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NAME REVEAL — Lexington Village Hall received a new name reveal during a ceremony Oct. 16 attended by current and former employees and council members of the village. The naming was a surprise honor for former mayor Eugene Parkison. Attending the ceremony were Eugene Parkison; Village of Lexington Mayor Brian White; Richland County Commissioners Darrell Banks, Marilyn John and Tony Vero; Shelby Mayor Steve Schag and 106-year-old Ed Harpster. The new official name is the Eugene R. Parkison Lexington Municipal Building. Parkison, 76, served the village for nine terms as mayor and six years as a councilman. He commented, "I don't regret the time I have served the village. It has been a great experience and I am looking forward to sitting on my front porch and watching the leaves change. It has been a long time since I have been able to do that." Mayor Brian White said, "While serving on council I watched how Gene conducted himself and have learned a lot working with him." Commissioner Darrell Banks called Parkison one of a kind.

Mansfield Rotary Club donates dictionaries for third grade students

The Ontraio Board of Education met Tuesday, Oct. 13.

The meeting opened with Chris May, Mansfield/Richland County Public Library Director, presenting a READ poster to the district, followed by an update from Ontario Middle School Principal Keith Strickler on acceleration classes and the utilization of the library.

Mike Ream, Director of Education, gave an update on Professional Development and the Ontario Local Schools 2019–'20 State Report Card.

Carol Rinehart, Stingel Technology Teacher, will retore at the end of her 2020–'21 contract.

The board approved Todd Baird as a long-term substitute at the high school for the first semester with a daily rate of \$100, effective Monday, Oct. 12.

Barbara Etzwiler was employed as a

Stingel cook, effective Sept. 14, \$6,715; and Jacki Gerhart was also employed as a Stingel cook, effective Sept 28, \$6,320.

Stingel cook, effective Sept 28, \$6,320. Approval was given for payment of stipends to board members for their participation in the OSBA Capital Conference Nov. 8–10, 2020.

Stipends were approved for Jodi Cooper-Wentz, \$1,000 for coordinating a fall staff book study and \$1,000 for coordinating a spring staff book study. Both will be paid for with Federal Grant Funds. Brendan Cain will receive \$1,000 for leading the OMS Esports Club.

The Mansfield Rotary Club donated 122 dictionaries for third grade students.

The board discussed a revised COVID-19 reopening plan, an OSBA proposed amendment and a community surbey.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 10, at 7 pm in the high school library.

Community members give back to Lexington teachers

Photo and Article By Gwen Smith

There are various ways to give back to the communities we live in, for Lexington residents Scott Sharrock and Kim Riggenbach schools have been one of the top priorities.

Riggenbach is an independent sales representative for the company Thirty-One Gifts. Every summer before the start of the school year, Sharrock sponsors to have totes bought for every faculty member in one of the Lexington schools. Riggenbach then takes all the commission from those sales and fills them with school supplies that teachers may need.

"I love to be able to give back especially to teachers and students," said Riggenbach. "I told him we had a special deal going on with our bags and asked if he would be interested in sponsoring. I told him that if he was, I would take the commission that I would normally earn and buy school supplies to fill up the bags and give them to the teachers.

Since then it has really taken off.

I normally put supplies in the bags that help teachers in their classroom including items like glue sticks, highlighters, tissues, and other things they might need. It's very appreciated, many times teachers don't get the money it takes to get the supplies they need for the classroom and normally have to pay out of their own pockets."

Riggenbach thought of the idea four years ago. After previously working with Sharrock, she knew how dedicated to giving back to the community he was, so when asked to sponsor he was immediately on board.

"When she told me a little bit about what we would be doing, I said 'Both my sisters are school teachers. Teachers are not overpaid, so if we can help them out a little bit let's do it," said Sharrock.

This year instead of just normal totes they gave clear bags to help with restrictions set in place because of COVID.

"We still did everything the same way," she said. "I contacted the school back in

the summer and instead of the thermal totes this time we picked a clear pouch that has a separate little clear pocket where teachers can put their phones in. That way their phone never gets dirty and they can still use it through the bag. We thought maybe that would be a good choice because of the COVID situation this year. They were so appreciative of it."

"I've received cards from some of the teachers and that really goes a long way, I really appreciate that," Sharrock said. "It's good to give back, I've been blessed. It's more of a blessing to give than to receive and I have received and want to pay it forward. You can't go through life with a catcher's mitt in both hands."

For Sharrock giving back is all about improving the lives of others. From humble beginnings he's thankful for how much he is able to do for those around him.

"I moved here 42 years ago when I started my State Farm office," he said. "I live here, work here, and go to church here, so when I give back it's for the community.

"I grew up in Mansfield, my family didn't have a lot of money but I guess I didn't really know it until other kids would say 'What are those shoes you're wearing? They had holes in the bottom. We came a long way, but I give God the glory for it. It's important to have an attitude of gratitude."

Although a decision is still being made on who they would like to give to, next year they have possible hopes of giving to the Lexington Middle School or high school.

"I love seeing the happiness that it brings to the teachers, that someone thought enough about them to give to them because they give every day," said Kim. "I think this is just a way to show them how appreciated they are. This year was Central Elementary's turn so we've hit every elementary. So who knows, maybe next year we'll do either junior high or high school."

Paint and Share class offered to seniors

Richland Academy of the Arts announced an addition to their class offerings for those 60+. This new project-based class, "Paint and Share," will take place on Thursdays from 11 am to 1 pm, beginning Oct. 29 running for six weeks.

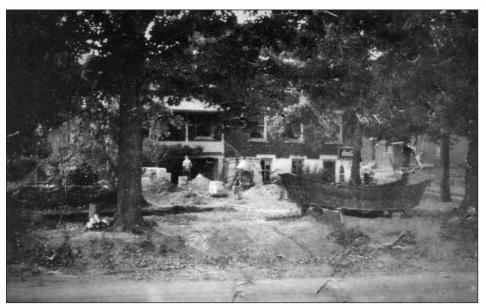
In this class, seniors will use their artistic skills by sharing their personal life story or the story of someone else who has highly impacted their life through painting

on the surface of a chair to create a unique and functional piece of visual art.

By the end of this six-week class, students will have the opportunity to display their chairs in the Richland Academy Art Showcase. All material expenses are covered for this class by the Dr. Harold and Clara Ballitch Advanced Eye Care and Surgery Center. To register call 419-522-8224.



Kim Riggenbach and Scott Sharrock



THE OLD MILLER CONESTOGA WAGON BOX laid between two maple trees on Mill St. in Lexington for many years.

Conestoga wagon was a piece of history

By Bob Carter

I have searched for nearly 50 years for a photograph of the very old Conestoga or Pennsylvania wagon box that once rested between two large maple trees on the east side of the old Minnear Hotel near Mill St. in Lexington.

School teachers sometimes walked their classes down so that the students could view a part of Ohio history and better understand for themselves. It was an educational tool not soon to be forgotten. The poor and somewhat damaged photograph above is the only known one.

Paul Minnear and his sister, Beulah, ran the old hotel and Paul collected antiques. The old wagon box came from Pennsylvania with John Miller in 1814 when he settled on 480 acres of land in the Clear Fork Valley, north west of Lexington. Today, much of that land is under the Clear Fork Reservoir.

The curved bottom of the freight wagon was designed to keep cargo from shifting and falling out over the rough ground and rocks. They originated from the Conestoga River area of southeastern Pennsylvania. With a canvas cover, they were sometimes called Prairie schooners. They could haul several tons on the heavy, wide, wheeled wagons.

After Paul died, everything was auctioned off including Miller's wagon box and the hotel was torn down. Whether the wagon relic survived the years of outdoor weather or was possibly sold and salvaged is unknown. It was truly a piece of Lexington history.

City of Ontario will collect leaves

The City of Ontario will provide fall leaf pick-up service again this year. It will begin on Monday, Oct. 26 and end on, or about, Friday, Nov. 20, weather permitting.

There will not be a set schedule for when leaf pickup will be provided to each neighborhood. Workers will try to make a second round throughout the city, but this is not guaranteed, so leaves should be placed at the edge of the roadway (not in

the roadway) as soon as possible.

The service is for leaf pick-up only. The city asks that residents do not place sticks, tree limbs or other yard debris among the leaves. These items will not be able to be collected. Pick-up service for sticks, tree limbs or other yard debris is provided in the spring.

For more information call Jeff Wilson at 419-529-2495.

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The Richland Rural Life Center would like to thank the community for its support of the annual chicken barbecue dinner fundraiser that was held Saturday, Oct. 3.

The event is held to raise much needed funds to keep the building and acreage available for use by the Boys Scouts, 4-H and other community organizations.

Due to the pandemic, the May rib barbecue was not able to be held, which coupled with many building rental cancellations, has resulted in a challenge to meet expenses.

This year's barbecue was made possible by volunteers who helped to prepare and serve the meal, as well as the many community members who came to dine-in or carry-out during the event.

We would like to thank Newswanger Meats in Shiloh for donating a large portion of the chicken, Glenn Zimmerman for the donation of cabbage and peppers for the old-fashioned cabbage salad and Jeff Kuhn for the donation of red-skin potatoes used for the parsley potatoes side dish.

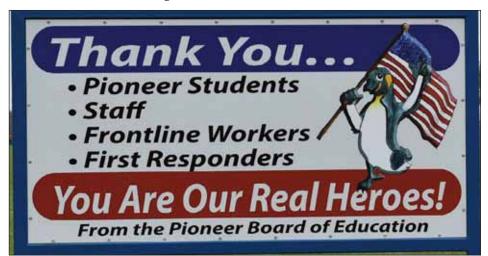
A special thank you also goes to Thrivent Insurance Company for contributing to the cost of supplies needed to host the event.

The next event will be the rib barbecue scheduled for May 1, followed by the ice cream social in July and chicken barbecue in October.

Building rentals are available to the public for events including weddings, receptions, graduations, reunions and birthday parties.

Anyone looking to rent one of the three buildings on the property can call 419-589-3206. Visit https://www.richlandru-rallifecenter.com/ for more information or follow the RRLC at https://www.face-book.com/RichlandRuralLifeCenter.

Jeremy Wolford President, Richland Rural Life Center



PIONEER CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER'S Board of Education recently took the opportunity to thank everyone for doing their part to allow school to resume face-to-face. A sign has been erected at the school acknowledging their appreciation for the students and staff as they have contributed to Pioneer's successful start of the school year. The board has 11 members representing 14 partner schools either directly or through members representing the Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center.

Richland Gives registration closing soon

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



SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT attended a Fire Safety Event at Lowe's in Ontario on Oct. 10. Lowe's donated multiple items to the fire department as a thank you for its service. Some items included grilling and recreational equipment. Pictured are Alex Bolin, Fire Prevention Officer Josh Bradley, Selena Cortez and Leslie Scheidler.

Association to offer virtual programs

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter will present several virtual educational programs to help the community and families impacted by the disease.

These presentations cover a variety of topics and occur at different times during the day and evening via videoconferencing to allow individuals to participate in the convenience of their homes.

They will discuss topics such as common warning signs of the disease, how to better manage behaviors, and how to better communicate and have difficult conversations. The program also shares how to keep your brain healthy. The programs are helpful for anyone experiencing

signs of memory loss, their family members who may be concerned, and the community member looking for more education.

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration is required. To register for the program call 800-272-3900

Oct. 22, Understanding and Responding to Dementia-Related Behavior, 3 pm

Oct. 26, Dementia Conversations, 3:30 pm Oct. 27, Effective Communication Strategies, 2 pm

Oct. 28, Understanding Alzheimer's

and Dementia, 6:30 pm Oct. 29, Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body - Tips From the Latest Research, 3:30 pm



HAUNTED TRAIL — Ontario High School students helped during the Haunted Trail held in Marshall Park on Saturday, Oct. 17, by the Ontario Recreation Department. A family friendly trail was held, followed by a scary trail for older visitors. Among those helping were Taylor Counts, Brooklyn Swain, Miles Meisse, Ellie Wilging, Olivia Kreger, Tiffany Whittaker and Lizzie Nagel.

News Briefs

The Mansfield Area Community Hymnsing will begin meeting again Friday, Nov. 6, at 7 pm, at New Liberty Baptist Church, Lexington Ave., Lexington.

This is a sing-along hymnsing where the congregation picks out the songs the group sings. It is a night of singing favorite hymns right out of the hymnal. The event is Covid compliant.

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. To reserve tickets (required) visit https://rebrand.ly/RecoverytourShelby.

A Richland County Joint Veterans Meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct 27, at 7 pm at American Legion, Post #16, Grotto Hall, 747 S. Main St., Mansfield.

Seniors who have questions about Medicare can get the answers they need and win prizes, too. The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. will hold a free Medicare Open Enrollment Parking Lot BINGO event on Thursday, Oct. 22, at 11 am. Staff will be on hand to answer questions regarding Medicare Open Enrollment and Medicare Part D.

To comply with mandated COVID state guidelines the attendees will be social distancing and will participate from their cars. Registration is required. A limited number of cars can attend. For additional information or to register for this free event contact the Area Agency on Aging at 567-247-7106.

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 stu-

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 Baldridge, Boofpher@neo.rr.com. The deadline is Oct. 31.

Those who need held 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.

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.

The City of Ontario will host Trick-or-Treat on Thursday, Oct. 29, from 5:30-7 pm. Those wishing to participate shouldturn 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.

The Village of Bellville will host Trickor–Treat Thursday, Oct. 29 from 5–6:30 pm. The parade will follow at 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.



Lee-Strohm wins vocal competition Led by music director Octavio MásSituation. Westbound Situation blends the

Audrey Lee-Strohm

Arocas, the Mansfield Symphony Orchestra opened its OhioHealth Symphony Series' 90th Season with the concert 'Mash-up' on Saturday, Oct. 17 at the Renaissance Theatre. The concert held the finals of its vocal competition where Ashland resident Audrey Lee-Strohm was awarded first place.

In November 2019, 26 videos were submitted online for entry into the vocal com-

petition. With over 40,000 votes by the public and a weeklong review by a team of expert judges, six finalists were announced. The finalists who performed at the Mash-up concert were Allie Lynn Nicolas, Ashlea Shaw, Audrey Lee-Strohm, Jarica Awwiller, Patrick Clinage and Ryan Shreve.

Before the vocal competition began, the Mansfield Symphony Orchestra gave a performance of Beethoven's Egmont Overture. Jarica Awwiller then performed

Frank Sinatra's classic, "Fly Me to the Moon." Ryan Shreve performed next with The Phantom of the Opera's "The Music of the Night." Allie Lynn Nicolas sang Judy Garland's "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" and Ashlea Shaw performed "Shallow" from *A Star is Born*. Audrey Lee-Strohm performed "I Dreamed a Dream" from the musical Les Miserables and Patrick Clinage ended the competition with another Frank Sinatra great, "My Way."

Powered by a system from TextLoyal, the audience was asked to vote by mobile phone to select the winners. Before the reveal, the concert continued with the powerhouse Michigan ensemble, Westbound precision of classical chamber music, the rhythmic drive of bluegrass, and the colorful expression of jazz into a new style of chamber music - chambergrass. The quartet - comprised of Grant Flick on violin, Matt Davis on banjo, Zach Brown on cello, and Jacob Warren on bass-mixes composition and improvisation seamlessly into their arrangements. The performance was exceptional with their unique style

and sound, as well as their instrumental mastery.

CEO Mike Miller, acting as the evening's MC, revealed the winners at the close of the concert. Third place was awarded to Ryan Shreve, second place to Patrick Clinage, and the winner of the competition, who will have the opportunity to perform with the Mansfield Symphony Orchestra in the 2021-'22 Season, was Audrey Lee-Strohm.

Lee-Strohm is a 2016 graduate of Bowling Green State University with a BA in Film Production and Vocal

Music. In college, she was a member of two choirs and won several solo competitions. She is also an alumna of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority. Audrey began teaching voice and beginner piano in 2013 and currently teaches at the Richland Academy of the Arts in downtown Mansfield.

The Mansfield Symphony Orchestra will continue its 90th Season with four more concerts; Holiday Pops on Dec. 19, The Titan on Feb. 13, West Side Story -Live in Concert on March 20 and Carmina Burana on May 15. Tickets for the symphony concerts are available www.RenTickets.org.





AN EAGLE was spotted during a kayak trip on the Clearfork Reservoir recently.

Rev. Dr. JoAnn Ford Watson welcomed as new board member of Hospice of NCO

Hospice of North Central Ohio (HNCO) is pleased to welcome Rev. Dr. JoAnn Ford Watson to our board of Directors.

"We are pleased to welcome JoAnn to our Board of Directors. She brings a multi-

tude of experience and skill sets to our organization and is a person of high integrity", said Mr. Ralph V. Tomassi Jr. Chief Development Officer, at Hospice of North Central Ohio.

"It is an honor to serve on the HNCO board", stated Rev. Dr. JoAnn Ford Watson

Rev. Dr. JoAnn Ford Watson is Professor Emeritus of Theology

and Spiritual Formation at Ashland Theological Seminary and Ashland University after 31 years of teaching. Dr. Watson also served as Chair of the Church History, Theology and Philosophy Department for many years. She received numerous mentoring and academic awards during her career. Dr. Watson received an Honorary Doctorate of Letters in 2016. She has authored 13 books, most notably the seven-volume set of the Selected Spiritual Writings of Anne Dutton (Mercer University Press, 2003-2015). Dr. Watson is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church USA and has pastored churches in Ohio and New York. She has served on the pastoral staff of the Ashland First Presbyterian

Church and as a chaplain at Grady Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia. She worked as a missionary volunteer with Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity in Calcutta, India. She served on the Board of Trustees of the International Association of Women Ministers as the representative for the State of Ohio. She is currently the Moderator and President of the 80

congregations in the Muskingum Valley Presbytery of Ohio and was a delegate to the National General Assembly. Dr. Watson has served as President of the Ashland Symphony Board of Directors and as Vice President of the Ashland City Schools Foundation Board. She has also served on the ACCESS Board and Catholic Charities Advisory Council. She currently serves as Chair of the Women's Fund Steering Committee of the Ashland County Community Foundation.

Church Directory

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Pastor Rick and Shirley Wiseman • 419-512-2435 Sunday School 9:30 am Sunday 10:45 am Bible Study Tuesday 6 pm & Saturday 10 am

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

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



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 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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Mayflower Congregational Church

548 North McElroy Rd. • 419-589-6612
Pastor Rev. Dr. Rich Rader
9:15 am Sunday School • 10:30 am Sunday Worship
Wednesday Bible Study 11 am
www.mansfieldmayflower.com

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

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church

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

Lexington Presbyterian Church

35 West Church St., Lexington • 419-884-1330 Reverend James Randas 10:30 am Sunday Worship

Snyder Funeral Home

Lexington • Bellville • Mansfield 419-884-1711

Foundation funds COVID-19 emerging needs in community

The Richland County Foundation Board of Trustees approved \$863,328 in grants to area nonprofit agencies during its October meeting.

The foundation expanded its COVID-19 Rapid Relief efforts to help protect local nonprofits. The operating revenue for many charities has been decimated by the effects of the pandemic. A Community Engagement Team made up of people working in the health and human services sectors meets every two weeks to make grant recommendations.

Catholic Charities has experienced an increase in applications for rental assistance. The board approved a grant for to help meet the need.

The Little Buckeye Children's Museum, which was closed since mid-March, received a grant for emergency operational support.

The Mansfield Art Center reduced staff, rentals, cancelled special events and limited access to the building during the pandemic. It received a grant for emergency operational support.

Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center reduced staff and the number of horses during the pandemic. It received a grant for emergency operational support.

To date, a total of \$714,032 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.

Nine career technical education scholarships were approved during the meeting. The Foundation has experienced a 75% increase for CTE scholarships this year. The increase is attributed to better communication with the schools and changes made to the criteria last year. Those changes included elimination of the fulltime student requirement and adjusted due dates for career technical school scholarships. For more details on scholarships go to richlandcountyfoundation.org.

The Board of Trustees approved additional grants from donor advised funds to meet emerging needs to:

Bruce Museum, Citizens Against Government Waste, Conservancy of Southwest Florida, Crawford County Partnership for Education and Economic Development, Freedom Ridge Church, Friends of Gorman Nature Center, Humane Society of Richland County, Knox Technical Center, Lucas Community Center, Madison Adult Education, Mansfield Art Center, Mansfield Playhouse, Mansfield Rotary Club Foundation, Media Research Center, NAMI Mansfield, Naples Community Hospital - Center for Philanthropy, North End Community Improvement Collaborative, North Central Ohio Industrial Museum, Nuhop Center for Experiential Learning, Ohio Bird Sanctuary, Ohio Environmental Council, Plymouth Area Historical Society, Plymouth-Shiloh Local Schools, Rails to Trails of Wayne County, Reinhardt University, Resurrection Parish, Richland Academy of the Arts, Richland Public Health, Shelby YMCA and United Way of Richland County.

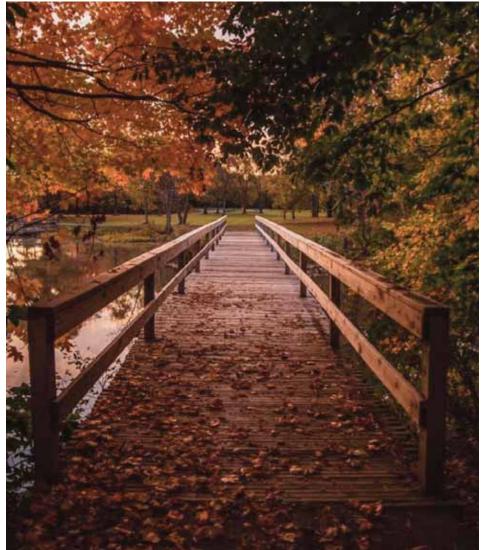


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THE FALL SEASON has reached the Clearfork Reservoir and turned the trees to a landscape of color.

Streaming available for Cinderella: The Broadway Musical

Renaissance Performing Arts has announced the addition of an at-home streaming option for the production of *Cinderella: The Broadway Musical.*



AMY KURTZ-NAGEL, Ontario's Substance Abuse Coordinator and Social Worker, leads the OHS Student Leadership Committee, a group of students committed to community service and creating a positive environment at the school. The group met on Oct. 7 to discuss and sign-up for upcoming events, such as the Haunted Trail at Marshall Park. With Kurtz-Nagel is student Shelby Keever.

Cinderella will be performed on the Renaissance stage Nov. 13–14 and 20–21 at 8 pm, and Nov. 15 and 22 at 2:30 pm, with at-home streaming available beginning Nov. 16.

Originally written as a televised special in the mid-1950s, it starred Julie Andrews. The version being used by the Renaissance, which opened on Broadway in 2013, has a vastly rewritten script that retains the magic and tradition of the original story while expanding on themes of finding your voice, self-confidence, and the power of love, compassion, and kindness.

Miss Ohio 2019, Caroline Grace Williams, stars as Cinderella, with a supporting cast that includes Ryan Shreve, Allyson Mellick, Jaren Baer, Leah Gesouras, Anna Scheurer, Michael Ruehmund, Scott Smith, Kelly Knowlton, George Swarn, Justice Gardner, Zakari Ramos, McKenna Stoffer, Stephanie Hayslip, Bryce Dials, Gavin Hull, Christian Shepherd, Thomas Secrist, David Arvidson, Nykera Gardner, Eryn Hollbaugh, Madalyn Huvler, MacKenzie Leland, Kristin Kaufman, Elli Nickoli, Emma Skaggs, Zavier Alterio, Carter Underwood, Grayden Pierce.

Michael Thomas directs the production with musical direction by Kelly Knowlton, choreography by Matti-Lynn Chrisman and Ryan Shreve, technical direction and sound design by Aaron Nicolas, and assistant direction by Nikolas Demers.

The projections and video special effects, created by Ryan Shreve, help provide the magical transformations — a pumpkin into a carriage, a fox, rat, and raccoon into footmen, and a host of always changing/morphing colors, textures, and scenic backgrounds that create a layered three-dimensional setting. The magical carriage, designed and built by Abe Swanger and set designer Jason Kaufman uses an actual antique horse carriage as its base and is complete with lifelike horse puppetry.

Lightning-fast costume changes by costume designer, Linda Turske, happen right before your eyes, and an illusion that employs wires, magnets, and drawstrings to change Cinderella from rags to a princess happens in less than three seconds.

Tickets are on sale now by going to www.RenTickets.org or by contacting the Renaissance box office at 419-522-2726.

The box office is currently open by appointment only. Tickets range in price from \$15-\$37 and the streaming option is \$25

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T-C Staff/Bud Motter MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN LADY FLAMES at the junior high and high school have been collecting food items to give to OhioHealth Nurses and the Springfield Township Fire Department. Mansfield Christian School volleyball players stopped by station number 2 on Rt. 309, Ontario, to donate supplies. With the students are Chief Matthew Carey, Mike Wilson, Don Daugherty and administrative assistant Robyn Gast.



T-C Staff/Bud Motter MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL'S National Honor Society inducted 12 new members on Oct. 12. Members are Natalie Ewing, Christian Shepherd, Lillian Westfield, Kristian Kaufman, Derric Taylor, John Adams, Ben Crouch, Parker Barr, Logan Cyphers, Libby Banks, Isabel Golias, Brycen Klotzbach, Abigail Shewan, Ethan Bryom, Mary Golias, Braden Loose and Seth Them. Chapter advisor is Dr. Ardyth Stull. Not pictured is Mr. Wes Courser.



CORDIAL-ROTHGEB FAMILY of Lexington decorated their porch for the fall season. Email a photo of your decorations to news@tribune-courier.com.



WORTHINGTON INDUSTRIES presented at the Knox County Career Center recently. Lindsey Daniels, Human Resources Generalist, presented information to students in Metal Fabrication & Welding, Precision Machining, and Automotive Technology. Daniels spoke with students about the history of Worthington Industries, employment opportunities, benefits, wages, insurance, and parks the company offers "I want to determ the company of the com and perks the company offers. "I want students to understand the endless opportunities available to them and the careers in manufacturing," said Daniels.

ONTARIO LOCAL SCHOOLS MENU

LUNCH WEEK OF OCT. 26

Monday: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, pickle chips, peaches

Tuesday: Taco salad, green beans, fruit juice Wednesday: Sloppy joe, carrot sticks, peach and pear mix, pudding cup

Thursday: Chicken nuggets, pretzelbites, broccoli, applesauce

Friday: Chicken and cheese quesadilla, black beans, cheese sauce cup, pineapple

> Watch for November's Menu in next Week's Tribune-Courier

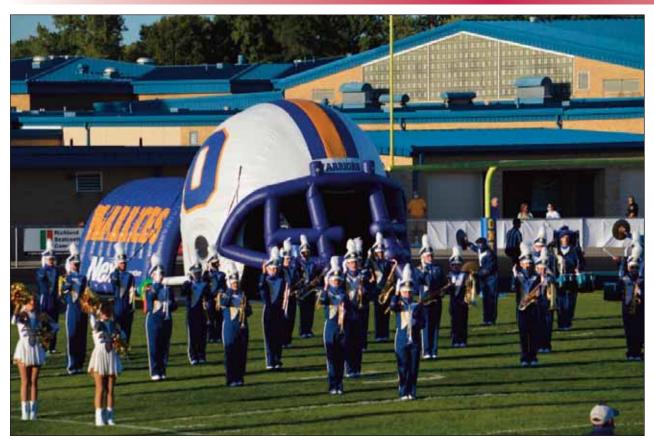


PHOTO CONTEST — Over 15,000 people took part in Ontario Youth Sports' "Can You Picture Ontario" contest. The overall winner was Wendy Metcalfe. She took home a prize package that included the photo being professionally edited, color corrected, printed and framed by Artem Bridge Visual Arts (\$235 value), a \$100 Cash Prize, \$50 gift card to the Warrior Pizza & Ice Cream, \$65 coupon for any OYS registration and \$100 Dick's Sporting Goods gift card.

Madison Senior Spotlight



Taylor Russell is a senior at Madison Comprehensive High School. She plays soccer and basketball and runs track. Taylor is a member of National Honor Society and OCC leadership and she is employed by Wendy's. In her free time, she volunteers and enjoys spending time with family. She plans to attend college to major in biology and become an orthodontist. She is the daughter of Matt Russell and Andrea Bright.

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at Madison Comprehensive High School. She is a member of the soccer team, National Honor Society and Business Management Technology. She plays soccer for the Ohio Strikers Unitd Club. Ashleigh plans to attend college to major in accounting. She is the daughter of Pam Bechtel and Eric Husty.

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By Kenn Spencer

We are excited to see so many of our OYS Soccer teams advance to the final round of the AYSA tournament. All OYS fans are invited to Marshall Park Soccer complex this weekend Oct. 24. Come enjoy our hometown Warriors. OYS soccer teams will be competing for a championship in U7–U15 age groups. Good Luck Warriors.

Winter Soccer Training will be run by Graham Ford, former head men's soccer coach of The College of Wooster. With so many athletes working indoors, we are expecting a high level of play for our Warrior athletes in 2021. Please keep an eye on Facebook for more details.

Winter Baseball / Softball Training for ages 9–12: If your son/daughter is going to be playing baseball/softball next spring for OYS in either the 9-10 or 11-12 division, they are eligible for winter training. There will be between 10–15 trainings on Monday and/or Friday evenings starting after the holidays.

Space for the training is limited and for OYS athletes only. Volunteers who will be coaching baseball or softball next year that are wanting to learn more baseball or help are encouraged to attend. We are working out details so make sure to follow us on Facebook for details. If you have any further questions, contact the sports director at 419-566-8072.

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•Call the sports director at 419-566-8072.



Photos by Jeff Hoffer

THE CLEAR FORK COLTS hosted a varsity soccer match against Lexington on Oct. 13. Lexington shut-out the Colts 4–0. (Left Photo) Clear Fork junior Alex Kistler battles against Lexington senior Will Hostetler. (Right photo) Senior Trevor Fehr heads the ball for the Minutemen as Clear Fork junior Jeff Moody attempts to block. The contest was a non-conference game for the teams.





THE ONTARIO CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS competed at the MOAC Championship meet last weekend. The girl's team outran the competition to bring home the first place trophy. Leila Stevens led the team with a third place finish earning First Team All Conference. Lacy Defranciso, Kenzie Goodlin, Claire Shaw and Grace Them were all able to earn Second Team All Conference while Baylee Black and Lily Secrist earned Honorable Mention. Zanna Bolen, Katie Bolin, Lita Frost and Ado Viers all had strong finishes to secure the victory. The boy's team placed fourth overall. Xavier Trent led the charge with a sixth place individual finish, earning First Team All Conferénce. Zach McChristy earned Second Team All Conference with his 13th place finish. Gavin Reuer, Nick Huml, Griffin Samuels, Jimmy Unger, Max Grillo and Noah Cousino all ran well to end the season. (Left Photo) the girls brought home the MOAC Championship trophy. (Right photo) Xavier Trent and Leila Stevens were named First Team All Conference.



THE MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN LADY FLAMES Soccer Team defeated Crestview 2–1 in two overtimes to capture the Mid Buckeye League 2020 Championship. Members of the team are Claire Robinson, Anna Sparks, Elisa McFadden, Summer Kinnard, Aubrynn Maiyer, Kayla McFadden, Mary Golias, Megan Wilging, Calah Rader, Kaelyn Carr, Lillie Berryman, Kelem Klotzbach, Noelle Beare, Sophie Little, Adalynn Leach, Isabel Golias, Abby Little, Alena Kalashnik, Adrian Clary, Courtney Kissinger, Alexis Ripple, Kelly Hope. Coaches are head coach Michelle Beare and assistant coach Allie Maiyer.

OMS runners-up in championship

The Ontario Middle School seventh grade girls volleyball team completed their season by playing in the MOAC Championship on Saturday, Oct. 17.

The girls finished as runners-up in the conference, and ended the season with a record of 15-1.

Team members are Tessa Crum, Emma Fagan, Paradise Jeru, Brinlee Kreger, Gracy Miller, Morgan Pearson, Bella Rayburn, Maddy Roseberry, Joie Simmering, Anna Weaver and Sara Wharton.

OSU Extension Family and Consumer Sciences will offer fall food preservation virtual series

Gardeners and other lovers of fresh produce are often interested in extending the season's bounty by preserving fruits and vegetables and meats at home. Ohio State University Extension Family and Consumer Sciences teach the basics of home canning and preservation through a virtual series called "Food Preservation Office Hours."

These online classes emphasize the science behind preservation so that everyone who preserves fruits, vegetables, and meats understands why certain procedures must be followed precisely to ensure a high-quality, safe product.

All online classes are free of charge and are on Tuesday afternoons from 4–5 pm. Topics include: Oct. 27, Canning Meat, Poultry and Game; Nov. 3, Making Jerky; and Nov. 10, Making Sauerkraut.

Join OSU Extension educators for one or more of these free programs by registering at go.osu.edu/fall2020foodpreservationseries.

Contact Judy Villard Overocker at OSU Extension, 419-747-8755, for more infor-



MADELINE VALLANCE was named Malone University's Homecoming Queen. She was crowned Oct. 2 along with King Dominic Nariano. They will be 2021 graduates at Malone University. Madeline is a 2017 graduate of Lexington High



T-C Staff/Bud Motte

MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN junior Branden Loose (3 heads the soccer ball in a contest held on Comstock Field between he Bucyrus Traveling Team and the Mansfield Christian Flames. The Flames shut out Bucyrus 5-0. Bucyrus High School doesn't have a soccer team so the traveling team is made up of players from five different schools and home school students.









THE CLEAR FORK COLTS varsity football team hosted the Lexington Minutemen on Friday, Oct. 16. The teams fought a close battle with the Colts taking the win 29–27.











ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL'S CROSS COUNTRY teams competed in the MOAC Championship. The girls placed first out of six teams and the boys placed third out of seven teams. Named to First Team were Ariah Reuer (fifth) and Ellie Maurer (sixth); Second Team, Bri Trumpower (eighth), Cori Wentz (13th) and Robey Bolen (eighth); and Third Team, Madi Genders (19th), Ken Chang (18th) and Owen Vick (19th). The girls have been Champions in 2018, 2019 and 2020. Team members are (top photo) front, Sarah Strickler, Haley Damron, Addie Muncy and Rachel Renzen; and back, Sunshine Liu, Hadley Schultz, Paige Danuloff, Ariah Reuer, Ellie Maurer, Cori Wentz, Madison Genders and Bri Trumpower; and (Bottom photo) front, Jonah So, Colin Walters, Michael Barnhill, Nich Pohlabel, Jonah So and Miles Meisse; and back, Canaan Wentz, Ethan Glenwright, Ken Chang, Will Bolin, Owen Vick, Evan Trumpower and Alex Phillips. Districts will be held Saturday, Oct. 24 at Galion.

Local medication collection will be held Saturday

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.



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MADISON MIDDLE SCHOOL teacher Megan Studer teamed up with Attorney Kelly Badnell to hold a second online experience with remote learning students on Oct. 19. Students have been studying the court systems and how they operate. The students were able to ask Badnell questions during the meeting which was held at her office.

RPH offers flu vaccine by appointment

This year, getting your flu shot is about more than "just the flu." Flu vaccines will not prevent COVID-19, but they can reduce the burden of flu illnesses, hospitalizations and deaths on the health care system and conserve scarce medical resources for the care of people with COVID-19.

Richland Public Health flu vaccines will be available by appointment beginning immediately. Call 419-774-4700 to schedule a time to get your flu shot. Appointments can be made for all ages from six-months and up. High dose vaccine for seniors is also available.

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

Richland Public Health held a drive thru flu vaccine clinic on Oct. 13 at the Richland County Fairgrounds. One hundred and seventy flu vaccine shots were given.

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."

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.

Everyone from age six months and up should get an annual flu shot. The CDC recommends getting your flu shot in October, but if you miss that month, get one as soon as possible.



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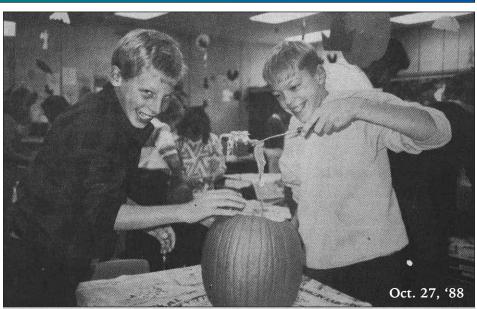
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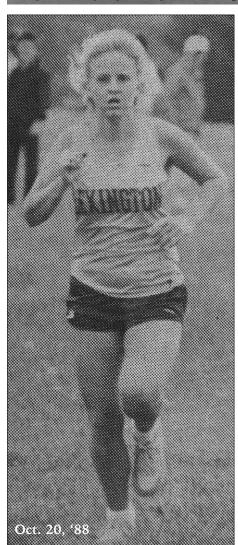
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PRESENT FLAGS TO SCHOOL — Members of Amvets Post 26 Auxiliary presented flags to Stingel Elementary School last Wednesday and also demonstrated to the fourth grade students how to properly fold and care for the American flag. Pictured is Post 26 Americanism chairman Irma Travis helping Jennifer Sickman and Ryan Maxey fold the flag. The fourth grade students will be taking on the daily responsibility of maintaining the school flag.



THE EASTERN ELEMENTARY students of Mrs. McCready, Miss Hunsinger and Mr. Miller celebrated Halloween with a pumpkin study. Before parents and grandparents assisted with the carving, the sixth graders had to weigh and measure their pumpkins. Once the faces were carved, the pumpkins were again weighed. Next, a word study describing the feel (inside and out), smell and physical description was written. Finally, before setting pumpkns back in the pumpkin patch, each was named. Pictured are Arron Gilbert and Brian Peters with "Happy Jack."

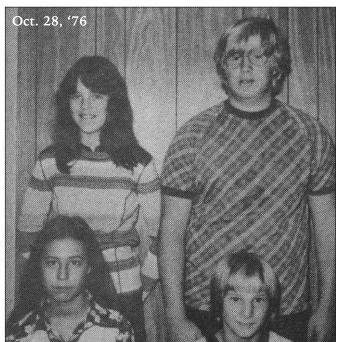


George Billman

AMBER CLELAND placed well in Saturday's OHC cross country meet at Malabar. She and Kathy Sunbury were both accorded first team honors.



OVERALL WINNERS in Ontario Cub Pack 170's Olympics held at Stingel School on Sept. 24 are (front) Corby Magistro, fourth grade; Paul Gillum, second grade; (back) Jeff Bixler, third grade; and Shane Trant and Ryan Heichel, both fifth grade winners. (Editor's Note: The complete story on this event ran in the T-C on Oct. 2)



LEXINGTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL recently selected its Citizens of the Month of September. Chosen were Diana Worner and Bob Shutt (bottom), seventh graders, and eighth graders Teresa Snavely and Ed Carter.

Citizens of Month Selected

Lexington Junior High School has honored its Citizens of the Month for September. Seventh grade students chosen were Diana Worner and Bob Shutt; and eighth graders honored were Teresa Snavely and Ed Carter.

Donald Knight, principal, said students are nominated and selected by the junior high staff on the basis of several qualities of citizenship, such as character, respect, scholarship, punctuality and responsibility.

The award is given monthly

and students chosen will be eligible for the Citizen of the Year award at the end of the year. Knight said parental influence is very important in the way students perform at school and parents of these students are to be commended.

This is the second year for the Citizen of the Month award and the school feels it is an excellent way of rewarding deserving students. Award winners will have their picture placed on a display board in the school and certificates will be issued at the end of the year.

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THE ONTARIO KONA CHAPTER of National Honor Society tapped new inductees. The members are selected based on scholarship, character, service and leadership. Current members wore the crowns they received last year and made new crowns for the inductees to celebrate the prestigious honor. The new and current members celebrated with a luncheon in the library. Displaying their crowns were (left photo) Avery Hooks and Jonathan Nagel and (right photo) Haley Guisinger and Riley Vavra. National Honor Society students must be a junior or

Donors encouraged to give during October

During Breast Cancer Awareness Month this October, the American Red Cross urges eligible donors to band together to provide hope and healing to patients fighting cancer by giving blood or platelets. In appreciation, those who come to give Oct. 15-Nov. 11 will receive a \$5 Amazon.com gift card via email, courtesy of Suburban Propane.

Donors are asked to make appointments by downloading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

Donors of all blood types are urged to help ensure a stable supply for cancer patients and others this fall. To thank those who come to give in October, the Red Cross is also offering a \$1,000 Amazon.com gift card to five

Blood donations play a crucial role in cancer treatment. Cancer patients undergoing surgery and chemotherapy may require red blood cell or platelet transfusions. In fact, patients fighting cancer need more blood than those with any other disease, using nearly one-quarter of the nation's blood supply.

The Red Cross is testing blood, platelet and plasma donations for COVID-19 antibodies. The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether an individual developed COVID-19 symptoms. Red Cross antibody tests will be helpful to identify individuals who have COVID-19 antibodies and may now help current coronavirus patients in need of convalescent plasma transfusions. Convalescent plasma is a type of blood donation collected from COVID-19 survivors that have antibodies that may help patients who are actively fighting the virus.

COVID-19 antibody test results will be available within one to two weeks in the Red Cross Blood Donor App or donor portal at RedCrossBlood.org. A positive antibody test result does not confirm infection or immunity. The Red Cross is not testing donors to diagnose illness, referred to as a diagnostic test. To protect the health and safety of Red Cross staff and donors, it is important that individuals who do not feel well or believe they may be ill with COVID-19 postpone donation.

Wednesday, Oct. 21, 1-7 pm,1 Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario; and 2-7 pm, Planktown Country Market, 1921 Free Rd., Shiloh

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