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2021 LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL graduate Jacob Nupen refurbished the high school "victory bell" in the football stadium this spring as a service project for Eagle Scouts. Every Scout, in order to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, must complete a service project that benefits the community. "When I got the time to think about the project, a lot of fellow Scouts did something at Gorman Nature Center or other places," said Jacob. "I wanted to do something out-of-the-box and give back to the school. "Lexington has done so much for me, it was something I could do to repay the school." (See more photos on Page 20)

Lexington moves toward new school year

Lexington Board of Education met Tuesday, June 1.

Resignations, effective at the end of the 2020-'21 school year, were accepted from Kayla Heimann, Eastern, fifth grade; Michelle Lazar, Eastern, Intervention Specialist; Ashton Cannon, Eastern, sixth grade; Paul Gladden, Intervention Specialist for the 2021-'22 school year.

The board adopted a resolution regarding the elimination of an assistant technology director position and a reduction in force due to the reorganization of the district's administrative staff.

Employment was granted to Ashley Rebillot, high school assistant principal, two-year contract, effective Aug. 1; Matthew Millinger, elementary principal, two-year contract, effective Aug. 1; Kara Wysong, Western, third grade, effective Aug. 13, one-year; Sally Giefer, instruct ACT boot camp (June 9 and 10, July 14 and 15), \$600 per session/\$1,200 total; Allison DeGreen, instruct ACT boot camp, \$300 per session/\$600 total; Ryan Bastian, instruct ACT boot camp, \$300 per session/\$600 total; Reanna Sutherland, Eastern, fifth grade, effective Aug. 13, oneyear; and Lydia Smith, Eastern, intervention specialist, Aug. 13, one-year contract.

Malcolm Young was employed as summer help in the transportation department from approximately June 1–July 23, 2021; and Karie Whitaker, Western, pre-school aide, was employed effective Aug. 16, on a one-vear contract.

Celebrating The Madison Comprehensive High School Class of 2021

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Ontario Local School Board agenda full of hirings

The Ontario Local School Board held a meeting June 8. Opening the meeting was Director of Education Mr. Ream, who gave an update on curriculum, instruction and assessment.

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The board voted to approve the employment of Cathleen Johnson as Substance Abuse Prevention Coordinator on a threeyear contract, effective Aug. 1, 2021-July 31, 2024, \$56,855.

The resignation of Alyssa Nugent, Stingel kindergarten teacher, was accepted, effective at the end of the 2020–'21 contract.

One-year limited teaching contracts were awarded to Tonya Welch, high school science teacher, \$43,269 (contingent upon a valid ODE Science license); Kami Haubiel, Stingel Intervention Specialist, \$52,361; and Melanie Ferguson, high school social studies teacher, \$60,595; all effective for the approaching school year.

Terry Windbigler was employed as a playground aide at Stingel, \$4,615. Kayla Cain was awarded the position of the high school principal's secretary, \$27,223 and was approved for five extra days in June 2021 to work with the current high school principal's secretary for training at \$16.97 per hour.

Jenna Kiser was hired as a two and a half hour cook at Stingel, \$7,541.

Hallee Brown was hired as a long-term substitute kindergarten teacher at Stingel Elementary for the 2021-'22 school year, \$34,681 (60 days at \$125 per day and 125 days at \$217.45 per day).

Trisha Turnbaugh was approved as a substitute secretary/secretary aide.

Melissa Fittante will be the resident educator coordinator, \$1,500. Fittante will also be resident educator facilitator for Hannah Beh, Jeremy Barrett, Kaitlyn

Robinson, Cassandra VanCura, Kayla Zingale and Paige VanCura, \$350.

Haley Ingle will be a mentor, year one, for Nicole Boles, \$750.

Mentors, year two, will be Melissa Fittante for Megan Gwirtz, \$750; Shelby Wynn for James Willis and Hallee Brown, \$1,500; and Molly Calhoun for Hannah Liska and Bayleigh Allen, \$1,050.

The hourly rate of substitute custodians, Maintenance workers and mechanics was increased from \$12 per hour to \$15 per hour, effective July 1.

The board authorized the 2021-'22 membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association and approved the North Central Ohio Educational Service Center 2021-'22 Service Agreement.

Temporary appropriations were made for the coming school year, July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, totalling a deduction of \$511,838. Increases were grants, \$1,500; student wellness fund, \$101,057; safety and security fund, \$10,090; Title 1 Fund, \$2,986; teacher and principal fund, \$73; Title IV fund, \$45; and district agency funds, \$2,000.

Decreases were to the athletic fund, \$30,000; ESSER funds, \$547,400; flow thru fund, \$48,495; Idea Early Childhood fund, \$16; and uniform school supply fund, \$3,678.

Ethan Turnbaugh was employed as a summer maintenance/mechanic, student worker at \$10 per hour, effective June 1,

The Bill and Eleanir Cassel Scholarship was approved for three students pursuing nursing careers, \$2,000 per student.

Donations were accepted from Wilging Meats, Inc., \$450 for Ontario Middle (Continued on Page 20)

RPH offering child car seats at no cost

Richland Public Health, through the Ohio Department of Health "Ohio Buckles Buckeyes" program, has no-cost car seats

Although there are not infant seats, RPH has convertible seats for ages six months up to five-years old and booster seats for ages 5–8.

To qualify, requirements that must be met are that a child is 6-months old or older, th eparent/guardian is a resident of Richland County and registered with the WIC program or on Medicaid.

All seats must be installed in the vehicle and the child(ren) getting the seat must be present.

Those who meet the qualifications can call for an appointment during the month of June. Call 419-774-4726. If no one answers, leave name, a call back number and the age of the child.

Richland Public Health has three Child Passenger Safety Technicians to help install the new seat. Free inspections of any existing seat installs, including infants seats is also available.

Ontario Lions "Big Sale" is next weekend

The Ontario Lions Club will host its available and there is plenty of parking. "BIG Yard & Craft Sale" Saturday, June 26, from 10 am to 4 pm, rain or shine.

The sale will be held at Ontario Lions Clever Park, 3708 Snodgrass Rd., Ontario. Restrooms and running water will be

Food will be available for purchase during the event. Menu items will include sloppy joe, hot dogs, bratwurst, chips, pop and bottled water. All proceeds go toward Ontario Lions Club Community Projects.

Lexington's Colorful Founder By Bob Carter were now the outside settlers in the we

(Part 1)

Amariah Watson was no ordinary man. Born in 1780 in the east, in his youth he mastered the millwright trade and moved to Ohio in 1805, settling near Mt. Vernon. There he helped to build much needed water powered mills in Knox County.

He then moved to the Fredericktown area, building a mill and improving his land. He was also granted a license to operate a tavern.

Next, he sold out and moved to Richland County, buying up much of the Clear Fork Valley, some 1,280 acres, lands roughly from the present junior high all the way to Hanley Rd. Eventually, six water powered mills would be built on those lands.

All did not go well when he arrived here. Watson's wife Sallie came with him, along with their three children ages four,

Shortly after arriving, Sallie gave birth to a daughter, Cynthia, on May 12, 1812, the first white child to what became Troy Township.

A month later, the War of 1812 broke out. In a very rare 1853 letter in Watson's handwriting, he detailed what happened.

I moved my family into Richland County, onto the ground where Lexington now stands, in May of 1812. Calvin Culver had moved his family sometime before. We

were now the outside settlers in the west part of the county. In June of 1812, was declared against Great Britain.

Captain Newel had orders to draft three or four from his company, which include but 20 or 30 militia in the whole county. Captain Newel summoned us to attend and it fell on the lot of Amariah Watson and Calvin Culver to be two of the persons to go.

Both men refused to go, as leaving wives and family alone in the wilderness was not an option for them. They met with Captain Newel and, once he saw their situation, he excused them and sent seven muskets and ammunition for their defense at home.

Captain Newel went with his company to Detroit under General Hull, who was over age and an alcoholic. He surrendered the whole army without firing a single shot and left Watson and Culver in the woods with the Indians.

Watson's wife Sally died Nov. 14, 1827, leaving him with three girls and six boys, ages 4-18.

He then married widow Phoebeann Wolf, but it was not a happy union. Amariah's father, also named Amariah, came from Pennsylvania to live with them after his wife died.

He died in 1836 and it is he that is buried in the Lexington Cemetery. Amariah Jr. went west in 1833 without his wife and never returned.





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The Tony winning musical In the Heights has been adapted into a film and what a film it is! This is the best musical to come along in a while (though we will have to see how Steven Spielberg's

West Side Story is later

this year).

In the Heights was originally written by Lin-Manuel Miranda in 2008 who is most known for Broadway's juggernaut show Hamilton.

Anthony Ramos takes over Miranda's original role of Usnavi, a young man living in a Latin neighborhood in Washington Heights, located in New York City. Usnavi runs a small store but has bigger dreams in life including going to back to his native

Dominican Republic. Also featured in the film is Benny (Corey Hawkins) who is in love with a girl named Nina (Leslie Grace) who returns home from college while her father (Jimmy Smits) figures out how to pay for it. Usnavi has a crush on hairdresser Vanessa (Melissa Barrera). All of these people live in this same neighborhood and are trying to achieve big hopes and dreams.

Going into this movie pretty much blind, besides having knowledge of the musical and seeing the trailer back in 2019, this musical turned out to surpass my expectations. The music is terrific, mixing a type of hip-hop/rap style with a Broadway flare and melody. The songs move the story forward and the characters

and actors are so engaging and well cast in their roles, it's very easy to get lost in this story.

Other fine supporting work comes from Olga Merediz as Abuela Claudia, who has a wonderful scene near the end of the film and Miranda himself playing a piraguero salesman. Much of this movie is in both Spanish and English (mostly English) but that just makes the film seem more genuine.

In the Heights is a terrific musical experience. This movie really seems to be bringing people back to the theaters,

which is great to see. It is such a happy and joyful film and one that may be just right for this point in our lives. Besides that, it's a really great movie. The only flaw I have is that it's a little too long at almost two and a half hours but that is a small quibble. This movie is now in theaters and on HBO Max.

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



Military News

After more than a year assisting in Ohio food banks and warehouses, emergency support from Ohio National Guard and State Defense Force members will conclude next month on July 2.

"Over the past 15 months, our Ohio National Guard members have stepped up in many different ways, and I am extremely grateful for their service and dedication, said Governor Mike DeWine. "Their work to help distribute more than 56 million pounds of food at Ohio foodbanks was crucial to ensuring that those who needed food during the pandemic didn't go hungry.'

Leading up to July 2, the Ohio Adjutant General's Departmentwill be working with the Ohio Association of Foodbanks and 14 foodbanks and regional warehouses across the state to mentor and train new or returning volunteers and staff members in successful processes and procedures that have

mitigated COVID-19 risks ateach facility.

"We could never have imagined a mission such as this prior to March 2020, but I'm proud of how our men and women stepped up to the task. They not only significantly increased the productivity of food banks across the state during the pandemic, but also made long-lasting and personal friendships with their food bank partners," said Maj. Gen. John C. Harris Jr., Ohio adjutant general. Harris said the transition from the mission will allow Guard and State Defense Force members to return to their civilian jobs, school and their military training.
"We want to extend our deepest gratitude

and thanks on behalf of Ohio's foodbanks and the millions of Ohioans who received critical food assistance as a result of the hard work, support, and dedication of the Ohio National Guard Soldiers and Airmen who have served this critical hunger relief mission. Quite frankly, we could not have delivered the tremendous response without their leadership and assistance. We will never forget this gift of service," said Lisa Hamler-Fugitt, Ohio Association of Foodbanks executive director.

Members of the Adjutant General's Department continue to collaborate with other state agencies on COVID-related missions, including administering vaccines and processing pandemic unemployment assistance claims.



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Mechanics Bank announces promotions

Mechanics Bank announced the retirement of Debbi Adams, Executive Vice President and Corporate Secretary, following 45 years of dedicated leadership.

We thank Debbi for her tireless dedication to Mechanics Bank, its people, customers, and the community," commented Mark Masters, President and CEO. "Debbi has helped transform Mechanics into a leader of residential mortgage and consumer lending in our area.'

The Board of Directors of Mechanics Bank has named Jason Painley, current Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, as Executive Vice President.

Nicholas Gesouras, Senior Vice President and Senior Trust Officer, is promoted to the position of Corporate

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







Jason Painley

Nick Gesouras

NCOFCA All-Star Classic Football game is Friday The NCOFCA All-Star Classic Football Game will again

be played on Friday, June 18.

After having to cancel last year due to COVID, this year's game will be held at Clear Fork High School. The support of the community and media makes this possible.

The game will be held June 18, at Clear Fork High School at 7 pm. Gates will open at 5 pm. Pre-sale game tickets are available for \$8 each. Contact Andrea Johnson at Blackstone Insurance Agency at 419-884-0095. Tickets will be available at the gate for \$10 each.

During halftime, a place-kicking competition will be held. The competition is open to all current high school students grades 9-12. Anyone interested in participating should contact Andrea at 419-884-0095 or email to ncoallstars@outlook.com.

The North Team head coach is Sean Seder and the South Team head coach is Scott Spitler.

Maria Getz Beery returns to **Richland Academy from NYC**

Richland Academy of the Arts has announced the return of theatre instructor Maria Getz Beery.

Maria taught at the academy before she ventured to NYC and furthered her theatre career. She spent 10 years in NYC where she performed, directed, taught drama and English and studied acting at the Atlantic Acting School and the Jayd McCarty Studio. She served as a drama teacher and director at Convent of the Sacred Heart School and York Preparatory School. Maria has a Master of Arts in Theatre with a concentration in youth theatre as well as a Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from Bowling Green State University.

She will be teaching several new theatre classes this summer at the academy starting July 12, including Junior Theatre Camp, ages 8–12; Teen Acting Institute, 13-18; Academy Children's Theatre (ACTS), 13-18; and Camp Shakespeare, 13–18.

"We are thrilled to have Maria back to offer high-level instruction and give children and teens a summer experience they will remember for the rest of their lives," says Marianne Cooper, executive director at the academy.

For more information on registering for classes call 419-522-8224 or visit www.richlandacademy.com.

News Briefs

State Route 545, between Hoover Rd. and Crall Rd., Madison area, closed Tuesday, June 15 for a culvert replacement project.

The detour route for northbound motorists will be 545 to E. Longview Rd., west on E. Longview to SR 13, north on 13 to SR 96, east on 96 to 545, and reverse for southbound motorists. Estimated completion is Thursday, July

In response to the lift of the governor's mandates and state health orders, the corporate board will resume inperson board meetings throughout 2021, starting in July.

For meeting times and additional information, refer to https://www.aaa5ohio.org/ or contact Susie Danuloff at 567-247-7105.

Trinity United Methodist Church, 1592 Grace St., Mansfield, will hold "Mystery Island" Vacation Bible School on July 25, July 27 and July 29 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. each night.

Registration for kindergarten through 12th grade will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Pre-registration is available at https.//trinitymansfield.myanswers.com/mystery-island2.

The Senator Mark Romanchuk and Richland County GOP Golf Scramble will be held Friday, July 16, at Westbrook Country Club, 1098 Springmill St., Mansfield.

Registration begins at 8:30 am with a 9:30 am shotgun start. The event will feature special guest Senate President

Cost is \$200 for an individual golfer, and \$475 for a foursome. Event sponsorship is available at \$2,500 which includes signage, lunch, tee sponsor and foursome; \$1,500 for signate at registration and foursome; \$575 for foursome and tee sponsor; and \$250 tee sponsor.

For information or to register contact Amy Kerschner at 614-595-2646 or email amykerschner@outlook.com by

A work session for the Madison Board of Education has been scheduled for Thursday, June 24, beginning at 9 am. The work session will be held in Inventor Hall at Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center, 890 W. Fourth St., Mansfield. No action will be taken at this session.

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

Those who are ready to get vaccinated but unable to travel to a COVID-19 vaccine clinic may be eligible to receive the vaccination at home.

Many homebound individuals have medical conditions that can make them more susceptible to severe COVID-19 illness. Caregivers coming into their home often visit others and could unknowingly spread the virus from one homebound patient to the next.

Find out the qualifications for Ohio's homebound vaccine program by contacting the Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging Vaccine Information line at 567-247-6503. Calls are answered and returned Monday-Friday from 9 am to 5 pm.

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church of Bellville, 25 Church St., Bellville, will host speaker Mark Jordan on Sunday, June 20 at 10:30 am. He will speak on Nature vs. Nurture: New Perspectives in the Ceely Rose Murders.

Jordan will give updates on his latest research in the Ceely Rose murder cases to coincide with the publication of his book from The History Press. New finds include Ceely Rose's relationship to another murderer, executed in Ohio during the 1920s which begs the question: Is this

kind of madness innate or something caused by dysfunctional family/society?

For more information visit www.allsoulsuuohio.org.

Volunteers are needed to get the Liberty Park Garden ready to produce fresh vegetables to help feed the com-

Progress has been slowed by rains and cooler temperatures in the early part of May and there is quite a lot of planting to be completed during June. The garden should provide bountiful harvest throughout the summer.

The project will help meet the needs for fresh produce through the East Side's Catholic Charities Food Pantry.

Work dates are June 21, June 24 and June 28, from 6-8 pm. For more information contact Rev. Stanley Wertz, provisional deacon the East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church, at 419-378-2503 or stanley.wertz@neo.rr.com.

Those who need help with winter heating bills can apply for HEAP. Applications are available by calling the Area Agency at 419-524-4144 or 800-860-5799 Monday-Friday 9 am to 5 pm.

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

The Ontario 4th of July Festival is scheduled for Saturday, July 3. The Miss Ontario Pageant has been can-

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. has announced the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) for Richland, Knox and Seneca counties. This program helps provide income eligible seniors with access to locally grown fruits and vegetables.

Participants will receive \$50 worth of coupons through the growing season to use at participating farmers' markets and stands. Applications may be submitted or downloaded online at aaa5ohio.org/sfmnp. An individual may also call 567-247-7101 Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm to request an application by mail.

During the months of June and July, WIC (Women, Infants and Children) will increase fruit and vegetable benefits from \$9 or \$11 per month to \$35 per month for each woman and child WIC participant.

Families with children more than 1-year-old can receive this increased benefit for each child. Those with two children participating in WIC can receive \$70 per month in fruit and vegetable benefits. Three qualifying children = \$105 per month.

Those who are pregnant, breastfeeding, or have children under five years of age, can call WIC in Mansfield at 419-774-4560 or in Ashland at 419-289-3359 to receive all WIC benefits.

Ontario High School will host the 2021 Football Golf Outing as a fundraiser for the Ontario Warrior Football Program. The event will be held at Twin Lakes Golf Course on Saturday, June 12. The shotgun start is at 9 am with check-in at 7:30 am. Cost is \$260 per team and includes golf, cart and meal. This is a four-person scramble and there will be hole and raffle prizes. Registration is available now at Ontarioschools.org. Click on "Parent" and then click "Sports Connect."

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2010 Park Avenue West, Ontario, serves a drive-thru breakfast on the second Saturday of the month from 9–10:30 am.

The Pioneer Career and Technology Center Board of Education will hold a meeting at 7 pm, Monday, June 21, in the Pioneer Board of Education Conference Room at the Pioneer Career and Technology Center, Shelby.











Students graduate from Madison Adult Career Center

Madison Adult Career Center (MACC) held its annual graduation for students completing Career Development Programs during the 2020-'21 school year on Friday, June 11.

MACC holds its annual graduation ceremony to recognize students upon successful completion of their training programs. Special recognition was given to students earning perfect attendance and outstanding attendance.

Seven graduates were nominated by their instructors for Student of the Year: Whitney Arms, Dental Assisting; Lajonta Cameron, Medical Assisting Technologies; Amy Hanna, Medical Assisting Technologies; Joseph Honaker, Industrial Electrical Maintenance; Carol Tompkins, Medical & Legal Office Management; Cameron Voyik, Welding Technology; and Alex Wells, Phlebotomy/EKG. Joseph Honaker was selected as the 2020-'21 Student of the Year.

Students graduated from the following Career Development Programs: Advanced Cosmetology, Cosmetology, Dental Assisting, Industrial Electrical Maintenance, Medical & Legal Office Management, Medical Assisting Technologies, Phlebotomy/EKG, Precision Machining/CNC Technology, State Tested Nurse Aide, Welding Technology, and the Adult Diploma Program.

Programs range from 96 to 1,800 clock hours of training. Graduates earn or soon will earn industry-recognized certifications, such as: OPAC certification in Word and Exel; Certified Medical Administrative Assistant (CMAA); Certified Billing and Coding Specialist (CBCS); Registered Phlebotomy Technician (RPT); Registered Medical Assistant (RMA); Registered Dental Assistant (AMT); Dental Radiography certification; Ohio State Board of Cosmetology Licensure in Cosmetology and Advanced Cosmetology; State Tested Nurse Aide (STNA); American Welding Society (AWS); National Institute for MetalWorking Skills (NIMS); The National Center for Construction Education and Research (NC-CER); and Basic Life Support (BLS) and HeartSaver First Aid certifications. All graduates earn an ACT WorkKeys National Career Readiness Credential (NCRC).

MACC graduated 98 adult students this school year from the above Career Development Training Programs with 12 of them also earning their adult diploma.

Students graduating from Career Development programs who successfully meet graduation requirements receive a Certificate of Completion and a Career Passport in addition to their industry credentials.

To qualify for graduation, students must:

- •Complete at least 90% of scheduled hours and 100% of required coursework.
- •Achieve a 2.0 minimum grade point
- •Complete required externship, clinical, or job shadow
- •Complete employability/work ethic curriculum

Madison Adult Career Center's disclosures as reported on their 2020 accreditation annual report include a completion rate of 79% with 79% of completers working in the related field of their training and 96%

of completers earning industry certification.

MACC provides training to individuals who are unemployed, underemployed, dislocated workers, and employed individuals gaining new skills and/or upgrading their current skills. Programs enable students to complete their training, earn certifications and enter the workforce quickly.

Madison Adult Career Center is:

- •Accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC).
- •An approved provider of post-secondary career technical education by the Ohio Department of Higher Education.
- •A member of the Ohio Association of Career Technical and Adult Education (ACTE).



GRADUATES AND INSTRUCTORS from the Madison Adult Career Center Industrial Electrical Maintenance program.

Ontario summer concert series begins

The City of Ontario summer concert series is held at the Marshall Park Band Shell from 6-8 pm and concerts are free. Food vendors will be available.

The schedule is Thursday, June 17, Six Miles to Nellie, Americana (June 10 makeup concert); Thursday, June 24, SOBOS,

classic rock; Thursday, July 8, The Return, progressive classic rock; Thursday, July 22, Red Ball Jets, rock; Aug. 12, Sweet Beats, Beatles tribute; Aug. 26, Departure, Journey tribute; Sept. 9, Oolong Gurus, country/alternative; and Sept. 23, Just Jazz Live, jazz.

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548 North McElroy Rd. • 419-589-6612 Pastor Rev. Dr. Rich Rader

9:15 am Sunday School • 10:30 am Sunday Worship Weďnesday Bible Study 11 am www.mansfieldmayflower.com

Bunkerhill Baptist Church

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

Hillside First Church of God

2369 Bowman Rd., Mansfield • Pastor Glenn M. Phillips Sunday Worship 10 am • Wednesdays 6 pm hillsidefcg@hotmail.com

St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church 1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield • 419-589-2114

Father Matthew Frisbee
Saturday Worship, 4 pm and Sunday Worship 11 am
Tuesday Worship 5:30 pm and Friday Worship 9 am
Faith Instruction & Bible Study on Sunday Mornings www.mansfieldstmarys.org

Reverend James Randas 10:30 am Sunday Worship

Lexington Presbyterian Church 35 West Church St., Lexington • 419-884-1330

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

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Ontario United Methodist Church

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

St. Paul Mansfield Lutheran - ELCAALL are welcome • "Living and Loving like Jesus"
2010 Park Avenue West • 419-529-4351 Pastor Jonathan Stufft Sunday Worship 9:30 am Free breakfast 2nd Saturday each month, 9–10:30 am www.stpaulmansfield.org

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church

25 Church St., Bellville Pastor William Humphrey Sunday Services at 10:30 a.m.

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By Mátiece Thomas

Let's talk supplements — what to take, what not to take, how much to take? As a trainer, these are questions I am asked frequently.

I like to keep it simple. I encourage my clients to stick with what their body is naturally lacking. For example protein. The average person does not get enough protein in their day (1/2 gram-1gram per pound of body weight). So, yes, I encourage to supplement protein with shakes if you are not getting enough in your diet.

This trainer girl's go-to- protein shake is Premier protein shakes. It's easy for my busy on-the-go clients, they are delicious and have 30 grams of protein! Just shake, pop the top and go! You can find them at most stores.

Something to know, If you are living in Ohio, an important supplement to check into is Vitamin D. We do not get enough sun in Ohio to get it naturally, especially in the fall and winter months, so check with your doctor on the proper amount for you. Vitamin D is needed for mental wellness and it helps with your mood so definitely look into it.

I always encourage a good multi-vitamin because very few of us get all of the vitamins minerals and nutrients we need in our diet. A good multivitamin is a great addition to your diet. There are so many out there to choose from and you really can't go wrong with any that you choose.

Watch for my next article and I will teach you everything you need to know about collagen, CLA and probiotics. I have added all three of these to my regimen and it makes all the difference.

Follow me at Instagram-5ptsfitness_trainergirl for nutrition and workout tips.





Lifestyle Inspiration





Photo by Damon Calli

Day Trippin with Damon — Brandywine Falls is located in Cuyahoga Valley National Park and is open from dawn to dusk. This 60-foot waterfall is accessed via a partially accessible boardwalk. A five-mile hike is available to Brandywine Falls from Boston Mill Visitor Center. For information visit https://www.nps.gov/cuva/learn/historyculture/brandywine-falls.htm.



Jalapeno Stuffed Burger

Grilling season is here! Why not bring those burgers up a notch and stuff them with these cheese stuffed jalapenos. They are a bit more work than your basic burger, but they are fun and different and are sure to be a hit.

- 4–5 lbs ground beef. This will give you eight burgers. We suggest making each burger at least 1/2-3/4 lb
- 3–4 larger jalapenos. (You will get 4 burgers out of each pepper)
- 2 cups of fontina cheese, shredded or cheese of your choice

1/2 cup chopped cilantro

Salt and Pepper

2 1/2 tsp. cumin

Coleslaw

1 package coleslaw mix

1 1/2 cups Mayo

2 Tbsp. Apple Cider Vinegar

1 Tbsp. chopped lemon tarragon

Salt & Pepper

Instructions

Wash and cut jalapeno peppers in half and remove seeds. Cut in pieces that will "fit" in the burger (this will depend on the size of your peppers). Combine cheese, cilantro and 1/2 tsp. cumin in a bowl and mix.

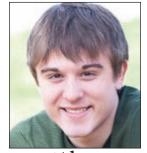
In a large bowl add the ground beef, 2 tsp. cumin and salt and pepper and combine. Divide beef into 8 parts and then split each one. Form patties (remember one patty is going to go on top of the other. Stuff each half of pepper with cheese mixture and place on burger. We did put some extra cheese on top as well. Lay stuffed pepper on patty and cover with second one, seal edges. Grill/Griddle

For the coleslaw, mix all ingredients together EXCEPT coleslaw mix, mix well and then add coleslaw mix. Let sit at least an hour to absorb flavors (the longer it sits the better flavor will be).

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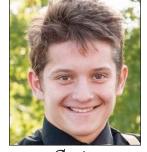
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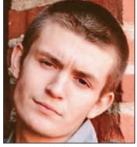
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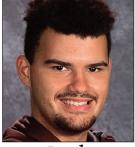
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Madison Comprehenisive High School Valedictorians & Salutatorian

Madison Comprehensive High School Class of 2021 honored its valedictorians and salutatorian.

Ambur Arnold Valedictorian

Ambur is the daughter of Shelly and Mark Arnold and is a member of 4-H, student council, National Honor Society, OCC Leadership and the senior class executive committee.

She plans to attend The Ohio State University Agricultural Technical Institute where she will major in animal science. She plans to become a large animal veterinarian.

Kami Baker Valedictorian

Kami is the daughter of Matt and Renee Baker and she is a 4vear letter winner in track and field, a 3-year letter winner in volleyball and one-year captain of the volleyball team. She is also a member of student council, OCC Leadership, senior class executive committee, student leadership team and National Honor Society. She plans to attend Bowling Green State University to study biology.

Nathan Barrett Valedictorian

Nathan is the son of Jeff and Robin Barrett and a member of National Honor Society, the Superintendents Honor Society, OCC Leadership, Leader-In-Me, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the student leadership team.

He is an All-Ohio Wrestler and an Academic All-Ohio Wrestler. He was awarded All-Ohio Honorable Mention in football, 1st Team All-District in football and 1st Team OCC in football and wrestling.

Nathan plans to attend

Ashland University to study exercise/sports science and become a dietitian or athletic trainer.

Ashleigh Bechtel Valedictorian

Ashleigh is the daughter of Pamela Bechtel and she is a member of National Honor Society. She is a 4-year letter winner in soccer and was captain of the soccer team for one year.

She plans to attend college to major in accounting.

Taylor Bender Valedictorian

Taylor is the daughter of

Linda and Keith Bender and she is a 3-year letter winner in vol-leyball and a member of National Honor Society.

She plans to attend Wittenberg University.

Carter Borden Valedictorian

Carter is the son of Karey and Eric Borden and is a member of student council and the track team. He works at Countryside Pizza and Drive-Thru. He plans to attend The Ohio State University.

Jenah Calderhead Valedictorian

Jenah is the daughter of Scott Calderhead Donna and Calderhead. She is a member of student council and National Honor Society. She is the SkillsUSA treasurer and is a 2year letter winner for swimming. She received the Coach's Award and Most Improved. She holds two top-12 — one in the 100 free and in the 50 free.

Jenah plans to attend Miami University to double major in psychology and pre-medical studies.

Nicole Cook Valedictorian

Nicole is the daughter of Bruce and Sue Cook and a member of National Honor Society, student council, senior class executive committee, OCC Leadership and 4-H. She is a 4-year letter winner

She plans to attend The Ohio State Agricultural Technical Institute to major in animal science with plans to become a large animal veterinarian.

Adison Floyd Valedictorian

Adison is the daughter of Trinity Floyd and Jodi Floyd. She is a 4-year varsity letter winner in swimming. She qualified for districts in her freshman and sophomore years. She received the Coach's Award her freshman year and was MVP her junior year.

Adison is a member of National Honor Society and a past member of Kev Club and student council. She has attained her STNA and is currently employed at an assisted living fa-

She plans to attend the RN program at North Central State College in the fall of 2021. She then plans to attend to obtain her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

Taylor Huff Valedictorian

Taylor is the daughter of Zac Huff and Amy Huff and National Honor Society treasurer and executive committee class president. She is a 4-year member of student council, OCC Leadership and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Taylor is a 4-year varsity letter winner for soccer, 4-time OCC Player of the Year, 4-time District Player of the Year and D9 2019 and 2020 Player of the Year. She is a Franklin B. Walters Scholarship nominee. She plans to attend the University of Tennessee.

Sara Marhefka Valedictorian

Sara is the daughter of Scott and Terri Marhefka and a oneyear member of Writer's Club, OCC Leadership and National Honor Society. She is vice president and a 4-year member of Book Club and 4-year member of student council. She is secretary and a 4-year member of Spanish Club and a 4-year member of Key Club.

Sara was a Solo & Ensemble participant for three years and was awarded two #1 ratings and a #2 rating. She was also a participant in Trills and Thrills and district and state competition with the choir for two years. She volunteered at Budokai Martial Arts in the young children's classes and plans to attend Mount Vernon Nazarene University to major in integrated mathematics education.

Madysen Myers Valedictorian

Madysen is the daughter of Camille Norris and Dave and Tracy Myers. She is a member of OCC Leadership, student council, senior class executive committee, National Honor Society and Key Club where she served as president for two years. She is a past member of Spanish Club.

Madysen is also a member of **Business Professionals of America** and was a 2-year state qualifier and one-year regional officer.

She plans to attend college to major in business marketing.

Kaitlin Reese Valedictorian

Kaitlin is the daughter of John

and Pat Reese and is this year's secretary and 3-year member of student council. She is president and a 4-year member of Spanish Club, one-year member of the senior class executive committee and 2-year member of Drama

She plays the clarinet and is a 4-year member of the marching band and 2-year member of pep band. She has participated in school musicals for four years and had a lead role in The Little Mermaid.

Kaitlin is a 2-year participant in the talent show, Moody's Math Challenge and Trills & Thrills. She volunteered at Park Avenue Daycare and baked cookies and distributed candy canes to two nursing homes.

She tutors a 2-year old and creates her own lesson plans and crafts. She is a member of Mansfield Open Bible Church where she has been a Sunday School teacher for four years and has been on the worship team for three years.

She is also a member of the UpRise youth group and babysits children for the young adult ministry, Thrive.

Kaitlin plans to attend Mount Vernon Nazarene University where she will double major in criminal justice and psychology and minor in children's ministry. She plans to become a prosecuting attorney, child victim advocate, foster parent and open a law

Taylor Russell Váledictorian

Taylor is the daughter of Matt and Andrea Russell and a member of National Honor Society. She is a 4-year varsity letter winner in track, a 3-year letter winner in basketball and a 4vear letter winner in soccer. Her team won the Division II Girls

State Soccer Championship.
She plans to attend North Central State College to major in biology and become and or-

Clayton Stankovich . Valedictorian

Clayton is the son of Joseph Stankovich and Heather Stankovich and president of SkillsUSA Madison chapter and former SkillsUSA Ohio Northwest Regional President. He is president of National Honor Society, a 4-year member of OCC Leadership, FCA and student council.

He is a member of the student leadership team.

Clayton won first place in the SkillsUSA Customer Service competition and the 2020 first place winner in the SkillsUSA Job Demos competition.

He plans to attend Youngstown State University to study electrical engineering.

Rebecca Stoner Valedictorian

Rebecca is the daughter of Amber Stoner and Kevin Stoner and is National Honor Society Historian. She is vice president and a 3-year member of Kev Club, senior class executive committee treasurer and a oneyear member of student council. She is Assistant UpRise Outreach Coordinator Mansfield Open Bible Church.

Rebecca plans to pursue the path God is laying out for her and she knows it will one day lead to vouth ministry. But for now, she believes God has other plans for her.

Ronald Thompson Valedictorian

Ronald is the son of Ronald and Brenda Thompson and is a one-year member of the football team, 2-year member of the baseball team and 3-year member of the wrestling team.

He is a one-year member of FCA, OCC Leadership and student council. He is vice president of National Honor Society and vice president of the SkillsUSA Madison chapter.

He is a SkillsUSA state qualifier for Related Technical Math and a 2-year student in the CT Electrical Maintenance Program.

He plans to attend Bowling Green State University to major in construction management.

Jaekob Conard Salutatorian

Jaekob is a member of National Honor Society and he was a member of student council during his freshman year.

He is a 4-year varsity letter winner in cross country, golf and baseball. He was a freshman honor roll student and went on to earn all A's during his sophomore, junior and senior years.

He plans to attend Marietta College to pursue an engineering dual-degree with a major in applied physics.

Ontario High School Athletic End of Year Awards

Ontario High School annual award winners for the 2020-'21 school year were recommended and voted on by the varsity head coaches. Award winners are:

OHS Male Athlete of the Year: Griffin Shaver

OHS Female Athlete of the Year: Ariah Reuer

OHS Male "Grit Street" Award: Carter Kroll

OHS Female "Grit Street" Award: Brienne

OHSAA Male Scholar-Athlete Award: Owen Vick OHSAA Female Scholar-Athlete Award: Natalie Link

OHSAA Archie Griffin Male Sportsmanship Award: Brennan Strickler

OHSAA Archie Griffin Female Sportsmanship Award: Alexis N. Johnson

OHSAA Courageous Student-Athlete Award: Ariah Reuer

NFHS Award of Excellence: Brennan Strickler OHSAA Exemplary Service State Award: Joe Baloah

Bloodmobiles scheduled

The American Red Cross has scheduled local bloodmobiles for:

Wednesday, June 16, 1–7 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Thursday, June 17, 9 am to 2 pm, St. Peter's High School, 111 W. First St., Mansfield Friday, June 18, noon to 5 pm, YMCA, 750 Scholl Rd.,

Mansfield Sunday, June 20, 11 am to 5 pm, Richland Mall RSMO,

Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario Wednesday, June 23, 1–7 pm, Richland Mall RSMO,

2209 Richland Mall, Ontario; and 2–7 pm, Planktown Country Market, 1921 Free Rd., Shiloh

Wednesday, June 30, 1–7 pm,Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

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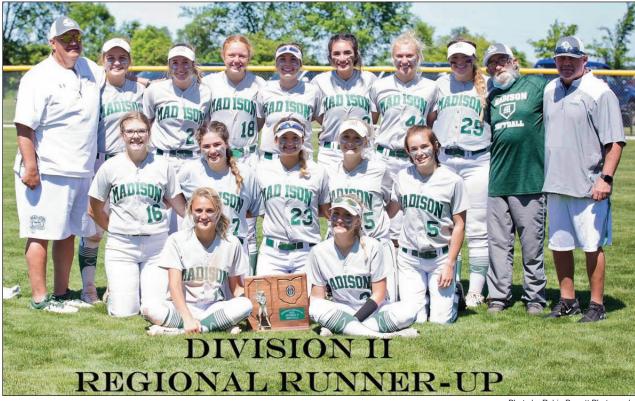
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Asmoun, Hope Barrett, Bailey Lyons, Coach Harper and Coach Carper.



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL seniors walk the halls in a procession line so fellow students can congratulate them on their achievement.

Teresa Cook retires from Area Agency on Aging

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc.'s Vice President of Development, Teresa Cook is retiring after a 21-year career with the organization. "Teresa has been a

leader since day one with a can-do attitude and a strong knack for innovation," commented CEO Duana Patton. Teresa joined the Agency on January 18, 2000 as a Service Coordinator. On Feb. 1, 2010, she became Community Programs Manager and on Jan. 23, 2014, was promoted to Chief of Marketing and Development. Cook leaves a legacy of programs, partnerships and projects that she helped implement.



Most recently, Teresa has led the Agency's development of Ritter's Run Senior Apartments, which is in process, and will be completed next year. While Teresa moved through several positions during her 21 years with the Agency, one thing remained consistent - her unwavering commitment to the mission and those served by the Agency

and those served by the Agency.

Teresa was hired by Diane Ramey, Vice President of Medicaid Services. According to Diane, "Teresa will be most remembered for her passion and commitment to help older and disabled adults have available housing options. By addressing tenant concerns and making individuals aware of housing options, she ensured many individuals had a safe place to live."

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

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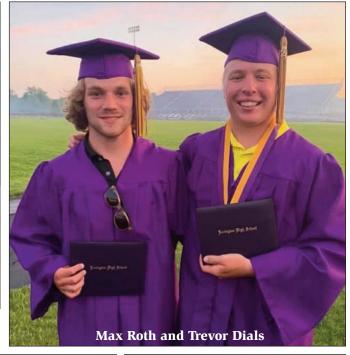








Front, Raquel Graziani, Trinity Saxton and Kennedi Norris; and back, McKenna Mustin and Daniela Perez

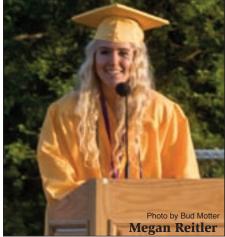




2021 Grad Marissa Marquardt (center) with brother Foster and sister Ana and dog Jax. Foster and Ana are also past Lexington graduates.









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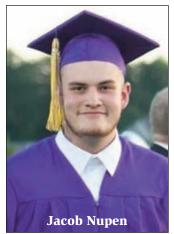


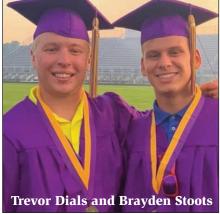


















The Lexington Class of 2021 is led by Allison Reed and Jacob Hathaway



MANSFIELD POWER SQUADRON (MPS) INSTRUCTORS Dennis Figley, Tom Etzwiler, Jim Jackson, Russ Niebel, Jay Wells, Mike Siwek, John Fort, Shirley Fort, Wayne Hammond and Garry Schroeder. Not pictured is Chan Stevens.



Tom Etzwiler, Jay Wells and Shirley Fort



SENIOR NAVIGATORS Denise Tenison, Dennis Tenison, Dan Fortman and Lynn Fortman

Mansfield Power Squadron members recognized during awards picnic

The Mansfield Power Squadron recently held its annual education and awards picnic. The organization is a local nonprofit, aligned with the United States Power Squadron/America's Boating Club, in promoting boating safety and education. National Boating Safety Week was May

Jay Wells of Ashland received the Milliken-Brewer Award For excellence in boating education instruction. Jay instructed three courses: Marine Electrical Systems, Marine Communication Systems and Electronic Navigation. Wells is also the current commander of the Mansfield Power Squadron (MPS).

Tom Etzwiler of Mansfield was recognized for achieving 50 merit marks obtained during his 52 years of membership. Tom has also instructed the weather

Shirley Fort of Mansfield was recognized for her many years of leadership as the Squadron Educational Officer and for her tireless dedication to the squadron.

Other boating courses offered by the

MPS include American's Boating Course (ABC), Boat Handling, Marine Navigation, Advanced Marine Navigation, Offshore Navigation, Celestial Navigation, Engine Maintenance, Sail, Radar for Boaters, Cruising and Cruise Planning and numerous seminar topics.

Boating courses generally run 6–8 weeks and seminars last 2-4 hours.

Dan and Lynn Fortman of Shelby and Dennis and Denise Tenison of Lexington were recognized for receiving Educational Achievement Awards and the status of Senior Navigators (SN) from the United States Power Squadron. Such recognition is bestowed for successful completion of all required educational courses.

Visit https://www.usps.org/mansfield or call 419-975-9724 for more information about the MPS and how to improve your boating skills and knowledge or for a complimentary vessel safety check.

Visit www.usps.org and https://americasboatingclub.org to learn more about the United States Power Squadron/America's Boating Club.

"Where Food Comes From" is focus of Family Fun on the Farm Festival By Theresa Rozic Sutter, Community Relations Coordinator wheat seeds with an old-fashioned seed cleaner and grind the wheat into flow

There is nothing like fresh fruit and vegetables and right now we are enjoying lettuce, asparagus and peas. As the growing season progresses, there will be many more fresh food choices like corn, watermelon, tomatoes and apples. We are fortunate to have a wide range of other fresh food available throughout the year in Richland County like eggs, meat and honey.

The pandemic brought attention and awareness of where food comes from, and an emphasis on locally produced food. To continue to raise awareness on where food comes from, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) is partnering with Richland County farm jewel, Malabar Farm State Park, for Family Fun on the Farm Festival Saturday, July 3 at Malabar Farm from 3-6 pm. A barn dance will follow at 7 pm.

There are many fun activities planned for all ages, especially children. The festival is open to anyone and admission is free.

While at Family Fun on the Farm Festival, watch demonstrations on growing shitake mushrooms, saving seeds and how to make a seed bomb. Help clean wheat seeds with an old-fashioned seed cleaner and grind the wheat into flour. Make a greenhouse from a bag, turn a recycled toilet paper tube into an owl and buy fresh produce. Safely sample Figg's non-alcoholic mixers and Banzo Butter.

Take a wagon ride, try to hit the bullseye at the archery station and visit the farm animals, plus turtles, snakes and even an Alpaca. Spin the Agriculture and Conservation Trivia Wheel to win great prizes, and children can have their face painted with farm animal themes.

Cast a line at the pond; fishing is free for children 15 and under. Stop by the new Mansfield/Richland County Public Library Bookmobile. Enjoy live music and storytelling. To quench your thirst and appetite purchase goodies from food trucks. Young children will let their imaginations run wild at the Imagination Stations.

Learn about disaster preparedness, weather-related information, the Citizens Emergency Response Team and Medical Reserve Corp. and children up to 18 yearsold can pick up free dental health bags.

For information about the farm festival visit https://bit.ly/3ccpFRW, e-mail Theresa@richlandswcd.net or call 419-747-8685.

Summer Crisis Program opens July 1 to help Ohioans with electric utility bills The 2021 Summer Crisis Program (SCP) law to write prescriptions; or a household may also receive an air conditioning unit The utility assistance benefit is separate

will provide eligible households with a one-time benefit to assist with electric utility bills, central air conditioning repairs and air conditioning unit and/or fan purchases. Household income must be at or below 175% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and household's must have at least one additional eligibility criteria: a household member who is age 60 or older; a member who has a documented medical condition verified by a licensed medical professional who is qualified under Ohio

member that was diagnosed with COVID-19 in the last 12 months. May provide a written statement as proof of diagnosis.

Percentage of Income Payment Plan Plus (PIPP) customers are eligible for assistance towards their default payment, first PIPP payment, central air conditioning repairs or may receive an air conditioning unit and/or fan.

A household's electric utility that has a disconnect notice, has been shut off or having new electric service established for and/or fan or central air conditioning repairs if the household can maintain electric service for 30 days.

This year the program will be open July -Sept. 30. The maximum benefit amounts for the 2021 program are: \$500 for customers of regulated utilities and \$800 for customers of unregulated utilities (municipal utilities or cooperatives). Air conditioning units and/or fans may only be provided to eligible customers who have not received a unit or fan in the last three years.

from the additional benefit. Households may receive the maximum utility assistance benefit towards their electric bill and still receive an additional benefit (i.e., central air conditioner repair, air conditioner unit, and/or fan). SCP appointments should be scheduled with the local energy assistance

More information is available by calling 419-524-4144 or 800-860-5799 Monday-Friday 9 am to 5 pm. The agency is located at 2131 Park Avenue West, Ontario.

ONTARIO MIDDLE SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2021-'22

6th Grade

- Earbuds or headphones
- Highlighters, pens, pencils, colored pencils
- (2) 1.5" binder with side pocket
- 8 pocket folders
- Loose-leaf notebook paper
- 2 composition notebooks
- White eraser
- 3 glue sticks
- 1 pad multi-colored post-its (1.5 x 2)
- (100) 3 x 5 white index cards
- 1 box tissues for homeroom
- 1 canister of Clorox wipes for homeroom
- 1 pump hand sanitizer for homeroom
- Notebook paper and pocket folder if taking Career & Life or FCS 6 class

7th Grade

- (2) 3 ring binders (1.5" or larger)
- 1- 3 ring binder (1 in.) Writing
- 1 set dividers with tabs
- 1 set notebook dividers with tabs Writing
- College rule loose leaf paper
- 3 hole pencil pouch
- Pencils, pens, colored pencils, highlighters
- (4) pocket folders one pocket folder needed for Basham
- 3 x 5 white note cards
- 1 box tissue (homeroom)
- 1 pkg post-its literature
- 1 spiral writing notebook literature
- Earbuds or headphones each student
- 1 canister of Clorox wipes homeroom
- 1 spiral writing notebook science
- Glue stick
- White eraser
- Notebook paper and pocket folder if taking Family & Consumer Science (FCS)
- 2 Dry erase markers

8th Grade

- (3) 3-ring binders (2" or larger)
- (1) 3-ring 1" binder Glue stick
 (3) 6 tab dividers White eraser if taking Art
- Three hole pencil pouch Lock for Locker
- Blue pens, pencils, colored pencils or markers, highlighters
- College Rule Loose leaf paper
- Calculator (TI-30XIIS)
- Algebra students need graphing calculator (TI-83 or higher)
- Graphing paper
- (2) pocket folders with Clasps
- (1) 3 x 5 index cards
- (4) Post-its
- Ruler (with 3 holes to keep in binder)
- Earbuds or headphones
- 1 box Kleenex- Homeroom
- 1 canister of Clorox wipes- Homeroom
- 1 Bottle of Hand Sanitizer- Homeroom
- 1 dry erase marker- Homeroom
- Notebook paper and pocket folder if taking Family & Consumer Science (FCS)

BGSU announces spring semester lists

Bowling Green State University students named to the dean's list for spring semester 2021 are Mycah Blevins, Alyssa Lambert, Hannah Hess, Brenden Manco, Cayla Schaad, Olivia Kegley, Jared Lind, Aaron Berg, Daniel Desterhaft, Alexis Uplinger, Natalie Zitko, Isabella Snyder, Anthony Sansalone, Hannah Skropits, Madeline Collins, Samuel Sharick, Courtney Gouge, Abigail Prendergast, Olivia Schofield, Alexis Dials, Vincent Zhang, Hunter Nelson and Avery Chambers.

Bowling Green State University students graduating during spring semester 2021 are Jessica West, Bachelor of Fine Artsl Sarah Mullennix, Bachelor of Science in Technologyl John Metzger, Bachelor of

Science in Business Administrationl Thomas Zitko, Bachelor of Sciencel Taylor Humphrey, Bachelor of Arts; Jessica Cline, Bachelor of Applied Health Science; Tarence Brooks, Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice; Mitchell Zahn, Bachelor of Science in Construction Management; Anna Hairston, Master of Social Work; Desiree Peterson, Bachelor of Science in Gerontology, summa cum laude; Mikayla Briggs, Bachelor of Science in Communication Disorders, cum laude; Michaella Henry, Bachelor of Science in Education, cum laude; Kyle Johnson, Bachelor of Arts, cum laude; and Kennedy Warner, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.



First Phase of Veterans Monument in KCCC's Children's Garden completed

recently finalized the first phase of their plan to build a veterans monument near the school's children's garden.

The vision originated with a group of cadets seeking an addition to the popular children's garden that would also serve as a memorial to veterans. Phase one of the project incorporates a 9-foot spire a recognize all the uniformed branches of the military.

Phase two, which is currently in progress, turns the monument into a sundial. The hourly locations of the sun's shadow were plotted on the ground throughout the past year, and next fall, metal markers will be laid in place marking the solstice and equinox.

"We're waiting for June 21, to mark the final sundial marks," said Lieutenant Colonel Salvucci, the unit's instructor. Colonel Salvucci added, "Unfortunately, it can take years to identify the exact location of each shadow. The summer and winter solstice happen only once a year, and the equinox crosses just twice. If it's cloudy on the 21st of March, June, September or December, we can only approximate the shadow's location until the following year. We have some good estimates from last year before the spire was put in place, but now we're hoping for good weather on June 21 to locate the final positions of the summer solstice."

The sundial was built at no cost to KCCC. AMVETS Post 95, VFW Post 4027, American Legion Post 136, Knox County Veterans Service Office, and Knox County Foundation provided donations to build the monument.

Students from the Building Trades program poured the concrete base for the spire, and students from the Landscape Design and Management program helped prepare the grounds for placement of the markers. In the fall, KCCC's Precision Machining students will complete the construction of the stainless-steel ground markers.

The Landscape Design and Management students will place the markers into the

The Knox County Career Center JROTC locations where the sun's shadow was previously marked.

The JROTC students look forward to completing a project delayed by nearly 18 months due to COVID restrictions. Students were not available to help for many months this year, and higher priority projects needed within the community took precedence.

"The seniors were disappointed by not seeing full completion of the project," added Colonel Salvucci, "but other projects and classwork took priority." Colonel Salvucci explained that many Career Center labs were aiding community members and students during these trying times, and classes were dealing with a hybrid schedule. "These restrictions slowed progress on the project.

Sometimes we have to learn patience. We had to focus on the people first, then the academics, then the extra projects like ours," said Colonel Salvucci.



Ontario Local School Board agenda full of hirings

(Continued from Front Page)

School Student Council; \$10,000 from an anonymous donor for the athletic department; and \$1,000 from Therm-O-Disc, Inc. and the Emerson Charitable Trust for Ontario High School student activities.

A Making Middle School Grades Work

Grant was approved for \$2,500. Stipends for the 2021–'22 PBIS Team, out of the Making Middle School Grades Work Grant, are Leigh Ann Patterson, \$500; John Boyd, \$160; Annalee Stover, \$160; Wendy Wilging, \$160; and Keith Strickler, \$160.

Title 1 Reading Teachers for the 2021–'22 school year are Brooke Breitinger, Direen Givens, Susan Kurtzman and Jennifer Jarvis.

Airika Freeman was approved as an ESL tutor for the 2021-'22 school year at \$22.50 per hour. Anita Ream was approved as a career coach for the 2021-'22 school year to assist students with career exploration, college selection, admission and financial aid, not to exceed \$8,500.

A five-year agreement was reached between Buker Photography and Ontario Schools for photography and related services.

An insurance quote for property, fleet

and liability coverage was approved from Ohio School Plan for the 2022 fiscal year. Insurance premiums will be effective July 1, 2021.

North Central Ohio Track and Cross Country officials (Glen Smith) will use the high school study hall for track officials' meetings. Sam VanCura will give a tour of the middle school and high school for a class of 1970 and 1971 reunion.

A public hearing was held regarding the rehiring of Linda Cooper as an intervention teacher at Stingel for the 2021-'22 school year.

Jerod Them provided a Legislative Liason Report regarding the importance of the Fair School Funding Plan, which is a big step in the right direction. The board and administration will be urging the Senate, senators Huffman, Dolan and Romanchuk to consider the merits of the plan.

The board reviewed and discussed the Annual Community Substance Abuse Program Report for the coming school year.

The board then entered into executive session. No action was taken.

The next regular board meeting will be held July 13, at 7 pm in the high school









Jacob Nupen's restoration of the **Lexington Victory Bell.** See more information on the Front Page.

Fire hydrant flushing has begun The Springfield Township Fire Fulwell Dr., W. Fergsuon Rd. and Stumbo

Department, in cooperation with the Ontario Water Department, has begun flushing fire hydrants. Annual hydrant flushing is critical to ensure the continued reliability of the city's hydrants. The flushing will normally be done Monday-Friday between the hours of 8 am and 3:30 pm. Some discoloration of water may occur. This is due to sediments and particulates in the water remains that are riled during

Because of this, residents are strongly advised not to do laundry during these hours as this could lead to discoloration of clothing. However, the water is safe for drinking. The water department has special detergent available to remove rust stains from clothing if they are inadvertently

Residents are asked not to plant shrubs or trees within five feet of a fire hydrant as this can make it extremely difficult for firefighters to locate or operate a hydrant when needed. Residents with hydrants that are obscured will be asked to trim or remove the foliage. For more information about the flushing program call the water department at 419-529-3815.

Remaining weeks are:

Week of June 14, Lex-Ontario, Shelby-Ontario, Pearl St., Bemiller Dr., Dunlap Dr., Camelot Dr., Milligan Rd. and Bevery Ln.

Week of June 21, Autumn Ridge (all) Week of June 28, make-up or repair week (no new due to holiday)

Week of July 5, Zimmerman Acres (all), Elizabeth Ave., Overbrook Ct., Rt. 314 (Fourth St. to Snodgrass) and Snodgrass Rd.

Week of July 12, Rock Rd. N. and S., Beverly Ln., Allen Dr., Erla Dr., Pondarosa, Hemlock, Lewis Rd. (all) and Mabee Rd. (all) Week of July 19, Beer Rd., Yeager Dr., Rd. (all)

Week of July 26, finish with W. Ferguson Rd., Jaqueline Ct., Whitney, Crestfield St., Bedford Blvd., E. Ferguson and Guest Ct.

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Week of Aug. 1, Willowood allotment (all) (Lex-Springmill to Home Rd.)

Week of Aug. 9, finish Willowod, Lindaire Ln., N. Lindaire Ln. and W. Fourth St. (all) (Rt. 314 to Home Rd.)

Week of Aug. 16, Rt. 314 (Fourth St. to Park Avenue West) and Park Avenue West (all) (Rt. 314 to Home Rd.)

Week of Aug. 23, Home Rd. (all) and Spring Village Allotment (all)
Week of Aug. 30, make up or repair any

outstanding, Nussbaum Pkwy., Friday Ln., Oxford St., Brookside Dr., Willodell Dr., Warren, Westland N. Ireland Blvd. and N. Sunset Blvd.

Week of Sept. 6, make up or repairs, August Dr., Hazel Dr., Briggs Dr., Glenvew Dr. and Lex-Springmill (all)

Week of Sept. 13, Walker Lake Rd. and Spring Village Allotment (all)

Week of Sept. 20, Lynn Dr., Woodbine Dr., Maple Ln., Bethel Ln., Scotland Blvd., S. Ireland Blvd., Grace Ave., Stanley Dr., Esther Dr., S. Sunset Blvd. and Creston Rd.

Week of Oct. 4, Kingston St., Mercer Ave., Homewood Dr., Viviand Ave., Frazier Rd., Geary Rd., Clare Rd., Hilltop Rd., Harding Heights, Sloboda Ave. and Chambers Rd.

Week of Oct. 11, Chambers Allotment (all) and Millsboro Rd.

Week of Oct. 18, make-up or repairs. End of season.





A CAR SHOW FUNDRAISER was held at Porky's Drive-In, Ashland Rd., Madison area on Saturday, June 5. Car shows are a tradition at the establishment, but this year's event helped to raise money which the restaurant lost during a robbery. Donita Blasberg, daughter to owner Dan Blasberg, said she will use some of the money rasied from the event to repair and replace the ceiling in the kitchen and tend to other items in need of repair. During the event, participants could order from a menu of burgers, footlong hot dogs, shredded chicken, BBQ pork, bratwurst and sides. A nice crowd came to show support of Porky's which has been a part of the Madison community since 1949. For more information visit https://www.facebook.com/PorkysDriveInOH.

Richland County Foundation approves \$1,389,317 in grants The Richland County Foundation Board a grant to help Mansfield and Richland Ships were approved for students to earn ships were approved for students a

to nonprofit organizations during its June meeting.

Projects at area nonprofit organizations that received grants from a combination of unrestricted, donor- advised and field of interest funds include:

The City of Mansfield Police Department received a grant to help fund a MILO De-Escalation Simulator. The simulator will provide officers opportunities to practice deescalation techniques with real-time feedback. Officers will use the simulator on a quarterly basis in addition to other training requirements. The MPD also will utilize the equipment for community outreach.

Friends of the Richland County Park District received grants to resurface the Richland B&O Bike Trail. The project also includes erosion control, fencing and bridge repairs. Richland County Regional Planning secured a state grant for the project which required a 10% local match.

The Greater Ohio Policy Center received

Rescue Plan Act. The GOPC facilitated a community conversation about the value of planning for ARPA funds. GOPC will review community plans and input to identify community priorities for the City of Mansfield and the county.

Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center received a grant for equine-based therapy scholarships.

Shelby YMCA was awarded a grant to build an outdoor recreation area which will include basketball and sand volleyball

Little Buckeye Children's Museum, Ohio Bird Sanctuary, Mansfield Playhouse, Downtown Mansfield Inc., Kingwood Center Gardens, Mansfield Art Center, and Richland Community Development Group received grants for marketing packages to facilitate Google Ad grants. RCF staff worked with Destination Mansfield to identify organizations that attract visitors to Richland County.

certifications and credentials at technical institutions. The Scholarship Committee implemented a rolling deadline for CTE scholarships to meet various enrollment deadlines. In aligning with Ohio's Attainment Goal, the Foundation wants to help fill the gap between job openings and certified employees as well as lead the way to support workforce development through CTE scholarships.

The Board of Trustees approved grants from donor advised funds which allows individuals and families the opportunity to make grant suggestions to favorite charities. Donor Advised Funds are a flexible and convenient alternative to a private foundation. It is also a way to keep charitable contributions anonymous, at the preference of the donor. The Board of Trustees approved grants from donor-advised funds to meet emerging needs at the following organizations:

Ashland University, Capital Research

Downtown Mansfield Inc., First United Methodist Church, Friendly House, Friends of the Richland County Park District, Greater Ohio Policy Center, Judicial Watch, Kingwood Center Gardens, Leadership Institute, Little Buckeve Children's Museum, Mansfield Area Y, Mansfield Art Center, Mansfield City Schools, Mansfield Playhouse, Mansfield-Richland County Third Grade Spelling Bee, North End Community Improvement Collaborative, North Central Ohio Land Conservancy, North Central State College Foundation, Ohio Bird Sanctuary, Raemelton Therapeutic Equ8estran Center, Richland Community Development Group, Renaissance Performing Arts Association, Richland Academy of the Arts, Richland County Regional Planning Commission, Richland County Soil & Water Conservation District, Richland Veterans Mentor Program, Inc., Salvation Army, St. Peter's Parish and Waleska United Methodist Church.



THE KINGWOOD CENTER GARDENS 5K RUN/WALK on June 12 brought out a crowd of participants.

Mansfield company recognized as a national leader in security industry

Schmidt Security Pro/Schmidt Fire was honored to be recognized by Security Sales & Integration (SSI) as a finalist in four Sales and Marketing Award categories.
The 26th Annual SAMMY Awards

Program is the only one of its kind in the security industry to recognize and honor dealers and integrators for their marketing, business, installation and overall excellence.

SSI received more than 160 entries from installing and monitoring security systems contractors from throughout North

Schmidt Security Pro is a finalist in the following categories for small to midsize security companies:

- Installer of the Year
- •Best Newsletter or Content Marketing
- Best website design
- •Best Overall Marketing Program

"We are honored to be selected as a finalist in four SAMMY categories. The last year has impacted our company in more ways than any year in recent memory. However, we believe the challenges have made us stronger and even better able to service our customers and the communities we do work in." stated Brian Schmidt, President of Schmidt Security Pro. "The other finalists in these categories are industry leaders and it is humbling to be in a league with such respected companies." Schmidt added, "This is a great recogni-

tion for our entire team who has worked extremely hard this past year to keep our customers protected. We also appreciate the talent of our local partners; Pivot Creates, Sun Graphics and Source Brand Solutions who helped us develop and implement these marketing initiatives.'

SAMMY awards winners were announced during a June 3 online awards presentation. Schmidt Security Pro won the 2021 SAMMY Award for Best Website

Schmidt Security Pro/Schmidt Fire is the leading total security and fire solutions provider in North Central Ohio. To learn more visit www.schmidtsecurity.com

Security Sales & Integration (SSI) is the security industry's premier technology and business source of trusted content. More can be learned about SSI at www.securitysales.com.

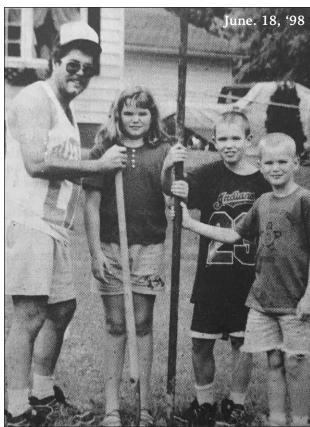


DURING THE MANSFIELD MEN'S GARDEN CLUB meeting, members of the 2021 Student Achievement Leadership Training (SALT) program attended. The program works to help students with job and school retention, dropout prevention, increased school attendance, alleviating the community of blight and establishing and reinforcing positive behaviors. Isaac David said, "We will continue to work with the partnerships developed in the community including Mansfield City Schools, Mansfield Parks Department, Codes and Permits, Richland County Land Bank, Building Trades Association, Mansfield in Bloom, Mansfield Men's Garden Club, Renaissance Theater and private citizens as well as new partner, the Mansfield Art Center. Upon completion of the program, participants have either a job or interview with community businesses. The underclassmen that complete the program all return to school and are more on track to graduate. Pictured are Jim Kuliq, Isaac David, Vera Bryant, Thomas Bear and James Lambert.

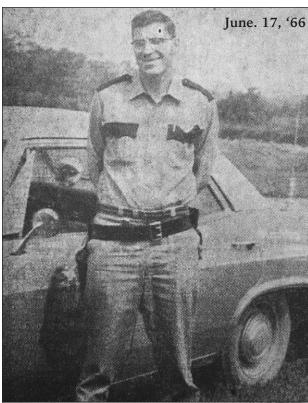


THE MANSFIELD MEN'S GARDEN CLUB honored retiring Kingwood Center Garden director Chuck Gleaves. Pictured are club president Doug Versaw, Bill Collins and Chuck

LOOKING BACK: This Week in Tribune-Courier History



SHEREE, Trent and Gregory help their dad James Jr. install a tether ball pole so they can beat him Father's Day! They live on Grace St. in Madison Township.



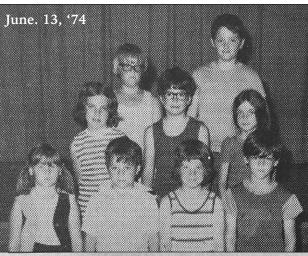
DENNIS REID

Dennis Reid, Lewis Rd., was appointed to the Ontario Police Department by Mayor Orval L. Bemiller, Jr. at the last meeting of village council. His appointment will fill the vacancy created by the resignation several months ago of Richard E. Miller. The new patrolman started work June 6.

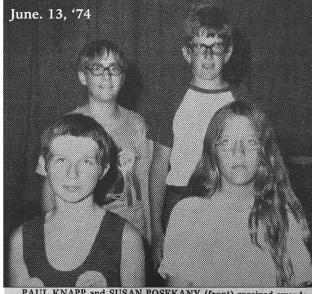
Reid is 32 years of age. He lives in the township and is married and has three children. He was formerly employed by the Ohio State Reformatory at

Mansfield for nine years.

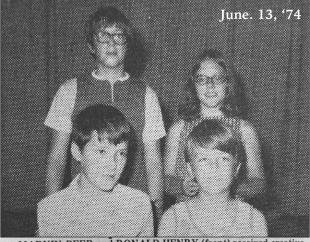
He will serve a probationary period of six months before being eligible for a permanent appointment



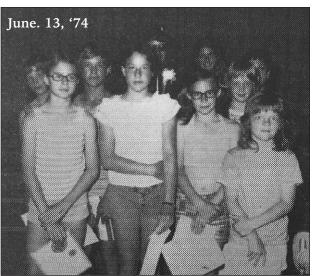
PERFECT ATTENDANCE certificates were earned by the following primary grade pupils at Bedford Elementary School. They received them at the awards assembly the last day of school. (Front) Vicki Robson, Chuck Eyerly, Douglas Scott, Billy Horsley; (middle) Jill Harper, Brian Fidler, Denise Hooper; (back) Jeff Davis and Rob-



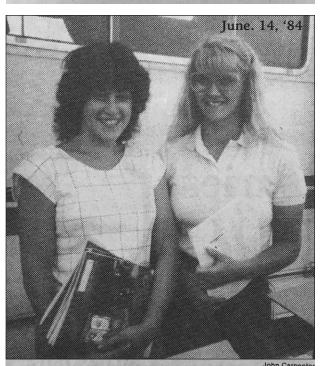
PAUL KNAPP and SUSAN POSEKANY (front) received awards as the outstanding artist boy and girl at Bedford School during the year. The awards were distributed by Mrs. Merv Marshall during a special assembly at the school last Friday. (Back) Robert Williams received the award from MIss Helen Dow, music teacher, as the best all around music student while Marty Jarrell was honored as the outstanding music student for the year.



MARVIN BEER and RONALD HENRY (front) received creative writing awards during a special assembly the last day of school at Bedford Elementary School, (back) Robert Oster and Melissa Mitchell received the Newberry reading awards for reading the largest number of books on the Newberry reading list during the year.



RECEIVING THE PRESIDENT's Physical Fitness awards from Mrs. Karen Conwell at the recent Awards Assembly at Bedford Elementary School were (front) Barbara Frasz, Wendy Spring, Renee Albright, Kelly Zahn and Renee Waldman; (back) William Hounshell, Randy Sesco, Linda Horvath and Tim Glowski.



LEXINGTON KEY CLUB MEMBERS Claudia Profenna and vice president Marna Morton helped count programs during the Lumbermens 500 held at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course Sunday. The Key Club sells programs during races at Mid-Ohio as its money-making project.

June 17, 1885 — The dismantled Statue of Liberty. a gift of friendship from the people of France to the people of America, arrives in New York Harbor after being shipped across the Atlantic Ocean in 350 individual pieces packed in more than 200 cases. The copper and iron statue, which was reassembled and dedicated the following year, became known around the world as an enduring symbol of freedom and democracy. Intended to commemorate the American Revolution and a century of friendship between the U.S. and France, the statue was designed by French sculptor Frederic-Auguste Bartholdi (who modeled it after his own mother), with assistance from engineer Gustave Eiffel, who later developed the iconic tower in Paris bearing his name.

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HOUSE CLEANING AND WINDOWS

House cleaning and window cleaning in the Mansfield area. Call 419-564-8987.

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SECURITY OFFICER RETIREES WELCOME

Schmidt Security Pro is hiring unarmed security guards to serve in the Mansfield and surrounding areas. Retirees welcome. Shifts available are evenings, nights, weekends, and holidays. Duties include patrolling and monitoring parking lots, inside/outside of buildings and reporting any unusual circumstances. Apply in person at: 241 Mansfield Industrial Parkway 44903; or email: jobs@schmidtsecurity.com

CITY OF ONTARIO TAX DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL POSITION

The City of Ontario, an Equal Opportunity Employer, currently has an opening for a Tax Department Assistant position in the Administrative Department. Eligible applicants must have previous "tax-related" experience, including, but not limited to, preparing and analyzing tax records and reports and assist in administering day-to-day operations of the tax department. Position will also require skills in general office duties, such as, data entry; customer service; phone calls; general clerical work. Starting hourly rate is based on experience. We offer an excellent benefit package. Successful applicant must be bondable.

Applications may be picked up at the Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio and must be re-turned by July 9, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. in a sealed envelope addressed to "Tax Department Position." Qualified candidates will be contacted to schedule interviews.

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The Tribune-Courier is looking

for a motivated person to contact local businesses by phone/email/in-person visit to aquire advertising. Hours are very flexible, work from home. is by commission on ads sold. Email tribune@tribunecourier.com for more information or to schedule an interview.

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1,000 sq. ft. office space located in the front portion of 347 Allen Dr., Ontario. Rental will have own private restroom, front and side entrance. Room is a large open area. Email tribune@tribune-courier.com to schedule a viewing or phone call.

LEGAL ADVERTISING

PUBLIC LAND AUCTION

On Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. the City of Ontario will hold a land auction at the Municipal Building located at 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio 44906. The .6 acre lot is on Elliott Way in Ontario Ohio, parcel #0386050031000. Elliott Way runs between Lexington Ontario Road and Rudy Road, just south of Park Avenue The reserve must be met. For more information on the parcel email Mayor@ontar-

Cathy VanAuker Clerk of Council City of Ontario, Ohio 6-17, 24 '21 (20L)

LEGAL NOTICE

The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their special meeting held on June 2, 2021.

The complete text of this Ordinance may be viewed and copies obtained at the Office of the Clerk of Council, Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio, during regular business hours.

ORDINANCE NO. 21 -AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1146, SIGNS BY AMENDING SECTION SIGNS BY NUMBER, SIZE, AND LOCATION, SUB-

PARAGRAPH (e)(3) WALL SIGNS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 21-24 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AM-OUNT OF \$625,000, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF THE IMPROVE-MENT OF CITY HALL BY ACQUIRING AND INSTAL-LING AN HVAC SYSTEM AND GENERATOR, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERE-TO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 21-25 - AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE BONDS IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF MAXIMUM \$1,875,000, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL RECREATION FACILI-TIES INCLUDING MARSHALL PARK BY ACQUIRING, CON-STRUCTING, EQUIPPING AND FURNISHING A NEW SPLASH PAD, NEW TURF FIELDS, A NEW PLAY-GROUND, TOGETHER WITH ALL INCLUSIVE EQUIPMENT LIGHTING, AND RELATED FIXTURES AND OTHER APPURTENANCES, AND AND EMER-DECLARING AN

> Cathy VanAuker Clerk of Council City of Ontario, Ohio 6-17, 24 '21 (65L)

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Kingwood Center Gardens welcomes Josh Steffen as new executive director

Kingwood Center Gardens announced the hiring of a new executive director, Josh Steffen.

After a national search, Steffen was selected as the next executive leader at the public garden, only the fifth Director since Kingwood's opening in 1953. He began on June 14 following the retirement of Chuck Gleaves, who has served in that role for 23 years.

Steffen brings a broad scope of both education and experience with him. Most recently he held the position of Horticulture and Facilities Manager at the Wellfield Botanic Gardens in Elkhart, IN. Prior to his leadership position there, he was a softscape foreman at Stoney Creek Landscaping in Creston, OH, and the Hershey Children's Garden Manager at the Cleveland Botanical Garden.

He is skilled in project and staff man-

agement, exhibit and landscape design, organizational capacity building, and stakeholder engagement.

Steffen completed a master's degree in Public Horticulture at the University of Delaware, Longwood Graduate Program, after completing his undergraduate studies in both horticulture and botany at Michigan State University. In 2004, he was awarded a Longwood Graduate Fellowship - the Louise Roselle Fellow in Public Horticulture.

Eager to begin his new role, Steffen explains, "I really believe in the power of public gardens to build community and living landscapes that sustain life."

"I am looking forward to returning to northeast Ohio, a region near to my heart, to lead the excellent team at Kingwood Center Gardens into its next chapter of Charles Kelley King's vision."

Richland Academy of the Arts hosting non-event fundraiser through June 26

Richland Academy of the Arts will host a non-event fundraiser, presented by Park National Bank.

For the first time ever, Richland Academy is hosting a virtual fundraiser where individuals can bid on items in a silent auction, make a donation for a chance to win a 'door prize,' or give for a chance to win a bottle of wine. The best part is that attendees never have to leave their home to participate.

The Richland Academy of The Arts Board was in the situation most nonprofits and businesses found themselves in at the beginning of the year. We were hopeful for the future and events happening as usual, but we also felt the burn of constantly shifting and canceling plans over the previous 18 months," says Jessica Hiser, Richland Academy Board Vice President. "The annual event is our largest fundraiser providing needed scholarships, we saw an increase in scholarship requests over the last year and could not table the event any longer. Instead, the idea was presented to have a non-event. A tongue and cheek to the fan-fair of most events, but not requiring anything of "attendees" other than a donation- best part, they can still win door prizes without even walking out their front door!"

To participate visit https://event.gives/academy8224 or text 'academy8224' to 843-606-5995 to join the non-event. Bidding began on June 14 and will culminate on the final giving day, June 26.

For more information call 419-522-8224 visit www.richlandacademy.com. "Richland Academy is located at the corner of 4th and Walnut St., and was founded in 1991 and is supported by the Ohio Arts Council.

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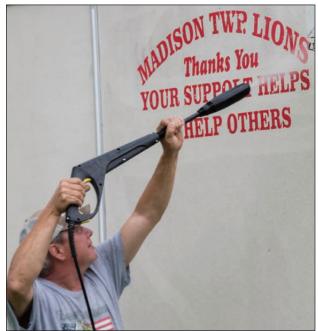
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MADISON LIONS CLUB PRESIDENT Jeff Burns power washes the club's food trailer to get it ready for the

Local campaign encourages choice with vaccine education

Through the local CountOnMeRC campaign, Richland County residents are encouraged to make an informed choice about COVID-19 vaccination. COVID-19 vaccinations are available to anyone over the age of 12 and are readily available throughout Richland County.

As of June 10, the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) reported 34.02% of Richland County residents had started the vaccination. That figure is more than 10% lower than the state's average of 46.40%.

There is a lot of misinformation circulating about the COVID-19 vaccine," said Richland Public Health's Dr. Julie Chaya, who is leading the CountOnMeRC collaboration. "This educational campaign is focused on facts and evidence-based science. We're giving people the knowledge they need to make an informed decision about vaccination, as it is a personal choice."

Through radio features, social media and other targeted messaging, several local residents share why they chose to vaccinate against COVID-19. The campaign also addresses common concerns regarding the COVID-19 vaccine.

We want people to know the vaccine is safe, it wasn't rushed, it doesn't contain the virus, and it is highly effective," Chaya explained. "We want people to know the vaccine protects them and those in our community who can't get a vaccine. Higher vaccination rates make it harder for the virus to spread and replicate, preventing mutations that cause more transmissible and dangerous variants. These variants pose the greatest threat to the progress we have made."

A local grassroots group of volunteers have joined the initial CountOnMeRC collaboration which includes Richland Public Health, Destination Mansfield-Richland County, DRM Productions, Integrity Project Management, OhioHealth, Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development, and the Richland County Foundation.

This is the second unified messaging campaign the collaboration has spearheaded to bolster Richland County's response to the pandemic. The initial CountOnMeRC campaign was launched in late 2020 to encourage public health prevention measures. At the time, Richland County was experiencing the highest level of exposure and spread as measured by the Ohio Public Health Advisory System.

This current campaign is fully funded through the City of Mansfield, Richland County Commissioners, Destination Mansfield-Richland County, Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development and Richland Public Health.

For more information visit www.CountOnMeRC.org.



MADISON LIONS CLUB MEMBERS took time off from their busy schedules to clean their food trailer and get it ready for the up-coming season. Helping were Jerry Cline, Dennis Ransom, Jeff Burnes, Gene Berrier, Jeff Berrier, Al Liston, Rick Gunder and Gary Garrett.

Preventing mosquitoes in Richland County

Spring rains combined with warmer weather make conditions favorable for mosquito breeding. Mosquitoes can breed in any standing water if it stays at least seven days.

"Our main focus of our Mosquito Control Program is to reduce the risk of mosquito-borne disease," said Joe Harrod, Director of Environmental Health.

Richland Public Health officials are encouraging all Richland County residents to take precautions to protect yourself and your family from mosquito bites and to reduce mosquito breeding sites near your home:

•Recycle all unused tires or make sure they are not holding water. Each tire can become a breeding area for thousands of mosquitoes.

•Eliminate all water-holding containers such as tin cans and unused flowerpots

•Eliminate or drain water features or areas on your property where standing water lasts more than seven days

•Clean roof gutters so they drain properly

•Clean and chlorinate pools, outdoor saunas and hot tubs. Keep them empty when not in use and drain water from pool covers

•Change water in birdbaths weekly and check lawn decorations and rain barrels

 Change water in kiddie pools regularly and eliminate standing water that collects around the edges of the pools

Richland Public Health conducts mosquito trapping and surveillance to know what areas are experiencing increased exposure and to identify the types of mosquitoes present. In addition to trapping and surveillance, RPH conducts mosquito spraying, weather-permitting. During the active mosquito season, those spraying events are posted every Friday on the RPH website, Facebook and

Along with mosquitoes, RPH encourages residents to be aware of ticks. Ticks are a health concern as they can transmit a variety of diseases including, but not limited to, Lyme disease. There were 243 cases of Lyme disease in Ohio for the most recent year of data available.

Lyme disease symptoms include fever, headache, fatigue and a characteristic skin rash called a "bull's eye" rash. Lyme disease can be treated successfully with a few weeks of antibiotics. If left untreated, the infection can spread to the joints, heart and nervous system and cause life-long health complications.

"Residents need to be particularly cautious and check for ticks on themselves or their clothing when returning from being in brush or forested areas," said Harrod. "People who have cats and dogs that go outside need to check them for ticks when they return inside the house."

Information on ticks and the various diseases they can spread is available at richlandhealth.org. There you can learn how to identify, prevent, and safely remove ticks.

While there are no known cases of Zika in Ohio, individuals who are traveling in Zika virus infected areas should strictly follow steps to prevent mosquito bites and seek immediate medical attention if sick after traveling. Zika virus information is regularly updated by the CDC at https://www.cdc.gov/zika/





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THE WHARTON FAMILY took part in the Richland Pregnancy Services 5K Walk on June 12. Family members are Faith, McKenna, Karissa, Zoe and mother. Sarah. (Right photo) Nick Christus "Kid Flash" stands with mom, Amy Kahl, RPS Director of Development, during the fundraiser for Richland Pregnancy Services. Kahl reported that the fundraiser helped RPS meet its budget of \$20,000.





THE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP Professional Firefighters Association, IAFF Local 3849, members came to show support of a letter that was planned to be read by Jon Brown, Local 3849 secretery/treasurer, during a township meeting on Monday, June 14. Supporters came to hear the issuing of the public statement to the trustees but were not permitted to do so during the meeting.









DURING THE ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS' last day of class, student council sponsored a cookout and an afternoon of fun.

Firefighters association joins together in support of public letter reading

Article and Photos by Bud Motter

The Springfield Township Trustees met at Station 1, 3700 Park Avenue West, Ontario on Monday, June 14, to discuss a number of items.

Prior to proceeding with the agenda, chair Paul Gleisinger announced that the public comment portion of the meeting would be omitted due to a lengthy agenda.

The portion dismissed included a pressing matter concerning a Springfield Township Fire Department morale problem. Members of the Springfield Township Professional Firefighters Association, IAFF Local 3849, had gathered in support of presenting a public statement to the

Due to the dismissal of the comment portion, supporters of the letter gathered outside the meeting to hear from Jon Brown, Local 3849 secretery/treasurer.

A few items he noted from the letter were that even throughout obstacles the department has faced over the past two years, the department has grown closer together.

"The department has worked together to adapt, overcome, improvise and problem solve on subjects and incidents that should not have been issues to begin

"We believe it is important to note that we have roles and responsibilities that directly affect the lives, property and well being of our residents. As such, the same can be said of those that are elected to guide this ship we call democracy. It is the duty of the people to hold our elected officials accountable, because ultimately the names in those chairs change while the dedicated members of this department re-

"In the past two years the members of this department have been denied two very important documents that set the foundation and structure needed to successfully operate an organization — the first being the employees wage and benefit document, the other being our Standard Operation & Procedure manual.'

"Only recently the SOP manual has become available to the employees again."

Brown's letter also spoke of a member of the board, who currently holds an office, being ostracized and bullied by his

The letter publicly thanked Trustee Rose for her unwavering commitment to standing behind her beliefs of accountability and consistency. The letter ended by asking the board to produce true accountability and transparency to restore a healthy, productive working environment.

OSU Extension welcomes Joe Ringler Ohio State University Extension has various agriculture/natural resources issues

welcomed Joe Ringler, OSU Extension Educator, Agriculture and Natural Resources, to the staff of the OSU Extension office in Richland County. Ringler began his career on June 7 with OSU. He comes with a soil science educational background, but will be handling various programs such as the Master Gardener Volunteers, Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalists, urban farming and reaching out to the public for

and diagnostic support.

OSU Extension will hold a Meet and
Greet the new educator at the 1495 W. Longview Avenue, Suite 206, Mansfield, on Tuesday, June 22, from 3:30–6:30 pm. Light refreshments will be available. The Richland County community is welcome

For more information contact the OSU Extension office at 419-747-8755

This Week's **RPH Mosquito** Spraying Schedule:

Richland Public Health will be conducting mosquito spraying, weather permitting, at the following locations:

June 16 – River Trail Crossing.

June 16 – Happy Hollow Camp. June 17 – South of Bricker Rd., North of Chesrown Rd. E., East of OH-13, West of Franklin Church Rd., Franklin Township.

June 17 - South of Kerr Rd., North of OH-39, East of Lucas North Rd., West of Mount Zion Rd., Monroe Township.

All spraying will be conducted before dawn. This schedule is subject to change. Any schedule changes will be posted on the Richland Public Health social media and/or website at www.richlandhealth.org.