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TOM PAPPAS AND KATHLEEN ADLESPPERGER display a pan of freshly made cornbread during the American Heritage Days held in South Park in Mansfield on Oct. 3 and 4. See more photos on page 2.

Richland Public Health to host drive-thru flu clinic October 13

Richland Public Health will hold a drive-thru flu vaccine clinic for Richland County residents on Tuesday, Oct. 13 from 1-4 pm at the Richland County Fairgrounds, 750 N. Home Rd., Mansfield.

RPH stated that this year getting your flu shot is more than just preventing the flu. Reducing the burden of flu illnesses, hospitalizations and deaths will help our health care system conserve medical resources as they care for people with COVID-19 during the typical flu season.

At the event, everyone will stay in their own vehicle. Everyone must wear masks, unless under age two. Multiple people in one car may get their flu vaccine but paperwork will be needed for each individual. There will be stations to distribute forms and gather information at the drive thru.

Richland Public Health Nurses will be available on both sides of each vehicle to give the proper vaccine dosage to each person after gathering documentation.

Richland Public Health recommends everyone age six months and older get an influenza ("flu") vaccine. This recommendation follows Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines.

Flu vaccines are free (no co-pay) when using participating insurances accepted by Richland Public Health. Those attending are asked bring an insurance card and a photo ID. RPH cost for flu vaccine varies depending on age and type of vaccine used.

RPH flu vaccines will also be available by appointment after the Oct. 13 drive thru clinic. More information will be available after that date.

For additional information about influenza, visit www.richlandhealth.org or talk with a pediatrician or family physician. For special home-bound services call 419-774-4540.

Influenza is a contagious disease that spreads around the United States every year, usually between October and May. Flu is caused by influenza viruses, and is spread mainly by coughing, sneezing, and close contact. Anyone can get the flu. Flu strikes suddenly and can last several days. Symptoms vary by age, but can include: fever/chills, sore throat, muscle aches, fatigue, cough, headache, and runny or stuffy nose.

Flu is more dangerous for some people. Infants and young children, people 65 years of age and older, pregnant women, and people with certain health conditions or a weakened immune system are at greatest risk.

"No one likes to be sick. Getting the flu will cause you to miss work or school, along with your favorite activities," Amy Schmidt, Director of Nursing at Richland Public Health, said. "You might also pass the flu on to your family, friends, or co-workers. Protect yourself and others. Get your flu shot."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), cold and flu season runs from approximately October to May, with a peak somewhere between December and February. Flu can be widespread, with up to 49 million cases each year in the United States.

The CDC recommends getting a flu shot in October or as soon as possible.

Richland SWCD collecting milkweed seed pods

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

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

Last year's massive statewide seed collection effort was spearheaded by the Ohio Pollinator Habitat Initiative (OPHI), which is working to get the word out about why monarch butterflies are disappearing and help partners create monarch habitats. The disappearance of milkweed, the only host plant for monarch caterpillars, across the U.S. has contributed to the 80 percent decline of the eastern monarch butterfly population over the last 20 years.

Those who wish to help with this project should collect the pods in a brown paper bag and drop off in the green and yellow container located outside the Richland SWCD office, 1495 W. Longview Avenue, Mansfield, through Nov. 5.

Tip for Collecting Milkweed Seed Pods:

- Become familiar with common milk-

weed to avoid harvesting pods from similar plants such as hemp dogbane and swamp milkweed.

•If the center seam of the pod pops with gentle pressure, they can be picked.

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

•Place collected pods in paper bags or paper grocery sacks. Plastic bags collect unwanted moisture.

•On the bag, please write the date collected and the county collected from.

•Keep the pods in a cool, dry area until delivered to the RichlandSWCD office.

•Only collect from your property or property you have been given permission to go on; do not trespass.

During the winter, seeds from this year's milkweed seed pod collection will be removed from the pods and returned to Richland SWCD in the spring to be distributed for planting.

Last year's collection effort resulted in 184 milkweed seed packets with planting instructions. Those who want free milkweed seeds with planting instructions, can email Theresa@Richlandswcd.net.

For more information about collecting milkweed seed pods or other Richland SWCD programs, call 419-747-8686 or visit <https://richlandswcd.net/>.

Madison board has busy agenda

Madison Local School District held a meeting Wednesday, Sept. 30, in the Madison Comprehensive High School Library. Tim Wigton, board president, opened the meeting with the call to order and The Pledge of Allegiance.

The board went into executive session to discuss employment evaluations.

A presentation was given by Sean Conway, Madison Comprehensive High School Principal.

Donations were accepted a donation of 275 T-Mobile Hot Spots in the amount of \$100,100. The contract is for 24 months and the funds were donated by the Richland County Commissioners.

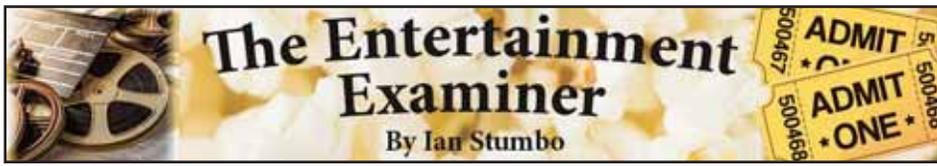
Robin Klenk, treasurer, gave her report and then the appointment of mentors was approved. Mentors for the 2020-'21 school year are Jennifer Branstetter, Breanna Crunkilton, Jolene Edwards, Derek Fisher, Connie Fitzpatrick, Elizabeth Hicks (2), Kristen Kerwin Agee, Jen Lawhorn, Chris Moody, Holly North, Laura Phillips, Jennifer Porter, Jenn Steffey, Melissa Vetter (2), Amy Vickers, Karen VonStein, Stacey Wampler and Margaret Washington. The board approved a stipend in the amount of \$1,500 for Karen VonStein, lead mentor for the current year.

Pending proper/applicable certification, paperwork, and BCI/FBI checks, the board hired substitute teachers on an "on call"

basis, as needed for the current school year. Hired were Julie Bohland, Marilyn Burchett, Tanya Miller, Ronald Seifert, Thomas Sholtis, Peggy Stigall, Melissa Tuttle, Marilyn Wheaton and Wayne Whitehead.

The administration approved the appointment of the following for an extra duty position for the 2020-'21 school year pending proper certification, paperwork and BCI/FBI checks: James Dillon, HS Academic Challenge advisor; HS assistant band director fall, HS Science Dept. chair; Christine Elder, MS Academic Challenge advisor; Brent Sanders, HS Audio Visual; Tim Lord, MS Audio Visual, MS Social Studies department chair; Holly North - BPA advisor, yearbook advisor; Tom Brandt, junior class advisor; Laura Coey, junior class advisor; Don Maxey, junior class advisor; Kim Miller, junior class advisor; HS Career Tech department chair; Jennifer Branstetter, senior class advisor; HS Student Council; Katie Wade, senior class advisor; Tracey Burden, sophomore class advisor, HS Math Dept. chair; National Honor Society; Jennifer Steffey, sophomore class advisor; Michelle Dillon, HS English department chair; Traci Luckie, MS English department chair; Christa Shutt, MS Math department chair; Lynelle

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The Entertainment Examiner

By Ian Stumbo

Since it is October, I decided to review a classic horror movie this week that is also one of my personal favorites. John Carpenter's *Halloween* set the standard for the slasher genre to be created but made one of the best horror films of that genre, and all time, because he concentrated on genuine scares versus blood and gore.



The story is set in the 1960s when young Michael Myers murders his sister on Halloween night. Myers has been at a psychiatric institute ever since and one night he escapes. His doctor Dr. Loomis (the always excellent Donald Pleasance) traces Myers back to his hometown of Haddonfield, Illinois where, now on Halloween night, he plans to murder again.

As Loomis tracks Myers, high school student Laurie Strode (Jamie Lee Curtis) keeps seeing a strange person lurking around and, while babysitting, gets face to face with the real boogeyman.

Halloween is all atmosphere. After having watched it again recently, the images still resonate. Myers staring at a young

boy from across the street on a dimly lit porch, Myers staring at Strode through the clothesline and the final confrontation of the film and that revelation is just classic.

Carpenter was a young director when he made *Halloween* but showed such great potential and the cast gave their all to this low budget film that spawned a long running franchise that is still going today. *Halloween Kills* was supposed to be released this month but was delayed to next year. The original is still watchable because Carpenter created a story that still scares and resonates with generations after the film's original release.

Halloween is a terrific horror film and is not only entertaining but still packs scary images and great performances especially from Pleasance and Curtis.

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



Registration open for Richland Gives

Richland Gives registration for Richland County based nonprofit organizations is open through Oct. 31. It is free; however, nonprofit organizations must register each year. Richland Gives is designed to encourage people to contribute to local nonprofits they care about through a single giving website. The Richland County Foundation hosts the day to build capacity, grow philanthropy and make the community stronger.

The COVID-19 pandemic has adversely affected revenue streams for many local charities.

Each organization will have an individualized web page to promote their cause. The success of the event will depend on our collective enthusiasm and implementation. Leading up to the event the Foundation provides an online toolkit, webinars, mass media and social media cov-

erage to make it easier for nonprofit organizations to participate.

Thanks to the generosity of donors at the Richland County Foundation, \$34,000 in incentives will be awarded as grants to participating organizations, beyond what they raise from online donations.

A \$1,000 grant to the first 15 nonprofit organizations that raise at least \$1,000 online via the Richland Gives website beginning Nov. 16 at 7 am. Additional prize grants will be awarded to the nonprofits during Richland Gives.

For more details or to donate visit richlandgives.org.

The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization, was established in 1945 as a way for individuals to pool and invest their gifts for the long-term good of Richland County and its residents.

AMERICAN HERITAGE DAYS



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THE ROSS FAMILY of Shirley, Adalyn, Zoey and Embevelee attended the Fourth Annual American Heritage Days in South Park, Mansfield. Stopping to visit with them is Sarah Stidd. The event was held on Saturday and Sunday.



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GERALD "JERRY" PAYN from Wooster plays Abraham Lincoln during American Heritage Days held on Oct. 3 and 4 in South Park.



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BRADLEY HARP of New London plays his bag pipes during American Heritage Days for visitors.



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News Briefs

Ridgeway Church of God, 1380 Park Avenue East (Madison Township), will host a drive-thru spaghetti dinner on Friday, Oct. 9, from 4:30-6 pm. The menu will be spaghetti, salad and bread. Those participating will drive thru and give their order, and it will be brought to the car. Cost is a freewill donation. All proceeds will benefit the church. For more information call 419-589-5385.

★ Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9943 will participate in the Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Scholarship Contest. Patriot's Pen is for sixth through eighth grade students. Voice of Democracy is for ninth grade students through seniors.

The theme this year is "What is Patriotism to Me." Scholarship awards in the amount of up to \$30,000 are possible. Applications and guidelines are available at the Post, 806 Grace St., Mansfield. For more information contact Kim Reid at 419-526-1907 or Beth Baldrige, Boopher@neo.rr.com. The deadline is Oct. 31.

★ First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Ave. West at S. Mulberry St. (west parking lot) will hold a free produce distribution on Tuesday, Oct. 13, from 11 am to 1 pm. This is open to everyone.

Those attending are asked to bring a state ID, driver's license or proof of residence. This will continue as a drive-through distribution. Distribution continues the second Tuesday of each month through November.

The produce is provided by the Greater Cleveland Ohio Food Bank. Questions can be directed to Jan Fisher at 419-589-2820.

★ St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2010 Park Avenue West, Ontario, will host a free breakfast drive-thru on Saturday, Oct. 10, from 8:30-9:30 am.

★ The North End Farmer's Market will be held every Thursday this summer from 4-7 pm at the NECIC Urban Farm, 311 Bowman St., Mansfield.

Local vendors sell fresh produce, plants

and baked goods. Food stamps cards are accepted. The market will match funds up to \$20, meaning if someone swipes their card for \$20, they will get \$40. This match is only good for fruits, vegetables and honey.

While attending the market, everyone is asked to wear a mask and stay 6 feet apart.

Vendors are still being accepted to join the market. There is a vendor's application that must be filled out prior to participating, <https://www.necic-ohio.org/food-access-work/north-end-farmers-market> and sent to Mona Kneussat mona@necic-ohio.org.

★ 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 City of Ontario will host Trick-or-Treat on Thursday, Oct. 29, from 5:30-7 pm. Those wishing to participate should turn on a porch light. COVID-19 safety measures should be followed.

★ The Village of Lexington will host Trick-or-Treat Thursday, Oct. 29 from 5:30-7 pm.

★ Downtown Mansfield, Inc. will present a Trick-or-Treat with more than 60 participating merchants and the Halloween Parade.

Trick or Treat will take place throughout downtown beginning at 11am. Directly following Trick or Treat, guests are encouraged to move to the route and watch the parade. The parade route will start at the corner of N. Main St. and 5th St., move south on N. Main St., head west on Park Avenue, then head north on Walnut St. The parade will step off at noon. Parade entries are reviewed and judged.



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•Madison Board of Education meets with busy agenda

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Rickert, MS Science department chair; Kim Boehm, HS Social Studies Department chair; Craig Green, HS Drama advisor, Vocal Ensemble; Craig Weston, HS Drama advisor; Victoria Kasberg, FCCLA advisor; Brooke Morgan, HS Key Club advisor; April Harsh, MS Key Club advisor; Bethany Cuthbertson, Music Assistant (Ramettes); Karen VonStein, Skills USA; Theresa Roberts, Eastview Special Education building coordinator; Bill Roth, HS Special Education building coordinator; Jenifer Culler, Mifflin Special Education building coordinator; Goldie Spencer, MS 5/6 Special Education building coordinator; Heather Reynolds, Madison South Special Education building coordinator; Laura Phillips, Spanish Club advisor; Aubrey Klink, HS student council; Zinda Thomas, MS student council; Julie Kirkpatrick, writers' club; Paul Webb, head 7th grade boys' basketball coach; Travis Stantz, head 8th grade boys' basketball coach; Nick Melton, head 9th grade boys' basketball coach; Tim Niswander, assistant varsity boys' basketball Coach; Eric Wellman, Assistant Varsity boys' basketball coach; Tim Mergel, Head Varsity boys' basketball coach; Jolene Edwards, head 7th grade girls' basketball coach, MS 7/8 Sp. Ed. Bldg. coordinator; Ryan Tinsley, head 8th grade girls' basketball coach; John Foust, assistant varsity (JV) girls' basketball coach; Leroy Smith, assistant varsity girls' basketball coach; Brian Davis, head varsity girls' basketball coach; Troy Schultz, winter fitness coordinator; Chad Reynolds, swimming/diving coach; Steve Zellner, assistant 7/8 grade wrestling coach; Derek Fisher, head 7/8 grade wrestling coach; Bryan Mosier, head varsity wrestling coach; Zach Sendelbach, assistant varsity wrestling coach; Chris Thompson, assistant varsity wrestling coach.

Approval was given for the stipend for OCC Leadership at Madison Comprehensive

High School for Jennifer Steffey in the amount of \$700 for the 2020-21 school year to be paid for through athletic funds

Extra duty positions created as a result of the Online Academy for the 2020-'021 school year were awarded to Chris Armstrong, remote learning teacher; Victoria Colella, remote learning teacher; Sarah Ebinger, online academy teacher; Teri Foley-Kanz, online academy teacher; Ron Foster, change of assignment; Mary Frey, online academy teacher; Jamie Halye, remote learning teacher; Tara Kemp, remote learning teacher; Pat McLaughlin, online academy teacher; Sara Miller, remote learning teacher; Shelby Ohl, remote learning teacher; Heather Reynolds, remote learning teacher; Troy Schulz, online academy teacher; Nicole Thomas, remote learning teacher; and Christine Vermilion, change of assignment.

Kallie Crouse, MECLC, was hired effective Aug. 31 and Ashley Parrish, MECLC, was hired effective Sept. 17.

Resignations were accepted from Deborah Smith, MECLC, effective Aug. 28, Valerie Schlereth, MECLC, effective Aug. 31; and Kallie Crouse, MECLC, effective Sept. 8.

Employed as substitutes on an "on call" basis, as needed, for the 2020-'21 school year were bus drivers Todd Newberry and Trevor Kirsch; Suzanne Gerhart, bus aide; and David Adams, custodian. The retirement of Sandra Davis, assistant treasurer, was approved, effective Jan. 1, 2021.

The board approved the sale of excess and obsolete district items through a public online auction to be held Nov. 25 through Dec. 6, 2020.

The district will sell the property located at 103 Bahl Ave., Mansfield, at public auction, tentatively scheduled for Nov. 7, 2020. The purchase of a used 16-24' box truck in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 was approved to replace the current box truck which will be in the auction. Funds for the replacement truck will come out of

the COVID relief fund.

The board approved the second reading of new/revised board policies and the purchase of 200 web/document cameras for district computers in the amount of \$19,800 from ESSER/CARES funding.

The purchase of 29 Lenovo ThinkPad computers for teacher replacement in the amount of \$32,074 from ESSER/CARES funding was also approved.

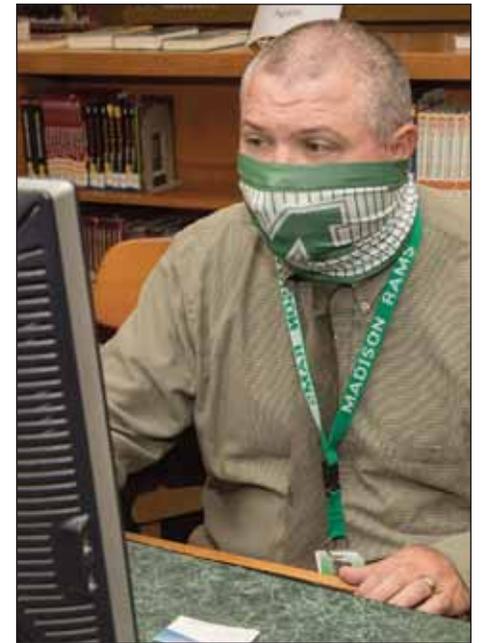
The Service Agreement with Catalyst Life Services to provide mental health counseling and case management services to students of the Madison Local School District who are in need of such services, was approved effective Aug. 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. An agreement was reached between Madison Local Schools and WMFD TV - Mid-State Mutlimedia Group for streaming services Live and On-Demand of high school sports and school events needing crowd limitation due to COVID 19.

The Board of Education also approved the Memorandum of Understanding to the Contract between the Madison Local School District Board of Education and the Madison Local Education Association dated Sept. 24, 2020, whereby the parties agree to modify provisions of the agreement regarding the contractual year, due to COVID-19, to provide staff members additional Professional meeting days/teacher work Days (five) for the purpose of professional development during the current school year.

In recognition of the unique circumstances resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and given this uncertainty, the board and association desire to outline compensation terms in this MOU for bargaining unit members covered by the Collective Bargaining Agreement who are performing activities in anticipation of the 2020-'21 school year or those who have, or will have, supplemental contract duties for the 2020-'21 school year.

Due to the rapidly changing nature of education for the 2020-'21 school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the parties mutually agree that certain additional supplemental contracts will be issued for the 2020-'21 school year.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 6 pm in the Madison Middle School Auditoria.



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SEAN CONWAY, the newly appointed principal of Madison Comprehensive High School, gave a report during the board of education meeting Sept. 30. Stats shared were that the Class of 2020 had a 96.7 graduation rate with 51 graduating with a 3.5 or higher grade point average. One hundred and twelve students graduated with a 3.0 or higher. Madison Online Academy has approximately 180 students enrolled for grades 8-12. (8-12) and 64 students are enrolled in college credit or dual enrollment.

Church Directory

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

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

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

Risen Savior Lutheran Church

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

St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church

1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield • 419-589-2114
Father Matthew Frisbee
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Faith Instruction & Bible Study on Sunday Mornings
www.mansfieldstmarys.org

Mayflower Congregational Church

548 North McElroy Rd. • 419-589-6612
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MADISON LIONS CLUB member John Scheurer presented a check for \$500 on Sept. 20, to Carol Wigal, treasurer of the Hungry Task Force at St. Timothy Lutheran Church located on Ashland Rd. in Madison Township. The Madison Lions Club has been donating to St. Timothy for the past 10 years.

New impacts being made by construction projects

The following construction projects are anticipated to affect highways in Richland County this week. All outlined work is weather permitting.

U.S. 30, from Rt. 309 to just east of the 5th Avenue ramps, will have single lane closures for a major rehabilitation project. Traffic will always be maintained.

Crews will be working on Longview Ave. east, between Rt. 13 and Rt. 545, to complete pavement repairs and drainage work. Traffic will be maintained by flaggers.

There will be daytime single lane closures on Rt. 30 eastbound and westbound throughout the project to install embankment and grade adjustment to the temporary shoulder pavement.

Work continues on the west side of Rt. 39 while traffic is maintained on the east side.

Traffic on Rt. 545 is shifted on the west side while work continues on the east side of the roadway. Traffic will be maintained with a signalized closure on Rt. 545, under Rt. 30.

U.S. 30 eastbound traffic lanes have been shifted over Bowman St. so that crews can complete structure work. Two 11' lanes will be maintained on U.S. 30 eastbound.

Crews continue work on the Bowman St. structure work under U.S. 30. Traffic on Bowman St. will be maintained by flaggers. Estimated completion is May 2023.

Medication collection scheduled for October 24

Unused or expired medication can be safely disposed of Saturday, Oct. 24, from 10 am to 2 pm at Richland County Regional Solid Waste Management Authority, 1125 National Parkway.

This is a completely confidential program and no information will be collected. It is asked that all prescription labels be removed before arriving.

Items being collected include prescription pills of any kind, over the counter medications, medication samples, pet medications and vitamins.

The site will not collect needles, syringes, lancets, thermometers, aerosol cans, IV bags, hydrogen peroxide, bloody or infectious waste, empty containers and personal products such as non-medicated shampoo and soap.

Call 419-774-5861 for more information.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Pioneer Career and Technology Center Board of Education will hold its regular October Board of Education Meeting at 7 pm, Monday, Oct. 19, in the Pioneer Community Room at the Pioneer Career and Technology Center, Shelby.

Fathers honored for completing parenting workshop

Richland County Children Services (RCCS) and The Starts Within Program, honored three local fathers who successfully completed the agency's first "The Father Within Parenting Workshop."

The fathers were recognized, Monday, Oct. 5, as part of a special program at Richland County Children Services, in the Fuddy Learning and Training Center.

RCCS partnered with Starts Within, Founder Carlos Christian, who facilitates the free 8-session workshop designed to engage fathers who need support as well as fathers who are seeking to improve their parental skill set. The sessions include: Legalities of Fatherhood, Building Parental Influence through Powerful Interactions, and The Art of Listening.

"The workshop addresses getting fathers established with the courts as being a father, Christian said. "Fathers learn about a shared parenting plan, a parenting time order, how to navigate the child support system, the things that present themselves as barriers to fathers being able to do what they do as far as parenting their children. Co-parenting and interacting with your children in a positive way is very important" said Christian, who is a father of three.

"We also assisted the fathers with employment and other social service referrals," Christian said.

The workshop, is an Ohio Commission on Fatherhood funded program. The Ohio Commission on Fatherhood is a state-wide commission whose mission is to enhance the well-being of Ohio's children by providing opportunities for fathers to become better parents, partners and providers.

MRCPL extends weekday hours

The Mansfield/Richland County Public Library expanded service hours beginning Monday, Oct. 5. As the library continues in Phase 3 of the reopening plan following the spring COVID-19 pandemic shutdown, the five largest branch locations will extend hours to remain open until 8 pm two nights per week.

"Extending hours will allow patrons with busy schedules more time to stop in during the week and also allow for some of our in-person programs to resume," states Chris May, MRCPL Director.

The extension of hours will include the Bellville, Lexington, Ontario and Madison branches that will remain open until 8 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Additionally, the main library will remain open until 8 pm. The Curbside Pick-Up Service will be available until 8 pm at these locations as well.

Although May is encouraged by this opportunity, he cautions that hours are continuously subject to change based on the recommendations of Richland Public Health. It is highly recommended that all customers routinely check their local branch location webpage at mrcpl.org/locations or call the service desk for the most up-to-date hours.

Recycling trailer at church

A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, Oct. 24 and 25.

Acceptable items include aluminum and metal cans, milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom (please remove lids and rinse), cardboard, all papers included with the newspaper but no other magazines or paper.



MELISSA RYAN OF LEXINGTON worked hard on her fall decorations. To submit a photo, email name and school district to news@tribune-courier. Photos that include the decorators, their children and pets are encouraged.

RPS will welcome Abby Johnson as keynote speaker

Richland Pregnancy Services has announced former Planned Parenthood Director, turned pro-abundant life advocate, Abby Johnson, as the keynote speaker for the annual fundraising night on Thursday, Nov. 19.

Abby Johnson always had a fierce determination to help women in need. It was this desire that both led her to a career with Planned Parenthood, our nation's largest abortion provider, and caused her to later flee the organization and become an outspoken advocate for the pro-life movement.

During her eight years with Planned Parenthood, Johnson quickly rose in the organization's ranks and became a clinic director. She was increasingly disturbed by what she witnessed. Abortion was a product Planned Parenthood was selling, not an unfortunate necessity that they fought to decrease.

All of that changed on Sept. 26, 2009 when she was asked to assist with an ultrasound-guided abortion. She watched in horror as a 13-week baby fought, and ultimately lost, its life at the hand of the abortionist. At that moment, the full realization of what abortion was and what she had dedicated her life to washed over her and a dramatic transformation took place.

Desperate and confused, she sought help from a local pro-life group. She swore that she would begin to advocate for life in the womb and expose abortion for what it truly is.

The media continues to be intensely interested in Johnson's story as well as her continued efforts to advocate for the unborn and help clinic workers escape the abortion industry. Abby shared her story at the 2020 Republican National Convention and is a frequently requested guest on Fox News and a variety of other shows. She is the author of the nationally best-selling book and movie adaptation, *Unplanned*, which chronicles both her experiences within Planned Parenthood and her dramatic exit.

The fundraising event, featuring Johnson, will be held at Crossroads Church, 1188 Park Avenue West, Mansfield. There is no cost to attend, however reservations are required and may be secured by visiting www.friendsofrichlandpregnancy.com.

RPS has served the community for more than 30 years, offering free pregnancy testing, and limited ultrasounds, STD/STI testing, Mom-to-Mom and Dad-to-Dad Mentoring, Parenting Classes and material support. RPS provides services at three locations: main office, 1560 W. Fourth St.; a satellite office at the OSC/NC State campus and at Crossroads City Center.

Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



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MADISON COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL GOLF TEAM seniors participated in a match against Ontario on Tuesday Sept. 29 at The Woods. Members are Jackob Conard, Landon Ellis, Ian Wolfe, Anthony Richter and Will Laskey.



LEXINGTON CHEERLEADERS get the crowd excited for the varsity football game.



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ONTARIO'S Ryan Chapman practices his putting prior to the Madison vs. Ontario golf outing held at The Woods on Tuesday, Sept. 29.



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MADISON JUNIOR ISAAC BROOKS (3) looks for some running room during the varsity game against the Lexington Minutemen Oct. 2. With him are teammates Mitchell Russell (50) and Owen McGregor (52), both sophomores. The Rams remain winless this season.



ONTARIO'S Tiffany Whittaker and Lizzie Nagel work together during a volleyball game against River Valley Sept. 29. River Valley took the win 3-1.



Photos by Jeff Hoffer

THE CLEAR FORK VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER TEAM played Marion Harding on Oct. 5. (Left photo) Junior Ellie Hauger (13) battles for control. (Right Photo) Team captain Avery Wend (9) takes control against Marion Harding.



BRE RAINEY was recognized on senior night at Lexington High School. She plays volleyball for Lady Lex.

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Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



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THE MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN boys soccer team entertained the Galion Tigers Sept. 26 at the Flames' Comstock Field. MCS's Caleb Gregory (13) battles Junior Guthridge (9) of Galion.



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

SENIORS Ally Potter (10) of Ontario and Taylor Russell (14) of Madison go up against each other for control of the ball. The teams played to a 1-1 tie in the contest played in Ontario.



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MADISON SENIOR John West (13) fights for control during the Ontario vs. Madison Boys Varsity Game played in Ontario. Defending for the Warriors was Boston Baxter (3).



By Kenn Spencer

Fingers crossed that events will be happening next week!

Save the Date, Oct 13, 6 pm — The first 2020 Concert in the Park will be held at Ontario Band Shelter. Six Miles to Nellie will kick off the season with a great show for everyone to enjoy. OYS is very thank full to our community sponsors for making the concerts possible.

All OYS fans are invited to Marshall Park's soccer complex the weekend of Oct. 17, to enjoy our hometown Warriors. OYS soccer teams will be competing for a championship in U7-U15 age groups. Good Luck Warriors.

Recently OYS Appleseed Premier 06 Girls Team coached by Shannon Calhoun and Stacey Seif took the field at Marshall Park against Worthington United Girls.

Chloe Sturts started the scoring with an amazing assist from Maria Calhoun, AP would go on to score eight goals with a very convincing win against a quality opponent.

Currently the Appleseed team has a league record of 6-0 with quality wins over Barca Academy, Sporting Columbus, Dublin Fury, Classic Eagles and Worthington United.

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ONTARIO SENIOR Wyatt Dille (1) heads the ball during the Ontario Warrior boys soccer game played in Ontario. Defending for Madison were Travos Jamison (4) and Degan Herr (7). The Warriors defeated the Rams 7-2.



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SOPHOMORE ALLY WIGTON (10) returns a serve for the Madison Lady Rams during a game against the West Holmes Knights at Madison Middle School on Sept. 30.

Madison Sports Spotlight



Chesney Davis is a senior at Madison Comprehensive High School. She plays soccer and basketball and runs track. Chesney is also a member of National Honor Society, OCC Leadership and the yearbook staff. She attends church and enjoys spending time with friends and working out. She is the daughter of Brian Davis and Jeannetta Davis. She plans to attend The Ohio State University and earn a nursing degree.

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Taylor Huff is a senior at Madison Comprehensive High School and a member of the soccer team. She is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Anybodies, OCC Leadership, LEAD Student Team, student council and is the treasurer of National Honor Society and president of the Class of 2021. She leads a Bible study, trains athletes for soccer and plays at the Internationals Soccer Club. She is the daughter of Zac and Amy Huff. Taylor plans to attend the University of Tennessee on an athletic scholarship.



Lexington Homecoming • October 2



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THE LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL homecoming court was recognized during halftime of the homecoming varsity football game on Oct. 2. Court members are Ciara Baddour, Halle Hamilton, Alyssa Takos, Queen Olivia Newman and Sophie Dininger.

Olivia Newman crowned queen

Lexington High School's Olivia Newman was crowned the 2020 Homecoming Queen during halftime of the varsity football game against Madison on Oct. 2.

Olivia Claire Newman, 17, is the daughter of Tony and Jaena Newman. Her school activities include National Honor Society, student council, the yearbook staff and swimming. Olivia's favorite color is blue and fall is her favorite season. *I'll Give You the Sun*, is her favorite book. *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation* is her favorite movie and Norah Jones is her favorite musician. She said her dad has been the greatest influence. "He has taught me what it means to work hard for my goals, and pushed me to be the best person I can possibly be."

In the future, Olivia plans to attend college for fashion design. Olivia chose "Blessed" by Daniel Caesar to be played while she walks across the field.

Alyssa Lynn Takos, 17, is the daughter of Bryan and Laura Takos. She is yearbook editor and is on the golf and bowling teams. Her favorite color is blue and winter is her favorite season.

The Shack by William P. Young is her favorite book, *Frozen 2* is her favorite movie, and Luke Combs is her favorite musician.

"Ms. Thorburn has had the biggest impact on me as a person and as a student," said Alyssa. "She is the reason I enjoy school everyday along with the rest of the yearbook staff."

Next year Alyssa plans to attend Marion Technical College for physical therapy. Alyssa chose, "You Say" by Lauren Daigle to be played while she walked across the field.

Halle Lanae Hamilton, 17, is the daughter of Sam Hamilton, Amy Hamilton and Matt Miller. Her school activities include cross country, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, National Honor Society and Math Club.

Halle's favorite color is lilac and fall is

her favorite season. Lorde and Borns are her favorite musicians and *The Time Traveler's Wife* is her favorite book.

She said her greatest influence is "My mom for all the support she gives me that does not go unnoticed and my coach for expanding my limits and believing in me."

Next year Halle plans to run at the collegiate level. She chose "Electric Love" by Borns to be played as she walked across the field.

Sophie Rae Dininger, 17, is the daughter of Shane and Maria Dininger. Her favorite school activities includes being a fourth-year member of Una Voce, Fire N' Ice, the orchestra, drama club and National Honor Society. Sophie's favorite color is royal blue and her favorite season is summer.

Bitter River by Julia Keller is her favorite book, her favorite movie is the *Twilight* saga and Ariana Grande is her favorite musician.

Sophie says, "My family and friends have had the greatest influence on my life. They have supported, motivated and have always been there when I needed them most."

In the future, Sophie plans to attend The Ohio State University to major in radiologic technology. She chose "You're Gonna Miss This" by Trace Adkins to be played as she walked across the field.

Ciara Christiane Baddour, 17, is the daughter of Christian and Rhonda Baddour. Her school activities include National Honor Society, student council and Leo's Club.

Ciara's favorite color is purple and summer is her favorite season. *The Purge* is her favorite movie, *Prisoner-B-3087* is her favorite book and The Weekend is her favorite musician. She says her dad has had the most influence on her life, "Because he is my best friend and the most dedicated person I know."

Ciara plans to attend The Ohio State University. She chose "Good Life" by One Republic to be played as she walked across the field.



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LEXINGTON CHEERLEADERS Jordan Beireis puts the Minutemen on the scoreboard to give Lexington a 6-0 lead in an OCC contest played in Lexington on Oct. 2 during the homecoming game.



Photo by Dan Vincent

THE BAND OF GOLD took to the field during the homecoming game Oct. 2.

Foundation celebrates 75th anniversary

World War II had just ended when a group of seven community leaders decided to start the Richland County Foundation. They were inspired by local philanthropist Anna Scattergood, who created a fund to benefit poverty-stricken elderly and terminally ill residents in Mansfield. It was with the guidance of D. Osborne Meese that the Foundation was established on Oct. 7, 1945. The other founders were Paul Tappan, Norman Wolfe, Scott Coffin, George Stephens, John Finefrock and Robert Black.

The foundation was modeled after the Cleveland Foundation and was created as an independent nonprofit organization that could accept and administer charitable gifts and bequests, regardless of size, for the benefit of the local community.

In 2019 the foundation and its donors awarded \$6,356,311 in grants to nonprofits to support programs and projects in economic development, education, children and families, arts and culture, environment, human and health services and churches.

Since 1945, the foundation has granted \$95,866,054 in this community. To learn more go to rcf75.org.

To mark the 75th Anniversary, the foundation awarded beautification grants and

paid for the installation of bike racks in Bellville, Butler, Lexington, Lucas, Ontario, Plymouth, Shelby, Shiloh and Mansfield.

"The COVID-19 pandemic altered our 75th anniversary plans. However, it did not stop the foundation from delivering on its mission to improve and enhance the quality of life for people living in Richland County through strategic philanthropy and leadership," said Foundation President Brady Groves.

In response to the pandemic, the foundation's board of trustees redirected its Unrestricted/Community Fund to meet emerging needs. A Community Engagement Team made up of people working in the health and human services sectors meets as needed to make grant recommendations.

To date, a total of \$552,532 has been awarded for COVID-19 Relief in the community. That total includes the funding from the foundation's Community Fund, Donor-Advised Funds, \$100,000 from Richland County Job and Family Services, and \$37,742 raised online via a special COVID-19 Relief edition of Richland Gives in early May.



EASTVIEW ELEMENTARY SEPTEMBER CITIZENS OF THE MONTH are top row, Cody Campbell, Bristol Salser, Lainey Binns and Savanna Ransom; middle, Cole Senter, Hailey Snelling, Aryan Spencer and Kenzlee Bee; and bottom, Ri'Khi Evege, Nola Bishop, Lacey Reynolds. Not pictured are Raelynn Conley and Alden Washington.

Tuition Freedom Scholarships available for spring

For the first time since the Tuition Freedom Scholarship (TFS) Program began, North Central State College will welcome new incoming scholars for the Spring 2021 Semester that begins on Jan. 11, 2021. Traditionally, TFS scholars were required to begin their studies in the fall.

The TFS program has provided \$2.4 million in scholarships to graduating high school seniors since fall 2016. The scholarship covers general tuition up to an associate's degree for students directly enrolling with College Credit Plus (CCP) or articulated credits. Of the 588 TFS scholars, 191 have already earned a degree or certificate. Further, 109 have transferred to a four-year institution. Thanks to scholarships such as TFS, only 21 percent of post high school students at NC State last year took out a loan.

NC State President Dorey Diab believes the additional opportunity is needed right now: "Everyone knows these are challenging times, and many students are struggling

to make decisions on how and when to pursue their college education. We're reaching back to those students who were eligible for Tuition Freedom in fall. We're hoping they will join us this spring and continue toward their goal of a college education. NC State provides tremendous value for students, and this expansion of TFS is another example of those opportunities."

Diab said the additional boost is intended to help 2020 graduates whose fall post-secondary plans were disrupted by the pandemic.

NC State will offer about 40 additional scholarships to eligible students that did not attend college this fall. Students must complete all application and financial aid materials by Dec. 1.

In addition to TFS, new spring scholarship awards are available for students of all ages:

- Choose Ohio First scholarships are provided for students pursuing studies in Science, Technology, Engineering, Math and Health Sciences. ([hyperlink to COF page](#))

- Short-term Certificate Scholarships are available from the State of Ohio for anyone who is unemployed as a result of the COVID pandemic, or otherwise lower income.

News Briefs in Education

Alexi Mampieri of Lexington was among nearly 600 first-year students welcomed to the Baldwin Wallace University campus this fall who earned over \$10.2 million in merit scholarships. Mampieri, a graduate of Lexington High School majoring in digital marketing, earned a \$19,000 Trustee's Scholarship based on outstanding academic achievements in high school. BW's merit scholarships are awarded to full-time students and are renewable up to four years with good academic and social standing. BW offers a wide range of financial support to its students - more than \$51 million for the 2020-'21 academic year.

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Hospice of North Central Ohio receives COVID-19 relief grant

Hospice of North Central Ohio was able to purchase personal protective equipment, enhance safety measures for patients, and provide continuity of care, thanks to a \$5,000 COVID-19 Nonprofit Relief Grant from Ashland County Community Foundation and United Way of Ashland County.

"The pandemic has caused significant disruption to us as a nonprofit hospice," said Ralph Tomassi Chief Development Officer. "At the same time that we were experiencing a drop in revenue, we also had new expenses for protective equipment and enhanced safety measures. This grant support helped us keep our patients and staff safe while complying with new guidance from the state."

With support from the local grant as well as federal Payroll Protection Program funding, Hospice of North Central Ohio has been able to continue providing not only nursing services but also chaplain, social work and nurses' aide services as quickly and seamlessly as possible as state restrictions lifted. These services improve the quality of life for hospice patients in their homes as well as in assisted living facilities and nursing homes.

Hospice of North Central Ohio was one of 20 local organizations to receive a COVID-19 Nonprofit Relief Grant from ACCF and United Way. A total of \$173,700 was awarded.

"Thanks to the generosity of our donors and to the careful planning of our board and staff, we had unrestricted dollars available to help our community in this time of need," said Ashland County Community Foundation President/CEO James Cutright. "We are pleased to be able to help Hospice of North Central Ohio continue to provide its vital services to Ashland County residents, despite the challenges presented by the pandemic."

Hospice of North Central Ohio serves more than 200 patients daily in Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Morrow, and Richland counties who are living with chronic and terminal illnesses. Additionally, free continuous bereavement services are provided for hundreds of families of hospice patients and to anyone in the community experiencing grief. Call 800-952-2207 for information.

Preschool awarded grant

The Knox County Career Center Preschool has been awarded the James Patterson and Scholastic Book Clubs Partnership Grant for 2020. The grant program is administered by James Patterson (Bestselling Author) and by Scholastic Book Clubs.

The KCCC Preschool was 1 of 5,000 schools nationally that received the grant which will give KCCC Preschool Director, Jeremi Jarosz, \$500 worth of books from James Patterson and 500 bonus points from Scholastic Book Clubs.

"This grant allows us the opportunity for our students to check out grade-level appropriate books to read with their families. This will lead to better literacy skills that will prepare our students for kindergarten and beyond," said Jarosz.



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MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL held a college fair for local students and parents. Sophomore Erin Them speaks with Caleb Aleshire, admissions counselor at Mount Vernon Nazarene University. Many visited the financial aid booth.

Ohio Wesleyan University has announced its 2020 spring semester dean's list. Local residents recognized for their academic achievements are Brynlee Atterholt of Mansfield and Erica Perkins of Mansfield.

To qualify for recognition, students must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale in all applicable classes.

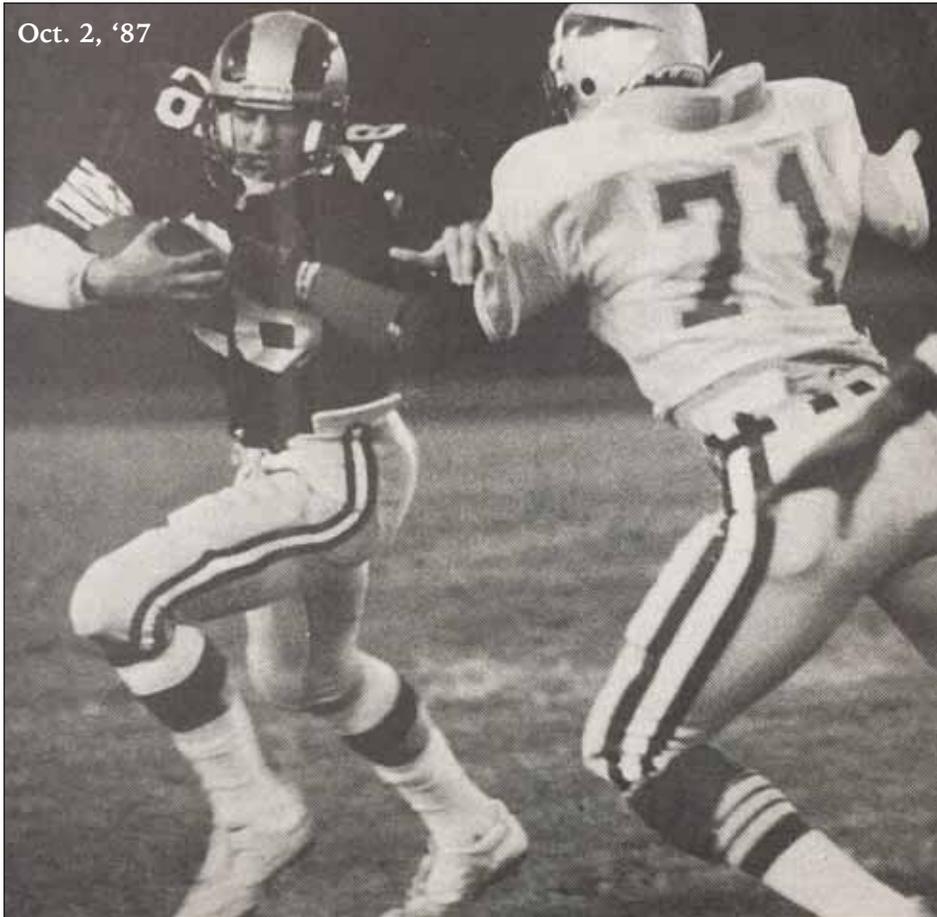
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The University of Kentucky College of Arts & Sciences welcomes its new class for the Fall 2020 semester.

Cole Moore of Mansfield is one of 1,593 incoming freshmen in UK's College of Arts & Sciences. Cole's academic major is biology.

LOOKING BACK: This Week in Tribune-Courier History

Oct. 2, '87



MADISON HIGH SCHOOL halfback Tom Morley (28) is sealed off by a pair of Cleveland Collinwood defenders in Friday night's independent football game at Ram Field. The lightning quick Cleveland crew beat Madison 31-7, relying on its speed and powerful air attack. This Friday night the Rams will be playing their first-ever Ohio Heartland Conference game. State-ranked Ashland will be in town to provide the opposition. It will be homecoming night at Madison.

Marc Slumbo

Oct. 7, '71



1971 LEXINGTON HOMECOMING QUEEN AND COURT - From left, Queen Gayle Sautter, Karen Cockley, Mindy Molter, Deb Bowman, Joy Miller, Janet McLaughlin and Amy Donatello. Photo by Bill Kirkbride

Oct. 7, '71



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS TEAM - Ontario High School tennis team for 1971 includes, front row from left, Karen Milum, Sue Fisher, Kim Fisher and Venus Albright. Back row, Karen Henke, Carolyn Kirgis, Jill Bookwalter, Barb Connell and Deb Hibbs. Miss Marcia Baer is the coach. Photo by Miss Baer

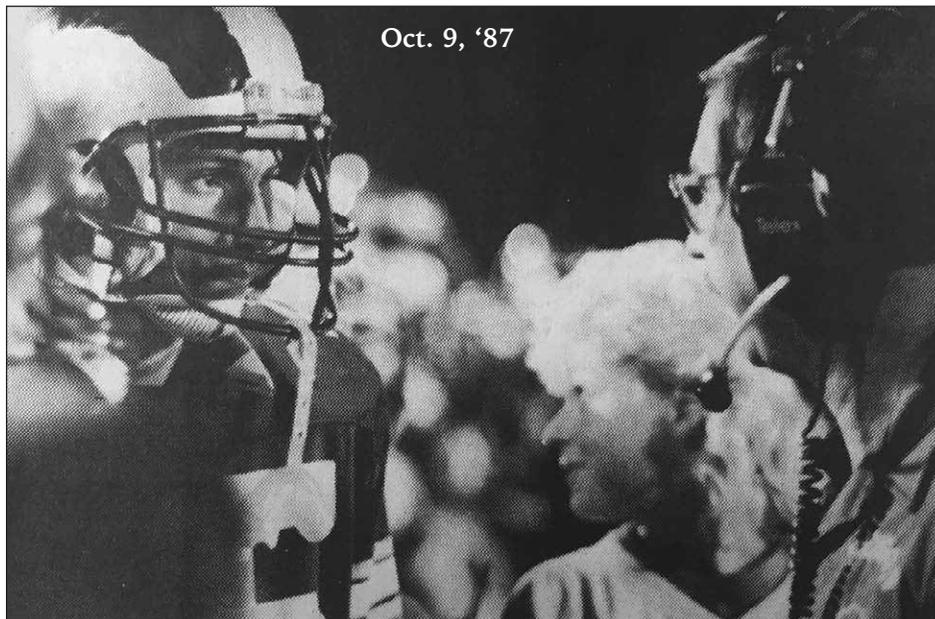
Oct. 13, '88



THE SECOND GRADE STUDENTS at Central Elementary School in Lexington recently visited the Lexington Fire Station as part of their community visits. The students are also learning about the Lexington Police Station, public library and the services of a Lexington dentist as part of their social studies program. These first-hand experiences help the students become more aware of their community.

Dave Roberts

Oct. 9, '87



MADISON INSIDE LINEBACKER MANNY LOPEZ listens intently for instructions from Ram linebacker and end coach John Benson in the Ohio Heartland Conference game Friday night with Ashland. The rugged, once-defeated and computer-ranked Ashlanders defeated the Rams 26-0 on Madison Homecoming night.

Marc Slumbo

On October 8, 1871 — Flames spark in the Chicago barn of Patrick and Catherine O'Leary, igniting a two-day blaze that kills between 200 and 300 people, destroys 17,450 buildings, leaves 100,000 homeless and causes an estimated \$200 million (in 1871 dollars; \$3 billion in 2007 dollars) in damages. Legend has it that a cow kicked over a lantern in the barn and started the fire, but other theories hold that humans or even a comet may have been responsible for the event that left four square miles of the Windy City, including its business district, in ruins.

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AFTER WORKING the night shift at the Mansfield Post Office, mail handler Keith Lilly waited in line to cast his absentee ballot at the Richland County Board of Elections on Thursday, Oct. 6 before going home to get some sleep.

Ohio Department of Education designate Mifflin Elementary as Purple Star School

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Paolo DeMaria announced that 37 Ohio schools will receive the Purple Star Award this school year. The award recognizes a school's demonstrated commitment to serving students and families connected to the United States armed forces and Ohio National Guard.

Mifflin Elementary of Madison Local Schools was selected as one of these recipient schools. Led by the Purple Star Committee, Mifflin Elementary made various connections within the community. The school hosted a community project with the 179th Airlift Wing, a Veterans Day musical and have a building-themed month honoring our servicemen and servicewomen. In the future, Mifflin Elementary hopes to expand its commitment to military stakeholders through hosting a virtual breakfast with military families, creating a "Purple Up Day" during April's Military Appreciation Month, and creating small groups for military youth to connect with one another.

"The students and staff of Mifflin Elementary are proud to support our military families and are honored by the distinction of receiving the Purple Star," said Mifflin principal Nathan Stump. "The shared energy and drive at Mifflin Elementary continues to be highly visible throughout the building, and we hope that our efforts have provided a comfort to our military youth. This school year, we will continue our mission to support these students and their families, one that starts with a deep appreciation for their service."

The list of new honorees is available on the Ohio

Department of Education's Purple Star Designee webpage.

"We want to honor the important sacrifices Ohio's military families make while recognizing the school communities that support them," said Ohio Governor Mike DeWine. "Purple Star Schools are intentional in their efforts to bolster our service members and their families. Their commitment to supporting those who serve provides a great model for students, showing them how Ohioans work together and care for one another." "We are very proud to recognize the Purple Star schools today for their dedication to creating a military-family friendly learning environment," said DeMaria. "Having a family member in the military can be challenging for children. I'm inspired by the way these schools have rallied around service members and their families, and I'm grateful for what they are doing to support those who serve our country."

To meet the requirements for the award, schools must designate a liaison between military-connected students and their families and the school. The liaison works with teachers to support the military-connected students in their classrooms and helps to ensure military families and students have access to necessary considerations and resources. There are approximately 35,000 military-connected students in Ohio, including the children and siblings of members of the United States armed forces and Ohio National Guard. The Purple Star Advisory Board — formed by the Ohio departments of Education, Higher Education, Veterans Services and Adjutant General— helps determine school eligibility.



ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY STUDENTS at Ontario High School dissected pig trotters (feet) to study tissues. The specimens were donated by Links Country Meats in Crestline. The trotters exhibit many tissue types typical in an ankle joint. Skin, cartilage, fat, fascia, tendons, ligaments and bone are some of the many tissues present and observed in the pig feet. Round bone sections were also dissected to examine the two types of bone and marrow found in the body. Morgan Eckert and Haley Guisinger work together during class.

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LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL senior Addie Lamb finished decorating her parking lot spot at the school. Parking spots were sold as a fundraiser for Forever 33 in memory of Danielle Leedy.

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LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL senior Ryan Parker completed his paint design for his high school parking spot.



Eric Ebinger and Regent Joyce Vanatter

Author Eric Ebinger speaks at DAR meeting

By Pat Jennings

Jared Mansfield Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution convened both virtually through Zoom and in person at OGS, Bellville, OH on Oct. 2.

Regent Joyce Vanatter led the Opening Ritual. Pat Jennings, chaplain, gave the opening prayer. Pat James-Hasser led the Pledge of Allegiance and Teresa Boice led The American Creed. Regent Vanatter also welcomed members and guests.

Vanatter introduced the guest speaker, Eric Ebinger, author of several books on U.S. Presidents and Ohio History. His newest book *100 Days in the Life of Rutherford Hayes* retells the life of a very ambitious, thoughtful, adventure driven man, our 19th President and 99 percent of the stories have never been heard before. Hayes lived an extraordinary life, and Ebinger weaves a tale, which leaves some audience members stunned, uttering the words, "I never knew Hayes went through so much!"

DAR members were recognized for years of membership and certificates will be distributed to Sondra Metcalf Lomax, 25 years; Meredith Groggoza Hale, 20 years; Sara Thoms Hughes, 15 years; and Gail McMeeken Adams, Jean Turner Auxter, Elizabeth Ann Burton and Marian Smith Hugel, 10 years.

Bette Backus, conservation chair said Oct. 11 is the fifth annual National DAR Day of Service and chapter members will be cleaning the flowers beds at the Church Requel in Mansfield.

Erika White, Wreaths Across America chair, reminded us this is the fourth year our chapter will be sponsoring wreaths and placing wreaths at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery on National Remembrance Day, Dec. 19. Each wreath is \$15

The next DAR meeting will be held Friday, Nov 6. Jan Augenstein will present the program "Lewis & Clark Expedition Narrated by Sacajawea."

For more information on joining call Joyce Vanatter at 941-224-4888.

United States Department of Agriculture • Rural Development
Ontario Wastewater Treatment Plant Project – Notice Potential Impact to a Wetland
Agency: Rural Development, USDA
Action: Notice of Potential Impact to a Wetland

The City of Ontario intends to seek financial assistance from USDA, Rural Utilities Service (RUS) for a wastewater infrastructure construction and improvements. The proposed project consists of the construction of a Wastewater Treatment Plant to be located on eleven acres at the west end of the Nussbaum Parkway, Ontario. New sanitary sewer lines and 2 pump stations will be constructed along Home and Nussbaum Roads, to convey the wastewater to the new plant. Other alternatives considered by Rural Development and Ontario included: No action, expansion and improvement of the current system, and locating the plant at two alternative locations. If implemented, the proposed project will convert approximately 0.29 acres of the 4.32 acres of wetland present on the site. In accordance with Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands and USDA Department Regulation 9500-3, Land Use Policy, the purpose of this notice is to inform the public of this proposed conversion or effect and request comments concerning the proposal, alternative sites or actions that would avoid these impacts, and methods that could be used to minimize these impacts.

The environmental documentation regarding this proposal is available for review at 200 North High Street, Room 507, Columbus, Ohio, 43215. For questions regarding this proposal, contact Charles Dietz, State Environmental Coordinator, at 614-255-2431 or charles.dietz@usda.gov. Any person interested in commenting on this proposal should submit comment to the address above by Thursday, October 22, 2020.

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Seventh Day Slumber coming to Shelby church

Seventh Day Slumber, a Christian rock band, will present a concert at Awake Church, 3616 OH-39, Shelby, on Thursday, Oct. 22. Doors open at 6 pm.

The event is co-hosted by Shelby Alliance, Community Bible Church and Awake Church.

Donations are being received to cover the cost of the band and equipment. A cost of \$10 is suggested. This is for ages six and up.

For tickets visit <https://rebrand.ly/RecoverytourShelby>

Deer-vehicle collision statistics show increase in the fall

Ohio drivers beware. The risk of colliding with deer increases in October, according to officials at the Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) and the Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP). The increased risk is partly due to the fact that October through December is peak deer mating season in the Buckeye state.

According to ODPS, 19,375 deer-vehicle (D-V) crashes were reported statewide last year, an increase of 1,066 over the deer crashes from 2018.

Four deaths and 885 injuries were caused by Ohio D-V crashes in 2019. The death is up one from 2018 but the injuries were down by 95. Not all D-V crashes are

reported so the crash numbers are probably much higher.

Richland County was second among Ohio's 88 counties for D-V crashes. The four counties with the highest number of reported D-V crashes in 2018 were Stark (511), Richland (510), Defiance (493), and Hancock (425).

"If there's a 'Deer Crossing' sign, pay attention," said Reed Richmond, health educator at Richland Public Health and an instructor in the AARP senior driver refresher classes. "Those signs are there because they are areas well known for high, and active, wildlife populations. Use extreme caution, especially during these fall

months and especially at dawn (5-8 am) and at dusk (6-9 pm). Since the deer don't know any better, don't think of it as a deer crossing the road. Think of it as the road crossing the forest."

"If you see one deer beside the road, slow down," Richmond says. "Deer typically travel in groups, so the appearance of one approaching or crossing a road or a highway often indicates others' presence nearby."

Richmond had his own D-V crash in late November of 2016. "It was not a pleasant experience," he says, "but typical of these crashes. It was dusk in an area where deer are frequently seen and it was raining. It was sudden; I barely had time to hit my brakes."

Should a collision appear imminent, OSHP authorities urge drivers not to swerve. Colliding with a deer is generally less hazardous than veering into opposing traffic or losing control and running off the road. Don't swerve: If a collision with a deer seems probable, hit it while maintaining full control of your vehicle. Brake firmly and stay in your lane. A sudden swerve increases the risk of hitting another car or overturn.

If you hit a deer in your path, you will not be ticketed. However, if you have a crash after swerving to avoid a deer, you may be cited for failure to control.

Use your bright lights: After dark, use high beams when there's no opposing traffic. High beams illuminate the eyes of deer on or near a roadway and provide greater motorist reaction time. Don't rely

solely on high beams to deter collisions.

Wear your seat belt: As required by state law and drive at a safe, sensible speed for conditions.

Stay alert: Deer are unpredictable and can dart out into traffic on busy highways.

Don't rely on deer avoidance devices: Deer whistles and special reflectors that are marketed to scare deer away are not proven to reduce collisions, and may lull you into a false sense of security.

Following a collision

Move the vehicle to a safe place, preferably off the road and turn on hazard lights.

Contact law enforcement: For medical and traffic control assistance, if needed.

Document the incident: Use your phone and take pictures of everything including injured animals, vehicle damage, other property damage and injuries sustained. Obtain contact info on witnesses.

Don't touch an injured animal: It may scare them and cause additional injury.

Don't assume a vehicle is drivable: Check for fluid leaks, tire damage, broken lights, heavy damage to the hood or front end, etc. If in doubt, call for a tow truck.

Report the D-V collision to a local law enforcement agency: Such as OSHP, within 24 hours. Road-killed deer may only be possessed by receipt or permit. If you pick up a deer, you can contact a state wildlife officer, sheriff's office or the OSHP for a receipt. (see Ohio Revised Code 121: Deer killed by motor vehicle on highway)

Contact your company or insurance agent: If you plan to file a comprehensive claim.



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL biology teacher Roger Nikiforow led his students in biology class and Science Club on a leaf walk around the school grounds to collect leaves and berries for an upcoming project. Among those taking part in the walk on Sept. 30 were Mr. Nikiforow, Paige Dunkle, Wyatt Dean and Brady Zehe.

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