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A RETIREMENT PARTY was held for Jeff Wilson, Ontario Service-Safety Director on Saturday, Jan. 22. The open house was held in the Ontario Community Room in the City of Ontario Hellinger Municipal Building. Wilson worked 19 years at Milliron before coming to Ontario, where he has served 8 years.

Artwork contest submissions due Monday

A drug and alcohol prevention contest is being held by Richland County Youth Substance Use Coalition.

Richland County students are encouraged to enter by creating a poster, flyer, billboard design, artwork, video (TikTok, YouTube etc), haiku or poem with a drug/alcohol prevention message.

Messages should be kept short and family language should be used. Students must be attending elementary, middle school or high school and students can work along or in pairs or groups.

Submissions will be accepted until

Monday, Jan. 31, at 10 am at drugfreerc.org/content or by emailing to gdeol@richlandhealth.org

Include name, email, grade and a description of submission.

Prizes include \$100 gift cards, Cedar Point season passes and pizza or food parties for school classes.

After Jan. 31, submissions that meet participation criteria will be voted on by students.

A select few will be chosen for billboards, shared on social media and to local news outlets.



LAURA SUPINGER was back at the cabin in South Park, Mansfield, filming and whipping up more recipes. She made beef cakes as a side, fried hard boiled eggs with a sauce, and the Duke of Cumberland Pudding with the sauce.

Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging selected as Agency of the Year

The National Association of Social Workers (NASW) – Ohio Chapter has announced that Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. has been selected as the 2021 NASW Ohio Region 8, Agency of the Year.

NASW Ohio's region 8 includes Ashland, Coshocton, Crawford, Holmes, Knox, Marion, Morrow, Richland, Stark, Tuscarawas and Wayne counties.

The Agency of the Year Award honors the agency that best exemplify social work values in the field, using best practices to make positive change in their communities.

The Agency of the Year must uphold NASW standards and Code of Ethics, develop and implement innovative approaches for the provision of more effective services, make a significant contribution to a population of concern to the social work profession, have a diversity of employees that reflects their clientele and policy that implements culturally competent and anti-racist practice.

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. (AA5) was selected for this award based on their commitment to excellence in service which begins within – with their commitment to their employees, including the many social workers they employ – and extends out to their innovative services to their community.

AAA5 supports their employees professionally, providing trainings and opportunities for advancement, but more importantly, they care for staff as whole people. When a newly hired staff member's home burned down, AAA5 rallied together to provide support, and when a team member passed away staff held the repass, providing all the food made by staff and in memo-

randum gifts for his family.

In 2020 CEO, Duana Patton recognized the entire staff as employee of the year. The impact of this internal environment can be seen in AAA5's efficiency, dedication, and service. Throughout the pandemic AAA5 has distributed an abundance of PPE, converted their parking lot into a drive through offering meals to the community, including individuals who did not qualify for any waiver programs.

AAA5 is also building one level community apartments to provide equitable housing to older adults, which will include case managers on site. It is also the first AAA to hire an onsite STNA to provide home health services.

Under the leadership of Duana Patton, AAA5 fosters an environment that supports the dignity and worth of both their employees and older adults in their community.

The NASW Ohio Chapter, Executive Director Danielle Smith is proud to award District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. with the Region 8 Agency of the Year Award.

District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. will be honored, along with the other 2021 NASW Award Winners, at a regional award celebration and at the Annual Social Work Gala in Columbus.

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc., located at Hawkins Corner in Ontario, serves the North Central Ohio area including Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Marion, Morrow, Richland, Seneca and Wyandot Counties, providing assistance to aging individuals and disabled individuals. Contact the Area Agency on Aging at 419-524-4144 or 800-560-5799.

Malabar winter hike is February 12

Malabar Farm State Park will host a free winter Hike for Health on Saturday, Feb. 12, from 9 am to noon.

Hikers can sign-in at the visitor's center to receive a map.

Those attending are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather while they enjoy a day viewing the winter sites at Malabar.

Upon conclusion, refreshments will be available at the visitor center.

This event is sponsored by the Richland County Health Department. Call 419-774-4772 for information.

Malabar Farm State Park's Maple Syrup Festival is also coming up, scheduled for March 5, 6, 12 and 13, from 12-4 pm. Experience sugar camp with live historic and modern demonstrations, horse drawn wagon rides, food and maple products to taste and buy. Visitors will also have to opportunity to take self-guided tours of the historic "Big House".



WORKSHOP — Richland Soil and Water Conservation District will host a Conservation Creation Arts and Crafts Workshop on Tuesday, Feb. 8, from 6-8 pm, at the Richland County Longview Center, 1495 W. Longview Avenue, Mansfield. Workshop participants will make a pink, red and white wreath made from pinecones. Richland SWCD will provide the materials and tools needed. The workshop cost is \$6 per person and reservations may be made at <https://richlandswcd.net/get-involved/calendar>. For information call 419-747-8684.

New scam targets VISA customers

A new Visa fraud is happening in the Midwest and moving across the country. This one is pretty slick, since they provide the customer with all the information, except the one piece they want.

Note that the callers do not ask for your card number, they already have it.

By understanding how the VISA and MasterCard telephone credit card scam works, customers can be better prepared. The scam works like this:

Person calling: "This is (name) and I'm calling from the Security and Fraud Department at VISA. My Badge number is #, your card has been flagged for an unusual purchase pattern, and I'm calling to verify. This would be on your VISA card which was issued by (name of bank). Did you purchase an anti-telemarketing device for \$497.99 from a marketing company based in Arizona?" (or something similar).

When you say no, the caller continues with, "Then we will be issuing a credit to your account. This is a company we have been watching, and the charges range from \$297 to \$497, just under the \$500 purchase pattern that flags most cards. Before your next statement, the credit will be sent to (gives you your address). Is that correct?"

The caller continues, "I will be starting a fraud investigation. If you have any questions, you should call the 1-800 number listed on the back of your card (1-800-VISA) and ask for security. You will need to refer to this control number. The caller then gives you a 6 digit number.

The IMPORTANT part on how the scam

works is when the caller asks to verify that the customer is in possession of the card. They ask for the customer to turn the card over and look for the last three numbers. After the caller is told the numbers, they'll say, "That is correct, I just needed to verify that the card has not been lost or stolen, and that you still have your card. Do you have any other questions?"

After you say no, the caller then thanks you and states, "Don't hesitate to call back if you do," and hangs up.

You actually say very little, and they never ask for or tell you the card number. The real VISA Security Department says this is a scam and what happens is that once you provide them with the three digit security code, a new purchase of \$497.99 (or whatever they said) gets charged. What the scammer wants is the 3-digit PIN number on the back of the card. Don't give it to them. Instead, tell them you'll call VISA or Master Card directly for verification of their conversation.

The real VISA will never ask for anything on the card, as they already know the information. If you give the Scammer your 3 digit PIN Number, you think you're receiving a credit. However, by the time you get your statement you'll see charges for purchases you didn't make, and by then it's more difficult to actually file a fraud report.

If you receive a call like this HANG UP and call the number on the back of the card to verify if there has been any suspicious activity on the account.

OSPF offers free grief booklets to Ohioans

Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation (OSPF) has worked with an expert in suicide loss and grief to create a booklet focused on providing guidance and resources to help navigate the loss of someone to suicide and the unique challenges that this loss carries.

Through generous funding from the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, these booklets can be offered free of charge, in order to meet the needs of suicide loss survivors across the state.

The booklet offers guidance on grief,

self-care, and tools to deal with grief and the overarching question of "why," which many friends and family members struggle with after a suicide.

In addition, there are lists of resources for suicide support groups, behavioral health care providers, and other local opportunities to find care.

See the booklet online by visiting <https://www.ohiospf.org/postvention/emotions-and-grieving>.

Printed booklets can also be requested by sending an email with name and address to marra.aldredge@ohiospf.org

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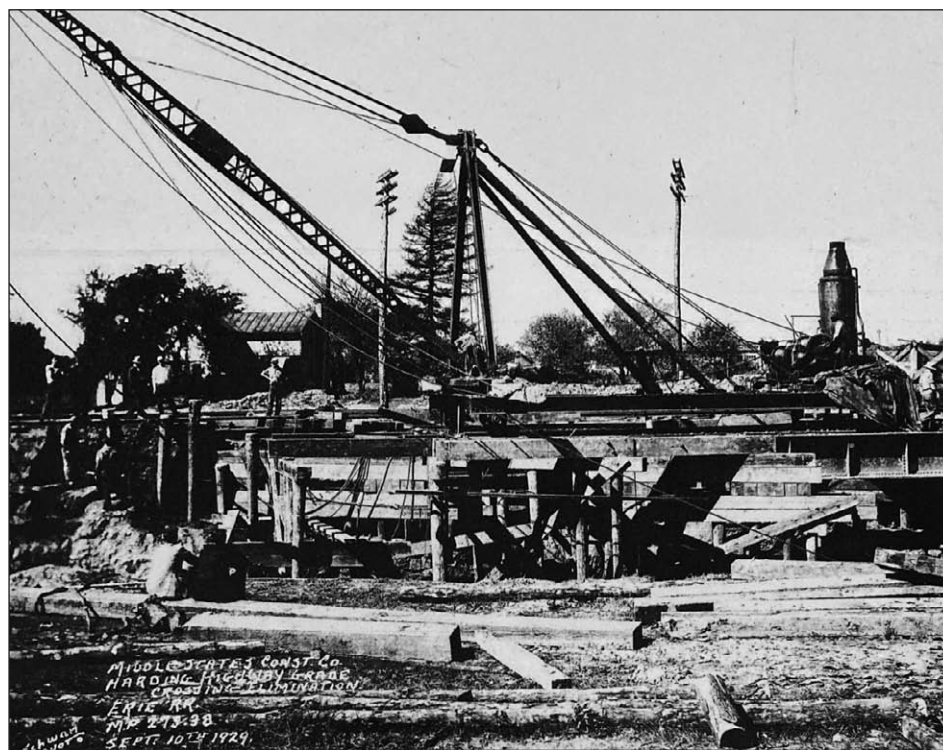
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MID STATES CONSTRUCTION built the Ontario underpass in 1929 while maintaining rail travel.

Under We Go

By Bob Carter

Starting back in the early 1900s trains were the way to go — passenger trains that is. The line from Galion to Mansfield was fairly straight with only long gentle curves in the rails.

The engineers on the Erie passenger trains could let 'er rip to keep on schedule. Those automobile drivers on roads had to look sharp when crossing those rails as trains approaching at 70 miles an hour or more could cost lives. A fast train would take nearly a mile to stop.

The solution on busy roads was to build an underpass at heavily traveled road crossings.

Springfield Township (now Ontario) needed one after some terrible crashes at Park Avenue West or U.S. Rt. 30, as it was the main road to Galion and Marion.

These heavy concrete structures were no fast build. The excavation for the base and concrete mixed on site were labor intensive. All this time, a temporary set of

rails had to be supported to keep the line open.

Only two large underpasses were built in Richland County, one is shown in the photo above and was under construction in Ontario and the other was on Park Avenue East in Mansfield.

The one in Mansfield is heavily traveled by trains and car and truck traffic but has a habit of flooding from time to time while the one in Ontario is usually more storm friendly.

Occasionally a tall truck gets stuck under the Park Avenue East underpass.

Back when General Motors was still in operation, I asked an engineer why they often stopped the locomotive right on top of the Ontario underpass while waiting for a call from GM to move rail cars.

He replied, "It's so we can look down and see the women's legs through their windshields as they go under."

Well, now that question is better understood.



IT'S RATHER DOUBTFUL any one survived this wreck after being struck by a 70 MPH passenger train. Photo from Robert Chilcote.

News Briefs

Shelby Alliance Church, 105 E Smiley Ave., Shelby, will host a Women's Worship Night on Friday, Jan. 28, from 7-8:30 pm. All are welcome.

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The 2022 Road Apple Run 5k Road Race will begin at 10 am on Saturday, March 5, at Crestview High School, 1575 St. Rt. 96, Ashland. Race day registration begins at 8:30 am.

The race marks the return of in-person racing. The chip-timed race cost is \$22 and includes an event t-shirt (guaranteed if registered by Feb. 24) and a chance at race awards and door prizes. To register visit https://registration.midohiorm.com/events/2022-road-apple-run-5k-road-race-01132022557?fbclid=IwAR3DDjDD8Ji-y6xSEDYDvdW-VdlbKEubrNiwjmpiPI2z5jd3gM1d_TEEq3a8

All proceeds will support the school track and cross country teams.

For more information contact Amy McFarland at 419-895-1700 ext. 18105 or roadapplerun@gmail.com

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

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

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Richland County Solid Waste has announced that Butler Elementary will be joining the SCRAP Trailer schedule on the fourth Wednesday of each month beginning Jan. 26, from 11 am to 1 pm. SCRAP stands for Schools and Communities Recycling as Partners. The money raised from the sale of recyclables is returned to the participating school.

For more information on the schedule and participating schools visit www.richlandrecycles.com

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VFW Post 9943, 806 Grace St., Madison area, serves meals from 8 am to 1:30 pm Monday through Friday and from 8-11 am on Saturdays. Call 419-526-1907 for dine-in and pickup. Meals are open to the public.

Upcoming meals are Jan. 26, chicken courdon bleu with corn, \$8; Jan. 27, cabbage with noodles, \$7; Jan. 28, mushroom swiss burger with tater tots, \$7; and Jan. 31, hot dog and mac and cheese bites, \$6.

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All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome Brian Moore on Sunday, Jan. 30 He will speak on "Living Impartially, Exploring the 5th Verse of the Tao Te Ching."

For more information, visit our website: www.allsoulsuohio.org

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The Lexington Area Senior Citizens Inc., invites those 55 and older to attend meetings the third Wednesday of every month at Der Dutchman Restaurant. Meetings begin at 10:30 am, followed by lunch at 11:30. Cost is \$13 for the meal.

Each month there are speakers and entertainment and members take several trips throughout the year. Dues are \$5 per year. Guests are welcome to attend.

On Feb. 16, the meal will be broasted chicken and those attending are encouraged to wear red. Representatives of Carousel Antiques will be speaking at the meeting.

On Feb. 2, the group will meet at Olive Garden in Ontario for lunch at 11:30 am.

For more information call Darlene Lee at 419-886-4711.

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To submit a news brief item, email information to news@tribune-courier.com.

Deadlines are noon Mondays.



Photo by Damon Callis

A BARRED OWL has been sighted regularly at Fox Glen Park just to the left of the Bailey Dr. entrance. It can be seen most days at the top junction of a dead oak tree.

Clear Fork schedule released

The Clear Fork Valley Local Schools Board of Education has scheduled to hold its regularly scheduled board meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. Special board meetings dates, time and location, will be advertised publicly when they arise.

Regular meeting will be held Thursdays Feb. 17, Bellville Elementary Cafeteria; March 17, Butler Elementary Cafeteria; April 21, HS/MS Media Center; May 19, Bellville Elementary Cafeteria; June 16, Butler Elementary Cafeteria; no July meeting; Aug. 18, HS/MS Media Center; Sept. 15, Bellville Elementary Cafeteria; Oct. 20, Butler Elementary Cafeteria; Nov. 17, HS/MS Media Center; and Dec. 15, Bellville Elementary Cafeteria.



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Scholarships available to local high school seniors

Junior Achievement of North Central Ohio (JANCO) is committed to creating the next generation of fiscally savvy leaders. With K-12 programming throughout 15 counties including Richland, JANCO and local businesses team up to teach students the financial and career skills they'll need to successfully navigate the future.

JANCO is offering scholarships for graduating seniors as they pursue their next steps. Whether that career path takes them to university, trade school or directly into the workforce, JANCO is excited to support the journey.

"While JA programs focus on the kindergarten through twelfth grade student, we are also looking at the big picture," said Lori McCleese, president of Junior Achievement of North Central Ohio. "That is why JA is dedicated to supporting students as they take their next steps in continuing their education."

Eligible students must be current seniors in Richland County, have participated in at least one JA program at any grade level and have a minimum G.P.A. of 2.5.

Application deadline is Monday, March 14, 2022. For full details and application, students should visit <http://bit.ly/JANCOsch22>

Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to giving young people the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their future, and make smart academic and economic choices.

JA programs are delivered by corporate and community volunteers, and provide relevant, hands-on experiences that give students from kindergarten through high school knowledge and skills in financial literacy, work readiness, and entrepreneurship.

Today, JA reaches 4.8 million students per year in more than 100 markets across the United States, with an additional 5.6 million students served by operations in over 100 other countries worldwide.

JA of North Central Ohio operates in 15 Ohio Counties, impacting 14,468 students in the 2020-21 academic year. Discover the JA promise for today's students and opportunities to get involved at jaofnco.ja.org.

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 Wednesday evenings: 6 pm Prayer Meeting • 6:30 pm TeamKID and Youth Group

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1043 Springmill St., Mansfield • 567-560-8011 • www.DiscoverCommunity.org
 Pastor Sam Belsterling • 10:30 am Sunday Worship
 Live stream at <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityBibleChurchMansfield>

Lexington Presbyterian Church

35 Church St. West, Lexington • 419-884-1330
 Rev. James Randas • 10:30 am Sunday Worship
<https://www.facebook.com/Lexington-Presbyterian-Church-117768414915815>

McElroy Road Church of Christ

297 N. McElroy Rd., Mansfield (Madison area) • 419-589-2661 • mcelroyroad.org
 Minister Dean Jackson
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www.facebook.com/mrccgrace

Ontario Christian Church

1029 Lewis Rd., Ontario • 419-529-5684 • ontariochristian.org
 Minister Steve Broughton
 9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship

Ontario United Methodist Church

3540 Park Avenue West, Ontario • 419-529-4345 • www.ontarioumc.com
 Rev. Christine Bell
 10:15 am Sunday Worship • Bible Study: Please check website for current schedule

Ridgeway Church of God

1380 Park Avenue East, Mansfield • 419-589-5385 • www.ridgewaycog.cgcc.org/
 Pastor John Dodds • Associate Pastor Billy Saunders
 9:30 am Sunday School • 6 pm Sunday Family Events
 10:40 am Sunday Worship with live stream at www.facebook.com/ridgewaycog
 2 pm Wednesday Bible Study • 9 am Men's Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sunday

Risen Savior Lutheran Church

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

St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church

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

St. Paul Lutheran

2010 Park Avenue West • 419-529-4351 • www.stpaulmansfield.org
 Pastor Jonathan Stufft
 9 am Sunday Worship • 10:15 am Monday Weekly Bible Study

St. Timothy Lutheran Church

1262 Ashland Rd., Mansfield (Madison area) • 419-589-5252 • sttimmansfield.org
 Pastor Jonathan Stufft
 10:45 am Sunday Worship • 10:15 am Monday Bible Study
 Email: secretary@sttimmansfield.org

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Memorial Arrangements

Mildred Mandley

Mildred Mandley 103, of Ontario, Ohio passed away on January 3, 2022. Mildred was born on February 2, 1918 in La Cross, Indiana. She was the daughter of Virgil and Maggie Jordan. She moved with her husband Harold Mandley to Ontario in 1946. She worked for the Ontario School system for 21 years.

In 1995 she returned to work as a volunteer at the New Hope Center with the Grandparent Program and worked there until 2010. She has been a member of the Ontario United Methodist Church for 75 years.

She is survived by her daughter Grace Garrett Kornke (Michael) grandson Carl Garrett (Jana) and great grandson Thomas Garrett.

She was preceded in death by her husband Harold Mandley and her son Carl Mandley.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date this year.



Library hosts Black History exhibit

The Mansfield/Richland County Public Library (MRCPL) announced the opening of a poster exhibit organized by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES) in collaboration with the National Museum of African American History and Culture, "A Place for All People" highlights key artifacts that tell the rich and diverse story of the African American experience.

From the child-size shackles of a slave and the clothing worn by Carolotta Walls on her first day at Little Rock Central High School to Chuck Berry's Gibson guitar, "Maybellene," and the track shoes worn by Olympian Carl Lewis, the exhibition presents a living history that reflects chal-

lenge, triumph, faith, and hope.

The exhibit will be available for viewing in the 2nd-floor lobby of MRCPL's Main Library, 43 W. Third St., Mansfield, Feb. 1-28.

The poster exhibition and related public programs are an opportunity for MRCPL to showcase its work in sharing the many stories of African American and African diaspora people and their contributions to the local community and the American story. MRCPL is offering take-home programs and online resource lists curated in honor of Black History Month.

All the details for the exhibit, planned programs, recommended reading lists for all ages, and more can be found at mrclp.org/black-history.

Agency to offer continuing education trainings

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. offers continuing education seminars on a wide variety of topics of interest to the aging network.

The seminars are both informative as well as approved for continuing education units (CEUs) for Social Workers and Counselors (Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board), Nurses (Ohio Nurses Association) and Nursing Home Administrators (Ohio Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators).

For more information or to register for a seminar, contact Julia Stover at 567-247-7107 or jstover@aaa5ohio.org

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Citizen-led group develops investment strategy for downtown Mansfield

In 2018, the Richland County Foundation leadership took an unusual track to develop an investment strategy for downtown Mansfield. Instead of hiring a professional consulting firm, it had a citizen-led group create the plan.

The Foundation turned regular citizens into consultants which gives depth and authenticity to the plan. It provides a road map for projects and opportunities for partnerships to continue the renaissance of Mansfield.

The vision is for Mansfield to become an optimal place to conduct business, gather and live. This vision can be achieved through five key areas: effective land use, wayfinding, technical assistance for business, branding and marketing, and safety.

The Guiding Principles of the plan are downtown is everyone's neighborhood, big city amenities with a small-town feel, sustainable change happens incrementally and placemaking is economic development.

To read the plan go to richlandcounty-foundation.org, click "Community Impact" then the "Mansfield Rising" tab.

A committee worked with Medium Giant to create a brand and message for Mansfield. The Richland Area Chamber and Economic Development and Destination Mansfield - Richland County will begin to use the new brand this year. Other organizations are invited to utilize it as well. The purpose of branding Mansfield and Richland County is to weave a powerful and positive story to raise awareness about why this is a great place to live, play and conduct business. Beyond raising awareness outside the city limits, a brand and positive message could improve the story Mansfield residents recite about their city. It could promote civic pride.

The City of Mansfield in coordination with the Richland Community Development Group Art Sector created a Public Art Commission to vet projects. Public art projects will be funded by various businesses and organizations with a 50% matching grant from the Richland County Foundation as part of its Mansfield Rising Project. Up to \$50,000 in matching funds has been made available to create

art in a variety of methods, including traditional painted murals, installed artistic wallscapes, window art, as well as temporary and permanent public art on visible walls and surfaces.

Richland County artists are encouraged to apply to take part in this transformative and revitalizing effort to beautify and create impact in downtown through art.

Mansfield City Council approved a design plan to improve Main Street. Construction should begin in 2024. In 2021 the city converted Diamond Street to two-way traffic. Mulberry Street was converted in 2019. The changes will create a more walkable downtown.

The Downtown Improvement Board (License Plate Fee Committee) approved funding for free public Wi-Fi from Central Park to the Carrousel District as the first phase. The City of Mansfield IT Department will plan for additional phases. This is the first step towards a Smart City Plan.

The Downtown Mansfield, Inc. Facade Improvement Fund received grant funding from the Foundation and Mansfield City Council. The matching grants will be awarded to building owners to make improvements. In 2021 five projects were completed: Voegle Apartments, K.E. McCartney, Dream Huge Realty, Hursh Drug, and Swavory. Another eight projects were approved for grant funding. This will assist economic development and the rehabilitation of historic properties in downtown Mansfield. The funds will be administered by a committee consisting of individuals from the historic preservation commission, architects, designers, and community members to provide guidance and resources on facade improvements. The resources provided in conjunction with the grants will make for quality restorations and renovations consistent with community standards.

The Richland Community Development Group received a \$25,000 AARP grant to create a pop-up linear park along West Third Street between Bowman and Mulberry streets. It was installed in September. Various businesses and non-profit organizations provided programming to engage and attract the public.



VOLUNTEERS had a fire going at the cabin located in South Park last week. Tom Pappas cooked up some deer meat dishes for guests Roger Moore, Jeremy Moore and Lee Uxley, as well as other volunteers. In November, a dedication of the cabin was held, naming it "The Petersburg Cabin." The blacksmith project was formally named "The Hawks Nest Forge and Cooperage."



MANSFIELD RISING TEAM are standing, Jennifer Kime, Benjamin Davis, Maura Teynor, Allie Watson, Matthew Stanfield, Damien Beauford and Cameron Haring; and seated, Jodie Perry, Bob Bianchi, Aurelio Diaz, Jay Allred, Chelsie Thompson and Nikki Lewis.



AS PART OF THE MANSFIELD RISING PLAN, the Voegle Apartments received a Facade Improvement Grant.

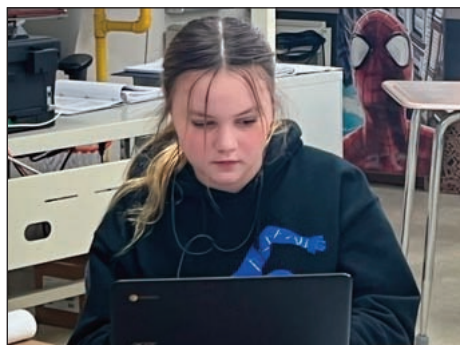


Regina, SK, Canada

Photo by Mark Shutt

— Power of the Pen —

Twelve members of the Power of the Pen team enjoyed a french toast and egg and bacon bake on Saturday, Jan. 22, before competing in the Ashland District Virtual Power of the Pen competition. Writers received three separate prompts and had 40 minutes for each prompt. They worked hard on creating individual stories that they hope will push them through to the regional competition on Feb. 26. Results will be released during a virtual awards ceremony on Feb. 6.



Theaker, Prater chosen to lead Pioneer CTC Board of Education

The Pioneer Career and Technology Center Board of Education meeting was held in the Pioneer CTC Community Room on Jan. 12.

The board approved Bricker & Eckler, LLP as legal consultants to the board of education and The Cullimore Law Firm as construction consultant.

A resolution gave approval for purchase of meals/amenities to further the interests of the district.

Donations were accepted from First Church of God, Ontario, \$2,000 for Pioneer's Sharing Closet for students in need; Lakeside Book Company, Willard, six rolls of white paper with an approximate value of \$150, to be used for Kristopher Henry's senior project in the Graphic Arts Program; Tracy Hamilton, Avenue Church, Ontario, donation of \$200, to be used for Pioneer's Sharing Closet for students in need; and Dawn Wright-Smith, Wells Fargo Community Match Program, \$30, to be deposited into the Pioneer Alumni Fund and used for annual student scholarships.

Clay Frye, Director of Operations, gave the 2021-'22 board goals report.

A presentation was given by Jeremiah Howe, supervisor; followed by the legislative liaison and superintendent's report.

The board approved employment of a Terry Stuart as a bus driver, substitute instructors, substitute classified personnel and adult education. Resignation of classified personnel and voluntary transfer of classified personnel was also approved.

A bid was tabled until the February meeting for the building sealing project.

The oath of office was administered to reappointed board members and new board member William McFarland, Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center. Reappointed members are Dennis Long, Galion City Schools; Royden Smith, Willard City Schools; and Bill Hope, Richard Prater and Douglas Theaker, Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center.

Douglas Theaker was chosen as board president and Richard Prater was chosen

as vice president. They each took their oath of office, given by Linda Schumacher, treasurer.

Future meetings will be held at 7 pm on the third Monday of each month at the Pioneer Career and Technology Center Community Room.

Treasurer Linda Schumacher was authorized to pay outstanding contractual obligations for the year 2022 when due, including such items as utilities, bonded debt, salaries and all other obligations, including invoices for supplies, equipment and services.

She will also be permitted to invest interim monies and inactive deposits up to \$25,000,000 when surplus is available. She can request advance payment on current collection of taxes. She can prepare blanket certificates for a sum not exceeding \$350,000 against any specific line item account over a period not extending beyond the end of the current fiscal year. The Blanket Certificate may, but need not, be limited to a specific vendor.

The board allowed her to waive all or part of any notice period for any tax abatement proposals and to execute and abate any related compensation agreements.

A Board of Education Expenses (Service Fund) amounting to \$15,000 was approved to fund 001-2310-433/434, in accordance with R.C. 3315.15 ORC.

Superintendent Gregory D. Nickoli was authorized, during periods when the board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or non-teaching positions on behalf of the board. He was also authorized to accept resignations and apply for Federal and State Grants.

The resignation of Kory King, custodial/security, was accepted, effective Dec. 31, 2021. A voluntary transfer of Diane Mann, third shift custodial/security to first shift custodial/security was approved.

The membership in professional related organizations — after removing the membership for National School Board Association for 2022 — was approved.

Program helps reduce phosphorus runoff

Farmers, time is running out to take advantage of the H2Ohio farmer incentive program. H2Ohio is a program that pays farmers after completing practices that reduce phosphorus runoff from commercial fertilizer and manure to prevent harmful algal blooms.

About 25 percent of the eligible acreage in Richland County has signed up for the program in the last six months and will bring several million dollars into the county over the next couple of years.

To provide information and answer questions about H2Ohio, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) is hosting a free pizza dinner meeting Thursday, Feb. 17 from 6-8 pm at the Richland County Longview Center, 1495 W. Longview Avenue, Mansfield.

The final sign-up for H2Ohio is scheduled for the spring.

RSVP is encouraged to help plan the amount of food, but not required. To RSVP

email Stern.Evan@RichlandSWCD.net, visit <https://richlandswcd.net/> or call 419-774-7890.

H2Ohio rolled out to Richland County in June 2021 and farmers are paid for using conservation practices which benefit soil and water health. So far, 33 producers have enrolled in the program.

Under the direction of the Ohio Department of Agriculture, the H2Ohio program pays farmers to implement cropland conservation practices that aim to reduce the over application and runoff of nutrients, primarily phosphorus.

By voluntarily adopting the program practices and agreeing to manage and plan their nutrient applications, Richland County producers are simultaneously benefitting themselves and the environment, including the health of the Lake Erie ecosystem.

Visit www.richlandswcd.net or call 419-774-7890 for more information on the H2Ohio program.



MELISSA MUZIC'S Personal Wellness and Development eighth grade class at Ontario Middle school students designed their own recipes and then the best ones were picked as a class. It was a pizza recipe. Students then used the recipe to do the first lab, which used reviewed knowledge of kitchen safety and sanitation.

AARP Community Challenge grant program taking applications

AARP Ohio invites local organizations and governments across the state to apply for the 2022 AARP Community Challenge grant program, now through March 22. Grants fund quick-action projects that help communities become more livable in the long-term by improving public spaces, transportation, housing, civic engagement, coronavirus recovery, diversity and inclusion and more. Now in its sixth year, the grant program is part of AARP's nationwide Livable Communities initiative, which supports the efforts of cities, towns, neighborhoods and rural areas to become great places to live.

"AARP Ohio is excited to kick-off the Community Challenge again in 2022 to continue helping communities across Ohio become great places for people of all backgrounds, abilities and ages, especially people 50-plus," said AARP State Director Holly Holtzen

AARP will prioritize proposals that are inclusive, address disparities, directly engage volunteers, support residents age 50 and older and aim to achieve one or more of the following outcomes:

- Support communities' efforts to build engagement and leverage funding available under new federal programs through laws like the American Rescue Plan Act, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and more.
- Create vibrant public places that improve open spaces, parks and access to other amenities
- Deliver a range of transportation and mobility options that increase connectivity, walkability, bikeability, wayfinding, access to transportation options and roadway improvements
- Support a range of housing options that increases the availability of accessible and affordable choices
- Ensure a focus on diversity, equity and inclusion while improving the built and social environment of a community
- Increase civic engagement with innovative and tangible projects that bring residents and local leaders together to address challenges and facilitate a greater sense of inclusion.

Other community improvements; including health services, community development and pandemic recovery. The Community Challenge is open to 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4) and 501(c)(6) nonprofits and government entities. Other types of organizations are considered on a case-by-case basis. Grants can range from several hundred dollars for small, short-term activities to tens of thousands for larger projects.

The application deadline is 5 pm ET, March 22, 2022. All projects must be completed by Nov. 30, 2022. To submit an application and view past grantees visit www.AARP.org/CommunityChallenge.

Past projects in Ohio have included a community farmers market, improvements to outdoor parks, public transportation improvements, pickleball courts, temporary parks and public gardens.



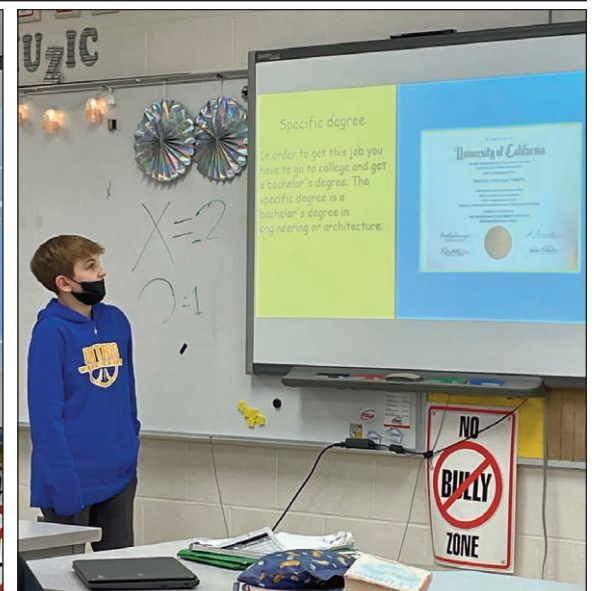
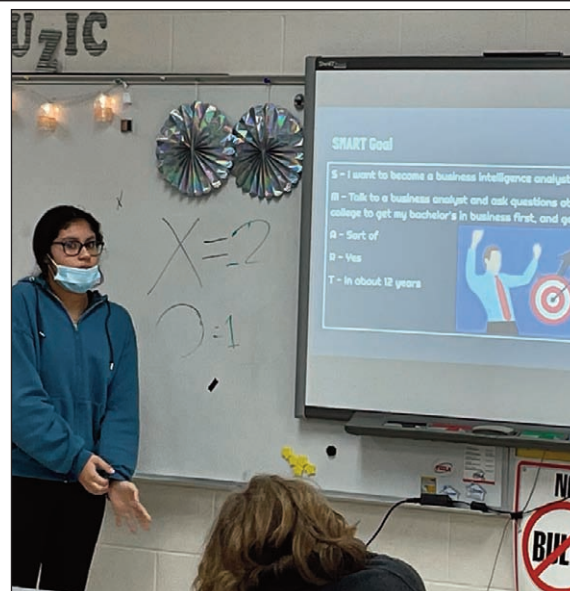
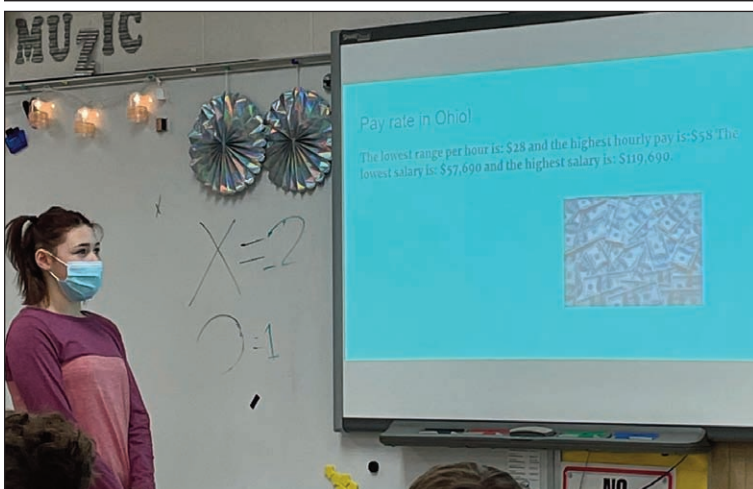
PIONEER PRESCHOOL recently hosted an ABC, 123 Bingo Night for preschoolers and families.

New exhibit will open Feb. 5

The National Museum of the United States Air Force in Dayton will open a new exhibit "A Force for Good: Department of the Air Force Humanitarian Missions" on Feb. 5.

The newest exhibit will expand on the history and the role of the Department of the Air Force (DAF) in humanitarian operations. It will be located near the C-130E in the Global Reach Gallery.

Grand Opening Celebration Events scheduled in April. Visit www.nationalmuseum.af.mil for information.



SIXTH GRADE STUDENTS from C&L at Ontario Middle School shared their career projects with the class. Students did research on one career of their choice and also made goals to improve some of their career related skills.

Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



The Ontario High School Boys Swim Team

Photo by David Draper



The Ontario High School Girls Swim Team

Photo by David Draper



Ava and Evan Ruhe



4x100 Free Relay: Shelby Kever, Brie Trumpower, Ava Ruhe and Tiffany Whittaker

Warrior boys cruise to championship, girls dig deep to earn MOAC title

This past Saturday Ontario hosted the Mid Ohio Athletic Conference Championship Meet. Teams from Ontario, Shelby, Galion, River Valley, Marion Harding and Marion Pleasant traveled in freezing temperatures to compete for their league honors.

The Ontario boys won their half very comfortably by beating runner up Shelby by over 100 points. In fact the Ontario team won every event.

The Ontario girls had to fight a little harder to hold off the Shelby girls. The meet honors came down to the last event, the 400 relay. Ontario took first with a new meet record as well as a new school record besting Shelby by only three points.

First place finishes were swam by the following:

Evan Trumpower, senior, 200 I.M., 100 breaststroke, 200 free relay, 400 free relay

Colin Cordrey, junior, 100 fly, 500 free (new meet record), 200 free relay, 400 free relay

Alex Rose, junior, 200 free, 50 free, 200 free relay, 400 free relay

Hunter Petit, junior, 100 free, 200 free relay, 400 free relay

Logan Bernat, freshman, 100 back, 200 medley relay

Alex Matthes, senior, 200 medley Relay

Duncan McLean, junior, 200 medley relay

Evan Ruhe, freshman, 200 medley relay

Brienne Trumpower, junior, 200 free, 100 fly, 200 medley relay, 400 free relay (new meet and school record), 100 free (new meet record time as lead off for 400 free relay)

Tiffany Whittaker, senior, 100 breaststroke (new meet record), 200 medley relay, 400 free relay (new meet and school record)

Shelby Kever, senior, 200 medley relay, 400 free relay (new meet and school record)

Ava Ruhe, senior, 200 medley relay, 400 free relay (new meet and school record)

Other top finishers were:

Katie Bolin, 200 free (2), 500 free (3)

Ava Ruhe, 50 free (2), 100 free (2)

Tiffany Whittaker, 500 free (2)

200 free relay (2) Haley Damron, Elaina Seif, Ellie Martinez, Katie Bolin

Shelby Kever, 100 back (2)

Hunter Petit, 200 free (2)

Evan Ruhe, 50 free (3), 100 back (2)

Alex Matthes, 100 fly (3)

Logan Bernat, 100 free (3)

Duncan McLean, 500 free (2), 100 breaststroke (3)

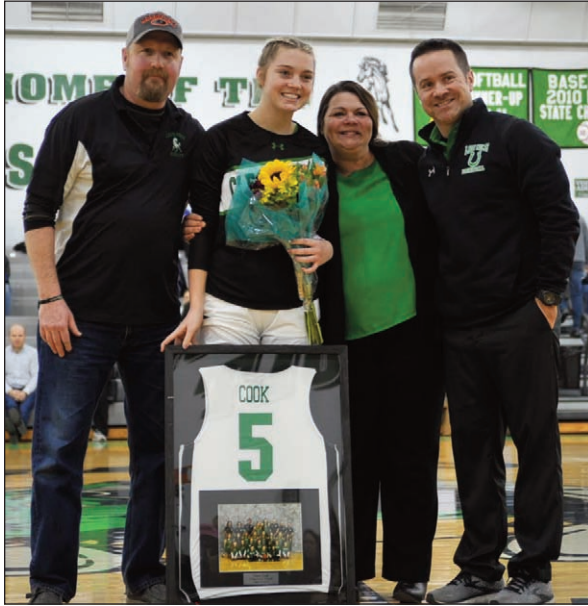


Ontario High School Varsity Wrestling Team

Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

Clear Fork Girls Basketball Senior Night vs Ontario • Jan. 21 • Colts Win 51-27

Photos by Jeff Hoffer



News Briefs in Education

Cori Wentz, a graduate of Ontario High School, is one of 23 first-year student-athletes to continue her women's track and field career at Baldwin Wallace University.

Head Coach Jordan Hill '09, returns four seniors, four juniors and six sophomores from last years squad that finished fifth both at the Ohio Athletic Conference Indoor and Outdoor Championships.

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Robey Bolen, a graduate of Ontario High School, is one of 11 first-year student-athletes to continue with the men's track and field career at Baldwin Wallace University.

Head coach Jordan Hill '09, returns two seniors, five juniors and 10 sophomores from last years squad that finished ninth

at both the Ohio Athletic Conference Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

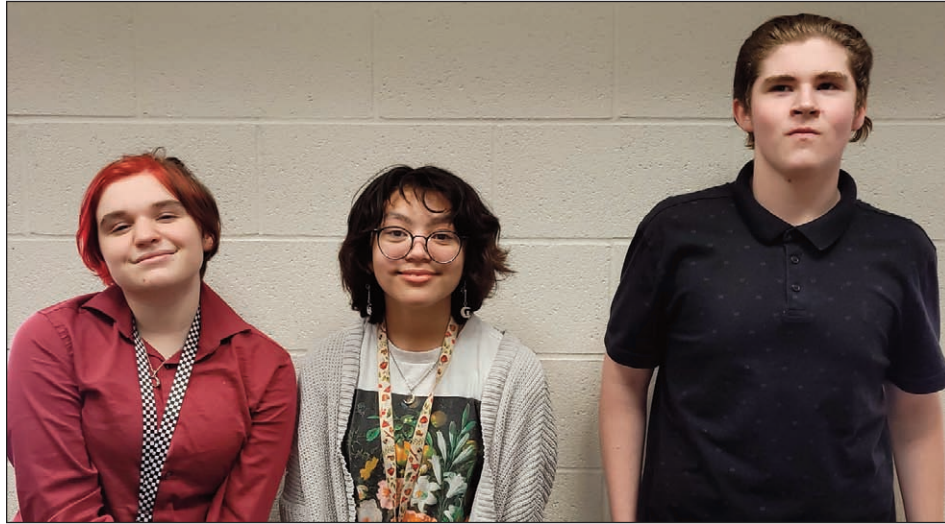
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Brooke Baker of Mansfield was one of more than 600 students awarded undergraduate and advanced degrees and certificates at Youngstown State University's Fall Commencement. Baker earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

★
Jacob Andrew Dennison of Mansfield has been named to the President's List at Jacksonville State University for his outstanding academic performance over the

Fall 2021 semester. To be named to the list, students must earn a perfect 4.0 GPA for the semester while completing at least 12 hours of GPA course credit. Dennison is majoring in Forensic Investigative at JSU.

★
Courtney Gouge, BS Nursing Pre-Licensure, and Lori Holzworth, BS Medical Imaging, were awarded honors for the Fall 2021 semester at Mercy College of Ohio.

Both were named to the honors list. To be named, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.3 or higher and be enrolled for 6-11 credit hours.



ONTARIO MIDDLE SCHOOL'S Em Henderson won the Richland County Spelling Bee. Em competed against 57 other spellers. Em and Alexis Swank qualified to compete in the Tri-County Bee held in February. Shaun Gilbert also competed.

Sensory-friendly concert coming to Renaissance

The Renaissance Theatre announces the second of its Teddy Bear Concerts in the 2021-'22 Mechanics Bank Education Series. Entitled "The Carnival of the Animals," the concert features an original script by Michael Thomas, accompanied by the classic *The Carnival of the Animals* music by French composer, Camille Saint Saens. The performance will be held on Sunday, Feb. 6 at 2:30 pm on the main stage at the Renaissance Theatre, 138 Park Avenue West, Mansfield.

The story will take place on the stage with audience members sitting on the

stage alongside the performers. Geared toward children ages 2-10, each Teddy Bear Concert features audience participation, interactive storytelling with local actors, and an array of music featuring Mansfield Symphony musicians. Small audience sizes, lights up and low sound levels, as well as safe sensory spaces allow audience members with autism to be accommodated.

Tickets are \$5 each, and are on sale at the Renaissance Box Office, at 419-522-2726 and at <https://bit.ly/CarnivalTBCPR>. This performance has limited tickets available.

Ontario Middle School All A Students • Second Grading Period

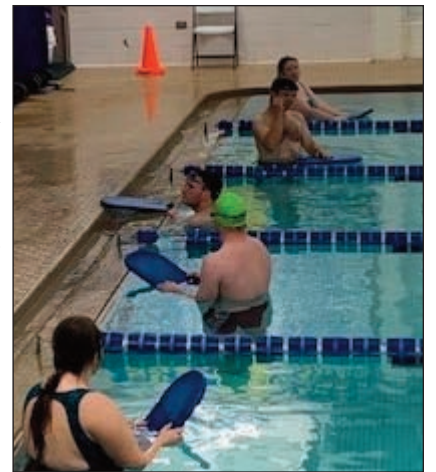




PLYMOUTH AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION CLASSES at Plymouth High School worked with Manna for Many by donating hundreds of bags of soup to the Plymouth-Shiloh Area Food Pantry. Manna for Many is a non-profit organization that operates strictly from donations. It provides nourishment to the hungry throughout the world, in times of famine or natural disaster. MA mobile trailer unit carries all the supplies needed for the bagging operation and travels to schools, churches, youth groups and families throughout the state. When recipients receive the soup mix, all that needs added is broth or water. On Nov. 19, all of the Plymouth Agricultural Education classes helped to fill bags of total protein vegetable soup during their class period. The Plymouth FFA chapter donated \$600 and made a total of 600 bags of soup with an additional 400 bags that were donated by Mr. Jesse Hamman. The bags contained a soy-based mixed vegetable, potato flakes, barley, rice and seasonings. We donated these bags that feed a family of up to 5 to the Plymouth-Shiloh Area Food Pantry. Those interested in scheduling a date for bagging for an organization can call Daniel at 330-359-0040.



THE RICHLAND COUNTY BEARS have been practicing since November at Ontario High School on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 pm to prepare for the Northwest Region Special Olympics. The Bears team consists of six swimmers and three coaches. Swimmers are Ryan Ulmer, Sam Myers, Morgan Foote, Aaron Calderhead, Stephen Erdenberger and Kathleen Kline. Coaches are Brock Spurling, Tristan Gardner, and Lynsey Gardner. The Northwest Region Special Olympics Swim Meet will be held at the Friendly House Sunday, Jan. 30. Registration and warmups will run from 9:30-11:30 am. The meet will start at 11:30. There will be approximately 80 swimmers representing nine counties. Each swimmer is allowed to swim two events and a relay. Swimmers will have the opportunity to compete for State at Bowling Green State University on March 5 and 6.



Ontario High School Buddy Mentoring Program



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL students traveled to Stingel for a Buddy Mentoring program. They are paired with a Stingel student to build relationships and be a role model.

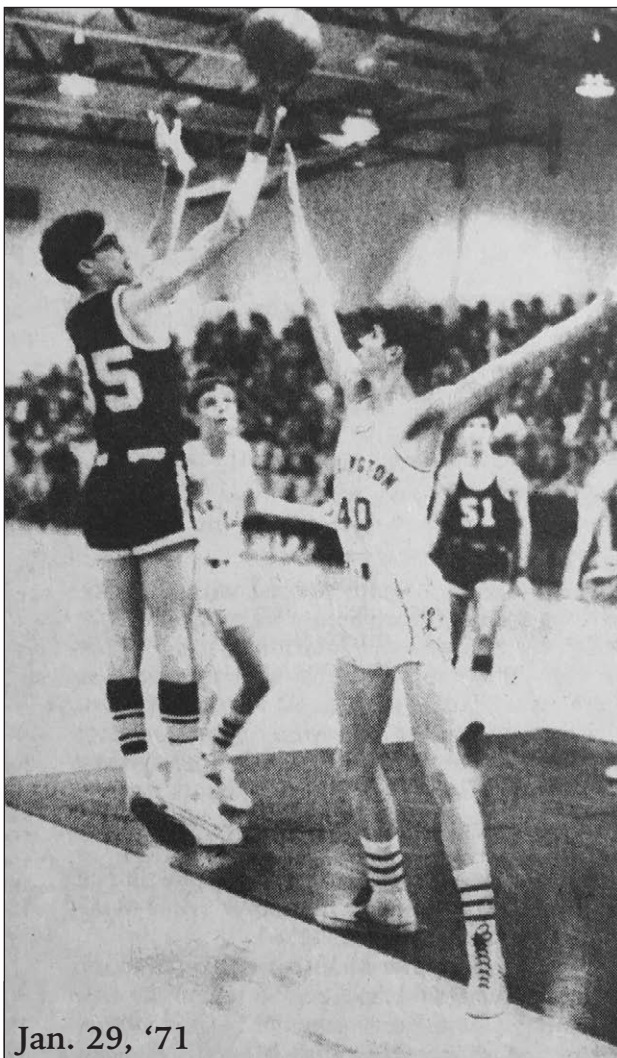
LOOKING BACK: This Week in Tribune-Courier History



Jan. 25, '85

FELICIA ANN JACOBS, a freshman at Madison North Junior High School, was first runner-up in the Junior Miss Majorette of Ohio competition during the state competition held last week at Malabar High School.

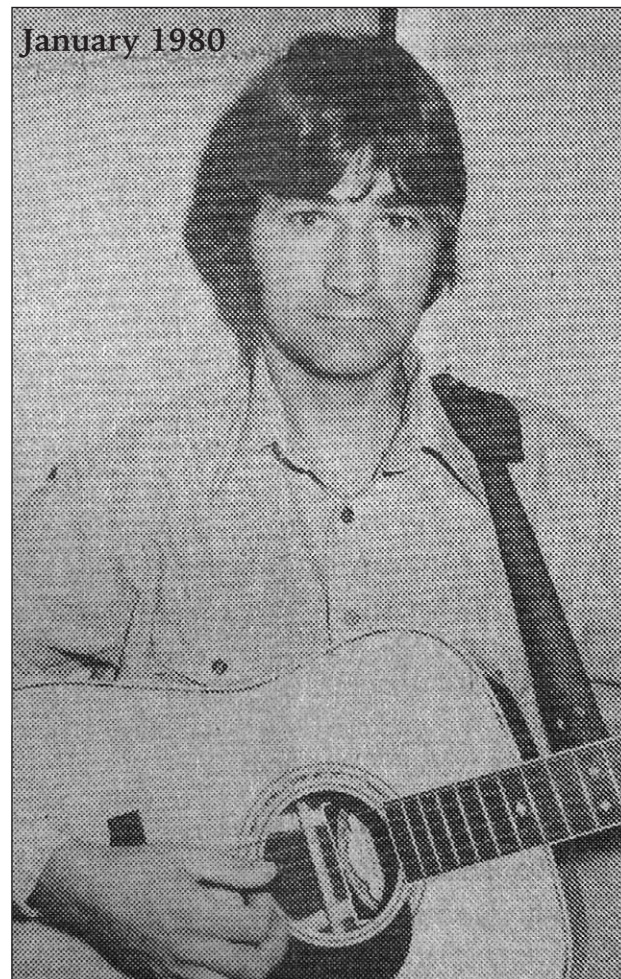
Marc Stumbo



Jan. 29, '71

TIGHT CONTEST — Ontario's Wendel Hardin lets fly with a shot in Friday night's JAC basketball game at Lexington. Providing the coverage for Lexington is Center Tim Davis. Davis went on to score 19 points in helping Lexington to a 68-60 win. Hardin snared 17. In the rear are Steve Keck of Lexington and the Warriors' Ron Chilcote.

Photo by Chuck Rickard



January 1980

Raymond Rogers of Ontario set a new world record for guitar-picking endurance during the annual March of Dimes Pick-A-Thon. He played the guitar and other instruments for 253 hours and 20 minutes.



Jan. 26, '12

LEXINGTON JUNIOR HIGH eighth grade students who hold a 3.7 to 3.99 GPA are Amanda Blubaugh, Allison Bye, Tanner Curley, Jessica Fannin, Caitlyn Haas, Joshua Konyn, Ashley Lawhorn, Julia Newberry, Aashtha Shah, Kayla Sherman, Rachel Smith, Martha Sorah, Spencer Stierhoff and Taylor Williams. Not pictured are Conner Baughman, Casey Martin, Chloe Parker and Bailey Stach.

Bud Motter



Jan. 29, '09

CHARLIE RICHARDSON (24) and **BRANDON GRASSICK** (43) of Ontario blocks Clear Fork's John Thompson in a Warrior overtime win at the Colt Corral last week.

George Fleiner

Classifieds

ITEM WANTED

Looking to purchase a gold Madison High School Class of 1953 men's ring. Call 419-756-2726.

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

CITY OF ONTARIO CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION PATROL OFFICER EXAM

The City of Ontario will conduct a Civil Service examination for the position of entry level police officer on Sunday, March 6, 2022 at the Ontario Municipal Building Community Room, 555 North Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio 44906. Doors will open at 7:30 a.m. and the exam will begin at 8:00 a.m. No admittance after 8:00 a.m.

Candidates must be U.S. citizens and present a valid driver's license at the time of the examination. Must be at least 21 years of age (unless the candidate qualifies for the OPOTA exception) but not more than 34 years of age and must possess a high school diploma or GED equivalence. Passing Candidates who qualify in the top ten will be required to complete a physical strength and agility test. Candidates that are selected will be subject to psychological, polygraph, drug and alcohol screening along with a comprehensive background check.

Cathy VanAuker
Clerk of Council
City of Ontario, Ohio
(T-C 1-27, 2-3, 10 '22) 78L

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before Council of the City of

NOTICE: Applicants must have their Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA) Certification to apply. Applicants currently enrolled in an Ohio Basic Peace Officer Training Academy are allowed to test but Certification must be complete by time of appointment.

The City of Ontario is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on any basis prohibited by law including military status. However, if you are applying for a civil service examination and elect to claim military service credit either as an honorably discharged veteran or as a member of the National Guard or a Reserve component as provided in R.C. 124.23, then please attach a copy of your honorable discharge from active duty, DD 214 or other proof of eligibility for this credit. Applications will be available at the Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, beginning January 20th, 2022, at the Police Department window or online at www.ontpd.com. Applications will be accepted until Thursday February 24th 2022 at 12:00 p.m. at the Police Department window in the Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, Those with questions may call the Division of Police at 419-529-2115 and ask to speak with a recruiter.

Ontario, during the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, at the Ontario Municipal Building, 555 North Stumbo Road, upon a proposal to rezone property located at 1745 Walker Lake Road from Residential to Office Service.

Planning Commission has recommended in favor of this rezoning.

All persons interested in this issue are invited to attend and express their views.

Cathy VanAuker
Clerk of Council
City of Ontario, Ohio
(T-C 1-20, 27 '22) 22L

LEGAL NOTICE

The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their regular meeting held on January 19, 2022.

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.

ORDINANCE NO. 21-41 – AN ORDINANCE 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-01 – A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO TO SELL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES THROUGH AN INTERNET AUCTION SALE DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2022.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-02 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING

THE CITY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PERFORM ROUTE SHIELD REPLACEMENTS ON STATE ROUTE 314 FROM THE SOUTH CORPORATION LIMIT TO THE NORTH CORPORATION LIMIT, IN THE CITY OF ONTARIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-03 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ONTARIO TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE OF OHIO BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION PROGRAM FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-06 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1143, CONDITIONALLY PERMITTED USE STANDARDS 1143.03 DESIGN STANDARDS, SUBPARAGRAPH (G) MINI-WAREHOUSES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-07 – AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING RULES OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO, REPEALING ORDINANCE 18-24, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-08 – AN ORDINANCE AWARDED A CONTRACT TO SOUTHEASTERN EQUIPMENT COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) CASE 580 SUPER N LOADER BACKHOE FOR THE SUM OF (INCLUDING CREDITS) \$62,891.00 THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Cathy VanAuker
Clerk of Council
City of Ontario, Ohio
(T-C 1-27, 2-10 '22) 90L



Ingemar Svala Photography

MAIN STREET VERMILION'S ICE A FAIR returns on Saturday, Feb. 5, throughout walkable downtown Vermilion. "We're excited to bring this event back to Vermilion with the support of Shores and Islands Ohio and our business community," said organizer Jeanette Schaefer. "We're inviting everyone to join us for winter fun in our summertime town." Celebrating its 13th year, Ice A Fair kicks off at 11 am and features 50 ice sculptures created by Elegant Ice Creations (Brecksville), narrated trolley tours of Vermilion's historic district, shopping, dining, ice craving demonstrations and more. "This year, through a generous grant from the Erie County Community Foundation, we have a Frozen Play Space for the kids," said Schaefer. The space features an 8' sculpture of a dragon, an ice slide and a corn hole game. The Main Street Welcome Tent at Exchange Park in the middle of town will have a collection of themed raffle baskets and items like Indians tickets, six months of car washes from Liberty Auto Wash and chances to win \$1,000 in cash, ten \$100 bills frozen in a block of ice. At 6 pm Fire and Ice — a giant, carved chimney of ice stands in the center of downtown will be lit. Will the fire topple the ice or will the melting ice douse the flames? Complete information and schedules can be found at mainstreetvermilion.org

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Ohio Fifth District Court of Appeals appoints judges to positions

The Honorable Earle E. Wise, Jr., Judge on the Ohio Fifth District Court of Appeals, was unanimously elected Presiding Judge by the other members of the court. Judge Wise previously served as the court's Administrative Judge.

He was elected to the Court of Appeals on Nov. 8, 2016, and his term began Feb. 9, 2017. Prior to his election, Judge Wise was in private practice in Stark and surrounding counties. He served as an Assistant Public Defender in Carroll County. He was the City Administrator for the City of North Canton from 2005 to 2010, and was an Assistant Stark County Prosecutor from 1997 to 2005.

While attending law school in the evenings, he worked as the Deputy Director of the Stark County Board of Elections. Prior to attending law school, he served as bailiff for Judge James S. Gwin with the Stark County Court of Common Pleas for five years, and served in the Ohio Army National Guard at the Akron-Canton Airport for seven years.

Judge Wise has served by assignment on the Ohio Supreme Court. He currently serves on The Supreme Court of Ohio's Advisory Committee on Court Security.

Judge Wise is a graduate of Marlinton High School, the College of Wooster, and the University of Akron School of Law. He is married and has two children.

The Honorable Craig R. Baldwin, Judge on the Ohio Fifth District Court of Appeals, was unanimously elected Administrative Judge by the other members of the court.

Judge Craig Baldwin was appointed to the court in 2013. He was elected to the position in 2014 and again in 2016. Prior to his time on the appellate court, Judge

Baldwin served eight years as a judge in the Licking County Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division. An attorney since 1992, he was a partner with the law firm of Jones, Norpell, List, Miller and Howarth. In 2001 he was appointed by the Licking County Commissioners as director of the Licking County Child Support Enforcement Agency until his election as judge in 2004. He was re-elected as judge in 2010.

He obtained his Juris Doctor from Capital University, Bachelor of Arts degree from Ohio University and pursued graduate degree work in public administration at Ohio University. He has served by assignment on the Ohio Supreme Court and is a former chair of the Ohio Supreme Court's Commission on the Rules of Superintendence, a member of the Licking County Bar, Stark County Bar and Ohio State Bar Associations. In 2012 he was appointed to the Ohio Supreme Court's Task Force on the Funding of Ohio Courts. Judge Baldwin is also a frequent instructor at the Ohio Judicial College.

Judge Baldwin is a member of the Newark-Heath Rotary and a board member of the Licking Memorial Hospital. He is married and has two children.

The judges of the Fifth District are Judge W. Scott Gwin, Judge William B. Hoffman, Judge John W. Wise, Judge Patricia Delaney, Judge Craig R. Baldwin and Judge Earle E. Wise, Jr. The Fifth District is approximately 7,633 square miles in North Central Ohio, composed of Ashland, Delaware, Coshocton, Delaware, Fairfield, Guernsey, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Morgan, Morrow, Muskingum, Perry, Richland, Stark and Tuscarawas counties.

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