



DEBRA WEAVER helps students at a free art workshop Feb. 25.

## Free art workshop honors artist Lois Mailou Jones

By Traci Little

Local artist Debra Weaver guided participants through painting techniques similar to that of artist Lois Mailou Jones. The event was put on by the City of Mansfield Parks and Recreation Department at North Lake Park on Friday, Feb. 25.

Weaver said, "Our evening of painting included the littlest of creators finding their own style, to seniors putting their wisdom and creativity to work when 'paraphrasing' Lois Mailou Jones' work on their own canvas."

"Our snowy and icy evening workshop was most certainly full of color, shape and form that had preschoolers to teens, from young adults and beyond enjoying each and every step, deeply seeped in the STEAM Model."

If you missed this free workshop, watch facebook for the next one at <https://www.facebook.com/mansfieldparksandrecreation>

Lois Mailou Jones grew up in Boston, raised by working-class parents who stressed the value of education and hard work. Soon after graduating from Boston's School of the Museum of Fine Arts, she began designing textiles for several New York firms. She was an influential artist and teacher during her seven-decade career.

Her style shifted and evolved over time in response to various influences in her life and her extensive travels throughout Europe, Africa, and the Caribbean. She felt her greatest contribution to the art world was "proof of the talent of black artists." Her work echoed her pride in her African roots and American ancestry.

In 1937, Jones received a fellowship to study in Paris at the Académie Julian. She produced more than 30 watercolors during her year in France.

Things didn't always come easy for Jones. Despite her talent, she was told to basically go back to the South and help "her people." She was denied a teaching position in Boston, despite the fact that she graduated with honors from the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. Jones decided from the time she was a small girl that she would become a famous artist one day. It was a bold decision for a Black American girl born in 1905.

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## Madison BOE approves hirings and volunteers

Madison Local Schools Board of Education met Tuesday, Feb. 22 in the Madison Comprehensive High School Library.

Board President Tim Wigton called the meeting to order and treasurer Robin Klenk performed roll call.

Committee reports included legislative, athletic board of control, student representative's comments, facilities report, student achievement, board policy and superintendent's update.

A presentation was given by Eric Turlo, student services director.

A donation of 978 pounds of scrap steel tubing from Jay Industries for the Career Tech and Adult Career Center welding technology programs was accepted.

Robin Klenk gave the treasurer's report, followed by a resignation from Dave Stupka, spring fitness coordinator, effective Jan.26.

Supplemental positions awarded for the 2021-'22 school year were to Andrea Gerich, half assistant varsity softball coach; Mico Castelveter, half assistant varsity softball coach; Victoria Kasberg, Academic Booster coordinator; and Melissa Parish, assistant swimming/diving coach.

Volunteers approved for the 2021-'22 school were Paige Carper, softball; Tim Carper, softball; Theresa Hill, tennis; Kyle Galco, baseball; and Darien Payne, baseball.

Wendy Poland was hired as a STNA substitute instructor for Madison Adult Career Center.

Substitute teachers hired on an "on-call" basis, as needed for the 2021-'22 school year are Victoria Sloan, Darla Noblet, McKenna Stoffer, Autumn Hinds, Ronald Seifert, Stephanie Kososky, Ashley McLaughlin and Anna Stimpert.

Also hired as substitute employees on an "on-call" basis, as needed for the 2021-'22 school year were Diana Donohue, bus aide; and Carl Sprague, bus driver.

Melinda Stover, high school second shift custodian, resigned effective March 3.

Keyona Yates was named the MECLC latchkey teacher, effective Jan. 28.

An unpaid leave of absence was granted to Derek Dawson, middle school custodian, effective Jan. 7-July 7, 2022.

The 2022-'23 school calendar was approved and the board approved the first reading of new and revised board policies.

The board approved the creation of a 200 activity account for a Safety Town fund. The account will be used to manage funds raised for the creation of a Safety Town program for the Madison community.

Approval was given for membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2022-'23 school year.

The district will purchase two eighty-four passenger school buses and one sixty-one passenger special needs school bus at a cost of \$292,591, purchased out of ESSER II funds and the School Bus Purchase Program.

The air quality and air conditioning improvement project will move forward with G & B Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$469,194.57, to be purchased out of ESSER III funds. Pricing was secured through a cooperative purchasing agreement administered by Sourcewell.

The next regular board of education meeting will be held March 23, at 6 pm in the Madison Middle School Auditoria.

### SAVE THE DATE:

The Ontario 4th of July Festival  
will be held Saturday, July 2, Noon to 11 pm  
on Ontario School Grounds

# The Man Never Late for Work

By Bob Carter

George Neal was a very reliable worker. You could depend on him. He was never late for work. As soon as he got out of bed he was the first one there. You see George owned the last water-powered flour mill in Richland County, and he and his wife Clara, his only employee, lived in what was part of the second floor warehouse. Located in Bellville the mill had an interesting history.

It was built in 1831 by Reverend John Moody as a carding and fulling mill but it was not successful. There were not enough sheep in the area. He was then able to have it converted to a gristmill.

Due to a period when rains ruined much of the area heat crop, Moody's farm crops were abundant. It was recorded;

*"Rev. Moody gave much to his community. During a famine in the 1830s, Moody did not hesitate to reach out to the needy. When his neighbors crops failed and people approached him to buy grain for bread, he would ask them, "Have you the money to pay for it?" If the customer said yes, he was told to go elsewhere. If on the other hand, the customer had no money, they were given well filled sacks and told to come back if they needed more.*

In 1830, Bellville had a population of 173, Lexington 69, Newville 77 and Perrysville 9. There were then seven grist mills within four miles of Bellville. The competition resulted in the mill going through a long series of bankruptcies and owners.

George Neal had been running the Kanaga water powered mill at the edge of Butler when a flood took out the mill dam. He bought the Bellville Mill in April 1944, and had it running after rebuilding the fore-bay, installing a new turbine and cleaning out the head race.

He turned on the water and ground the first flour Aug. 3, 1948. Neal and his wife lived in a second floor apartment they created from the warehouse along with several cats that handled mouse control duties. Clara, was a small woman and the sole employee. She could easily handle heavy bags of feed with ease and usually

wore dresses made from colorful feed sacks. The printed material was popular with frugal farm wives who fashioned aprons, dresses, children's clothes and other needed items from them. Colorful chicken feed sacks were the most sought after.

George Neal had been a miller and mill wright all his life. He had been head miller at Hanley Mills at the huge Hanley Milling Company in Mansfield, working under Jerry Hanley. His skill and effort saved the Bellville mill.

Alas, all was to come to a sad ending. The State of Ohio rerouted State Route 97 and the mill had to go. The Neals closed down the water to the turbine for the last time on Thursday, Feb. 28, 1952. The mill which had stood for 122 years was then torn down.

The mill dam along route 13 was to remain but later well meaning thinkers felt the dam was partially responsible for Bellville's flooding. Sadly, it was torn out. Bellville still floods like it always has. The village lost two very historic landmarks



CLARA AND GEORGE NEAL posed for a picture taken by historian D.W. Garber at the closing of the last water-powered mill in Richland County.



NEAL'S BELLVILLE MILL as it appeared shortly before it was torn down in 1952. The white trimmed windows were added for the Neal's apartment.



## 4-H News Report

On Feb. 27, 2022, the Country Champions 4-H Club of Richland County held its second meeting of the year. Club president Ryleigh Chase called the meeting to order. Brice Perkins led the Pledge of Allegiance while Cody Wolford led the 4-H Pledge. Mandee Lantz asked the members their favorite candy for roll call.

Members broke up into committees to discuss the plans for this year. The fundraiser committee proposed to hold a bake sale. It was approved for April 9, at Family Farm and Home. The beautification committee suggested maintaining flower beds at Clay Memorial Lutheran Church. The community service committee proposed and was approved to make care packages for the military, and to gather food and hygiene items for the homeless.

The following health and safety speeches were given, "Avian Influenza" by Ryleigh Chase, "Cleaning" by Tristen Dawson, "BioSecurity" by Dailynn Dawson, "Seat Belt Safety" by Maggie Lantz, "Brushing your teeth" by Mandee Lantz, and "Natural Disaster Safety" by Audrey Wolford.

The next meeting will be held on March 27 at 4 pm.

Audrey Wolford, News Reporter

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# News Briefs

Ridgeway Church of God, 1380 Park Avenue East, Madison area, will host a spaghetti dinner on Friday, March 4, from 4:30–6 pm in the fellowship hall.

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

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Pastor Mike Mack at Trinity United Methodist Church, 1592 Grace St., Madison area, will hold an Ash Wednesday service March 2 at 7 pm. Pastor Mack will lead a Lenten study March 3 at 6:30 pm.

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The first Mansfield Area Community Hymnsing of the 2022 season will be held Friday, March 4 at New Liberty Baptist Church, Lexington Ave., Lexington, (half mile south of Hanley Rd). This is a free event.

Those attending join together and the congregation picks songs from the hymnal and all join in singing hymns.

The event starts at 7 pm and runs through 8:30 pm. Refreshments will be shared afterward. Everyone is invited.

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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.

Lunch begins at 11:30 am, followed by the meeting at 12:30 pm. 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 March 16, the meal will be

roast beef and those attending are encouraged to wear green. The Strut Your Stuff Dancers will perform.

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

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The Ontario Lions Club will host a pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 2, from 6:30 am to noon at Ontario High School.

Tickets are \$6 each and kids 6 and under eat free.

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

Contact an Ontario Lions Club member for advance tickets. Walk-ins are welcome.

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The Lexington Area Senior Citizens will host a bus trip to Youngstown to explore Fellows Riverside Gardens at Mill Creek Park on Tuesday, May 24.

The gardens is 12 acres and the visit includes a visitor center, observation tower, café, gift shop, galleries, exhibits and a ferry ride on Glacier Lake (weather and time permitting).

Lunch will be in downtown Youngstown and a bus guide will narrate a ride through town.

Those attending will also visit the Bytler Institute of American Art and Whitehouse Fruit Farm.

Cost is \$75 with \$30 deposit due by March 16. Price includes bus, driver tip, lunch and gratuity, tour fees, one donut and water and snacks on the bus.

Bus pick-up is at the Area Agency on Aging, 2131 Park Avenue West, Ontario. Call 419-683-2409 for information. Anyone 55 and older may attend.

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The Richland County Foundation will host a webinar Wednesday, March 9 from 12–1

pm on Zoom.

“Stretching to Realize Philanthropic Goals — IRAs, CRTs and SECURE Act” will be presented by Attorney Brandon Borgmann of Carlile Patchen & Murphy Attorneys at Law.

Continuing education credits will be offered for attorneys, certified financial planners and CPAs. This is a free event, to register visit [richlandcountyfoundation.org](http://richlandcountyfoundation.org) and go to the events tab.

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Richland Newhope will host its Third Annual Step into Spring — a free, fun walk, will be held Friday, March 18. Registration starts at 10 am with the walk starting about 10:30 am. at the Richland Mall (middle of mall — by former Macy’s).

Richland Newhope, Richland Public Health, Richland County Children Services, YMCA of North Central Ohio and the Richland Mall are sponsoring this free event open to the public as a way to wrap up Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month and to promote community inclusion.

In addition to the walk, there will be several informational displays by walk sponsors and Richland Newhope provider partners.

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Those who need help paying for Winter Heating bills may be able to get help from the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP). HEAP benefits are applied to an individual’s energy bill after Jan. 1.

Applications for the program must be received by May 31, 2022. HEAP helps Ohioans at or below 175 percent of the federal poverty guidelines pay their heating bills. Anyone age 18 and older may apply for this assistance. Those 60 and over can get assistance with filling out the application. All heating types are eligible for energy assistance programs including

electric, wood, coal, natural gas, propane and kerosene.

For more information about HEAP, including a list of required documents, contact the Area Agency on Aging at 419-524-4144 or 800-860-5799 Monday–Friday, 9 am to 5 pm.

To be connected to a local Energy Assistance provider call 800-282-0880 (hearing impaired clients may dial 711 for assistance) or visit [www.energyhelp.ohio.gov](http://www.energyhelp.ohio.gov).

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. is located at 2131 Park Avenue West in Ontario.

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The Republican Party of Richland County to host a First Monday Luncheon on Monday, March 7. Guest speaker will be Matt Dolan, candidate for U.S. Senate.

The luncheon will be held from 11:45 am to 1 pm in The Kobacker Room at DLX Events and Catering, 28 N. Main St., in downtown Mansfield.

RSVP at 419-528-8223 or [rcohgop@gmail.com](mailto:rcohgop@gmail.com). Optional lunches cost \$10.

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A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, March 26 and 27.

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 Farm Bureau breakfast to support food pantries

Richland County Farm Bureau invites the community to attend the annual Richland County Farm Bureau Farmers Share Breakfast which will be served in the Shelby High School Cafeteria from 7-10:30 am on Saturday, March 26.

The bureau is requesting a donation for the breakfast which includes pancakes, fresh whole hog sausage, local eggs, orange juice, milk and coffee. No reservations are needed.

The money collected at the breakfast is given to food pantries in Richland County.

In honor of the FFA Chapters who help, the bureau has donated nearly \$17,000 to area food banks and the Harmony House in the past 13 years.

"Farmers remain committed to producing safe and healthy food for our communities and we share with consumers many of the same concerns about putting nutritious meals on the table on a tight budget," said Loren Hulit, Richland County Farm Bureau President.

"By inviting our community to our Farmers Share Breakfast, we hope to connect with them and provide a better understanding of the origins of the food on their plates."

To learn more about local agriculture and the farmers behind food production visit [richland.ofbf.org](http://richland.ofbf.org) or "like" the Richland County Farm Bureau on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/RichlandCountyFarmBureau](http://www.facebook.com/RichlandCountyFarmBureau).



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## CHURCH DIRECTORY

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1008 State Route 97, Bellville  
419-886-4333 • [www.clearforkalliance.org](http://www.clearforkalliance.org)  
Rev. Matt Merendino  
Rev. Mike Stine, Associate Pastor  
9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship  
Wednesday evenings: 6 pm Prayer Meeting  
6:30 pm TeamKID and Youth Group

### Community Bible Church

1043 Springmill St., Mansfield  
567-560-8011  
[www.DiscoverCommunity.org](http://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](http://mcelroyroad.org)  
Minister Dean Jackson  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Sunday Worship  
6 pm Sunday Night • 7 pm Wednesday  
[www.facebook.com/mrccgrace](http://www.facebook.com/mrccgrace)

### Ontario Christian Church

1029 Lewis Rd., Ontario  
419-529-5684 • [ontariochristian.org](http://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](http://www.ontarioumc.com)  
Rev. Christine Bell  
10:15 am Sunday Worship  
Bible Study: Check website for schedule

### Ridgeway Church of God

1380 Park Avenue East, Mansfield  
419-589-5385 • [www.ridgewaycog.cggc.org/](http://www.ridgewaycog.cggc.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](http://www.facebook.com/ridgewaycog)  
2 pm Wednesday Bible Study  
9 am Men's Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sunday



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### Risen Savior Lutheran Church

1685 Lexington Ave., Mansfield  
419-775-1175 • [risensaviormansfield.com](http://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](http://www.mansfieldstmarys.org)  
Father Matthew Frisbee  
Worship: 4 pm Saturday & 11 am Sunday  
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](http://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](http://sttimmansfield.org)  
Pastor Jonathan Stufft  
10:45 am Sunday Worship  
10:15 am Monday Bible Study  
Email: [secretary@sttimmansfield.org](mailto:secretary@sttimmansfield.org)

### Trinity United Methodist Church

1592 Grace St., Mansfield (Madison area)  
419-589-5890 • [trinityumcmansfield.org](http://trinityumcmansfield.org)  
Pastor Micahel W. Mack  
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## March of Prayer services have begun around community

The March of Prayer returns for the fourth year, offering a prayer service every night in March, each night hosted in a different local church. The 30 congregations represent more than two dozen denominations, each hosting a 6 pm service in its authentic style.

Under the theme that "Mansfield is Godsfeld," and "Richland is God's Land," each hosting congregation will pick its own format and topics of prayer, selections of music and opportunities for participation. Plans are for services to be livestreamed on the Godsfeld Facebook page, and through congregational sites. The streaming is being coordinated by Mark Pierce, pastor at Church Requel.

Fusion Madison, will host two nights, in different locations — March 5 at its current location on Paradise Dr., and March 28 at its new location in the former East Hills Presbyterian building on Rte. 430.

Four sites are new to the March of Prayer, including two that are in their first year of existence. Ten sites are in the first generation of existence while three have served in their building for more than a century. Eight congregations date back to the 1800s.

Services begin at 6 pm and will continue up to two hours.

Wednesday, March 2, Journey Life Center, 2578 Springmill Rd.  
 Thursday, March 3, Mansfield Salvation Army, 41 S. Main St.  
 Friday, March 4, Church Requel, 2 Marion Ave.  
 Saturday, March 5, Fusion, Madison, 1400 Paradise Lane.  
 Sunday, March 6, Journey Harbor, at Idea Works, 40 W 4th St.  
 Monday, March 7, Grace Brethren, 215 W. Main St., Lexington  
 Tuesday, March 8, Kingdom Grace Fellowship, 105 Reba Ave.  
 Wednesday, March 9, Providence Baptist, 112 W. Sixth St.  
 Thursday, March 10, The ARC, 378 Park Avenue. West  
 Friday, March 11, Abundant Life, 1085 Bedford Blvd.  
 Saturday, March 12, Coming Together on One Accord Ministry, 525 W. Cook Rd. (Holy Trinity Chapel)  
 Sunday, March 13, Freedom Ridge, 2200 Bedford Blvd.  
 Monday, March 14, Grace Fellowship, 365 Straub Rd. E  
 Tuesday, March 15, GracePoint Sanctuary, 36 Eagle Dr., Lexington  
 Wednesday, March 16, Lexington Church of Cross, 236 Otterbein St., Lexington  
 Thursday, March 17, Faith United Methodist, 1574 Rt. 96 (across from Crestview Schools)  
 Friday, March 18, Fusion Church, 2220 Industrial Parkway, Lexington  
 Saturday, March 19, Sar Shalom, 2510 W. Fourth St., 10:30 am; and Point of Grace, 2 Marion Ave., 6 pm  
 Sunday, March 20, Open Bible, 1150 Rayfield Dr.  
 Monday, March 21, Awake, 3616 Ohio 39, Shelby  
 Tuesday, March 22, First United Methodist, 12 N. Diamond St.  
 Wednesday, March 23, St. Peters Catholic, 60 S. Mulberry  
 Thursday, March 24, Mansfield Foursquare Gospel, 383 Davidson  
 Friday, March 25, Biblewalk Museum, 500 Tingley Rd.  
 Saturday, March 26, Paradise Hill, 87 Illinois Ave. N.  
 Sunday, March 27, Potter's House, 374 Willowood Dr. East.  
 Monday, March 28, Fusion at East Hills, 2170 OH 430 E  
 Tuesday, March 29 — Linden Road Presbyterian, 160 S. Linden Rd.  
 Wednesday, March 30, First Christian, 200 W. Third St.  
 Thursday, March 31, First English Lutheran, 53 PAW

## Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

Carol Milum, February 18  
 Clara Killinger, February 18  
 Glenn Eugene Yingling Jr., February 18  
 Kimberlee Gray, February 20  
 Mary Elizabeth Lauer, February 21  
 Sondra Alice Wertemberger, February 22  
 JH Simmons, February 22  
 Darrel Lester Wilson, February 22  
 Carol J. "Davis" Grogg, February 23  
 Rev. Myrl Gephart Jr., February 24  
 Joseph A. Kopina, February 26

View Full Obituaries and Arrangements at [www.wappner.com](http://www.wappner.com)

## Programs provide support

Several upcoming online programs offered by the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter will offer help to families navigating the early stages of dementia: identifying the disease, learning more about it and discovering ways to talk to others about your concerns.

The virtual programs, being offered free to the community, are:  
 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's, 6-7 pm, Thursday, March 3  
 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's, 12-1 pm, Monday, March 7  
 Dementia Conversations, 56 pm, Monday, March 7  
 Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia, 1-2 pm, Tuesday, March 8

These programs will be presented on Zoom and pre-registration is required. To register, call the Alzheimer's Association's 24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900 and provide an email address. Instructions about how to join the webinars will be emailed to registrants.

"These programs provide a valuable grouping of information for families in the early stages of identifying dementia in a loved one," said Pam Myers, Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter program director. "It details the initial signs of Alzheimer's disease, provides tips on how to approach your loved ones when you have concerns about their memory problems, and answers general questions about Alzheimer's and dementia."

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GRATEFUL LIFE PHOTOGRAPHY

Photo by Brandon Chamber



**By Mátiece Thomas**  
 Spring is just around the corner. I don't know about you but I am excited for warmer temperatures, the trees budding and flowers blooming – a fresh start. Today lets talk about giving your body a fresh start for spring, lets talk detox. I like to encourage my clients to do a detox at the beginning of every season. Out with the old, in with the new.

There are a lot of ways to do a detox or cleanse. There are cleanses you can buy in the store and I have tested a lot over the years – some work and some do not.

I encourage you to keep it natural. Yesterday I personally did a mini detox by doing a liquid fast for 24 hours. I juiced vegetables, drank a lot of water, and one cup of collagen/protein coffee, protein shakes and green tea.

I took in a lot of good nutrients, but I gave my digestion system the day off from the heavy work.

You can detox by cutting sugars from your diet for five days. Sugar is the “cancer” of our diet so any time you can cut it, you should.

If you are a meat eater, you can live the vegetarian lifestyle for seven days. I will warn you that if you do this, you just might be surprised how much better you feel and how much more energy you have.

Another great way to detox, if you have a juicer, is to do a 24 hour juice fast.

Make your own V-8 and with the right fruits and vegetables you can make your juice savory or sweet. Just be cautious of too many high sugar fruits in one drink. Be sure to have a good balance 3-to-1 ratio, veggies to fruits.

I hope these suggestions have given you ideas for a detox that could work for you. Look at your diet and decide what you need to detox from and make a fresh start.

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



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— Larry and Kendra Kaufman

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Photo by Damon Callis

**Day Trippin' With Damon** – Lantern’s Mill in Youngstown is one of Mahoning County’s most historic landmarks. It was built in 1845-’46 by German Lanterman and Samuel Kimberly. Restored in 1982-’85 through a gift from the Ward and Florence Beecher Foundations. This represents one of the many pioneer industries developed along Mill Creek and operates today as it did in the 1800s, grinding corn, wheat and buckwheat. [www.millcreekmetroparks.org](http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org)



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By Kim Sterry

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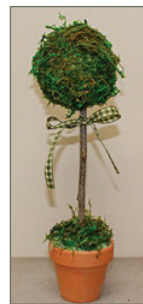
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- ½ cup heavy cream
- Pinch of salt
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- 1 Tbsp. white sugar
- Dash of nutmeg and cinnamon
- 2 tsp. vanilla
- 2 Tbsp. maple syrup
- ¼ cup bourbon (optional)

**Instructions**

Put all ingredients into the blender and blend well, you can let this mixture sit and incorporate flavors but remember to blend again before you use it because sugars will tend to sink to the bottom and it will become separated. Pour mixture into a baking dish or pie plate and dip bread slices in, letting them soak so they absorb the mixture. Put on buttered griddle or pan and cook until golden brown. You can keep in warm oven until you are ready to serve. You can use a raspberry or strawberry (or any flavor) jam with these as well instead of syrup. (If using thicker sliced bread, you will probably need two loaves depending on size of loaf)

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A Conservation Creation Arts & Crafts Workshop: Leprechaun’s Décor, will be held Tuesday, March 8, from 6–8 pm at the Longview Center, 1495 W. Longview Ave., Mansfield.

The attending will create a moss topiary. At the base, the topiary is nestled in a moss-covered terra cotta container and anchored by a tree stick to a top moss-covered ball. A ribbon provides the finishing touch. Richland SWCD provides the materials and tools needed to make the topiary. The workshop costs \$6 per person.

To register visit <https://richlandswcd.net/>



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## News Briefs in Education

The Ontario Board of Education will meet in the Ontario High School Library at 7 pm on March 8.

★  
More than 5,000 students qualified for the fall semester 2021 dean's list at Ohio University, including main and regional campuses.

Local students on the list at the College of Arts and Sciences are Avery Hooks of Ontario, Tony Olivieri of Mansfield and Isaac Weber of Lexington.

At the College of Business is Jared Strickler of Mansfield; Scripps College of Communication, Eric Boll of Mansfield; College of Fine Arts, Samuel Brandes of Ontario; and College of Health Sciences and Professions Hannah Hershner of Lexington and Anna Murray of Mansfield.

OHIO students must earn at least a 3.5 grade point average for the semester with a schedule of classes totaling at least 15

hours, 12 of which were taken for letter grades, to achieve this distinction.

★  
Jo Shimizu of Mansfield graduated with a BSC majoring in Media Arts and Studies - Integrated Media from Ohio University's Scripps College of Communication in fall 2021.

More than 1,800 students graduated with bachelor's, master's or doctorate degrees from Ohio University for fall semester 2021.

★  
Melina Shultz of Lexington has been named to the dean's list at John Carroll University for the fall 2021 semester.

Students eligible for the list must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours within one semester and have a quality grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale.

★  
Send school and college news to [news@tribune-courier.com](mailto:news@tribune-courier.com)



## 4-H News Report

On Jan 30, 2022, the Ring Raiders 4H club had a meeting at the Old Russell School at 1 pm.

The meeting was called to order by President Jacob and the American pledge and 4H pledge were done

Vanna followed with the roll call answering the question "What animals you are taking to fair?" She then gave a secretary report.

New officers were voted in as follows Carson Abbot as President, Vanna Burns as Vice President,

Nataleigh Lykins as Secretary, Haley Eldridge as Treasurer Katie Crider as Health and Safety, Aleigha Hissong as News reporter, Ava Harrison and Leah Adkins as Recreation, and lastly Sienna Kennison as Historian

We talked about old business from our last meeting on June 27, 2021, we made posters to put around town to get people interested in joining the Richland County Fair.

Aleigha Hissong, News Reporter

## Businesses can register for job fair

Registration is open for the 2022 Spring Job & Internship Fair taking place on Wednesday, March 30, from 3:30-5:30 pm in the Campus Rec Center on the campus of The Ohio State University at Mansfield and North Central State College. The deadline to register a business is Wednesday, March 16.

Those hiring for full-time, part-time, temporary summer jobs, or internships can register for and attend this come-and-go open house-style job fair at <https://www.tinyurl.com/2022jobfair>

Face masks are required in all Ohio State and NC State buildings. Table/booth set up will be between 2:30 and 3:15 pm on the day of the event.

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(Chris Tunnell @noon both days)

- ✓ **Ashland Fire Dept.**
- ✓ **Ashland Co. Park District**
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## Pollinator garden plans will be subject of library programs

The Mansfield Richland County Public Library will host programs about developing a pollinator garden plan and conservation efforts.

Dave Duncan will answer questions about honeybees and the best ways to plan a pollinator garden.

Duncan has many years of experience raising honey bees, honoring their essential existence and moving nests.

The first program will be held Thursday, March 3, at 6 pm at the Lexington Branch Library. Call 419-884-2500 to register.

Programs will also be held Tuesday, March 15, at 6 pm at the Plymouth Branch, 419-687-5655; Monday, March 21, 6 pm, at the Bellville Branch, 419-886-3811; Tuesday, March 22, 6 pm, Madison Branch, 419-589-7050; and Thursday, March 31, 6 pm, Lucas Branch, 419-892-2576.

Registration can also be completed at [https://www.mrcpl.org/?s=Pollinator+Garden+Plan+%26+Conservation&radio-searchtype=site&fbclid=IwAR0RNYfP88AhGwO\\_xROmZeJty-wpSUyBZLRWFyWN0Wvghdal1BHioFnxduks](https://www.mrcpl.org/?s=Pollinator+Garden+Plan+%26+Conservation&radio-searchtype=site&fbclid=IwAR0RNYfP88AhGwO_xROmZeJty-wpSUyBZLRWFyWN0Wvghdal1BHioFnxduks)

The programs are free and for more information call a library branch.



ONTARIO MIDDLE SCHOOL Principal Keith Strickler sent out a challenge during the February snow days asking students to display some acts of kindness and send him photos of their good works. In the end 70-some students submitted photos featuring snow shoveling and other acts of snow removal around their homes and neighborhoods. Due to the wonderful displays of kindness, a raffle was designed enabling those students who participated in the "Snow Day Challenge" a chance to win a prize. Some of the prizes included book fair certificates, spirit wear and Cove gift cards. The grand prize was worth \$100, and was won by seventh grade student Natalie Smith.

**TEEN PROGRAMS**  
at the Library!

From kawaii plushies and anime to jelly bean tasting and conducting experiments, check out what's happening this month at the Library!

[mrcpl.org/events](https://www.mrcpl.org/events)

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**JEREMIAH WORKMAN**, candidate from lieutenant governor, spoke at the Masonic Temple during a Richland County Republican Women's meeting on Feb. 22.

## Workman speaks in Mansfield

Photo and Article by Traci Little

The Richland County Republican Women's Party welcomed special guest, Jeremiah Workman, as the guest speaker on Feb. 22 at the Masonic Temple on Middle Bellville Rd.

Jeremiah Workman, the Lieutenant Governor candidate on the Joe Blystone for Governor campaign, spoke passionately about what his platform entails. He spoke proudly about bringing back integrity and transparency into the political spotlight. Jeremiah stated that he and Joe are ready to fight for our children and grandchildren's rights.

Joe Blystone and Jeremiah Workman claim not to be politicians. They state that they will put Ohioans first. They believe no leader should be able to single handedly restrict your freedoms. They will work to revive small and large businesses in Ohio by reducing the cost to do business in Ohio. They believe in constitutional carry.

Blystone and Workman say they will fight for rights and freedoms when it comes to health choices. They believe vaccinations must remain a choice, not a requirement. Pro-life advocacy is foundational for both candidates. They also proclaim will work with all law enforcement within Ohio to support those who risk their lives protecting us everyday.

For a complete list of Joe Blystone's platform, visit his website at [www.blystoneforgovernor.com](http://www.blystoneforgovernor.com)

They will return for a third visit March 7, at 7 pm, at The Potter's House, 374 Willowood Dr. East, Mansfield.

The public is invited to come and meet Joe Blystone and retired Marine Jeremiah Workman at these events. Blystone/Workman is the only constitutional conservative team running on the Republican gubernatorial ticket.

These events are an opportunity for the community to learn more about the Blystone/Workman campaign in a casual town-hall style environment. The candidates will share where they stand on major issues and answer any other questions. Yard signs, flags, shirts and stickers may be available for a donation at each event.

## Alzheimer's walk will be Sept. 17

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter has announced the dates for its 2022 Walk to End Alzheimer's, the world's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research.

The local walk will be held Sept. 17 at the North Central Ohio/Mansfield, OSU/NCSC Campus.

Registration for the 2022 Walk to End Alzheimer's is now open. To register a team, sign up as a team captain or register to walk as an individual, visit [alz.org/walk](http://alz.org/walk).

## Grant supports veterans programs

Hospice of North Central Ohio has received a grant from The Veterans of Foreign Wars of Ohio Charities, Columbus.

The grant, in the amount of \$3,295, will help HNCO provide "special" programs and services for area veterans. Specifically, the grant will be used to help underwrite a Veterans' Gratitude Picnic scheduled for Aug. 25, in Knox County and a Veterans' service scheduled for Sept. 19, at the Ashland County Fairgrounds.

In addition, the grant will help honor Veterans in hospice care with HNCO through pinning programs, bereavement services and direct patient care costs.

Ralph Tomassi, HNCO Chief Development Officer / Senior Administrator stated, "HNCO has proudly celebrated the lives of veterans through our "We Honor Veterans" program" which has engaged volunteers with veterans in our care" through a multitude of special veteran-oriented services.

"Veterans at end-of-life require and deserve the kind of care that provides dignity, honors their service to our country, and cares for their unique needs". "Small on-profit hospice organizations like HNCO are able to deliver this care through the support of charitable gifts and grants"

Call 800-952-2207 for more information about HNCO.



**BRIGHTVIEW'S MANSFIELD ADDICTION TREATMENT CENTER** held a Recovery Rally to honor community partners with the Power Partners Award on Feb. 22. The center, 580 Park Avenue West, Mansfield, also marks one year of providing addiction treatment in Richland County. This year's Power Partners are AA American Bail Bonds, Healing Hearts Counseling Center and Delany's Healthcare. In the last 12 months, BrightView has helped 241 area residents work toward recovery through more than 2,404 hours of medical treatment and approximately 2,139 hours of counseling and therapy. At the celebration ribbon cutting were Richland County Commissioner Cliff Mears, Mansfield Councilman Aurelio Diaz, Brightview Community Outreach Manager Miki Zeigler and Richland County Chamber of Commerce Member Services Coordinator Jennifer Wagner.

## Scholarships offered at Samaritan

The Board of Directors of Samaritan Hospital Foundation will offer scholastic awards to persons residing in Ashland County or UH Samaritan Medical Center employees or a member of their immediate family. To be eligible, applicants must be currently enrolled or accepted in an accredited program in the areas of nursing, medicine or allied medical studies.

Completed applications must be returned with appropriate grade transcripts by April 15, to the Samaritan Hospital Foundation, Attn: Mona Campbell, at 663 East Main St., Ashland, OH.

Applications are available at [www.samaritanhospitalfoundation.org](http://www.samaritanhospitalfoundation.org) and at Samaritan, 663 E. Main St. or by calling 419-207-7900. Recipients will be notified in May.

# Pioneer administers oath to new board members

At the Feb. 21, meeting the Pioneer Board of Education administered Oath of Office to Morgan Jones, new board member from Bucyrus City Schools; new member William (Bill) McFarland, Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center and Robyn Almanson, re appointed board member from Crestline Exempted Village Schools.

The board approved the appointment of Linda Schumacher to the Richland County Tax Incentive Review Council for 2022.

The annual board member-administrator dinner meeting will be held on March 31.

Resolution 02-22 was adopted for appreciation of Planmeca Digital Panoramic X-ray machine with an estimated value of \$5,000. This x-ray machine will be used in the Dental Assisting Lab.

Donations were accepted from Civista Bank, Shelby, monetary donation of \$500 to be used for the annual student scholarship; Greg Dodge, Shelby, donation of construction tools and supplies including sanding blocks, safety glasses, bungee cords and telescoping magnets with an approximate value of \$70, to be used in the Construction Career Technical Programs; and Glenna Plotts, Mt. Gilead, monetary donation of \$1,000 to be used for the annual Glenna R.

Cannon Non-Traditional Scholarship.

A donation was also accepted from Dawn Wright Smith, Blackbaud Giving Fund, Wells-Fargo, monetary donation of \$60 to be deposited into the alumni fund, which is used for student scholarships awarded to a Pioneer senior.

The board approved student participation in the DECA State Convention, Hyatt Regency/Convention Center, Columbus, March 11-13, for Bucyrus students Malachi Bayless, Noah Burke, Eddie Dagher, Ashley Davis, Kelsey Fackler, Samantha Farrar, Trey Griggs, Mycala Lange, Braxton Lewis, Ella Moyer, Chris Neale, Gavin O'Connell, Caleb Rimmer, Adacy, Rister, Chris Wicker, Katie Kuhn and Karys Boyd. Chaperones will be Jody Tackett, Marketing I Business Instructor & DECA Advisor; and Jeff Funigiello, Media Communications Instructor/DECA Advisor.

The retirement resignation of Michael Smith, Construction Level One Instructor, was accepted, effective Aug. 1, 2022.

A retirement resignation was accepted from Jim Sorenson, Career Development Coordinator, effective Feb. 1, 2022.

The board approved employment of substitute instructors and Michael Amick, third

shift custodial/security worker.

Resignations were accepted from Sheri Beal, PIT ECE Parent Coordinator, effective Feb. 7, 2022; Joanne Humphrey, PIT marketing coordinator, effective end of 2021-'22 contract year; and Kimberly Kaple, PIT distribution parts pick-up/bus driver, effective Feb. 28, 2022.

Jeannette Good was employed as PIT Adult Education Secretary, followed by employment of substitute classified personnel.

A job description was adopted for student services coordinator and revisions were made to the 2021-'22 Pioneer School Calendar due to the revision to the sophomore visitation schedule and parent/teacher conferences.

A Memorandum of Understanding between Crestline Ex. Village Schools and Pioneer for Industrial Engineering Technology Program was agreed upon for the 2022-'23 school year.

A Resolution was adopted approving a contractor for an exterior wall maintenance and repair project. A Resolution authorized the transfer of monies from bond retirement fund to general fund.

The board then entered into executive session.

# Madison Choral Department will present 42nd Street production

The Madison Choral Department will present *42nd Street, Youth Edition* on Friday, March 18, at 7:30 pm; Saturday, March 19, at 7:30 pm; and Sunday, March 20, at 2:30 pm in the Madison Middle School Auditoria, 1419 Grace St.

Admission is \$8; \$6 for students and senior citizens.

*42nd Street* celebrates Broadway, Times Square and the magic of show biz with wit, humor and pizzazz. At the height of the Great Depression, aspiring chorus girl Peggy Sawyer comes to the big city from Allentown, PA, and soon lands her first big job

in the ensemble of a glitzy new Broadway show. But just before opening night, the leading lady breaks her ankle. Will Peggy be able to step in and become a star?"

Cast members and their Characters include Shannon Stapleton as Maggie Jone; Caden Stewart as Bert Barry; Gage Workman as Mac; Karlie Wilson as Peggy Sawyer; Thom Hoagland as Billy Lawlor; Brett Lucas as Julian March; Maryellen Hoffman as Dorothy Brock; Jacob Ford as Abner Dillon; Liam Paxton as Pat Denning; Bri Studer as Gladys; Faith Brammer as Winnie; Breanna Ford as Phyllis; Emalie Green as Annie;

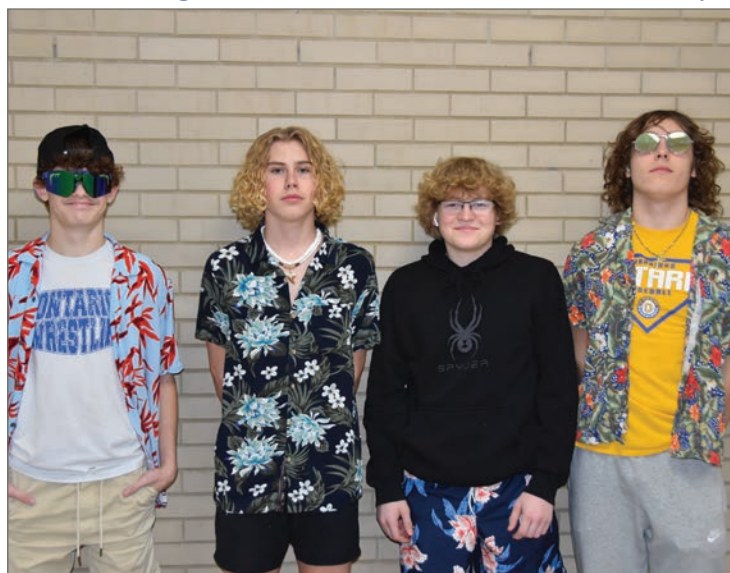
Aubrey Jeffery as Lorraine; and Drake Ramey as Doctor.

The ensemble includes Piper Donahue, Taylor Caudill, Audrey Ward, Brandi Bowles, Ariona Anderson, Emma Finley, Emily Jones, Courtney Cyrus and Devin Bond.

*42nd Street, Youth Edition*, is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Tams-Witmark LLC.

Music is by: Harry Warren with lyrics by Al Dubin. The book is by Michael Stewart and Mark Bramble and is based on the novel by Bradford Ropes.

# Ontario High School Winter Games Spirit Days



# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

## Clear Fork Cheerleaders Go to State Feb. 26 • Photos by Jeff Hoffer



## Warrior swimmers earn All-Ohio

The Ontario Warrior swimmers now have eight more All-Ohioans to add to their Hall of Fame.

Senior Ava Ruhe became the first female in swim history to earn All-Ohio four years in a row. She was joined by seniors Shelby Keever and Tiffany Whittaker and junior Brienne Trumpower on the 400 free relay and the 200 free relay.

The 200 relay earned the four a podium placement of eighth and medals. That relay also brought home a new school record. The 400 relay placed 13th and was All-Ohio. Brienne earned All-Ohio in her 200 and 100 swims, making it 44 for her. She placed 12th in the 100 free and medaled with an 8th in the 200 free.

Brie also broke her own 50 free school record as the lead off in the 200 free relay.

The boys had the biggest jump in places in the 200 free relay. They qualified in 18th place coming into the meet and ended up placing 12th, earning them All-Ohio honors also. Senior Evan Trumpower and juniors Colin Cordrey, Hunter Petit and Alex Rose made up that relay.



ONTARIO GIRLS 200 AND 400 RELAY Ava Ruhe, Brie Trumpower, Tiffany Whittaker and Shelby Keever



ONTARIO BOYS 200 RELAY Colin Cordrey, Hunter Petit, Alex Rose and Evan Trumpower



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# Madison's Lyndsee Young wins school's first women's state wrestling championship

By Cal Rickert

COLUMBUS, Ohio – Last Saturday, Feb. 19, Madison senior wrestler Lyndsee Young defeated Warren's Kylee Tait by decision to win the Ohio state title. Young is now Madison's only female wrestler to have won a state title and joins Nate Yetzer as the only Rams to win a state wrestling championship.

Leading up to the match, Young knew little about her opponent, practicing moves and finalizing a strategy for the match just moments before hitting the mat.

"We worked on one takedown about twenty minutes prior to the match just to counter what [Tait] did well," said Madison coach Brian Mosier. "We worked on position and let [Tait] make a lot of mistakes after we had a lead and Lyndsee capitalized on those pretty well."

Young echoed her coach's point and emphasized the importance of using her opponent's tendencies against her in the match.

"She was the most aggressive opponent that I had all weekend," said Young. "A lot of wrestling is staying in good position and that's what I focused on – once I was up, it was all about staying in good position so I wouldn't get scored on."

As the match continued with both girls vying to score points, Young's positioning and tenacity was too much for Trait, allowing her to gain a sizeable lead.

"We have a pretty good philosophy," said Mosier. "If we shoot, we score and if they shoot, we [counter] and score. She capitalized off [Tait's] attacks late in the match to really get that score and make the points gap a little wider."

With Young's large lead late in the match, Tait could do little

to make up her lost ground. Young held superior positioning as the clock expired, sealing her state championship victory. With the win, Young's record improved to 22-1 against females.

After the victory, Madison High School held a celebration parade for Young with students and faculty cheering her on as she circled Madison's hallways. Coach Mosier hopes the win will continue to inspire other females to take up the sport.

"There's not a ton of girls, especially in our area - interested in wrestling," said Mosier. "Wrestling is a tough sport. Hopefully it will get more girls in the area, not just in our school district, but also surrounding districts, more interested in the sport."

Since there are not many women wrestlers in the Richland County area, Young wrestled in men's matches throughout the year, too, which she credited to helping her in her state victory.

"Wrestling the boys makes me stronger and it made me more aggressive for when I was wrestling against girls," said Young. "I was better prepared to be aggressive and score instead of waiting on [opponents]."

Coach Mosier also mentioned how wrestling and practicing in men's matches has helped not only Young, but her teammates, as well.

"She is one of the more technically sound wrestlers that I have when we drill," said Mosier. "She does everything right and changes levels well – it helps her and [her partner]. She has the experience – and it definitely helped her in the long run."

After winning the women's wrestling championship, Young then competed in the men's sectional tournament on Saturday, February 26. Young wrestled in four matches and finished in sixth place. Her overall record including men's matches was 28-12 before sectionals.



**CHASITY MIES** of Ontario High School is a State Qualifier for gymnastics and will compete in beam and floor next Saturday at Hilliard Bradley High School.



**LYNDSSEE YOUNG** is shown competing earlier this season as she progressed on her path to the state championship.

# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

## Ontario High School Basketball at Willard vs Huron • Feb. 25



# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



**THE MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL 8TH GRADE BOYS** won the OCSAA (Ohio Christian School Athletic Association) State Championship. They defeated New Hope Christian Academy 36-26 on Saturday, Feb. 19 in Circleville. Team members are front, coach Jonathon Rank, Carter Bowman, Noah Pearce, JR Reeder, Aidan Johnson, Jayden Shewan, Denver Elliott and Logan Wilson; and back, Landin Cyphers, Andrew Malone-Martinez, Cole Bowman and Blayne Morrow.

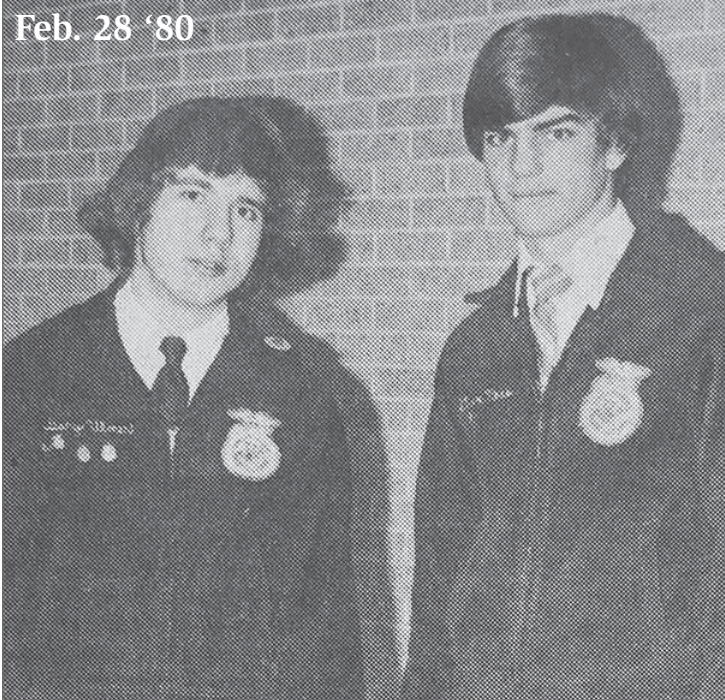
**THE MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS** team defeated Lebanon Christian by a score of 40-21 to be the OCSAA State Champions on Saturday, Feb. 19 in Circleville. Team members are front, Emily Davis, Riley Patrick, Zy'Eir Davis, Bella Young and coach Lindsay Patrick; and back, coach Dale Patrick, Cassidi Nelson, Bailee Nelson, Adelle Cramer and Chelsea Ward.



## Ontario High School Swim Team State Send-Off

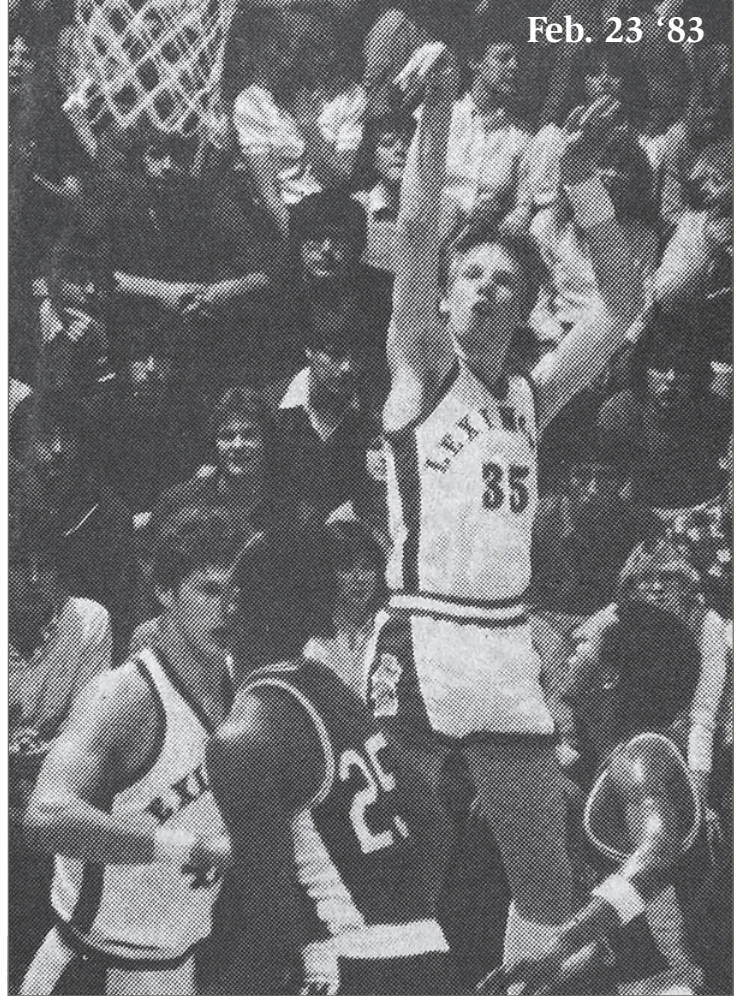


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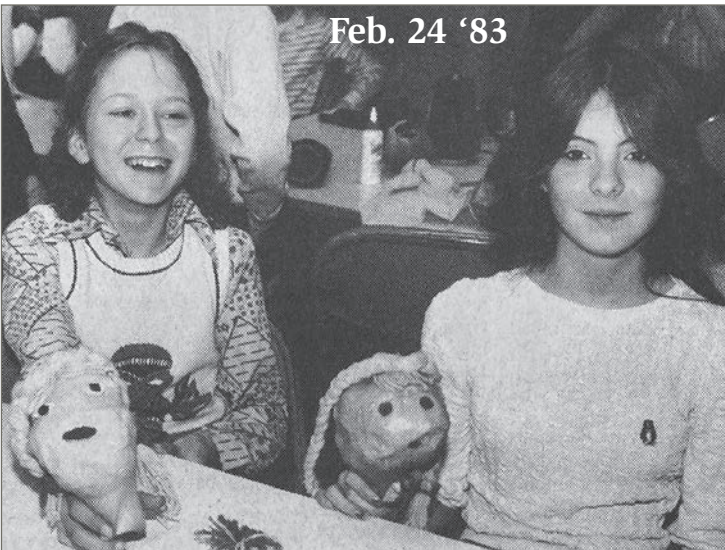
Feb. 28 '80

**SPEECH CONTEST WINNERS** — Pioneer Joint Vocational School FFA chapter held its public speaking contest recently. Gary Ulmer (left), a senior in agri-business from Crestline, won the prepared speech competition. Byron Orewiler, a junior in agri-business from Ontario (right), won the extemporaneous competition. Byron is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Orewiler, Rock Rd., Ontario. Winning students went on to compete in the county contest at the county extension office. Second place in prepared speeches went to Robbi Hadsell, a junior in agri-business from Colonel Crawford. Third place went to Steve Neise, a junior in agri-business from Buckeye Central. Mike Tackett, a senior in small engines from Galion, took second in extemporaneous and Brian Whittemire, a junior in meat processing from Lucas, took third in extemporaneous.



Feb. 23 '83

Photo by GB  
**TERRY SMITH (35)** of Lexington puts in two of his 10 points Saturday night against visiting Mansfield Senior High. The Tygers beat the Minutemen 68-60 at Lexington.



Feb. 24 '83

Betty Stumbo  
**MAKING PUPPETS** — Ontario Middle School fifth graders in Margo Burton's art class are making puppets which will be used in a puppet show they will write and present to other classes at the school. Jeanie Bogdan and Cindy Gibson can be seen working on the Ontario cheerleaders they are creating.



Feb. 28 '80

Photo by Tom Sproat  
**SENIOR TRUMPETERS** Sharon Sazdanoff and Tom Mendez received a standing ovation at the Ontario-Colonel Crawford basketball game as they played the "Star-Spangled Banner" for the last time during their high school career. The duo has also performed at gymnastic and swim meets, girls' basketball games and at a Michigan vs. Ohio State Football game rally held at the Mansfield Rotary Club.



# CLASSIFIEDS

## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Council of the City of Ontario during a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at the Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio, upon a proposal to amend City Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 1145.09 Exterior Lighting.

The City of Ontario Planning Commission has recommended in favor of these changes.

All persons interested in these issues are invited to attend and express their views.

Cathy VanAuker  
Clerk of Council  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 2-24, 3-3 '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 February 16, 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. 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. 22-13 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 17-30, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 21-14 – AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE ROE/VENTRE/YARMAN ANNEXED PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF ONTARIO AS R-1 - LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Cathy VanAuker  
Clerk of Council  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 2-24, 3-3 '22) 40L

## NOTICE

The City of Ontario Civil Service Commission will hold a public hearing for amending Civil Service Rules and Regulations, Section 7.08 (C) Original Appointment Exams: Police,

at their meeting on March 17, 2022, 1:00 p.m., at the Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road.

Jim Boyer, Chairman  
Civil Service Commission  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 3-3 '22) 12L

## LEGAL NOTICE

### MARSHALL PARK PLAYGROUND BIDS

Separate sealed bids for the Marshall Park Playground project, City of Ontario, Ohio will be accepted by the City of Ontario, 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio 44906 until 1:00 PM, local time, on March 17, 2022, and then publicly opened and read aloud at that office.

The project is for the site construction of a playground and splash pad, both provided by others. It includes 8,086 SF of asphalt, 6,791 SF of concrete slab/sidewalk, 612 LF of storm sewer, and a dry extended detention basin. The estimated cost of construction is \$275,000.00.

The Bid Documents, Plans, Specifications, and other contract documents may be examined at the following: K.E. McCartney & Associates (KEM), 52 N. Diamond St., Mansfield, OH 44902. Copies may be obtained at the offices of K.E. McCartney & Associates at 52 N. Diamond St., Mansfield, OH 44902, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday, upon payment of \$50.00 for each half-size or electronic set. Electronic Sets may be obtained by visiting <https://kemccartney.com/project-bids/> to download all bid documents. Checks shall be made payable to the K.E. McCartney & Associates and all documents become the property of the prospective bidder, with no portion of the payment being refunded.

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Kris Knapp  
Service-Safety Director  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 3-3, 10 '22) 45L

## LEGAL NOTICE

### STREET RESURFACING BIDS

Separate sealed bids for the 2022 Resurfacing Program, City of Ontario, Ohio will be received by Kris Knapp, Service-Safety Director, at 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio 44906 until 11:00am, local time Thursday March 17, 2022, and then, at said office, publicly opened and read aloud. Pursuant to CDC Covid-19 guidelines, Contractors will be required to purchase and download an electronic set of plans and bid documents via the KEM Web Site by visiting <https://kemccartney.com/project-bids/>. If you would prefer a hard copy be mailed, we will do so upon receipt of payment in the amount of \$50.00 per set, along with your UPS or FedEx account number so that shipping charges can be applied to your account. Checks shall be made payable to K.E. McCartney & Associates and all documents become the property of the prospective bidder, with no portion of the payment being refunded. Should you have

any questions during the bidding process please contact [jburcholder@kemccartney.com](mailto:jburcholder@kemccartney.com).

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities. Contract will be awarded based on the lowest and best bid. The City of Ontario may reject any or all bids on any basis and without disclosure of reason. The failure to make such disclosure shall not result in accrual of any right, claim or cause of action by any unsuccessful bidder against the City of Ontario. Each bid must be accompanied by either an Ohio Revised Code Section 153.571 Bid and Performance Payment Bond in an amount equal to 100% of the bid; or, a cashier's check, bid bond, letter of credit to be duly executed by the bidder as principal and having as surety thereon, a surety company approved by the Owner in the amount of 10% of the bid. Each bid must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. The Owner intends and requires that this project be completed by September 2, 2022. Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Richland County and City of Ontario, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, Wage and Hour Division, 614-644-2239.

Kris Knapp  
Service-Safety Director  
City of Ontario, Ohio 44906  
(T-C 3-3, 10 '22) 66L

## LEGAL NOTICE

The annual financial report for the Madison Water District has been completed for 2021. The report is available at the office on Wednesdays from 4:30-6:00 P.M. located at 489 Indiana Avenue, Mansfield, Ohio.

Sue Cook  
Madison Township Water District  
Mansfield, Ohio 44905  
(T-C 3-3, 10 '22) 10L

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Madison Township Zoning Commission will hold a special public hearing Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to be held at the Madison Township Hall, 817 Expressview Drive, rear entrance. The requested hearing is as follows.

1. Application 01/22: Amend Zoning of parcel # 02611000314000 from Commercial to Mobile Home (MH) At this hearing, all persons shall be given the opportunity to speak "for or against" this application. The purpose of this hearing is to determine whether the applicants granted or denied his request.

Madison Twp. Zoning Commission  
Keith Carrocci, Chairman  
Mansfield, Ohio 44905  
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## •Free art workshop honors artist Lois Mailou Jones

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"I was just full of the desire to be an artist and I don't think anything could have stopped me," Jones passionately stated.

She began her career in textiles, selling bold African-inspired designs. But credit was never given to her amazing work! Her name was never published with her designs. If she wanted her name to go down in history, she soon realized that she would need to shift towards being a painter. Unfortunately, for a Black woman artist to succeed in the United States, she needed some grit and determination to back up her talent. She blazed the path for future artists by teaching, mentoring, and guiding others to discover their own hidden talents.

Why is this short history lesson about a famous woman of color, named Lois Mailou Jones, important? Debra Weaver states, "It is important for us to celebrate black history by knowing, seeing, hearing, and practicing the skills of people of color. This honors and gives them credit for their awesome talents. It doesn't happen enough! Brown and black faces have been scripted and part of history that have always been awesome and worth the awareness and support!"

Debra Weaver has been an educator for over thirty years. She's taught special needs children in the inner-city schools of Toledo and eventually became a principal in Toledo. After being hit by a semitruck in 2014 due to bad weather, it changed the course of what her life's work would look like. She has most recently started her own consulting business. Her special needs background, Masters and Doctorate degree all morphed together into her business called Woven Opportunities Business and Educational Consulting, LLC established in 2021.

She is passionate about hands on teaching that allows children and adults to explore through inquiry learning. She believes everyone deserves the opportunity to try new things, despite their educational or financial challenges.

The goal of teaching art is to let the students have the space and time to produce unique work, inspired from within. This first comes by providing the opportunities to do so. Mansfield Park and Recreation offers several free of charge occasions like this painting night! The north end is the biggest poverty-stricken part of Mansfield.

The free summer camps that the city provides are one of a kind. They are educationally sound and full of rich opportunities for kids to try new things like martial arts (Richland Academy of The Arts), learning about nature through local nature centers programs and the YMCA, and much more! The goal is to create a safe environment for kids to experience true joy through learning! These camps create a common ground for children to feel valued, important, and loved! Camps are educationally sound and emotionally enriching.

Weaver describes herself as a bit of a "brain nerd". She loves exploring the neuroscience behind thinking and learning as an educator. "We can take these anxious, fearful, scared individuals and turn them into inspired learners. We do this by giving them a safe space to relax and enjoy learning. Once comfortable and relaxed, their brain function can transition from the base of the brain to the frontal lobe," she explained with a large grin.

"The inability to problem solve and critically think, is one of the biggest stumbling blocks to learning. When we give a person the freedom and space to explore through learning, there are endless possibilities in store!"

The community summer camps usually fill up fast. There are 25 spots available in each of the two camps. The camps run Monday through Friday, from 9 am to 3 pm throughout the summer months. Funding happens through donations and contribution of time and talents.

"Fear and courage hold hands and are partners. It's about taking chances and trying new things. We were not meant to fit a mold, but to be unique!" said Weaver.



A YOUNG PARTICIPANT paints during the free class honoring the work of Lois Marilou Jones.

## OhioHealth now allowing more visitors

OhioHealth is now allowing two visitors per inpatient at all OhioHealth hospitals. Most hospitalized patients will select two designated visitors for the duration of their stay.

Emergency departments, surgery and invasive procedure areas will continue to allow one visitor per day. Outpatient centers will continue to allow visitors by exception only.

All visitors will be required to wear a mask, except while eating, and be asymptomatic of COVID-19 symptoms.

Patients that have tested positive for COVID-19 can have one visitor per day from 2–6 pm for the duration of their stay or while in isolation.

Patients receiving behavioral health care must have scheduled visitation

Patients receiving end-of-life care and acute end-of-life patients may have up to three visitors at any given time, and no maximum number of visitors per day.

Maternity patients can have two visitors during the duration of their stay as well as a doula, if they so choose, during the labor and delivery portion of their stay. If laboring patients are minors, they may have parents/guardians in addition to the parent-to-be of the baby. Hospitals with NICUs will follow Nationwide Children's Hospital visitor management policy.

Hours and entrances may continue to be limited while visitor restrictions are in place. For the latest visitor information, visit [ohiohealth.com/covid-19/visitor-restrictions](http://ohiohealth.com/covid-19/visitor-restrictions)

## Adventure BINGO Challenge continues

Winter is in full force, and the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District (MWCD) is inviting residents to bundle up and get moving outdoors by participating in the seasonal Adventure BINGO Challenge.

Each season a new BINGO board with a list of outdoor activities will be released. The winter challenge is open now through March 19. Participants need to complete five activities from the board, in any order, to be entered for a chance to win a MWCD adventure package. The activities need to be completed on a MWCD property. Locations can be found by visiting [www.MWCD.org](http://www.MWCD.org), and there is no fee to enter any location until Memorial Day Weekend.

To be entered to win the winter adventure package, register and submit completed activities online at [www.MWCD.org/Adventure-BINGO](http://www.MWCD.org/Adventure-BINGO) by March 21, 2022. Winners will be randomly selected and contacted directly.

A new challenge will be offered Spring: March 20–June 20; Summer: June 21–Sept. 21; and Fall: Sept. 22–Dec. 20. Those who complete all four challenges, could win an ultimate adventure package.

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**Richland Area Chamber will host 15th Annual Business Expo**

The Richland Area Chamber invites the public to attend its 15th Annual Business Expo on Thursday, March 24, from 10 am to 4 pm at the Richland County Fairgrounds. 100 local businesses and non-profit organizations will be exhibiting.

A special ribbon cutting with local officials will be held at 9:45 am to open the event.

This year the event will have a “Get in the Game” theme. Admission and parking is free, and the Business Expo is open to the general public. Individual booths will be of-

fering prizes, samples and giveaways.

The Chamber will also be holding prize drawings. A canned food drive is also being held and every attendee who brings a can will receive an entry into a special prize drawing.

“The expo is a great opportunity for the public to interact with local businesses, which is needed now more than ever. The sports theme is going to be incredibly exciting and we have some surprises in the works”, says Chamber Program & Events Manager, Lisa Duckworth. She adds “We

encourage the public to stop by, even if it’s on a lunch break – there will be something for everyone.”

Only a few booths remain. Interested businesses can contact Lisa Duckworth at 419-522-3211.

Over thirty local businesses are sponsoring the Expo including Adena Corporation, Black Belt Pro Fitness, Hamilton Insurance Group, and Spitzer Motors of Mansfield. A complete list of sponsors, a prize entry ticket, and other important information can be found at [www.RichlandAreaChamber.com](http://www.RichlandAreaChamber.com).



**THE ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY CLASS** at Ontario High School is studying the nervous system. Students built models of the 12 cranial nerves, nerve plexus networks, or all of the 31 spinal nerves. Students then did cranial nerve reflex tests such as checking for pupil dilation, smell sensitivity, vision tests and balance testing. (Left photo) Giana Camarata, Macy Mangan, Taylor Mullins, Jacob Barabani, Shelby Zimmerman, Jaslyn Ly and Skylar Ambrose. (Right photo) Madaeline Henderson and Adrienne Kearns.

## Partnership announced to promote road safety for teen drivers

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced a partnership between the Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO) and the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) to raise awareness about the resources available to help teens drive safely.

“We want everyone on the road to make it home safely. If we put teens in controlled driving situations before they face them in real time, they will be better prepared to navigate the road safely,” said Governor DeWine. “Inexperience behind the wheel is a major factor in crashes for new drivers. Giving our young people more opportunities to practice making good driving decisions will prevent crashes and save lives.”

OTSO houses the Teach Your Teen to Drive (TYTTD) website, which includes links to short videos for teens to learn how to safely enter and exit a highway, change lanes, and manage intersections. Other links feature a guide with tips and tricks to prepare for behind-the-wheel practice, Ohio driving laws and requirements, and a tool to help families track their progress and record which driving environment their teens need more practice with.

Governor DeWine has placed a priority on safe driving during his administration.

In 2019, he launched a statewide virtual driver assessment program, Ready, Test, Drive!, to better equip Ohio’s new drivers with critical skills to safely navigate the roads. Additionally, by executive order in 2020, Governor DeWine created the Ohio Traffic Safety Council of federal, state, and local partners to focus on ways to make Ohio’s roadways safer by using proven education, engineering, enforcement, emergency response, and public policy countermeasures.

The OTSO/OHSAA partnership builds on Governor DeWine’s initiative by raising awareness during the boys and girls district, regional, and state basketball tournament games and sectional, district, and state wrestling tournaments. TYTTD messages will be included in programs, on parking passes and tickets, during public address announcements, and on signs and banners during the sporting events. The goal of this campaign is to create an open conversation between teens, parents, and other family members on the importance of road safety.

Crashes are the leading cause of death among young drivers (ages 15-20) nationally.

In Ohio, young drivers ages 15 to 25 represent almost 30% of deaths and 35% of serious injuries each year. This age group is more likely to be involved in fatal and serious crashes because they lack driving experience and tend to take greater risks.

## Ontario High School Band Concert



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