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Photo by Jenna Wolford

THE ONTARIO LIONS CLUB held its annual spring pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 2 at Ontario High School. A large crowd came for the breakfast which included all-you-can-eat pancakes with a side of sausage. Door prize drawings were also held. (See more photos on Page 6)

Levy will not add increase for taxpayers

On May 3, residents of Ontario Local Schools will vote on a 10-year renewal levy that will result in zero additional cost to taxpayers.

The district is combining two levies set to expire soon. The first is a 4.2 mill operating levy that is expiring at the end of this calendar year. It was first passed in 1992 and has been renewed every five years since. The second is a 6.1 mill levy expiring at the end of 2024.

The combined levies total 10.3 mills, however, the Richland County Auditor believes the combined millage of this levy will be 10.2 mills next year so it will appear on the ballot as 10.2 mills rather than 10.3.

If the ballot issue passes, funding will be used for day-to-day operations such as staff, utilities, technology and supplies. Ontario Schools was the eleventh lowest district in the state for operating costs per student in fiscal year 2021. The levy would provide continued financial stability so students can receive the education Ontario residents have come to expect.

Lexington Board of Education accepts retirements, approves employments

Lexington Board of Education met Wednesday, March 30.

Evan Matney, student representative to the board presented his report, followed by the administrative report and a presentation from Joe Trolan, Richland County Mental Health Board.

The board gave approval of a "Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor."

The board approved the continued enrollment in the Sedgwick Ohio School Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Program for calendar year 2023. This has an annual fee of \$3,595 and targeted savings of \$14,232.

The retirement of Connie Brown, Western 3rd grade, was accepted, effective at the end of the 2021-'22 school year.

Resignations were accepted from Allison DeGreen, high school science teacher; and Tina Parr, Central, special education.

Both are effective at the end of the current school year.

Sandy LaLiberte was hired as a long-term sub at Western, effective approximately March 17, through end of the school year

Andrew Saris was hired as Dean of Students, high school, effective Aug. 1, 2022

The retirement of Pam Wisenbarger, educational aide at Central, was accepted effective the end of the current school year.

Brenda Welsh's resignation as transportation director will go into effect Sept. 1, 2022.

Ashley Smith was hired as a pre-school educational aide at Western, effective at the start of the 2022-'23 school year, on a one-year contract.

Also hired were Lindsay Musille, pre-school long-term educational aide sub, effective Feb. 28 through the end of the 2021-'22 school year; Susan Messmore, educational aide sub, effective March 28; Rita Eaton, educational aide sub; and Brenda Welsh, sub bus driver, beginning 2022-'23 school year.

Coaching resignations came

fromt Ryan Ball, varsity assistant football coach, effective immediately; and Grant Weaver, head girls' varsity basketball.

Approved as coaches were Emily Patterson, strength coach (November, December, January); Eric Turlo, volunteer assistant boys' soccer; Ben Sharick volunteer baseball; and Andrew Saris, varsity football coach.

Llewyn Sutherland was approved as a kindergarten tuition student at Western (beginning 2022-'23 school year). Tuition is waived following working parent. Karl Etzel will continue with grade 11 as a tuition student.

A Resolution notifying the Ohio Department of Education of the district's intent to administer the Third Grade English Language Arts and Third Grade Mathematics assessments in paper format for the 2021-'22 school year was approved.

Approval was given for the revised Lexington substitute list dated Feb. 16, 2022 and March 16, 2022 as presented by MOESC.

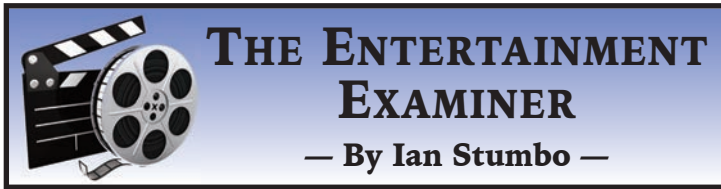
Fish sale orders due April 15

Pond owners are invited to order fingerling fish through Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD).

Buyers can choose from among a selection of Bluegill, Largemouth Bass, Hybrid Bluegill, Redear Shellcracker, Channel Catfish, White Amur and Fathead Minnows.

Pond owners can also order pond conditioner and fish food.

Orders and payment are due by Friday, April 15, and pickup is Friday, April 22, at 10 am at the Richland County Fairgrounds. This is the only pond fish sale Richland SWCD will sponsor this year, so do not miss this opportunity. Full details are available at <https://richlandswcd.net/fish-descriptions> or 419-747-8685. (See Ad Page 3)



THE ENTERTAINMENT EXAMINER

— By Ian Stumbo —

The 94th Academy Awards were held last week and had some terrific winners and speeches. However, as everyone knows now, one incident derailed all of that. This article will be more about how the Oscars themselves need to improve things and become awards for film lovers again.

The now infamous and terrible incident that occurred between Will Smith and Chris Rock has been dissected and discussed at extensive length. The rest of the show itself has not received much attention as it should have. A wonderful movie about a deaf family named *CODA* won best picture and won all three awards it was nominated for, an act few films have done. Troy Kotsur became the second deaf actor to win an acting prize, Jane Campion became the third woman in history to win best director for *The Power of the Dog* and eight time nominee Kenneth Branagh finally won an Oscar for his wonderful true story, *Belfast*.

Producers and the network tried to cut down the show to a manageable three hours by cutting out eight categories including makeup, editing and production design. The show ended up running over 45 minutes so it's unknown why they found it necessary. They had strange introductions to famous franchises and their highly touted *Godfather* reunion only included director Francis Ford Coppola, Al Pacino and Robert DeNiro (who was not actually in *The Godfather* but its sequel). Coppola spoke and all three walked off stage. There was no Talia Shire (Coppola's sister), Diane Keaton, James Caan or Robert Duvall.

The James Bond tribute was introduced by three athletes while several Bond cast members (including 86-year-old Judi Dench who played M in seven Bond films) sat in the audience.

The Oscars tried so hard to wedge in things to make people who have no interest in the Oscars happy. The Twitter fan poll was a disaster, their performance of an *Encanto* song had a weird rap portion wedged in the middle.

The Oscars need to get back to promoting the films they choose, making jokes about the movies and not personal insults and maybe choose a producer who will do well with the show and keep them on to fine-tune and make the show really effective.

Having been a loyal Oscar viewer since the late 90s, it's always disheartening to see people bash it or say nobody has heard of these movies. All of the best picture nominees could have been viewed at home this year. There were some terrific movies. Check them out.

Let's hope the Oscars learn their lesson from the past two years and get back to being a show that loves movies and less a show that seems like it has lost its way.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 9 – Gail Wolford, Madison

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The Super Motor Oil Salesman

By Bob Carter

Some salesmen without much effort just wait for a customer to ask or order. But throughout history the ones that do best are the super salesmen or women that really push or demonstrate their product. Such it was recorded in an old photograph that motor oil salesman Russell Moore called at the old Gages Airport in Ontario.

Paul Gages Sr., owner of that long gone air field and owner of several airplanes, needed to change the oil in his aircraft engines.

These engines always needed top quality lubrication because, without the very best of anything, a pilot couldn't have full confidence in his or her aircraft. If an engine failure occurred, there was no place for the pilot to go but down. Thus did salesman Russel Moore appear.

He sold Kendall Motor Oil. The company, founded in Pennsylvania along Kendall Creek in the 1880s, made Kendall's axle grease, advertised as "The horses best friend."

But with the coming of the automobile era, they developed a variety of new products. In 1928, the company introduced new and very refined 2,000 mile motor oil, a first for the industry. Other brands were only good for 500 or 1,000 miles.

The late Paul Gages Jr. recalled that Moore was one super salesman. To demonstrate for customers how pure his engine oil was, he'd pour some in a glass and drink it! He evidently suffered no ill affects from his sales pitch although it may have helped him keep regular.

Gages used that brand of oil for years keeping his plane engines humming along. Pictured below is his plane with a Wright J 5 Whirlwind air cooled, nine cylinder, 220 horse power engine that weighed 500 pounds. It was the same engine Charles Lindbergh used crossing the Atlantic.

Today, Kendall makes no medicinal claims for its products, some of which are still available. The oil is somewhat hard to find but Walmart and some automotive supply houses carry it. If you are daring, or just a little short on brain power, the next time you have your oil changed, ask for a small glass. If it tastes like Pennsylvania, you've got genuine Kendall. It might keep you and your car running real smooth. Real Smooth. Russell Moore would have guaranteed it!



IN 1936, standing in front of Paul Gages Senior's 1930 Travel Air 4000 biplane are Charlie Beck, Jack McLaughlin, salesman Russell Moore, Glen Gages and mechanic named McAllister.

Recycling drive planned for April 23

An electronic recycling drive will be held Saturday, April 23, from 9-2 pm, at the Central School Gymnasium entrance in Shelby.

Accepted items include tvs, wires, phones, tablets, computers, typewriters, cd players, cameras, vacuums, kitchen appliances, calculators, fax machines, security equipment, microwaves, gaming devices, kids electronic toys, A/C adapters and old ink cartridges.

CRT monitors require a fee of \$25.

Richland County Solid Waste Authority will also have a truck available to remove any items with freon including refrigerators and air conditioners.

News Briefs

The Country Champions 4-H Club will host a bake sale Saturday, April 9, from 10 am to 2 pm at Family Farm and Home in Ontario. Included in the sale will be breads, assorted cookies and other baked goods.

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 April 20, the meal will be turkey and those attending are encouraged to bring non-perishable items for the Salvation Army. A representative from Kingwood Gardens will speak.

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

Trinity United Methodist Church, 1592 Grace St., Madison area, will host Holy Week Services on Palm Sunday, April 10, 9:30 am; Holy Thursday service (with communion) April 14, 7 pm; Easter Sunrise service April 17, 7:30 am (followed by breakfast); and Easter Sunday, April 17, 9:30 am.

The church will host the Madison Community Easter Egg Hunt on April 9 beginning at 3 pm. All children ages up through sixth grade are invited.

Community Bible Church, 1043 Springmill St., will host a Good Friday service on Friday, April 15, at 6 pm.

The Ontario 4th of July Festival will be held Saturday, July 2 (rain date July 3), noon to 11 pm. The festival will be moved to Marshall Park, in the area of the baseball/softball complex.

The fireworks are being sponsored by the Niss Family.

Clear Fork Alliance Church, 1008 SR-97, Bellville, will host Easter week services: Good Friday Service, April 15, 7-8 pm; Easter Sunrise Breakfast, April 17, 8:30 am with special guest speaker, Mayor Matt Miller of Ashland; and Easter Celebration Service, April 17, 10 am.

The Ontario Lions Club will host its 2nd annual Easter Egg Hunt for visually impaired children on Saturday, April 9, from 1-2 pm.

The hunt will be held at the Marshall Park basketball court (entrance on Rock Rd.) RSVP by April 4 by texting or calling 419-709-1576. Each child will be assigned a Lion's member.

Mansfield 1st EPC, 399 S. Trimble Rd. (corner of Trimble and Millsboro) will host a church rummage sale Friday, April 8, from 9 am to 4 pm and Saturday, April 9, from 9 am to noon.

There will be clothing, toys, housewares, and more. Items are priced to sell. Proceeds are used for local missions. For information call 419-756-7066.

The 50th Class Reunion for the Madison High School Class of 1972 will be held Saturday, Sept. 17 at Westbrook Country Club, 1098 Springmill St., Mansfield.

Happy Hour with a cash bar

will be held from 5-6 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. Dinner includes soft drinks, tea, coffee and dessert. Cost is \$50 per person and must be paid in advance no later than Aug. 1. The reunion will include a tour of the new middle school at 10 am the morning of the reunion.

For information contact Mike Bailey at 419-565-2777 or by email at MbaileyW8HB@gmail.com. RSVP by sending reservation and fee to Madison Class of 1972, 1155 Briarwood Rd., Mansfield, OH 44907.

Mansfield 1st EPC, 399 S. Trimble Rd., Mansfield, will host a Good Friday Worship Service on Friday, April 15, at 6 pm.

The congregation will begin with the Eucharist and then transition into a Tenebrae service of Song and Scripture, going through the "Seven Last Words of Christ," ending the service in darkness and silence. Everyone is welcome.

Ashland County Cancer Association is accepting donations for its rummage sale now through June 2.

Donations are accepted Monday through Thursday at 1011 E. Main St., Suite A, from 9 am to 4 pm. Call 419-281-1863 to schedule a drop-off time.

Donations should not include torn or stained clothing, broken items, books or magazines or old tvs.

The sale will be held at the Ashland Fairgrounds June 9, 2-8 pm; June 10, 8 am to 5 pm; and June 11, 9 am to 3 pm.

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome John Lor-

son on Sunday, April 10. He will speak on "St. Frances and the Rail Trail Naturalist."

For more information visit www.allsoulsuohio.org.

A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, April 23 and 24. Acceptable items include steel and aluminum cans, crushed milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom, cardboard, all papers included with the newspaper but no other magazines or paper. Please remove caps from bottles and rinse all containers well.

First Congregational Church, 640 Millsboro Rd., Mansfield, will host Palm Sunday Worship Services on Sunday, April 10, in the chapel at 8:30 and 10:30 am in the sanctuary with confirmation.

A Maundy Thursday Worship Service will be held April 14, at 7 pm in the sanctuary with communion.

A Good Friday Service will be held April 15 at noon in the chapel.

On Sunday, April 17, Easter Sunday Worship Services will be at 8:30 am in the chapel and 10:30 am in the sanctuary.

An Easter Breakfast will be at 9 am in Blymyer Hall, followed by an egg hunt at 9:30 am.

For more information call 419-756-3046.

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Holy Week Services

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Holy Thursday, April 14, 7 pm
(with communion)

Easter Sunrise April 17, 7:30 am
(followed by breakfast)

Easter Sunday, April 17, 9:30 am

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Kindergarten registration open at Madison Local Schools

Kindergarten registration for Madison Local Schools will be held April 4–29. Children are eligible to attend kindergarten during the 2022–23 school year if they are five years of age on or before Aug. 1, 2022.

The first step in the registration process is to complete the online registration through FinalForms. The registration link can be found at www.mlscd.net under Madison FinalForms or using the link under kindergarten registration. Those who do not have internet access can schedule an appointment to complete the online forms with their child's assigned building.

Current Madison South Preschool students moving into kindergarten will need to log into FinalForms to complete the 2022–23 forms and schedule an appointment for kindergarten registration.

Once all online forms are completed, an appointment should be scheduled with the elementary school in which the parent resides: Madison South Elementary, 419-522-4319; Mifflin Elementary, 419-589-6517; and Eastview Elementary, 419-589-7335.

Documents which should be brought to the appointment are student birth certificate, parent/guardian driver license, custody papers (if applicable), parent/guardian proof of residency (see FinalForms for approved list) and immunization records.

Required immunizations for school attendance are four doses of DPT (five doses if four were given before fourth birthday); three or more doses of Polio with final dose after fourth birthday; three doses of Hepatitis B; two MMR's; and two Varivax (Chicken Pox) or history of having disease.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Clear Fork Alliance Church

1008 State Route 97, Bellville
419-886-4333 • 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
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>

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297 N. McElroy Rd., Mansfield (Madison area)
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Minister Dean Jackson
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10:30 am Sunday Worship
6 pm Sunday Night • 7 pm Wednesday
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: Check website for schedule

Ridgeway Church of God

1380 Park Avenue East, Mansfield
419-589-5385 • www.ridgewaycog.cggc.org/
Pastor John Dodds
Associate Pastor Billy Saunders
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6 pm Sunday Family Events
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9 am Men's Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sunday



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10 am Sunday Worship

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1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield (Madison) 419-589-2114 • www.mansfieldstmarys.org
Father Matthew Frisbee
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5:30 pm Tuesday Worship
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St. Paul Lutheran

2010 Park Avenue West • 419-529-4351
www.stpaulmansfield.org
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10:15 am Monday Weekly Bible Study

St. Timothy Lutheran Church

1262 Ashland Rd., Mansfield (Madison area)
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10:15 am Monday Bible Study
Email: secretary@sttimmansfield.org

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9:30 am Sunday Worship

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St. Peter Catholic Church Easter bake sale returns

St. Peter Parish will host its annual Easter Bake Sale on Tuesday, April 12, from 7 am to 6 pm, and Wednesday, April 13, from 7 am to 1 pm. This event billed as one of the largest bake sales with thousands of baked goods featuring traditional ethnic recipes and sweet treats.

The Easter bake sale lunch will also return on Tuesday from 11 am to 1 pm, with many fan favorites on the menu, including fresh cabbage rolls, broccoli and cheese soup, sloppy joes and hot dogs for the kids.

"This event continues to be successful thanks to our small army of volunteers who do all the preparations for this event," said bake sale coordinator Ann Brown. "Many of them could not help the last couple of years because of the pandemic, but many familiar faces are back to help make this event a success."

Proceeds from the sale go towards purchasing wine, hosts and other liturgical items the church uses throughout the year.

Over 200 volunteers from all faiths and walks of life work very hard to make this event a success and celebrate the charity and goodness of the wonderful people in our community.

To learn how to volunteer, visit mansfieldstpeters.org and click on the Easter Bake Sale link.

RRLC will serve country rib dinner

The Richland Rural Life Center, 969 E. Crall Rd., Mansfield (Madison area), will host a BBQ Country Rib Dinner on Saturday, May 7, from 4-6 pm.

Meals include BBQ country ribs, potato or macaroni salad, baked beans, roll, beverage and homemade vanilla ice cream. Extra ice cream quarts will also be available for purchase.

Cost is \$12 for adults and \$7 for children 10 and under. Tickets are sold at the door. Carry-out and dine-in will be available.

Proceeds from the event help to keep the RRLC grounds open and available for use by Richland County 4-H and Boy Scouts. The center also has three buildings available for rental throughout the year.

The entrance is located between Stewart Rd. and Rt. 545.

For more information call 567-307-4220. Visit the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/RichlandRuralLifeCenter>

Ontario egg hunt planned for April 9

The City of Ontario Recreation Department will host an Easter egg hunt at noon on Saturday, April 9, in Marshall Park, near the splash pad and playscape.

The hunt will be held rain or shine and is for ages three through fourth grade.

Those attending are asked to arrive 10-15 minutes prior to the start to allow for time to find the correct age group. Remember to bring a container for eggs.

Spring Gathered Treasures Show

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Randy Bruce, April 1

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St. Peter's School will have over 6,000 eggs for second annual hunt

St. Peter's School invites the community to its second annual Easter Egg Hunt, taking place at Spartan Fields on Sunday, April 10 at 2 pm. The free event will feature prizes, music and more.

More than 6,000 candy-filled Easter Eggs will be placed across the athletic complex so that children can spread out and hunt. Last year more than 300 people turned out for the hunt.

"We did not know what to expect last year, but were very impressed with the turnout. It is a unique way to provide fellowship to our community during this Holy Easter season," said Jason Crundwell, Director of Institutional Advancement for St. Peter's School. "This is a great service project for our students. Our Spiritual Life Class has stuffed thousands of eggs and will also earn service hours to help spread them on the soccer field."

The event is open to all children ages 12 and younger. In addition to the candy, some eggs contain prizes, including toys, and gift certificates. The Easter Bunny will also make an appearance and be available for photos.

Spartan Fields Athletic Complex is located at 640 Hickory Lane on the east side of Mansfield. Signs will be out to help direct visitors to the complex.

Senior citizen luncheon is April 7

There will be a senior citizen luncheon at Madison Comprehensive High School's Ramble Inn, 600 Esley Ln., on Thursday, April 7, at 12:30 pm.

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ONTARIO LIONS PANCAKE DAY • APRIL 2



Photos by Jenna Wolford

Madison board holds special meeting to approve memorandums

The Madison Local Board of Education met for a special meeting in the auditoria at Madison Middle School on Monday, April 4.

Tim Wigton, board president, gave the Call of Order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The resignation of Dave Shaum, first shift custodian at Eastview Elementary, was accepted, effective March 27.

The board approved the Memorandum of Understanding to the Contract between the Madison Local School District Board of Education and the Madison Local Education Association, whereas, Joshua Boliantz, Scott Hamilton, Nikki Mosiychuk, Jared Phillips, and Michael Wagner shall receive ten extended days in each of their first and second year of employment with the board to complete the necessary state requirements to attain certification/licensure to instruct classes in the District. Association member Don Maxey shall be awarded four extended days for SY 2022-'23, on a one-time, non-precedent setting basis.

A Memorandum of Understanding to the Contract between the Madison Local School District Board of Education and the Madison Local Education Association was approved. The board will reimburse association members Leann Hall, Mike Leeper and Erin Shulz for one-half of the COBRA monthly insurance premium costs incurred by each member when the board provided the association members with monthly insurance premium holidays.

The board approved the Memorandum of Understanding to the Contract between the Madison Local School District Board of Education and the Madison Local Education Association. In the contract, in the resolution of Grievances #2020-2021 1, 2, 3 and 4, the parties agree to equally share in the payment of cancellation fees charged by the American Arbitration Association due to the cancellation of the hearing scheduled for March 30, 2022.

The board approved the Memorandum of Understanding to the Contract between the Madison Local School District Board of Education and the Madison Local Education Association. In the con-

tact, the parties agree that association members and their dependents who are enrolled in any COBRA insurance coverage(s) will be provided any and all monthly insurance premium holidays in any month when such premium holidays are provided to association members and their dependents.

Board members approved the Memorandum of Understanding to the Contract between the Madison Local School District Board of Education and the Madison Local Education Association in which the parties agree that all newly hired career technical instructors and teachers will receive 10 extended days compensated at each association member's corresponding annual per diem rate, in both the first and second year of employment with the board. These extended days will be utilized by the instructors and teachers to compensate them for the completion of the necessary state requirements to attain certification/licensure to instruct classes in the district.

The board approved the ratification of the contract between the Ohio Association of Public School Employees, Local #292, and Madison Local Schools for Aug. 1, 2021–July 31, 2024.

RPH releases 2021 annual report

Richland Public Health has made its 2021 Annual Report available online, to locally celebrate National Public Health Week. The 12-page report includes highlights of activities and statistics from 2021, with a look back on how the health department guided and protected the Richland County community through another year of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The report is available for PDF view or download. The best way to find the report is by clicking on the "Annual Report slider" on the homepage. It is also listed on the main menu under the "About Us" tab, or visit <https://richlandhealth.org/about-us/annual-reports/>

Those who prefer a paper copy of the annual report can request a printed version to be mailed to or picked up in the Richland Public Health main entrance. To request a free printed copy call 419-774-4761 or e-mail chps@richlandhealth.org.

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MISS INGLE'S preschoolers at Ontario are learning all about Fairytales. They read *Jack and the Beanstalk* and explored the growth cycle of a bean sprout. The classroom has been transformed into a castle complete with dress-up clothes and a dining room table fit for a feast. Preschoolers have loved using their imagination to explore all areas of development and work on their academic and social skills through play.

Residents reminded to call 811 during National Safe Digging Month

April is National Safe Digging Month. To highlight the need for increased awareness around safe digging, a recent study by Common Ground Alliance (<https://commongroundalliance.com/>) revealed that many homeowners are putting themselves and their families at risk by not calling 811.

Digging without knowing the approximate location of underground utilities can result in serious injuries, inconvenient service disruptions and costly repairs when utility lines are damaged. Making a free call to 811 or contacting Ohio811 (<https://www.oups.org/>) at least 48 hours before digging will help homeowners maintain essential utility service for themselves and neighbors and keep communities safe by reducing the likelihood of accidentally digging into buried utility lines.

"Safe digging is extremely important for public safety. Unsafe digging can have serious and even deadly consequences, but the good news is it is extremely easy to avoid these consequences by calling 811 to have any underground utilities in your dig area located properly" said Joe Marinello, Manager, Operations Programs at Columbia Gas.

As part of National Safe Digging Month, Columbia Gas is encouraging homeowners to take the following steps when planning a digging project this spring:

- Always call 811 a few days before digging. Call at least 48 hours before beginning your project.

- Consider moving the location of your project if it is near utility line-markings.

- If a contractor has been hired, confirm that the contractor has called 811. Don't allow work to begin if the lines aren't marked.

- Visit ColumbiaGasOhio.com/811 for more information.

By calling 811, a trained utility line locator will visit the dig site to mark the approximate location of underground public utility lines with paint or flags. Each color represents a unique type of underground utility. The utility flags may be removed once the project is fully complete. See the complete color code guide and learn more information on ColumbiaGasOhio.com/811.

Spring brings end to Renaissance mask mandate

Per CDC guidelines and recommendations, the Renaissance Theatre is lifting its mask requirement for audiences attending performances in its venues, effective April 1.

Patrons are welcome to wear masks at any performance in Renaissance Theatre's venues. Health and safety policies will continue to be regularly evaluated and adjusted based on community health data, and public health and government guidance. To learn more about our additional health and safety procedures, visit rentickets.org/safety.

"Safety is a critical component of our business. Throughout the pandemic, we've taken every step possible to ensure the well-being of our patrons, following industry standards and health recommendations closely," said Renaissance President Chelsie Thompson.

"With Covid-19 transmission in Richland County now down to 16.5 cases per 100,000, we've reached our stated threshold of less than 50 cases per 100,000 and we're pleased to enter this next stage of pandemic recovery. It's been an incredibly difficult couple of years with a long road ahead, but we're grateful to the patrons who have continued to support us and look forward to stepping out of this together."

Renaissance Theatre is a non-profit performing arts theater located at 138 Park Ave. West. The National Endowment for the Arts helped fund this organization to encourage economic growth, educational excellence and cultural enrichment for all.

Visit Renaissance Theatre's website at rentickets.org to check out other events or contact renaissance@mansfieldtickets.com for events, tours, arts, culture and more.

For behind-the-scenes videos and more visit the Renaissance Theatre's YouTube Channel.

Area Agency on Aging launches online resource for caregivers

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. has launched a new online resource for caregiver support called Active Daily Living.

As a leader in long-term care systems, the vision of The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. recognizes the importance of being the preferred organization in providing advice and services which enhance the independence, dignity, and quality of life of older adults, individuals with disabilities and their caregivers.

The Area Agency on Aging website, www.aaa5ohio.org, offers a variety of free resources that may be accessed to assist older adults and caregivers through interactive online tools. Active Daily Living content is personalized to meet the needs of each individual and free monthly emails are tailored to include information that is useful to subscribers. Helpful hints on topics range from getting dressed and managing medication to opening car doors and completing simple household chores.

“This is a new and no-cost online resource which gives older adults, family caregivers and providers the ability to identify, track and assist with daily life,” said Nicole Williams, Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging VP of Outreach and Development. “We are all extremely busy and being a caregiver makes your time even more valuable. By offering this new platform, individuals will have one access point to find valuable information needed to help them as a caregiver.”

“Supporting Caregivers is an important part of what we do here at the Area Agency on Aging, and I am excited about the opportunity to expand that support to include online resources,” said Trae Turner, VP of Community Living. “Active Daily Living will offer many benefits from electronic newsletters to a vast library of health-related articles, QuickCare Tips, and beyond!”

For more information about the Active Daily Living website, contact Karen Hagerman 567-247-6487



Photo Courtesy of Rosie Stone, MRCPL

THE MAIN LIBRARY location of the Mansfield/Richland County Public Library is currently hosting the traveling exhibit “Immigration: An American Story.” The exhibit will be viewable in the second floor lobby through April. The exhibit is on loan from The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. As described by The Institute, “The exhibit presents documents, maps, and images to tell select stories of those who came to America, some by coercion and others by choice in search of a better future for themselves and later generations.” The main library is open Monday–Thursday, 9 am to 8 pm; Friday and Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm; and Sunday, 1–5 pm. For information visit mrcpl.org.



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL'S EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE served lunch for the needy in downtown Mansfield with People Helping People, a nonprofit serving meals every day in the city. For more information on People Helping People visit the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/peoplehelpingpeopleofnorthcentralohio/>

Richland County Foundation schedules annual meeting for May 18

The Richland County Foundation will conduct its annual meeting Wednesday, May 18, at 11:30 am at Kingwood Center Gardens, Mansfield.

During the meeting, chair Jessica Gribben and president Brady Groves will review the foundation’s work during 2021.

Two board of trustee members will be recognized and thanked for their years of service and dedication: Beth DeLaney and Debbi Adams.

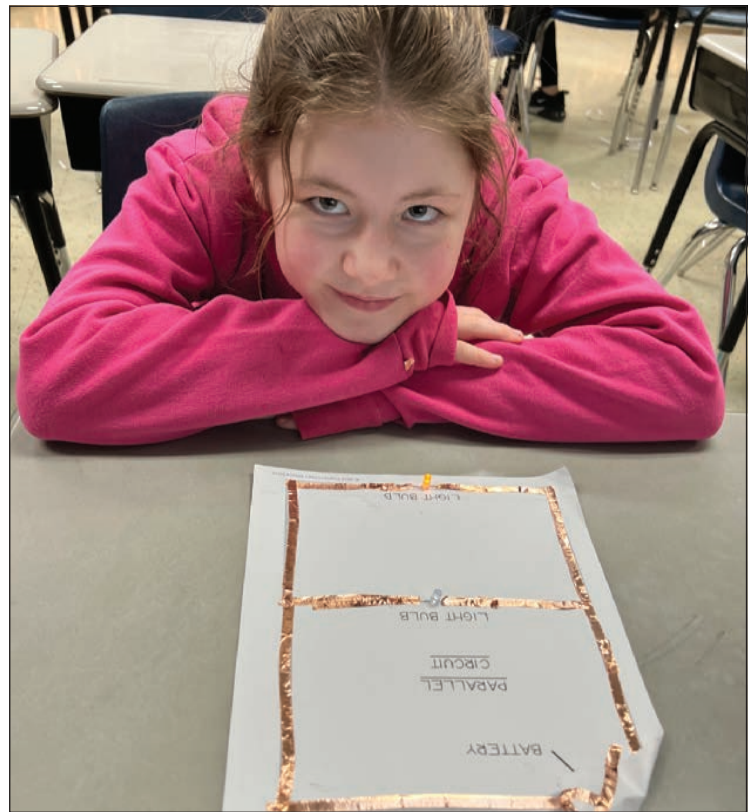
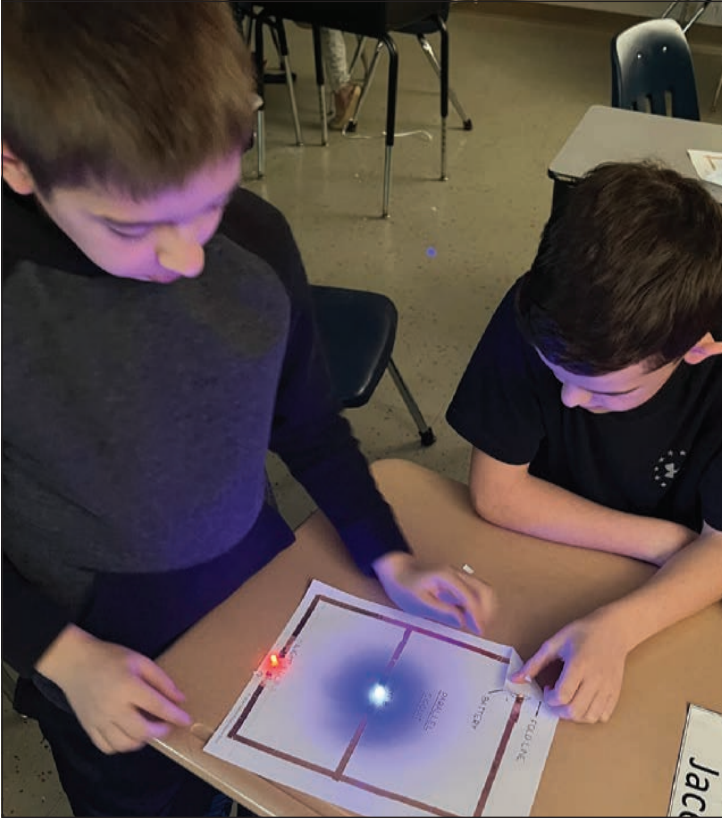
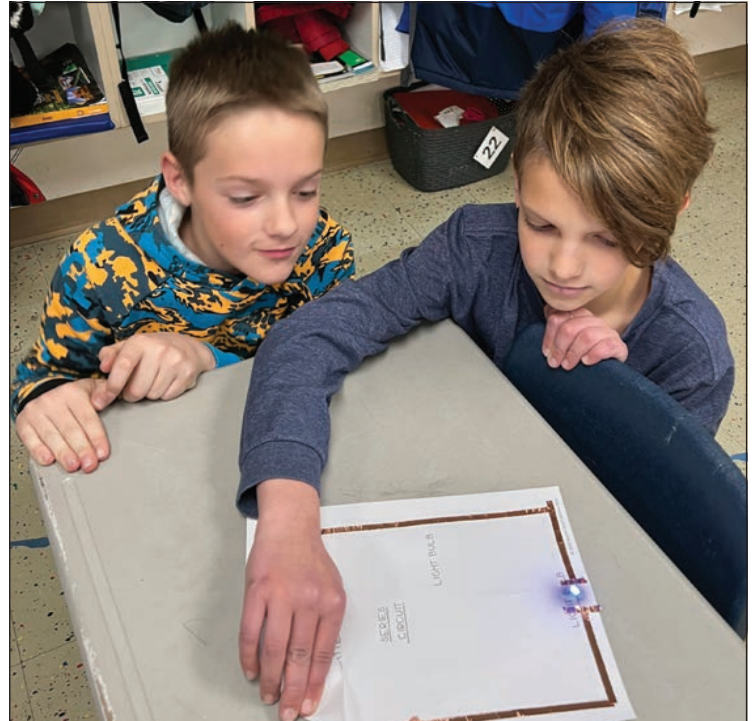
The foundation invites anyone in the community who is interested to attend the luncheon.

Online registration is available at richlandcountyfoundation.org,

click the events tab. The cost is \$30 a person. To register by mail, send a check to 181 S. Main St., Mansfield, OH 44902.

For more information call 419-525-3020.

The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501c3, was established in 1945 as a way for individuals to pool and invest their gifts for the long-term good of Richland County and its residents. It helps people in Richland County give back to their community by investing their gifts for charity wisely so that grants can be made to improve the quality of life for all the county’s citizens. Collaborating with donors, the foundation meets important needs today and plans for a strong future.



THE FIFTH GRADERS in Miss Gray's class at Ontario made paper electric circuits in science class. They made series and parallel circuits out of copper tape, a watch battery, and diodes bulbs.

House Bill 390 passes Ohio House to help human trafficking victims

State Representative Marilyn John (R-Richland County) and Laura Lanese (R-Grove City) announced that House Bill 390 was voted out of the Ohio House of Representatives on Wednesday, March 30.

The intent of the bill is to require governmental evidence-retention entities to secure and test sexual assault examination kits in relation to an investigation or prosecution of trafficking in persons.

"House Bill 390 will help stress to our law enforcement partners and our communities that Ohio is dedicated to fighting this crime," said John.

Currently, sexual assault examination kits (SAE kits) are not required to be tested when it comes to the investigation or evidence

that human trafficking has occurred. Therefore, oftentimes the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI) does not test the SAE kits within the realm of human trafficking. However, SAE kits are required to be tested for the following crimes: murder, voluntary or involuntary manslaughter, rape (completed or attempted), vehicular homicide or manslaughter, sexual battery and gross sexual imposition.

This legislation will take a very important step in ensuring that those who suffer from human trafficking are able to receive the proper care, justice, and attention that they deserve," added John.

H.B. 390 now heads to the Ohio Senate for further consideration.

Seniors plan bus trips

The Lexington Area Senior Citizens will host a one-day bus trip to Golden Lamb Historic Hotel Restaurant Museum in Lebanon, OH.

The hotel was built in 1803 and has hosted two U.S. Presidents. Visitors will listen to their historian and tour the hotel and its museum room.

The group will also explore the unique downtown shops, enjoy their Harriet Beecher Stowe Lunch of chicken or turkey and Sister Lizzie Shaker's sugar pie with caramel sauce. The trip will leave Ontario at 8 am and pick-up in Bellville at 8:15 on June 22. The bus will return around 6 pm. Cost is \$85 (\$30 deposit by April 20 and \$55 balance by May 18). Price includes bus, driver tip, lunch and gratuity, tour fees, water and snacks on bus.

On Wednesday, July 27, a trip is planned to visit Nautica Queen and West Side Market in Cleveland. Visitors will see views of the bridges and coastline of Lake Erie and the Cuyahoga River and Cedar Point from the water side.

All cruises include an unlimited buffet meal (with three entrees), coffee, tea/iced tea (pop and alcohol beverages at own expense) and musical entertainment. The cruise is followed by a stop at the market.

Note: On the cruise ship (2-hour ride) there are 13 steps to the restrooms. Bring a cooler/ice pack if planning to purchase perishable items from West Side Market.

The bus will depart Ontario at 9 am and return around 5:30 pm. The trip is \$70 total cost (\$30 deposit by May 18 and \$40 balance by June 15). Price includes bus, driver tip, lunch, gratuity, water and snacks on bus.

These trips are open to all seniors 55+ and pick-up is at the Ontario Area Agency on Aging Hawkins Corner, 2131 Park Avenue West.

Checks should be made payable to LASC. Note on the check the date for the trip and names of participants. Pay in person at the third Wednesday luncheon at Der Dutchman (details on page 3) or mail to Helena Bunker, 443 S. Horning Rd., Mansfield OH 44903.

For information about the trips or meetings call 419-683-2409 or visit www.lexasc.org



ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE students at Ontario High School went into the greenhouse to run experiments measuring the difference in moisture retention and runoff in traditional farming vs no-till farming.

Spring open house in May will include tours

The Richland Early American Center for History invites the community to tour the 1812 Blockhouse, the 1808 Petersburg Log Cabin and the new Hawks Nest Forge & Cooperage.

A spring open house will be held Saturday, May 7 and Sunday, May 8 at South Park, 100 Brinkerhoff Ave., in Mansfield. The event is open from 10 am to 4 pm

Visitors can take a step back in time and explore early American cabin life and venture into the blockhouse where early pioneers gathered for protection. Passport stamps will be available for school children.

For information on this or other events, visit <https://www.facebook.com/RichlandEarlyAmericanCenterforHistory>

Honor and Merit Rolls

Madison Local Schools Third Grading Period

ALL As

Third Grade: Annalise Barber, Liam Cushard, Lily Eckenwiler, Zoie Hemming, Evan Johnson, Kennadi Knipp, Parker Larsen, Milo McCann, Gavin Moore, Lelia Myers, William Owens, Hagen Sauder, Sadie Smith, Madison Swanciger, Beckham White, Spencer Wynn, Caylee Yeager

Fourth Grade: Zane Baker, Liam Barr, Gavin Bishop, Nola Bishop, Reagan Brooks, Gannon Conway, Abbigale Crist, Alyse Emery, Daevon Endicott, Samara Gillespie, Camilla Hall, Savannah Hamilton, Izabella Kenner, Karsynn Lawhorn, Kaeleb Llamas, Carson McQuillen, Macy Moore, Olivia Morris, Kathryn Myers, Preston Patrick, Jaelynn Plemens, Natalie Smith, Aly Szasz-Benedek, Jah'Kai Taylor, Liahna Tufts

Fifth Grade: Leanna Baer, Jenna Bebout, Makena Berkshire, Lainey Binns, Madelynn Carpenter, Carson Cook, Tynley Cook, Gavin Faith, Jack Foster, Ariana Greene, Andrew Kippenberger, Andrew (Aj) Lowe, Brandon Maglott, Hayley Morris, Jalyonna Nelson, Tavian Porter, Gabriella Prater, Miah Reid, Kaydanz Rice, Maddison Smith, Kali Studer, Drayden Tschantz, Morgan Turney, Alden Washington

Sixth Grade: Lillie Baker, Zaylynn Ball, Kaley Bowman, Jarrod Cyrus, Carter Foley, Journee Jaranowski, Angela Montanez, Nevaeh Patton, Jah'kaylah Piggott, Rachel Porter, Landon Stone, Crissi Stover, Makenzie Wynn

Seventh Grade: Greyson Bras-seur-Fisher, Jaselle Clark, Kinley Clow, Samantha Crist, Claire Durbridge, Trenton Ford, Kaitlyn Haring, Kennedy Hofer, Santanna Hoffman, Chloe Jeffers, Kaiden Koch, Layla Krizan, Evan Larsen, Sophie Lowe, Joshua Maglott, Christopher Manley, Taylor Mckown, Ashley Nikolaus, Ellie Powell, Majesty Riccosky, Lena Sasis, Emily Saunders, Lincoln Shepherd, Kezziah Smith, Dorian Utt, Lyla Walker, Knight Wolfe

Eighth Grade: Allyson Arnold, Elizabeth Bekeleski, Madison Berry, Myla Blankenship, Carter Branham, Elizabeth Chumbley, Caleiigh Cook, Morgan Cook, Courtney Cyrus, Evan Cyrus, Lillian Delong, Timothy Ellis,

Brianna Fidler, Kalayah Johnson, Kaylin Johnson, Amya Joplin, Drew Kepple, Campbell Kiser, Isabella Liviskie, Nicholas Maglott, Owen Morrow, Jada Neal, Jalycia Nelson, Corey Otey, Cameron Porter, Raygen Reiter, Emma Reynolds, Jenna Richards, Zoey Robinson, Aryana Rogers, Bryce Speelman, Kaylee Stone, Liam Stone, Mary Stupka, Ariyah Tufts

Freshmen: Isabella Allen, Shyann Barnhart, Aleigha Bebout, Emily Bogner, Dryden Durbridge, Ryleigh Foley, Elijah Fox, Sean Funk, Ashley Herder, Clairra Lowe, Hannah Markley, Gage Masters, Veronica Mawer, Carter Moore, Samantha Myers, Isaiah Ortiz- Martinez, Ian Parker, Sydney Phillips, Benjamin Prater, Nevaeh Rhein, James Riggle, Meghan Roberts, Alexa Rose, Emma Stankovich, Karis Vega, Angela Williams, Lela Zehner

Sophomores: Alivia Ash, Marisah Atterholt, Joshua Atwell, Layla Azmount, Olivia Barley, Tyler Batcheller, Madison Berry, Karsyn Blust, Jillian Conard, Callie Cyrus, Chloe Dillon, Kelly Dunham, Lillian Forbes, Jacob Ford, Justin Gibson, Ethan Glasgo, Alisha Hill, Cielo Jacobus, William Kepple, Kendyll Kershner, Kendall Kuhn, Alivia Lee, Lydia Markle, Rebekah Matthews, Aiden Monneyham, Daesrion Nash, Kayla Putney, Savannah Rachel, Kyleigh Reiter, Megan Reynolds, Ryan Rock, Grayson Sasis, Sara Smith, James Spitzer, Kyerstin Swigart, Isabelle Thoman, Mason Thomas, Kierstynn Welch, Karlie Wilson

Juniors: Gabriella Baker, Hope Barrett, Michelle Beatty, Josie Ciesla, Allyson Cook, Mylah Davis, Carson Garrett, Zachary Glasgo, Jacob Green, Brooke Hill, Owen Hoffman, Alyssa Hughes, Vivian Lampert, Kierstyn Laskey, Skylar Leeth, Michael Lown, Peyton Myers, Aalyiah Nicol, Madisyn Ratliff, Owen Swanger, Logan Triplett, Allyson Wigton

Seniors: Alyssa Atwell, Aidan Balas, Faith Brammer, Tabitha Bright, Ariel Burker, Michaela Carlis, Aliena Carter, Addyson Cox, Ashlyn Ellis, Lynlee Fitzgerald, Breanna Ford, Aubrey Hoffman, Gracie Hout, Jacob Johnson, Natalie Johnson, Rilee Kershner, Colin Klingler, Christin Konczak, Debra Kuhn, An-

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MRS. COAKLEY AND MRS. SHAARDA'S second graders at Mansfield Christian School dressed up as their favorite book characters.

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drew Larsen, Brett Lucas, Bailey Lyons, Andreanna Miner, Brooke Mooney, Jameson Myers, Olivia Neal, Sophia Nicol, Samuel Ohl, Seth Ohl, Alexis Papst, Ava Perry, Nathaniel Phillips, Ema Pritchard, Ryan Sammons, Cody Shambre, Raelee Shenberger, Ethan Spillman, Layne Stone, Devon Vasko, Seth Vois, Makenzee Webb, Jeffrey Whisler, Mikayla Wiles, Lillian Windsor, Lyndsee Young

ALL As & Bs

Third Grade: Brandon Amsutz, Trinity Anders, Faith Barney, Tanner Bays, Eli Bell, Camdyn Bigler, Jacob Bond, Kamden Borders, Cody Campbell, Daniel Carpenter, Delaney Conway, Richard Davis, Bentlee Durfee, Ny'Airah Elliott, Jaevion Endicott, Paityn Erow, Brynlee Faith, Cheyenne Fidler, Madilyn Fidler, Dashawn Fields, Austin Finley, Johnathan Flores-Devaughn, Kira Gibson, Anthony Gitto, Raiden Gitto, Hunter Graham, Frehley Gushard, Asherah Hapin, Klayton Hayes, Joshua Haynes, Hailey Hedrick, Ethan Hicks, Elijah Holt, Lyra Howell, Lucas Huffman, Makeylan Jarvis, Colton Kimes, Cody King, Taelyn Kirsch, Adelynn Klecka, Ava Liederbach, Branson Littleton, Wyatt Miller, Grant Mountz, Colleen Moyer, Dane Moysi, Brayden O'Leary, Brie Owens, Rocky Owens, Baileigh Patton, Mileena Porter-Race, Dylan Pucci, Addysyn Ruckman, Bristol Salser, Jocelynn Shaffer, Eleanor Sidwell, Miles Smith, Garrett Spurlock, Lillian Suttle, Carter Swanger, Madelynn Thompson, Autumn Wallace, Anthony Weightman, Milla Wertz, Mackenzie Wiggin, Mckenzie Wingle

Fourth Grade: Jack Anderson, Kailyn Braden, Lillian Bradshaw, Brody Brandt, Preston Brannon, Peyton Broaddus, Kyla Byerly, Jackson Carmichael, Katrina Carson, Kayliese Clark, Braxton Cole, Baylee Cushard, Shyanna Daugherty, Rylie Davidson, Grady Davis, Karsyon Dravenstott, David Elliott, Traevon Endicott, Peyton Foote, Hayden Grisham, Jayden Gushard, Landon Gussie, Avery Hardesty, Dillon Herder, Troy Horn, Jordan Jeffers, Max Johnson, Troy Kegley, Gabrielle Kline, Emma Lewis, Declan Maddy, Landon McFarland, Faith Metcalf, Carson Mosier, Bristol Pifher, Razan Ra-

bee, Aryan Spencer, Kacie Stewart, Hayden Strain, Vincent Studer, Shawn Sydnor Jr., Alexander Weightman, McKenzie Williams, Nevaeh Woods, Jessie Yunker
Fifth Grade: Abigail Anschutz, Aleah Bara, Ava Bays, Isabella Childs, Chester Conley, Camden Conrad, Lucas Eckenwiler, Traevon Elder, Vanessa Harbaugh, Arenal Hunsinger, Grady Hunt, Bryce Jacobs, Bryleigh Jordan, Lily Ann Klecka, Madison Kliewer, Aubrynn Lawhorn, Addalyn Lynch, Helena Martin, Abigail (Abby) McWilliams, Dominic Merritt, Gabriella Mickouma, Aryiah Miller, Lillian Miller, Cameron Ousley, Zayne Prosser, Savanna Ransom, Ryland Rush, Avery Rust, Chloe Schmidt-Payne, Madilyn Shenberger, Connor Shepherd, Corbin Shoppell, Mackynzie Smith, Garrett Spiess, Wade Stover, Ethan Swanger, Mylee Temple, Ethan Thedford, Sofia Thompson, Eddie Walker, Nora-Jean Wilds, Cameron Williams

Sixth Grade: Sophia Allen, Roger Bartley, Johnathan Blauser, Isaiah Blust, Cohen Brandt, Caliyah Clapper, Alec Day, Allysia Deems, Shiana Elliott, Ariel Foote, Izahia Gordon, Lawson Gray, Livia Grove, Cadence Gushard, Amerah Reign Hapin, Izabella Harris, Malie Hickey, Alexander Jenkins, Isaiah Jones, Camylle King, Alexander Maddy, Ayden Mcglasson, Aubrienne Morton, Victoria Neal, Landon Parsons, Joseph Roberts, Gracie Schaade, Allie Shambaugh, Gavin Spiess, Kyler Steagall, Max Thomas, Lily Warren, Elle Washington, Phillip Wiggen
Seventh Grade: Caden Bishop, Carter Brewster, Bryan Burns, Kylie Carroll, Lariah Coble, Destini Conrad, Isabella Conway, Brianna Coulter, Gage Cyrus, Landon Finley, Travis Hicks, Chase Hunsinger, Cooper Leather, Malachi Marsh, Jordan McWilliams, Aseem Mickouma, Julieanna Miller, Aniyah Monica, Natalie Mosier, Camden Moysi, Avery O'Brien, Kortney Petrik, Dequovi' Pigott, Joshua Radebaugh, Cassidy Sanders, Jaxson Shaffer, Allie Shrader, Erianna Sparks, Kamryn Swanstrom, Dylan Tschantz, Leia Walker, Isabel Wamsley, Daniel Weightman, Evan Williams

Eighth Grade: Lilliana Allen, Payton Bartolomea, Nathan Bitman, Julianna Boliantz, Ethan Cates, Jordan Clark, Laykin Curry, Nathan Evans, Collin Faith,

Chloe First, Hannah Fultz, Ashley Gusta, Hayden Hatfield, Maci Hergatt, Nathan Hoffman, Randy Jamieson, Tauren Lindsey, Jacob Lord, Drayston Martin, Deonte McDaniel, Aaron Mcendree, Zoe Mcquillen, Kaleb Minich, Brayden Montgomery, Andrew Parish, Adrea Potter, Nathan Riggie, Lillian Rogers, Lily Sanderfer, William Saunders, Briana Smith, Grace Speelman, Jaxon Stancombe, Taylor Steffey, Morgan Steward, Kinlei Stoltenberg, Anthony Studer, Lucas Swanger, Kya Swigart, Lillian Symsick, Ashton Taylor, Alexander Thompson, Bryce Tudor, Julius Walker, Rudy Webel, Jerry Wertz, Elias White

Freshmen: Oliva Artrip, Nya Bishop, Aubrey Boliantz, Emily Brandt, Kaylee Brooks, Sade'Mya Carter, Kirsten Clark, Madison Crank, Layla Crase, Chloe Davis, Ariel Ellis, Zavier Frieze, Hadley Ginter, Landon Goad, Nikkyan Grimes-Pittenger, Zandra Hammond, Carter Heimbuch, Logan Hoffman, Alyse Huggins, Mason Jacobus, Keiayrsah Jones, Brynn Kiley, Olivia Kiley, Cameron Kuhn, Teddy Lane, Natalie Lewis, Zachary Lucas, Natalie Markle, Evan Merlino, Dominic Molloy, Keira Mooneyham, Rudy Moore, Emily Musgrove, Calvin Nelson, Brady O'Brien, Jordan Parnell, Sophia Parson, Jeremiah Parsons, Drake Ramey, Emily Ringer, Gracie Rollison, Madison Sackman, Larissa Sarow, Bresendra Shaum, Faith Smith, Trenton Speelman, Layni Stollings, Brianna Studer, Leah Thomas, Maggie Thomas, Owen Wigton

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Seniors: Haley Adkins, Julia Bitman, Joshua Bond, Hope Brammer, Isaac Brooks, Lillian Champion, Cayden Clapper, Nathaniel Coleman, Alexsia Davis, Mason Davis, Cody Donohoo, Timothy Easter, Amy Gardner, Abigail Hagerman, Iwalani Hammond, Elizabeth Harry, Reagan Hayes, Emilie Hoffer, Maryellen Hoffman, Mariah Hunt, Shannon Jamieson, Aubrey Jeffrey, Rayann Kaser, Austin Kisling, Christopher Kukowski, Dylan Mapes, Jordan Martin, Paige Mullins, Jordan Niemiec, Cortney Ousley, Anthony Parnell, Haley Perman, Morgan Rachel, Lylian Rice, Keylee Rogers, Michael Russell, Mason Schwartz, Gracie Shoup, Nathaniel Smith, Shannon Stapleton, Kaiden Stoltenberg, Kylie Stout, Phillip Stupka, Samantha Uplinger, Nayana Williams, Marianna Woodruff, Levi Zehner

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Volunteers needed to host high school exchange students

As international travel returns to normal, high school students from around the world eagerly await their opportunity to participate in an exchange program in the United States. International Student Exchange (ISE), a 501c3 nonprofit organization that facilitates exchange programs for students in the U.S. and abroad, is currently seeking volunteer families in the area to host these students while they attend local high schools.

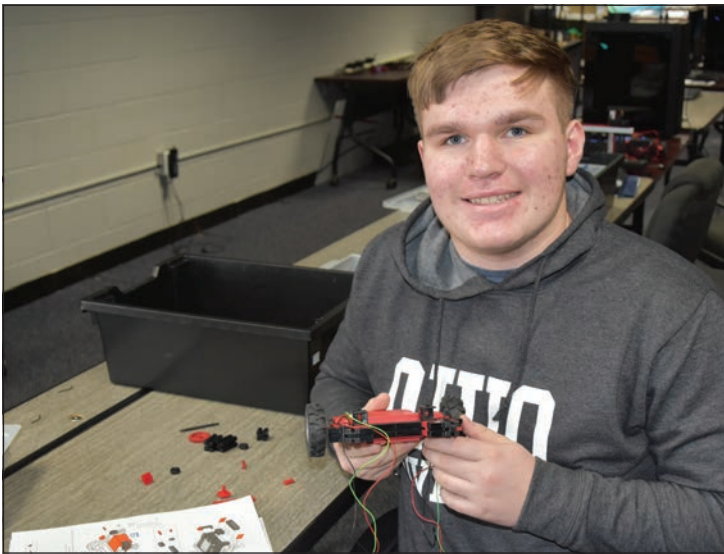
This is an exciting opportunity for anyone interested in a unique experience in which they will create relationships that span the globe while making a positive impact locally and globally.

ISE host families come from all walks of life, and represent the diversity of America. The most crucial host family characteristic is that they are willing to treat the exchange student like a member of the family, not a guest. Beyond this, host families must be vetted by ISE, pass a background check, provide room and board, three meals a day, and exercise parental responsibility to ensure the student's well-being.

ISE exchange students are 15-18 year old high school students from over 40 countries around the world. They are accepted into the program based on their ability to speak English, demeanor, adaptability, and eagerness to learn about a new culture while sharing their own. They come with their own health insurance and spending money.

There are currently several students awaiting a volunteer host family in and around Richland County.

To learn more about this opportunity or submit a host family application, contact Craig McKenzie, at 419-934-5028, or visit rivervalley.iseusa.org



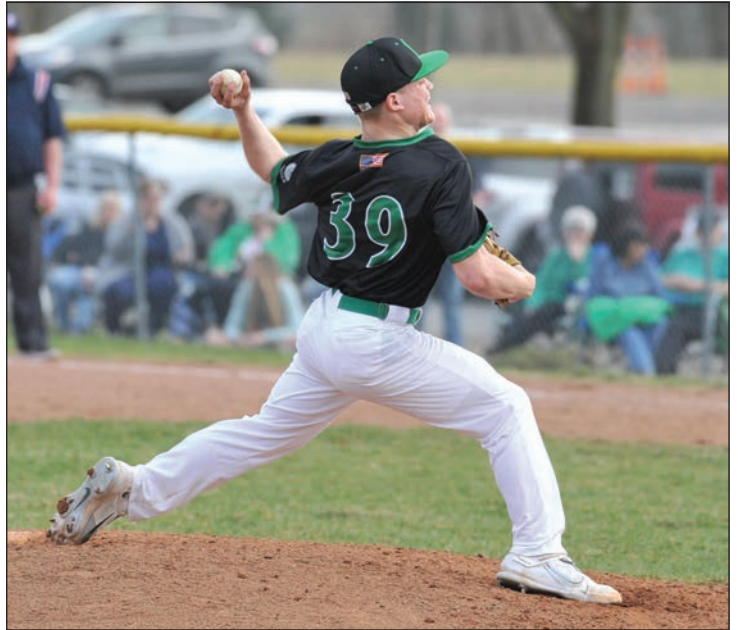
MR. SAGER'S Introduction to Technology students at Ontario High School are working on a robotics project.



THE ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL tennis team won against Bucyrus. Team members only gave up three games the entire match.

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Clear Fork vs River Valley Baseball • March 30 • Photos By Jeff Hoffer



TWO LEXINGTON GIRLS SENIOR SOCCER players committed to play college soccer. Emma Schaefer (left photo) and Lexi Blaisberg (right photo) have committed to play college soccer in the Fall 2022. Schaefer will play for the Battling Bishops of Ohio Wesleyan University women's soccer program. She will major in Health and Human Kinesiology with plans to become a physical therapist. Blaisberg will play for the Warrior's women's soccer program at Wabash Valley College in Illinois and study pre-veterinary studies. Schaefer plays club soccer with the Polaris Soccer Club in Columbus and the UK Soccer Academy. Blaisberg plays club soccer with the UK Soccer Academy.

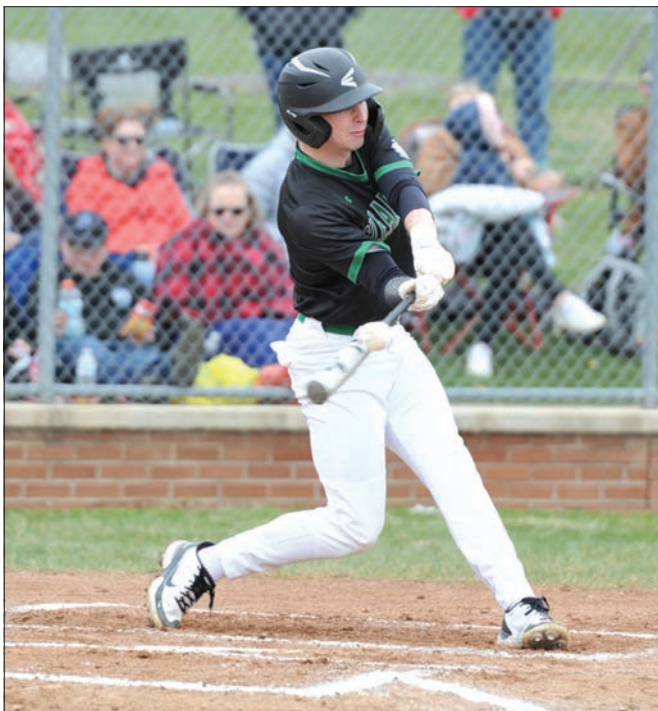
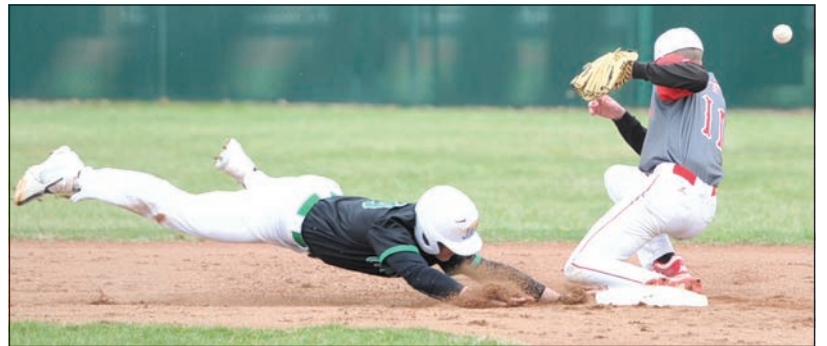
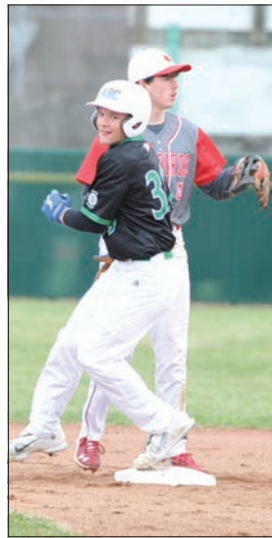
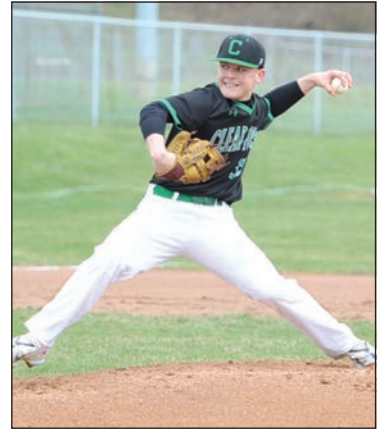
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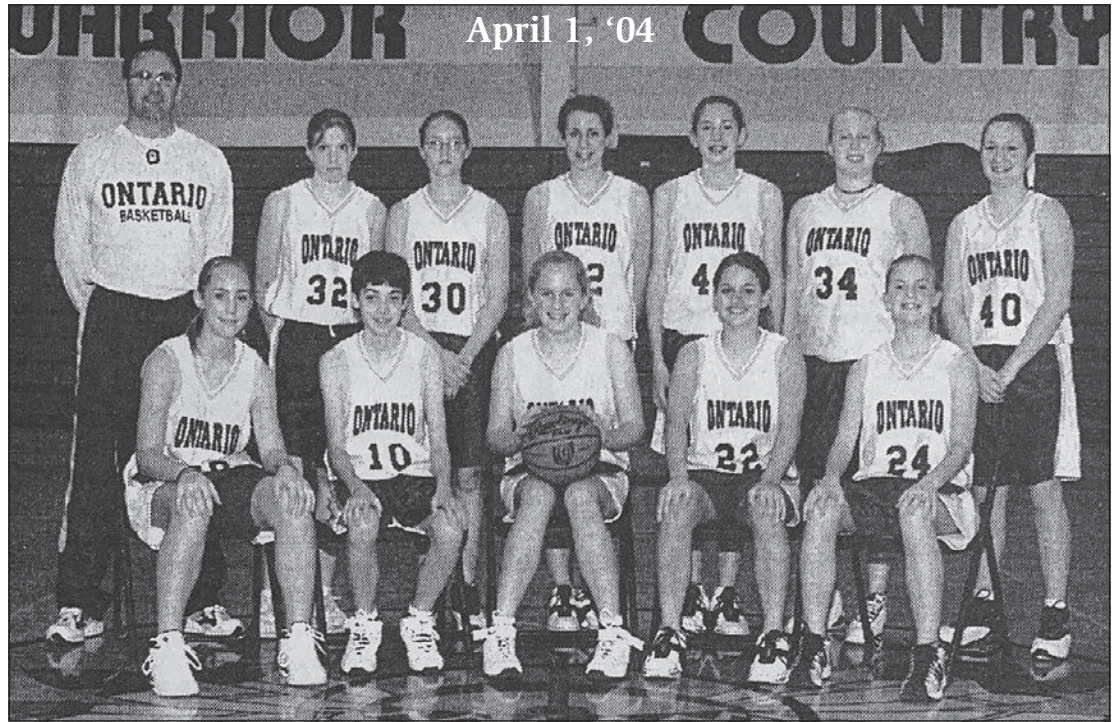
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LOOKING BACK • THIS WEEK IN TRIBUNE-COURIER HISTORY



APRIL 4, 2013 — The 35th North vs. South Annual Mansfield News Journal All-Star Basketball Classic was held March 28 at Lexington High School. Representing the South Squad All-Stars is Mason Willeke from Lexington #12 and representing the North Squad All-Stars is #31 Blake Balogh from Ontario. The South squad took the win 110-99. Willeke was 1 of 3 from the 3-point range, 2 of 2 from the free throw line. Balogh finished the night with six points, all coming from outside the arc. He only at emptied 4 shots, making 2. The South All-Star Squad was led by Shelby's Grant Flenner who finished the night with 28 points and earned the title of MVP. The North Squad was led by Mansfield's Keon Johnson with 30 points. Alex Smith represented the Madison Rams on the North Team and Bryce Ernsberger of Mansfield Christian played on the South Team.



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TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS — The Ontario girls' eighth grade basketball team won the NCC tournament with a 30-16 win over Riverdale-Blue in the championship game. Members of the squad are, front, Morgan Bercaw, Melissa Carroll, Penni Mitman, Jessica Ralph and Katie Burwell; back, coach Doug Carr, Katie Waddell, Chelsea Stevens, Amy Neutzling, Cassie Boyce, Erica Danals and Jessica LePheuw.



APRIL 8, 1993 — These third graders are among the 119 students in their class at Ontario Stengel Elementary School who will perform in the annual spring musical on Thursday, April 29. Pictured are Travis Weirich, Kris Whittenberger, Adam Clark, Jprdan Them and Tyler Cooley.

PIONEER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



PIONEER CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER named Belicia Salas as the December 2021 Student of the Month. Belicia is enrolled in the Dental Assisting program at Pioneer. She was nominated by her Dental Assisting instructor, Melissa Myers. She is a junior from Ontario High School, and is the daughter of Anna and William Salas. Belicia plays the guitar and ukulele, writes poetry and has had her art featured in exhibits. She has even appeared in music videos. She worked on her uncle's campaign for city council and works at Two Cousins Pizza. The atmosphere and the structure of the schedule are two of the things Belicia likes most about Pioneer. Choosing to come to Pioneer has helped her to get a head start on her future. In the future, Belicia intends to further her education to become a Dental Hygienist. She also hopes to eventually open a bookstore. Pictured is Belicia Salas (right) with Melissa Myers, Dental Assisting Instructor.



PIONEER CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER announced Leah Blay as the March 2022 Student of the Month. Leah is enrolled in the Power Equipment program at Pioneer. She was nominated by her Power Equipment instructor, Rick Harvey. She is a junior from Ontario High School, and is the daughter of Joanne Humphrey and Daniel Blay. Leah is involved with the National Technical Honor Society at Pioneer. She plays the tuba in the Ontario Marching Band and is a member of National Honor Society at Ontario. Leah is active in the High School Bigs program at Friendly House through Mid-Ohio Youth Mentoring. She is the president of Branded Pony 4-H Club and shows horses. In her free time she trains and shows horses having won a World Championship, Reserve World Championship and several National Championships. After graduating Leah intends to earn a degree in Equine Science and Management then train horses and manage an equine facility. Leah Blay is pictured with Rick Harvey, Power Equipment Instructor.

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