avenue in Mansfield at 6 pm.

The celebration will be held in person and shared on Facebook Live. There is no cost to attend in person and in person only reservations are requested by Nov. 1 by emailing [Contact@Richlandswcd.net](mailto:Contact@Richlandswcd.net) or calling 419-747-8685.

The Conservationist and Volunteer of

the Year recipients will be announced, volunteers recognized and board supervisor election results shared.

There are two open positions for board supervisors and voting is open until Nov. 2. Board supervisor candidates are Lanny Hopkins, Jean McClintock and Mike Temple. Election information is available at <https://richlandswcd.net/get-involved/board-supervisors>.

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## Vaccination clinics open Tuesday-Saturday

OhioHealth offers a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the OhioHealth Ontario Health and Fitness Center, 1750 W. Fourth St., Ontario. The clinic will be available Tuesdays through Saturdays, 8 am to 3:30 pm.

OhioHealth Physician Group Primary Care locations in OhioHealth Ashland Health Center, OhioHealth Balgreen Medical Offices, OhioHealth Wellness Complex, and OhioHealth Shelby Hospital will also

provide COVID-19 vaccines to established patients by appointment only.

At all of these locations, OhioHealth will provide vaccine doses and boosters of the Pfizer vaccine for those who are eligible.

Vaccine recipients under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Adults, including guardians, must bring identification that includes name and age.

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## RPH hosts Fall Hike for Health

As part of the "Fall Hike for Health", sponsored by Richland Public Health on Oct. 16, hikers came to Malabar Farm State Park from 9 am to noon.

The event was also held at 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.

A special guided hike called "Murder and Mayhem Up Ferguson Way" was led by guide Nelson Shogren. This took hikers on a tour down Ferguson Road and its eerie history and included a stop at Ferguson Falls.



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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. 21, 25 and 30.

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Trinity United Methodist Church, Madison area, will hold its annual tracts and treats night from 5-7 pm on Thursday, Oct. 28 at the church parsonage, 467 Melody Ln.

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The American Red Cross continues to experience an emergency blood and platelet shortage that has caused the blood supply to drop to the lowest post-summer level in at least six years. Appointments can be made by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Thursday, Oct. 21, 10 am to 4 pm, Schmidt Security Pro, 241 Mansfield Industrial Parkway, Mansfield

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Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1-6 pm, Crossroads Ontario Campus, 636 S. Lexington-Springmill Rd., Ontario; and 1-7 pm, Richland Mall, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

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First Wesleyan Church, 1908 Park Avenue West, Ontario, will host a Community Trunk of Treat Friday, Oct. 29, from 5-7 pm.

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A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, Oct. 23 and 24. 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.

There will be no recycling trailer in November and December.

## Common milkweed seed pods being collected by Richland SWCD

Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) is partnering with the Ohio Pollinator Habitat Initiative (OPHI) to collect common milkweed seed pods to help foster habitats for monarch butterflies.

Milkweed seed pods are starting to mature to the point where they can be harvested. Residents can start scouting fields and if pods appear slightly gray and are dried out, they are ready to pick. Seeds inside should be brown before harvesting.

Last year's massive statewide seed collection effort was spearheaded by the Ohio Pollinator Habitat Initiative (OPHI), which is working to get the word out about why monarch butterflies are disappearing and help partners create monarch habitat.

The disappearance of milkweed, the only host plant for monarch caterpillars, across the U.S. has contributed to the 80 percent decline of the eastern monarch butterfly population over the last 20 years: <http://ow.ly/ncwE30fwsKC>

Drop off collected milkweed seed pods until Nov. 5 in the green and yellow container located outside the Richland SWCD office, 1495 W. Longview Ave., Mansfield.

Become familiar with common milkweed to avoid harvesting pods from similar plants such as hemp dogbane and swamp milkweed. If the center seam of the pod pops with gentle pressure, they can be picked.

Don't collect pods that are already open, as they might be infested with insects.

Place collected pods in paper bags or paper grocery sacks. Plastic bags collect unwanted moisture. On the bag, please write the date the pods were collected and the county collected from. Keep the pods in a cool, dry area until they can be delivered to the RichlandSWCD office.

Only collect from your property or

property you have been given permission to go on; do not trespass.

During the winter, seeds from this year's milkweed seed pod collection will be removed from the pods and returned to Richland SWCD in the spring to be distributed for planting. Last year's collection effort resulted in 202 milkweed seed packets with planting instructions. If you want free milkweed seeds with planting instructions email [Theresa@Richlandswcd.net](mailto:Theresa@Richlandswcd.net).

Those with questions about collecting milkweed seed pods or other Richland SWCD programs, can call 419-747-8685 or visit <https://richlandswcd.net/>.

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**ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL** anatomy and physiology students learned about skin injections. Practicing on a test subject (a lemon) offers a realistic skin layer sensation while injecting. Students practiced IM, Sub Q and ID injections with a mock medicine. Students are Shelby Zimmerman and Jaslyn Ly.





**AS A CULMINATING PROJECT** in the seventh grade accelerated literature class at Ontario Middle School, students created ancient Greek theater masks to depict a favorite Greek god or character from the various myths that were studied throughout the unit. Each mask had one or two symbolic details added to help identify the character. Using their imagination and a few other simple materials, students constructed masks which could easily be used in a Greek play or now as a Halloween mask.

## National auditions announced for Ren's "Spring Awakening"

The Renaissance Theatre has announced national virtual auditions for *Spring Awakening* the musical, which is to be performed live at Theatre 166.

The winner of eight Tony Awards, including Best Musical, told by Duncan Sheik and Steven Sater through what Entertainment Weekly called, "the most gorgeous Broadway score this decade," *Spring Awakening* explores the journey from adolescence to adulthood with a poignancy and passion that is illuminating and unforgettable. The landmark musical is an electrifying fusion of morality, sexuality and rock and roll that is exhilarating audiences across the nation like no other musical in years.

Auditions are open to performers ages 18 or older, and those under the age of 18 wishing to audition will require parental permission. All diversities are encouraged to submit as the Renaissance maintains a policy of equal opportunity casting. All Renaissance Theatre health and safety policies are strictly enforced and are subject to change at any time. Currently, all actors are required to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination or proof of negative COVID-19 test results every 72 hours during the rehearsal and performance process.

Auditionees are asked to prepare 32 bars of a song in the style of the show. Please submit a resume, headshot, and audition video via email to [audition@mansfieldtickets.com](mailto:audition@mansfieldtickets.com). Callback sides will be provided as needed by the casting director.

Parties interested in submitting an audition should do so via an unlisted YouTube or Vimeo video link.

Send an email with the subject heading "[Your Name] - Spring Awakening Audition". The deadline to submit your audition is Nov. 17, 2021.

Auditionees should include the following in their email: name, address, phone number, email address, height, vocal range, what role are you auditioning for, will you accept any role, potential rehearsal conflicts, and any additional information you deem the casting team needs to know.

Rehearsals begin Dec. 27, with performances running Jan. 21-30, 2022.

For more information on available roles and vocal ranges contact the casting team at [audition@mansfieldtickets.com](mailto:audition@mansfieldtickets.com)

Some roles are paid.

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## Prescription Take Back event is scheduled around county Saturday

The METRICH Enforcement Unit will be partnering with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and local law enforcement to present another Prescription Take Back event for the community on Saturday, Oct. 23.

This event is sponsored by the Mansfield Division of Police, Richland County Sheriff's Office, Bellville Police Department, Shelby Police Department, Richland County Solid Waste Authority, Richland Public Health, Community Action for Capable Youth (CACY) and the Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board.

Pills will be the only form accepted (no sharps, plastics or liquids.) It will be helpful to put the pills that will be disposed

into a plastic bag or Ziplock bag prior to coming to the collection site. This is only for household unused or expired medications. No pharmacies, businesses, pharmaceutical sales reps, etc.

Richland County will have four locations for prescription drug drop off the Richland County Solid Waste Authority facility, 1125 National Pkwy., Mansfield; Richland County Sheriff's Office, 597 Park Avenue East, Mansfield; Bellville Police Department, 320 Bell St., Bellville; and the Shelby Police Department, 31 Mack Ave., Shelby.

Each location will be open from 10 am to 2 pm on Saturday, Oct. 23.

For more information call Sgt. Steve Blust at 419-755-9728.

## Ontario High School National Honor Society Tapping Society

During the annual tapping ceremony for the Ontario High School chapter of the National Honor Society, current members make a crown for the new inductees, who are selected for this prestigious organization based upon their scholarship, leadership, character, and service. After being tapped, the students enjoyed a luncheon in the library.

